

# Key City Kennel Club Annual Picnic



## Come join us for the annual picnic!

Lake Washington Club

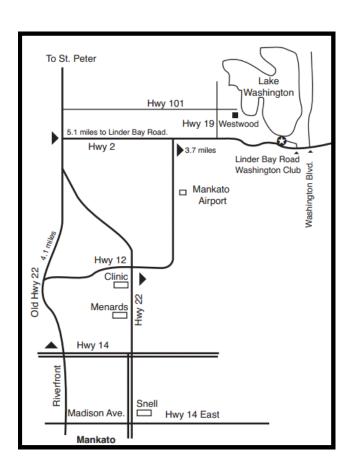
July 15, 2014

Social Hour — 5:30pm

Potluck dinner— 6:30pm

The Kennel Club will be providing chicken but everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass, as well as your own beverages, plates, eating utensils and chairs to sit in. You are welcome to bring your spouses, children, guests and dogs for a great evening

Dogs in attendance must be on leash



#### A Breeder's Poem — Author Unknown

I love my little puppy; she makes my house a home. She is my very sweetest little friend; I never feel alone. She makes me smile. She makes me laugh. She fills my heart with love... Did some person breed her or did she fall from above?

Ive never been a breeder; never seen life through their eyes. I hold my little puppy and just sit and criticize. I've never known their anguish; I've never felt their pain, The caring of their charges, through snow or wind or rain.

I've never waited the whole night through for babies to be born. The stress and trepidation when they're still not there by morn. The weight of responsibility for this body in my hands, This darling little baby, who weighs but 60 grams.

Should you do that instead of this... or maybe that was wrong? Alone you fight and hope, one day, he'll grow up proud and strong. You pray he'll live to bring great joy to someone else's home. You know it's all just up to you; you'll fight this fight alone.

Formula, bottles, heating pads, you've got to get this right.

Two hour feedings for this tiny guy, throughout the day and night.

Within your heart you dread that you will surely loose this fight,

To save this little baby, but God willing...you just MIGHT.

Day one, he's in there fighting; you say a silent prayer.

Day two & three, he's doing well, with lots of love and care.

Day four & five... he's still alive; your hopes soar to the heavens.

Day six he slips away again, dies in your hands, day seven.

You take this little angel, and burry him alone. With aching heart and burning tears, and an exhausted groan, You ask yourself, "Why do this?... Why suffer through this pain?" Yet watch the joy your puppies bring, and everything's explained.

So when you think of breeders and label them with "Greed", Think of all that they endure to fill another's need. For when you buy your puppy, with your precious dollars part, You only pay with money... while they pay with all their heart.

# Canine Reproduction, Whelping and Puppy Intensive care Seminar

#### Who's presenting

• Myra Savant Harris

#### What you will learn

- The common misconceptions about canine conception
- Progesterone testing and optimal levels
- How to maximize sperm viability and protect your stud dog's virility
- How to collect canine semen and inseminate a bitch
- The timing for chilled and frozen semen
- The importance of a tie
- How to care for your bitch in whelp and deliver puppies
- Much, much more.....

#### Where

• DMOTC Building 1423, SW Army Post Rd, Des Moines, IA

#### Cost

- \$100 per person or \$150 for two
- Lunch is included for both days

#### <u>Time</u>

• July 19th 9am to 4pm, and July 20th 10am to 3pm

## If you are interested and would like the forms to fill out please contact the following or visit CIKC.net

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### **May Show Report 2014**

The Key City Kennel Club conformation, obedience and rally show was held the weekend of May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. On Friday we had 74 entries in obedience and 40 entries in rally. Obedience entries were almost the same as last year but the rally entries were almost double what they were from the previous year. Our obedience High in Trial for both Friday and Saturday was an Australian Shepherd; Cattail Ridge Sweet Berry Tart CD NA OAJ NF. The High in Trial for Sunday was a Golden Retriever; Hillroller Riptide CD BN RA. Our High Combined again for Friday and Saturday was an English Springer Spaniel; OTCH MACH Benson McGee UDX OGM VER RE SH MXB MJB. The High Combined for Sunday was a Border Collie; OTCH Heelalong Chimney Spark UDX10 OGM. New this year is a high combined rosette for Rally. The winner for both Friday and Saturday was an American Staffordshire Terrier; Gator CD OA OAJ. On Sunday the high combined ribbon went to a German Shepherd; Jerlands Justice Prevails. Sue Erickson handles the obedience and Gladys Berlin the rally and both do an excellent job. We continued with having two rings and again set up more chairs for the exhibitors. Both Gladys and Sue had said that they had several comments from the exhibitors that they really like this layout.

On Saturday, our entries were 944 from 30 states and 10 entries from Canada. This was up by sixty entries. The entries from agents were up slightly with 85. Our reserve Best in Show was Flat Coated Retriever; CH Heirborn Who'Li Stop the Reign. The BIS was Keeshound; GCH CH Trumpets No Questions Asked.

On Sunday, our entries were 920 from again, 30 states and 10 entries from Canada. This was up by 65 with the entries from agents at 84. Our reserve Best in Show was again the Flat Coated Retriever; CH Heirborn Who'Li Stop the Reign and Best in Show was a Doberman; GCH Ch Pillmar Superman.

Our total entries for this show, was up by 87 including Rally. I would like to thank the judges Barb Alderman, Houston and Toddie Clark, Kathy Francis, Ron Horn, Bob Indeglia, Richard Miller for conformation and junior showmanship and for obedience and rally we had Ronnie Bizer, Anna Lorenz and Deb Schneider. I had several nice comments on our judging panel this year.

The weather was great this year. With all the rain that we had been having prior to the show weekend, we weren't expecting it to be so nice.

Lois Almendinger does the flowers for the Vizsla specialty and leaves them for us to use on Saturday and Sunday. This year she went overboard and we had four

planters with red petunias in them. They were just gorgeous in our show pictures and we thank her very much.

Kathy Wherley in her second year as chief ring steward, is really doing a nice job. We had two new people that wanted to be trained for inside ring stewarding. These were Dave Johnson and Louise Braam.

Donna Burgess handled the B fun match on Saturday and she had over fifty entires, this was almost double from her first year.

Pat Hooey and Joey Heilman handled all the food for everyone. This year to save the club money, Patty also did all the cooking. I know how much work this is, and it is very much appreciated.

Penny Helgerson took over all the transportation duties this year. She was off and running and did a fantastic job. She made welcome baskets for the judges with some Minnesota items in them. She even had a friend make cookies in the shape of Minnesota. Harlan Bloomer picked up the obedience judges on Saturday morning and Elaine Carstensen took the judges back to the hotels on Saturday night. We had one judge fly out early on Sunday so I took the rest of the judges back to the airport after the show. Instead of renting a van, Patty let us use hers.

We raised our camping rates in anticipation of the fair board raising them. Bruce was a little nervous at first because the reservations were very slow at the beginning; however, we ended up with a dozen more campers this year.

New this year, Connie Timmerman taped off the area in the grooming building to create isles. This made for a much more organized grooming space for the exhibitor.

We thought that we were going to be short of volunteers to help at the show, but with a last minute appeal, we had many step up. This is so wonderful and really needed. As an example, Patty and Joey were thinking that they would have to be cleaning on Thurday until 2 or 3 o'clock but with the extra help they were done by noon. Many hands make for lighter work.

Except for the fact that the golf carts were one day late (they gave us a discount for the problem) the show went very smooth. As always, my committee members need a huge thank you for all the work that they do, before, during and after the show. We have the great show that we do because of all the people that volunteer.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Olson