



Waggin' Tales

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2002 Board of Directors Elected

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Special points of interest:

- We need your help for the Annual Dinner (see p. 1)
- Rally Cards are available at the correction clinics in January, February and March (see p. 2)
- Help Wanted (see p. 5)

FVDTC Annual Dinner - March 16

The annual dinner is set for March 16, 2002. Do you have some creative ideas, thoughts, and/or suggestions that we could include in this year's program? If so, please send me an

email and we will incorporate it if we can.

Also, we are in need of an MC. If you have a secret desire to speak in front of a large group of people or

know someone who does, please don't hesitate to contact me.

— *Jackie Kramer*
dinner@fvdtc.org
 (630) 365-1802

Braggs & Other Good Stuff

On-Line Brags

See three years of electronic brags on the club web site <<http://www.fvdtc.org/news>>. You can also add your dog's accomplishments to the list for all the world to see.

"Liza" UACH Shamrock Acres Celebration UD, JH, OA, OAJ (Tim and Anne White)

12/16/2001 Franklin, WI New AX Title

"Peggy" U AG II Candlewood's Ribbonquest CDX, MH, AX, OAJ (Tim and Anne White)

12/16/2001 Franklin, WI 2nd EX A JWW Leg

Abel (Sandi Stephenson)

01/11/2002 Abel earned his AKC CDX on Nov 2, 2000, his CKC CH on Nov.11, 2000, and his N/A on Dec 14, 2000

Spiffi (Donna Dodson)

12/12/2001 AKC Classic BOS, BOB BBE

Buzz (Trudi Kimm)

12/10/2001 Lake Shore KC BOB

"Gracie" U-AGI Acadia Another Story, CGC, TDI, HCT-s (Penny Brcich)

All these titles, and 1 Jr. Herding Dog Leg, accomplished in 2001, before the tender age of 18 months!

Linden After Midnight "Hannah" (Penny Brcich)

New arrival! A tri-color Sheltie puppy, and a friend for Gracie. Her parents are CH Linden Danbie The Blacksmith, HXA-s, NA X CH Dury Voe Winterwind, CD (Hopefully she will like sheep, too!)

Correction Clinic

2002 Correction Clinics

January 17
February 21
March 21
April 18
May 9
June 20
August 15
September 19
October 24

The first FVDTC Correction Clinic in 2002 will be held on Thursday, January 17. I'll keep the online entry form updated with the subsequent dates as I know them. You can find the form at www.fvdtc.org -> FVDTC Events -> Match Night -> Pre-Entries.

We will have rally cards available in the practice ring in January and February. Then, starting with the March 2 match, we will be offering a rally ring, with a judge, using the same pricing as the regular classes. We will have a limit of 24 dogs per night.

If it goes well it will stay, if we don't get any interest, it goes away.

For more information, contact Trudi Kimm at dot@fvdtc.org.

- Suzan Scott
(630) 898-5998

matchentries@fvdtc.org

For Sale:

Small, nylon/mesh "Sherpa" bag for puppy or small dog carry-on. Fits under airline seat. (Brought a 6-lb Sheltie puppy from Florida in it, but she won't fit for long. \$15.00.

Contact Penny Brcich
(847) 357-3240

A Dog's Prayer

Dear God:

When we get to Heaven, can we sit on your couch? Or is it the same old story?



FVDTC Calendar - 2002

<i>Date</i>	<i>Day</i>	<i>Training Type</i>	<i>Classes Held</i>	<i>Special Events</i>	
January	3	Thursday	Regular Training	Start Session 1	Puppy & Beginner
	9	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	10	Thursday	Regular Training		
	13	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	17	Thursday	Correction Clinic	Only Beginner Classes	
	24	Thursday	Regular Training		
	31	Thursday	Regular Training		
February	6	Wednesday			Board Meeting
	7	Thursday	Regular Training		
	10	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	14	Thursday	Regular Training		
	21	Thursday	Correction Clinic	Only Beginner Classes	
	28	Thursday	Regular Training	Start 4-H Classes????	Tentative
March	5	Tuesday	Regular Training	End Session 1	Puppy & Beginner
	10	Saturday			Annual Banquet
	12	Tuesday	Regular Training	Start Session 2	Puppy & Beginner
	13	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	16	Saturday			Annual Banquet
	17	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	21	Thursday	Correction Clinic		
	28	Thursday	Regular Training		
April	2	Tuesday	Regular Training		
	3	Wednesday			Board Meeting
	7	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	11	Thursday	Regular Training		
	18	Thursday	Correction Clinic		
	25	Thursday	Regular Training		
May	1	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	2	Thursday	Regular Training		
	5	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	9	Thursday	Correction Clinic		
	14	Tuesday	Regular Training	End Session 2 - Beginners	
	21	Tuesday	Regular Training	Start Session 3 - Beginners End Session 2 - Puppy Class	
	30	Thursday	Regular Training	Start Session 3 Puppy Class	
June	5	Wednesday			Board Meeting
	6	Thursday	Regular Training		
	9	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	13	Thursday	Regular Training		
	20	Thursday	Correction Clinic		
	27	Thursday	Regular Training		

July	2	Tuesday	Regular Training		
	7	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	9	Tuesday	Regular Training		
			NO Training	4-H Graduation	Tentative
	18	Thursday	NO Training	NO Classes	Kane County Fair
	25	Thursday	Regular Training		
August	1	Thursday	Regular Training	Graduation Session 3	Puppy & Beginner
	6	Tuesday	Regular Training	Start Session 4	Puppy & Beginner
	7	Wednesday			Board Meeting
	11	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	15	Thursday	Correction Clinic	Only Beginner Classes	
	22	Thursday	Regular Training		
	29	Thursday	Regular Training		
September	4	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	5	Thursday	Regular Training		
	7	Saturday			Tracking Test Set-up
	8	Sunday			Tracking Test Waggin' Tales Deadline
	12	Thursday	Regular Training		
	13	Friday	NO Training		Agility Trial Set-up
	14	Saturday			Agility Trial
	15	Sunday			Agility Trial
	19	Thursday	Correction Clinic	Only Beginner Classes	
	26	Thursday	Regular Training		
October	2	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	3	Thursday	Regular Training		
	6	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	10	Thursday	Regular Training	Graduation Session 4	Puppy & Beginner Class
	15	Tuesday	Regular Training	Start Session 5	Puppy & Beginner
	24	Thursday	Correction Clinic		
	31	Thursday	Regular Training		
November	5	Tuesday	Regular Training		
	6	Wednesday			Membership Meeting
	10	Sunday			Obedience Trial
	14	Thursday	Regular Training		
	17	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	19	Tuesday	Regular Training		
December	28	Thursday	Correction Clinic	Only Beginner Classes	
	4	Wednesday			Board Meeting
	5	Thursday	Regular Training		
	8	Sunday			Waggin' Tales Deadline
	12	Thursday	Regular Training		
	19	Thursday	Regular Training	Graduation Session 5	Puppy & Beginner Class
	26	Thursday	Christmas Party	No classes	Christmas Party & Membership Meeting



The Fine Print

If you have news or announcements you would like to share with the club, put it in the *Waggin' Tales*.

There are a few guidelines to ensure your message is presented the way **you** want: Plain text email is the best option for clarity's sake. Email attachments in Rich Text Format work well also, as do typed letters and faxes. Please avoid hand-written notes; they are most likely to result in errors.

Always include your name and phone number with your article.

What gets included:

Waggin' Tales is the primary means of

communication from the Board to the membership, so announcements from the Board and meeting minutes get highest priority. Next are news, brags and stories from the membership. If space permits, dog-related classified ads and for-sale items from members will be included.

I am always interested in your comments (both good and bad) and suggestions for improving *Waggin' Tales*.

- David Lewis
(630) 897-4267
waggintales@fvdtc.org

Put Your News in the WT

Submit your articles to:

David Lewis
Waggin' Tales
232 Mistwood Lane
North Aurora, IL 60542
(630) 897-4267
waggintales@fvdtc.org



Help Wanted

We have an immediate need for several positions to be filled. If you would like more information, or if you can help with any of these, please contact Carolyn Pearson or Trudi Kimm

- Membership Chair
- Public Education Liaison
- Annual Dinner Committee Members
- Front Table Person
- Primary Instructors
Beginners

- Puppy
Conformation
- Assistant Instructors
Beginners
- Match Stewards

—Carolyn Pearson
(630)231-5658
secretary@fvdtc.org

—Trudi Kimm
(630)673-0527
dot@fvdtc.org



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TO VOLUNTEER**
SEE YOUR NEAREST BOARD MEMBER



Membership Report

Rey and Sue Avila
828 Bernadette Lane
Batavia, IL 60510
(630) 879-1905
German Shepherd Dog
Completed Beginner class

Deanne DiVito
8N605 Pasec Place
Elgin, IL 60123
(847) 697-2541
thedivitos@earthlink.net
Papillion
Completed Beginner class

Kurt and Kirsten Legac
1307 Greenbrier Court
North Aurora, IL 60542
(630) 761-8350
klegac@aol.com
Australian Shepherd
Completed Beginner class

Alice Lindenmeyer
36W270 Crane Road

St. Charles, IL 60175
(630) 377-6037
quizelle@earthlink.net
Mixbreed
Completed Beginner class

Stephanie Lowery
1415 Rita Ave.
St. Charles, IL 60174
(630) 377-9917
s-lowery @att.net
Soft-Coated Wheaton Terrier
Completed Beginner class

Greg Martin
872 N. Shady Oaks Drive
Elgin, IL 60120
(847) 697-3879
spedtchr86@worldnet.att.net
Labrador Retriever
Completed Beginner class

D.J. and Jane Newby
37W584 Crane Lane
St. Charles, IL 60175

(630) 513-7621
janenewby @avenue.com
Standard Poodle, Boxer
Completed Beginner class

Rocky and Catherine von Dullen
1211 Sunset Road
Geneva, IL 60134-3257
(630) 845-1370
vondullen@ameritech.net
Cocker Spaniel
Completed Beginner class

Former member applying for
reinstatement:

Vera Damitz
40W871 Lenz Road
Elgin, IL 60123
(847) 464-5771
German Shepherd Dog

Kathy Hubbard
(815) 758-0243
membership@fvdtc.org

Membership Meeting Highlights

Membership Meeting Highlights *January 9, 2002*

Meeting brought to order at 7:40 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The December 27th meeting minutes were approved as read. Several items of correspondence were read.

Trudi Kimm (Director of Training) reported that we are in desperate need of instructors, both primary and assistants. She also reported that we need a "collar fitter" for the second night of all beginner class sessions. It requires about 15 minutes per hour at 7:00 p.m., 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Work credits are available for this assistance.

Trudi stated for the Beginner's classes for session 2

(starting on March 12th) and session 3 (starting on May 21st) – the duration of the class will be 8 weeks. The classes will not meet on match nights. Instead, a rally match ring will be set-up. There will not be an entry fee charged for the January and February matches. However, starting at the March, an entry will be charged. Suzan Scott reported that she already had rally ring entries for the January match.

Taffy Wille also reported that she is in need of another assistant for her 7:00 p.m. Puppy Class for this session. Jerry D'Aprile is currently assisting her, but will need some "time-off", which will leave Taffy without an assistant.

Cathy Fleury reminded all club members that all current primary instructors would be excellent to learn from in

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any of our classes.

Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) reported that contracts to the following judges have been mailed.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Judge</u>
Novice A and B	- Ronnie Bizer
Open A	- Ed Haas
Open B	- Robin Comp-Zelles
Utility A	- Doris Froman
Utility B	- Diane Propst

The price of our entries for our November 10th trial is \$20.00 for the first entry and \$14.00 for each additional entry.

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the deadline is Sunday, January 13th. He has three different format options for the new year. He encouraged all club members to submit a vote for which format should be used. Voting can be done, either on the website, or to-night following the meeting. As in the past, the online version is sent in color and the paper version is printed in black and white.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) reported that we currently have 196 members. There are new applicants to be published in the January Waggin' Tales. She stated that rosters will be mailed shortly. In response to the question about having the rosters first available to pick-up at training, she stated that she did not think that that distribution method was effective. A lot of people stated that they still did not get their roster. The new roster will not be in the booklet format, this will save money at this time.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) stated that she needs stewards. The new sign up sheet is available for the year.

Taffy reported that she and Jean Airey (Publicity) are working on the new brochure for the vet offices. Taffy asked that all club members check whether our informa-

tion, posted in their vets offices, is current.

Jacque Kramer (Annual Dinner Chairperson) reported that the date for the Annual Dinner is scheduled for March 16th at Fisherman's Inn in Elburn. She needs HELP planning the event as well as a new MC (Rick Cox is taking a break). Anyone who can help "plan a party" should contact Jacque via e-mail at dinner@fvdtc.org or at 630-365-1802.

Peggy Sue Seehafer (Director at Large) addressed the issue of the club's desire to donate money in memory of the September 11th events. Cindy Pakenas reported that she had recently received a phone solicitation for the Humane Society of the US. They are taking donations to provide grants to help in Search and Rescue dog training. Bill Clarke stated that he felt that one of our criteria should be that it is a local organization. He suggested that we investigate the possibility of providing money towards the purchase of a bullet-vest for law enforcement dogs. It was also reported that there is an Illinois Search and Rescue organization. Peggy Sue Seehafer will investigate those three options and report to the Board at the February meeting.

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$9.00 is Ingrid Hamburger as drawn by club member, Carolyn Pearson.

Old Business

A HUGE Thank You was extended to Cindy Pakenas and Nina Herdes for providing all attendees of the December Holiday Party a wonderful evening of fun games and food and drink. All the club members present gave a round of applause.

Carolyn Pearson introduced John and Barb Semenek as the new Class registrars.

Voting for 2002 Board Of Directors

Carolyn Pearson read the names for each position. Tracey Mohr asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Will Short nominated Vera Nyberg for the position of Second Vice-President. Vera Nyberg accepted the nomi-

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nation. Cindy Pakenas seconded the nomination.

Trudi Kimm made a motion to close the nominations. Peggy Sue Seehafer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions.

Carolyn Pearson then read the slate as modified by the nomination from the floor. Peggy Sue Seehafer made a motion to accept the slate as read. Rick Cox seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions.

New Business

- Carolyn Pearson reminded the club members that due to the building being unavailable for a March 6th meeting, the meeting date was changed to March 13th – same starting time of 7:30 p.m.
- Trudi Kimm stated that she felt the club should start a building fund. She suggested that the first two months of the rally match entries be placed into the building fund. Donna Dobson asked whether a foundation could be created to allow individuals who wish to bequeath money could do so with tax benefits. Peggy Sue stated that a foundation must have a Federal tax status of 501-c3 to accept such donations. Peggy Sue Seehafer also stated that many companies have a matching funds program for such organizations. She also stated that with help from an attorney and a CPA, the filing process to obtain this tax status is not difficult. Peggy Sue Seehafer reported that the filing process does have a cost associated with it, but based on our information, she did not feel that it would be in a prohibitive price range.

Sandi Stephenson reported that Merry Lee Hrsituk's husband is a CPA, and had recently assisted the Glenbard All Breed Obedience Club in some matters. Sandi volunteered to ask if he would be willing to assist us in the process and what he would charge for his services. Cathy Fleury stated that she is not a CPA and therefore would not be comfortable with comple-

ing the paperwork for this process.

Peggy Sue Seehafer made a motion that the money earned for all rally match entries be placed into a separate building fund. Sandi Stephenson seconded the motion. After some discussion, the motion was approved by all without any opposition or abstentions.

- Carolyn Pearson reported that she had been asked to contact the fairgrounds to discuss a rent increase.
- Trudi Kimm has been asked by several club members to re-address the electronic collar policy. She stated that she would like to put in on the agenda for the March 13th Membership Meeting. Carolyn stated that she would do that.
- Ann White asked whether FVDTC has considered hosting a health clinic for club members. Trudi Kimm stated that in the past, we have had local vets come to training. This was cancelled when we were threatened with a lawsuit. Sandi Stephenson stated that the health clinic hosted by the Glenbard All Breed Obedience Club typically does not make a lot of money. Although Glenbard typically hosts their healthy clinic in March, nothing has been scheduled for 2002.

Trudi Kimm volunteered to contact Patty Meiser, DVM, to host a health clinic at Fox Valley. Kathy Hubbard also suggested that we consider hosting a microchip and/or eye clinic in the future. Peggy Sue Seehafer stated that if we also provide this as a community service, this would assist the filing of the 501-c3 status.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 p.m.



News from the AKC

Editor's Note: There was a lot of discussion at the Membership Meeting about the best, most effective donation the club can make in memory of the events of September 11. This is an excerpt from two articles from the AKC web site, explaining their efforts in that same area.

All across the nation, Americans are uniting to support the rescue and recovery efforts taking place at the sites of the terrorist attacks. Dog lovers, AKC clubs, and dog show organizations are no exception. The response has been remarkable, according to AKC President Al Cheaure. "Over the years I have been impressed how dog show folks come to together for one another in bad times," he said. "Now, in a wonderful display of the goodness of loving people, the dog show world has come together for all Americans in this terrible time for our country."

Today, The American Kennel Club and The AKC Companion Animal Recovery, CAR, responded to the September 11 devastating terrorist attacks with financial support on behalf of our organization and the sport of purebred dogs.

The AKC/AKC CAR Disaster Relief Fund has been established to provide support for search and rescue dogs and relief for pets of disaster victims. AKC and AKC CAR have each contributed \$25,000 to establish the Fund. These funds will be directed in a variety of ways for dog related assistance including transportation, care and feeding of search and rescue dogs as well as help for their handlers. In addition, these funds will be used to aid animals

that have lost their owners.

The public may contribute to The AKC/AKC CAR Disaster Relief Fund. Checks or money orders (no cash please) should be made payable to The "AKC/AKC CAR Disaster Relief Fund". Checks should be sent to the Fund Administrator:

Thomas G. Murphy, Chief Financial Officer
The American Kennel Club
260 Madison Avenue, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10016

Donations are also accepted online at <<http://www.akc.org/news/contributeonline.cfm>>

Proceeds from the sales of AKC's 2002 Lend Me A Paw Calendar are also donated to this fund.

Donations to these Funds are tax deductible.

In addition to the monetary contributions, The AKC has coordinated contribution efforts with dog food and dog supply companies with commitments from Iams, Purina, Pedigree, Cherrybrook, Alpo, Sherpa's Pet Trading Company and Pet Dreams.

*Excerpted from the AKC Web Site:
<http://www.akc.org/news/honorvictims.cfm>
<http://www.akc.org/news/DisasterReliefFund.cfm>*

Your New Waggin' Tales

You may have noticed that the 2002 Waggin' Tales has a new look. Based on membership input via eMail, the web site and face-to-face conversations, along with a two-thirds majority vote, this is the

look you want to see.

As with any new endeavor, it may take a couple tries to get it all right, so please be patient while we get the kinks worked out.

If you have questions,

comments, suggestions or ideas, please contact:

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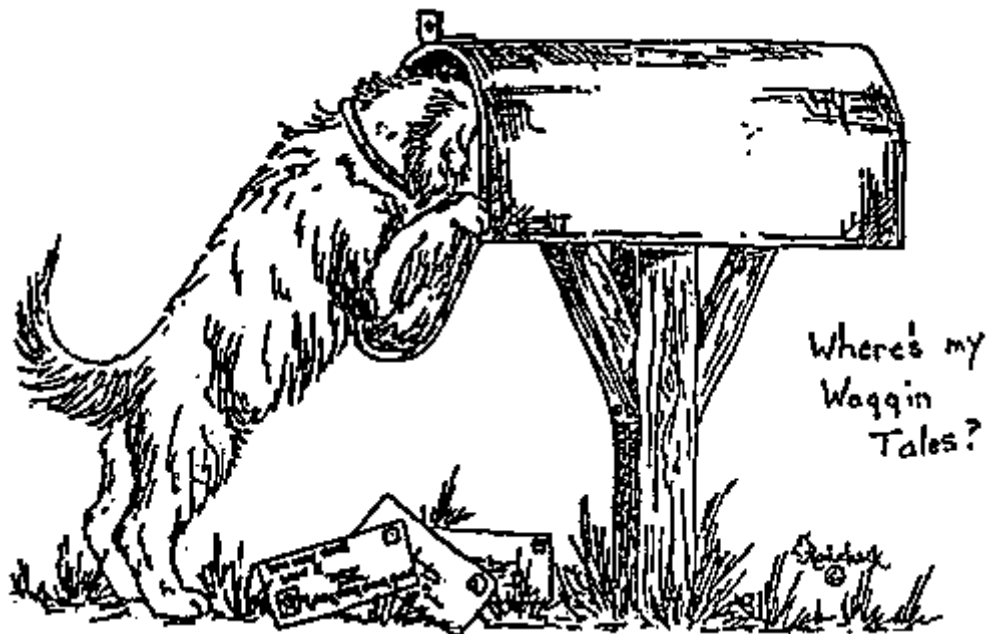
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January

3	Thursday	Regular Training
9	Wednesday	Membership Meeting
10	Thursday	Regular Training
13	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
17	Thursday	Correction Clinic Beginner Classes
24	Thursday	Regular Training

February

6	Wednesday	Board Meeting
7	Thursday	Regular Training
10	Sunday	Waggin' Tales Deadline
14	Thursday	Regular Training
21	Thursday	Correction Clinic Beginner Classes
28	Thursday	Regular Training