

Dog Training Club of Dallas County Members Newsletter - www.dallasdogtraining.org

### DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Jenny Kimball Chris Hurley 12/3 Sandra Weber 12/3 Robin Scott 12/4 Jennie Dunaway 12/5 Vanessa Dominguez 12/9 Mary Ann Magness 12/9 Linda Borek 12/13 Jean Bryant 12/14 Jay Fisher 12/14 Maurine Pearson 12/15 Glen O'Gorman 12/20 Linda J. Smith 12/20 Wendy Hames 12/22 Jorge Ayala 12/22 Robert Walton 12/23 Laura Lipscomb 12/23 Carol Wright 12/23 Nicole Desproges 12/26 Lana Shuman 12/29 Sara Beall 12/29 John Cullen 12/29 Richard Tettamant 12/30 Angela Averhart 12/30

### 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. Please support Sunshine by bringing your

gifts. If you missed the month of your birthday or there was no meeting that month, you may bring your gift in a following month! Remember you can always donate to the **Sunshine Fund** on the club's Website.

### **Sunshine Fund Report**

	Oct-19	YTD 2019
Proceeds	\$67.00	\$579.90
Expenditures	\$-	\$(315.02)
Net	\$67.00	\$264.88

# HOLIDAY SOCIAL: DECEMBER 7 @ 5 P.M. (DETAILS ON PAGE 11)

# JANUARY MEETINGS: TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 BOARD AT 6 P.M. GENERAL AT 7:30 P.M.

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### A Word from Our President

President, I thought of all the topics I could write about for the PawPrint. Now that it's time for my first Word From Our President article, I find it more difficult. But then I look to my predecessors, and I realize that the groundwork is in place. We are a fortunate not-for-profit organization. Whereas other not-for-profits focus and fret about fund-raising, we are self-sufficient. The 180+dues-paying members that support our organization, the successful training classes that we offer through-out the year, the monthly show & go's that attract people from all over the area, our annual holiday auction - our club is supported by all of these. This provides us the freedom to focus on helping people to be responsible dog owners, to offer training classes staffed by volunteers, and to train for all levels of competition. We continually share our experiences and expertise with all who walk into our club.

THANK YOU, to the most recent Board: David Elliott, Vicki Jackson, Margaret Culbertson, Jan Bajovich., Jan Hitchborn., Carol Ford, Linda Shearin, Benita Zapata, Lynda Holman, Mark Malone and Maurine Pearson – you served us well.

As we begin this new term with new board members, we all ask for your support. That also means we want your input. None of us

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### 2019 Officers & Directors

President – Shari Price
Vice President – Pam White
Training Director – Joe Warner
Secretary – Terri Schurr
Treasurer – Marilyn Hopkins
Member at Large – Benita Zapata
Member at Large – Linda Shearin
Member at Large – Shannon Quinn
Member at Large – Jana McBroom

### **Corporate Directors:**

Lynda Holman Mark Malone Maurine Pearson



# **Training Committee News**

DTCDC Club Members,

I am Joe Warner, your new Training Director. I have a few quick thoughts to share. First, I want to thank Jan Bajovich for the great job she did over the last two years. The help she has provided me and the committee has gotten us off to a good start.

Jan provided the club the ability to choose between a 6- or 8-week session by adding two extra lessons to the handbook. We (the committee and I) have come up with a hybrid 8-6-2 session. My committee is working on 8- and 6-week sessions, with the possibility of 2-week mini sessions. We are very excited about the flexibility this will provide. This is a work in progress so we will try it and see what happens. Puppy and Beginner classes will be held without dogs on first night. We feel this gives the Instructors the chance to con-



nect with students, learn about special needs and reinforce the instructions in the orientation video. This also gives the student a stress-free time to meet their trainers and become familiar with our club and its objectives.

I have put together a committee that represents as many club members and their interests as possible. They welcome your input while training and participating in events with you. They are your eyes and ears, so let them know what you are thinking.

I have had some folks ask if it is OK to go to the club and train their own dog/s or with small groups of members in off hours. It is your club, of course you can. Please respect the club and its property and do nothing to harm the resources, reputation of the club, or subject the club to increased liability.

In closing, we are all here to have fun with our dogs, so let's do it.

# Joe Warner DTCDC Training Director



wants to move forward without direction. Communication is the process of passing information and understanding from one person to another. COMMUNICATION – the key, the catalyst, the determiner of whether or not we are meeting your needs and expectations. We are a group of humans of varying pedigrees, with individual personalities that meld together to create a vibrant, unique culture that has one thing in common: love of dogs. You are more than willing to share your love of dogs, also share your thoughts and ideas, your wishes, your expectations, your needs. We are here to listen to you!

I hope to see each of you at our Holiday Party on December 7 at 5 p.m. Wear your ugly (or not) Christmas sweater, come hungry, bring items for the auction, bring money or credit cards to out-bid your friends. Most of all, spend time with one another and take a few moments to get to know our newest members as they join in our holiday party.

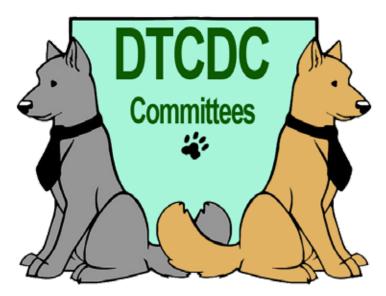
Your President,

Shari Price

	SESSION 1 - 20	020	
Class	Day/Time	Begin Time	End Date
Beginner	Mon 7 - 8 p.m.	1/6/2020	2/25/2020
Puppy	Mon 8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/6/2020	2/25/2020
Board Meeting	Tues 6 - 7:30 p.m.	1/7/2020	2/5/2020
Club Meeting	Tues 7:30 - 9 p.m.	1/7/2020	2/5/2020
Novice	Tues 7 - 8 p.m.	1/14/2020	2/26/2020
Beg Open/Utility	Tues 8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	1/14/2020	2/26/2020
Advanced Rally	Wed 7 - 8 p.m.	1/8/2020	2/27/2020
Master Rally	Wed 8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/8/2020	2/27/2020
Beginner	Thurs 1 - 2 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/28/2020
Foundation Skills	Thurs 2 - 3 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/28/2020
Trick Class	Thurs 3:15 - 4 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/28/2020
Puppy Class	Thurs 7 - 8 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/28/2020
Beginner Class	Thurs 8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/28/2020
Nosework set-up	Fri 5 - 6 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020
Master Nosework	Fri 6 - 7:15 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020
Advance and Beginner Nosework	Fri 7:30 - 9 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020
Overflow	Sun 11 a.m Noon	1/5/2020	2/25/2020
Adv Open	Sun 1 -2 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/25/2020
Adv Utility	Sun 2 - 3 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/25/2020
Novice Rally	Sun 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/25/2020
Overflow	Sun 5 - 6 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/25/2020

# **DTCDC Committees**

Thank you to all who serve on the various club committees. Without you, the club could not successfully operate. We will be finalizing the committees for 2020 in the next few weeks and will post the update to the website in the Members' Section. Your service is appreciated whether you are staying on or rolling off to let another member get involved. If you are interested in working on a particular committee, please contact a Board Member.



Shari Price
President

# **Dog Training Club of Dallas County**

General Meeting - November 2nd, 2019

### **Agenda**

Meeting called by	David Elliott
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	CALLED TO ORDER BY David Elliott @ 3:08
	Welcome Guests
	<ul> <li>Recognized instructors and assistants</li> </ul>
	Thank Mark Malone for bringing snacks
	<ul> <li>Farewell Address by David Elliott as he and his board's term end November 2019 as of the end of today's general meeting</li> </ul>

**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Benita Zapata for Laura Lipscomb** 

Discussion	Sunshine Box	
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### **SECRETARY'S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	Ask if there were any additional corrections or additions to the October
	General Meeting minutes.

### TREASURER'S REPORT – Shari Price

Discussion	Financial report Accepted reports by general consensus	
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### **PAW PRINT COMMITTEE - Lana Shuman**

Discussion	<ul> <li>December theme – Holiday favorites</li> </ul>
	• Due 11/23

### **SOCIAL COMMITTEE – Kyrstal Hatcher**

Discussion	Christmas Party – Dec 7 <sup>th</sup> at 5:00
	Italian themed food
	Favorite side and/or dessert
	Wrapped gift
	• Donation
	Set up 6:30 Friday Dec 6th
	<ul> <li>Do not bring dog to the party – this is people only.</li> </ul>

### **CGC – David Elliott for Robin Quintana**

Discussion	<ul> <li>December 4th CGC CGCA &amp; Trick Dog sign up through Eventbrite</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Discussed the CGC, CGCA, CGCU that happened in October</li> </ul>

<b>TRAINING</b>	COMMITTEE -	Jan Ba	jovich
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<ul> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Classes report</li> <li>Session 6, last session, started. No new classes added this year.</li> </ul>	Discussion
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### **THERAPHY COMMITTEE - Mark Malone**

Discussion	Guest speaker Linda Marler after the meeting. She will be talking about the
	Baylor Therapy program

### **RENTAL COMMITTEE - David Elliott for Sheryl Archer**

Discussion	MABOC Rental January 25th-26th, 2020
	Club closed on those dates

### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – Donna Heishman**

Discussion	<ul> <li>Internet Service/VOIP Provider – T-Mobile – no contract – lower cost - \$83 vs</li> </ul>
	\$45 for 6 gig data

### **SHOW N GO - Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	Show n Go – Obedience December date 12/21		
	<ul> <li>Show n Go – Rally November date 11/23</li> </ul>		

### **PURCHASING COMMITTEE - Lynda Holman**

Discussion	Name tags
	High Average or Most Improved send scores
	Year End Awards

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – Terri Schurr**

Discussion	New Members:     Lisa Holt - Individual
	Julia Reynolds - Family Robert Daniel
	Time to renew membership for 2020
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Motion to accept new members made by Sandi Myers and seconded by Benita Zapata</li> </ul>

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion	<ul> <li>David explained the suggestion box</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Dog trick of catching treat submitted by a jr member</li> </ul>

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion	<ul> <li>Vote to forgo the December meeting for the Club Party on December 7<sup>th</sup></li> <li>Lisa and Jan H for social not meeting</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Vote on the new board         President – Shari Price         VP – Pam White         Secretary – Terri Schurr         Treasurer – Marilyn Hopkins         Training – Joe Warner     </li> </ul>

Member At Large – Benita Zapata, Linda Shearin, Shannon Quinn, Jana McBroom

Lisa Wharton made a motion to accept the new board. The new board was voted in and will be instated as the new board immediately, beginning service after this meeting.

- Vote on Training Committee
   Joe Warner presents Training Committee:
   Carol Ford, Linda Shearin, Jan Hitchborn, Sally Browning, Pam White, Tom Griggs
   Joe made a motion to accept the committee, Sandi Myers seconded.
   Committee was approved by membership.
- Shari Price, new in-coming President made an announcement that our next meetings will be - Tuesday Jan 7 - 6:00 board and general meeting at 7:30
   Told members to call or email her on anything. She wants to hear
- Attached is an addendum that was needed to get the signatures changed at the Bank for the DTCDC bank account.

January meeting snacks to be provided by Rita and Lana

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Lisa Wharton and seconded by Margaret Culbertson at 3:55

from the members.

Adjourn the meeting to brags, refreshments and Therapy presentation.

Thank you for letting me serve you as secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Culbertson

As of November 2019, there are 214 members (including the 3 new members from the November meeting).

Of those members, 14 are associate members and another 12 for family junior members. This makes the voting membership 185. 20% is 37 members.

Attendance was 37 members.

Please remember to always sign the attendance sheet.



### DOG TRAINING CLUB OF DALLAS COUNTY MEETING MINUTES ADDENDUM November 2, 2019

The monthly Board and General meetings of the Dog Training Club of Dallas County were held beginning at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m., respectively, on Saturday, November 2, 2019 and were called to order by David Elliott, President. The November meeting is our annual election of officers. The slate was presented by the Nominating Committee and announced in September. As no changes were made to the presented slate, officer changes include:

David Elliott, President, to be succeeded by Shari Price. Effective end of meeting November 2, 2019.

Shari Price, Treasurer, to be succeeded by Marilyn Hopkins. Effective end of meeting November 2, 2019.

David Elliott will be removed from being a signer on the Chase operating and saving accounts, Shari Price will stay on as President, and Marilyn Hopkins will be added as Treasurer. Effective as soon as possible.

This addendum to the minutes of the Dog Training Club of Dallas County is presented for the purpose of allowing signature changes on our Chase bank accounts.

Shari Price, President



# Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting - November 2nd, 2019

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Meeting called by	President	
Type of meeting	Board Meeting	
Facilitator	David Elliott	
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson, Secretary	
Attendees	David Elliott, Jan Hitchborn, Mark Malone, Terri Schurr, Joe Warner, Marilyn Hopkins, Linda Shearin, Jan Bajovich, Vicki Jackson, Lynda Holman, Margaret Culbertson, Jana McBroom, Pam White, Shari Price	

	MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – David Elliott @1:09
Discussion	Welcome future Board Members

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT – Margaret**

Discussion	<ul> <li>David asked if there were any corrections or additions to the October minutes.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	October minutes approved

### TREASURERS REPORT - Shari Price

Discussion	Changing insurance for the keeping same type of covered to the covered type.			erage – reducing cost by	half but
	Balance Sheet as of October 31, 20	19:			
	Cash				
	Operating	\$	4,919		
	Savings	\$	52,494		
	PayPal	\$	-	_	
	=	\$	57,413	<del>-</del> =	
	Profit and Loss Statement		October	<u>YTD</u>	
	Total Proceeds	\$	5,585	\$ 42,579	
	Total Expenditures	\$	(1,874)	\$ (30,383)	
	• Net Surplus	\$	3,711	\$ 12,195	
Conclusion	October financials approve	ed.			

### **TRAINING COMMITTEE - Jan Bajovich**

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Discussion	•	Current classes
	•	Session 6 did not add any additional classes

### **REGISTRATION - Margaret Culbertson**

Disc	ussion		Margaret will send Joe an overview of Eventbrite
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### SUGGESTION BOX - Vicki Jackson

Discussion	<ul> <li>Suggestion talked about a dog catching a treat. Believe this was submitted by a junior member. Board was not sure what the suggestion meant. Would like to understand more of this suggestion.</li> </ul>
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### Purchasing – Lynda Holman

<ul> <li>Year end awards</li> <li>Email Lynda about the names given last week for the Board Appreciation</li> </ul>	
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### **OLD BUSINESS - David Elliott**

Discussion	MABOC rental January 25-26
	<ul> <li>Show-N-Go Date for December 11/23 for Rally and 12/21 for Obedience</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>VOIP provider changed to lower rates</li> </ul>

### **NEW BUSINESS -**

Meeting adjourned at 1:47.

Discussion	<ul> <li>Jan Hitchborn requested that we view the camera records to see if we could see if a car had hit Becky Hill's car in the parking lot on 10/17/19</li> <li>Continued complaints about the lock on front gate</li> </ul>
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Motion to adjourned the meeting made by Margaret Culbertson and seconded by Lynda Holman







# **Shelter Donation Box at Holiday Party**

Donations given at the party will be divided between Tri-Cities Animal Shelter and Ellis County SPCA.

Please give new or gently used items only. If items are used, be sure they are clean and in good repair.



# Here is a basic idea list of supplies needed:

- Towels
- Blankets
- Newspapers
- Paper Towels
- Clay (only) kitty litter
- Dawn dish detergent (large)
- Bleach (gallon)
- Garbage bags (any size)
- Collars (all sizes)
- Harnesses (all sizes)
- Leashes (all sizes)
- Food/ Water bowls (all sizes)
- Toys (dog or kitty- all sizes)
- Dog/ puppy/ cat/ kitten food (dry or canned- any size)



Name:	Lisa Holt
City:	Ft Worth
Home phone:	817-237-9905
Cell phone:	817-371-3056
Email:	lisa.holt@mail.com
Birthday:	8/26
Dog's name:	Lucy
Dog's breed:	All American





Name:	Julia Reynolds & Robert Daniel
City:	Dallas
Julia phone:	214-455-9619
Daniel phone:	512-775-8814
Julia email:	julia.o.reynolds@gmail.com
Robert email:	robert.daniel@yahoo.com
Julia birthday:	5/28
Robert birthday:	6/13
Julia's dog's name:	Monty
Robert's dog's	Wester
name:	
Both dog's breed:	Aussie Doodle



### RE YOU READY FOR YOUR DOG TO EARN THE CGC, CGCA, Or NOVICE TRICK DOG TITLES?





**EVENT: CGC, CGCA & Novice Trick Dog** 

WHEN: Wednesday, December 4th

TIME: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

WHERE: DTCDC



### **COST:**

\$10 for Members per test/per dog \$20 for Non-Members per test/per dog Registration:

**DTCDC** Eventbrite

For questions, contact Robin Quintana at robinquintana@att.net

Testing time confirmation for the CGC, CGCA and Novice Trick Dog will be sent via email on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# May your days be merry and bright...



# SHOW & GO SATURDAY A DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

Dog Training Club of Dallas County 604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137



Climate Controlled ~ Fully Matted ~ Mirrors ~ Crate & Chair Space

Classes Offered: Beg Nov \* Novice \* Grad Nov \* Open \* Grad Open \* Utility
Day of Show OR Pre-entry: \$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
Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Other classes Run-throughs begin after Utility/Grad Open
Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM - Noon

Novice runs include one Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise Additional runs of same dog in same class are done when first entry runs are completed.



Pre-Entry at "Events" on DTCDC website or DTCDC 12-21-18 S&G

Pre-entries close at noon the Friday before & you will receive email with run-through order



# RACH Sky Acres Shamrock Lucky Charm UD PCD BN GN GO RM3 RAE3 CGCA CGCU "CLOVER"

By Pam Chrystal

Clover earned her Rally Championship at the Travis County KC trial on Oct 26, 2019 with a triple average of 299. She qualified in twenty showings. She won Highest Triple Scoring Dog Nine times and Highest Combined Scoring Dog from Ex B & Adv B classes ten times. She earned 586 total points with 216 coming from the Masters class. The day after finishing her Championship (Travis County KC 10/27/19), Clover won Highest Triple and Highest Combined Scoring dog in the Rally Trial.

On the surface, this looks pretty well planned. Well, let me tell you, "the rest of the story" should you be interested.

Clover earned her RAE title in Nov 2015 before she earned her CD in Apr 2016. This was quite a bit before AKC conceived the Rally Master & Rally Champion Titles in Nov 2017. We left Rally behind earning her Grad Nov Title in Nov 2016, CDX in Apr 2017, Grad Open in Oct 2017 and her first leg in Utility in Jan 2018.

Then something "happened." I cannot tell you of anything specific so I am going to take responsibility that as a trainer I missed something. At the Bluebonnet shows in April 2018 I had to stand helplessly by as I watched our team crash & burn. I was optimistic after the first day as she would have qualified if she had not anticipated



going to heel on the Moving Stand for Exam exercise. The next day, however, Clover was showing higher than normal stress levels and was irritable with other dogs. In the ring, her work was uncharacteristically slow and apprehensive. On Sunday, I pulled her when she would not attempt to scent for the first article after an embarrassing Signal Exercise.

I determined I was going to need help for this sweet devoted girl to reach her potential. There are so many people who provide guidance, support, and encouragement to me and I appreciate each and everyone of you. Without all of my friends, Clover and I would not be where we are today. I especially want to thank Paul & Debbie Cantwell and Sylvia Nuzzolilo for the awesome mentors they are to me and so many other exhibitors.

I also decided to go back to Rally to see if I could bring "fun" back into being in the "ring" by helping Clover earn the Rally Master Title. Beginning in July 2018, she earned the ten needed "legs" in three weekends with a 98 average in Feb 2019. Two of those weekends she also showed in Utility A, testing to see if we were on the right track with the revised training. The results were not legs, but very encouraging!

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I had not been interested in attempting the Rally CH because of the requirements before Feb 2019.

- 1. Points could be earned only after the Master Title was achieved.
- 2. Dog needed to qualify in Masters, Exc. B & Adv B on the same day at the same trial at 20 licensed AKC Rally trials.
- 3. No points were earned from the Adv B class, but it had to be entered.
- 4. Dog must earn a total of 300 Points with 200 coming from the Masters class.

Score	Points	Score	Points
91-96	1	97	2
98	3	99	4
100	5		

I found out after Clover's first weekend back in the Rally ring in July 2018 that the requirements for the Rally CH Title would change in Feb 2019. I was feeling encouraged by the results of Clover showing in Rally and Utility A in the same weekend. I decided I would continue to enter her one day in Utility A and the rest of the weekend in Rally.

This past September, Clover earned her Utility title at the Texas Tri-City Obedience Club Trial! At this point, she was ½ way to achieving the Rally CH and I decided to use the rest of the year to continue to work on building confidence and fine tuning my handling and Clover's responses in Utility and Open. To keep her active in the ring and continue the "good vibes" she was now getting from being in the ring, I decided to finish her Rally CH by the end of November so it would be done before the holidays. Now I admit planning did come into play. God must have been planning the same thing, because we all know what God says about making plans.

The new requirements and qualifications for the Master Rally Title currently are:

- 1. Begin earning points when the Excellent Title is achieved.
- 2. Dog needs to qualify in Masters, Exc. B & Adv B on the same day at the same trial at 20 licensed AKC Rally trials
- 3. Dog must earn a total of 300 Points with 150 coming from the Masters class
- 4. Points earned with scores of 91-100.
  - a. 5 Pts for scores of 91 through 94
  - b. 6 Pts for scores of 95 & 96
  - c. 7-10 Pts for scores of 97-100 equal to score above 19

Everyone at DTCDC congratulates Pam and Clover for their amazing accomplishments and dedication to their sports.



# **Judy the WWII Heroine**

From a Facebook Post



Judy, a purebred pointer, was the mascot of several ships in the Pacific, and was captured by the Japanese in 1942 and taken to a prison camp. There she met Aircraftsman Frank Williams, who shared his small portion of rice with her.

Judy raised morale in the POW camp, and barked when poisonous snakes, crocodiles or even tigers approached the prisoners. When the prisoners were shipped back to Singapore, she was smuggled out in a rice sack, never whimpering or betraying her presence to the guards.

The next day, that ship was torpedoed. Williams pushed Judy out of a porthole in an attempt to save her life, even though there was a 15-foot drop to the sea. He made his own escape from the ship but was then recaptured and sent to a new POW camp.

He didn't know if Judy had survived, but soon he began hearing stories about a dog helping drowning men reach pieces of debris after the shipwreck. And when Williams arrived at the

new camp, he said: "I couldn't believe my eyes! As I walked through the gate, a scraggly dog hit me square between the shoulders and knocked me over. I'd never been so glad to see the old girl!"

They spent a year together at that camp in Sumatra. "Judy saved my life in so many ways," said Williams. "But the greatest of all was giving me a reason to live. All I had to do was look into those weary, bloodshot eyes and ask myself: 'What would happen to her if I died?' I had to keep going."

Once hostilities ceased, Judy was then smuggled aboard a troopship heading back to Liverpool. In England, she was awarded the Dickin Medal (the "Victoria Cross" for animals) in May 1946. Her citation reads: "For magnificent courage and endurance in



Japanese prison camps, which helped to maintain morale among her fellow prisoners, and also for saving many lives through her intelligence and watchfulness."

At the same time, Frank Williams was awarded the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals' White Cross of St. Giles for his devotion to Judy. Frank and Judy spent a year after the war visiting the relatives of English POWs who had not survived, and Frank said that Judy "always provided a comforting presence to the families."

When Judy finally died at the age of 13, Frank spent two months building a granite and marble memorial in her memory, which included a plaque describing her life story.

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF GENE NORMAN

By Lynda Holman

Our beloved and highly respected club member, Gene Norman, passed away quietly in his sleep on October 21 after a year-long illness. Gene joined the club on April 5, 1983 and was active right from the start. He served on various club committees, helped with and instructed classes, and served on the Board of Directors. Gene graciously shared with the club members his knowledge acquired from showing his own beautiful Rottweilers and his experience as an AKC obedience judge. Gene received the club's 1990 Sportsmanship Award. For those of you who were not lucky enough to know Gene in person, you can get to know him from the December 2002 Paw Print Family article written by Gene and repeated below. Those of us fortunate enough to have known him will be moved to laughter and tears by his eloquent words.

### PAW PRINT'S FEATURED CANINE FAMILY

### Norman/Normandie



Cast-offs were the first canine members of the Norman household. The unwanteds were either given to or dumped on Gene and Pat over the years. A tiny Boston, two Dachshunds, an arthritic Bulldog, two Cockers, the world's largest Dalmatian, and a smiling Samoyed constituted a generation of faithful family. There were cats too; they just appeared unannounced and uninvited and took up residence. The dogs didn't seem to mind and all went well.

Twenty-seven years ago a neighbor, a Cairn Terrier breeder, noted the animal interest and invited the Normans to accompany her to a Texas Kennel Club show at Market Hall. They dutifully watched the Cairn judging, but were fascinated by the big, beautiful black dogs in the next ring. They were

disclosed to be Rottweilers and it was quickly decided that at the next vacancy in the household, one of them would be bought to fill it. Just a few months later the Dalmatian and the Samoyed died within a week of one another and the veterinarian announced that they were victims of the first wave of Parvo that swept through North Texas.

A year and a half of mourning passed and then a seven-week-old ball of black fur arrived from a breeder in Arlington to become the first Norman Rottweiler. A German friend helped in naming her and she became Trudel Madam Von Normandie. For eleven years Trudel was housemother and her descendants do the same today. At five months of age Trudel was enrolled in Beginners Class at DTC-DC and continued there till she finished her CDX. She was a great athlete and loved to jump. Eventu-



ally her mother Nadia joined the family and stayed till she went to live with Grace and Ruth Robinson.

Trudel's first son was Normandie Alfonse Von Capone, known during his short five-year life as Capo. He had the distinction of being the first DTCDC member dog to earn a tracking title and was the first Normandie Rottweiler to earn his UD. He won friends for the breed across four states. The remains of Normandie Alfonse Von Capone UDT, the dear and beautiful Capo, are buried beside those of his mother Trudel in a spot in the Norman garden known as Capo's Corner. Thoughts of him still bring tears.

Following years of membership in DTCDC and several years of teaching Novice there and general obedience at Mountain View College, Gene was licensed by the American Kennel Club to judge Novice Classes in 1992. Open was added in '94 and Utility in '97. He is the only member of DTCDC ever to be licensed by AKC to judge Obedience. He currently judges between 20 and 30 shows a year.

Normandie Cluny Von Killion, known as Cluny, and his cousin, Normandie Della Von Killion, sweet Della, came next to the Norman family. Cluny finished his CDX and won the hearts of many through his beauty of body and spirit. He had just been certified for tracking when he died of stomach hemorrhage at five years of age. This came only months before the arrival of Normandie Esme Von Killion, another Rottie lady, Esme the Lover Girl.

It was Della who topped the Normandie clan with her accomplishments, her intelligence, her athleticism and her beauty. It was obvious she was special when she won first place in Novice B at the American Rottweiler Club Regional Specialty in Louisiana. She was shown seven times in Novice and placed four times. Her Open scores averaged 192 and in Utility she averaged 189.6. But it was in her UDX campaign that she excelled. It took her but 16 shows to earn the coveted 10 Open B and Utility B legs. Della is now retired and all hopes are pinned on her half-sister Esme. Although retired Della is still head-of-the-house and reigns supreme, Normandie Della Von Killion UDX. Her final award came recently when Front And Finish in its "First And Foremost" awards named her "No. Six Rott-weiler" in the United States in Obedience Competition.

Gene was awarded the Gaines Medal for Good Sportsmanship by DTCDC in 1990.





## Glen Rose Texas



All true adventure seeking Texans love Glen Rose. Where else can you kayak down the Brazos in the morning, wipe freshly smoked brisket and barbecue sauce off your nose after lunch, track down dinosaurs in the afternoon, pet a Cheetah, scoot a boot, drink a cold one, gnaw on ribs, and enjoy star filled skies all on the same day? Did I mention the sunsets? And on Jan. 3 thru 5, the Nolan River Kennel Club puts on a spectacular dog show filled with specialties, confirmation, & performance events!

Get a head start on the year and get your entries in before they close on Dec. 18. You may be surprised at who shows up because this is one of the first AKC shows of the year. Those looking to hit the top dog charts

know that it's a game of numbers and the sooner you get started the better. Twenty five years ago, I finished my first conformation champion at this show and a few years later launched my national conformation special's career there too. A romantic at heart, I retired him at this same show after he earned the AKC Top Dog in Breed 1999.



Part of this show's allure is its challenge. January in Texas; need I say more? It can be a beautiful sunny day, wet and freezing, icy or anything in between at any point during the day or weekend. Ninety percent of the venue is on compacted dirt. So you better be prepared because the quality of the dirt depends on who packed it, what kind of mood they were in, and/or what livestock show was there the night before. Make sure you

have a plan. What will you do if your dog's nose hits the ground, enamored by the scent of goat, in the middle of your final lap around the ring? What if there's a ginormous pile of horse dun two feet from the obedience recall? What if there's a lady grooming four golden retrievers with a 1960's model high power hair dryer that sounds like a WW II plane revving its engine right across the rally ring? It can happen. It has happened (to me).





If you get a chance, visit Fossil Rim Wildlife Center. Or unwind by taking your dog on a casual stroll via the Paluxy River Walk or on any of the nature trails at nearby Dinosaur Valley State Park. A must do, you will thank me later, is eat at the Loco Coyote. Located 8 miles west of Glen Rose off Hwy 67, turn right on County road 1004 (look for the bill board on the right) and down about a half mile. It looks like a converted road side vegetable stand but they have the best barbecue and their burgers are so good and big you risk dislocating a jaw. I once took a group from South America there and ten years later they're still talking about the place. Even the guy from Argentina admitted that Texas meats are the best. It's that good.

So get your new year off to a terrific start at the Nolan River Kennel Club dog show. Make like a good scout and always be prepared while at the show.







# **Keep the Feast** from the Beast

Written by Pet Poison Helpline for the AKC and edited

During this time of family, friends and festivities, we also want to help prevent your pet from some potentially poisonous household dangers common during the month of December.

#### **TURKEY BRINE**

When you remove the turkey from the brine, the salt-saturated solution can be very attractive to dogs and cats, who will readily lap it up resulting in salt toxicosis. Clinical signs are excessive thirst and urination, vomiting and diarrhea. This can potentially result in serious electrolyte changes and brain swelling.





#### **FATTY FOODS**

Pancreatitis is an inflamma-

tion of the pancreas that can result in clinical signs of vomiting, diarrhea, loss of appetite and abdominal pain. Symptoms may not be immediate and can occur up to four days after exposure.

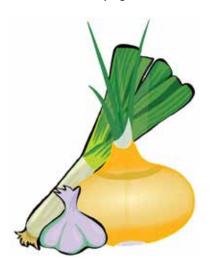
Nuts are high in fat and have the risk of pancreatitis. Macadamia nuts are more serious and ingestions can result in vomiting, diarrhea, inability to rise or walk normally (they take on a drunken appearance and can even drag their rear limbs as if injured).

### **GARBAGE**

Disposable food remnants, like corn cobs, discarded trussing's from the turkey and its bones can result in an obstructive risk or gastrointestinal injury that have the potential of requiring surgical removal or repair.

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### ONIONS, GARLIC, CHIVES & LEEKS

When onions and garlic are ingested in large or chronic amounts, it results in Heinz body formation and anemia. Cats and Japanese breeds of dogs (Akita, Shiba Inu, etc) are even more sensitive to the effects of these plants. Plus, cats are more sensitive than dogs to Allium toxiciosis. Clinical signs are generally secondary to the anemia, with resultant weakness, lethargy and pale mucous membranes.

Avoid using onion or garlic powder chronically in pet food, and make sure your pet doesn't ingest large amounts! Clinical signs are onion/garlic smell on breath, lethargy, pale mucus membranes (due to anemia), tachypnea (elevated respiratory rate), tachycardia (elevated heart rate), vomiting, and a reduced appetite. Rarely, hypoglycemia (low blood sugar).

### **SALT**

Salt, while commonly used for cooking in the kitchen, is quite poisonous to dogs and cats. Salt poisoning in dogs and cats results in clinical signs of vomiting, diarrhea, inappetance, lethargy, walking drunk, abnormal fluid accumulation within the body, excessive thirst or urination, potential injury to the kidneys, tremors, seizures, coma, and even death when untreated. Treatment for salt poisoning includes careful administration of IV fluids, electrolyte monitoring, treatment for dehydration and brain swelling, and supportive care. NOTE: Other sources of salt can be found throughout the household: in homemade play dough, rock salt (for de-icers), paint balls, table salt, sea water, enemas (containing sodium phosphate), etc.



### **SWEETS**



Candies, desserts or other foods that are sweetened with an artificial sweetener called xylitol are dangerous to pets. Xylitol can result in a rapid drop in blood sugar in dogs along with liver damage. In the past, we saw xylitol limited to the ingredient lists of sugar-free gums, mints, and dental products but xylitol is now very commonly used in sugar-free or low-sugar baked goods, vitamins and even peanut butter! Even quantities that appear to be very small have the potential to quickly become life-threatening to dogs. Always check the label!

Chocolates in our desserts or treats are dangerous to our pets. Remember that the darker the chocolate, the more serious the ingestion, and the less they will need to ingest to develop clinical signs of vomiting, diarrhea, agi-

tation, tremors, increased heart rate along with potential seizures.

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#### **RAISINS AND GRAPES**

Raisins, currants and grapes found in some of our favorite Thanksgiving foods are a very serious concern for dogs as they have the risk of resulting in acute renal failure with even small ingestions.

### **HOLIDAY DECORATIONS**



Festive decorations are a concern for many reasons. The bouquet of lilies you received from your guests can result in acute renal failure in your cat. Bittersweet flowers are many times included



Raisins

in fall floral arrangements and can cause gastrointestinal upset. Candles can result in burns and flameless candles contain batteries, that when ingested can result in gastrointestinal burns and corrosive injury.

### In case you hadn't seen this:

# VA and Pet Partners combine efforts to bring therapy animal services to more Veterans

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) partnered with non-profit organization <u>Pet Partners</u> in October to help improve quality of life, social engagement and health of Veterans, by increasing access to animal-assisted activities (AAA) and animal-assisted therapy (AAT) services throughout the VA health care system.

Pet Partners and VA will train therapy animal teams, encourage VA medical facilities to establish and expand trained therapy animal visitation, and provide AAA and AAT programs to give patients connection, comfort and joy that comes from spending time with animals.

The partnership also provides Veteran communities with volunteer opportunities and helps integrate Veterans and their families into Pet Partners' activities and events.

A wide range of research and studies suggest the human-animal bond can lead to lower blood pressure, reduced risk for cardiovascular disease, lessened anxiety, pain and loneliness. Time with therapy animals not only promotes physical and mental health but also supports wellness across variables such as social interaction, rate of recovery and personal motivation.

For more information, visit <u>health partnerships</u>.

# TRICK DOG TITLES



Titles earned in Session 6:

- Kate Zimmer & Razzle: TKA, TKP
- Becky Hill & Smokey TKI
- Mona Gatens & Chloe TKN
- Cherie Meagher & Fuzzy TKA, TKP
- Sandy Respess & Sugar: TKN

I'm sooo proud of these students from the Tricks class, Session 6!

Congratulations on your new titles!
Michele Hosey, Instructor

TKN = Novice Trick Dog TKI = Intermediate Trick Dog TKA = Advanced Trick Dog TKP = Trick Dog Performer











### **JANUARY PAW PRINT**

**THEME: NEW YEAR GOALS** 

DUE DATE: SUN., DEC. 22 (or earlier)

**UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:** 

S	JANUARY
	FEBRUARY
	MARCH
	APRIL

### **DECEMBER DOG CALENDAR:**

- **Dec. 2: National Mutt Day**
- Dec. 7: Pearl Harbor Day
- Dec. 12: Poinsettia Day
- Dec. 21: Winter begins
- Dec. 24: Channukah
- Dec. 25: Christmas
- Dec. 26: Boxing Day (Canada)
- Dec. 26: Kwaanza begins
- Dec. 31: New Year's Eve



### **SHOW 'N GO SCHEDULE:**



- Dec. 21
- Jan. 11
- Feb. 8
- March 14
- **April 11**
- May 9







### Chair leg rubber tips

Members, if the rubber tip is getting old on the bottom of the chair leg you are sitting in and will not stay on, please get a new one from the storage closet.

They are in the white USPS envelope hanging on the wall.



### **Updated 2019 Rooster**

An updated 2019 roster has been uploaded to the members area of our website. As last year, there is a PDF similar to the roster we have had for awhile and an Excel workbook for searching, filtering and sorting. The Excel workbook has two tabs. Tab one has all the member info and tab two has the dogs listed.

If you see anything that needs to be changed/updated, please email me at: dogtrainingroster@gmail.com

Margaret Culbertson



Have a Holly, Jolly Christmas!
It's the best time of the year...



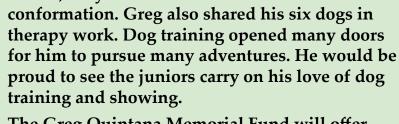


# The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund



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





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.





### Nicole Desporges brags:



Neo and Zedd each completed their second leg in CAT. They both loved the run, fast and focused on the lure. Neo was fabulous with a

good recall, easy to retrieve since he continued to attack the lure even at the end of the race. Zedd finished but lost interest immediately, moving on to the next fun thing (for him), running full speed and free all over the field as Nicole tried to catch him. Stephane enjoyed taking a video of them both running all over the field. The crowd laughed and cheered, for Zedd or Nicole? We are not sure!

### Jan Hitchborn brags:

Great weekend at What a Great Dog in Richardson hosted by North Texas Nosework Club. Maggie has steadied down and become a great methodical searcher. The last year of environmental desensitization has really paid off. She finished







her full UKC Advance Nosework title finally getting an exterior trial to earn that individual element title and she earned her first elite container leg. She was so solid.

Skye had issues with environment even though we train everywhere, but lots of trucks, a forklift and for some reason

buildings in a warehouse area unnerved her. She rallied on Sunday for a second place in advance containers.

Logan had five great DIW runs all in master and elite where we practiced running blind (not knowing how many hides) and further solidified our teamwork/communication. Next year working on our elite championship title all runs will be blind not knowing in huge elite search field if there is one or four hides. Looking forward to the challenge. He is enjoying a great bone I bought for him. Girls got smaller ones.

### Georgann Hughes brags:



Miss Swish earned her overall UKC Superior Title on Friday, Nov. 15, at the UKC Texas Classic in Longview, Texas. In doing so, she earned her Superior Interior title with

a 2<sup>nd</sup> place, then moved up to Master Interior and earned a leg with a first place and High In Trial for that element level! I'm very proud of this girl who used to be scared in the Interior search areas!



We had a wonderful weekend of Nosework at What a Great Dog in Richardson, Texas, in trials hosted by our club, North Texas Nosework Club. Thanks so very much to WAGD for your beautiful facility & the club for doing a super job putting it on! Fabulous job done by all the volunteers, officials & super judges Bob Rodriquez & Kathryn Butts! 2 elements were offered: Containers & Exteriors. Jazz came away with 4 of 4 qualifying runs with first places in 2 Superior Exterior runs & just out



of the placements in Elite Containers. The first runs in each of those 2 elements earned his Superior Exterior & Elite Containers titles! The other 2 runs were for fun & experience.

Swish was only entered in Master Exterior, since she's done in Containers. She qualified on Saturday with a 3rd place but got 2 out of 3 hides on Sunday. Got a little spooked by a noise &

something that moved when she poked it with her nose. I am very proud of this girl - she's come a long way!

### Benita Zapata brags:



On Nov. 23, Raiden competed in the UKC nosework trial at What a Great Dog. Raiden got a First Place Win in Elite Containers. She did it in 23 seconds.

Spectacular! The audience cheered and were amazed with Raiden's performance.

The trial was hosted by the North Texas Nosework Club.





# **Favorite Holiday Memories**

This is only one of many favorite holiday memories with my Pugs. The picture was taken in Dec. 1994. My three generation of pugs is what brought me to take classes at DTCDC and I became a member in 1993.

Puggy, Lucky Boy, Oso and Chula traveled the farther distance to compete in dog sports. Lucky Boy and Oso earned Obedience and rally titles in AKC and UKC. Chula, Lucky Boy and Oso competed in Agility and earned many agility titles with three different organizations. We had to travel to Murphy, Keller, and Carrolton for our agility classes. Oso competed in Flyball and became well known and popular in the Flyball arena. Many times Oso was run over by a speeding dog that came over to his running lane. Oso would quickly get up and continue to the flyball box to retrieve his small size ball and run back to the finish line. This was a team sport and Oso always came through for his team. Oso always thought he was a Big dog in a small size package, and he stood his ground. Oso earned his FLYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP Title.

Luck Boy and Oso were very involved with DTCDC Healing Hounds therapy team visits and Therapy work with TDI and the Animal Assisted Therapy program at Baylor.

With Puggy, I did some obedience training, however she had a mind of her own. She would get up from her sit and down stays and told me she was not going to do this regardless of how many treats she got. Puggy was our cheerleader and was happy with that job.

We always had favorite holiday memories especially during the Xmas Holidays. Pictures were always taken with my family and the pugs were always included. Each pug always had a present under the tree.

My pugs brought many laughs, joy and wonderful memories to me and my family.

This holiday I plan to take a photo album of the pugs and reminisce with my family in Lubbock. I will always treasure my pugs memories.

Happy Holidays,

Benita and Raiden Zapata





(Above) Jazz & Swish from last year.

(Right) Jazz & Georgann Hughes from 6 years ago.





Sheryl Barker shared the following favorite holiday photos of Daisy:

(Left) Daisy at the Baylor Irving Christmas Party in 2018.

(Right) Daisy at Juliette Fowler Communities.











Avery & Oreo - not too sure about their big "friend"

**Korel saying Merry Christmas** 

Banshee, her first Christmas in our family



Pam White shares these Favorite Holiday Memories...





Shannon Quinn's Bear says, "Merry Christmas to All!"





Magoo says: What to you mean Rudolph quit? So I have to carry this guy and a big bag of toys too!

### **Lynda and Gary Holman**





Pat and Judy Henry share a picture of their wackadoodle Murphy with his wish list to Santa.

**Merry Christmas to all!** 



Jose Rodriguez shares this Christmas picture of Eichler, Ruffino and their nanny, Debbie Barrick.







Karen Henry shared a couple of pics:

Tulsa as Mrs. Claus (above left), and Couper (above right) as a VERY reluctant elf! LOL! Karen says Tulsa is a true Christmas puppy. She will be 17 on Christmas!!



## **Paw Print Photo Album**



The November meeting was the final meeting David Elliott oversaw as president. David thanked those in attendance for the great two years.

Jan Bajovich, former training director, thanked the club for the support club members had given her during her tenure.

At right, Mark Malone introduces guest speaker Linda Marler, director of the Baylor Animal Assisted Therapy Program.

2020 Board members were voted in and introduced.







### **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES**

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