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Meeting Notices

The Paper Cities Kennel Club will meet Wednesday, August 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Willow Springs Gardens off of Hwy. K in Wausau.

The Board of Directors meeting will be held Wednesday, Sept. 7th at 7:00 p.m. at Biggby's in Rib Mountain.

In case of questionable weather or road conditions, contact any officer or board member after 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting to verify whether the meeting will be held.

Announcements

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT	WHERE	WHO(contact)
August 03	PCKC Board Meeting	Biggby's	Rib Mountain, WI
Aug. 4-5	Jaxon Kennel Club	Marshall, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug. 6	Sturgis Kennel Club	Marshall, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug. 7	Berrien Kennel Club	Marshall, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug. 6-7	Coulee Kennel Club, Inc.	Winona, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Aug. 6-7	Burlington KC, Inc.	W. Burlington, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
Aug.12-13	Cudahy Kennel Club	Racine, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug. 14-15	Greater Racine Kennel Club	Racine, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug. 13-14	KC of Freeborn Cnty MN, Inc.	Albert Lea, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
August 17	PCKC Meeting	Willow Springs G.	Wausau, WI
Aug. 19	Wisconsin Rapids Kennel Club	Marshfield, WI	Onofrio Dog Shows
Aug 20-21	Marshfield Area Kennel Club	Marshfield, WI	Onofrio Dog Shows
Aug.18	Muncie Kennel Club, Inc.	Muncie, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug.19	Anderson Kennel Club	Muncie, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug.20	Muncie Kennel Club, Inc.	Muncie, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug.21	Anderson Kennel Club	Muncie, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug.27-28	Elgin Kennel Club	St. Charles, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Aug.27-28	St. Croix Valley KC, Inc.	Lake Elmo, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept. 5	PCKC Picnic	Barb Powers Mom's	Wausau
Sept. 7	PCKC Board Meeting	Biggby's	Rib Mountain, WI
Sept. 2-4	Marquette Kennel Club	Marquette, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Sept.3-4	Danville IL KC	Georgetown, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Sept. 2-3	Tri City Kennel Club	Amana, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept. 4-5	Cedar Rapids K. Assoc., Inc.	Amana, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept.3-4	Timber Ridge Agility Club	Amhurst Junction, WI	
Sept. 10-11	Pontiac Kennel Club, Inc.	Davisburg, MI	MB-F Inc.
Sept. 10-11	Des Moines KC, Inc.	Des Moines, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept. 10-11	Kenosha Kennel Club, Inc.	Wilmot, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Sept. 21	PCKC Meeting	Willow Springs G.	Wausau, WI
Sept.17-18	Manitowoc Cty. KC, Inc	Manitowoc, WI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Sept.17-18	Rochester MN KC, Inc.	Rochester, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept.17-18	St. Clair Kennel Club	Goodells, MI	MB-F Inc.
Sept.17-18	Greater Lafayette Kennel Club	Lebanan, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Sept.24-25	KC of Columbus, IN	Columbus, IN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Sept.24-25	Sheboygan Kennel Club	Plymouth, WI	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 1-2	Monroe Kennel Club	Monroe, MI	MB-F Inc.
Oct. 1-2	Rockford - Freeport IL KC, Inc.	Freeport, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Oct.5	PCKC Board Meeting	Biggby's	Rib Mountain, WI
Oct. 8-9	Wright County MN KC	Hutchinson, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 8-9	Stone City Kennel Club	Kankakee, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Oct.15-16	Mason City Kennel Club	Mason City, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 19	PCKC Meeting	Willow Springs G.	Wausau, WI

****Interesting Web Sites****

Info Dog Site: <http://www.infodog.com/default.htm>
American Kennel Club: <http://www.akc.org/index.cfm>
Merck Veterinary Manual: <http://www.merckvetmanual.com/mvm/index.jsp>
Natural Holistic Health Care: <http://www.naturalholistic.com/nhpc/index.html>
EARS - Emergency Animal Rescue Service: <http://www.uan.org/ears/>
Therapy Dogs of Central Wisconsin: <http://www.wi-tdi-dogs.org/>
Amber Alert site for missing dogs: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9AmberAlert/>
Lost Dogs in Wisconsin: <http://lostdogswisconsin.webs.com///>
or facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Lost-Dogs-of-Wisconsin/395490441240>
Family Sanctuary at Peaceful Pines: <http://www.pppmemorials.com/FamilySanctuary/index.html>
Article on Bloat: <http://www.briard.com/about/liebesbloat.html>
Site about responsible breeders: http://www.akc.org/breeders/resp_breeding/resources.cfm
Lakeshore Pembroke Welsh Corgi Rescue: <http://www.lakeshorecorgirescue.org/>
Dog Federation of Wisconsin: <http://www.dfow.net/>
Dr. Patricia McConnell has a blog for training dogs: <http://www.theotherendoftheleash.com/>
Canine Vision: <http://www.uwsp.edu/PSYCH/dog/LA/DrP4.htm>
Canine Health Foundation: <http://www.caninehealthfoundation.org/>
Ask vet about medicines for pets from FDA: <http://www.fda.gov/ForConsumers/ConsumerUpdates/ucm205666.htm>
Information on Dogs: <http://www.doggedhealth.com/>
Breeder's Handbook: Weaning More Puppies: http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/akc_breeder/2010/spring/handbook.cfm
Hormone Replacement Products affect Pets: <http://news.vin.com/vinnews.aspx?articleId=15950>
LYME VACCINE & LYME DISEASE: <http://www.thedogplace.org/Vaccines/Lyme-Disease1-10062-Jordan.asp>
DNR Wolf Alerts: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/mammals/wolf/dogdepred.htm>
Foods: <http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/dog-food-reviews/brand/>
Michigan State University-College of Law-Animal Legal & Historical Center: <http://www.animallaw.info/>
Dr. Schultz online vaccination seminar –free: <http://www.showdogvideopros.com/PCAF2010SchultzA.html>
K9 First Aid: <http://www.vet.upenn.edu/RyanHospital/K9FirstAid/tabid/1370/Default.aspx>
Study on causes of Death in dogs by breed: <http://www.lifewithdogs.tv/2011/04/landmark-study-reveals-breed-specific-causes-of-death-in-dogs/>
Ever need a more complete description blow by blow of those lab reports you get back on your pets :
http://www.broadwayvh.com/site/view/83223_AssessmentDescriptions.pml;jsessionid=g92sm55i901

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Ask AKC with Lisa Peterson

Dear Lisa: My year old English Springer Spaniel will shred any tissue and paper that he can find. Since he only does it when I am not around, I find it hard to correct this behavior. Do you have any suggestions? – **Paper Shredding Puppy**

Dear Paper: You are right that trying to correct behavior when you are not around is impossible. Besides the fact that the breed is a soft-mouthed bird hunting dog and loves to keep things in it' mouth, he might be chewing to relieve stress. Chewing is typically a canine stress reliever and perhaps your dog is exhibiting some separation anxiety when you're gone. Another hint is that dogs who are lonely tend to seek out articles belonging to and smelling like their owners (think shoes). In fact, one thing we breeders do to help a new puppy not feel lonely in its new home is to send a cotton rag or rope toy with the scent of littermates and its mother home with the new owner and have the puppy sleep with it. So perhaps the used tissues and paper is used for chewing and also because it has enough of your scent on them for comfort.

The only thing you can do to prevent this behavior, since you are not around to supervise, is to remove the object of his desire. Keep him in an enclosed area without access to paper and tissue. I know it sounds simple but it will stop the behavior because he can't get to any paper. However, you should replace the missing paper with an approved and indestructible toy made for chewing. A rubber Kong filled with frozen vegetables or peanut butter. And if you are gone for long periods of time because you may be at work, try hiring a pet sitter for midday walks and enroll your dog in a training class or start an activity like agility to give him things to do and look forward to. Keeping him exercised and in an active training program will help reduce his stress and potential boredom and anxiety.

Dear Lisa: I own a 4-month-old Dogue de Bordeaux and am interested in showing him. Where do I start? Can anyone show dogs? I am brand new to this...please help! – **Beginning Bordeaux**

Dear Beginning: Your puppy is the perfect age to start training and socializing for a dog show. AKC has a variety of programs and resources to help you get started, for example this brochure on [dog shows](#). You can ask your breeder for help getting started. You can also find a club in your area that offers "conformation handling" classes [here](#). Another option is to join the [AKC's New Exhibitor Mentoring Program](#) at akc.org/mentor and we will send you a list of approved mentors in your area to help you get into the ring in no time. Anyone can show dogs, unless you want to compete in Junior Showmanship and then you have to be at least 9 years old and under 18 years.

Dear Lisa: I have a 3-year-old English Mastiff that weighs about 215 lbs. He has always gone upstairs with us when we go to bed and sleeps in our room, sometimes in our bed. For some strange reason we were going to bed the other night and he would not go up the stairs. We tried everything to try to get him to come upstairs and he just would not, you can't even budge him. So now if we go up to bed he sits at the bottom of the stairs and barks and barks and gets himself all worked up and drools but he will not come up. He will not stop barking until one of us comes downstairs and sleeps on the couch and he will then go to sleep. Well we can't keep doing that so can you please give us some suggestions. Usually he will do anything for food and I tried to have him come up and get treats on the steps and he will not. – **Heavy Duty Dog**

Dear Heavy Duty: In my experience when a dog stops some activity suddenly like that, the first thing I suspect is some physical condition that is causing him pain. When in pain he won't move. Perhaps the reason may be he was outside running around and hit a rock on his paw, or pulled a muscle and it gets aggravated when he walks upstairs. I agree you need to stop him having you "trained" to come down stairs and sleep with him! My advice is to take him to the vet to rule out any injury that might have caused this sudden onset of refusing to walk up the stairs. Once you have ruled out any medical conditions, then we can start to talk about a behavioral reason for his refusal to walk upstairs.

Dear Lisa: Both of my dogs (female Lab and male Katrina survivor Catahoula and Shepherd mix; both 6 years old) are heavier than I like. In fact the girl has put on about 8 pounds in the last 6 months. Vet tested her for thyroid and something else and both are normal. Both dogs get a cup of diet dog food for breakfast and supper, supplemented with 1.5 cup of cooked carrots for breakfast and the same amount of green beans for supper. Could the sugar in the carrots be contributing to the weight gain? Thanks

Dear Sugar: While I'm a proponent of the "green bean" diet to lose weight in dogs, you may want to skip the carrots and green beans for a while and also cut back on their regular rations by 1/4 to 1/3 of a cup to start. Also, do they get any treats? Many times these are loaded with calories, so cut those out and just use their kibble if you need training treats in the meantime. Don't forget to use the kibble out of their normal dinner ration so they don't get additional calories. Do you walk them? Getting a little more exercise might help them burn more calories too.

Helpful Tips

American Kennel Club Offers Tips on Dealing with the Morning Rush

Mornings are a chaotic time in any household, and one family member that can get lost in the shuffle is Fido. Your dog still needs attention, even though you are in a rush to get out of the house. The American Kennel Club (AKC®) offers the following tips to help you prepare the night before to make sure your dog gets what he needs and you get to work on time.

- Put your dog's breakfast in his dish and cover it. Don't forget to put it on the counter out of his reach! If his food is canned or perishable, make sure to refrigerate it.
- Prepare for your morning walk in advance by leaving the leash and pickup bags by the door. You can also leave extra bags by the door for your evening walk to save time when you get home.
- Check the weather forecast each evening and get together any items you may need for the next day—umbrella, snow boots, etc.
- If you have any toys that require you to fill them with a treat, such as the rubber toys you pack with peanut butter, stuff them and put them in the freezer.

For more information on responsible dog ownership, visit the AKC website at www.akc.org.

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American Kennel Club Offers Tips on How to Stop Your Dog from Begging at the Table

When you sit down to eat dinner, does your dog try to get in on the action? It's hard to resist sharing your meal with your dog when he looks up at you with those eyes, but begging at the table can quickly become a problem. To help owners teach their dog to kick the bad habit, American Kennel Club® (AKC) Canine Good Citizen® Director and Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, Mary Burch, Ph.D., offers the following tips how to stop begging at the table before it becomes a nuisance.

- **Be consistent.** Do not give in when your dog begs you. You need to ignore the begging all the time, and make sure friends and family members do the same. "Consistency is key to changing your dog's behavior," said Dr. Burch.
- **Feed your dog before yourself.** You should feed your dog before you sit down to eat. That way, you'll have a dog who is not hungry and is more apt to settle down.
- **Teach basic skills.** Another way to manage your dog during meal times is to have taught basic skills such as a reliable down-stay. This alternative behavior can be used to deter begging.
- **Reward good behavior.** Don't forget to reward your pooch for a job well done. If your dog has been well-behaved throughout the meal then take that one last bite of meat and put it in his dish – not directly into his mouth from the table. Your dog will learn this routine and might start to wait by his dish for a treat.

For more tips on training your dog, visit <http://caninegoodcitizen.wordpress.com/>, the official blog of the Canine Good Citizen® program sponsored by The Hartford.

Steer Clear of Summer Hazards

For most of us, the warm weather means more time spent outdoors with our four-legged friends. While being outside with your dog is a great way to spend time together, there are certain dangers the summer season brings for Fido. To keep your dog safe, American Kennel Club (AKC®) Canine Partners offers the following tips to help prevent summer hazards.

- **Keep cool.** When the heat and humidity are making you uncomfortable, chances are that your dog is suffering too and is becoming overheated. You can prevent overheating by making sure that your dog always has access to cool shade and water. If you see that Fido is slowing down in the heat, you can spray him with a hose to cool him off.
- **Dogs get sunburn too.** Dogs that have hairless areas or have white fur on their noses or ears can get sunburn. Repeated sunburn on dogs can predispose them to skin cancer, just like humans. Make sure to put sun block on Fido if he's going to be outside on a sunny day.
- **Paws on pavement.** Sidewalks and streets can get very hot, and since your dog doesn't wear shoes his paws can end up getting burned from the scorching pavement. Keep your dog on the grass in extreme heat to keep his paws intact. Also remember that sand can burn too, so try taking your long beach walks with Fido early in the morning or late afternoon when it's cooler.
- **Stay away from the barbecue.** Keep your dog away from the grill while you are using it, as the open flame is very dangerous. Your dog should be kept away even after you have finished with the grill because it stays hot for a while. Also remember that barbecued food can be greasy and upset his stomach, so as tempted as you may be, don't give him barbecue scraps.

For more information on safely having fun with your dog, visit the AKC Canine Partners website at www.moredogfun.com.
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Dealing with Thunderstorm Phobias

Summer is here and in addition to sunshine and summer fun comes thunderstorms.

For many dogs, thunderstorm phobias are a big problem. Changes in the barometric pressure, the loud crack of thunder, the sounds of wind and hard rain, and flashes of lightening can all cause fearful reactions. Panting, pacing, drooling, quivering, and trying to hide are some of the signs your dog has developed a fear of storms. In some cases, dogs who have no issues with storms develop a fear later in life.

There are some things you can do if your dog is thunderstorm phobic.

Maintain a cool and level head yourself. Use a cheerful voice, don't act afraid, and don't baby the dog.

1. Even though you may not like your dog drooling on you and shedding large amounts of hair from stress, don't show any signs of being upset with your dog.
2. Reduce the sound of the storm by turning on the television or radio and moving to a room that is quiet.
3. Try an activity that can distract your dog such as ball play or another favorite indoor activity.
4. For many dogs who are afraid of storms, offering a safe "den like" place is a great solution. Cover the dog's crate with a sheet, or give your dog access to a room with no windows such as a bathroom.

You can also use a CD of thunderstorm noises to desensitize your dog to storm sounds. Finally, in extreme cases where the dog can actually get hurt, it may be necessary to talk to your veterinarian about the possibility of medication.

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I don't want a show dog; I just want a pet.

Posted on [July 13, 2010](#) by [rufflyspeaking](#)

Welcome - or welcome back! Just a quick reminder that you can [subscribe to the RSS feed](#) for Ruffly Speaking, and all our insanity will be instantly available to you in your choice of formats.

This is one of the most pervasive sentiments that puppy buyers, especially families, express when they're looking for a dog. What they really mean, of course, is that they don't want a show BREEDER – don't want to pay the high price they think show breeders charge, don't want to go through the often-invasive interview process, and think that they're getting a better deal or a real bargain because they can get a Lab for \$300 or a Shepherd for \$150.

I want you to change your mind. I want you to not only realize the benefits of buying a show-bred dog; I want you to INSIST on a show-bred dog. And I want you to realize that the cheap dog is really the one that's the rip-off. And then I want you to go be obnoxious and, when your workmate says she's getting a puppy because her neighbor, who raises them, will give her one for free, or when your brother-in-law announces that they're buying a goldendoodle for the kids, I want you to launch yourself into their solar plexus and steal their wallets and their car keys.

Here's why:

If I ask you why you want a Maltese, or a Lab, or a Leonberger, or a Cardigan, I would bet you're not going to talk about how much you like their color. You're going to tell me things about personality, ability (to perform a specific task), relationships with other animals or humans, size, coat, temperament, and so on. You'll describe playing ball, or how affectionate you've heard that they are, or how well they get along with kids.

The things you will be looking for aren't the things that describe just "dog"; they'll be the things that make this particular breed unique and unlike other breeds.

That's where people have made the right initial decision – they've taken the time and made the effort to understand that there are differences between breeds and that they should get one that at least comes close to matching their picture of what they want a dog to be.

Their next step, tragically, is that they go out and find a dog of that breed for as little money and with as much ease as possible.

You need to realize that when you do this, you're going to the used car dealership, WATCHING them pry the "Audi" plate off a new car, observing them as they use Bondo to stick it on a '98 Corolla, and then writing them a check and feeling smug that you got an Audi for so little.

It is no bargain.

Those things that distinguish the breed you want from the generic world of "dog" are only there because somebody worked really hard to get them there. And as soon as that work ceases, the dog, no matter how purebred, begins to revert to the generic. That doesn't mean you won't get a good dog – the magic and the blessing of dogs is that they are so hard to mess up, in their good souls and minds, that even the most hideously bred one can still be a great dog – but it will not be a good Shepherd, or good Puli, or a good Cardigan. You will not get the specialized abilities, tendencies, or talents of the breed.

If you don't NEED those special abilities or the predictability of a particular breed, *you should not be buying a dog at all. You should go rescue one.* That way you're saving a life and not putting money in pockets where it does not belong.

If you want a purebred and you know that a rescue is not going to fit the bill, the absolute WORST thing you can do is assume that a name equals anything. They really are nothing more than name plates on cars. What matters is whether the engineering and design and service department back up the name plate, so you have some expectation that you're walking away with more than a label.

Keeping a group of dogs looking and acting like their breed is hard, HARD work. If you do not get the impression that the breeder you're considering is working that hard, is that dedicated to the breed, is struggling to produce dogs that are more than a breed name, you are getting no bargain; you are only getting ripped off.

Credit: Joanna Kimball, rufflyspeaking.net

BREED STANDARD FOR JUDGES --ALL KENNEL CLUBS

GENERAL APPEARANCE: The first impression of a good judge should be that of a tough-minded but fair, alert and gentle specimen. Muscular fitness and nimbleness are desirable but not mandatory as soft living seems unavoidable in the breed.

The judge should be stamped with a look of nobility and justice - difficult to define, but always unmistakable after the show. The good judge has a distinct personality marked by a direct and fearless - but not hostile - expression of self-confidence and that certain aloofness which does not lend itself to immediate and indiscriminate friendships... or at least does not admit to such friendships until later back at the motel. Secondary sex characteristics should be strongly marked least, when the judge hands you a ribbon, you say, "Thank you, sir" to a lady or vice-versa. The question of monorchids or cryptorchids should be left to your florist.

COAT: In cold climates the judge should be equipped with a double coat. Underwear may vary with the season. At no time, however, may a judge shed in the ring.

PROPORTION : The most desirable proportions for a female judge are 38-23-36; however you may settle for a 23-23-23 or, as I have at times 22-35-48. The shape of a male judge is less important, but great bulk and commanding appearance is greatly preferred.

PIGMENT: Let's not get into this again. ALL colors are permissible! I have not personally seen a blue judge, but there is always a first time.

SIZE: The judge should be neither too tall nor too short. As a rule of thumb, if he must sink to his knees to pat the dog, he is probably too tall. On the other hand, if he must jump into the air to test testicles, he is probably too short. Measurements should be taken from the top of the head, with the hair parted or pushed down so that it will show only the actual height of the judge's frame or structure. A judge of desirable sex and proper flesh should average between 70 and 340 lbs, depending primarily upon sex and how fat he or she is.

GAIT: Judges who tend to motivate on all fours should be avoided, as should those who stagger and fall down a lot. Forward motion should be achieved by placing one foot in front of the other... hopping is also permitted and, in fact, often makes for better showmanship.

STANCE: While viewing the dogs, the judge should stand in the center of the ring, feet spread as at "parade rest", and the right hand held firmly in the left armpit with the left crossing over under the right armpit... the chin must be tucked solidly into the chest, eyes squinting. Once the judge has assumed this position, the steward should count the number of times the class circles. If that count should exceed 20, he might then unobtrusively poke the judge in the ribs. Older, more experienced judges have been known to doze off in this position while younger specimens, particularly members of the party-going set, might be still so grassed from the pre-show festivities that they have passed out.

MINOR FAULTS: It is preferred if a judge can speak in audible tones, but his vocabulary may be limited to phrases such as "Loose leads!", "Walk them!", "One more time around" and the number one to three must be heard. If this is impossible, a set of flash cards should be provided. Deafness is no fault in a judge, in fact slightly impaired hearing faculties are a distinct advantage as the judge cannot hear the rude comments from the ringside and will be able to literally turn a deaf ear to whispered propositions, suggestions, etc., from the handlers.

BLINDNESS: It is an advantage if the judge has full use of both eyes, however, some of best-known specimens manage to get by without any apparent eyesight at all and, as this does not seem to hinder their careers in the least, perhaps sight requirements are due to be revised and excluded from the standard.

DISQUALIFYING FAULTS: Judges who whoop, holler and point, or who laugh hysterically at an exhibitor entering the ring with a particularly poor specimen should be disqualified. Likewise, a judge who delays proceedings while handlers make checks out to him in the ring is not permitted to participate further. Any judge who attacks a handler in the ring is warned three times in writing after which he must be dismissed.

9/11 Canine Recognition Ceremony

On September 11, all working dog teams, veterinarians and veterinary medical assistance teams who served in response to the 9/11 attacks will be honored at Liberty State Park in New Jersey. The sponsoring organization, Finding One Another: Courage Beyond Measure (FAO) has identified over 950 teams (civilian, government, law enforcement and military) involved in diverse efforts at Ground Zero, the Pentagon, Shanksville and the Fresh Kills Landfill recovery site. This is the first time that these incredible dogs have been fully recognized.

The details are available at <http://www.findingoneanother.org/recognition-ceremony>

FAO needs the support of the dog world to assist in (1) funding the ceremony as well as (2) supporting their ongoing efforts. FAO has requested that our support include sending to the ceremony representatives to sign The Convention on Cooperation Among American Working Dog Organizations. This historic document, first signed at the Doberman Pincher Centennial in Topeka, Kansas in 2008, can be viewed at the following link.

<http://www.findingoneanother.org/the-convention-on-cooperation-among-americas-working-dog-organizations>.

As the fancy, we have always rallied to help others whose mission is to help dogs. Any contribution is greatly needed, appreciated, and tax deductible.

To make a donation, please go to: <http://www.findingoneanother.org/donations>

Part of FAO's mission statement reads (In part) as follows:

Finding One Another (FOA) seeks to support the needs of the SAR (Search and Rescue) field, the individual canines and their first responder human partners, by contributing to the establishment of standards of practice, care and research needed to safeguard all those engaged in this work. Funds generated by Finding One Another will provide financial assistance to:

- underwrite veterinary expenses for those SAR canines in need,
- increase the number of specially trained SAR focused veterinarians,
- expand targeted research benefitting working dogs and their human partners, and,
- develop and implement programs to educate the public, both children and adults, to the work and on-going needs of the SAR community while elevating the human/animal bond and fostering a dialogue toward a more peaceful future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia, AKC Board of Directors

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