

Bill Lehman Memorial Award



Amy Weideman, Assistant County Administrator, Montgomery County Ohio was instrumental in restructuring the Montgomery Co. Animal Resource Center and its mission, which included the construction of the new facility completed in 2005.

The winner of this award is not directly employed in the animal control field, but has shown exceptional awareness in animal control matters that merit distinction. The winner shall be recognized as a 'friend' of animal control, for contributions and outstanding action that assists in furthering the positive image of animal control professionals through local, state or national animal control associations.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who were nominated for one of the NACA Awards. You are all deserving, unfortunately only one nominee could be selected for each award. I would also like to thank each and every one of you for being here. I ask that you thank your administration for allowing you to attend NACA's Annual Training Conference. You are your county or city's biggest asset in public safety. You respond to and meet four times more citizens than your police officers. Your contacts are more emotionally charged. That is why you MUST be the professional and this conference and all NACA training strives to prepare each of you for those situations. Please spend the rest of your time networking with other attendees, share ideas and thoughts. Remember that NACA is here for you, we are the only national organization for animal care and control professionals. Do not hesitate to contact NACA Corporate either by e-mail, fax or phone. Our staff has more experience and access to more resources than any other organization. We are here for you.

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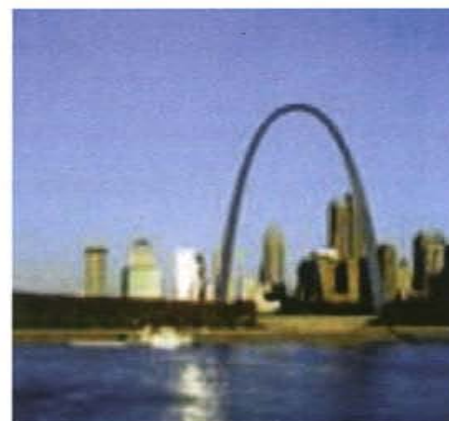
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Animal Control Employee of the Year

Cheryl Malone ACO

Dennis, Ma. Built the department from scratch and developed the Massachusetts ACO certification program 10 years ago that has educated and prepared hundreds of current and future ACOs .



The winner of this award shall have been directly employed in the animal care profession for a minimum of five years and shall be a current member of NACA or his/her affiliated State Association. The winner may be recognized for a single outstanding achievement in animal control or for long term exceptional performance

Outstanding State Association Award



Ohio County Dog Warden's Association

This association was established 58 years ago, making it one of the oldest continually meeting state associations. The Association consists of the chiefs of animal dog control programs who serve populations of 13,000 to 1.3 million people. Its motto is "Striving to be man's and dog's best friend." The OCDWA offers two conferences each year. It is truly a progressive organization working for the betterment of animal care professionals in Ohio.

The winner of this award must be a current affiliate member of NACA. All individuals must be current members of NACA. Selection criteria includes number of active and new members; provides training programs for members; and active in NACA sponsored training

Outstanding Animal Control Agency Award

City of Las Vegas Animal Control Unit



The Animal Control Unit currently consists of 11 NACA certified ACOs and 2 Supervisors who are responsible for enforcement, animal impounds, cruelty investigations, and public education for the 140 square miles of the City of Las Vegas. On average, the Animal Control Unit responds to 35,000 to 37,000 calls for service per year. The Department also created public service announcements with a local television station, provides quarterly presentations to the City Council and collaborates with outside agencies to conduct Community Pet Fairs.

The winner of this award must be a current agency member of NACA. Selection criteria includes effective training programs for personnel; outstanding /innovative public education programs; active community involvement and average response time to calls for assistance.

Diane Lane Memorial Award



Sally Beebe, volunteer with Ingham County Animal Control, Mason, MI since 2003. Sally was co-founder of the Ingham Co Animal Control Steering Committee. She developed and coordinated the all-volunteer mobile adoption unit.

This award is for outstanding volunteer service in animal welfare related fields. The winner shall demonstrate exceptional dedication or performed outstanding work fare and beyond the requirements of their volunteer position.