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New Officers Elected

New officers were elected at the March general membership meeting. The following members were elected for the 2008 term of office; Kathy Wetzel - President, Nanci Good - Vice President, Nancy Cummerick – Treasurer, Elise Morris – Recording Secretary, Tammy Boice – Corresponding Secretary, and Barbara Allison, LaDonna King and Tim Morris – Directors. Thank you to the outgoing 2007 officers!

MAY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The May membership meeting will be held at the Ohkom Farms Training Center in Greensburg on May 18th at 3:00 pm. Be sure to bring your dogs! There will be a Rally Demonstration by Kathy Wetzel. You can also bring your donation for the Specialty Raffle. See you there.

From Greensburg:

Follow 119 North through town. Go through the tunnel to a red light. Sheetz will be on your left. Continue on 119 North. You will pass Lynch Field on your right. Come to the Stop light at the Hostess Wonder Bread Store. Continue straight approx 1 ½ miles. You will pass Dr. Beams office on your left and the Country Farms Nursery on your left. After passing the Nursery at the top of the hill you will see a sign on your right to **HANNA'S TOWN**. The turn is to the **LEFT**. Go to the four way stop sign, continue straight, go down a little windy hill, over a bridge and continue **.9ths** of a mile. I am on the Left hand side, look for a Red Barn a Red Log Home and a RED Pole building and a sign **OHKOM FARMS TRAINING CENTER** Pull down the gravel driveway to the lot in front of the building.

From 22 West:

From Delmont interchange continue east approximately 4 miles. (You will pass a BP station at the red light on your left.) Look for a sign that says **HANNA'S TOWN** road. Turn **RIGHT**. * This is a windy country road. Go 2.6 miles and I am your **RIGHT**. Look for a red pole building and a sign **OHKOM FARMS TRAINING CENTER** Pull down the gravel driveway to the lot in front of the building.

From 22 East:

From New Alexander there is a Sheetz on the Left. Continue approx. 4.5 miles. Look for a sign that says **HANNA'S TOWN** road. Turn **LEFT**. Follow above *

From Rt 30 (east or west)

Can follow Rt 30 to Rt 119 N and follow above directions, from Greensburg. Or to Hutchinson By Pass to end. Get on 22 east, follow above directions from 22 west.

Raffle Donations Needed

Raffle donations are needed for the June Specialty. Please bring your donation to the May meeting or contact Kathy Wetzel at kathywetzel@gmail.com or (304) 527-3113.

BRAGS & Announcements



Ch. Kingdom's Little Boy's Pride "Tyler" recently celebrated his 7th Birthday in January. Tyler now lives with Marion Watson (friend of member LaDonna King) who also owns Tyler's brother Ian. Tyler has adjusted well to his new family. Marion took Tyler in when Tyler's previous pet owner had to give him up. Thank you Marion for taking such good care of our first show dog. Tyler is still loved by his original owners Kevin Boston and Richard Hunt and his human grandma (and breeder) LaDonna King.

The Dalmatian Club of America has named Starwood's Touched by an Angel a "Performance Top Spot" for 2007! Tess was ranked #9 in Novice Standard and #10 in Novice JWW.

Tess also completed her Level 1 Strategy Games title in CPE agility with a first place qualifying score in her Snooker run on March 9. Tess is loved and owned by Lisa and Jim Bauer.



SNOW DAYS

"Onyx" playing in the snow. Onyx is owned and loved by member Nancy Cummerick.



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"Gage" playing in the snow. Gage is owned and loved by member LaDonna King.



Joey earned his rally novice title at the Youngstown All Breed Training Club on 04/04/08. He completed it in three tries (two days at WPKA). His first two legs at WPKA had qualifying scores of 98 and 77. His third leg was a 95. So it's back to class and we'll try for a rally advance title! Congratulations to Joey and Kathy! Joey is loved and owned by member Kathy Wetzel.

Spider aka Andiron's Web Spinner was entered at the DCA National in the 12-18 class and placed 4th in a class of 25! Congratulations to Spider and Pat Martin who loves and owns Spider on bringing home a ribbon from the National.

GPDC Members & Friends pull out the green at Pittsburgh's St Patrick Day Parade



See more photos online at snapfish.com. Contact Lisa Bauer at lbauer1@connecttime.net for more information.

FROM THE AKC PRESS RELEASES

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - Date: March 6, 2008, Contact: Daisy Okas - Phone: 212-696-8343

AKC AND WALT DISNEY STUDIOS HOME ENTERTAINMENT TO EDUCATE MOVIE LOVERS ON FINDING THE RIGHT BREED FOR THEIR LIFESTYLE

-AKC Provides Educational Insert In DVD of Disney's '101 Dalmatians 2-Disc Platinum Edition DVD' -

New York, NY- After successful collaborations on Air Buddies, Shaggy Dog, Eight Below and Underdog DVDs, the American Kennel Club(r) and Walt Disney Studios Home Entertainment have again joined forces to emphasize the importance of making educated decisions when buying a dog.

An educational insert with a message from AKC(r) and the Dalmatian Club of America appears in Disney's 2-disc Platinum Edition DVD release of the animated family favorite, 101 Dalmatians. The insert is intended to remind potential puppy owners to educate themselves before buying a dog. 'Dalmatians make wonderful family pets, but like with any breed, potential owners need to be ready for a commitment and know that the breed will be a good fit with their family and lifestyle,' said Lisa Peterson, AKC spokesperson. 'We are very grateful to Disney for providing us with an avenue that reminds the public of this important message.' This special 2-disc platinum edition release of 101 Dalmatians is bound to be a hit with families and dog lovers alike, with a beautiful all-new digital restoration with bonus features such as a 'Virtual Dalmatians' game, 101 Pop-Up Trivia facts, and more.

This beloved animated masterpiece centers around Dalmatians Pongo and Perdita who must quickly spring into action when Cruella de Vil's evil henchmen dognap their 15 puppies to make her spotted dog-skin coat. Pongo and Perdita use the 'twilight bark' to enlist the help of their animal friends and find their pups, but upon arriving at the de Vil mansion, they find 84 additional puppies that have been kidnapped from across London. The movie follows Pongo and Perdita and their now 101 puppies in a daring escape from the de Vil mansion and their adventures as they cross the countryside in an attempt to return home. To learn more about Disney's 101 Dalmatians visit <http://disney.go.com/disneyvideos/animatedfilms/101dalmatians/>

Information on the Dalmatian breed can be found via the Dalmatian Club of America Web site. To learn about all 157 AKC recognized breeds visit www.akc.org.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB SEEKS ENTRIES FROM ACROSS THE NATION FOR 9th ANNUAL AWARDS FOR CANINE EXCELLENCE

Is Your Dog Among the Country's Bravest, Boldest and Best Companions?

New York, NY - Is your canine the kind that always lifts your spirits when you're feeling blue? Do you know a dog that helps the sick feel better? Heard of a pooch who played a role in a dramatic rescue? If so, what better way to pay tribute to a deserving dog than by nominating him for an American Kennel Club Award for Canine Excellence (ACE)?

An American Kennel Club (AKC) ACE award is a national honor, given to only five dogs each year who have performed an exemplary act or series of acts, whether large or seemingly small, that have significantly benefited a community or individual. One award is given in the following five categories: law enforcement, search and rescue, therapy, service, and exemplary companion dog. Honorable Mentions will be awarded to outstanding entries in each category.

In addition to the prestige of being chosen from hundreds of entries, each of the five honorees receives a cash award of \$1,000, an engraved sterling silver collar medallion and an all-expenses-paid trip for dog and owner to Long Beach, Calif., to be honored at the seventh annual AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in December 2008. The engraved names of the five recipients will also be added to the ACE plaque that is on permanent display in the AKC's Library in New York City. Dogs receiving honorable mention will be awarded an engraved bronze medallion. All entrants will receive an AKC ACE Certificate of Recognition in acknowledgement of their nomination.

Anyone, including the dog owner or handler, may submit a nomination. Submissions for the American Kennel Club Awards for Canine Excellence for 2008 must include: * A non-returnable, original photograph of the dog. Hi-resolution electronic photos (300dpi and at least 5x7 inches or, 72dpi at least 20x30 inches) are permissible but not scans.

* A 500-word-or-less description of how the dog has demonstrated excellence.

* Dog's call name, registered name if applicable, breed, age and sex.

* Owner/Nominator name(s), address, phone number. E-mail address if available.

*Please note that to be considered, dogs must be an AKC recognized breed.

Nominations will be accepted until June 30, 2008 and should be sent to:

Ronald N. Rella: ACE Awards 2008
The American Kennel Club
260 Madison Avenue, 4th Floor
New York, New York 10016

For more information about the AKC ACE awards, to download a nomination form or to view last year's honorees visit <http://www.akc.org/news/ace/index.cfm>

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PLEASE SEND ANY CORRECTIONS/ADDITIONS TO NANCY CUMMERICK SYMI40@AOL.COM

Announcing Our 41st Specialty

4 DAY SHOW WEEKEND!!!

Greene County Fairgrounds - Waynesburg, PA 15370

Thursday June 19th – South Hills Kennel Club ~ Breed Judge: Susan Carr

Friday June 20th – Greater Pittsburgh Dalmatian Club Specialty ~ Breed: Judge Lester Mapes, Sweeps Judge: Jacquelyn Quinn

Saturday June 21st – South Hills Kennel Club ~ Breed Judge: Ray Filburn

Sunday June 22nd – Mountaineer Kennel Club ~ Breed Judge: Pat Gellerman

Show Site Improvements for 2008

**Inside building with concrete floor, Improved parking area, crating area close to ring for ENTIRE weekend!*

**concrete floor maybe limited to day of specialty- all breed ring flooring unknown at time of newsletter printing*

Premium List available NOW! - contact Tammy Boice or see our web site www.pittsburghdalclub.com

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES Sunday March 9, 2008 – 3:30 PM

Present: Members; Nancy Cummerick, Kathy & Jim Wetzel, Nanci Good, Kevin Boston, Debbie Poole, LaDonna King. Guests; Carl & Kimberly Myers, Chris Aranowski, Eric & Cindy Kulikowski, Michele & Charlie Horan, Kim & Jack Mellon.

- I. Kathy Wetzel read the meeting minutes from the January membership meeting, no corrections made; minutes accepted and passed.
- II. Treasurer Report – Nancy Cummerick reported on beginning balances for January and February, receipts, disbursements with an ending balance of \$2106.57
- III. No corresponding secretary report.
- IV. Discussion of applications for new membership. By unanimous vote Chris Aranowski and Carl and Kimberly Myers were accepted as new members.
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. Nominating Committee; Slate of new officers and board members for 2008 was read by Nanci Good. All candidates voted and accepted by unanimous voice vote.
 - B. Funday Committee: Kevin Boston will make reservation and get permit once a date has been decided. Kathy and Jim Wetzel will handle the raffle. Chris Aranowski will chair the event pending the assistance of Lisa Bauer (not present). Chris will pick a date by the next meeting. Carl and Kimberly Myers will handle hospitality.
 - C. Breeder Referral – not present
 - D. Public Education/AKC Ambassador – LaDonna King has been promoting her book as a educational tool at a local school in her area. Participation in the “meet the breed” at the WPKA show was discussed by Nanci Good.
 - E. Newsletter – Kevin Boston reminded everyone to please fill-out and send in their membership update form so a membership roster can be printed in the next newsletter.
 - F. Specialty – Nanci Good reported that the show and judges has been approved by the AKC. Breed judge will be L. Mapes and Sweepstakes judge will be J. Quin. The premium list will go out in April.
- VI. Unfinished Business – St. Patrick Day Parade was discussed and hand-out was given out by Kathy Wetzel. All members except two have paid their 2008 dues. Next Meeting will be held on May 18th pending any conflict with show calendar. Debbie Poole and Kathy Wetzel will handle hospitality for the May meeting.
- VII. New Business – LaDonna King's book discussed. Dremel/nail cutting demonstration by LaDonna King. Dogs in the park discussed by member Carl Myers and Guest Kim Mellon. Carl Myers will research dates and provide information on getting tickets to anyone interested. Producing a Club calendar as a fund raiser was discussed; Chris Aranowski will gather some information and bring it to the next meeting. A possible seminar was discussed by LaDonna King. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Submitted by Kevin Boston for Elise Morris, Secretary who was not present.

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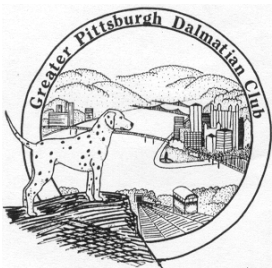
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