**Canine Ambassador Program**

This new and exciting program will correspond with the AKC Ambassador program. Details can be seen at [http://www.akc.org/public-education/canine-ambassador-program/](http://www.akc.org/public-education/canine-ambassador-program/)

I appreciate the confidence of the Board to name me the chairperson to head up this new venture. One of my first events was to organize a group of North Carolina and South Carolina Borzoi owners to participate in the Blythewood, South Carolina Christmas Parade. We had 10 Borzoi to represent our wonderful breed. A special thank you to Olivia & Kyle Abernathy, Randi Jackson and Tom, Rebecca Strieby, Lesley and Andy Ohmann, Emily Killian, my best friend Hanne Theriot, who made this event possible and so much fun.

I have asked the BCOA Board to establish awards and ribbons for participants. When we have more details, I will share them with you. I would love for this to be in place at the 2019 Nationals.

I will be getting in touch with some of you and ask that you will help me in successfully implementing this program.

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**CH Aashtoria Irishbrook La Rochelle JC ROM-C**

Java is owned by Christine Danker, Paul Danker and Lorrie Scott. Java sired one litter which now has 8 champions, 5 of who finished in 2017. They are: CH Hemlock Hollow Aruzia Journey Towards Daylight CA owners Chuck & Karla Grabosky, CH Hemlock Hollow Aruzia Journey Across Time SC owners Margie Milne & David Milne & Barbara Skinner, CH Hemlock Hollow Aruzia Desertwinds Journey BN RN RA JC CGC owners Wendy & Thomas Merendini, CH Hemlock Hollow Aruzia Enjoy The Journey RN owners Christine Danker & Paul Danker, and CH Hemlock Hollow Aruzia The Journey Continues JC owners Lorrie & John Scott. Their litter was whelped December 5, 2014. Dam is GCH Borscana Melissa Loveletter BN RE JC OAI OJP ROMX-C, breeders Christine Danker and Lorrie Scott.

**CH Rising Star Danilov O’Sunbarr JC ROM-C**

Born June 21, 1988. He was sired by English import Eng/Am/Can CH Stonebar Sebastian out of Am/Can CH Rising Star’s Penelope, bred and owned by Nadine Johnson. With Danilov’s frozen semen, GCHS Zabava Ostrov Casablanca whelped a litter June 14, 2015. Finishing during 2017 were CH Zabava Nakhodka, CH Zabava Nadezhda and CH Zabava Now Or Never, all owned by breeders Irina Terra and Kristina Terra. Also in that litter, finishing in 2017, are CH Zabava Neva BN RN CGCA THD, owned by Janet Browne and CH Zabava Northern Lights owned by Karyn Convertini, Kristina Terra and Irina Terra. (Danilov is also the sire of 15 champions who finished in the 1990s).