

HUMANE DAY AT THE CAPITAL SEES POSITIVE RESULTS

MACA President JT Taylor and Certification Committee Chair Christine Portmann represented MACA in the Missouri Capitol rotunda during the 2017 Humane Day at the Capitol, organized by the Missouri Alliance for Animal Legislation (MAAL).

The MACA booth, with a nice display prepared by Legislation Committee Chair Shari Pijut, provided attendees with information about the association and MACAs training mission. Taylor and Portmann were also available to answer questions and present MACAs position on many of the legislative issues being presented during this legislative session.

Taylor and Portmann also had the opportunity to meet with the Chief of Staff for one Senator who sponsored a bill which would create complications for MACAs training mission. According to Taylor, the meeting went very well and after learning of the changes to the proposed bill, he and Portmann became in favor of the legislation.

MACA Director James Donovan was also in attendance representing Kansas City Animal Health and Public Safety.

MINI MACA CONFERENCES IN ST JOSEPH AND HILLSBORO PROVIDE CEUS

The return of MINI MACA conferences this year offered continuing education credit training for certified members and new members alike. St Joseph Animal Care and Control hosted the west-side conference, while Jefferson County Animal Control hosted the east-side conference.

ACO Angie Davis taught Animal Attack Investigations and Reporting; Shelter Attendant Liz Allgeyer and Animal Control Manager JT Taylor taught Animal Behavior and Temperament Testing; and Taylor taught Professional Report Writing during the St Joseph MINI MACA. The Hillsboro MINI featured County Services Director Eric Larson teaching Community Oriented Animal Control, while retired MACA Director Wayne Allred and Senior ACO Mark Hastings covered proper use of Animal Capture Equipment and Equipment Maintenance.

Nominations for 2017 Officers/ Board Members Sought

The MACA Board of Directors and Executive Officers will have several seats open for elections during the 2017 Annual Conference. Director Shawna Walker, Nominations Committee Chair, is accepting nominations. Nominees must have a minimum of two years of experience working in the field and must be a member of the association in good standing. Nominees must have been a member for more than one year. All nominations must be typed and submitted before August 1. Board nominees and a brief nominee bio will be listed on the website as they are accepted.

MACA Board of Director's Meet

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Golden Corral in Columbia.

Agenda and prior meeting minutes available at [maca1.net!](http://maca1.net)