



PUPPY PUDDLES NEWS

WE TEACH YOU TO TEACH YOUR DOG

Monthly Meeting

- Feb 17, 2015
Benco Building
Board Meeting — 6:30PM
Club Meeting — 7:30PM

Refreshments

- Feb — Pat Hooey & Joey Heilman
Mar — Davey's & Otternesses'
Apr — Bev Cox, Karen Byron, & Penny Helgerson

Thank you to David Johnson for the wonderful refreshments at the January Meeting!

Important Dates

- Feb 18 — Meeting

Your Contributions

Please feel free to e-mail your ideas, stories or pictures to me and I will try my best to incorporate them. Let's work together to make this a great newsletter!

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Dog Training

Good Cheer

If any club member knows of anyone needing Good Cheer please contact Elaine at any of the following:
See page 2 for good cheer.

Email: flapjack@hickorytech.net
Cell phone: 507- 327-5616
Address: 53001 174th Lane Garden City, MN56034

Agility Volunteer Coordinator Needed

Attention KCKC Members:

After 2 years of wonderful service Lynn Davey has decided to give up the Volunteer Coordinator position for our Agility Trial. I am in search of a new Volunteer Coordinator to set up Volunteers to fill the rings at the Agility Trial. It will be a bit easier this year as we will be going down to one judge and 2 rings so we will only need to be filling one ring at a time with volunteers. If anyone is interested in helping the club with this much needed position please contact me and I will be happy to fill you in and let you know how everything is done. You can contact me through EMAIL – flapjack@hickorytech.net – OR – PHONE – [507-327-5616](tel:507-327-5616). Thank you – Elaine Carstensen – KCKC Agility Trial Chair.

Officers

President — Jim Olson Vice President — Pete Otterness
Secretary — Megan Hancock Treasurer — Lynn Davey

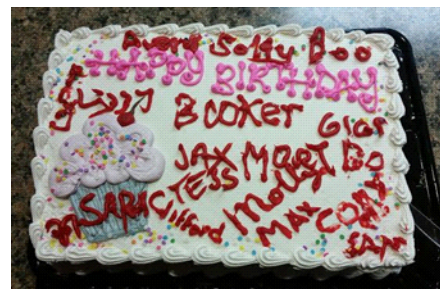
Good Cheer

Dave and Jan Richards lost Cleaver, another of their old sled dog team. A sympathy card was sent with a message giving our sympathies in the loss. A sled dog team is very special, something only for the very few of us. We all send you our hugs and take comfort in knowing we understand how difficult the loss of your pet is.

Ron and Kim Hanson lost China. Many of us remember China as Annette Fredrick's side kick at Obedience class or Agility Class. She spent her senior years with Ron and Kim and bonded with Ron. He let her play her favorite Agility Games and other fun chores around their farm. Ron and Kim, many of us feel this loss as we knew China well. Thank you for being such wonderful owners in the last part of her life. Big hugs and many special memories go out for this special dog.

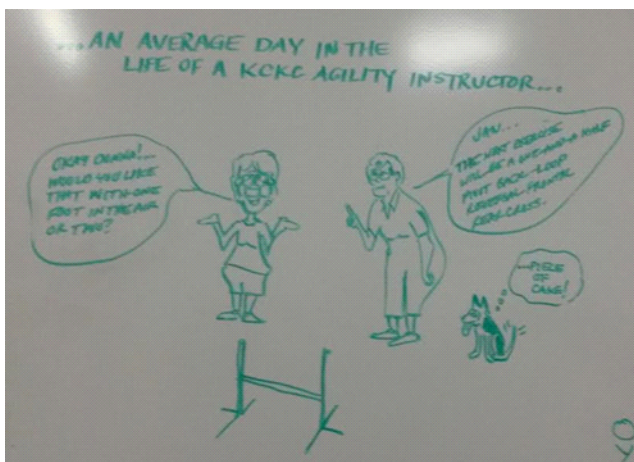
Hats Off to the Birthday Dog

January's meeting was made a little more festive, when David Johnson got creative with the refreshments. Armed with a cake and a tube of frosting, David held an impromptu birthday celebration for our past and present furry friends. Everyone who wanted could put a name of a dog on the cake. Afterwards, we all dug in. Great thinking David!



Artwork at the Training Center

Earlier this month we were all treated to a lovely cartoon drawing pertaining to one of our agility instructors and their student. Though no one seems to know who drew this on the white board, we all got a good laugh out of it. For those of you who were not able to see it "in person" you can see it below. A thanks to whomever brightened our days.



Head of the Class: 10 Most Intelligent Dog Breeds

You know your dog is super smart—and nobody is doubting that. Like people, dogs are individuals with their own set of skills. That said, certain breeds commonly demonstrate more intelligence at specific tasks. Here, the AKC identified 10 of the most intelligent breeds:

1. Australian Shepherd
2. Golden Retriever
3. Siberian Husky
4. Belgian Malinois
5. Newfoundland
6. Labrador Retriever
7. Beagle
8. Bloodhound
9. German Shepherd Dog
10. Border Collie

KCKC 2014 Award Winning Dogs and Handlers

Congratulations to all members who reported the titles earned on their dogs during 2014.
All titles earned in 2014 are listed in bold.

Conformation

Melissa Lembke and Vizsla **GCH** CH Panacea's Simply Moonstruck

Melissa Lembke and Vizsla **GCH CH** Kizmar Panacea Just Lean Into It

Agility

Jan Richards and Miniature North American Shepherd **MACH 5** Wiseachers Sheila MXS2, MJB3, OF, T2B

Lynn Davey and Sheltie **MACH** Gamblyn's Quintessence CDX, RE, **MXS, MJS**, NAP, OJP

Donna Sonnek and Border Collie **MACH** Hob Nob Argonaut MXS MJS, **MXP, MJP**

Obedience and Rally

Lynn Davey and Sheltie Gamblyn's Possibility **CD, RA** AX AXJ

Deanna Kuhl and Border Collie Lily VII **BN, RN, RA**

Jan West and Havenese Briardales Brie A Delightful Surprise **BN, RN**, CGC

Karen Byron and GSD Starkhaus' Lightening Strike of Kari Haus **BN, RN, CGCA**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD SG Ceyla vom Gildaf BH AD CDX GN **RAE** CA TC **CGCA**

Herding

Roxie Eaton and Border Collie Gems Georgie Pants HSBs, **HIAs**, HSAsM, MX, MXJ, NF

Linda Ulman and Sheltie Wunita Don't Pass Me BI AX, AXJ, OF, **HIC**, CGC

Coursing Trials

Linda Murray and Siberian Jenosha Lucky Maverick Smokin' On By **CA**

Lynne Holmgren and LabX Abby **CAX** THDD CGCA

Therapy Dog Title

Lynne Holmgren and LabX Abby **CAX** THDD CGCA

S.T.A.R., Canine Good Citizen, and Community Canine

Sue Erickson and Briard Dromore's Honah Lee De L'Heureux, **RN** **CGC**

Sue Compart and GSD Gidheon **CGC**

Penny Helgerson and Sheltie Gamblyn's Sullivan Aleander **CGC**

Brian Carstensen and Chesapeake Bay Retriever Next Generations Watonwan Valley Kate **CGC**

Deanna Kuhl and Border Collie Raven Kuhl **CGC**

Linda Murry and Samoyed Prairie Isle Gabby That'll Do **CA, RE, THD, CGCA**

Lynne Holmgren and LabX Abby **CGCA**

Deanna Kuhl and Border Collie Lilly VII **BN, RA, CGCA**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD Ceyla Vom Gildaf **CGCA**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD H'Linea von Holtgrew **CGCA**

Karen Byron and GSD Starkhaus' Lightening Strike of Kari Haus **BN, RN, CGCA**

Jan Richards and Miniature Am. Shepherd Southern Star's Ima Wiseacher **CGCA**

Penny Helgerson and Sheltie Gamblyns Klanissa Marie. **CGCA**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD SG Ceyla vom Gildaf BH AD CDX GN **RAE** CA TC **CGCA**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD H'Linea von Holtgrew BH **BN RN** **CGCA**

KCKC 2014 Award Winning Dogs and Handlers cont'd

Non-AKC accomplishments:

Linda Ulman and Sheltie Wunita Don't Pass Me BI AX, AXJ, OF, HIC, CGC

Canine Performance Events agility **CL3-F, CL4-R, CL4-H**

Mary Schroeder and Shih Tzu Lady Henrietta Schroeder CD, RE, NJP, CGC,

UKC Rally **URO1, URO2**

Linda Murray and Siberian Jenosha Lucky Maverick Smokin' On By CA

UKC CH and Rally **URO1, UWP**

Lynne Holmgren and LabX Abby CAX THDD CGCA

UKC **UNJ, URO1, UWP** and has 41 Dog Scouts of America merit badges

Melissa McIntyre and GSD H'Linea von Holtgrew **BH BN RN CGCA OV TDI**

UKC **URO1 UAG1 Int CH UGRCH**

Melissa McIntyre and GSD SG Ceyla vom Gildaf **BH AD CDX GN RAE CA JJ TC CGC TDI OV**

UROX UJJ UWP UCDX UAG1 Int CH UCH

KCKC at the Blue Earth County Library

Our KCKC members have been the topic of discussion at the Blue Earth County Library this month. We thank readers Lynn Davey, Bev Cox, Lynn Holgrem and Patty Hooey, along with their dogs for taking the time to read at the children's story time. The children get to learn about pet care and respect for animal space as the club member reads to them. This is always a teaching opportunity.

Display boxes were artfully filled with educational information. We thanks Jeanne Epp for 2 displays. One on heart worm shows a worm infected real on loan from the Nicollet Vet Clinic. Another focuses on care of teeth with photos of a tooth surgery, and the resulting pieces of the tooth.

Sharon Olson presented 2 boxes as well. One is filled with KCKC information on activities you can do with your dog. The second is filled with grooming information. It contains grooming tools and actual toe nails that are painfully long. Sharon was kind enough to bring a huge pelt of felted fur that had to be shaved from a dog. We left it on top of the display box for the public to experience, but somehow it is no longer there. We joke that if you see someone with a funny looking wig to let Sharon know.

Sue Compart shares an informative box on Service Dogs. These great animals have helped to make the lives of so many other people better. The hours of training are truly offset by the hours of love, help, and joy these dogs bring into many lives.

Linda Murray shared a display about the Samoyed. The information includes weight pull, carting, sledding, backpacking, sheep herding, therapy, and conformation. Included in the display is a tiny Samoyed pulling a sled with a ball of fur. There are mittens made from that Samoyed fur. These displays are important to educate all that see them, whether they are dog people or not.

February 7 was the big day for our Meet and Greet, or as the library calls it our BIG DOG SHOW, Cathe Olson took lots of photos. A favorite of mine is a little girl being kissed on the nose by a big Samoyed.

Thanks to Brian & Elaine for transporting agility equipment for the demos. A very special thank you to members and their dogs who participated in the well-attended demos for obedience and agility! It is always amazing to me that these dogs can be trained to do exactly what their people as them to do.

As we all sat around the library's water feature, the room was filled with excitement from the people who care to meet us. Young and old all have questions and stories to share. I hope it makes each of us that much more proud to be members of our KCKC.

Thanks to each of you for participating and making this a huge success!

Kathy Nelson

