PUPPY PUDDLES NEWS

WE TEACH YOU TO TEACH YOUR DOG

Monthly Meeting

Feb 19, 2013
Benco Building
Board Meeting — 6:30PM
Club Meeting — 7:30PM

Refreshments

Penny Helgerson
Mar — Connie Timmerman &
Megan Hancock

Feb — Lori Espeland &

Apr — Davey & Otterness

Thank you to Shannon Lloyd, and Megan Hancock for the wonderful refreshments at the January Meeting!

Important Dates

- Feb 9 KCKC at the Library
- Feb 19 Meeting
- Feb 23 Holiday Party



Dog Training

Good Cheer

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

Email: flapjack@hickorytech.net Cell phone: 507-327-5616

Address: 53001 174th Lane Garden City,

MN56034

KCKC At The Library

The date for KCKC at the library is February 9th this year. We will be using the auditorium for training demos. All members are welcome to bring their dogs to a meet and greet held for the public in the main area of the library from 10am to 1pm.

There are 6 display boxes available if anyone would like to create a display to educate the public on things our club offers or even basic care of dogs. Displays are up Feb 1st to Feb 28th, or as close as possible to those dates. Readers are needed for Tuesdays' children's story hour. It is best to have two handlers and two dogs per story hour.

Please contact Kathy Nelson for further information.

Email: bknelson1@hickorytech.net

Phone: (507) 317-6968

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 — Kathy Wherley Treasurer — Lynn Davey

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KCKC Holiday Party

This year's holiday party will be held on February 23. Please RSVP in advanced so that we can get a head count. The dinner will be \$10 per person, and money should be paid upon RSVP.

A Raffle will be held again this year, so please bring items to donate. There will be discussion at the January meeting about where the money from the raffle will be donated. Also, be sure to bring your photos for the annual photo contest.

This year's holiday party theme will be Valentines. The menu is as follows:

- Rolled Pork Roast & Turkey Breast
- Cheesy Potatoes (no jalapenos)
- California Blend Vegetables
- Fresh Fruit Salad
- Chopped Salad
- Desserts should be brought by members who's last name starts with the letter A-M
- Appetizers should be brought by members who's last name starts with the letter N-Z

Hotel Accommodations for May

The Best Western Plus on Range Street will be waving all pet fees for the Key City Kennel Club Dog Show held May 24-26, 2013.

Best Western Plus

1111 Range Street

North Mankato, MN

Phone: 507-625-9333

Mention: "Key City Kennel" to receive the preferred rate along with a waved pet fee.

For Sale / Wanted

- For Sale: 2 crates the old style varikennel 200, \$5 each
 Patty Hooey
- **For Sale:** grooming table 18x30 on 36 inch legs, that's taller than most \$15 Patty Hooey
- For Sale: (4) 3-pole metal weave pole bases with the 21" spacing. Great for initial training and 2X2 work. \$10 each Lynn Davey
- For Sale: (2) 6' 0.5" Brown leather leashes, brand new, 15\$ each— Melissa McIntyre 507-625-4052
- For Sale: (3) Handy drink jumbo portable water dispenser for large dogs (2 new, 1 used once), 10\$ each
 Melissa McIntyre 507-625-4052
- For Sale: (2) "The Poop Snoop" lighted waste bag holder II, brand new, 8\$ each Melissa McIntyre 507-625-4052

Membership and Applications

Karen Byron was elected to membership at the January meeting. Karen has a GSD. Her contact information is as follows:

Karen Byron 8846 340th Ave Waseca MN, 56093 507-835-7194 Kbryon@gmail.com

Ron Hansen's membership application was read for the first time at the January meeting. Ron's application will be read again and voted on at the February meeting. Ron has Border Collies and Golden Shepherds.

A membership application was received for Larry and Dawn Blaine. Larry and Dawn own Newfoundlands. Their application will be read for the first time at the February meeting.

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New Bills Seek To Regulate Commercial Breeders

House File 84 and Senate File 36 have been introduced in the Minnesota State Legislature. The bills seek to require licensing and inspection of commercial dog breeders as described in the legislation. Neither bill has been scheduled for consideration. However, the AKC encourages all concerned responsible dog breeders in Minnesota to contact the members of the Committees and express their concerns.

The AKC supports reasonable and enforceable laws that protect the welfare and health of purebred dogs and do not restrict the rights of breeders and owners who take their responsibilities seriously.

Several aspects of both bills are of concern to the AKC, including:

- Describing a "hobby breeder" as a person who possesses or has an ownership interest in animals and is engaged in the business of breeding animals for sale or for exchange in return for consideration, and who possesses fewer than ten adult intact animals or whose animals produce five or fewer total litters of puppies or kittens per year. Additionally, all hobby breeders are required to register with the Minnesota Board of Animal Health. The AKC is concerned that the vague nature of the new definition—including the use of the phrase "ownership interest" and a focus on the possession of animals, along with someone who is "engaged" in the business of breeding animals—will include an unnecessarily large number of dog owners who would then be required to register with the State.
- Defining a "commercial breeder" as a person, other than a hobby breeder, who possesses or has an ownership interest in animals and is engaged in the business of breeding animals for sale or for exchange in return for consideration, and who possesses ten or more adult intact animals and whose animals produce more than five total litters of puppies per year. In addition to other requirements, licensees will have to adhere to already-existing care and conditions standards, submit to at least annual inspections of their facilities, and submit annual reports to the Board. The AKC believes these bills will prove costly and will not improve the health or quality of dogs bred in Minnesota.
- Mandating the Minnesota Board of Animal Health to maintain on its
 website a directory of licensed commercial breeders and of those whose
 licenses have been suspended or revoked. The AKC believes that
 requiring any responsible breeder to post their name, address and
 other personal information on a public registry opens them up to
 unwanted contact by anti-breeder groups. Such listings should instead
 be voluntary.

For the whole story and a list of people you may contact please visit the following:

http://www.akc.org/press center/article.cfm?article_id=4807

New Title Posters Needed

We are in need of someone to <u>please</u> create new posters for titles in conformation, rally, obedience, flyball, agility etc. These will be hung on the wall at the TC like the ones we already have up. If you are interested please contact Lynn Davey to let her know.

Chinook and Portuguese Podengo Pequeno Join AKC Family

The American Kennel Club® expanded its litter of recognized breeds on January 1 to welcome the Portuguese Podengo Pequeno and Chinook, growing AKC's family to 177 breeds.

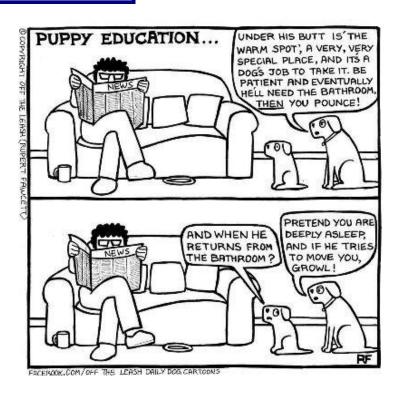
An American breed joining the Working Group, the Chinook was bred as a sled dog for drafting and sled dog racing in New Hampshire. The breed was later named the state dog of New Hampshire in 2009. Chinooks enjoy activities such as backpacking, skijoring, sledding, jogging, and hiking with their families. They are especially fond of children and get along well with other dogs. They are playful, highly trainable, and adaptable. Their tawny-colored double coat requires occasional bathing and brushing.

The Portuguese Podengo Pequeno joins the Hound Group. The breed is known for its small size, erect ears and wedge shaped head. Bred to hunt in harsh terrains, they use sight, scent and sound to catch their prey — typically rabbits. They have two coat types, smooth and wire. This breed is active, intelligent and easy to train. They require regular exercise but should be kept on a leash or in a fenced yard due to their instinct to chase.

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Flyball Brags

On January 26 and 27, Stack Attack Flyball Club attended a tournament hosted by Animal Inn at TCOTC. Stack Attack raced in Division 3 taking First Place both days. On Sunday during the last race of the day, the dogs ran the fastest they had all weekend setting a new club record of 17.351 seconds! Our lineup included Kujo (Jim Bowder), Vanish (Kris Bowder), Piper (Megan Hancock) and Frost (Jill Anderson). A great time was had by dogs and owners alike. Go Flyball!



Blueberry Scones For Your Pooch

- 1 cups wheat flour
- 1 ½ cups coarse oatmeal
- 1 level teaspoon baking powder
- ³/₄ cup blueberries (fresh or defrosted)
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup fat-free yogurt
- ½ cup sunflower oil

Preheat oven to 350° F. Measure wheat flour and oatmeal, mix with baking powder. Add eggs, yogurt and sunflower oil, stir well. Carefully add the washed blueberries. Take off clumps with a tablespoon and place on an oiled baking pan. Bake about 25 minutes. Stick a toothpick into a scone. If dough still sticks to it, bake the scones a few more minutes.