



# WAGGIN' TALES

## Congratulations Kane County 4-H

The Kane County 4-H Club held their dog show on June 25, 2008 and our Fox Valley Dog Training Club was there to assist. There was a total of 74 combined entries included in all levels of competition.

Students demonstrated their ability to control and care for their dogs on a variety of training levels from Dog Care, with ages ranging from 8 to 18 years old, through Utility and Showmanship.

Excitement abounded from both animals and handlers throughout the evening. This writer observed that there were going to be a number of sound sleepers that night - dogs included.

Deanna Roby is Unit Educator for 4-H Youth Development. The judges were Loretta Lazzara, Patti Imburgia, Cheryl Lewis, Wendy Muller, and Marian Lazzara. Some of the volunteers helping with the dog show were Francene Andresen, Nancy Corneilson, Ericka Koehn, Will Short, Anthony Rizzi, Maureen Ballard, Cheryl Hettinger, Jan Schomer, Jackie & Jerry Parisek and Ben Sunday. Appreciation for the help of all the volunteers was expressed by officials of the show and any omission of a volunteer's name here is strictly unintentional.

Erin Murphy and her Golden Retriever were awarded Highest Scoring In Trial. Congratulations and good luck to all those going on to participate in the Kane County Fair this month.

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**HIGH SCORING IN TRIAL**  
Erin Murphy and her Golden Retriever



## HEALTH ALERTS FOR OUR CANINE FRIENDS

THIS MIGHT BE A GOOD TIME OF THE YEAR TO NOTIFY OUR MEMBERS THAT DOGS EATING GRAPES AND RAISINS CAN CAUSE KINDNEY FAILURE AND DEATH.

HERE IS A REPORT FROM THE U OF MINN WRITTEN IN 2005 ON DOGS THAT BECAME SICK OR DIED DO TO INJESTING GRAPES OR RAISINS.

<http://www.cvm.umn.edu/newsandevents/facts/petsafety/Grapes.html>

BILL CLARKE



### XYLITOL HAZARDS

A warning has been issued from the Animal Poison Control regarding the dangers of the artificial sugar substitute, Xylitol. Xylitol is found in such items as chewing gum, jello, sugar free pudding, diabetic foods, baked goods, and toothpaste.

**IT CAN BE FATAL TO PETS EVEN IN SMALL AMOUNTS.**

Xylitol causes a massive insulin release in dogs, leading to sudden hypoglycemia, a drop in blood sugar levels. Dogs can show symptoms in as little as 20 minutes, or as late as 12 hours. Symptoms include a staggering gait, depression, lethargy, confusion, seizures & in some cases, death.

Call your vet immediately, if you suspect your pet has ingested Xylitol, to let them know you are on your way there for urgent treatment. It is extremely important to seek medical attention immediately because the effects of Xylitol can occur so suddenly after consumption. You can also call the **ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center** for advice at **(888) 426-4435**. but only if it does not delay your getting to the vet.

Francene Andresen

Above information gathered from the Honest Kitchen Newsletter.



Below is a link to an article regarding the presence of canine flu here in Illinois. This is something we should all be aware of for our dogs' wellbeing.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/chi-dog-flu-web-jun14,0,5063594.story>



**UPCOMING**  
**AKC CGC and TDI TESTS**

Are you looking for testing in our area? Here you go!  
American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen and Therapy Dog International testing will be conducted in conjunction with the North Aurora Days Pet Parade.

Date of Tests: **Sunday August 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Time: TBD

Place: North Island Park, North Aurora  
(at the river near routes 56 and 31)

To sign up, email: [terribyerly@aol.com](mailto:terribyerly@aol.com)  
(630) 553-2363



**North Aurora Days**  
**26<sup>th</sup> Annual Pet Parade**

Extraordinary participation each year marks the success of this event which celebrates the value of pets in our lives.

Entry forms can be found at  
Fox Valley Veterinary Clinic, Messenger Public Library, City Hall  
or online thru Village of North Aurora's website

Keep your eye on Waggin' Tails for more information to follow!

Hi,

I wanted to let my friends at Fox Valley know that I lost JP to cardiac problems at age 9 - way, way too early. He was working on his RAE, which would've been his 21st title/working certificate. The legs he earned were mostly class placings and had his health held out, he would've finished the title easily.

I've been extremely lucky to have had him and Sadie, who were both once in a lifetime dogs. I owe thanks to many people throughout his life who helped him on his way to his titles. Cathy Fluery - both as an instructor and his handler who guided him so well in agility for me when I couldn't, Brenda for all of her advice along the way, all of the instructors at FVDTC who taught the classes we attended, Mary and Ronnie for their help in Open & Utility - he never got a UD leg, but the lessons stood us well in Rally. Donna Dodson for all of her help along the way. Marietta and Jean for their help in agility, also. I'm sure that I'm overlooking someone that I owe my gratitude to and apologize to them for overlooking them.



Photo of JP by P.S. Seehafer

Peggy Sue - remember the party at Jerry's when you tried to get him to go into the pond? He discovered the joys of digging in the irrigation water out here-you'd have been proud of him coming in totally black. Rick - you were right, he was about the prettiest puppy there ever was. He was a shoulder to cry on at Linda's funeral, he had a big generous heart that he gladly shared.

I still have Buzz - who's out campaigning every weekend and loving every minute of it, he's currently #1 male Canaan Dog All breed, #2 CD in All Breed points. He's gotten several Group placements so far this year. I have a Rhodesian Ridgeback, Kaylee, in training for Rally & Obedience. The nearest good agility instructor is over 60 miles away so that doesn't happen very often. You guys don't realize how good you have it, the depth of good instructors in all areas of competition close to home, not having the closest show be 90 miles away, with most of them at least 3 hours away.

Please give your special dog a big hug and enjoy every second that you have him or her.

Trudi

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

**A REMINDER THAT IT'S PAST TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP, IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY SENT IN YOUR RENEWAL. SEE RENEWAL FORM AND INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE.**

**PLEASE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP TYPE**

**REGULAR TRAINING: \$90.00**

**REGULAR NON-TRAINING: \$45.00**

**LIFETIME OR BOARD TRAINING: \$45.00\*\***

**LIFETIME OR BOARD NON-TRAINING: FREE**

INSTRUCTORS: Earn 1/4 Credit Towards Dues Per Quarter Or Class Taught (Max 4)  
Your Teaching Status Must Be Confirmed By The Director Of Training

\*\*If you are planning to apply for an award at next year's banquet, be sure that you select a Training membership.\*\*

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_ \*

***\*In accordance with our By-laws,  
a \$5.00 re-instatement fee will be charged  
for dues not received by 7-10-08***

Please mail this application with your dues to the address below.

Make checks payable to:

**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**

(630) 584-1002	MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON Sue MacPherson 4N791 Chaffield Dr St. Charles, IL 60175	membership@fvdtc.org
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**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

**THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JUNE 1, 2008**

**DUES FOR THE 2008-2009 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 2008.**

Your name will be omitted from the 2008-2009 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the July issue unless your check and this completed form are received by 7-9-08

**Please take a moment to complete and return this entire form, even if you do not owe any dues. This allows us to make our roster as accurate as possible.**

Please print the information below as you would like it to appear in the roster, e.g.: John & Mary Jones.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

You must include your e-mail address if you select the "Via e-mail" method to receive the newsletter.

Breed(s) of dog(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Training areas of interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check your preference for receiving the Waggin' Tales newsletter.

Mailed to my house \_\_\_\_\_ Via e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Do not want to get at all \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer for the Grievance Committee?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

FVDTC continues to believe that all club members have a commitment to sportsmanship, community and canine welfare. All individuals living in your household, who are to be considered voting club members, should read the following. Please sign on the line below stating that you have read this statement.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>I shall endeavor to conduct myself at all times in a manner that reflects credit upon Fox Valley Dog Training Club, regardless of the location or the circumstances. I will protect and advance the interests of the Club by encouraging sportsmanlike behavior at training nights, correction clinics, obedience trials, tracking tests, and agility trials. I will uphold the Club's commitment to good sportsmanship, community support, and the welfare of the dogs with which we work.</b> |                    |
| _____<br>Signature                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | _____<br>Signature |

**THERAPY DOGS NEEDED FOR  
READING WITH ROVER**



Friends,

If you and your pooch are Therapy Dog Int'l certified, drop me a note and let me know if you'd be interested in participating in the reading programs at North Aurora Library and Aurora Library/Eola branch. We need more teams for both locations.

Reading sessions are held once a month on Saturdays.

We also need teams who are available weekdays, afternoons in West Chicago to work with educational programs with children in that district.

Please be sure you contact me before you show up at either library with your dog. The libraries are not responsible for scheduling the dog/handler teams.

Thank you for sharing your dog's unconditional love with children!

contact Terri Byerly  
email: [terribyerly@aol.com](mailto:terribyerly@aol.com)



**WANTED TO BUY**

Clean and good condition portable x-pens.  
36" high and up.  
Email [terribyerly@aol.com](mailto:terribyerly@aol.com)



Last call..

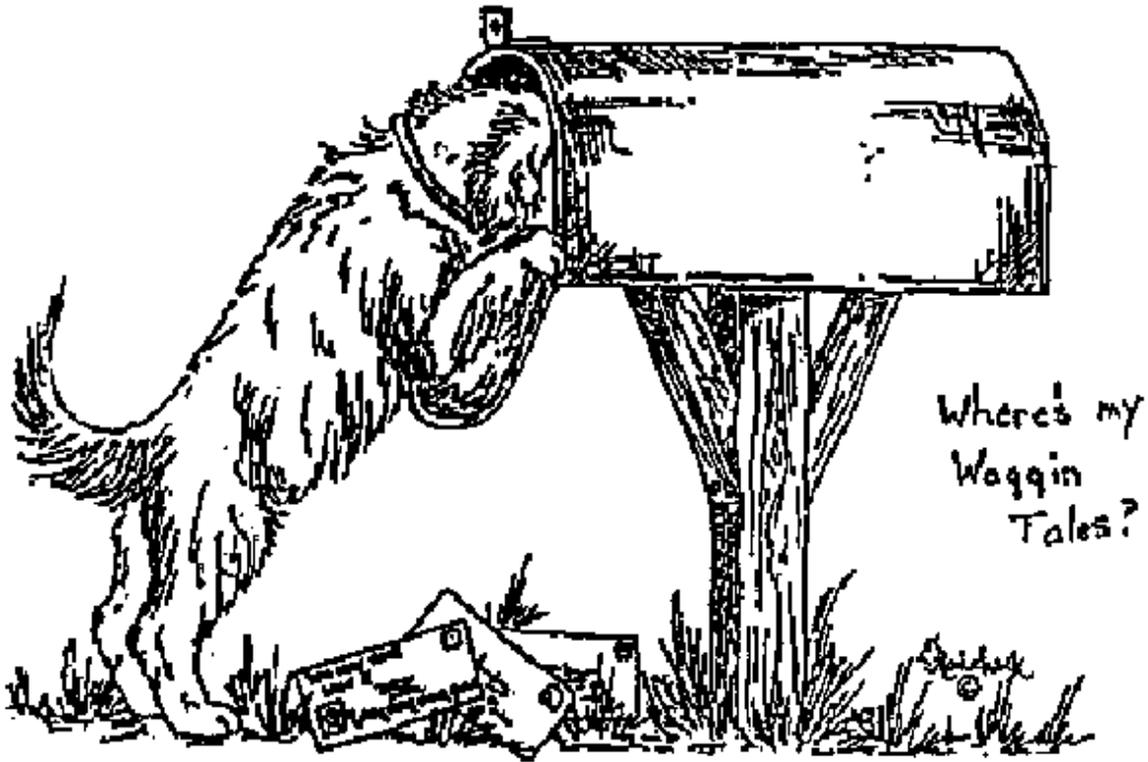
The trophy list is together and this is a last call for anyone who would like to sponsor a class for the fall obedience and rally trial. We have one place for a \$15 donation in Rally. For Obedience we could use a sponsor for two \$15 trophies and one \$25 trophy. One final request would be a sponsor for the High In Trial - \$75.

This means that out of 51 trophies this club offers, five are left to sponsor. That is terrific. Wouldn't it be fantastic if every one of the trophies were sponsored?

Please let me know if you would like to be listed as one of the special people who have already stepped up to the plate. 630-584-1595 or [artisticpeggysue@yahoo.com](mailto:artisticpeggysue@yahoo.com)

Thanks you so much to all of you that have donated to this club. You are truly terrific!

Sincerely, Peggy Sue Seehafer



| JULY |          |                                                               | AUGUST |          |                                                          |
|------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 3    | Thursday | Regular Training & Start Puppy (8:00)                         | 1      | Friday   | Board Meeting                                            |
| 8    | TUESDAY  | Regular Training                                              | 3      | Sunday   | Waggin' Tales Deadline                                   |
| 11   | Friday   | Board Meeting                                                 | 5      | TUESDAY  | Regular Training Start Session 4 Puppy (7:00) & Beginner |
| 13   | Sunday   | Waggin' Tales Deadline                                        | 14     | Thursday | Regular Training                                         |
| 17   | THURSDAY | KANE COUNTY FAIR NO TRAINING OR CLASSES                       | 21     | Thursday | Correction Clinic                                        |
| 24   | Thursday | Regular Training                                              | 28     | Thursday | Regular Training                                         |
| 31   | Thursday | Regular Training Graduation Session 3 Puppy (7:00) & Beginner |        |          |                                                          |