



# WAGGIN' TALES

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## AWARDS NIGHT

AND **EVERYONE** IS INVITED!!!

**WHEN:** APRIL 14, 2007 AT 6:00 P.M.

**WHERE:** *KANOSAK CANINE TRAINING CENTER*  
17318 BARBER GREENE ROAD  
MAPLE PARK, IL 60151

**WHAT:** **POT LUCK - APPETIZERS AND DESSERTS ONLY**

**WHO TO CONTACT:** CATHY FLEURY  
40W016 STURBRIDGE WAY  
ELGIN, IL 60124  
(847) 464-5909

**RSVP:** **NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2007** - RETURN FORM  
BELOW OR CALL CATHY WITH INFORMATION

**DRESS:** CASUAL & BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR

**PLEASE:** NO ALCOHOL OR DOGS

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**RSVP AWARDS NIGHT NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2007**

TO: CATHY FLUERY  
40W016 STURBRIDGE WAY  
ELGIN, IL 60124

NUMBER OF PEOPLE ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_

**DISH YOU ARE BRINGING:**

APPETIZER \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE \_\_\_\_\_

(OR)

DESSERT \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE \_\_\_\_\_



## FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

### APRIL 5<sup>th</sup> WELLNESS CLINIC

The Wellness Clinic will be sponsored by Elburn Animal Hospital. Dr. Kari Kobus will be available at training on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, to examine your dog and provide the services listed below. I have worked with Dr. Kobus at the Elburn Animal Hospital for a number of years and she is the same vet from our April clinic held last year. You may schedule your exam by calling the Elburn Animal Hospital at **(630) 365-9599**.

Bordetella	\$16.00
Lymes	\$24.00
DHPPC (L)	\$21.50 (\$25)
Rabies ( 1 year)	\$17.50
Rabies (3 year)	\$28.00
3 Year Booster	\$27.50
Corona/Lepto	\$12.50
Heartworm Test	\$17.50
<b>K9 Vaccine Titer</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
Fecal	\$17.50
Avid Chip	\$30.00
Kane County 1 Year Rabies Tag	\$10.00
Kane County 3 Year Rabies Tag	\$25.00



If you have any questions, please contact Helen Castellano at (630) 224-2566 or [pastatom@aol.com](mailto:pastatom@aol.com).

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## CONGRATULATIONS

### **Address Change:**

New e-mail for **Will Short** is:  
[blacksnow24@comcast.net](mailto:blacksnow24@comcast.net)  
 Please use for all future e-mails  
 and instant messages.

**Congratulations to Loretta Lazzara for her nomination and confirmation as Assistant Director of Training. Thank you, Loretta, for agreeing to take on this important position working with Sandi Stephenson.**

## ATTENTION ATTENTION ATTENTION

**Your help and ideas are needed to assist in the restructuring of FVDTC's annual awards. A motion was made to restructure our awards and we need people to work on the committee. Time is important as the decisions made will affect this year's awards given out next year. If you are interested in how awards are going to be structured please contact TAFFY WILLIE by April 7. Now is your chance to have input. E-mail Taffy at: [director@fvdtc.org](mailto:director@fvdtc.org)**

## The Editor's Dogs House

My mom says we first need to say "thank you" on behalf of FVDTC, to Anne Stuessy, for the great job she did with Waggin' Tales. Anne, we are going to miss your editorial notes "From the Editor's End of the Couch." I liked the title of your column. Unlike Scout, I'm not allowed on the furniture (at least not when anyone can see me).

As a newcomer to the role of Editor, mom says she hopes you will be patient as we learn how to put together the newsletter. Others were reassuring that figuring out how to put things together will soon be routine. You don't suppose their fingers were crossed when they said that, do you? Mom looks a little nervous but I told her that all of us woofers will give her our support. What more could she want?

I know mom will be seeking advice from past Editors on how to handle various situations and that she is looking forward to receiving their wisdom and knowledge. I told her that if she has any problems she can come to me, and my two siblings, and that talking it over we can figure out any problem together. I'm not sure I convinced her.

In any case, all the canines in The Editor's Dogs House are Waggin' Tales like crazy in anticipation of the new challenge.

Oh, I should introduce the pack to you. I'm Xanadu, (pronounced Zan-a-do) a Giant Schnauzer and alpha dog. My nickname is Xanadude or Xan the Man. My mom is Francene Andresen, a human, the alpha girl and the leader of our pack. The rest of our pack is my sister, Krista, a Giant Schnauzer and wannabe leader, nicknamed Dudette or Krissy; my pesky brother, Toto, a Sheltie who thinks he can herd us around, nicknamed Little Dude or Toadster; my dad, Jeff, a human, who thinks he is alpha male but isn't; and my grandma, Dorothy, a human that I have to watch over whenever mom is not home.

Now that you know who we are, maybe you'll write and let us know who you are and things you'd like to read about.

## A WELL TRAINED

DOG IS A

HAPPY

DOG



## RAFFLE

The raffle committee wants to remind everyone that if you have any appropriate items you wish to donate to the FVDTC Fall Obedience Show Raffle, please give them to Francene Andresen or Barb Misch (raffle co-chairs). We are beginning to collect items now. Showtime comes fast and we want to be prepared. This year we would appreciate you putting your name with your donations so that we may give you acknowledgement for your contribution. Thanks.

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Sue MacPherson

## New Members:

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Labrador Retriever

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Elgin, IL 60124  
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Aurora, IL 60504  
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Golden Retriever

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Border Collie

## Coyote Update

At February's Correction Clinic, 2 members noted coyotes howling in response to their dogs' excited cries as they were getting their equipment out of the car. The coyotes sounded as though they were at the far west area of the fairgrounds.

Another member confirmed having seen the coyotes in the area in recent weeks.

Please be alert bringing dogs in and out of the facility and alert others that may not be familiar with our area.

These animals are getting bolder and less afraid of humans.



## Speaker Suggestions

Terri Byerly

Friends,

Great ideas for guest speakers are abundant, but actual speakers are harder to find. If you have someone (local) specifically in mind, who could cover a topic that you feel the membership would be interested in, then please forward their contact information to me.

Please use the email address:  
vp2@fvdtc.org

Thanks guys...

**FOX VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB**  
**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

THE NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR BEGINS JUNE 1, 2007  
DUES FOR THE 2007-2008 MEMBERSHIP YEAR ARE DUE BY **JUNE 30, 2007**

Your name will be omitted from the 2007-2008 roster, and your last issue of Waggin' Tales will be the July issue unless your check and this completed form are received by 7-9-07

**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    \_\_\_\_\_ Don't want to get it 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.

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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**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 7-9-07*

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  
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St. Charles, IL 60175

[membership@fvdtc.org](mailto:membership@fvdtc.org)

**Membership Meeting Highlights**  
***January 03, 2007***

Meeting brought to order at 7:38 p.m.

Carolyn Pearson (Secretary). The November 1, 2006 Meeting Minutes were approved as read. One item of correspondence was read.

Secretary's Note: Following the January meeting, the following correction for the November 1, 2006 Meeting Minutes was noted.

- *As published:* Kent stated that Trial Chair should make a list of three things that should be covered during any interviews.
- *As corrected:* Anne Stuessy stated that the Trial Chair should make a list of three things that should be covered during any interviews.

Terri Byerly (Second Vice-President) reported that there were no guest speakers scheduled in lieu of the elections tonight.

Terri stated that the 4-H classes begin on February 8th and is held on regular training nights at 6:00 p.m. She also stated that we would need assistants to help with classes and someone to teach a showmanship class. The Showmanship class is similar to, but not the same as conformation. She reminded all individuals who assisted with 4-H in the past to contact her if they were interested in working with the 4-H trainers again. Terri stated that all new 4-H instructors must submit to a background check, past instructors do not need to submit another background check. Individuals who are new instructors for 4-H should contact Terri for the paperwork to complete.

Terri also reminded all members, to check the bulletin board near the doorway each training night. She attempts to update the information weekly or at a minimum bi-weekly. The bulletin board keeps members informed about management of your club, events and so much more!

Terri also reported that without the volunteers sitting at the front table on training nights, the club loses income. She stated that we desperately need people to work short shifts at the front table on training nights. Although we have been fortunate to have two wonderful ladies working the table, they are missing out on their training time to be of assistance to your club. Our sincerest thanks to Wendy and Pattie for their generosity of time! There is a sign-up sheet for volunteers.

Dale Swanson (Treasurer)

Dave distributed the end-of-year financial report sent by Dale, who was not in attendance. There was no discussion. The club ended the year with about \$140,000 in our accounts.

Sandi Stephenson (Director of Training) reported that things are going well. She stated that she has instructors lined up for the classes that begin on January 4, 2007. Sandi asked any club members who were available and interested in substituting for class instructors to contact her.

Nancy Pederson provided the following information for the beginner and puppy classes for session 3 starting on January 4.

| <b>Start Time</b> | <b>Puppy</b>                                    | <b>Beginner</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:00 p.m.         | Full                                            | Full            | *Nancy stated that she would contact the two individuals currently signed up for the 9:00 p.m. Beginner's class to determine whether they would be able to attend an earlier class time. Nancy also stated that she usually needs help on the first night of classes getting students checked-in at the front table. Although, Patti and Wendy would be there on January 4th, extra help is always welcome. |
| 8:00 p.m.         | Starts February 8th<br>Currently three students | Full            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 9:00 p.m.         | n/a                                             | Two students*   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

A six-weeklong CGC/TDI class is being conducted for those wishing to participate in the DogRX Program at Delnor Community Hospital. The class is 45 minutes long and begins as 9:00 p.m. The dogs must be a minimum of 1-1/2 years old. The class fee includes the CGC testing fee. Sandi Stephenson is the primary instructor and Sandy Davis is the assistant instructor.

Loretta Lazzara (Assistant Director of Training) stated that she needs an instructor for the Open Class for the nights that Marietta Huber is unable to instruct the class. Loretta asked that any one who would be interested should contact Sandi or her.

Dave read the report that Ronnie Bizer (Obedience Trial Chairperson) also submitted for publication in the December 2006 Waggin' Tales.

Taffy Wille (Obedience Trial Secretary) stated that the Judges Contracts for the 2007 Obedience and Rally Trial were sent out and four of the five have been returned. The following are the 2007 Obedience Trial Judges:

| <b>Class</b>   | <b>Judge</b>      | <b>Class</b> | <b>Judge</b>      |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Novice A and B | Donna Darlund     | Utility A    | Suzanne Hemminger |
| Open A         | Suzanne Hemminger | Utility B    | Louise Botko      |
| Open B         | Fred Buroff       | Rally        | Dan Herald        |

The Board approved the proposed plan to host a Rally trial in 2007. Although the judges were contacted prior to the addition of the Rally class, with a little extra effort, all the judging assignment needs were met. Taffy stated that she is awaiting the paperwork from AKC to begin the processing for the 2007 trial. Taffy reported that the Car-Dun-AI ODTTC would also host a Rally class at their 2007 Obedience Trial. The entry for the 2007 Obedience is \$24.00 for the first entry and \$16.00 for the second entry. The Trial Committee is currently in discussion with CDA regarding their entry fees.

Sue MacPherson (Membership Chairperson) read a list of six applicants who had been published in recent Waggin' Tales. Sue made a motion to accept the list as read. Sandi Stephenson seconded the motion. The list was accepted by all members present with no one opposed or abstaining. **Welcome to all new members!**

Ingrid Hamburger (Tracking Test Chairperson) stated that she spoke to a Kane County Forest Preserve District (KCFPD) representative to reserve Burnidge Forest Preserve for the Tracking Test on September 8 and September 9 and that the FPD would send her the necessary paperwork to complete. In response to Helen Castellano's request for a contact at the KCFPD to discuss the possibility of conducting the Fall Agility Trial, Ingrid stated she would get her the name. Ingrid also reported that the time that the FP's gate would open for the trial must still be addressed with the FP.

Helen Castellano (Agility Trial Chairperson) reported that the premium list is available online, with the opening day of February 2nd and the drawing is February 28. She also stated that she believes that the trials will fill and encouraged club members, who wished to guarantee their entry, to volunteer to work at the trials. The following are the Committee Chairs: Cathy Fleury, Molly Stadler, Vera Nyberg, Shirley Short, Marian Lazzara and Loretta Lazzara.

Helen also reported that the Kane County Fairgrounds would not enter into a contract with us for the September 15th and 16th Agility Trials due to the construction plans. Helen and Cathy Fleury are actively searching for other locations, both indoors and outdoors, possibly an indoor horse arena.

Priscilla Pisarski (Graduation Chairperson) reported that everything is fine.

Nancy Pederson (Historian) stated that she is reviewing the photos she received from Nancy Einwich to attempt to identify the individuals in the pictures.

Sandi Stephenson (Match Co-chairperson) stated that we are currently offering a combined Novice class at the correction clinics, due to the current offering of the Rally class. Sandi will discuss the situation with the rest of the match committee to determine what to do for the future correction clinics.

Rick Cox asked whether the club would host an AKC Sanctioned Match to assist those local individuals who need to judge at Sanctioned Matches to meet AKC requirements when attempting to becoming an AKC Obedience Judge. Rick stated that he knows of several individuals who would benefit from ability to judge at a Sanctioned Match. It was also discussed whether Rally would meet those requirements. Rick and Sandi volunteered to investigate the possibility of hosting a Sanctioned Match and the amount of work that is required.

Ingrid Hamburger (Match Steward Chairperson) stated that she needs stewards for the January 18th Correction Clinic. She also stated that there is a sign-up board available at training for all 2007 Correction Clinics.



### Monthly Dollar Bucket

...and the winner of \$8.00 is Sandi Stephenson as drawn by club member, Ed Herdes. The remaining \$8.00 were given to Ingrid to assist in reducing the tracking expenses.

### Old Business

As a follow-up to the overflowing Conformation class discussion during the November 2006 Membership meeting, Sandi Stephenson reported that currently there is not a problem. Sandi stated that Donna Dodson has returned as the Conformation class instructor and a slight decrease in the number of participants has eliminated the immediate need for a solution to the overcrowding issue. Should the issue arise in the future, it will be addressed at that time.

### Voting for 2007 Board of Directors

Dave read the complete listing of the Nominating Committee's slate, and the individuals who were the nominated from the floor, and who they were nominated by. Rick Cox and Nancy Pederson, collected and counted the ballots. Dave announced the following winners of the election, as shown in italics.

| <b>Position</b>                     | <b>Candidate</b>                                      | <b>Candidate</b>                                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>President</b>                    | <i>Dave Lewis</i>                                     |                                                    |
| <b>First Vice President</b>         | <i>Ed Herdes</i>                                      |                                                    |
| <b>Second Vice President</b>        | <i>Terri Byerly</i> (nominated by Priscilla Pisarski) |                                                    |
| <b>Secretary</b>                    | <i>Carolyn Pearson</i>                                |                                                    |
| <b>Treasurer</b>                    | <i>Dale Swanson</i>                                   |                                                    |
| <b>Director of Training</b>         | <i>Sandi Stephenson</i>                               |                                                    |
| <b>Obedience Trial Chair</b>        | <i>Ronnie Bizer</i>                                   |                                                    |
| <b>Membership Chair</b>             | <i>Sue MacPherson</i>                                 |                                                    |
| <b>Public Education Coordinator</b> | <i>Terri Byerly</i>                                   | <i>Sandy Davis</i> (nominated by Ingrid Hamburger) |
| <b>Tracking Test Chair</b>          | <i>Ingrid Hamburger</i>                               |                                                    |
| <b>Agility Trial Chair</b>          | <i>Helen Castellano</i>                               |                                                    |
| <b>Director at Large</b>            | <i>Taffy Wille</i> (nominated by Terri Byerly)        |                                                    |

### New Business

Loretta Lazarra made a motion to purchase the AKC Rally signs and numbers for \$55.00. Ingrid Hamburger seconded the motion. Without any discussion, the motion was approved by all, without any opposed or abstentions.

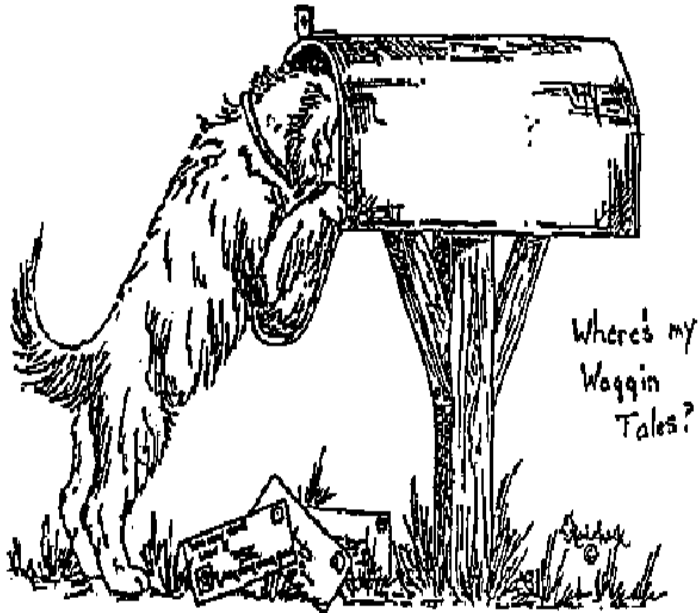
Sandy Davis stated that DogRX program at Delnor Hospital has begun Phase II. This means that dogs are allowed on the patient floors, and to work with neurological patients for speech and occupational therapy. The DogRX program accepts the following certifications: Therapy Dog, Inc., Delta, and Therapy Dog International, Inc.

Sandy also stated that the first 2007 CGC and TDI tests would be on January 18th. Rick Cox is the CGC Evaluator and Tom Stephenson is the TDI Evaluator. Sandy stated that the TDI test generates a lot of interest in our club because many people are excited to share their dog with others and many of those individuals are interested in joining the club. Sandy extended thanks to Tom Stephenson for continually volunteering to be the TDI Evaluator at our tests.

Both the CGC and TDI tests are approximately half-full for the January 18th test. We always reached the test limits and usually had a waiting list for every 2006 test.

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

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| MARCH |           |                                                      | APRIL |          |                                          |
|-------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|-------|----------|------------------------------------------|
| 1     | Thursday  | Regular Training                                     | 1     | Sunday   | Spring Agility Trial                     |
| 6     | Tuesday   | Regular Training<br>End 7 pm. Puppy & Beginner       | 5     | Thursday | Regular Training                         |
| 7     | Wednesday | Membership Meeting                                   | 6     | Friday   | Board Meeting                            |
| 11    | Sunday    | WT Deadline                                          | 8     | Sunday   | WT Deadline                              |
| 15    | Thursday  | Correction Clinic                                    | 12    | Thursday | Regular Training &<br>End 8p.m. Puppy    |
| 22    | Thursday  | Regular Training<br>7 p.m. Start Puppy &<br>Beginner | 14    | Saturday | Awards Night                             |
| 29    | Thursday  | Regular Training                                     | 19    | Thursday | Correction Clinic                        |
| 30    | Friday    | Agility Trial Setup                                  | 24    | Tuesday  | Regular Training &<br>Start 8 p.m. Puppy |
| 31    | Saturday  | Spring Agility Trial                                 |       |          |                                          |