

# KEY CITY KENNEL CLUB

## Puppy Puddles



Monthly Meeting  
March 18, 2008  
Benco Building Basement  
Board Meeting at 6:30pm  
*Presentation by BENCHS: 7:30*  
Membership Meeting to follow  
Refreshments: Sue Erickson and Jan West



HAPPY ST. PATRICKS DAY!



### MARCH 2008

President: Sue Erickson  
Vice President: Ron Schulz  
Secretary: Melissa Lembke  
Treasurer: Lynn Davey

Thanks to Connie Timmerman and others  
for providing refreshments at the February Meeting.



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 18, 2008 - KCKC Monthly Meeting, Benco Building Basement, Mankato MN  
March 21, 22, 23, 2008 - Fargo-Moorhead Kennel Club Agility Trial, Fargo, ND  
April 4, 5, 6, 2008 - St. Paul Dog Training Club Agility Trial, South St. Paul, MN  
April 19, 20, 2008 - Waterloo Kennel Club All-Breed Show and Obedience Trial, Waterloo, IA  
April 25, 26, 27, 2008 - St. Paul Dog Training Club Obedience and Rally Trials, South St. Paul, MN  
May 2, 3, 4, 2008 - Badger Kennel Club and Janesville-Beloit Kennel Club All-Breed Shows, Obedience and Rally Trials, Jefferson, WI

### GOOD CHEER FUND

Elaine Carstensen has volunteered to be in charge of the Good Cheer Fund. 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

Home phone: 507-546-3629

Address: Elaine M. Carstensen

53001 174 Lane

Garden City, MN 56034



### BENCHS PRESENTATION

Please note that at the March meeting we will be welcoming a representative from Blue Earth Nicollet County Humane society. They will give us a presentation at 7:30 and be open to questions following.

### SNACK VOLUNTEERS

Please note that we still need volunteers for May and October. If you would like to be added to the list, please email Bobbie Nuytten at: [copperdogs@live.com](mailto:copperdogs@live.com) or call: (507) 726-2342.

March: Sue Erickson and Jan West

April: Davey's and Otterness's

May: Andrea Bales (and ???)

June: Brian and Elaine Carstensen and Bobbie Nuytten

July: no meeting, summer picnic

August: Jill Shirley and Joey Heilman

September: Red Dog People (Melissa, Lois, LaDonna)

October: ???

November: Fred and Karin Bock

December: no meeting

### SPRING CLASSES AT KCKC

The spring session of classes will begin the week of March 17. The entire list of classes available is posted on the Class Schedule page of our website: [www.keycitykennelclub.org](http://www.keycitykennelclub.org) Openings exist in many of the classes so if you've been thinking about getting back into a class, check out the website and get registered!

### AED AND CPR TRAINING

Many thanks go to Bruce Davey for organizing our recent AED and CPR training opportunities. We had quite a turnout for the very useful AED presentation put on by Paul Stelter from South Central EMS at last month's meeting. Similarly, the two CPR classes at South Central College that were taught by Eric Retzlaff for KCKC club members were well attended and full of great information.



## VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU'S

Key City Kennel Club extends a very special thank you to Debby and Brent Jass for their work on the club's website. During the summer of 2002, Debby created our website and has maintained it since that time. Along the way, Debby's husband, Brent, worked with our training director to implement "real-time" changes to the Announcement and Class Schedule pages. With this in place immediate class cancellations could be posted when the weather was bad and the website could contain extremely current information about class availability. So thank you, so much, to both Deb and Brent for your years of work on our website. Our website has become a wonderful club asset that works daily to spread information about our club and its services and has made registration for classes much easier for all of our students. Our hats are off to both of you!

The new person behind changes on the website will be Melissa Lembke. Thank you, Melissa, for taking on another project!

The club also extends a huge thank you to Bob and Eloise Olson for their many years of coordinating the February "KCKC In The Library" event. Working with the library and the club to coordinate the dates, get the display cases and facility available, lining up members to fill the display cases and come with their dogs for meet and greet as well as obedience and/or agility demos, has kept these two members hopping for years. This has been a premier educational event for the club and one that has been appreciated by the general public as well as our club members. Thank you so much, Bob and Eloise! You two will be a tough act to follow, but we know that someone will rise to the occasion for the good of the club.

## DEMO AT MAPLETON LIBRARY

On Saturday, February 16 several members visited the library in Mapleton for a meet and greet with many of their young patrons. Members and their dogs were introduced and talked to the audience about what we do with our dogs. A wonderful question and answer period followed where we fielded some very good questions from the young audience. Attending were Melissa Lembke, and her Vizslas Colby and Temp; Roxie Eaton and Springer Spaniel, Max; Connie Timmerman and Min Pins, Elvis and 'Reatha; Jan West and Briard, Kitty; Brian Carstensen and Chesapeake, Kosmo; Bobbie Nuytten and Golden Retriever, Kelsey; and Lynn Davey and Sheltie, Tessa. Thank you to Connie Timmerman for coordinating this event.

## NEW PUPPY PUDDLES NAME?

At last month's meeting there was a suggestion made to consider a new name for our newsletter. If anyone is interested in changing the name of the newsletter from "Puppy Puddles" and have an option in mind please contact Bobbie Nuytten at email: copperdogs@live.com or home phone: (507) 726-2342. Please also let me know if you would like the name to stay the same. The more people that weigh in, the easier the decision will be! I will share the information I receive at the April meeting.

## NEW CLUB APPLICATION

Lynn Davey has corrected and updated the Key City Kennel Club membership application. If you would like a copy of this new version please contact Lynn at email: or phone:

## EXTRAS

### DOG SHOW TERMS EXPLAINED!

Angulation-Degree to which dog handlers will bend over backwards to impress judges.

Balance-

- (a) How to arrange the checkbook so your husband won't know how much money you spent on dog shows last month. Usually done in the bathroom with the door locked;
- (b) Ability to hold coffee, danish, leash, treats and entry form all at once.

Bitch-

- (a) Name for a lady dog;
- (b) Name often heard at dog shows, not always to describe a lady dog.

Blind Retrieve-When you can't see the toy under the furniture.

CGC-Canine Gastrointestinal Catastrophe {aka GAS}

Coat-The hairy covering of a dog that usually falls out about one week before the Specialty show.

Crabbing-What you do when the judge doesn't like way your dog moves.

Dam-

- (a) lady dog with children;
- (b) expression frequently overheard at dog shows as losers leave the ring.

Distemper-Shown by those hot-headed competitors.

Dog-To chase a judge from show to show in an effort to attain more breed wins.

Double Bind-Finding two toys under the furniture.

Elbow-Method of getting to ringside when late.

Expression-"Sweet" look adopted by dogs while staring ravenously at chunks of liver.

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Fancier-Degree to which some gentlemen handlers dress more than others.

Feathering-What winners are accused of doing to judges' nests.

FlyBall-Neutering.

Force Fetch-Dog drops the toy under furniture, scratches at the carpet until you're forced to "fetch" it.

Front-Part of the dog often stacked toward the outside of the ring.

Guard Hair-An activity in which one watches intently as the dog's hair falls out, in clumps, just after entries are mailed.

Heel-

(a) what you feel like when your dog beats the one you had just sold to an eager novice;

(b) expression often screamed to attract the attention of deaf dogs.

Height-As in "Maximum Allowed," a measurement which all champions fall under by AT LEAST 1/8 of an inch.

Hock-A way of financing your dog shows by the use of jewelry such as wedding rings.

Kennel-Where you go when the kids fight and your husband yells at you.

Litter-Trash left all over the building and parking lot after a dog show.

Mask-What to wear when you have to show the pet you sold six months ago.

Multi-Generational Pedigree-Something you should have read first.

Muzzle-What to put on your kids at a dog show to prevent them from calling your competition what they overheard you call him last night.

Noseprints-Cute marks left all over your French doors.

Outcrossing-What your husband tells the minister you are doing out in the kennel with the dog and the bitch.

Overshot-Running so fast as to pass the 1st place ring marker and plow into the judge and the stewards.

Pedigree-Dog food with lots of great coupons.

Points-Minute, invisible awards for winning which you cannot convince your spouse are more important than cash prizes.

Puppies-Small, dog like food-processing machines with the ability to stink up an entire house and collectively deafen a band of magpies. (These creatures have not yet been perfected, as they come with leaky systems, and can also be dangerous to weak hearts and bank accounts.)

Qualifying Score-Justifying the 170.5 you got in obedience today.

Ribbons-What you want to cut the other exhibitors into, after their pet wins.

Specialty-Whatever your dog is good at, like bringing home dead cats or chewing on walls.

Type-What your dog has... if you turn down the lights and squint a little.

Utility-The kind of vehicle you need to haul around your dogs.

*This picture is a month late, but I thought that everyone might enjoy it anyway. This Chihuahua was born in Japan, it's clear heart marking is completely natural. Thanks for sending in this photo Jan!*

