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Happy New year! We can review the past accomplishments and plan the year ahead. The club has been very busy over the last year and has much to be proud of.

On December 24 former member Doris Zahn, Fireside German Shepherds, passed on leaving several dogs behind. Currently, her daughter, Janet Anderson, also a former member and former training director for our club is caring for the dogs. She could use some help supporting the dogs and finding homes for them. You may read about them and find contact information on page 3.

Our awards banquet and annual election is coming up January 23, please get your reservations in to Linda Salava. There is a registration form on page 11 of this issue. There will be great door prizes this year - Gift certificates worth up to \$200. You must attend to be eligible

If you are a member of the parent club (GSDCA) you probably received the January Review by now and right in the middle of it is the article on our State Fair demos. They used many of the photos that I had in the original article but not all. It was a very nice layout though and shows off our club to the rest of the GSD world.

I have mentioned my Amy, Black Forest Amelia Earhart RN, TC, OFA H&E # 10 Dam in 2007 ATAA, in the article on chiropractic a few months back and I wanted to add an update. On January 5 she turned 15. She woke up bright and cheerful that morning. She doesn't always get around really well, but she is always looking for treats, praise and a good scratch. She continues to get chiropractic treatments every few weeks.

As the terms of our elected officials come to an end, please thank those who have given so much of their time and energy to make our club what it is along with all the volunteers who make our club great. Mike Metz (let's not forget Sheila behind every great man there is a very patient woman) has led us through two years of successes and deserves a big thank you. He is not going to sit back and watch now, he is planning to take on other activities in the club as he moves from presidency to other projects. Please be sure to vote for our new slate of officers when you receive your ballot in the mail.

Julie Swinland.

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January 23 Annual Meeting and Banquet at Guldens

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German Shepherd Dog Club of America Membership Application

Requirements: Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Membership includes subscription to *The German Shepherd Dog Review*.

Membership Type: (circle one)

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Make checks payable to GSDCA (Outside the US add \$24.00)

Name

Address

City

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Zip

Phone (s)

Fax

Email

I (we) hereby make application to the above Club and agree, if accepted for membership, to abide by its Bylaws and the Bylaws of the AKC. Upon application I will be eligible for all privileges except the right to vote. Thirty days after my name is published in the Review, provided no objections have been filed I will be granted the right to vote

Signed

Signed

Mail to: Gail Hardcastle, 49 Lakeview Road, White Salmon, WA 98672

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Dog Treats from www.Bullwinkle.com

Homemade Dog Treat Recipe

Bacon Bits for Dogs

6 slices cooked bacon, crumbled

4 eggs, well beaten

1/8 cup bacon fat

1 cup water

1/2 cup non-fat dry milk powder

2 cup graham flour

2 cup wheat germ

1/2 cup cornmeal

Mix ingredients with a strong spoon; drop heaping tablespoonfuls onto a greased baking sheet. Bake in a 350 oven for 15 minutes. Turn off oven and leave cookies on baking sheet in the oven overnight to dry out. Yield: about 4 dozen dog cookies



Sponsors and ad rates

In order to keep costs down, we are offering sponsorships (you can donate whatever amount you want) and you will be listed as a sponsor in the issue(s) you sponsor. We also will accept advertising.

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1/4 page \$35

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Upcoming Shows

There are many shows in MN, IA, WI and the Dakotas. See Events at www.akc.org for a complete listing or look at the calendar on the www.gsdcmsp.org web site.

Doris Mae Zahn

Doris, formerly a long time club member passed away Dec. 24, 2009 .

Doris bought her first German Shepherd, Chance, from the Bissonettes around 1980. Her second GSD, also from the Bissonettes, was Ch Jecoda's Reflection of Robin. She showed both dogs in the US and Canada. She had several High in Trial obedience dogs and two dual breed champions, Ch Robin and Ch Gracie. She also started others on their way to showing in both breed and obedience. Linn Klingel bought her first GSD,

Sundance Kid V Robin, from Doris in 1984 and he became Linn's first obedience dog. Later Linn purchased Ch Firesides Celebrity, from Doris and she **became Linn's first champion.**

Doris loved her dogs and we hope they were all waiting for her at the Rainbow bridge.



Doris' dogs need homes

Janet Anderson, Doris' daughter and also a former club member, is currently living at her mom's house to care for her mothers 4 GSD's in addition to her 2 dogs

condolences can be sent to: 9165 Courthouse Boulevard, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

The dogs (1 male & 3 females) are 8 years old and siblings to Jan's dog Valor (so they are well bred dogs)

Jan may have between 1 to a maximum of 3 months to find really good homes for them before the tough decision to put at least 3 of them down has to be made (Jan can have up to 3 dogs in her townhouse)

she would love to find superior homes for at least 3 of the dogs, but **ONLY** will release any of the dogs to a very loving home that understands German Shepherds and that the dogs are companion rather than kennel dogs.

Waltrud Brogen has volunteered to be our club contact person She may be reached at either:

Wabrogen@comcast.net or at tel #651-429-9689. Waltraud will help establish a connection with Jan directly so you may set up an appointment to meet the dogs and of course Jan.. You may contact Jan at Janet_L_Anderson@bluecrossmn.com

A note from Jan:

I wish I could keep all four, but am only allowed three where I live and I all ready have two. I can only let them go to TLC homes, as mom would come back from the grave and haunt me for eternity if I let any of them go to anything less. I love them almost as much as my own, having been involved with them quite a lot the last few years when mom became unable to properly groom them or run them to vet's appointments. I have just 2 - 3 - 4 months to find homes before I would have to choose three to put to sleep and the pain of such a choice is killing me.

The four are siblings from the last litter mom had eight years ago and all have excellent temperaments. They are show quality pure bred German Shepherds (I have their brother, Champion Valor) that have never left home except for veterinary visits. While they are eight years old, mom always researched longevity when doing the small amount of breeding she did, and her dogs tend to live to around 12 - 14 years, really good for pure breed GSDs. All are neutered or spayed and all have always had all proper/needed health care. Three have health issues that are well controlled with medication. All are 'ball players' to nth and while at their age do not play with each other as they did when young, they are always 'up' for some ball chasing/retrieving with any human willing to toss the ball. Initially, they would probably need some extra loving to overcome loss of mom and myself, loss of siblings and loss of home they have lived in since birth. I took two in today to the groomer for a bath and nail trim, the first non vet visit in their lives

Brief descriptions of the dogs-more is available including health information through Jan or Waltrud

Riot (short for Patriot) is a male, weight about 90-95 lbs. Heavy build, with a thick black and tan coat, needs a lot of brushing. He lives for retrieving balls (tennis balls are his favorite, though he will settle for other balls or toys, if tennis balls are not available).

Lila is a female, weight about 65 lbs. Small to medium build, with a fairly thick black and tan coat, needs regular brushing. The most alpha of the group, though she likes to snuggle with people she knows and will tuck her nose in between your knees, if you let her.

Pixie (also answers to Dixie) is a female, weight about 70 lbs. Slender, with a fairly thick black and tan coat, needs regular brushing. She is the 'baby' of the bunch and will sneak her way up into your lap, if you let her. Also 'kisses' unless firmly told not to.

Building *Confidence* in Puppies

From the time they are born, puppies begin to take in the world around them. Each new experience is associated with a reaction and helps shape the dog they will eventually become. The imprinting period from age 6 to 20 weeks is a defining time in a dog's life when habits develop and overall personality takes form. With help from you, a puppy can take on new situations with confidence and learn to adapt to a variety of circumstances.

Building confidence helps puppies learn that new situations should not be feared but can have positive outcomes. To help build confidence, introduce your puppy to a variety of dog-friendly adults and children who greet the puppy in a calm manner and have them give treats. This will help build the association that meeting people equals a reward. Likewise, bring treats to any new place you visit with your puppy to help build good associations with unfamiliar places. It is important to not push your puppy too far beyond

his comfort level with new situations. If he shows signs of stress, back up and try again slowly. Pushing too far can create a negative association and be detrimental to the progress you have made.

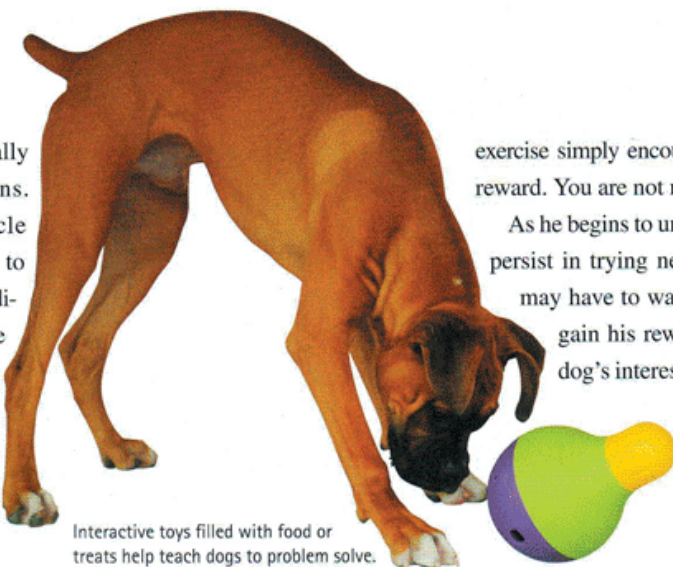
Reward-based obedience training, like clicker training, also builds confidence as the puppy learns that he is rewarded for desired behaviors. Clicker training is based on operant and classical conditioning and teaches a puppy to associate an auditory signal, like the clicker, with a pleasant outcome, like food rewards. The clicker is effective as it is clear, consistent and helps bridge the time gap between marking the behavior and sounding the reward.

Obedience exercises help when exposing a puppy to new experiences as the dog can focus on the task and be rewarded while in a new situation. More advanced applications of obedience exercises, like sitting to be greeted or going to a boundary stay when the



Agility tunnels help dogs gain confidence.

doorbell rings, are especially helpful in new situations. Puppy agility or obstacle classes help teach puppies to walk on new surfaces, coordination and navigation of the unfamiliar. Outdoor hiking trails are also good for these types of sessions as the ground surface is often uneven and made up of a variety of textures.



Interactive toys filled with food or treats help teach dogs to problem solve.

exercise simply encourages your dog to think of new ways to work for a reward. You are not necessarily working toward a finished action.

As he begins to understand how this new game works, your dog should persist in trying new things to make you click and reward him. You may have to wait a few moments before he tries something new to gain his reward. Sessions should be kept short to maintain your dog's interest. This exercise helps with future training as you will

have an actively thinking dog that tries new things. It also is beneficial if you are planning for future competitive sport work.

Exercises like this reward active movement versus stationary exercises. When you teach your dog to sit on command, you reward the finished

result once the dog sits. The above exercise shows the dog to keep moving until he performs the desired motion in order to be rewarded. Only rewarding a finished outcome of one exercise can make the dog become "stuck." This happens when the dog has been rewarded for successful completion of a command and then continues performing that exercise because he knows it will likely garner a reward. Reward both active and passive behaviors so the dog learns that he can be rewarded for moving exercise as well as for being calm and passive.



Clicker training is used to teach obedience exercises like sit and down.

Use of interactive toys also encourages dogs to think independently. Toys that can be filled with treats or food and have to be manipulated in a certain manner make the dog try different things in order to get what he wants. Many interactive toys double as an appropriate outlet for chewing, which also acts as a stress reliever for dogs.

Puppyhood is the period that shapes how your dog will react to his environment and interact with people and other dogs. The more you can do to expose your dog in a positive manner to all the things he will likely encounter throughout his life, the more confidently he will greet the world around him. ■

Triple Crown Dog Academy near Austin, Texas, offers training programs for trainers and dogs. Visit www.triplecrowndogs.com for information.

Creating an Active Learner

A dog that is an active learner has learned through self-directed training how to make choices and try new things in order to be rewarded. Basic obedience and manners training is still recommended as a foundation and for overall communication, however there are other methods of training to get your dog thinking in a more independent way.

First, select the object that you would like to use — a box or basket is most common in these exercises, but any object can be used. With any behaviors relating to the object, click and reward your dog. The movement can be looking or sniffing at the object or moving to the object. Click and reward your dog with any new interaction with the object. This



Target training involves teaching a dog to think of new ways to work for a reward. It can be used to advance learning and build on other training exercises.

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Making a First Aid Kit for Your Dog

Veterinary Services Department, Drs. Foster & Smith, Inc.

[Holly Nash, DVM, MS](#)

Since you never know when an accident will happen, keeping a pet emergency kit at your home is a good idea. A smaller kit could be used in the car. You can put a first aid kit together yourself and buy the items separately, or buy one ready-made. If you make one yourself, use a small plastic tub with a tight fitting lid to store the following items:

Important Phone Numbers

- Veterinary clinic phone number and directions to the clinic
- Emergency clinic phone number and directions
- Poison control center phone numbers

Equipment and Supplies

- Muzzle, or roll of gauze for making a muzzle
- Magnifying glass
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Nail clippers and metal nail file
- Styptic powder or sticks, Kwik Stop, or cornstarch
- Penlight
- Nylon slip leash
- Eye dropper or oral syringe
- Cotton swabs
- Cotton balls
- Clean towels - cloth and paper
- Rectal thermometer
- Lubricant such as mineral oil or KY Jelly (without spermicide)
- Disposable gloves
- Syringes of various sizes
- Needle-nose pliers or *hemostats*
- Grease-cutting dish soap
- Bitter Apple or other product to discourage licking
- Pet carrier
- Towel or blanket to use as a stretcher, another to keep your dog warm during transport (some pharmacies and camping outlets carry a thermal blanket)
- Cold packs and heat packs (wrap in towel before using)
- Stethoscope

Bandaging Materials

- Square gauze of various sizes - some sterile
- Non-stick pads
- First aid tape - both paper (easily comes off of skin) and adhesive types
- Bandage rolls - gauze and Vetwrap
- Band-Aids (for humans)

Nutritional Support

- Rehydrating solution such as Gatorade or Pedialyte
- Nutritional supplement such as Nutri-Cal, Vitacal, or Nutristat
- High sugar source: Karo syrup

Medicines*

- Wound disinfectant such as Betadine or Nolvasan
- Triple antibiotic ointment for skin
- Antibiotic ophthalmic ointment for eyes, e.g., Terramycin
- Eye wash solution
- Sterile saline
- Antidiarrheal medicine such as Pet Pectate
- Buffered or canine aspirin
- Diphenhydramine (Benadryl) for allergic reactions
- Cortisone spray or cream, such as Itch Stop
- Ear cleaning solution
- Hydrogen peroxide (used to make a dog vomit)
- Activated charcoal to absorb ingested poisons (consult your veterinarian before using)

*Watch the expiration dates on any medication, and replace as needed.

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Why bother with AKC registration....?

... So you can participate in a world of AKC activities by Norma Bennett Woolf

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The ad said "AKC registered puppies, \$400."

Below it, another ad for the same breed read "Puppies, no papers, \$150."

What's the difference?

By the organization's own admission, American Kennel Club registration is not a mark of quality. In many cases, it indicates that the breeder has taken some steps to assure that the puppies meet the breed standard in some fashion — in other words, that they look and act like the breed they are identified to be. However, the fact of registration, a process that requires that registered dogs are used as sire and dam of the litter and costs the breeder some money, may indicate either that the breeder cares about the puppies or wants merely to get a few more dollars for each puppy.

It does not mean that the puppies are healthy or that they are good representations of the breed standard.

On the other hand, puppies without papers might be fine examples of their breeds, but they are less likely to be so. A \$150 puppy of whatever breed without papers is also likely to be less physically or mentally sound than a \$400 puppy of the same breed. While it is not always true that you get what you pay for when buying puppies, the difference between those two puppies may be far more than the presence or absence of a piece of paper.

But if AKC registration is not a mark of quality, why pay more for a registered puppy?

Buyers should still ask what else they get for the registered puppy. If the sire and dam have been screened for genetic diseases, the puppies are clean, healthy, and well-socialized, the breeder offers a contract that protects the breeder, the buyer, and the puppy, that additional \$250 buys a lot. If those things are not available from a breeder (or a pet store), the quality of the puppy is suspect.

But back to AKC registration.

Actually, the puppy is only registered as a member of a litter by the breeder. The buyer gets a blue slip giving the names of sire and dam, the breeder, and a physical description of the puppy that must be filled out with the puppy's name and the buyer's signature. The puppy name can be up to 25 characters and must be unique. For example, a puppy with the call name Sassy might be named Nancy's Sassafras or may include a kennel name, as in Nancy's Sassafras of Oaktree.

Puppies can be assigned full or limited registration by the breeder. Limited registration is for puppies that the breeder does not consider breeding quality; if they are bred, their puppies cannot be registered. The individual puppy is not registered unless the registration form is filled out and mailed to AKC.

When the puppy is registered, he is eligible to compete in all AKC competitions, bringing to his family the opportunity to enter the exciting world of dog shows. Far from being an elite and limited field of interest, dog shows are far more than the Westminster Kennel Club Show seen each February on cable television. AKC runs more than 13,000 events each year ranging from the "beauty contests" epitomized by Westminster to field events, obedience trials, and agility competitions.

Included are

Conformation shows, some for all breeds, others for a single breed. Judges at these shows evaluate the dogs for adherence to the breed standard, to see if the dogs look, move, and act like the breed they represent. Junior showmanship, an opportunity for youngsters aged 10-18 to compete with the purebred, registered family pet. In this event, the entrants are judged for their ability to handle the dog and show its best characteristics to the judge. Junior showmanship helps teach patience, poise, and sportsmanship.

Obedience trials promote the partnership between people and their pets. Contestants compete at three levels, each more difficult than the last. Obedience competition builds on the basic manners that every dog needs and calls for some creative problem-solving to teach the dog exercises ranging from a drop-on-recall to finding an item scented by the handler.

German Shepherd Dog Club of
Minneapolis/St Paul
November Board Minutes
December 05, 2009

Mike Metz, President
Julie Swinland, Vice President
Jill Myers, Secretary
Mada Parnell, Treasurer
Board Members:
Lisa Marie Fortier, (3 year term)
Board Members Absent:
Liz Oster, Board (1 year remaining)
Ginny Altman, Board (2 year remaining)

This month's meeting was held at Mada Parnell's home. Thanks for the mouth watering egg bake Mada!

President called the meeting to order at 10:34am. Mada Parnell moved that reading of the minutes be dispensed with; the motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

1 President's Report -

- Discussion followed regarding agenda for the last board meeting of the 2009 board; banquet, awards, nomination committee and any associated dollars.

2 Vice President's Report – none

3 Secretary's Report –

- Online forms for Specialty Show app is mostly complete, due January 9, 2010. Waiting for clarification from the AKC on a couple of items before submitting.

4 Treasurer's Report –

- Discussed waiving late fees this year, will be brought to the members meeting.

5 Shep-O-Gram –

- Sheila has volunteered to contribute a monthly column of tips.

6 Training Report –

- After discussion it was recommended that the club trainers meet to discuss and clarify the policy regarding aggressive dog behavior for a consistent response following an incident.

7 Web Chair – none

8 Budget & Finance –

- A meeting in January is scheduled for the annual 2009 budget and audit.

9 2010 Specialty Show –

- Dakota County fair grounds site contract is pending signature. Changing show sites may jeopardize the clubs seniority. Jill is awaiting AKC clarification.

10 Nominating Committee –

- Cindy Muehlbaur is chair and nominations will begin at this month's membership meeting.

11 Matches –

- Sheila Metz has volunteered to chair the March 2010 match.

12 All Breed Liaison –

- February 8th specialty judges need to be voted on per the standing rules. Membership was not notified of the December 11th voting for all-breed judges and will need to be rescheduled.

13 Breeder's List Committee –

- Sheila Metz will be taking over from Jan Anderson.

15 Events –

- December 11th Potluck and membership meeting
- January 23rd Banquet at Gulden's

Next Board meeting:

Tentatively to be held Saturday January 9th at Tavern on Grand restaurant for lunch.

Meeting adjourned at 11:31am

Jill Myers, Secretary

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President called the meeting to order at 8:42pm.

1 President's Report –

- Mike thanked Joelle Hymel for organizing the potluck this year and Cindy Muehlbaur for organizing

the silent auction and everyone who help out. It was a great success!

- Annual Banquet discussion: Nils Anderson moved that \$500 be allocated for prizes at the annual banquet; the motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Carol Ouhl moved that \$150 be allocated for Julie to create posters depicting various GSD activities for the banquet; the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

2 Treasurer's Report –

- \$12,294.84 total is in our savings and checking accounts.
- After Mada Parnell's proposal Carol Ouhl moved that the late fees be suspended for late membership dues this year due to the economy. The motion was seconded and passed by a majority, Nils Anderson opposed.

3 Nominating Committee –

- Cindy Muehlbaur chair of nominations stated the current nominations are Julie Swinland for Vice President, Jill Myers for Secretary, Roger Salava for Treasurer and Linda Salava and Bill Duffy for board members. Virginia Bailey moved that the nominations be closed for board members. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. The floor was then opened for nominations for other positions. Verna Kubik moved that nominations be closed for Secretary; it was seconded and passed unanimously. Virginia Bailey moved that nominations be closed for Treasurer; it was seconded and passed unanimously. Virginia Bailey moved that nominations be closed for Vice President; it was seconded and passed unanimously. Cindy Muehlbaur nominated Mada Parnell for President; it was seconded and passed unanimously.

4 Events –

- Next Board meeting will be tentatively held Saturday January 9th at Tavern on Grand restaurant for lunch.
- January 23rd Banquet at Gulden's

Meeting adjourned at 9:01pm

Jill Myers, Secretary



Agility trials are the next step in dog-owner companionship. Agility involves teaching the dog to maneuver over, under, around, and through obstacles such as an A-frame wall, a teeter-totter, tunnels, and a variety of jumps. Agility training is for dogs with basic obedience training that are at least six months and preferably more than a year old.

Tracking tests evaluate a dog's ability to follow a trail by scent. The dog must track a person over uneven terrain and retrieve scented articles.

Junior showmanship, obedience, agility, and tracking events are open to all breeds registered by AKC. Field trials and hunting tests and trials are for sporting dogs and some hounds. These events mimic the purposes for which the breeds were originally created and offer titles for successful completion of exercises at different levels. The tests vary by breed; Beagles, Bassets, and Dachshunds hunt rabbits; pointers find and point game birds and retrieve shot birds; retrievers watch shot birds fall and retrieve them to the hunter; and spaniels hunt, flush, and retrieve game birds on land and in water.

Earthdog tests are for small terriers and Dachshunds, the dogs bred to hunt farm and home pests such as foxes, badgers, and rats. The quarry animal is placed in a cage in a tunnel; the dog is turned loose and must bravely face the "vermin" in the cage. The quarry animal is not harmed.

Coonhound events are available to all breeds of coonhounds even though AKC registers only the Black and Tan breed of coondog.

Herding events test the ability of herding breeds to do their job with sheep, cattle, goats or ducks. Herding tests are open to the herding breeds and to Samoyeds.

Lure coursing events are open to sighthounds. The dogs follow a lure — a plastic bag attached to a motorized wire — to mimic the hunt for game they were bred to find.

For more information about AKC registration and events, visit the AKC website at www.akc.org or call (919) 233-9767.

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Homemade Dog Treat Recipe from www.bullwinkle.com
Munchy Crunchy Meat Treats

1/2 cup non-fat powdered milk

1 egg, beaten

1 1/2 cups rice flour

1/2 tsp. garlic powder

1 tsp. honey

1/2 cup water

5 tsp. chicken or beef broth

1 jar baby food meat (any flavor)

Combine all ingredients well. Form into a ball. Roll dough out on a floured surface. Cut out desired shapes. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 25-30 minutes. Let cool. The treats should be hard and crunchy.

Holiday Food Safety for Dogs

Feeding your dog table scraps, especially from rich, fatty meals can give your dog gastroenteritis or pancreatitis. Gastroenteritis is the medical term for vomiting and diarrhea. Pancreatitis is especially dangerous. It occurs when the dog is trying to digest a very fatty meal. The pancreas produces enzymes to assist in the digestive process. With pancreatitis, the pancreas produces far too much; it gets inflamed. The symptoms are vomiting and diarrhea, usually bloody. The dog can become dehydrated and may die.

Homemade Dog Treats from www.bullwinkle.com

Homemade Dog Treat Recipe

Bad Breath Banishers

2 cups brown rice flour
1 Tablespoon activated charcoal (find this at drugstores, not the briquets!)
3 Tablespoons canola oil
1 egg
1/2 cup chopped fresh mint
1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley
2/3 cup lowfat milk

Preheat oven to 400F. Lightly oil a cookie sheet. Combine flour and charcoal. Add all the other ingredients. Drop teaspoonfulls on oiled sheet, about 1 inch apart. Bake 15-20 minutes. Store in airtight container in the refrigerator.

Homemade Dog Treat Recipe

Liver Brownies

2 lbs chicken livers
2 C corn meal
2 C wheat germ
2 eggs
2 1/2 tsp. granulated garlic (not salt)
1/2 C dried parsley

Liquefy livers in food processor, pour into mixing bowl and add other ingredients. Mix until smooth like a brownie batter. Spread on a cookie sheet (1/2 sheet cake size) (I use parchment paper to line the pan) until it's evenly spread about 1/3 inch thick. Bake at 350 F for about 35 minutes. When cool cut into squares, or whatever shapes you prefer. I keep them in a ziplock bag in the refrigerator.

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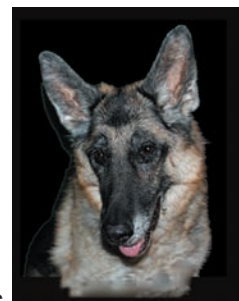
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Connie Karner

Dec 5 Granite City KC St Cloud BOB and Group 2
Dec 13 Rosemount II, BOB



Black Forest Amelia Earhart
RN, TC, 13 Club, GSDCA #10
Dam ATAA 2007, OFA H&E
(Ch Saxony's Zeppelin X Ch
Rosewoods Sabrina Lindenhill
CD, TT, TC, TDI, 13 Club, OFA
H&E) Celebrated her 15th birthday
January 5, 2010. Amy owns and
lives with Julie Swinland and Amy's
two daughters. Xena and Gabby.
She is also the grandmother of Am
& Can Ch Mythical Zeus of Black
Forest



SOGGY by Julie Swinland



German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls/St Paul Annual Awards Banquet

January 23, 2010

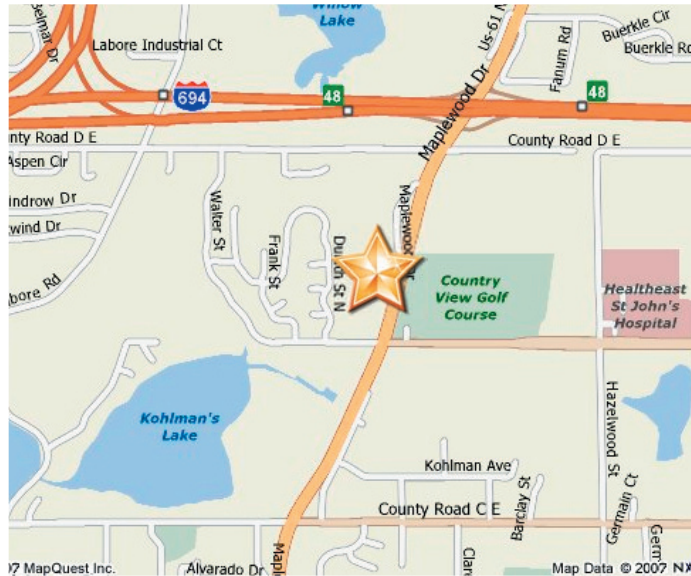
Place: Gulden's 2999 Hwy 61,
Maplewood, MN 55109

Time: 1:00 Cocktails (cash bar)
2:00 Lunch
3:15 Program

Cost per person: \$18.00 (Includes
Coffee, Tax & Gratuity)

Children Under 12: \$10.00

Registration due by January 20, 2010



Directions: 1. **From Wisconsin:** I-94 west, take Ramp towards I494/I694, take Ramp onto I-694. At exit 48; turn off onto Ramp towards US-61. Keep left to stay on Ramp towards US-61. Bear left (West) onto Local roads. Turn left (South) onto US-61 (Maplewood Drive).

2. **From St. Paul:** I-94 east, take I-694 Ramp. At exit 48; turn off onto Ramp towards US-61. Keep left to stay on Ramp towards US-61. Bear left (West) onto Local roads. Turn left (South) onto US-61 (Maplewood Drive).

3. **From Stillwater:** Take Hwy 36 West to HWY US-61. Go right (North). Restaurant is on the left.

Buffet Menu:

Lettuce Salad – Pasta Salad
Fried Chicken – Zander (walleye) – Roast Beef
Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy – Fresh Vegetable
Dinner Rolls w/Butter
Cake and Coffee

Celebrate our national awards
Winner of the Regional Challenge
Winner of the Large Club Monthly division of the
GSDCA newsletter competition

Door Prizes!
Gift certificates!

Clips from 2009
Events

Watch the nationals DVD

Banquet registration: **Due by January 20, 2010** Cost per person: \$18.00 (Includes Coffee, Tax & Gratuity) Children Under 12: \$10.00

Name: _____

of people attending: _____ Amount enclosed: _____

Send checks to: Linda Salava
163 Skyline Drive
River Falls, WI 54022
(715) 426-6467

Club Events

Banquet January 23, 2010 - The registration form is on page 11. Registrations are due by January 20. Send write up for awards to Mada Parnell by Dec 20,

Beginning obedience -

The next class starts on January 15. Cost Members \$60.. Non-members \$65 for a block of 10 lessons

**Contact Verna Kubik to register
vmk4gsds@dishup.us 715-549-6365**



GSDC MSP Class Schedule Obedience Classes

Class	Time
Alt weeks--Team & Run Thrus	6:00-6:45
Intermediate & Advanced Novice	7:00-7:45
Beginning Obedience	8:00-8:45
Beginning Open Obedience	7:30-8:30
Advanced Obedience Run-Thrus	8:30-Done

PPT & Rally Classes

S.T.A.R. Puppy	6:45-7:30
Rally-All Levels	8:30-Close

Conformation Classes

Socialization Only	7:00-8:30
Litter Socialization	6:30-7:00
Novice Conformation Handlers Class	7:00-7:30
Advanced Conformation	7:30-8:30
Open Ring Conformation	8:30-Close

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