

Waggin' Tales

"A Well-Trained Dog is a Happy Dog"

Canines Crafts & Critters

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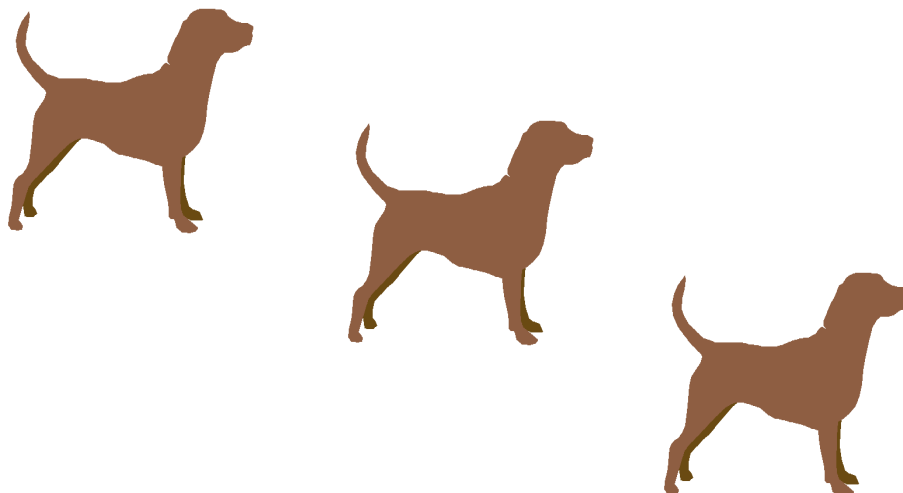
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CANINES CRAFTS AND CRITTERS (well, the canines anyway) NEED YOU!!!

Anderson Animal Shelter's Canines Crafts and Critters Expo is coming to the fairgrounds **April 17 and 18**, and we need your help to man FVDTC's booth for just two hours. It's easy, we'll provide all the supplies, and you can bring your dog(s). You'll get in free, and no experience is required since the audience is primarily made up of folks who are new to the canine world. You'll get to watch the show, relax, and even do some shopping while doing something good for the club and for the canine community at large.

At present, we need volunteers for the 3-5pm slot on Saturday, and the 1-3 and 3-4 plus clean up (really easy, takes 5 minutes) on Sunday. Won't you please help? Call Tracey Mohr at (630)377-7316 or Cindy Pakenas at (630) 377-6250 to sign up!



From the AKC

1999 Nationals

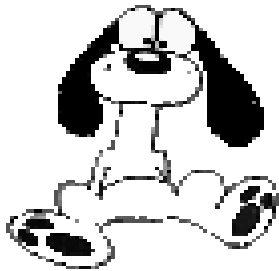
1999 AKC National Obedience Invitational

The 1999 Championship will be held at the Wayne C. Kennedy Complex, St. Louis, Missouri, on June 19th and 20th. Invitations were sent out in mid-February to owners and their dogs for this annual event.

Saturday's judging will take place in six rings with three or four exercises judged in each ring. The top seven dogs in each group, plus the next four highest scores for a total of 32 dogs will be seeded and will move on to compete on Sunday.

On Sunday the dogs compete in head to head competition with the winners advancing until the finals, where one dog will be crowned "National Obedience Champion".

(Excerpted from the AKC web site (<http://www.akc.org/>))



From Taffe Wille

Rules for Prefix Titles

Listed below are AKC prefix titles currently in use. (This list was last revised 8/96, so it is possible there might have been changes.)

- CH Champion
- FC Field Champion (Field Trial/Lure Coursing)
- AFC Amateur Field Champion
- NAFC National Amateur Field Champion
- NFC National Field Champion
- OTCH Obedience Trial Champion
- CT Champion Tracker (TD, TDX & VST)
- HC Herding Champion
- DC Dual Champ (CH & FC)
- TC Triple Champ (CH, FC & OTCH)

From Suzan Scott

1999 Match Schedule

The next Fox Valley Dog Training Club correction match will be Thursday, March 18. Remaining 1999 matches are: April 15, May 25, June 17, August 19, September 16 and October 21. FYI: I will NOT be at training the first two weeks of April so send your April match entries to me:

Suzan Scott
1040 Northfield Drive
Aurora, IL 60505



Brag!!!

Shamrock Acres Celebration JH, CDX, NA, U-AG 1 (Liza) *Tim White*

Completed her U-AG II Agility Title in 3 consecutive trials:

1/30/99	Smack Dab, Warrenville, IL	197 points
2/7/99	Windy City, Franklin Park, IL	198.89 points
1/31/99	Smack Dab, Warrenville, IL	197 points

Candlewood's Ribbonquest JH (Peggy)

Anne White

Peggy completed her first Agility title U-AG I in 3 consecutive trials

1/30/99	Smack Dab, Warrenville, IL	199 points
1/31/99	Smack Dab, Warrenville, IL	191.63 points
2/7/99	Windy City, Franklin Park, IL	200 points (2nd place Div 3)

Amber

Rick Cox

Canadian CDX

2/20/99	Labrador Retriever Club, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada	193
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We tied for a fourth place finish only to lose the runoff against Cathy Fleury. We also tied for highest scoring labrador retriever in show. We were successful in winning that runoff.

Heike

Ingrid Hamburger

Canadian CDX

2/20-21/99	Labrador Retriever Club Ancaster, Ontario, Canada
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She got her Canadian CDX, three legs, three second place finishes, with one earned in a run-off. "Heike is real proud of her Mom too, because she (Mom) keeps saying 'I have never done that before...'. It sure made the long trip to Burlington/Hamilton worthwhile."

From Carolyn Pearson

Have You Seen

The following items have been accidentally left in the building at some time in the past. If anything sounds like it might be yours - check with Sandy at the information table, she can show them to you.

If no one claims them by April 15th, the items will be disposed of, donated or sold.

two house keys on same ring	one house key
3' Lead, white braided nylon	11" Collar, white nylon
Leather Tab	Plastic Dumbbell, small size
Black corduroy Shirt, size L	Bears knit hat

From Judy Anderson

Membership Report

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR MARCH 1999

NEW MEMBERS:

FRANCENE & JEFF ANDRESEN
5 N 240 Foxmoor Drive
St. Charles, IL. 60175
630-365-0905
Giant Schnauzer

GARY & KATHY CHAMBERS
4 N 531 Crane Lane
St. Charles, IL. 60175
630-584-4525
German Shepherd

SALLY DILLOW
41 W 155 Lenz Rd.
Elgin IL 60123
847-464-4105
Yellow Labrador

CAROL MASON
38 W 004 Spring Green Way
Batavia, IL 60510
630-879-9161
Siberian Husky

KATHY PISANO
42 W. 985 Faireno Drive
Elburn, IL 60119
630-365-9331
Golden Retriever

GEORGIA L. TOLP
46 W 989 Kelley Road
Hampshire, IL 60140
847-683-3377
Australian Shepherd

ADDRESS CHANGE:

TIM & CHRISTINE PREVOST
320 Blou Clower Ln
Bull Shoals, AR. 72619
870-445-1310

From Rick Cox

Have You Seen (part ii)

Years ago I had a sheet that described personality testing for puppies. I remember that for this test each puppy was individually evaluated. It included testing for social skills as well as environmental behavior. I cannot find my copy of this test. I have a business associate that would like to purchase a puppy and I would like to know if anyone would be kind enough to forward a copy to me. I've asked a few members but no one I spoke with has a copy.

Rick Cox
8N819 Hopps Rd.
Elgin, IL 60123
(847) 888-1898

From the Internet

Rules for Dogs

NEWSPAPERS: If you have to go to the bathroom while playing in the front yard, always use the newspaper that's placed in the driveway every morning for that purpose.

VISITORS: Quickly determine which guest is afraid of dogs. Charge across the room, barking loudly and leap playfully on this person. If the human falls down on the floor and starts crying, lick its face and growl gently to show your concern.

BARKING: Because you are a dog, you are expected to bark. So bark -- a lot. Your owners will be very happy to hear you protecting their house. Especially late at night while they are sleeping safely in their beds. There is no more secure feeling for a human than to keep waking up in the middle of the night and hearing your protective bark, bark, bark...

LICKING: Always take a BIG drink from your water dish immediately before licking your human. Humans prefer clean tongues. Be ready to fetch your human a towel.

HOLES: Rather than digging a BIG hole in the middle of the yard and upsetting your human, dig a lot of smaller holes all over the yard so they won't notice. If you arrange a little pile of dirt on one side of each hole, maybe they'll think it's gophers. There are never enough holes in the ground. Strive daily to do your part to help correct this problem.

DOORS: The area directly in front of a door is always reserved for the family dog to sleep.

THE ART OF SNIFFING: Humans like to be sniffed. Everywhere. It is your duty, as the family dog, to accommodate them.

From Judy Anderson, Membership

FVDTC Membership Renewal

FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

DUES AND TRAINING FEE RENEWAL NOTICE

DUES FOR THE 1999-2000 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 1999.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO APPLY FOR AN AWARD AT NEXT YEAR'S BANQUET, BE SURE THAT YOU ARE A TRAINING MEMBER.

COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:

"FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB"

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:

JUDY ANDERSON MEMBERSHIP

6 N 213 WILLOW DRIVE

ST. CHARLES, IL. 60175-6338

YOUR NAME WILL BE OMITTED FROM THE 1999-2000 ROSTER, AND YOUR LAST ISSUE OF WAGGIN TAILS WILL BE THE JUNE ISSUE UNLESS YOUR CHECK AND COMPLETED FORMS ARE RECEIVED BY 7-9-99.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR BY-LAWS A \$5.00 REINSTATEMENT FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR DUES NOT RECEIVED BY 7-9-99.

NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BREED OR BREEDS OF DOGS TO LIST: _____

PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE

REGULAR TRAINING \$90.00

REGULAR NONTRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING \$45.00

LIFETIME OR BOARD NONTRAINING FREE

INSTRUCTORS: EARN 1/4 CREDIT TOWARDS DUES PER QUARTER OR CLSS TAUGHT (MAX 4) MUST HAVE D.O.T. VERIFICATION.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

DO YOU WANT A MEMBERSHIP ROSTER? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS VIA E-MAIL? YES NO

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE WAGGIN TAILS? YES NO

THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP FEE IS DUE BY 7-9-99 NO EXCEPTIONS.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED FOR YOUR APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL TO BE VALID.

JUDY ANDERSON

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON

6 N 213 WILLOW DRIVE

ST. CHARLES, IL. 60175-6338

630-377-2632

foxvue@inil.com

FOR SALE

Fox Valley Dog Training Club Clothing

In Stock & Available:

Sweatshirts - \$18.00

T-Shirts - \$10.00

Quantity	Color	Size
1	Red	X-Large

Quantity	Color	Size
1	Red	Large
2	Red	X-Large

Embroidered 3" Patches - \$12.00

Interested??? See Sandy at the Information Table

(Order on training night - in stock items will be delivered next training night.)

FOR SALE

Hand Braided Latigo Leather Training Leads

\$16.00

Features:

40" long
Solid Brass Snap

3/8" thick
Burgundy or Black

Interested???

See Sandy at the Information Table to place order and give deposit
(Usually delivered within two training nights)

From Jean Airey

Front & Finish Photos

Each year FVDTC puts a centerfold ad in *Front and Finish* listing all the club's title winners for the year. If you want to be included in this list, fill out the following form and give it to Jean Airey by March 31st. You can also have a photo of your dog (with or without you) included. Jean will be at training on March 4th, 9th and 18th to take photos for the Front and Finish club centerfold ad. The set-up cost charged by Front and Finish for the pictures submitted in our ad is \$8.00. Payments should be made with checks, made out to FVDTC. Anyone who wishes to submit their own photo should select a photo that is no larger than 5" X 7".

Jean Airey
1306 W. Illinois Ave
Aurora, IL 60506-2604

Please complete the following information (PRINT PLAINLY) EXACTLY as you want it in the AD

Your Name: _____

1st Dog's Name & Titles (as you want titles listed) _____

Breed and this year's honors:

2nd Dog's Name & Titles (as you want titles listed) _____

Breed and this year's honors:

3rd Dog's Name & Titles (as you want titles listed) _____

Breed and this year's honors:

_____ Check Received:

From all over

Help Wanted



I WANT YOU
 and YOU
 and YOU
 and YOU

Director of Training (Board Position)

Contact: Carolyn Pearson (630) 231-5856

Demonstrations Chair

Contact: Carolyn Pearson (630) 231-5856

Graduation Help for Beginners' Classes

Date: March 9, 1999

Site: Fairgrounds

Contact: Sandy Walsh (847) 695-0826

Correction Clinic Judges (Utility A & B)

Date: March 18, 1999

Site: Fairgrounds

Contact: Helen Castellano (630) 761-0411

Correction Clinic Stewards

Date: March 18, 1999

Site: Fairgrounds

Contact: Ingrid Hamburger (630) 232-6034

Tracking Test

Date: March 21, 1999

Site: Barrington Hills

Contact: Heather King (847) 426-2319

Canine Crafts & Critters Booth

Date: April 17-18, 1999

Site: Fairgrounds

Contact: Tracey Mohr (630) 377-7316

Cindy Pakenas (630) 377-6250

Agility Match

Date: July 18, 1999

Site: Plano

Contact: Helen Castellano (630) 761-0411

Cathy Fleury (847) 464-5909

Suzan Scott (630) 898-5998

Deb Simmons (630) 406-8625

Need: Scribes, Timers, Ring Assistants,
 Gatekeepers, Set-Up & Take-Down Crews
 (No experience necessary)

From Carolyn Pearson

Membership Meeting Highlights

Membership Meeting Highlights March 3, 1999

Meeting brought to order at 7:45 p.m. and began with the program. Three experienced obedience competitors: Brenda Rivera, Will Short and Linda Benson were asked questions about starting in the novice obedience ring. Several individuals asked how to locate local events. A local publication containing that information is:

The K-9 Calendar
Norina Stone, Publisher
16321 Olcott Avenue
Tinley Park IL 60477
E-mail: K9Calendar@juno.com

The business portion of the meeting began at 8:45 p.m..

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary) - the January Meeting minutes were approved as published. Several items of correspondence were read.

Michelle Richter-Farrell (First Vice-President) - Peggy Sue announced that Michelle is currently working on the program for the Annual Banquet. Peggy Sue thanked Michelle for all her efforts in producing the invitations and the programs.

Cindy Pakenas (Second Vice-President) announced that the Anderson Animal Shelter's Canines, Crafts and Critters show will be held on Saturday, April 17th and 18th. Cindy is looking for volunteers to participate in an obedience demonstration, but is not sure whether it will be on Saturday or Sunday. She reminded the club members that it is not necessary to be "perfect". All levels of obedience will be demonstrated.

Director of Training - Carolyn Pearson announced that until a Director of Training is found, any problems can be addressed by Sandy Walsh at the Information Table, until 8:00 p.m.. After 8:00 p.m., problems should be brought to the attention of Carolyn.

Carolyn Pearson reported for Trudi Kimm, Superintendent for the 4-H program. The first class will be held on March 4th. Cheryl Lewis will speak to the students (without their dogs) on the first night, regarding the classes and will introduce the instructors: Ursula Small will work with the beginner Beginner's class and Don Kloss will work with the more advanced Beginner's classes.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) stated that volunteers will be sought for the various committee chairpeople.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the next deadline is Sunday, March 7th.

Sandy Walsh (Graduation Chairperson) announced that Tuesday, March 9th is the

Got Something for *Waggin' Tales* ?

Rent This Space !!!

If you have something you'd like to see in the *Waggin' Tales*, send the complete text and/or pictures to:

David Lewis
232 Mistwood Lane
North Aurora, IL 60542
(630) 897-4267
dclewis@inil.com

Please - No copyrighted material without permission

You can save the club some money, save a couple trees, and get your *Waggin' Tales* through e-mail. Contact David Lewis if you're interested.

Graduation for the first session. She is in need of three judges, one each for the 6:00, 7:00 and 9:00 classes. Due to the small size of the 6:00 class, that graduation will begin at 6:30 p.m..

Judy Anderson (Membership Chairperson) reported that

she had six membership applications. After the list of names was read, Joan Payne made motion to accept the list, Cindy Pakenas seconded the motion. Without any discussion it was approved by all, without any opposition or abstentions.

Tracey Mohr (Public Education Liaison) reported that a booth had not been obtained for the show at the Arlington Park

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International Racetrack from March 19th through March 21st. Aside from herself, only three other club members volunteered.

Tracey announced that she also will be in need of volunteers at the club booth for the Anderson Animal Shelter's Canines, Crafts and Critters show on Saturday, April 17th and 18th. The hours on Saturday are from 11:00 until 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. Volunteers will be asked

to be at the booth for approximately two hours. The volunteers doing the first and last "shifts" will need to set out the information or put it away. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their dogs with them - they get will get a lot of attention from the people attending the show. Tracey stated that the time goes quickly and is a great opportunity to "people watch". Anyone who can help should contact Tracey at (630) 377-7316. Linda Benson volunteered to help. Taffy Wille said that the questions usually relate to the club and not to trying to "fix problems".

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) reported that stewards are needed for the March 18th Correction Clinic. Anyone who wishes to volunteer for this match and any future matches should sign-up on the poster at the Information Table. Ingrid asked that anyone signing up to please print their name and include their phone number.

Helen Castellano (Match Chairperson) reported that two judges are needed for Utility A and Utility B for the March 18th Correction Clinic.

Jean Airey (Publicity) report was sent with Taffy Wille. Jean will be at training on March 4th, 9th and 18th to take photos for the Front and Finish club centerfold ad. The set-up cost charged by Front and Finish for the pictures submitted in our ad is \$8.00. We ask that the club members who wish to have their pictures published bear that cost. The payments should be made with checks, made out to FVDTC (not Jean). Anyone who wishes to submit their own photo should select a photo that is no larger than 5" X 7". Any club member who does not wish to have a photo, can have just their name and titles printed. The deadline for getting the information to Jean is March 31st.

Anyone who earned a title in 1998 are encouraged to submit the information for publication. This is not limited to club members who have worked towards awards.

Nancy Pederson (Historian) was not in attendance, Nancy is going to Arizona to be with her mother, who is not feeling well.

Suzan Scott (Statistician Chairperson) reported that 101 club members received titles in 1998. The breakdown is as follows:

Obedience	-	39
Agility	-	35
CGC/TDI	-	9
Flyball	-	7
Hunt Titles/AWC	-	5
Tracking	-	3
Bench Champion	-	3

Joan Payne (Awards Dinner Chairperson). Linda Benson reported that reservations are due today, March 4th. The banquet will be at the Fisherman's Inn in Elburn. The cost per person is \$17.50. Linda stated that Nina Herdes has been doing an extremely creative job of ideas for decorations. Volunteers are needed to help set-up any time after 4:00 p.m.. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m.

From Susan Yee

APDT Mini Conference

The ASSOCIATION of PET DOG TRAINERS is holding its 2nd Annual Mini-Conference from May 6th - 8th at the O'Hare Holiday Inn, Chicago. For information call 1-800-PET-DOGS 12-3 PM California time

There are seminars/workshops on aggression, putting together classes, kids and dogs, dealing with difficult students, etc.

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Membership Meeting Highlights

with a cash bar, the buffet dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m.. There will also be entertainment. WE WILL HAVE FUN!!!!

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$8.00 is Tracey Mohr as drawn by newly reinstated club member, Gary Chambers.

Old Business

none

New Business

- Helen Castellano (Sanctioned Agility Match Chairperson) reported that she has received a letter from AKC in response to her correspondence. She has drafted a return letter to AKC and is waiting for review by the Board members. The tentative details are: Location - Mike Bond's agility field in Plano, Date - July 18th (same as the picnic), Time - morning. It was decided to host the match in conjunction with the picnic to encourage club members to attend both events. Although July weather is generally hot, the location does offer a lot of shade. Helen has obtained a judge.
- Long time member, Rose Schindlbeck recently passed away. Club members will have the opportunity to contribute to a memorial fund at training on March 4th, 9th and 18th. A card to sign will also be present.
- Cindy Pakenas is considering offering a freestyle dance class with our dogs. Freestyle is good way to warm-up your dog at obedience trials and is great to create and maintain their flexibility. Club members who are interested in learning more about this class (or participating in it) should contact Cindy.
- Peggy Sue Seehafer reported to the club members that an incident had occurred at training on February 25th, between two dogs in the aisle. Both individuals were guest training in Conformation. The two dogs involved did make contact, however no blood was drawn by the contact. Both individuals were spoken to that night by Peggy Sue and multiple other board members. Both individuals were told that the situation would not be allowed to be repeated. The initiating dog's owner was told that the club is available to work with her to have a better socialized companion.

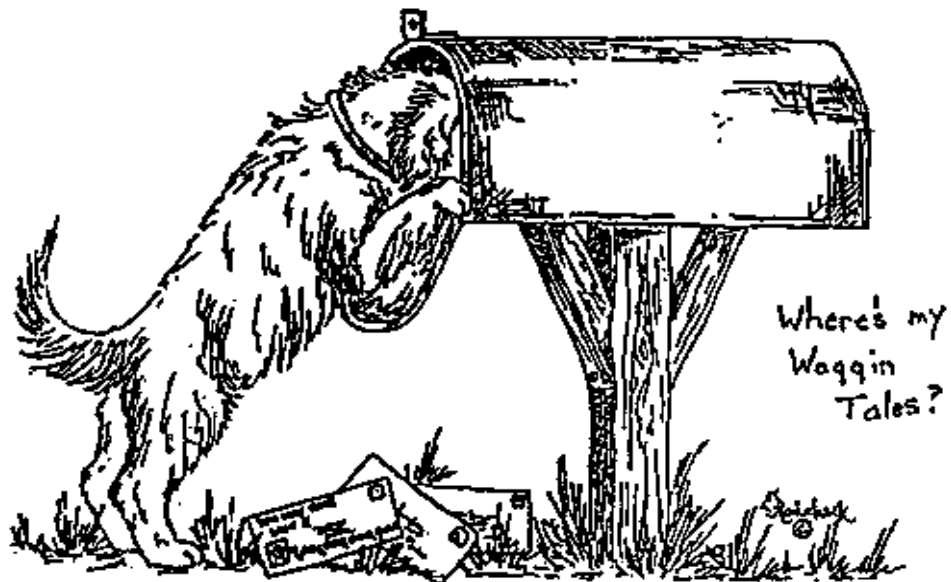
As expected, this situation drew a lot of discussion at the meeting. A number of different "solutions" were discussed. The final outcome of all of the discussion was that it is impossible to legislate for each situation that might occur. It was suggested that perhaps a list of "house rules" be handed out to guest trainers as they pay and to the beginners and puppy students. As in the last time this type of situation was discussed, all club members are reminded that how something is said is much more important than what is said.

Carolyn Pearson also reminded the club members that if any thing like this should occur in the future, to PLEASE - PLEASE notify either Sandy or herself (see Director of Training report) OR any of the Board members. Several people that had witnessed the situation on February 25th, stated that the initiating dog has done something similar on a couple of other occasions. However, NONE of the Board members had heard of any of them prior to the 25th.

To assist club members and guest trainers with identifying "one in the know", several items of clothing will be available for Board members to use at training. Some of the ideas generated were: aprons (Peggy Sue brought one that she had painted with a giant question Mark as a display), hats and vests - all with the same type of identifiers.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Waggin' Tales
 David Lewis
 232 Mistwood Lane
 North Aurora, IL 60542



March / April Calendar

March 3 Wednesday Membership Meeting
 4 Thursday Dr. Sig Hansen Visits
 7 Sunday Waggin' Tales Deadline
 9 **Tuesday** Regular Training
 13 Saturday Annual Dinner
 18 Thursday Correction Clinic
 21 Sunday Tracking Test
 25 Thursday Regular Training

April 1 Thursday Regular Training
 6 **Tuesday** Dr. Sig Hansen Visits
 7 Wednesday Board Meeting
 11 Sunday Waggin' Tales Deadline
 15 Thursday Correction Clinic
 22 Thursday Regular Training
 29 Thursday Regular Training