

# PUPPY PUDDLES



WE TEACH YOU TO TEACH YOUR DOG

## Monthly Meeting

- March 18, 2014  
KCKC Training Center  
Board Meeting — 6:30PM  
Club Meeting — 7:30PM

## Refreshments

- Mar — Penny Helgerson &  
Karen Byron  
Apr — Davey & Otterness  
May — Dawn Blaine &

**Still need Someone!**

Thank you to David Johnson,  
Joey Heilman, and Bev Cox for  
the wonderful refreshments at  
the previous meeting!

## Important Dates

- March 18 — Classes start  
at KCKC



## Dog Training

## Good Cheer

- See page 2 for Good Cheer

If any club member knows of anyone  
needing Good Cheer please contact Elaine  
at any of the following:

Email: [flapjack@hickorytech.net](mailto:flapjack@hickorytech.net)

Cell phone: 507- 327-5616

Address: 53001 174th Lane Garden City,  
MN56034

## There's An App For That

These days almost everyone has a smart phone, and we love the apps that can be  
used with them. Below is a list of apps designed for dog owners.

- Dog Decoder — illustrates and explains dog postures to help people  
understand what their dog is trying to tell them
- Dog Park Finder — Helps people find dog parks when away from home
- Dog First Aid — Helps people to figure out when something is an  
emergency or just the sniffles
- Tagg — GPS tracking for your dog
- PetToxins — Identifies toxic plants and foods
- Pet Minder Pro — Keeps track of all things about your dog and sends you  
reminders

## 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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## Officers

President — Jim Olson

Vice President — Pete Otterness

Secretary — Megan Hancock

Treasurer — Lynn Davey

## Good Cheer

Bev Cox lost her Beagle, Molly, in early February. A sympathy card was sent to Bev giving her our sympathies in her loss. Bev, I hope our Sympathy wishes were uplifting for you to know that there is a whole group of people here for you that understand what it is to lose a pet. They are so part of our families and their lives are so short. Know Molly is in a much better place and she had her Dad to greet her when she crossed that Rainbow Bridge. Big hugs from all of us here at Key City Kennel Club.

Linda Ulman lost her Shetland Sheepdog, Denver, very recently. A sympathy card was sent to Linda also expressing our sympathies of her loss. Linda, know we are all there with you and there are many shoulders to share your loss with. I remember watching you run Denver in Agility, he might not have always liked the game, but he so wanted to please you and do what you liked. He lived a full, fun-filled life of activity with a wonderful caring mom. Big hugs and caring wishes from all of us here at Key City Kennel Club.

## Picture time



Snow Fun — Picture submitted by Lynn Davey

## Soft Sided Crate For Sale

Lynn Davey has a gently used 36 X 23 X 27 soft sided crate for sale. Please contact her if you are interested.

## Sheltie Needs A Home

A 2 1/2 year old male sheltie is in need of a home after the passing of his owner. He is bi-black in color and is neutered. If interested please contact Cathy at the following:

earhart@umn.edu

## KCKC At The Library : Report

Library director Tim Hayes, once again sends a Thank You letter to our club for sponsoring the month of February.

The library does extensive promotion for this, and it is good PR for them as well as our club. KEYC TV was there twice. Our member Avery Lembke was featured on Saturday at the meet and greet. On Tuesday they returned to film Bev Cox with her dog, reading to the children. Other club members who brought dogs for story hour and read to the children were Jeanne Epp with guest Kristen Kunath and her borzoi puppy, and Gladys Berlin and her Golden. Bev was kind enough to read on two occasions.

This year the display boxes were installed as follows:

- Sharon Olson with 2 boxes on Grooming,
- Elaine Ballman and Roxie Eaton on Barn Hunts
- Jeanne Epp on Valentines and Herding dogs
- Gladys Berlin's display was on what to expect when living with a Golden Retriever
- Kathy Nelson's was on the CAT test, Lure Coursing for all dogs.

The auditorium was filled when our members introduced the different breeds. Lynn Davey walked everyone through obedience and agility, and Elaine Ballman brought her pet rat to show everyone how a barn hunt works.

Thank you to all our loyal members who brought their well behaved dogs and sat in the library for several hours. The public really appreciates meeting the dogs, and we all share lots of stories. Of course, the library staff all look forward to seeing us again next February

## “Muffin Thief” — A Short Story by Gloria Jeanne Epp

He said he would. And he did. He baked grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffins for me.

My small muffin contribution was hand picked blueberries grown at my cousin's farm a few miles out of town. He found the garbanzo bean, potato starch, tapioca, white sorghum, fava bean flour. He purchased honey from a local apiary. And he tweaked the recipe, inch by inch, trial by trial, learning with each snafu. Until finally...perfection personified in six gold plated grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffins. Wonderful.

Friday evening he appeared with four muffins. We ate three. I saved one for Saturday. Good stuff. That Saturday was a hot and sticky southern Minnesota summer day. The tomatoes needed watering, the second harvest of green beans needed planting and the cabbage needed a good sprinkling of BT, worms consuming considerably more than their share.

For three hours I watered tomatoes, planted green beans and dusted cabbage. I was hot. I was sticky. The cool house was nice, that grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin in the refrigerator, with a cool iced tea in a pretty crystal glass, a beckoning nirvana haunting my mind and twisting my soul.

I chose a pretty crystal glass from the cupboard, then walked to the refrigerator. Opened the door and was reaching for my grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin on the bottom shelf when a flash zooped in, quickly disappearing around the opposite side of the refrigerator door. My muffin was gone!

One suspicious looking Rosie Joe was guzzling what appeared to be my muffin. Just beyond my reach. Moving towards Rosie Joe to rescue wary remains of my precious muffin, I was amazed how swiftly a nine month old Rough Collie puppy could move.

"Drop my grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin!" I commanded. Rosie Joe grabbed his prize. An experienced, competently trained sheep herding dog could not have maneuvered with greater expertise. Rosie Joe angled between my legs, around the kitchen table, through the hall and into the living-room, adeptly carrying what suspiciously looked like my grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin in his mouth, dropping nary a crumb. I followed in hot pursuit.

Rosie Joe jumped over the big collie, raced under the round oak

table, around the chairs, through the toys and cleared the foot stool with the skill of a champion hurdler. He was curving, dodging, defying gravity with every movement.

Rosie Joe cleverly paused a moment behind the davenport, out of sight but still in mind, before deftly returning to the scene of his theft. By the time I caught up with Rosie Joe in the kitchen, only a few paltry crumbs of my grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin remained stuck to his chin hairs. Circumstantial evidence. Rosie Joe denied everything.

I called my muffin benefactor to share the saga of Rosie Joe and the muffin. He laughed, promised me the two surviving muffins saved for a future dinner at his home. And a bag of prototype wheat free, organic peanut butter, liver and honey dog treats. The man bakes to relax! Wonderful.

Sunday the puppy could no longer deny thievery of my grain free, milk free, gluten free, blueberry-honey muffin. Reasonable doubt was history. Clearly visible in Rosie Joe's poop....muffin paper!

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Left: Rosie Joe  
Below: Rosie Joe and JJ



## General Meeting Minutes

The regular meeting of the Key City Kennel Club was called to order at 7:45 on February 18th, 2014 at the BENCO building in Mankato MN by Jim Olson. No Guests were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed. No guests to introduce.

### Reports

#### President:

Dog breeder bill is available to look at, contact Jim Olson if interested.

#### Secretary:

Correspondence --

AKC sent forms regarding the good sportsmanship award and Delegate position.

Flyer sent to us about pet sketches.

#### Treasurer:

**January Balance:** \$61768.41

No unusual expenses. Report is available for review.

Correspondence -- The BENCHS sent us a thank you note for the money that was donated to them from the raffle money.

#### Training Report

Classes are continuing as normal. Ads are set to run in Home Magazine next week advertising for spring session. We are deleting the "Demand AKC papers" and replace it with "All dogs welcome".

Lynn already has some spring registrations coming in.

#### Old Business

None

#### New Business

#### Meeting Location

The meeting will need to be held at the Training Center for the March and April meetings. Bring your own chairs.

#### Trophy chair

We are looking for a new person to head up trophies for the 2015 May show. Lee will take care of the 2014 May show. If interested please let Jim Olson know.

A motion was made by Sharon Olson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lee Schulz. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34PM.

Minutes submitted by: Megan Hancock

## AGENDA:

### BOARD MEETING

- I. Approve minutes of previous meeting
- II. Report of Secretary
  - A. Correspondence
  - B. Applications for membership
- I. Reports of Committees
  - A. Treasurer
  - B. Training
  - C. Building Committee
- I. Unfinished Business
- II. New Business
- III. Recess meeting
- IV. Adjourn meeting

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### GENERAL MEETING

- I. Introduce Guests
- II. Approve minutes of previous meeting
- III. Report of the President
  - A. Board discussion and action
- IV. Report of the Secretary
  - A. Correspondence
  - B. Applications for membership
- V. Good Cheer Fund
- VI. Report of the Treasurer
- VII. Reports of Committees
  - A. AKC Delegate
  - B. Training
- VIII. Unfinished Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjourn Meeting

BRAG BOX

DESSERT