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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Holly Taylor	1/6
Thaun Mai	1/9
Becky Hill	1/12
Joan Jung	1/16
Ruth Miles	1/16
Steve Weirs	1/19
Gail Lyssy	1/21
Carol Ford	1/22
Kristina Heishman	1/23
Debra Payne	1/24
Ryan Chojnacki	1/31



### A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings. Sunshine funds raised are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club members who need support and comfort.

Since we aren't having in-person meetings, we will catch up when we can meet in-person and bring gifts for all the missed months.



### Sunshine Fund Report

	November	YTD
Proceeds	120.00	420.00
Expenditures	149.58	686.34
Net	(29.58)	(266.34)

**JANUARY GENERAL MEETING:  
JAN. 11 @ 7 P.M.**

**BY ZOOM ONLY THIS MONTH,  
PLEASE USE THIS LINK TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING.**

**THEME: RAINBOW BRIDGE 2021**

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# A Word from Our President



**G**oals! Goals! Goals!  
Every year, at my work, they required us to set goals. I'll be honest, I absolutely hated setting goals – they seem so abstract, they could change if some part of the business changed. Setting goals seemed like a waste of time.

Finally one year, the company changed their HR system and finally goals made sense to me. They aren't absolute. They can change with the changing business, and most importantly this new system had us come up with 2-5 bullet points under each goal. These bullet points

were how to obtain this goal, mini steps to keep you on track to achieve the big goal.

I want to challenge you this month to make 4 "Dog Goals". And add 2-5 bullet points on how to achieve each goal to help keep you on track.

1. A goal for to what level you want to train your dog in 2022, and/or a new dog sport/activity you want you and your dog to get into.
2. A goal for which titles you want to obtain in 2022 and/or number of therapy visits you plan to do.
3. A goal for how many DTCDC general membership meetings you will attend (8 would be a good goal!!)
4. A goal for how you will volunteer for the DTCDC – Teach a class, Assistant in a class, join a committee, help with the Show n Go, etc.

As an example – My goal for training my dog in 2022:

- I want to get my puppy to beginning open by the end of 2022
- Train my dog 3x a week on my own
- Take a DTCDC Intermediate class
- Get the CGC and CGCA
- Take a DTCDC Novice Polish class – probably twice
- Sign up for the Open class

Set your 4 goals with the sub-steps. I might ask you what they are – so I hope you are ready!!

Your President,

*Margaret Culbertson*



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P.O. Box 380104  
Duncanville, TX 75138-0104

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604 Crestside Dr,  
Duncanville, TX 75137

**2021 Officers & Directors**

President - Margaret Culbertson  
Vice President - Jose Rodriguez  
Training Director - David Elliott  
Secretary - Shannon Quinn  
Treasurer - Lisa Wharton  
Member at Large - Melissa Chojnacki  
Member at Large - Ruth Miles  
Member at Large - Mike Rinaldi  
Member at Large - Robin Vogel

**Corporate Directors:**

Lynda Holman  
Mark Malone  
Maurine Pearson

**The objectives of the Club shall be:**

A. To develop and present training programs which will produce dogs which are both obedient and happy, a source of pleasure and pride to their families and good citizens in their communities.

B. To promote responsible dog ownership through obedience training and other dog-related activities.

C. To prepare and educate trainers and dogs for successful participation in competitions, trials, tests and competitive dog sports.

*Article I, Section 2 of the Dog Training Club of Dallas County, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws As Amended as of November 10, 2020*

# DTCDC Committees



**R**eady to volunteer in 2022? Here is a list of the committees. What are your interests and/or talents? What looks interesting to you? Email Margaret at [texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com](mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com)

## Building Maintenance

Responsible for repairs and maintenance on building and grounds. Keeps abreast of the cleaning schedule, lawn service, HVAC maintenance, etc.

## Building Rental

Contact person for other organizations (breed/specialty clubs etc) who are interested in renting the Club building. Works with these groups on the contract and insurance for renting the building.

## Bylaws

Responsible for the Constitution and Bylaws interpretation and any revisions or additions the club votes to do.

## CGC

Schedules, finds volunteers, and attends the CGC, CGCA, CGCU and Trick Dog tests.

## Commissary

Inventory and stock supplies as needed for refrigerator, kitchen and bathroom.

## Database/Roster

Updates the master database with new members, attendance, dues. Creates roster for website. Supplies files and analytics as requested. Must also sit on the technology committee.

## Historian

Collects articles, letters, photographs and newspaper clippings for inclusion in the Club scrapbook and website.

## Legislative Liaison

Determine if there are new state legislation or local ordinances being changed or initiated. Review animal magazines and websites for any news items on animal legislation.

## Library

Maintain Club library of books and DVDs. Reviews and recommends books and/or DVDs/CDs for library acquisition.

## We're looking for volunteers!





### **Membership & Volunteerism**

Develops and provides membership information to prospective Club members. Process new member paperwork and submits to the board for approval. Presents new members to the membership at a General Membership meeting for the vote. Promotes the involvement of new members in the club.

### **PawPrint**

Assemble, publish and distribute the Club's monthly newsletter. Gather articles and information from the club members.

### **Printing**

Assures continuity, quality and adequate supply of all Club printed materials.

### **Promotional/Community Events/Advertising**

Schedules participation at community events to promote responsible dog ownership through dog training. Created all DTCCDC advertising and promotional material to conform to current club logo and other current forms. Work with members to insure a consistent and identifiable presentation. Place advertisements in appropriate places. Present DTCCDC event information to the media. Continue to sponsor the regular obedience First Place Novice A at all Texas Kennel Club Obedience trials.

### **Purchasing**

Purchases Club apparel, training equipment and supplies as they pertain to training.

### **Registration/Registrar**

Responsible for reviewing the students and their dogs for each puppy and beginner class. Get and review all shot records. Make sure students have watched the registration video. Answer questions emailed to the club regarding classes. Manage Eventbrite. Must also sit on the technology committee.

### **Safety and Awareness**

Review news, articles and science on COVID to help the board make intelligent decisions navigating COVID restrictions. Write a report for anyone that has had an accident at the club.

### **Show 'n Go**

Responsible for scheduling SNG dates, volunteers to do run throughs, and stewards. Create and distribute announcement flyers. Oversee the day of SNG. Knowledge of Google Sheets is a plus.

### **Social**

Plan and coordinate social gatherings for the club including a Summer Fun Day and December/Holiday Awards Celebration Banquet.

### **Social Media**

Maintain a professional and business-like presence to promote DTCCDC on current social media platforms. Knowledge of FaceBook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. required. Required to sit on the technology committee.

## Do you want to help?



### Sunshine

Sends appropriate cards and/or plants to members for illness, sympathy, celebration etc. Coordinate birthday gift “chances” at monthly meetings.

### Technology

Manage and maintain the club’s computer, Wi-Fi, VoIP, online registration, database, stereo/PA/projector & camera surveillance system. Responsible for setting up Zoom meetings for the board, general membership and committees.

### Telephone

Return calls to prospective students, direct people to the website, and informs them how to register. Answers training questions asked by the public.

### Therapy

Serves as a resource for club members to obtain information about the various types of therapy dog work and the various therapy dog organizations.

### Training

Formulates training policies, fees, and enrollment requirements. Schedules classes, instructors and assistants. Develop and maintain class training procedures and manuals.

### Treasury Review

Audits treasurers work when needed. Must have financial background.

### Wall

Responsible for maintaining the interior walls of the club in a manner that positively reflects the accomplishments of the club and its members. Includes engraved wall plates as ordered by club members and assembly with supplied photo.

### Website

Maintain the Club website and internal membership email list. Required to sit on the technology committee.

## Roster Check

Please check the roster for your name, email, phone and dog(s).

If you find any corrections or additions, please email

[dogtrainingroster@gmail.com](mailto:dogtrainingroster@gmail.com)

with your information.

A new roster will be published in January after all membership dues have been received.

(The form is found on [page 7.](#))

The image shows a tilted document titled "ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES" with a "SMALL COMPLETED FORM" stamp. The form contains instructions for members to complete and return it, including sections for "COMPLETE THE" and "Are you interested in serving on a committee?". A cartoon illustration of a brown dog with a blue collar and a red tongue sticking out is positioned in the bottom right corner of the form.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

**D**ues for all classes of membership shall be payable in full on or before January 1 of a calendar year. A membership will be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if such *member's dues remain unpaid after January 31<sup>st</sup> of each club year.*

Membership levels:

- Individual \$40
- Family \$50
- Junior \$20
- Associate \$20



## **PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

1. Mail your check payable to DTCCDC:  
Dog Training Club of Dallas County  
P.O. Box 380104  
Duncanville, TX 75138-0104
2. Leave check in Drop box at Club – located in right side of white cabinet closest to front door
3. Online! Make a one-time payment or setup automatic annual payment.

**ALL RENEWALS SHOULD COMPLETE THE RENEWAL & ROSTER UPDATE FORM. The form is now a fill-able PDF & can be submitted online.**

## **No Extension of Dues Deadline this Year**

**T**he Board agreed NOT to extend the dues deadline this year. Dues are due January 1, 2022. "A membership will be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid after January 31st of each Club year - DTCCDC By-Laws Article II, Section 4, B."

It is suggested that to meet the January 31 drop dead date, a member using USPS mail should get the payment in the mail no later than January 15th (January 17th is Martin Luther King day - no mail moves). We all know the post office is slowing down their mail delivery.

Getting dues in on time allows the board to move forward with other items, allows club to know our quorum for the year, etc.

Thank you!!

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues for all classes of membership shall be payable in full on or before January 1 of a calendar year. A membership will be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid after January 31st of each club year.

By selecting Active Individual or Active Family Membership, I agree to meet the requirements of Active Membership as outlined in Article II, Section 1 of the DTCCDC Constitution and Bylaws as shown below:

For persons sixteen (16) years or older who wish to work to accomplish the objectives of DTCCDC and contribute their time to the tasks necessary to further these goals. Only Active Members may vote at Club meetings. To remain an Active Member in good standing, a member should qualify yearly in one or more of the following ways:

- A. Serve as chair or working member of a DTCCDC committee
- B. Perform tasks on behalf of DTCCDC not formally assigned to a committee
- C. Serve as an instructor or an assistant in DTCCDC training classes
- D. If elected, carry out the duties of a position on the Board

### Payment Options:

- 1) Mail completed form and check payable to DTCCDC to:

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P.O. Box 380104  
Duncanville, TX 75138-0104

Mail is not accepted at the Club's physical address.

- 2) Leave completed form and check in **Drop box** at Club - located in right side of white cabinet closest to front door.

- 3) Online with PayPal or credit/debit card at [www.DallasDogTraining.org](http://www.DallasDogTraining.org)

Log In at DTCCDC MEMBERS and select **Membership Renewal**

**Automatic annual renewal option is available.** Dues can be deducted annually on the date you determine.

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### COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Printed Name(s):

Check One:  \$40 Active Individual  \$50 Active Family  \$20 Junior  \$20 Associate  Lifetime

- Check this box if this is a change in membership level to **Associate** - Notify the Secretary.
- Check this box if this is a change from Associate to a **Family** or **Individual** membership - Notify the Board.
- Check this box to opt out of Sunshine related expenses including plants and cards.

Please list any talents you possess that may benefit the club (for example: carpentry, computers, accounting/bookkeeping, photography/videography, organizing activities, etc):

Are you interested in serving on a committee?

What are the birthdays/ages of family members under 16?

**Complete the following questions ONLY for changes to the Roster or mark for  No Changes**

Address:

Email:

Phone Numbers (Home, Work, Cell - please indicate which type(s) & for which family member):

Dog's Information - Call Name/Breed/Highest Earned Titles - Do you want any dogs to be removed from the roster?

*Dues questions - [treasurer@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:treasurer@dallasdogtraining.org)*

*Website assistance - Glen O'Gorman [webmaster@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:webmaster@dallasdogtraining.org)*

*Roster questions - Margaret Culbertson at [dogtrainingroster@gmail.com](mailto:dogtrainingroster@gmail.com) or by mail: Margaret Culbertson, 227 Magic Lane, Sunnyvale, TX 75182*



# A Word from Our Training Director

Greetings to all of you this Holiday Season.

Thanks to all of you who have volunteered for the 1st session of the New Year. As we all sometimes do, I have been reflecting on the past few years and the things that I am grateful for along with the things I would like to change. As I was remembering, I was thinking back on all the people who have helped me and my dogs in training, the special people that have taught me how to help others. When I first came to DTCCDC, I had been a pet owner for many years - always taking care of my dogs, giving them love, food and shelter. Upon coming to this Club, I learned something new. I learned my dogs could be so much more than just "pets". They could be companions. So it is, I want to thank all those who volunteered their time to help me learn such a valuable lesson.



It is that second part however, I would like to really speak about. If you have ever instructed or assisted in a class I was in, you are part of my success. If you have ever taught a class that I assisted in, you are part of my success. If you ever served as a committee chair that I was on, you are part of my success. If you lead a board I was on or was a member of that board, you are part of my success. By now, I am sure, you are getting the picture. It has taken every one of you to build success in me. Thus, I have become the member of the Club I am today. Though I may not always get it 100% correct, I would not have even tried without your guidance and encouragement.

Having now said all of this, I would like to remind all of us who volunteer, myself included, no matter what you do for the Club. We should realize that we did not get to where we are by ourselves. Someone showed us the way. Someone helped us become the members we are today. It is my plea that each of you spread your knowledge. The new members and those learning to train, learning to be leaders, need you to teach them by your example.

Best regards,

*David Elliott*

P.S. You guys are the best!

Please feel free to contact the training committee with your comments or questions at: [training@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:training@dallasdogtraining.org)





# Upcoming Training Schedule

Here are the classes that need instructors and assistants for Session 1. Session 1 starts on Jan. 3 and runs through Feb. 13. Below are also the session dates for the 2022 calendar year. Please contact the Training Committee with the session you would be willing to assist or instruct in.

Best regards,

[David Elliott](#), Training Director

[Pam White](#), [Sandi Myers](#), [Melissia Chojnacki](#)

Session 1 2022							
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date	Instructor	Assistant	Assistant
Puppy	Monday	3 - 4 p.m.	1/3/2022	2/7/2022	Jan Bruner	Marilyn Hopkins	
Puppy	Monday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/3/2022	2/7/2022	David Elliott		
Beginner	Monday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/3/2022	2/7/2022	Mary Ann Magnus	Kay Mashburn	
Overflow	Monday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/3/2022	2/7/2022			
Master Nosework *	Tuesday	1 - 4 p.m.	1/4/2022	2/21/2022	Jan Hitchborn		
DTCDC Board Meeting	Tuesday	7 p.m.	1/4/2022 & 2/1/22				
DTCDC General Meeting	Tuesday	7 p.m.	1/11/2022 & 2/8/22				
DTCDC Club Training	Tuesday	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of Month		Training Committee		
Open Utility	Wednesday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/22/2022	Mona O'Gorman		
Beginner	Wednesday	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/22/2022	Pam White	Michelle Hosey	
Trick Dog Nov & Adv	Wednesday	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/22/2022	Michelle Hosey	Pam White	
Beginner	Wednesday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/8/2022	Marye Boyce	Steven Boyce	
Puppy	Wednesday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/8/2022	Mary Ann Magness	Ruth Miles	Miriam Stroop
Overflow	Wednesday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/5/2022	2/8/2022			
B Nose & B Obedience*	Thursday	2 - 4 p.m.	1/6/2022	2/23/2022	Jan Hitchborn		
Rally Novice	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/6/2022	2/9/2022	Mim Aiken		
Novice polish	Thursday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/6/2022	2/9/2022	Mary Ann Magness		
Intermediate	Thursday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/6/2022	2/9/2022	Mark Malone		
Open Utility	Friday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	1/7/2022	2/24/2022	Mona O'Gorman		
Master Nosework	Friday	7 - 8 p.m.	1/7/2022	2/10/2022	Jan Hitchborn	Georgann Hughes	Benita Zapata
Beg Nosework	Friday	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/7/2022	2/10/2022	Benita Zapata	Jan Hitchborn	Georgann Hughes
Adv Nose Work	Friday	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/7/2022	2/10/2022	Georgann Hughes	Benita Zapata	Jan Hitchborn
Obedience**	Saturday	2 - 4 p.m.	1/8/2022	2/25/2022	Paul Cantwell		
Adv Open *	Sunday	11 a.m. - 2 p.m.	1/9/2022	2/26/2022	Sheryl Archer		
Adv Utility *	Sunday	2 - 3 p.m.	1/9/2022	2/26/2022	Sheryl Archer		
Overflow	Sunday	4 - 5 p.m.	1/9/2022	2/12/2022			
* Invite only							
** no class during club events							

## Session Schedule for 2022

### Session 1

Start Date: January 3  
End Date: February 13d

### Session 2

Start Date: February 28  
End Date: April 10

### Session 3

Start Date: April 25  
End Date: June 5

### Session 4

Start Date: June 20  
End Date: July 31

### Session 5



Start Date: August 15  
End Date: September 25



### Session 6

Start Date: October 10  
End Date: November 20

# Information We Need to Know

1. **Dues are due NLT Jan. 31 to maintain membership.**  
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 Please get your form and moneys in the mail no later than January 15<sup>th</sup> as the post office is slowing down their mail delivery.  
 Thank you!!
2. **Upcoming Board Meetings:**  
 Jan. 4 and Feb. 1 will be via Zoom and in person.  
 January Board Meeting - January 4, 2022 at 7 p.m. It will be an in-house and Zoom meeting.  
**Upcoming General Meetings:**  
 Jan. 11 will be via Zoom and Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. via in-house and Zoom.  
January General Membership meeting - January 11, 2022 at 7 p.m. This meeting will be Zoom only. Due to some technical glitches at the December in-house/Zoom Board meeting we will need to be completely on Zoom for January. Technical team is working to resolve these issues. Please register in advance for this meeting using this [link](#):
3. **Session 1 starts on Jan. 3 and runs through Feb. 13, 2022.** The week of Feb. 16 - 27 will be available to schedule makeup classes if necessary.
4. The Club has a **Zoom account for meetings.**  
 If you need to have a committee meeting, training meeting, etc. contact Donna or Margaret, they can set you up. Once your meeting starts, they can sign off and leave it with you.  
 Donna Heishman ([donna@heishman.net](mailto:donna@heishman.net)) or Margaret Culbertson ([texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com](mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com))
5. **Sunshine Committee** is still functioning. You can contribute to the Sunshine Fund using the link on our website. Please contact our Sunshine Committee Chairman E'Lynne Elliott if you know of a member who could use a smile or a thought from the Sunshine Committee.  
 Email E'Lynne at: [elynnnew@gmail.com](mailto:elynnnew@gmail.com)
6. Next **Show 'N Go** is scheduled for Jan. 15, 2022.  
 Click the Eventbrite [link](#). It will open on 12/31 at noon. You must register NLT noon on Jan. 14 to participate.  
 Upcoming Show 'N Gos are scheduled for:  

  
 Feb. 12  
  
 April 16

  
 March 5  
  
 May 14

 Contact Pam Chrystal @ [valimar1@msn.com](mailto:valimar1@msn.com) or Margaret Culbertson @ [texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com](mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com) with questions. Also see the flyer on [page 42](#).
7. Submit items for **PawPrint** to Editor Lana Shuman at: [pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org)  
 Questions? Call or text her at 214-244-0960.

## New Member Policy Update

**D**uring the height of COVID the club made an exception for new member applicants. This exception allowed for new member applications to be considered after completing one (1) training class. This new member exception has expired, and the Club has reverted back to the pre-COVID policy of two (2) completed training classes before membership consideration.



## Did you know....???

**You can send an email to the group? No need to ask the Technology Committee, the President, etc. to post that email for you. Just email to:**  
**[members@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:members@dallasdogtraining.org)**



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*From THE DOG TRAINING CLUB OF DALLAS COUNTY, INC. CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.  
As Amended as of November 10, 2020.*

*Article II, Section 1: Membership*

# DTCCDC Calendar January 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 New Year's Day
2 Session 1 Starts	3:00 PM Puppy Class 6:00 PM Puppy Class 7:15 PM Beginner Obedience	1:00 PM Master Nosework 7 PM Board Meeting	1:30 PM Beginner Obedience 10:00 AM Open/Utility w Mor 2:45 PM Trick Dog Class 6:00 PM Beginner Obedience 7:15 PM Puppy Class 8:30 PM Intermediate Class	2:00 PM Beg Nosework & Ob 7:15 PM Novice Polish	10:00 AM Open/Utility w Mor 6:15 PM Advanced Nosework 7:30 PM Beginning Nosework	2:00 PM Obedience w Paul
9	3:00 PM Puppy Class 6:00 PM Puppy Class 7:15 PM Beginner Obedience	1:00 PM Master Nosework 7 PM General Membership	1:30 PM Beginner Obedience 10:00 AM Open/Utility w Mor 2:45 PM Trick Dog Class 6:00 PM Beginner Obedience 7:15 PM Puppy Class 8:30 PM Intermediate Class Becky Hill	2:00 PM Beg Nosework & Ob 7:15 PM Novice Polish	10:00 AM Open/Utility w Mor 6:15 PM Advanced Nosework 7:30 PM Beginning Nosework	8AM - 5PM Show N Go
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# Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – December 7, 2021

## Minutes

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	Margaret Culbertson
Note taker	Shannon Quinn, Secretary
Attendees	In Person: Margaret Culbertson, David Elliott, , Lisa Wharton, Melissa Chojnacki, Ruth Miles By Zoom: Shannon Quinn, Lynda Holman, Mark Malone, Michael Rinaldi, Robyn Vogel, Maurine Pearson, Guest/Tech Committee: Donna Heishman
<b>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Margaret Culbertson</b>	
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margaret called the meeting to order at 7:02PM</li> <li>• Discusses the Zoom/In House meeting</li> <li>• How meetings will be handled, respect time</li> </ul>

### SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Margaret asked if there were any corrections or additions to the November minutes.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The minutes of the November 2021 meeting are approved by general consensus.</li> </ul>

### TREASURERS REPORT – Lisa Wharton

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial information discussed.</li> <li>• Dues</li> <li>• Holiday Party Auction and Sunshine Silent Auction</li> </ul>																												
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**TRAINING COMMITTEE - David Elliott**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Session 1</li> <li>• Session 2</li> <li>• Therapy Dog</li> </ul>
Conclusion	-cost of classes went from \$90 to \$110 -need more assistants for classes -1 handler/1 dog, cannot sign up 1 handler and 2 dogs for same class -therapy dog testing allowed at club (motion made by Lisa, 2nd by Mark, passed with 1 abstaining from vote)

**SHOW N GO - Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Dates Pam Chrystal submitted: Jan 15, Feb 12, Mar 5, Apr 16, May 14</li> </ul>
Conclusion	-will review dates to assure no conflicts

**SUGGESTION BOX –**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do we know who can get in it?</li> </ul>
Conclusion	-who has the key/code - David can break into it if needed

**MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Melissa, Robin, Ruth, Michael**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calling/texting/emailing members for reminders of dues</li> </ul>
Conclusion	-calls/texts/emails have been made as reminders for dues to be paid in a timely manner

**Metrics of Dues paid per MAL:**

MAL	Count of HHIDs		Grand Total
	Not yet	Y	
Chojnacki	18	11	29
Miles	18	12	30
Rinaldi	23	6	29
Vogel	21	8	29
The Board	3	9	12
Grand Total	83	46	129

**OLD BUSINESS -**

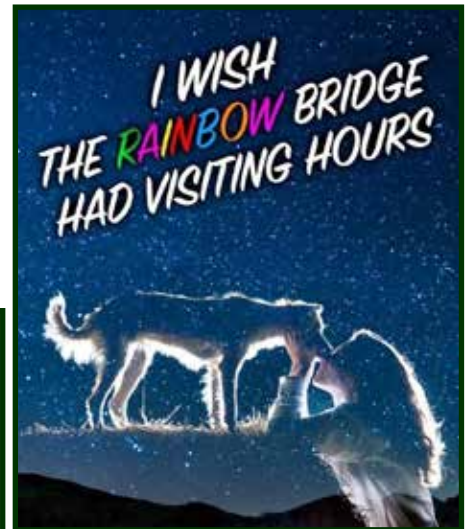
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Carry Laws changed September 1. We need specific signage with the new verbiage posted on the property.</li> <li>• Garden Paw Prints</li> </ul>
Conclusion	-Michael will look into language for the signs and order (motion made by Lisa, 2nd by David, passed) -updating the website with the information as well - paw prints for the garden are on hold at this time (first garden paw print was done in 2007)

**NEW BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Volunteering</li><li>• Committee chairs write up going forward</li><li>• Bylaws – “active” member</li><li>• Website</li><li>• Lynda’s wealth of knowledge</li><li>• Dues date firm</li><li>• Paw Print deadline – December 15</li></ul>
Conclusion	<p>-everyone will need to volunteer in some manner -pizza party for new members will be reinstated -look at updating the membership manual -update website with correct information -get cost to scan in all previous paw prints and information Lynda has to make accessible for all -membership due date is FIRM, due 1/1/22. Discussion of USPS and members should mail no later than 1/17/22.</p>

By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 9PM

**Respectfully submitted for approval, Shannon Quinn.**



*For anyone facing their first holiday season without a special friend!*

# Heaven

*It's my first day in heaven,  
And what a beautiful place,  
You'll be glad to know,  
There's a smile upon my face,  
The moment I left you,  
Two angels in white,  
Carried me up here,  
To heaven that night.  
All those stories you hear,  
About rainbow bridge are true,  
But you don't walk over it,  
The angels carried me through,  
There's a gate at the end,  
Made of pearl,  
It must be the biggest gate,  
In the whole world!  
Once I got in  
I started looking around,  
You just won't believe,  
All the neat things I found!  
The first place they took me,  
Had to be the most fun,  
A humongous field,  
With miles and miles to run!  
Once I was tired the angels said,  
We'll take you to your new home,  
But first we need to stop by this place*

*Full of tasty bones,  
They told me to take one with me,  
But one is all I need,  
Because every good thing lasts forever,  
Up in heaven you see,  
They took me to my new house,  
It took my breath away,  
Most beautiful place I've ever seen,  
With a huge yard to play,  
They said come on let's go inside,  
And have a look around,  
They took me to the bottom floor,  
You won't believe what I found,  
The floor of my house is a window  
And you won't believe the view,  
See my house it sets right over yours,  
So I can still keep an eye on you!  
I was so worried about you,  
When I went away,  
Now I can watch you every second,  
And know that you are okay!  
So the next time you are missing me,  
This is what you do,  
Step outside and look straight up,  
Because I still have my eye on YOU!*

Written by Jerry Wayne Baldwin

Crossing the Rainbow Bridge





# ShelbyField Lady SweetPea "Paisley"

October 25, 2015 to April 15, 2021

By Terri Schurr



Paisley was the first Cavalier puppy I raised from birth. Poppy is her mama. From the first time I held her I knew she would be special. She had a funny and silly personality. Paisley definitely had an impish streak. She loved belly rubs and would drop to the floor, bark and whine until you rubbed her belly. She also loved sunbathing on our patio.

Paisley was the best mama dog. She loved puppies and would guard the doorway of the whelping room to keep out invaders (other female dogs). She even helped nurse a litter of Poppy's when her milk was low. She wasn't fond of showing in conformation but the 12 puppies she whelped over her lifetime were her best legacy. I now have her granddaughter, Saffron, who is absolutely beautiful.

We love you, Paisley, and think of you every day. You are in our hearts forever.



**Paisley loved to play with toilet paper as seen in these photos. She was an imp!**







Paisley guards the whelping room.

Paisley with Wendy, her first litter.



Paisley with her second litter.

Please rub my belly...



She loved sitting in front of the AGA to warm up.

Just a sweet beautiful girl in the bluebonnets.





# Gr CH Sanroyale's Earth Wind and Fire (Jake)

January 11, 2009 - July 13, 2021

## Belgian Tervuren

By Mona O'Gorman



Hard to describe what a wonderful dog Jake was. We never had a gentler dog. He excelled in Conformation, not so much in Obedience. He found Obedience and Rally boring and preferred Conformation where he could show off how handsome he was. Whoever met Jake was impressed with how sweet he was. I swear he did not have a mean bone in his soul. When he crossed over it was a very hard time for me. He was the last of my Tervurens. I pray that I will see him, Kennis and Cruzer again. So hard to believe so much time has passed and hard to believe that he has passed. Jake is greatly missed.



(Left) March 22, 2009



(Right) I love you, too, Mom!





# “Sophie”

## Broadstrider’s Never Say Goodbye CGC, CGCA, CGCU, RATI

April 18, 2009 to September 30, 2021

By Kristal and Greg Hatcher



From the start, Sophie had a mind of her own. When my husband, Greg and I went to see a black brindle and white, 12-week-old Whippet puppy named Sophie, Doug Broadfoot, the breeder, showed us to the kennels (a lavish room just off the kitchen) where four wiggly Whippet pups were jumping at the gate to be let out. I positioned myself right in front to intercept the herd, my husband Greg was standing by the back door talking to Doug’s wife Ruth. As soon as the gate was opened, Sophie ran right past me and my open arms to tumble onto Greg’s tennis shoes, chewing delightfully at his shoelaces. There she stayed!

Once home, she showed she would not be contained, as she quickly climbed a 42” tall ex-pen so she could go exploring the house on her own. I had to make a top for the ex-pen to keep her in place. She would occasionally ‘test’ my handiwork on that ex-pen top by climbing up and pushing on the weak spots. Eventually I gave up on the ex-pen altogether and used an umbilical leash when she wasn’t crated. Luckily, she ADORED her crate!

We quickly began calling her Nuffie as in “That’s enough!”

She also liked to sleep in the dryer. Whenever the dryer would buzz, she would trot to the laundry room and wait until I lowered the dryer door so she could hop in and snuggle down onto the hot clothes as I folded them. Many times, I would just leave her in the dryer with the door down as she snoozed. Maybe she thought the dryer was her second crate.

Sophie was also a ‘kneeler’. (Right) She would ‘kneel’ on her front legs. She would be in a sitting position, but her front ‘wrists’ would be on the ground rather like a goat. It looked very uncomfortable, but she didn’t seem to mind it at all. She would kneel on a hard, cold tile floor or a soft doggie bed. Didn’t matter. She would never do it on command nor stay in that position very long. I’ve since learned from other dog owners that this seems to be an inherited trait. Regardless, I always found it endearing.





Sophie had legs like springs. Whenever the need arose, she could fly! She would routinely take a running leap at our 6 1/2 ft tall wood privacy fence and, without skipping a stride, race along near the top chasing after squirrels as if defying gravity! A sight to behold... if not a bit scary!



She was also a natural water sprite! Whippets are not supposed to get near water as they will melt when exposed to it (according to Whippets). Not Sophie. As a puppy, she ran headlong into a pond, on leash! I fished her out and she did it again. And again. Later, while dog sitting for a friend with a pool, Sophie discovered the glorious game of 'dock diving'! Totally unafraid and with no prompting or showing her how, she would leap out into water to retrieve the tennis ball.

*(Left) Sophie swimming*

True to her breed, she was also a quick, stealthy, humane huntress. Excellent vermin exterminator. No rat, mouse, vole, rabbit, squirrel or even a skunk was safe around her. The skunk episode was a

surprise as the attack was late at night in the backyard. It was a quick kill, but her body was soaked in skunk spray. I washed her several times a day, yet she reeked for 6 months afterwards! She could also practically climb trees going after squirrels and caught a few while on leash doing just that.



Sophie liked all people, especially men, but she could be aloof with other dogs, unless they were smaller than her. But the dog she loved most was brother dog, Shane. She adored Shane and followed his every move. Shane was good to her so when we lost him to cancer shortly after moving here, Sophie became lost. Until puppy Teague came home.

*(Left) Sophie and Shane*

Sophie quickly learned to deal with Teague's rough puppy play by ignoring him. But soon they were good buds. Sophie easily earned her C.G.C., C.G.C.A, C.G.C.U. late in life

when I found the Dog Training Club of Dallas County for Teague. While she never took any classes at the club, she would tag along with Teague to some of his.

She later discovered Barn Hunting and LOVED it! She was one leg from her Novice when she began to have back issues and had to stop. She was in pretty





intense pain and after several false diagnoses, going to several vets, including being involved in a fire at the Veterinary Specialist of North Texas in Ft. Worth, the cause was found- lumbosacral syndrome. With meds, limited to short, harnessed walks and strict crate rest, she slowly got better.

On July 9, 2021, Sophie began acting 'off'. Tests showed maybe pancreatitis. Low fat diets and meds did nothing. Could be a flare up with her back again but something else was not right. An ultrasound showed the problem- a large tumor on her spleen. I knew what that meant - Hemangiosarcoma. All other tests showed promise of containment, so a splenectomy was performed on August 11. The tumor ruptured during surgery making her prognosis grave.

"Treat her like a queen," the vet said. And we did. Car rides, anything she wanted to eat, walks in the park to see the squirrels but she soon became tired and wanted to stay home.



I let her out of her crate early morning September 30. She gave a soft cough. I helped her outside to potty. She tried to make it back into the house but collapsed by the backdoor. I stayed with her, petting her, and talking to the emergency vets as my vet wasn't opened yet. Teague sat in the middle of the backyard, watching. Greg came home from work in time to see her rally and walk to her beloved cuddle bed. She was so pale. I knew what was happening. I offered her some rotisserie chicken and she gobbled it down. She never lost her appetite. She stayed quiet until the 9:30 a.m. appointment with the vet. She collapsed again in the back seat of the truck. I held her in my lap, wrapped in her favorite soft grey blankie as I tearfully said goodbye, telling her what a brave girl she was.

Our hearts broken.

*(Left) Sophie September 10, 2021*

Sophie was tough as nails. Literally bombproof. The only thing that would unnerve her was the occasional fly in the house.

We miss you so much, Little Nuffie.



# MPOSSIBLE VICTORY'S JOYFUL SONG ASCA ACH CD JV-N. UKC CD RO2. AKC UD BN GO RAE NAJ NA

7/25/2009-11/5/2021

By Darlene Schermerhorn



Joy came into my life in January of 2010. She was not the easiest dog that I have had to train but she taught me patience and humility. As you can see by the initials after her name we did come to an agreement to listen to each other. I want to thank Mary Ann Magness for the opportunity to have this great dog and Greg and Robin Quintana for showing her to her altered championship in ASCA. I also want to thank Peggy Phelps for all the help with her training. Also Mona O'Gorman for all her encouragement.

Joy loved my granddaughter and

helped her learn to walk by letting her hold onto her fur to pull herself up

In her later years after retiring from the show ring she became my support dog and helped me through many trials in my life. She lay on the far corner of the bed at night to protect and comfort me. Thanks for the many memories Joy.





# BIS MBISS CH Winsome Fergus MacFlynn August, 2004 --- April, 2021

By Kendall Lake



Fergus was a top Cairn in 2008, winning a Best in Show and a National Roving Specialty. He was an unforgettable example of the male Cairn Terrier with a headpiece that was stunning. He floated around the show ring. When he retired from the Conformation world, he had his harem of female Cairns at our home. He was a combination of home security, owner of all toys, and loveable curmudgeon. He never lost the hunting instinct, dropping of dead squirrels and other vermin proudly at my feet. He attributes are key in my pedigree passing on beautiful heads, movement, and great disposition. We miss him everyday. He was a once in a lifetime dog and we are grateful for the years he owned our hearts and managed our home.

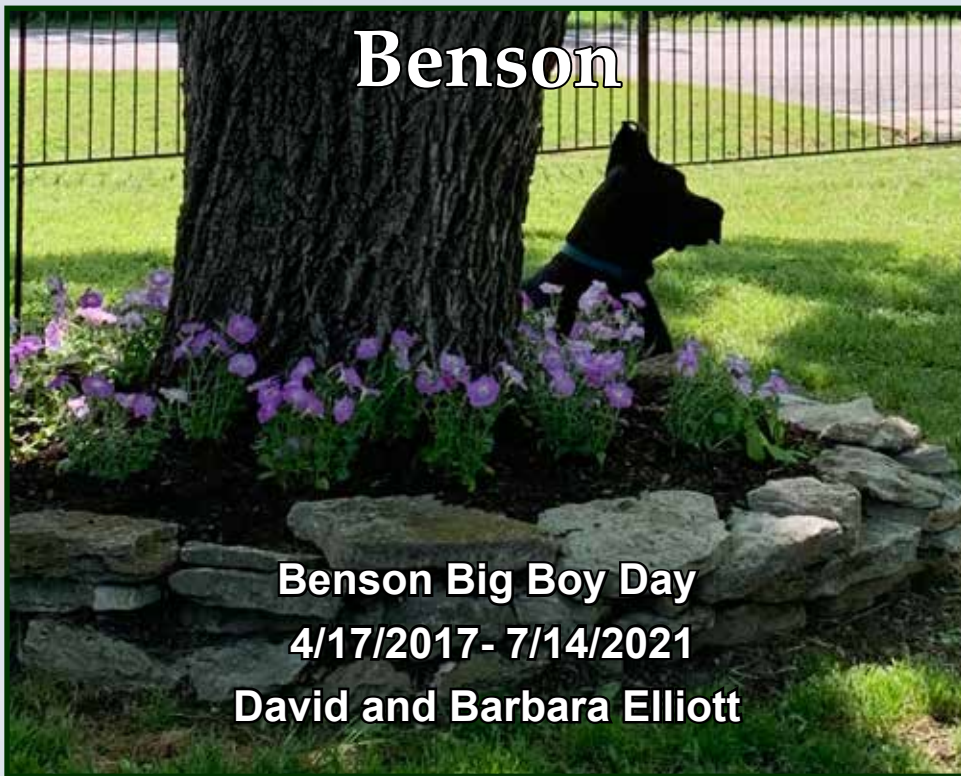


Simon passed away in September due to cancer. He was a rescue from the Dallas SPCA in 2011.

**Shari Price and Teresa Reynolds**







# Hunter

**April 28, 2020**

**Cathy and David Yahraus**





**Shannon Quinn shared:**

**“Nope... I’m not getting up  
momma... I’m cozy... but I will  
keep an eye out for you,” said  
Bear Quinn**

**Vicki Jackson shared:**



My first whippet, Gypsy’s Dancing Carly CDX.

Carly was my introduction to Dog Training Club of Dallas County. It was in the early 1980s. We took classes to go to obedience trials. So much knowledge was being shared from the teachers. I was not just learning from training classes but experiences



from the teachers was being shared. It was such a great time showing for those obedience titles. Carly was one of a handful back then that earned an obedience title. There may have been 3 with titles. She earned a CDX. I did not try for a UD with her. I have included a picture of the wall dedicated to her. A beautiful smart snugly whippet. I could go on for days talking about her.





# Pawpositive News!

*We have a lot of terrific members of the DTCCDC doing wonderful things for the club and each other. Here is your opportunity to thank them publicly.*

**Carol Ford** sent in this kudos:

“That deserve KUDOS!!!” exclaimed Lana Shuman! Yes, it does for Indeed! I was up at club and noticed three black folders on the back wall table. When I opened them, I just stood there... “Linda! Look at these!” I said. All we could say was, “OH MY GOSH!”

Inside was their certificate of completion for the Beginner Class, down below their certificate of Special Award AND THEN what did my jolly eyes see? A Christmas ornament, like a snow globe with their dog type in it and their dog’s name in glitter below! Precious! Simply Precious! So, I took some pictures to send to Lana for Paw Print!

Linda and I continued straightening up the table over where we teach from. When I opened the drawer, I saw the cutest Name Badges EVER!!!

- Bruno with Edna with a poodle at the top
- Mallory with Pamela
- Rebarre with Carolyn

They were unbelievably darling! Well, of course, they must have stuck it on the name tag, oh no they didn’t! It was tucked into the plastic folder so the folder could be used again! I know Linda and I have taught before many, many times. I was always so proud that she would bake dog cookies and give them out. But WOW! What a jolly holly last class those beginners had!

So, when I said she was one of the most beloved and cherished Instructors in our Club! Now you know why **TERESA YORK** is so special! And just think, she mentored a brand-new member, **Barbara DeLamar**! Ladies, thank you for putting your heart and soul into our customer’s dogs and their fur owners!



# Go Ahead, Call Your Dog Your “Fur Baby”

*Cognitive scientists can point to many, many similarities between canines and human offspring.*

By Elisa Shoenberger

<https://slate.com/technology/2021/12/dog-fur-baby-human-cognition-research.amp>



Photo by Przemysław Iciak/iStock/Getty Images Plus

When our daughter was born, we found ourselves using the words *puppy* and *baby* interchangeably.

My husband and I both grew up in households with dogs, and now have a 35-pound black dog with a white chest named Scout. We’d say things like “Oh, the puppy is hungry,” meaning our infant, or “The baby needs a walk,” referring to the dog. We’d often call the dog “our toddler.” Of course, it caused confusion sometimes because we’d have to clarify whether we mean the *human* baby or the four-footed one.

I’d occasionally refer to the pediatrician’s office as the veterinary office by accident. I’d joke that our approach to our daughter’s health was like our dog’s—is her energy good, is her nose cold, and does she have a happy disposition? OK, then she’s fine. Ultimately, I think we both hoped that we’d instill a love of dogs into our daughter.

But as our baby—the *Homo sapiens* one—got older and more aware of the world, I notice some surprising similarities between her and our furry pup. Both of them possessed a tendency toward devious problem-solving, whether it was the dog climbing on a chair to access the garbage can more effectively or the baby figuring out how to escape from her playpen. Perhaps our mix-up of language was not just an affectation but rooted in something firmer. After all, I’m not the only one who refers to their pet as their “fur child” or puts [animal ears on a toddler](#). In fact, recent research suggests that in terms of cognition, dogs and children

have a lot in common.

For starters, neither dogs nor small children can talk (at least not in full sentences). But you can explain things to them and ask them to do things as well, as Daphna Buchsbaum, director of both the [Computational Cognitive Development Lab and the Canine Cognition Lab at Brown University](#), notes. Dogs also show attachment to their owners, as babies do with their parents, Buchsbaum explains; both expect social engagement from the caregiver, and both respond to eye contact.

Dogs can be surprisingly good judges of character. Buchsbaum was an author on a [February study](#) that explored how dogs were able to differentiate between humans who provide them with accurate data versus those who do not. In the study, a person (an “informant”), would point to a cup where a treat might be located. The incorrect informant would point to a cup



without the treat, while the accurate informant would point to the true treat. The question was whether dogs could learn which informant would consistently share the treat location. The work “found that dogs are in that case able to follow the more accurate person” and that children, too, have the “sophisticated ability to understand essentially who is a good person to learn from,” Buchsbaum said.

Dogs also have a basic understanding of object specifics, Buchsbaum said, which means understanding object permanence and solidity (i.e., objects cannot pass through one another). As for children, “depending on what measures you use, even very young infants (possibly newborns) have some expectations about how objects should behave, though this continues to develop in toddlerhood and beyond,” she explained. From about 12 to 18 months old, children “spend a lot of time experimenting with and learning about object properties (think about how much they love to throw things!),” Buchsbaum told me via email.

Canines don’t have opposable thumbs, but the way they learn about other things is similar to the way that young humans learn. Brian Hare, [professor of cognitive neuroscience at Duke University](#), noted in an email interview that dogs can learn words through fast mapping, like children. “So rather than being taught every single word, these dogs learn by a process of exclusion,” he explained. For instance, say there’s a red ball and a toy car on a table, and your child knows the word *ball* but not *car*. If you ask them to get the car, they’ll grab the object on the table that is not a ball.

Some dogs show a remarkable ability to understand language. The border collie Chaser was renowned for knowing more than 1,000 words, according to NPR, which is about the average number of words a 3-year-old child knows. And researchers at the University of California–San Diego are studying dogs that [seem to be able to communicate](#) concepts with the use of buttons that say words aloud, like “more, scratches, now.” Of course, dogs do not have full language skills like an understanding of grammar, Buchsbaum cautioned.

But it’s not all about cognition. As much as some people might cringe when a kidless person refers to their dog as their “child,” our love for our dogs is comparable to our love for our children in some senses. Evan MacLean, [director of Arizona Canine Cognition Center](#), noted that domestication may have

selected for “juvenile characteristics of wolves.” Wolf puppies tend to have relatively big eyes, short snouts, floppy ears—familiar attributes found in many young and adult breeds of dogs—that adult wolves don’t have. These traits make them appear forever immature. “Dogs are like Peter Pan,” MacLean said. “They get older, but they never grow up,” and they’re kind of “playing a trick on our brain” to see them as babies that need to be taken care of. A 2014 study published in [PLOS One](#), for which researchers at Massachusetts General Hospital took brain scans of women looking at pictures of their children and dogs, found that both instances triggers similar emotional and brain responses.

If you’re a parent (of any kind!) you may have felt the happy high that comes with staring at those big eyes and snuggly little body. “Parents and their new babies have a physiological mechanism called the oxytocin loop to help them bond when babies are not very verbal and extremely labor-intensive,” Hare said, “Researchers have found that dogs can insert themselves into this oxytocin loop so that when a dog stares at their owner, and vice versa, the oxytocin in it creates a similar kind of oxytocin loop as parents have with their new babies.”

The inherent similarities between dogs and children can even point to new research avenues. Buschbaum is planning on studying “joint attention” in dogs. It’s considered an important part of toddler development, when a child will want to engage a second person around an object like a toy. For any dog owner, that behavior may sound really familiar—you’re playing fetch, and your pup returns a ball to someone else to get them in on the fun. Ultimately, these studies help us better understand how cognition and intelligence work in general.

But of course, it’s important to remember that there are critical differences between dogs and humans. Buchsbaum pointed out that as humans, we undervalue how dogs might see the world differently from us. We see the world primarily through vision, like our primate relatives, but dogs rely more on scent.

Someday my child will hopefully learn how to speak 20,000–35,000 words, compose essays, care for herself, and cook her own dinner. Our dog, on the other hand, will always rely on us for the rest of her life. In that sense, she’s even more infantile than an infant—she’ll always be our baby.

# 2021 Holiday Social & Awards Program

## The Holiday Party

*By Shari Price*

**W**hat a wonderful time was had by all! A big thank you to Kristal Hatcher for being the event organizer – she’s amazing! We had delicious food with decadent desserts. Our award ceremony was somewhat modified as many recipients could not attend. Congratulations to all the award winners – well deserved! Those not in attendance will be receive their awards in the near future. Many surprises still to come!

Carol Ford presented a very touching tribute in memory of Sally Browning, a member whose commitment to our club will be everlasting. We will all miss her.

Santa and his helper (David Elliott and Mark Malone) were very effective in wrangling high dollars for the MANY presents available to win. Then of course, our money-conscious treasurer (Lisa Wharton) set a goal and didn’t let us quit until we reached it, then exceeded it. Wonderful!

This year a generous member donated a table of about 40 items that were setup in a silent auction. This event raised money specifically for Sunshine. **THANK YOU!**

I hope everyone is able to enjoy the holidays and spend time with their 2 and 4-footed family members. Looking forward to 2022 and all it may bring!







The Social began as you walked in the door to see the sign at left provided by Social Committee Chairman Kristal Hatcher...

Following prayer lead by David Elliott, attendees enjoyed chicken and beef enchiladas and numerous side dishes and desserts provided by club members.



The meal and decorations were planned by Kristal. Thank you for an awesome meal and beautiful decorations.



The tables were decorated with these beautiful centerpieces and snow flakes hung from the ceiling.





# Awards Ceremony



2020 DTCCD Board Members present included: Shannon Quinn, Marilyn Hopkins and Shari Price.

The Ceremony started with thanking the 2020 DTCCD Board Members and the 2021 DTCCD Board Members. The 2022 DTCCD Board Members were introduced. And the DTCCD Corporate Directors were recognized and thanked.



2021 DTCCD Board Members present included: Shannon Quinn, Marilyn Hopkins, Shari Price and Lisa Wharton.



(Above) 2022 DTCCD Board Members present included: David Elliott, Shannon Quinn, Margaret Culbertson, Lisa Wharton (in front), Ruth Miles and Michael Rinaldi.



(Left) DTCCD Corporate Directors (at the front of the photo) Lynda Holman, Maureen Pearson and Mark Malone. (Sitting with them are Caroline and Marilyn Hopkins in the back of the photo.)





Incoming President Margaret Culbertson presented outgoing President Shari Price with a framed certificate of appreciation. Shari requested the \$100 donation that is given by the club to the dog organization of her choice be given to help cover the costs of painting the facility.

Incoming Training Director David Elliott announced a \$100 donation will be given to DFW Cocker Spaniel Rescue on behalf of outgoing Training Director Holly Taylor at her request. She will also be presented a framed certificate of appreciation at a later date.

## Shari Price presented the 2020/2021 Awards of Appreciation to club members.



The following are the recipients:

- Mary Ann Magness
- Sheryll Barker
- Ruth Miles
- Vicki Jackson
- Lana Suman
- Jeff Young and Wallace
- Sally Browning
- Nosework Group: Jan Hitchborn, Georgann Hughes, Benita Zapata
- Show & Go Group: Pam Chrystal, Margaret Culbertson, Jan Bruner



Those present to receive their awards were: (Above left) Mary Ann Magness who received hers at a later date. (Left to right): Vicki Jackson, Margaret Culbertson, Lana Shuman and Ruth Miles. The others will receive their awards at a later date.







Shari Price presented Ruth Miles the Most Active New Member Award as voted by the club membership.



David Elliott presented the following awards for Rally and Obedience.



**2020/2021 Most Improved Rally Score**

Ruth Miles & William  
(William Jefferson Miles)  
AKC Rally Novice (AKC RN)  
Improved 14 points from 1<sup>st</sup> leg of 78 to 3<sup>rd</sup> leg of 92



**2020/2021 Highest Average Rally Score**

Linda Shearin & Tobin  
(Stonewall's Music From Sanroyale)  
AKC Rally Novice (AKC RN)  
Scores: 98, 99 & 100 = Average of 99



**2020/2021 Most Improved Obedience Score**

Linda Shearin & Tobin  
(Stonewall's Music From Sanroyale)  
AKC Companion Dog (CD)  
Improved 13 points from 1<sup>st</sup> leg of 179 to 3<sup>rd</sup> leg of 192



Social Committee Chairman Kristal Hatcher presented the awards for the best dessert as voted on by those present.



Ruth Miles completed her sweep of awards by bringing the best dessert to the Holiday Social.



Caroline Hopkins accepted the 2<sup>nd</sup> place award for her mother, Marilyn Hopkins.



3<sup>rd</sup> place went to Judy Henry.







Lynda Holman made the in-person presentation to Maurine Pearson of the DTCDC Lifetime Service Award and Honorary Lifetime Membership. (To read more about this, check the March 2021 PawPrint on Pages 5-9.)

Carol Ford shared her thoughts about Sally Browning and her impact on the club as well as warm remembrances of the wonderful lady. (See the December 2021 PawPrint for more.)



Kirsten ("Kristi") Tufte, passed away November 24. Kristi was a charter member and the daughter of our Club's founder, Lucile Tufte. When Lucile passed away, Maurine Pearson became 14-year old Kristi's legal guardian. She at one time served as one of the Club's Corporate Directors. Maurine shared sweet memories...



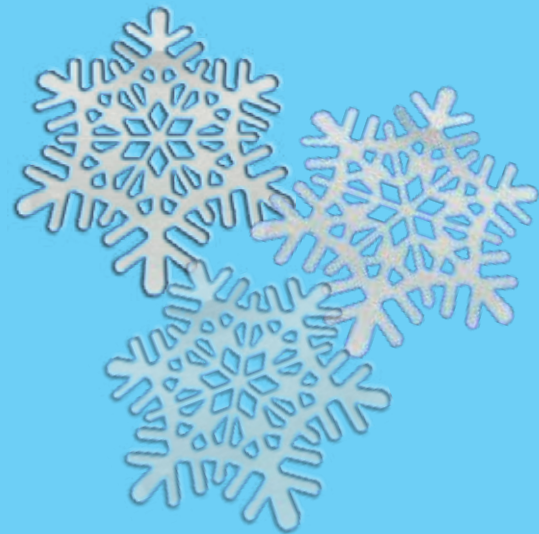


Special thanks were given to Club members who helped with painting the building in November.

(Left to right) Carol Ford, Linda Shearin, Shari Price, Judy Henry, Stephan Desproges, and Michael Rinaldi. In front is Vicki Jackson who served as Chairman of the Building Maintenance committee.

The following people assisted the Social Committee set up and decorate the Club for the social.

- Margaret Culbertson
- Lisa and Robert Gonzales
- Kristal Hatcher
- Judy Henry
- Ruth and Vernon Miles
- Shari Price
- Jose Rodriguez
- Lana Shuman
- David Yahraus
- Steve Weir





# Social Auction Time



David Elliott, Mark Malone and Lisa Wharton did an outstanding job keeping the Auction going. The pace was quick and many were encouraged to bid. David served as the auctioneer with Mark Malone serving as his assistant by selecting the next item for bidding and then getting “won” items to the bidders. Lisa kept up with the final prices and collected the money. She reports there was a new auction record in the amount of \$1,793.





# Silent Auction Time



We had a new type of auction this year that was very successful. A club member provided the items shown in the pictures to help the Sunshine Fund. Members were able to look over the items provided and then write their name and amount they were willing to pay for them on the paper beside each item. Each item was then sold to the highest bidder on each list.

All told, the silent auction for the Sunshine Fund made \$356.





# Photo Booth

Ruth and Vernon Miles set up a free photo booth that attendees enjoyed. Here are just a few of the photos.





# Need a new trick to teach your dog?

This trick is a variation of “sit pretty” for you to try! Have fun!

*Michele Hosey*

Train Your Dog To ....

## Put His “Hands Up” (or High Ten!)



**H**ands up is a fantastic trick that looks great. The dog is taught to sit back and hold both front paws up simultaneously. Easy to reinforce by offering the word “hands up” and a treat each time the dog manages to get both front paws off the ground. The pure position of this trick makes it look like it was really difficult to teach but if you reward with good timing early on then the dog will perfect his position with little effort from you.

1. **Begin with your dog in the sit position and stand in front of him holding a treat.**
2. **The idea is to encourage your dog to stay in a sit position yet offer a quick lure with the treat from his nose upwards until his front paws leave the ground, then reward.**
3. **If the dog gets up from the sit position in an attempt to take the treat ask him to sit again and make the lure less prominent.**
4. **Repeat the previous two stages until the dog stays in a sit position and is able to lift both his front paws off the ground.**
5. **Reward each time his paws leave the ground then when he is confident to do this slightly withhold the reward until he begins to try harder by lifting both feet higher off the ground each time he does this reward his finest attempt with a treat. Add your command word.**

**Top Tip** Timing must be perfect when teaching tricks so pinpoint exactly what you would like your dog to do more of until his position is exactly what you would like.

Dog trainers love this trick because it teaches the dog focus and to concentrate on gaining a reward by getting into an unnatural position.

*(Our picture is of Jan Bajovich and Kelly demonstrating the trick.)*



# SHOW & GO

## SATURDAY JANUARY 15<sup>th</sup>

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137



**Social Distancing ~ Appropriate Mask Requirements  
Waiver required ~ Pre-Entries Only**



**Classes Offered: ★ Utility ★ Grad Open ★ Open★**

**★ Grad Nov★ Novice★ Beg Nov★**

**PRE-ENTRIES ONLY: \$7.00 first five minutes**

**\$1.00 each additional minute**

**(5-minute minimum/10-minute maximum)**



**Doors open at 7:30 A.M.**

**Utility & Grad Open Run-throughs begin around 8:00 AM**

**Other classes Run-throughs begin after Utility/Grad Open**

Novice runs include one Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise



**Pre-Entry at "Events" on DTCCDC website**

**Link active @ noon on 12/31/2021: [DTCCDC Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> Show & Go](#)**

Pre-entries close Friday, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> @ noon

Emails with run-thru order sent Friday evening

** UPCOMING DATES **

** FEB 12<sup>th</sup>  March 5<sup>th</sup>  April 16<sup>th</sup> **

** May 14<sup>th</sup> **



**Directions:** Driving South on 67- take Daniieldale Rd exit

**Stay on access road - Turn Right at first street (S Alexander Ave)**

**Turn Right at next street (Crestside Dr). Clubhouse is the first drive on the right.**



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**DTCDC**  
**Bulletin Board**

**FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING**  
**FEB. 8 @ 7 P.M.**

**JANUARY 2022 DOG CALENDAR:**

- National Train Your Dog Month.
- Walk Your Dog Month.
- Unchain a Dog Month.
- Jan. 2: National Pet Travel Safety Day.
- Jan. 7: National Alaskan Malamute Day.
- Jan. 8: National Labrador Retriever Day.
- Jan. 14: National Dress Up Your Pet Day.
- Jan. 22-26: Westminster Kennel Club Annual Dog Show
- Jan. 24: Change a Pet's Life Day.
- Jan. 24: Peanut Butter Day. A day to honor the creamy creation that has helped train and treat many dogs! (See Peanut Butter dog treat recipes at <https://www.dogtipper.com/tag/peanut-butter-dog-treat-recipes>)
- Jan. 29: Seeing Eye Guide Dog Anniversary.

**FEBRUARY PAWPRINT**

**THEME: DOG HEALTH TIPS**

*This issue is dedicated to helping each other by sharing things you do to improve your dog's health. For example, you cut a dog's nail too short you can use flour to stop the bleeding, or pumpkin to help with the runs. This theme was recommended by Shannon Quinn.*

**DUE DATE: Sat., Jan. 22 (or earlier)**

**UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:**

<b>MARCH</b>	<b>DOG RIBBON DISPLAY IDEAS</b>
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Do you have a monthly theme idea that you would like to see in the upcoming PawPrint editions? Please share them with Lana Shuman at: [pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org)

**REMEMBER**

**Closing Checklist**

- Backdoor is locked
- Garage door is locked
- HVAC is on program
- Ceiling fans are off
- Interior lights are off
- Lock the front door
- Lock the gate

*Thanks for taking care of our building!*

**T**here are two scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for the Terri Clary scholarship, please contact a DTDCDC Board member or Training Committee member. For the Greg Quintana Memorial Fund, please contact Robin Quintana.



## TERRI CLARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In keeping with the club's mission and in recognition of the hard work of both dog and handler, the Terri Clary Memorial Scholarship is awarded to the canine/handler pair that has made the most progress overcoming significant training challenges. This Scholarship allows dog and handler to come back to the next session of beginner obedience classes, free of charge, to allow them both to meet their goals.

## The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund



Greg started with his first dog McKenzie in puppy class in 2005. McKenzie and Greg went on to compete in obedience and rally. He and Jax once again started in puppy classes in 2009 and competed in obedience, rally and



conformation. Greg also shared his six dogs in therapy work. Dog training opened many doors for him to pursue many adventures. He would be proud to see the juniors carry on his love of dog training and showing.



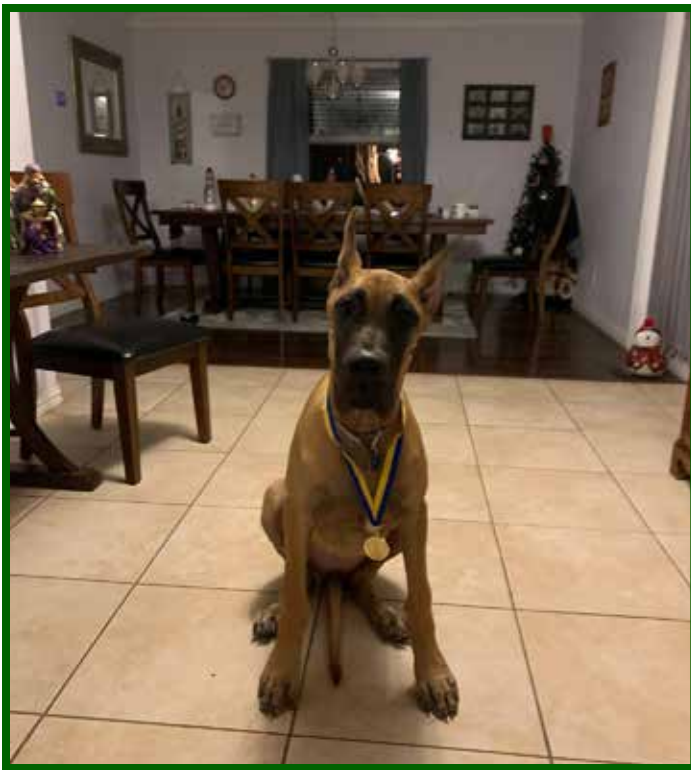
The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund will offer scholarships to Juniors for training classes and entry fees for any venue in conformation or performance event. Juniors can apply up to three times a year. A request for an application can be sent to [grquintana@sbcglobal.net](mailto:grquintana@sbcglobal.net).





**Mona O’Gorman brags**

My little Riki got a 99 in UKC rally and High in Trial. Very proud of her.



**David and Barbara Elliott brag:**

Maggie received her STAR Pippy certificate and Medal.





**Jose Rodriguez and Steve Weirs brag:**

Ruffino earned the 173 points needed to reach the 1,000 points required for his FCAT title. He ran ten (10) one-hundred-yard dashes (5 timed & 5 chasing the lure back to me) at Conroe Kennel Club's Holiday Classic. He's one happy, but tired, little dog.



**Happy New Year!**





# Dog Humor



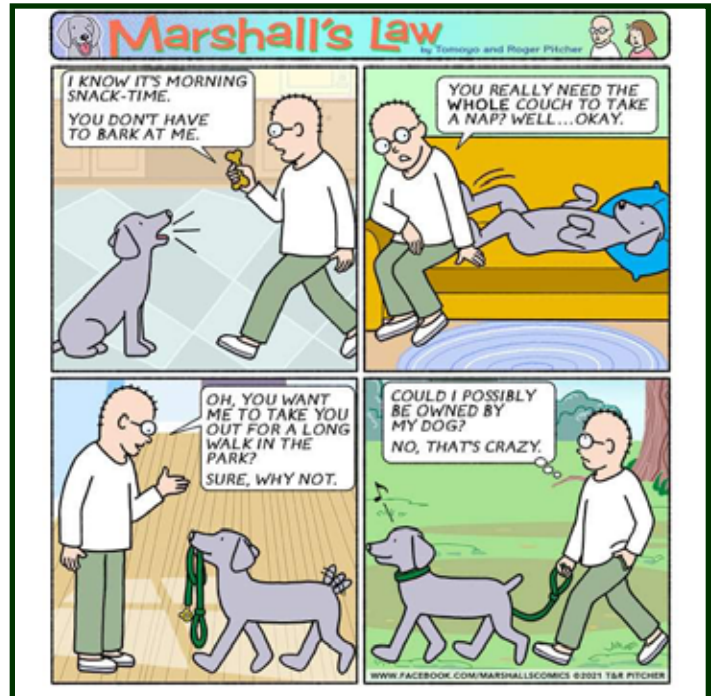




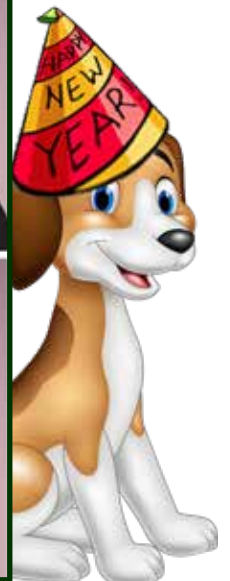
When you ask your dog what they're eating and they start chewing faster



**PRO TIP #22: RING YOUR DOORBELL ON YOUR WAY TO BED. THIS WILL CLEAR THE DOGS OFF OF THE BED JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR YOU TO GET COMFORTABLE**



# Cats vs. Dogs



# Nothing But A Hound Dog

*The hound group is a varied group of dogs with a keen sense for tracking quarry. Some of these dogs don't make the best neighbors due to the unique sound they make known as baying.*

T R E E I N G W A L K E R D I  
 B L A C K A N D T A N W N J R  
 D N J X R H B B V R O U N P E  
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- AMERICAN FOXHOUND
- BASENJI
- BEAGLE
- BLOODHOUND
- BORZOI
- DACHSHUND
- ENGLISH FOXHOUND
- GREYHOUND
- HARRIER
- IRISH WOLFHOUND
- NORWEGIAN ELKHOUND
- OTTERHOUND
- PETIT BASSET
- GRIFFON VENDÉEN
- PLOTT
- RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK
- SALUKI
- SCOTTISH DEERHOUND
- WHIPPET
  
- HOUNDS
- AFGHAN
- BASSET
- IBIZAN
- PHARAOH
  
- COONHOUNDS
- AMERICAN ENGLISH
- BLACK AND TAN
- BLUETICK
- REDBONE
- TREEING WALKER



Answers on page 54



# New Year

## Word Scramble Puzzle

1. NABOLSLO

2. EBACLTREE

3. ADCALREN

4. CMGNEAAPH

5. TNFECIOT

6. TDWNNUOOC

7. IGNNACD

8. VEE

9. OIKSEWRRF

10. SMEGA

11. PHAYP

12. LURIENSSTOO

13. WEN AEYR

14. TAYRP

15. ISCUM

Answers on page 54





# New Year's Word Search



J A N U A R Y F R I E N A C E  
F R I E N D S Y A S R I L A H  
N E Y S E R T I E M O W B L C  
B S I L Y F A E N E I Y A E O  
N O C R N V N V E Y D L B N U  
A L D C L O C K L T I E Y D N  
R U V E W M I D N I G H T A T  
V T O A S T W S N O L Y I R D  
G I A N I N G S E V E U A R O  
C O N F E T T I T M I N G S W  
R N O L C E L E B R A T I O N  
A J A N U E L V E I M K E R A  
Y P A R T Y H A A P Y S E V W  
N E W Y E A R C L O K S O R Y  
S H A P P Y E B A L L R E S O

BABY  
BALL  
CALENDAR  
CELEBRATION  
CLOCK  
CONFETTI  
COUNTDOWN  
EVE

FAMILY  
FRIENDS  
HAPPY  
JANUARY  
MIDNIGHT  
NEW YEAR  
NOISEMAKER  
PARTY

RESOLUTION  
TOAST

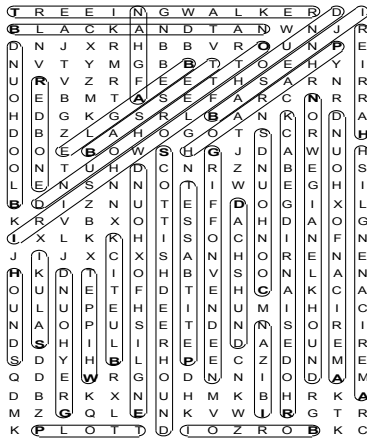


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**Nothing But A Hound Dog Answer**

*Puzzle found on page 51*



*Puzzle on page 52*

**New Year Word Scramble Puzzle Answer Key**

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|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. NABOLSLO     | BALLOONS    |
| 2. EBACLTREE    | CELEBRATE   |
| 3. ADCALREN     | CALENDAR    |
| 4. CMGNEAAPH    | CHAMPAGNE   |
| 5. TNFECIOT     | CONFETTI    |
| 6. TDWNNUOOC    | COUNTDOWN   |
| 7. IGNNACD      | DANCING     |
| 8. VEE          | EVE         |
| 9. OIKSEWRRF    | FIREWORKS   |
| 10. SMEGA       | GAMES       |
| 11. PHAYP       | HAPPY       |
| 12. LURIENSSTOO | RESOLUTIONS |
| 13. WEN AEYR    | NEW YEAR    |
| 14. TAYRP       | PARTY       |
| 15. ISCUM       | MUSIC       |

*Puzzle found on page 53*

**New Year's Word Search**



- |             |            |            |
|-------------|------------|------------|
| BABY        | FAMILY     | RESOLUTION |
| BALL        | FRIENDS    | TOAST      |
| CALENDAR    | HAPPY      |            |
| CELEBRATION | JANUARY    |            |
| CLOCK       | MIDNIGHT   |            |
| CONFETTI    | NEW YEAR   |            |
| COUNTDOWN   | NOISEMAKER |            |
| EVE         | PARTY      |            |

