

## President's Message

by Frank O'Leary



O'Leary's at Frank's  
70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

It's been a very hot and dry summer in Walla Walla. Our water levels are very low and that has made training for the water elements a real challenge.

On a personal note, July 16<sup>th</sup> was my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Marianne and our daughters, Shannon and Heather, surprised me with an amazing party for over sixty of our friends and family. It was a great time and I'm sure everyone in attendance enjoyed it.

In the September we start our fall testing. You can view the [DKGNA Testing Schedule](#) by clicking on the highlighted part of this schedule.

In September the DKGNA will hold our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, in Salt Lake City, UT. This event, hosted by the Desert Mountain Region, will take place on September 23 – 26, 2021. The host hotel will be the Home 2 Suites by Hilton, in Lehi, UT. This event promises to be both informative and enjoyable. We have a number of speakers and informative topics that will be interesting and beneficial for our membership and their guests. Additional information is available in this publication.



The [2021 DKGNA Raffle](#) is off to a great start. As of this publication more than 50% of the tickets have already been sold. This year you can buy tickets online on the DKGNA website at: [dkgna.org](http://dkgna.org). [Click here to view Raffle Flyer!!](#)

We continue to experience delays in getting Ahnentafels and transponders for our litters from Germany. Initially, Covid-19 created delays in the delivery of the materials, but the problem continues. Breed Warden Randall Cherry strongly encourages all breeders to get their registration materials to him within ten days of the litter whelping. It is taking weeks for the applications to be processed and delivery from Germany. Please help yourself and get your application in ASAP. For additional information please contact DKGNA Breed Warden Randall Cherry a 703-244-2949 or at [dkgnabreedwarden@gmail.com](mailto:dkgnabreedwarden@gmail.com).

We hope you and your families are in good health and your training for the fall test is progressing on schedule. We look forward to seeing you at the DKGNA Annual Meeting September 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, in Salt Lake City.

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