



## MNK9SS Board/Team Meeting July 2021

### Old Business:

- **Board of Directors:** Katelyn Croteau/Canine Coordinator, Kelly Jahnke/Vice President, Sheila Prior/Treasurer.
  - **What types of things would you like to see more of from the board? Any suggestions?**
- **Treasurer's Report:**
  - Ending balance as of July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021: \$3,001.87
  - See attached financial schedule for recent deposits/subtractions.
- **Vice President's Report:**
  - No old business to report.
- **Canine Coordinator's Report:**
  - No old business to report.

### New Business

#### Social Media/Website

- Melissa Burns continue to manage our social media accounts (Facebook and Instagram)!
- Updated pictures on mnk9ss.org website, otherwise no other real changes.

#### MNK9SS Member Updates

- Voting on full memberships for the following:
  - o Holly Mulholland and K9 Loki (LF)
  - o Doreen Tierney and K9 Reia (HR)
- Hosted first recruitment process for MNK9SS/MNTF-1. Added 3 prospective handlers (Nicole Holloway (LF), Ariana Schoenike (HR), and Tammy Jugovich (LF)).
- At this time canine roster is full.
- **Testing Opportunities**
  - Changes in requirements for FSA (Type II) FEMA/SUSAR testing.
  - **MNTF-1 hosting FSA (Type II) currently scheduled for September 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, will *more than likely* be changed to either August 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, or August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.**
  - **CE (Type I) Testing, October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, in Chicago, IL with ILTF-1.**
  - **CE (Type I) Testing, November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, in Salina, KS with KS-TF1.**
  - What would you like to see added to training? How can we (as a team) better help prepare you and your dog for testing?
- **Training Updates and Upcoming Important Dates**
  - **Joint training involving mock deployment scenarios with KSTF-1 and ILTF-1 at Crisis City in Salina, KS on August 19<sup>th</sup>-August 22<sup>nd</sup> (*pending*).**
  - **KS-TF1 hosting Fall Ball, November 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>.**
  - **MNTF-1 UQT, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup>.**



- Please keep in mind that Dawn Falk at Cloud Nine offers free classes to any of our USAR canines. Agility, obedience, etc., can all be beneficial to your dog.
  - Superfit K9: [www.superfitcanine.org](http://www.superfitcanine.org) (LF and HR)
  - K9 Sensus: <https://www.k9sensus.org/training-courses> (LF and HR)
  - Ohio Center for Forensic Training and Education: [https://thecfte.com/?fbclid=IwAR2dMz2-xQ79dT6iC\\_rVc9wchI5M8Dorn5dksxE4I6HktTreG3Z8\\_btDEFU#courses](https://thecfte.com/?fbclid=IwAR2dMz2-xQ79dT6iC_rVc9wchI5M8Dorn5dksxE4I6HktTreG3Z8_btDEFU#courses) (HR)
  - HRD Specialized K9 Training: <https://www.hrdspecializedk9.com/events> (HR)
  - SDONA: <https://www.sdonal.org/events.html> (LF and HR)
  - Sonja Heritage: <https://www.facebook.com/HeritageK9> (LF and HR)
  - National Disaster Search Dog Foundation: <https://searchdogfoundation.org/workshops/> (LF and HR)
  
  - **K9 Redden Memorial Training Scholarship:** <https://www.calvarycanine.org/scholarship> \$500.00 scholarship to attend a seminar of your choosing.
  - **Cindy McArthur Memorial Training Scholarship:** <https://www.sdonal.org/cindy-mcarthur-memorial.html>, scholarship to attend a SDONA seminar.
  - **National Disaster Search Dog Foundation:** \$1,000.00 grant for non-SDF handlers.
- **Donations/Fundraising**
    - Board members continuing to apply for grants (next cycle is Union Pacific, M & C First Responders, and Front Line Foundation).
    - Donations need to fund Canine Search Specialist training and equipment needs.
    - Fundraising or grant application ideas (?)
- **Uniform/Equipment Needs and Updates**
    - MNK9SS just finished fundraising for canine trauma kits through MediK9. Goal was met for \$800.00 and supplied kits for 5 canine and handler teams.
    - From January 2021 meeting a goal was to create to supply 3 “Wish List” items. The items were the following:
      - Uniforms (shirts, pants, coats)
      - CoAxsher Packs (USAR packs)
      - K9 Medical/Trauma Kits
    - Excited to share that we have nearly reached those goals with the exception of purchasing coats and providing supplies for newer, prospective handlers (budget will be developed to accommodate for them).
    - MNK9SS will continue to fund Canine Search Specialist training.
- **MNTF-1 Update**
  
  - **Other**
    - What changes would you like to see to MNK9SS? Any comments, questions, concerns, or suggestions?