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FROM THE TRIAL CHAIR

FROM THE TRIAL CHAIRMAN By W. Short

The trial is over, and everyone agreed that it was another success for our club. Of course none of it would have happened without the hard work of a large number of our members who volunteered their time and effort to make everything come together. We had approximately 60 club members who helped in some way before, during, or after the trial, and I thank you all for your involvement.

Everything started with the work of our Trial Secretary, Taffe Wille, without whose services nothing would have even begun. She started working very early in 2001 to make sure we were doing whatever was necessary to make sure November 11 happened smoothly, and she did a terrific job.

The other members who contributed were Bill Clarke and Tim White who handled catalog ads. Bill also was the person in charge of booth spaces. Chief Ring Steward was Debbie Kovacevich (and she had help from her spouse, Michael), and the ring stewards were: Barb Bonner, Eric Heaton, Barb Dellenback, Kent Hildebrand, Cindy Ehrhart-Malnar, Rick Cox, Kathy Hubbard, Mike Kovacevich, Tom Hamer, Mary Russell, Sylvia Schultz, Penny Brcich, Sylvia Krypan, Francene Andresen, Terry Whalen (who also along with Andrew Graham, judged our non-regular class), Allison Rubendall, Tom Wagner, Heidy Terlizzi, Vera Nyberg, Marietta Huber, Marian Lazzara, Ruth Rothgery, Sue MacPherson, and Paula Zecca.

The kitchen was organized and run again this year by Nadine Connor and

her staff including Loretta Lazzara, Trudy Kimm, Judy Siebeck, Donna Dodson (who also donated tickets for us to use in the raffle), Mimi Wayne, Barb Terrell, Shirley Short, and a mystery person named Myra who owns a yellow Lab named Payton. Nadine is already looking forward to next year.

Helen Castellano did a terrific job gathering, displaying, and distributing all of our trophies.

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A well-trained dog is a happy dog

1942-2001 LINDA BENSON

Our thoughts and prayers go to the family and friends of long-time club member Linda Benson, who died early on the morning of November 11. The Kane County Chronicle said that her cancer "took her body, but not her spirit". We will all miss Linda's vivacious spirit.

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FROM THE TRIAL CHAIR

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Helping her were Cathy Labash, Bev Nicholson, Cheryl Lewis, Peggy Sue Seehafer, and Mary Bradley.

Ed Herdes, who is always there when needed, was in charge of the equipment. He was there on Friday to help Car-Dun-Al set up, and he was the last to leave on Sunday night when everything was finally finished.

Cindy Pakenas was in charge of grounds' patrol, and she did a great job making sure all exhibitors cleaned up after their dogs. Carolyn Pearson was in charge of Hospitality, and Kent Hildebrand handled publicity. Taffe Wille handled scoring throughout the day so that all placements and runoffs went smoothly. Kathy Hubbard made the standards in club colors for our ring signs and these will be a great addition for future trials. Cathy Fleury was stationed at the front table for most of the day collecting money as well as handing out commemorative gold Sacajawea \$1.00 coins to all handlers. This was done in honor of our 50th anniversary and those who collected their coins were very pleased. Kristen Cox and her cousin did a fine job setting up and running our raffle. Thank you to all who donated items. There were many members who helped Dean Connolly and his committee take down equipment and clean up at day's end. All of the people in the kitchen took care of that end of the building, while the trophy people did their area, and Dean's group did the rest. Now here is where the breakdown occurs. He gave me a list of helpers on Sunday night, which I promptly lost, so neither of us remembers who all helped. But a very large thank you to

all. It was a tough job, and it was done well.

I hope that I did not o mit anyone's name, because if I did, I apologize. Your help, as well as all of those mentioned, was greatly appreciated.

Finally, Steve Pool, who judged our novices classes, told us that the novice B class had the highest percentage of qualifiers that he has ever before judged. Very cool.

From Helen Castellano THANKS

I want to extend my thanks to Cheryl Lewis, Bev Nicholson and Peggy Sue Seehafer for assisting by contacting our club members for Obedience Trial trophy donations this past spring.

I also want to thank, Mary Bradley, Cathy Labash, Cheryl Lewis, and Peggy Sue Seehafer for helping to set up on Saturday evening and manning the Trophy Table during our Trial. A number of you were aware of how sick I was on Saturday and Sunday and that things were not as well organized as in the past. I greatly appreciated the fact that no one gave me a "correction" when we realized during Saturday set up that I had misplaced a box of trophies at home. I did find them and they were there on Sunday morning. We again had a large number of compliments on our trophy display this year and that is due to the generosity of our club members.

From David Lewis, Editor PUT YOUR NEWS IN WAGGIN' TALES

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 follow to ensure that your message is presented in the way **you** would like:

Submit your articles to:

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

Plain text E-Mail is the best way to get your article included. Attachments in Rich Text Format will work also. Typed letters and faxes are OK, too, but hand-written notes are the most likely to result in errors.

Always include your name and a phone number with your article.

What Gets Included

Waggin' Tales is the primary means of communication for 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.

BRAGS AND OTHER GOOD STUFF

Trajan's Here Comes the Storm, NA, OAJ "Storm" (Tracy J. McMahon)

10/11/2001Medallion Rottweiler Club Specialty
Storm's first obedience trial.Novice B - 1st Leg - "High in Trial"
Storm's first obedience trial.10/14/2001Medallion Rottweiler Club's Agility Trial
2nd Place - New Title "OA" and "Highest Scoring Rottweiler in Standard Agility"

Candlewood's Ribbonquest "Peggy" (Anne White)

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10/14/2001	Medallion Rottweiller Club	Plano, IL	Standard Ex B Leg,	11 MACH points
10/21/2001	Labrador National Specialty	Valparaiso, IN	Standard Ex B Leg	8 MACH points

From Susan Yee: Our 13 year-old daughter, Laura, handled Bruno to the NADAC novice jumpers certificate (jr handler division) in 2 runs. Laura believes that working with the NADAC courses has been a big help in working through handling issues. Wilson and I are especially proud since their time for the DIGS leg was 5+ years. Another THANK YOU to Laura and Bruno's instructor, Marietta Huber.

E-MAIL WAGGIN' TALES

If you would like to save the club a few dollars, receive your Waggin' Tales up to a week before everybody else, and get your pictures in color:

Get your Waggin' Tales via E-Mail! You need to install the Adobe Acrobat Reader (free from http://www.adobe.com) and send an e-mail to waggintales@fvdtc.org.

PUT YOUR BRAGS ON The Web

See 3 years of electronic brags on the club web site (http://www.fvdtc.org/news). You can also add <u>your</u> dog's accomplishments to the list for all the world to see

From Suzan Scott CORRECTION CLINIC

The final 2001 Fox Valley Dog Training Club correction clinic will be held on Thursday, November 29. Open is currently full with a waiting list. There are a few spots left in Utility and there is a lot of room in Novice.

Thanks to all of you who've volunteered to judge, steward and otherwise help out throughout the year sometimes at the last minute. You're the people that make these matches possible. A special thanks to Shirley Moline for finding judges, Ingrid Hamburger for locating stewards and Jan Schomer for coordinating the table on match night.

The January, February and March correction clinics should be the third Thursday of the month. The calendar on the web page, www.fvdtc.org, and the dates on the entry form will be updated once we get the final dates from the fairgrounds

From Carolyn Pearson LOST - BUT FOUND!

The following items have been accidentally left in the building at some time in the past. If anything sounds like it might belong to you - please check with Carolyn Pearson or at the front table, and they can show you where they are. If they are not claimed by December 27th, they will be disposed of.

- DuPage County Animal Control Fannie Pack
- Insulated Blackhawks Jacket, child's size 14 16
- Pampered Chef Soap Dispenser Bottle
- Small Note Pad "Hot" Colors
- 1 set of Baseball Cards
- 1 King Kong Floating
- 1 Sears Stapler
- 1 small Bunge Cord
- 1 Canvas Utility Glove, small
- 3 Canvas Utility Gloves, with wooden dowels in Ziploc bag
- 1 Black Golf Umbrella
- 1 Red Water Bottle w/Forrester-Smith name

From Kathy Hubbard MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bob and Sandy Crowe 924 S 4th St St Charles, IL 60174 (630)443-8233 crowegrp@aol.com Austrailian Shepherd Completed Beginners Class

Andy, Dave and Jan Herren 19 Cedar Gate Circle Aurora, IL 60506 ()466-7165 choirboy714@aol.com Golden Retriever Completed Beginner Class

Steve and Patti Kotz 1230 Nary Ct. Batavia, IL 60510 (630)879-6933 pkotz@lucent.com Giant Schnauzer Completed Beginner Class

Brian and Leslie Nelson 5N664 Seneca Maple Park, IL 60151 (630)365-5526 nelfami@juno.com English Pointer **Completed Beginner Class**

Kari Roberts 37W571 Grey Barn Road St Charles, IL 60175 (630)584-2664 tntkkr@aol.com Labrador Retriever Completed Beginner Class

Jon and Susan Saud 2020 South St Geneva, IL 60134 (630)262-0660 smsauld@msn.com Giant Schnauzer Completed Beginner Class

Frank and Lisa Severino 30W240 Leominster Ct Warrenville, IL 60555 (630)836-1855 sev@peoplepc.com Shepherd mix/Yorkshire Terrier Completed beginner Class

Stephanie Strunk 218B Nicole Dr South Elgin, IL 60177 (847)429-0590 lanata@att.net American Eskimo Completed Beginner Class

Jennifer Summers 1426 7th Ct St Charles, IL 60174 (630)513-5059 summers@westengpc.com Shetland Sheepdog Completed Beginner Class

Bill and Mimi Wayne 39W003 Foxwood Lane St Charles, IL 60175 (630)584-5456 wayne@inil.com Labrador Retriever Completed Beginner Class

Cathy and Chris Weiss 4N502 School Road St Charles, IL 60175 (630)443-0570 cathy_weiss_2000@yahoo.com (note underlines between cathy and weiss and weiss and 2000 Labrador Retriever Completed Beginner Class

CLUB LOGO CLOTHING

A new order will be placed for club t-shirts and sweatshirts. Prior to placing this order, we are able to offer to you the opportunity of ordering a special size (i.e. anything other than a large or X large) please see Virginia at the Information table and complete the order form. You will also be able to choose between a black or red shirt.

This is a limited time offer, available only until October 15th. Anyone who pre-orders a shirt (of any size) will be asked to put a 50% deposit down - BUT - will receive a \$1.00 off the prices listed here.

	T-Shirts (Red or Black)	Sweatshirts (Red or Black)
Small—X-Large	\$12.00	\$20.00
XX Large	\$13.00	\$21.00

Currently we have the following in stock, and available for immediate purchase at training

	T-Shirts	Sweatshirts	
	Large	Medium	XX Large
Red	2	1	1
Black	1	1	1

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REMEMBERING LINDA

To Linda and Jim's sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and family,

I can't remember exactly when I first met Linda and Jim. They were almost a fixture on training nights at Fox Valley. Jim helping with the crates and getting dinner. Linda chatting up a storm on any subject, training her dogs and teaching her class.

We probably started talking when we realized how very much alike her Dyna and my Jena were. Both dominant black and white bitches with lots of attitude which they directed at any other dog who invaded their space.

I know that I was a student in Linda's Open class for sometime and enjoyed her class very much. Particularly, the very physical workout she gave each of us with her requirement that we heel for what seemed like an eternity. It was worth the effort.

Somehow, Linda talked me into volunteering to take over the work for Match Nights from her. At the time, this included getting the judges, taking the entries and being there on Match Night. I also remember somehow volunteering to help Linda with the Obedience Trial Trophies one year. Well guess what, that stuck! I took over from Linda and have been the Trophy Chairperson for Fox Valley's Obedience Trial ever since. I will remember her for getting me involved.

Linda and I attended many of the same dog shows and always watched, supported, congratulated, and offered advice to each other on our training. But we were more than fellow dog club members. Linda attended my bridal shower and also the baby shower for my daughter, Samantha. We were friends.

It was a sad day when I heard that Jim had passed away. It was so sudden and unexpected. And then when Linda finally found something to put her heart into again, agility teaching, I heard the sad news of her cancer. The last time I spoke to Linda, she was planning to go home the next day from St. Joseph's Hospital. I called to tell her how everyone loved the Agility Trial trophies which she had picked out for Fox Valley's Agility Trial and how our trial had gone the first day.

I know what it is like to lose a parent as I lost both of mine within a short time of each other. It has been many years since then but I look at my daughter, Samantha, and realize what they, and I have missed.

Fortunately for Linda it was a fairly short time until the end. Unfortunately for her you, her sons, daughtersin-law, grandchildren, and family, you wanted and needed her here much longer than was given.

I have made some wonderful friends through my dogs and Fox Valley. Linda and Jim were among them. My memories of them and the Basenjis will remain forever. *With my deepest sympathy, Helen Castellano*

OBEDIENCE FUN MATCH BENEFIT FOR MARK HUFFMAN SATURDAY, JANUARY 26, 2002

LOCATION: Stone City Kennel Club	(Bldg. Donated by Stone City)
13636 Laraway Rd., New	Lenox, IL
Time: 8:30 a.m Doors Open 8:00 a.m	. **FOOD**
Judges: Novice - Edree Olsen	**RAFFLE**
Open - Joe Heidenger	*BAKE SALE*
Utility - Fred Buroff	
Pre Entries and Door Entries are \$6.00	and additional entries \$4.00
Pre Entries Close January 19, 2002	
Send Entries or Donations to:	Chris Van Byssum
	8714 S. New England

Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Makes Checks Payable To: Mark Huffman Benefit For More Information Call (815) 478-3510 or (708) 424-4895

ENTRY FORM		
Name		Phone
Address		City
Breed	Class	Add'l Class
High Jump	Broad Jump	Fees Encl

From Carolyn Pearson MEMBERSHIP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Membership Meeting Highlights November 7, 2001

Meeting brought to order at 7:40 p.m. by Carolyn Pearson. Tracey Mohr was out of town on a required business trip. The October meeting minutes were approved • as published. Several items of correspondence were read.

Judy Anderson (First Vice-President) was not in attendance. However, Will Short reported that she is slowly • recovering from her liver transplant.

Carolyn Pearson (Assistant Director of Training) reported Bill Clarke reported that all thirteen booth spaces are for Trudi Kimm, that we desperately need primary and filled. He also stated that several booth occupants are assistant instructors. We also need to have a list of indi- new this year. Booth set-up begins at 6:00 p.m. on Frividuals who would be willing to substitute teach for any day. Dean Connolly reported that help is needed to do classes, especially on short notice - flu and cold season is the clean-up on Sunday afternoon for equipment and here.

The Rally cards have been ordered, but not yet received. Helen Castellano, Trophy Chairperson, was not in atten-A book on the rules and regulations for Rally Obedience dance, but sent the following report with Carolyn Pearwas given to Ginger for the club's library.

Carolyn also reported that she and Ed Herdes are still man the table early Sunday morning. Anyone who trying to find a date to clean our mats at the fairgrounds. would be available should contact Helen. She also pur-However, it does not appear as if it will occur prior to the chased several small American Flags to display on the end of the year because the fairgrounds are booked ring tables. most weekends. We need to have a weekend date that we do not have to breakdown the equipment and we Taffy Wille (Trial Secretary) stated that all classes were would be able to gain access to the fairgrounds on a Sat-filled except Utility A, which had an entry of 38 dogs, urday.

Will Short (Trial Chairperson) reported the following:

- All trial workers should be at the fairgrounds be- table steward's envelope. tween 7:15 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, November 11th.
- No Fox Valley club members should place crates or other personal equipment at the fairgrounds Friday night while Car-Dun-Al is setting up.
- The trial will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the National Anthem. Judging will begin immediately after that.
- Taffy has the gold dollar coin to be given to an individual for each entry. The distribution will be done by Vera Nyberg or Cathy Fleury.
- immediately.
- Anyone noticing a reporter from the local newspaper should see Kent Hildebrand or Will.
- Cindy Pakenas is the grounds chairperson and could

use some help.

- The raffle is still in need of donated items. They can either be brought on Saturday night or Sunday morning.
- The set-up is scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday.
- There will not be any non-regular classes offered in • 2002.
- ALL chairpeople should provide a list of workers to Will following the trial.

the kitchen.

son. She has help for Saturday night Trophy Table set up. But, she thinks that she might need someone to

maximum was 48. The non-regular classes will be judged in the Utility A ring, following the completion of that class. Taffy also briefly reviewed the contents of the

Dave Lewis (Waggin' Tales Editor) reported that the deadline is Sunday, November 18th. This is one week later than usual to allow for trial reports to be included in the November issue. The website is up-to-date and receiving visitors regularly.

Dean Connolly (Graduation Chairperson) reported that the Graduation certificate supply needs to be replenished. He will obtain prices from several places.

Kathy Hubbard (Membership Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent her report with Carolyn Pearson. Anyone witnessing a problem should seek Will out Carolyn read a list of four applicants that were published in the October Waggin' Tales. Additionally, there were several new people in attendance who stated that they had submitted their applications to Kathy Hubbard following the October Waggin' Tales publication. Taffy

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made a motion that we waive the requirement of the Nelson. pre-publication of those names. Bill Clarke seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all, without any Old Business opposed or abstentions.

Taffy made a motion that the list be approved as published, with the addition of the two new applications. Will Short seconded the motion. The motion was approved by all, without any opposed or abstentions. Wel- • come to our newest club members!

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) reported that we need Stewards for the November 29th Correction Clinic.

Shirley Moline (Match Judge Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson. Shirley has not started to make calls for judges for the November 29th Correction Clinic. Anyone who wishes to judge should contact Shirley. She would like to get different club members to judge at the match. Shirley reported that if it were not for a handful of people, who she cannot thank enough because they have judged every month, we would not have the correction clinics.

Suzan Scott (Match Entry Chairperson) was not in attendance, but sent the following report for the November 29th Correction Clinic with Carolyn Pearson: The Novice classes has lot of spots available, the Open classes

are full and has a waiting list, the Utility classes still have a couple of spots available.

Jacquie Kramer (Annual Dinner Chairperson) was not in attendance. However Suzan Scott, Awards Committee, • although not in attendance, sent the following report with Carolyn Pearson. She hopes to have the 2001 award information published in the December Waggin' Tales.

Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$5.00 is new club member Susan

Sauld, as drawn by another new club member, Leslie

Carolyn Pearson reported the following:

- Linda Benson's condition is deteriorating guickly, but she is at home.
- The schutzhund type dumbbells will be donated to HELP with the rest of the donation items.
- Another clothing order is being put together. See the Waggin' Tales for more information.

We are still in need of a new "class registrar". It would be extremely helpful to have someone with Internet access. The person must love to talk to people. Jerry D'Aprile will finish out the last session - BUT would be happy to have anyone interested in the position use this time for "training". Anyone that has any ideas of how to make the job easier, etc. should submit their suggestions to any of the Board members (via phone, personal contact or e-mail) prior to the December 5th Board meeting.

Front Table help is • also still DESPARATELY needed. We LOSE money when we do not have someone at the ta-

ble. The job is NOT hard – just need a friendly smile! We need someone to sit at the table from 6:45 p.m. until 8:15 p.m. Work Credit is earned.

Each TUESDAY night that we have training (until March 2002) – we will need to break down our equipment. One Work Credit will be offered to all who help.

New Business

Carolyn Pearson reported that we need a person to

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From Carolyn Pearson 2002 MEETINGS All of the meetings listed below are held at the Extension Center Building of the Kane County Fairgrounds. The meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. January 9 Membership (Elections) February 6 **Board Meeting** March 13 Membership (Note: This is the 2nd Wednesday) April 3 Board

Арпіз	BOALO
May 1	Membership
June 5	Board
August 7	Board / President's Dinner
September 4	Membership
October 2	Membership
November 6	Membership
December 4	Board
December 26	Annual "Picnic" / Membership
(Note: N	Not at the Extension Center)

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write a Thank-you Card for all of our Novice A exhibitors. Virginia Sensenbrenner volunteered.

- Special thanks to Bill Clarke and Bridget Carlsen who stayed to break down on Tuesday night, November 6th.
- Carolyn Pearson announced that the Christmas Party/ Membership Meeting is slated for Thursday, December 27th, in the training building. Games will start at approximately 7:15 p. m. Cindy Pakenas has volunteered to coordinate the games (again). And new this year, Nina Herdes has graciously volunteered to coordinate the food presentation. Many thanks to both! The night is set aside to have a brief Membership meeting, eat wonderful food and play games with our dogs, friends and family. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish-to-pass, their dogs, family members, and a desire to have an evening of FUN!
- It was announced that the Nominating Committee Chairperson is Carolyn Pearson. All current Board Members who wish to be slated for next year's Board should contact her at (630) 231-5658 or secretary@fvdtc.org.
- Donna Dobson asked about what information was available to new club members. Carolyn Pearson reported that a copy of the latest By-Laws, dated May 3, 2000, should be included in each packet. Carolyn stated that she would check with Kathy Hubbard about the status of the roster. She will also ask for a status to be given at the January Membership meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

From Suzan Scott MARK HUFFMAN BENEFIT

Mark Huffman Benefit January 26, 2002

Mark Huffman is a good friend to many people in the dog world. He and his Golden Retrievers have been a familiar sight in the obedience ring for many years. Two years ago he became ill and was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer. He has been fighting this disease ever since. In an attempt to help with mounting medical costs, friends of Mark are holding a benefit

obedience match on January 26, 2002. In conjunction with this match we will be holding a raffle. We are asking you and others to



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 (secretary@fvdtc.org or 630/231-6568), Trudi Kimm (dot@fvdtc. org, 630/673-0527) or any of the other Board members.

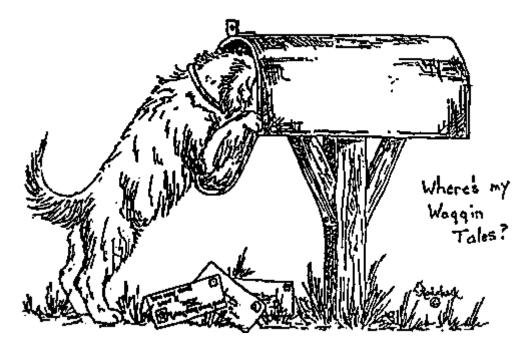
> Front Table Person Primary Instructors Beginner's classes Puppy classes Assistant Instructors Beginner's classes Class "registrar" Tuesday Night Breakdown Help Conformation Instructor

please be generous in donating an item or items to this worthy cause. The generous spirit of all those involved with this event promises to make it a great success. All benefactors and their contributions will be acknowledged to those in attendance that day. Please know that all proceeds will be donated directly to Mark. So we ask you to join our endeavor, as friends and community band together to help this special person. Any contributions may be given directly to sent to Marilyn Armstrong.

Any questions can also be directed to Mrs. Armstrong. She may be reached at; (708) 424-4895 or 9518 Campbell, Oak Lawn, IL 60453. (See the entry form on p. 6)

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FVDTC CALENDAR— OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

November

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Regular Training Thursday Tuesday

Regular Training

Wednesday Membership Meeting

- 11 Sunday Obedience Trial
- 15 Thursday Regular Training
- 18 Sunday Waggin' Tales Deadline
- 20 **Regular** Training Tuesday
- 29 Correction Clinic Thursday
 - **Beginner** Classes

December 5

Wednesday

27

- 6 Thursday 9 Sunday
- 13 Thursday
- 20 Thursday

Thursday

Graduate Session 5

Board Meeting

Regular Training

Regular Training

Regular Training

Waggin' Tales Deadline

- Christmas Pary
 - No Classes
- Membership Meeting