President's Letter:

I hope all is well and everyone has had a great hunting season and holiday! With the show coming up in March I hope everyone has a nice piece or pieces to enter into the competition. Remember the President's Challenge this year is the bear. To fill you in on some of the organizational news, your Board has been very busy getting everything put together for the upcoming show. We hope this year will be as outstanding and as fun as last year. We have some great seminars and judges planned and hope you are able to help collect items for our Auction held at the show. Remember, the items do not have to be related to taxidermy and items are auctioned off both Friday and Saturday night.

In other organization news, your Board has continued to work with the VDGIF on taxidermists being able to sell mounted bears, and we are also working hard with them on CWD. Everyone should have received a letter from VDGIF and we encourage you to respond with any concerns to the contacts listed in the letter.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the show and as always, if you have any questions or suggestions you can reach me at 540-765-8479.

Again, looking forward to lots of fun and fellowship at the annual VTA Taxidermists Competition and Convention.

Robbie Anderson

Secretary's Letter:

Hi Everyone,

A busy show is already in the works and it's shaping up to be another awesome event! Please remember to make your hotel reservations early and to mention that you are with the VTA in order to get your room rate discount. All reservations must be made no later than February 28, 2019 to receive the room rate discount.

Also, make sure to get your membership or convention registration mailed (or completed on the website) so that I have time to prepare your folders. This saves you and I a lot of time at the table when you arrive! I have included the forms within this mail out for your convenience. Also, note that pre-registering SAVES YOU MONEY! Thank you all so much for your continued support and I am so excited to see you all again.

Suzy Anderson

2019 President's Challenge is a BEAR



Show Information: (Subject to change)

Judge's for the 2019 VTA Show:

Hilton Eppley Jr.: Whitetail

Jason Krause: Gamehead & Lifesize

Tim Jordan: Birds

Sam Pompell (Woody): Fish &

Reptile

Rick Denzler: Amateur & Youth

Seminar Information: (Subject to

change)

Hilton Eppley: Whitetail (eye

sculpting)

Tim Jordan: Turkey

Sam Pompell (Woody): Painting

large mouth bass/repo

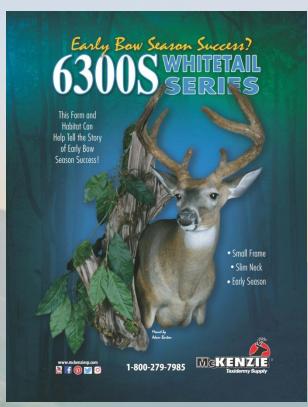
<u>Jason Krause</u>: Mounting gamehead Gerry Viola: Habitat (winter scene)

Chris Lacy: Floor pedestal deer

(attaching/altering)

Round-Table with Judges: (discussion on what judges look for during competition)

<u>VDGIF</u>: CWD sampling <u>Kid Seminar</u>: activity TBD













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