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SPOT A CURE - NO OBSTACLE TOO BIG by Lisa Bauer



As many of you know, my friend and fellow GPDC member Cindy Kulikowski was diagnosed with breast cancer in May (former long-time GPDC member Gayle Gieger is also battling breast cancer). I struggled with a way that I could support Cindy during her diagnosis and treatment, and I teamed up with a graphic artist and a printer to design t-shirts that we could sell to raise money for breast cancer research and awareness.

I formed a non-profit entity called "Spot a Cure". Above are the t-shirt designs that have been printed and debuted at the Fun Day August 30th.

Design #1 is "No Obstacle Too Big To Conquer." This design will be printed large on the back of the shirt, with Design #2 appearing smaller on the front left chest of the shirt.

Design #2 is "Spot A Cure". This design will be printed large on the back of the shirt, with Design #1 appearing smaller on the front left chest of the shirt.

The shirts sell for \$15 each, with ALL profits benefiting breast cancer research/awareness (shipping and handling is an additional \$5). Orders can be placed at www.spotacure.com or email me at spotacure@gmail.com to make arrangements. All checks should be made payable to "Spot a Cure".

One in seven women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime. The next woman you help by supporting Spot a Cure may be you or someone you love. Both Cindy and Gayle detected their tumors through a self breast examination. Please help us spread the word about the benefits of early detection by promoting our t-shirt sales. With each t-shirt purchased, we are including a laminated self breast examination shower card and SBE reminder stickers to place on your calendar. We anticipate being able to donate \$10 per shirt, so each shirt we sell can make a big difference! Help us **Spot a Cure** for Breast Cancer!

P.S. If you plan on purchasing one of our shirts, please email me a photo of your dog(s).

We have a page on our website called "Dals 'n Pals" that features a slideshow of all the dogs whose owners have supported Spot a Cure. We'd love to include your dog's photo, too!

PENNSYLVANIA BREAST CANCER COALITION

Breast Cancer Statistics

25 women in Pennsylvania will be diagnosed with breast cancer today!

Breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in Pennsylvania in women between the ages of 25 and 54.

Nearly all breast cancers can be treated successfully if found early. When breast cancer is found at its earliest stage the five-year survival rate is 98%.

Approximately 9,000 women in Pennsylvania are diagnosed each year with breast cancer.

Approximately 2,000 women in Pennsylvania die each year of breast cancer.

There are approximately 103,000 women in Pennsylvania living with breast cancer.

Three of four cases of breast cancer arise in women with no known risk factors.

Breast cancer continues to be the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women in the U.S., regardless of race or ethnicity.

There are more than two million breast cancer survivors alive today in the United States.

One in seven women in the U.S. will be diagnosed with breast cancer during their lifetime.

The PA Breast Cancer Coalition represents, supports and serves breast cancer survivors and their families in Pennsylvania through educational programming, legislative advocacy and breast cancer research grants. The PBCC is a statewide non-profit organization that creates the hope of a brighter tomorrow by providing action and information to women with breast cancer today.



"Spot a Cure" - Inspiration



Cindy Kulikowski pictured above with her two Dalmatians, Peet (L) & Rudy (R).

Cindy's Message

*On Halloween, 2008, my mammogram showed no abnormalities. During a breast self exam in late April, I found a hard lump. Biopsies determined that there were two tumors of invasive ductal carcinoma, 3.5 and 1.2 cm in size. Thank goodness I detected the lump in April, rather than waiting for my next mammogram in Fall, 2009. I shudder to think of how large it could have grown by then, and rather than having no sign of cancer in my lymph nodes, it may have invaded lymph nodes and/or the chest wall by that time. My tumors required neither chemotherapy nor radiation; had I not done a breast self exam, the tumors would almost certainly have required both! **My plea to you is to please do your self exams!** It may very well have saved my life.*

When I was asked to select recipients for the proceeds from the t-shirt sales, two organizations immediately came to mind: Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition (PBCC) and Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Both groups are invested in research, education, awareness, screening, treatment, support programs, and lobbying for insurance coverage for breast cancer and its complications. Susan G. Komen for the Cure supplied me with questions to ask each of my doctors/specialists as well as treatment decision considerations. PA Breast Cancer Coalition supplied me with valuable educational support as well as the Pink Ribbon Friends support group meetings. Both groups have been a God-send for my journey.



2009 Awards Banquet and Holiday Dinner Saturday, December 12, 2009 ~ 7:00-10:00 p.m.

The Rivertowne Pour House

312 Center Road, Monroeville, PA 15146

See flyer in this newsletter for more details

2009 Awards

Award information should be provided ASAP but no later than November 20. To receive an award this year, titles should have been earned by October 31, 2009 See enclosed flyer for details.

2009 FUN DAY by Lisa Bauer



Many thanks to everyone who came out to Settler's Cabin Park to join us for GPDC's Fun Day! It was a spectacular afternoon, and we all enjoyed the atmosphere!

Special thanks to Chair Chris Aranowski and Co-Chair Cindy Kulikowski, Hospitality Chair Milly Cavanaugh, and Raffle Chair Kathy Wetzel for their time and effort in organizing this event.

Also, thank you to everyone who supported "Spot a Cure" by purchasing a t-shirt! To view a slide show of photos taken at Fun Day go to <http://tiny.cc/.CreiZ>

Introducing

Champion Siobahn N' Rim Rock's Appollo



Pictured with Ch. Siobahn N' Rim Rock's Appollo are Judge Walter L Bloom, Owner Handler Debbie Poole, Breeder Jeffrey Gillespie & Allison Poole

Fort Steuben Kennel Association

Sunday, October 3, 2009

Aliquippa, Pennsylvania

4 UKC Shows = 4 Wins!

At the recent UKC show weekend in Maryland Rim Rock's Easy Ryder Bags won the Championship & Best of Breed classes at all four shows! Congratulations to Ryder, Owner handler Chris Aranowski and Breeder Barbara Allison.

Tess and Jazz Enjoy a Successful Weekend

Jazz earned her Rally Advanced title with a third place qualifying run Saturday, October 10th and had another qualifying run on Sunday October 11th!

Tess competed in USDAA Agility, earning her Performance II Standard and Performance II Pairs titles, thus completing her Performance Dog II title!

Both Jazz and Tess are owned & loved by Lisa & Jim Bauer

Read more and see pictures at GPDC's Blog!



Have you joined the GPDC Yahoo group yet? The Yahoo Group is a great way for GPDC members to stay in contact with each other, have conversations, share brags, share announcements, share files, share photos, give surveys, etc.

Join the Yahoo group - visit: www.pittsburghdalclub.com and look for the purple Yahoo Groups square to get started.

New Champions

UKC. Ch. Rim Rock's Easy Rider Bags-- Ryder--owned by Chris Aranowski
AKC/UKC Ch RimRock N Siobahn Keepin' Bizzi-- Bizzi--owned by Barb Allison
AKC/UKC Ch. Kingdom's Twist of Fate CGC, TDI--Gage-- owned by LaDonna King
UKC. Ch. Starwood's Don't Take My Man--Jolene--owned by Tammy Boice

Agility Title for Kingdoms My Pal Joey!

by LaDonna King

Joey strikes again. Joey earned his first agility title at the Neville Island show with a first place win and a clean run. What a great team this boy and his expert handler/owner Kathy make. Great job guys! I know there will be many more titles to come. Kingdom's My Pal Joey RA, NA

Ryder & Athena Shine at Bulter Autumn Classic

Rim Rock's Easy Ryder Bags (Ryder) took Best of Winners Saturday and Sunday. Ryder celebrated his 1st birthday September 24th. Ryder is owned and loved by Chris Aranowski. Siobahn's Crown Jewel (Athena) took Winners Bitch on Sunday. Athena is owned and loved by Debbie Poole.

Riddler Goes Winners Dog, Best of Winners & Best of Opposite at Beaver County Kennel Club

R-Dals 'Til We Meet Again is now just one point shy of earning his Championship! - Way to go Riddler!

Riddler is owned and loved by Richard Hunt, Kevin Boston & Debbie Gotsch


Legislation that affects you!

Pennsylvania - House Bill 39 updates the statute regarding ear cropping, tail docking, dewclaw removal, debarking, and surgical birth by requiring a veterinarian to perform all procedures. The AKC successfully worked with the Pennsylvania Federation of Dog Clubs to address concerns with this bill.

Ohio - House Bill 79 This AKC supported bill removes the term "pit bull" from Ohio's statutory definition of dangerous dogs. The bill has been referred to the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee and the AKC is urging all Ohioans to contact the committee and request a hearing on this bill.

Senate Bill 95/House Bill 124 - These bills include provisions on search and seizures, limits on ear cropping and tail docking, prohibitions on females breeding more than one litter per year, and the creation of a kennel control authority board with virtually no breeder representation. The AKC has issued a Legislative Alert and urges Ohioans to contact the State Senate and Local Government and Veterans' Affairs Committee.


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Don't miss the next
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
RIVERTOWNE POUR HOUSE
Held during the 2009 Awards Banquet
Saturday, December 12, 2009
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
312 CENTER ROAD, MONROEVILLE, PA 15146
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