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# *Paper Cities Kennel Club*

## *Meeting Notices*

The Paper Cities Kennel Club will meet Wednesday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> at Program will be at 7pm followed by a brief break for treats and then the regular meeting at Willow Springs Gardens off of Hwy. K in Wausau.

The Board of Directors meeting will be held Wednesday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Annie's Restaurant in Wausau.

*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*

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Dr Kate Alden from Best Friends Pet Clinic in Merrill, will present a program on acupuncture for pets.

Program will be at 7pm followed by a brief break for treats and then the regular meeting.

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## Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT	WHERE	WHO(contact)
<b>Oct. 7</b>	<b>PCKC Board Meeting</b>	<b>Annies Restaurant</b>	<b>Wausau, WI</b>
Oct. 3-4	Wright County MN KC	Hutchinson, MN	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 4	Stone City Kennel Club	Morris, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Oct. 10-11	Mason City Kennel Club	Mason City, IA	Onofrio Dog Shows
<b>Oct. 21</b>	<b>PCKC Meeting</b>	<b>Willow Springs G.</b>	<b>Wausau, WI</b>
Oct. 16	Mattoon Kennel Club, Inc.	Springfield, IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 17	Sandemac Kennel Club	Springfield, IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 18-19	Illinois Capitol KC, Inc.	Springfield, IL	Onofrio Dog Shows
Oct. 29	LaPorte County Kennel Club	Fort Wayne, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Oct. 30	Sturgis Kennel Club	Fort Wayne, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Oct. 31	Marian Kennel Club, Inc.	Fort Wayne, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Nov. 1	Northeastern Indiana KC, Inc.	Fort Wayne, IN	Roy Jones Dog Shows
<b>Nov. 4</b>	<b>PCKC Board Meeting</b>	<b>Annies Restaurant</b>	<b>Wausau, WI</b>
Nov. 6	Greater Muskegon KC	Grand Rapids, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Nov. 7	Kalamazoo Kennel Club, Inc.	Grand Rapids, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Nov. 8	Grand Rapids Kennel Club	Grand Rapids, MI	Roy Jones Dog Shows
<b>Nov. 18</b>	<b>PCKC Meeting</b>	<b>Willow Springs G.</b>	<b>Wausau, WI</b>
Nov. 21-22	Lakeshore Kennel Club, Inc.	Crete, IL	Roy Jones Dog Shows
Nov. 21-22	Minneapolis Kennel Club	Shakopee, MN	Roy Jones Dog Shows

### \*\*\*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/>  
**The Dog Press News:** <http://www.thedogplace.com/TheDogPress/dogpress.asp>  
**Therapy Dogs of Central Wisconsin:** <http://www.wi-tdi-dogs.org/>  
**Amber Alert site for missing dogs:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9AmberAlert/>  
**Family Sanctuary at Peaceful Pines:** <http://www.pppmemorials.com/FamilySanctuary.aspx>  
**Site about responsible breeders:** [http://www.akc.org/breeders/resp\\_breeding/resources.cfm](http://www.akc.org/breeders/resp_breeding/resources.cfm)  
**Lakeshore Pembroke Welsh Corgi Rescue:** <http://www.lakeshorecorgirescue.com/castaways.html>  
**Dog Federation of Wisconsin:** <http://www.dfow.org/newsletter.htm>  
**Dr. Patricia McConnell has a blog for training dogs:** <http://www.theotherendoftheleash.com/>  
**Canine Vision:** <http://www.uwsp.edu/PSYCH/dog/LA/DrP4.htm>  
**The Dog Place:** [http://www.thedogplace.org/Articles/Breeder/0901-Preferred-Type\\_Gammill.htm](http://www.thedogplace.org/Articles/Breeder/0901-Preferred-Type_Gammill.htm)  
**The 33rd Congress of the World Small Animal Veterinary Association Proceedings Online:**  
<http://www.vin.com/proceedings/Proceedings.plx?CID=WSAVA2008&O=Generic>  
**Speaking for Spot- how to be effective medical advocates for your dog:** <http://www.speakingforspot.com/>  
**Planting a Safe garden:** [How to Plant a Dog-Safe Garden](http://www.howtoplantadog-safe-garden.com/)  
**Plants that are toxic to pets:** [Spring and Summer Plant Toxicity - What You Should Know](http://www.springandsummerplanttoxicity.com/)  
**A laser treatment that DR. Mills is now offering:** <http://www.companiontherapylaser.com/>  
**Steroid Responsive Meningitis- Beagle Pain Syndrome:** <http://www.aladarbeagles.com/beaglepain.html>  
**Food Safety Consumer Web Site:** <http://www.foodsafety.gov/>

### List of Over the counter medicines safe for animals:

<http://www.walkervalleyvet.com/otc-meds.htm>

## Key Facts about Canine Influenza (Dog Flu)

### Questions & Answers

#### What is canine influenza (dog flu)?

Dog flu is a contagious respiratory disease in dogs caused by a specific Type A influenza virus referred to as a "canine influenza virus." This is a disease of dogs, not of humans.

#### What is a canine influenza virus?

The "canine influenza virus" is an influenza A H3N8 influenza virus (not a human influenza virus) that was originally an equine (horse) influenza virus. This virus has spread to dogs and can now spread between dogs.

### **How long has canine influenza been around?**

The H3N8 equine influenza virus has been known to exist in horses for more than 40 years. In 2004, however, cases of an unknown respiratory illness in dogs (initially greyhounds) were reported. An investigation showed that this respiratory illness was caused by the equine influenza A H3N8 virus. Scientists believe that this virus jumped species (from horses to dogs) and has now adapted to cause illness in dogs and spread efficiently among dogs. This is now considered a new dog-specific lineage of H3N8. In September of 2005, this virus was identified by experts as "[a newly emerging pathogen in the dog population](#)" in the United States.

### **What are the symptoms of this infection in dogs?**

The symptoms of this illness in dogs are cough, runny nose and fever; however, a small proportion of dogs can develop severe disease.

### **How serious is this infection in dogs?**

The number of dogs infected with this disease that die is very small. Some dogs have asymptomatic infections (no symptoms), while some have severe infections. Severe illness is characterized by the onset of pneumonia. Although this is a relatively new cause of disease in dogs and nearly all dogs are susceptible to infection, about 80 percent of dogs will have a mild form of disease.

### **How does dog flu spread?**

Canine influenza virus can be spread by direct contact with respiratory secretions from infected dogs, by contact with contaminated objects, and by people moving between infected and uninfected dogs. Therefore, dog owners whose dogs are coughing or showing other signs of respiratory disease should not participate in activities or bring their dogs to facilities where other dogs can be exposed to the virus. Clothing, equipment, surfaces, and hands should be cleaned and disinfected after exposure to dogs showing signs of respiratory disease.

### **Is there a test for canine influenza?**

Testing to confirm canine influenza virus infection is available at veterinary diagnostic centers. The tests can be performed using respiratory secretions collected at the time of disease onset or using two blood samples; the first collected while the animal is sick and the second 2 to 3 weeks later.

### **How is canine influenza treated?**

Treatment largely consists of supportive care. This helps the dog mount an immune response. In the milder form of the disease, this care may include medication to make your dog more comfortable and fluids to ensure that your dog remains well-hydrated. Broad-spectrum antibiotics may be prescribed by your veterinarian if a secondary bacterial infection is suspected.

### **Is there a vaccine for canine influenza?**

Yes, an approved vaccine is available.

### **What is the risk to humans from this virus?**

To date, there is no evidence of transmission of canine influenza virus from dogs to people and there has not been a single reported case of human infection with the canine influenza virus. While this virus infects dogs and spreads between dogs, there is no evidence that this virus infects humans.

However, human infections with new influenza viruses (against which the human population has little immunity) would be concerning if they occurred. Influenza viruses are constantly changing and it is possible for a virus to change so that it could infect humans and spread easily between humans. Such a virus could represent a pandemic influenza threat. For this reason, CDC and its partners are monitoring the H3N8 influenza virus (as well as other animal influenza viruses) along with instances of possible human exposure to these viruses very closely. In general, however, canine influenza viruses are considered to pose a low threat to humans. As mentioned earlier, while these viruses are well established in horse and dog populations, there is no evidence of infection among humans with this virus.

### **My dog has a cough what should I do?**

Schedule an appointment with your veterinarian so that they can evaluate your dog and recommend an appropriate course of treatment.

### **Where can I find more information on canine influenza virus?**

More information on canine influenza in pet dogs can be found in this article: [Influenza A Virus \(H3N8\) in Dogs with Respiratory Disease, Florida](#) in Emerging Infectious Diseases journal.

#### Related Links

The following websites may provide additional information about particular animal diseases or conditions, or infection control practices:

[CDC Healthy Pets Healthy People](#)

[American Veterinary Medical Association](#)

[Association of Shelter Veterinarians](#)

#### Contact Us:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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24 Hours/Every Day

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## **Rule Change for AKC Events**

### **Effective January 1, 2010**

All dogs must be individually registered with either the AKC or a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration in order to participate in any AKC Conformation, Performance, or Companion event. [See details and FAQs here.](#)

See the full text of the [Rules Applying to Dog Shows.](#)

If you have further questions please contact the Event Plans Department at [eventplans@akc.org](mailto:eventplans@akc.org) or (919) 816-3579.

## A RESCUERS ANSWERING MACHINE:

Hello: You have reached \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_, Tender Hearts Rescue. Due to the high volume of calls we have been receiving, please listen closely to the following options and choose the one that best describes you or your situation:

Press 1 if you have a 10-year-old dog and your 15-year-old son has suddenly become allergic and you need to find the dog a new home right away.

Press 2 if you are moving today and need to immediately place your 150-pound, 8-year-old dog.

Press 3 if you have three dogs, had a baby and want to get rid of your dogs because you are the only person in the world to have a baby and dogs at the same time.

Press 4 if you just got a brand new puppy and your old dog is having problems adjusting so you want to get rid of the old one right away.

Press 5 if your little puppy has grown up and is no longer small and cute and you want to trade it in for a new model.

Press 6 if you want an unpaid volunteer to come to your home TODAY and pick up the dog you no longer want.

Press 7 if you have been feeding and caring for a "stray" for the last three years, are moving and suddenly determine it's not your dog.

Press 8 if your dog is sick and needs a vet but you need the money for your vacation.

Press 9 if you are elderly and want to adopt a cute puppy that is not active and is going to outlive you.

Press 10 if your relative has died and you don't want to care for their elderly dog because it doesn't fit your lifestyle.

Press 14 if you are calling at 6 a.m. to make sure you wake me up before I have to go to work so you can drop a dog off on your way to work.

Press 15 to leave us an anonymous garbled message, letting us know you have left a dog in our yard in the middle of January, which is in fact, better than just leaving the dog with no message.

Press 16 if you are going to get angry because we are not going to take your dog that you have had for fifteen years, because it is not our responsibility.

Press 17 if you are going to threaten to take your ten-year-old dog to be euthanized because I won't take it.

Press 18 if you're going to get angry because the volunteers had the audacity to go on vacation and leave the dogs in care of a trusted volunteer who is not authorized to take your personal pet.

Press 19 if you want one of our PERFECTLY trained, housebroken, kid and cat friendly purebred dogs that we have an abundance of.

Press 20 if you want us to take your dog that has a slight aggression problem, i.e. has only bitten a few people and killed your neighbor's cats.

Press 21 if you have already called once and been told we don't take personal surrenders but thought you would get a different person this time with a different answer.

Press 22 if you want us to use space that would go to a stray to board your personal dog while you are on vacation, free of charge, of course.

Press 23 if it is Christmas Eve or Easter morning and you want me to deliver an eight-week-old puppy to your house by 6:30 am before your kids wake up.

Press 24 if you have bought your children a duckling, chick or baby bunny for Easter and it is now Christmas and no longer cute.

Press 25 if you want us to take your female dog who has already had ten litters, but we can't spay her because she is pregnant again and it is against your religion.

Press 26 if you're lying to make one of our younger volunteers feel bad and take your personal pet off your hands.

Press 27 if your cat is biting and not using the litter box because it is declawed, but you are not willing to accept the responsibility that the cat's behavior is altered because of your nice furniture.

Press 28 if your two year old male dog is marking all over your house but you just haven't gotten around to having him neutered.

Press 29 if you previously had an outdoor only dog and are calling because she is suddenly pregnant.

Press 30 if you have done "everything" to housebreak your dog and have had no success but you don't want to crate the dog because it is cruel.

Press 31 if you didn't listen to the message asking for an evening phone number and you left your work number when all volunteers are also working and you are angry because no one called you back.

Press 32 if you need a puppy immediately and cannot wait because today is your daughter's birthday and you forgot when she was born.

Press 33 if your dog's coat doesn't match your new furniture and you need a different color or breed.

Press 34 if your new love doesn't like your dog and you are too stupid to get rid of the new friend (who will dump you in the next month anyway) instead of the dog.

Press 35 if you went through all these 'options' and didn't hear enough. This press will connect you to the sounds of tears being shed by one of our volunteers who is holding a discarded old dog while the vet mercifully frees him from the grief of missing his family.

~Author Unknown, but much appreciated



## Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: AKC Communications Date: September 23, 2009 Phone: 212-696-8343 Email: [communications@akc.org](mailto:communications@akc.org)

### ***FIVE HEROIC CANINES HONORED WITH AKC® HUMANE FUND AWARD FOR CANINE EXCELLENCE (ACE)*** ***--Extraordinary Canines Recognized at Nationally Televised AKC/Eukanuba National Championship --***

**New York, NY** – The AKC® Humane Fund announced today the winners of the seventh *AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence (ACE)*, which commemorates five loyal, hard-working dogs that have made significant contributions to their communities in each of the following five categories: Law Enforcement, Search and Rescue, Therapy, Service and Exemplary Companion Dog.

“AKC is honored to recognize these five exemplary dogs with the AKC Humane Fund Award for Canine Excellence. The heartwarming stories of each nominee made it a difficult task to choose just one winner in each category,” said Ronald N. Rella, AKC Director of Project Administration and member of the judging panel. “Each dog’s devotion to improving the lives of others and the impact they make in their community is an inspiration to dog lovers everywhere.”

All the ACE recipients will receive \$1,000 and an engraved sterling-silver collar medallion at the nationally televised AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in Long Beach, California on December 12, 2009. In addition they will be honored individually at local dog shows this fall. This year’s ACE winners include:

#### **Exemplary Companion Dog: “Electra” owned by Mandy Willis of Valrico, FL**

Electra, an eight-year-old Standard Poodle, has been seven-year-old Mandy Willis’ constant companion since her cancer diagnosis and subsequent chemotherapy treatments began in February 2008. Electra lived the life of a top show champion until her owners found out about Willis’ dream to own a Poodle. Electra and Willis immediately bonded and have been inseparable ever since.

#### **Search and Rescue Dog: “Sage” owned by Diane Whetsel of Hagerman, NM**

Sage is a 10-year-old Border Collie who is owned, trained and loved by Diane Whetsel, a K-9 officer for the New Mexico Corrections Department. Sage served at the Pentagon in the aftermath of 9/11, went to Aruba in 2005 to search for the missing teen, Natalee Holloway, and in 2007 Sage and Whetsel traveled to Iraq and spent six months searching for missing soldiers.

#### **Law Enforcement Dog: “Robin” owned by Mary & Joseph MacQueen of Frewsburg, NY**

Robin, a six-year-old Golden Retriever, and his owner Mary MacQueen work for the Salamanca Police Department, the Cattaraugus County Sheriff’s Office and assist with searches for the Southern Tier Regional Drug Task Force in Western New York State. In 2009 alone, Robin has been responsible for getting about half a million dollars worth of dangerous narcotics off the streets.

#### **Therapy Dog: “Elliot” owned by Miriam Couto of Woodland, WA**

Elliot is a 7-year-old Border Terrier and registered therapy dog with the Delta Society. Elliot has logged more than 1,000 hours with patients, most of them children. Elliot assists in the care of the children at his local children’s hospital, providing comfort and helping calm patients so doctors can better help them. Elliot has even assisted doctors in performing life saving duties.

#### **Service Dog: “Benton” owned by Margo Dietrich of Norcross, GA**

Benton is a six-year-old Labrador Retriever trained by Canine Companions for Independence as an assistance dog for his owner Margo Dietrich. Some of the daily tasks Benton assists Dietrich with include retrieving dropped items, dressing, and transferring her to and from a wheelchair.

To view photos and stories about the 2009 AKC Humane Fund ACE recipients visit: <http://www.akc.org/news/ace/2009/honorees.cfm>

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**The AKC Humane Fund<sup>sm</sup>**, founded by the American Kennel Club® in 2008, was created to unite a broad spectrum of animal lovers in promoting the joy and value of responsible pet ownership through education, outreach and grant-making. Through its programs, the AKC Humane Fund’s goals are to: support Parent Club Rescue activities; assist shelters for domestic abuse victims that permit pets; provide resources for responsible dog ownership education; contribute to non-profit organizations that support its mission. Contributions to the AKC Humane Fund are fully tax deductible as allowed by law under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code.

**The American Kennel Club (AKC)**, proudly celebrates its 125th Anniversary in 2009. Since 1884 the not-for-profit organization has maintained the largest registry of purebred dogs in the world, and today its rules govern more than 20,000 canine competitions each year. The AKC is dedicated to upholding the integrity of its registry, promoting the sport of purebred dogs and breeding for type and function. Along with its nearly 5,000 licensed and member clubs and its affiliated organizations, the AKC advocates for the purebred dog as a family companion, advances canine health and well-being, works to protect the rights of all dog owners and promotes responsible dog ownership. Affiliate AKC organizations include the AKC Humane Fund, AKC Canine Health Foundation, AKC Companion Animal Recovery and the AKC Museum of the Dog. For more information, visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).

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**By popular request from the conformation class students - here are the 2 main recipes that we use for training treats.** The easiest one is the salmon treats, and I have even cut out the blender part by mixing the salmon with the eggs really good using just a fork, and then adding the flour. I also spread it out pretty thin on the cookie sheet. Don’t forget the garlic powder.

I bake mine in a convection oven so I don’t have to even fire up the big oven in the stove. Very efficient.

Yvette has also used mackerel. I buy the canned salmon at Aldi’s, which is about the cheapest I have found - it’s the pink salmon.

Vickie

### **Liver Brownies**

1 pound liver (calf, beef, chicken)  
1 T Onion powder

1T Garlic powder  
1 ½ cups self-rising flour

In food processor (or blender) liquefy liver, onion & garlic powders.  
Add flour (pour into bowl first if using blender) mix to the consistency of Brownie batter.  
Spread in greased 9 x 13 pan  
Bake 20 + mins. at 350 degrees until edges pull away from sides.  
Cool and flip out of pan.  
Cool, cut in strips and put in freezer bags

### **Salmon Treats**

1 can Salmon (don't drain)  
1 – 1 ½ cups flour  
1 T. garlic powder or minced garlic

2 eggs  
Parmesan cheese (optional)

In food processor (or blender) liquefy Salmon, garlic and eggs (use the shell too!)  
Add flour (pour into bowl first if using blender) mix to the consistency of Brownie batter  
Spread in greased 9 x9 pan  
Bake 20 mins. (about) at 350 until edges pull away from sides – don't worry about browning the top.  
Cool, cut in strips and put in freezer bags.

## **Grow Old with Dogs**

When I am old...

I will wear soft grey sweatshirts,  
and a bandana over my silver hair,  
and I will spend my social security cheques on wine and my dogs.

I will sit in my house on my well-worn chair  
and listen to my dogs' breathing.  
I will sneak out in the middle of a warm summer night  
and take my dogs for a run, if my old bones will allow...

When people come to call, I will smile  
and nod as I show them my dogs,  
and talk of them and about them...  
...the ones so beloved of the past  
and the ones so beloved of today.

I will still work hard cleaning after them,  
mopping and feeding them and  
whispering their names in a soft loving way.

I will wear the gleaming sweat on my throat,  
like a jewel, and I will be an embarrassment to all,  
especially my family...  
who have not yet found the peace in being free  
to have dogs as your best friends.

These friends who always wait, at any hour, for your footfall,  
and eagerly jump to their feet out of a sound sleep,  
to greet you as if you are a god,  
With warm eyes full of adoring love and hope  
that you will always stay.

I'll hug their big strong necks,  
I'll kiss their dear sweet heads,  
and whisper in their very special company.

I look in the mirror...and see I am getting old.  
this is the kind of person I am, and have always been.  
Loving dogs is easy, they are part of me.

Please accept me for who I am.  
My dogs appreciate my presence in their lives,  
they love my presence in their lives.  
When I am old this will be important to me.  
You will understand when you are old...  
if you have dogs to love too.