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Bouquets & Biscuits

*R-Jos Firecracker, born on July 4 (Uncle Sam) our 14 mons old puppy earned his AkC CGC on 11-17-10 and his CD title on 12-11-10

*His Mother R-Jos U-R-My -Sunshine Shasta CGC, CDX,,RA, NA,NAJ,OAJ,AJP earned her AKC AJP on 10 9-10 and her ASCA Jumpers Agility Standard Novice on 7-3-10. On 11-20-10 Shasta earned her UCDX

*Her mother R-Jos Trendsetter Bootsie CGC,CDX,RE, OA, NAJ, NAP,OJP earned her ASCANA V All in Michigan Uncle Sam Shasta, and Bootsie were all breed ,owned, and trained and loved by Joanne McCallum

*MACH Loneacre's Found a Peanut, OF (CH Loneacre's Chances Are x CH Char N CO Need for Speed) earned her Master Agility Championship on December 4, 2010 at Capital City Canine Club's trial in Lansing, Michigan. "Kelsi" went from Novice to MACH in one year! She entered her first trial with this club the previous year and managed to earn two double Q's for her Mach one year later, at 2 I/2 years old. "Kelsi" was bred by Beth Santure and is owned, loved, trained and spoiled by Lynn Baitinger of Rochester, Michigan.



So long, farewell, auf wiedersehen, adieu...adieu...adieu...to you and you ... who have not paid your dues......

DUES ARE OVERDUE....
After Jan. 1, members with unpaid dues cannot yote on club business.

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The Joy of Leftovers

Beverly Verna

Regency's Beverly Verna speaks for the silent majority: the "other 70 percent" of dogs you breed. As a breeder-owner-handler of Miniature Schnauzers for the last 37 years, I have been blessed to have been able to produce a dog with a very specific look that speaks to most as "Regency."

These dogs have done well. Some have been number-one in my breed, and one is the top winner in Miniature Schnauzer history. Of those dogs, I am proud and feel I am accomplishing what we all set out to do. But I wish to speak now of those other dogs—the "leftovers."

When breeders get together, the talk is about who bred to whom, how many champions so-and-so produced, and the latest big winner. That's all well and good, but I don't hear much about the leftovers, the other 70 percent of the dogs we breed.

Producer or Breeder?

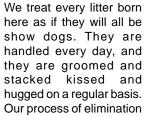
A well-known judge once told me there are "producers" and there are "breeders." Breeders do not breed just because a bitch is in season or they need puppies to sell. A breeder does not promise or take deposits on their entire litter before they are even born. A breeder does not keep the best puppy in a litter to show if it is not truly show quality. Each litter should be an attempt to produce dogs who will: 1. in the case of a beginner, establish a unique type/line; 2. improve on the line both in looks and in health; 3. maintain a very good line.

If you are lucky, you will produce one or maybe more of these dogs in the litter, the rest will be pets, leftovers. Well-established breeders have probably produced five times the number of pet puppies as they have show dogs. It is these dogs that I want to speak about.

In my office I have file cabinets and book-

shelves filled with all things dog: scrapbooks of top-winning dogs, magazine ads for my show dogs, thousands of show photos, pedigrees, and show entries. But in one special cabinet I keep letters and Christmas cards and family photos sent to me from the people who live with and love my pet puppies. Occasionally I go to that cabinet

and reread some of those letters. It makes me feel good to be able to do something that makes so many people so happy. It's kind of like the feeling you get at Christmas, the joy of giving. It gives me a different kind of satisfaction and pride in what I do.



begins at 8 weeks of age, then again at 12 weeks, 4 months, and 6 months. Only the very best pups will be here past 6 months of age, and even then, some small thing could change and that puppy too will become available to a pet home. I tell people that "show people" want all the same things in a dog that they do-we want them to be healthy, beautiful, playful, full of confidence, and possess a willingness to please. So in that respect, good show dogs make good pets.

Finding homes for older puppies is never hard because the longer they have been here, the better they are. Most all are crate trained and some have already been lead-trained.

Pets: Looking for Joey

Screening is a must. The best-case scenario is a family that has already owned a Miniature Schnauzer who died of old age. That family knows about the breed and all its pros and cons, and they are anxious to

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Please let me know if you make a change.

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*E-MAIL...If you would like to send your Bouquets and Biscuits to AMSCOPE via E-MAIL, use the following address and include it in the body of the email. CBORR@AOL.COM

The deadline for the March issue is February 20.

Top 10 Dog Poisons

by WebMD Healthy Pets

Confused about keeping your dog safe? People foods are just some of the dangers. Mark Thiessen, Getty Images

Last year, there were more than 100,000 cases of pet poisoning in the United States. Many of these were caused by substances you probably have in your home, substances that may seem perfectly harmless to you. But just because something is safe for people doesn't mean it won't hurt pets. Some of the most dangerous dog poisons are foods and medications.

Depending on how a particular substance affects your dog's body and how much was ingested or inhaled, pet poisoning symptoms can include gastrointestinal and neurological problems, cardiac and respiratory distress, coma and even death. Our friends at Web MD Healthy Pets share with Paw Nation what to watch out for.

The Poisons

No. 1: Medications for People Drugs that might be beneficial, or even life-saving, for people can have the opposite effect in pets. And it doesn't always take a large dose to do major damage.

Some of the most common and harmful medications that poison dogs include:

- Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medications, such as ibuprofen or naproxen, which can cause stomach and intestinal ulcers or kidney failure.
- Antidepressants, which may cause vomiting and, in more serious instances, serotonin syndrome a dangerous condition that raises temperature, heart rate and blood pressure, and may cause seizures.
- Isoniazid, a tuberculosis drug, is difficult for dogs to process. Even one tablet can cause problems in a small dog. Signs of poisoning include seizures and coma.

No. 2: Flea and Tick Products You may think you're doing your dog a favor when you apply products marketed to fight fleas and ticks, but thousands of animals are unintentionally poisoned by these products every year. Problems can occur if dogs accidentally ingest these products or if small dogs receive excessive amounts.

No. 3: People Food

Your canine companion may look so cute as he sits there begging for a bite of your chocolate cake or a chip covered in guacamole, but not giving him what he wants could save his life. Animals have different metabolisms than people. Some foods and beverages that are perfectly safe for people can be dangerous, and sometimes fatal, for dogs.

- Chocolate. Though not harmful to people, chocolate products contain substances called methylxanthines that can cause vomiting in small doses and death if ingested in larger quantities. Darker chocolate contains more of these dangerous substances than do white or milk chocolate. The amount of chocolate that could result in death depends on the type of chocolate and the size of the dog. For smaller breeds, just half an ounce of baking chocolate can be fatal, while a larger dog might survive eating 4 to 8 ounces. Coffee and caffeine have similarly dangerous chemicals.
- Alcohol. Symptoms of alcohol poisoning in animals are similar to those in people and may include vomiting, breathing problems, coma and, in severe cases, death.
- Avocado. You might think of them as healthy, but avocados have a substance called persin that can act as a dog poison, causing vomiting and diarrhea.
- Macadamia nuts. Dogs may suffer from a series of symptoms, including weakness, overheating and vomiting, after consumption of macadamia nuts.
- Grapes and raisins. Experts aren't sure why, but these fruits can induce kidney failure in dogs. Even a small number may cause problems in some dogs.
- Xylitol. This sweetener is found in many products, including sugar-free gum and candy. It causes a rapid drop in blood sugar, resulting in weakness and seizures. Liver failure also has been reported in some dogs.

No. 4: Rat and Mouse Poison Rodenticides, if ingested by dogs, can cause severe problems. The symptoms depend on the nature of the poison, and signs may not start for several days after consumption. In some instances, the dog may have eaten the poisoned rodent and POISONS...continued from p. 2, col.3

not been directly exposed to the toxin.

No. 5: Pet Medications
Just as we can be sickened or killed by
medications intended to help us, cases of
pet poisoning by veterinary drugs are not
uncommon. Some of the more commonly
reported problem medications include painkillers and dewormers.

No. 6: Household Plants They may be pretty, but plants aren't necessarily pet friendly. Some of the more toxic plants to dogs include:

- Azaleas and rhododendrons. These pretty flowering plants contain toxins that may cause vomiting, diarrhea, coma and potentially even death.
- Tulips and daffodils. The bulbs of these plants may cause serious stomach problems, convulsions and damage to the heart.
- Sago palms. Eating just a few seeds may be enough to cause vomiting, seizures and liver failure.

No. 7: Chemical Hazards

Not surprisingly, antifreeze, paint thinner, and chemicals for pools can act as dog poison. The pet poisoning symptoms they may produce include stomach upset, depression and chemical burns.

No. 8: Household Cleaners

Just as cleaners like bleach can poison people, they are also a leading cause of pet poisoning, resulting in stomach and respiratory tract problems.

No. 9: Heavy Metals

Lead, which may be in paint, linoleum and batteries, can be poisonous if eaten by your dog, causing gastrointestinal and neurological problems. Zinc poisoning may occur in dogs that swallow pennies, producing symptoms of weakness from severe anemia.

No. 10: Fertilizer

Products for your lawn and garden may be poisonous to pets that ingest them.

What To Do for Suspected Dog Poisoning

If you think your dog has been poisoned, try to stay calm. It is important to act quickly but rationally.

First, gather up any of the potential poison that remains — this may be helpful to your veterinarian and any outside experts who assist with the case. If your dog has vomited, collect the sample in case your veteri-

narian needs to see it.

Then, try to keep your pet calm and call your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) at (888) 426-4435. Experts at the APCC are available to answer questions and provide guidance 24 hours a day for a \$60 consultation fee.

Poison Protection: Pet-Proofing Your House

The best way to reduce the chances that your beloved dog will be the victim of pet poisoning is by preventing exposure to dangerous substances.

- Keep all medications, even those in childproof bottles, in cabinets that are inaccessible to your dog. If you inadvertently drop a pill on the floor, be sure to look for it immediately. Supervise anyone, such as the elderly, who may need help taking medications.
- Always follow guidelines on flea or tick products.
- Although you can give some "people foods" safely to your pets as a treat, others are toxic. If you have any questions about what is safe, ask your veterinarian. Or err on the safe side and give treats made specifically for animals.
- Be sure any rodenticides you use are kept in metal cabinets or high on shelves where your pets can't find them. Remember that dogs can be fatally poisoned by eating an exposed rodent, so always be very cautious about using these products. Tell your neighbors if you put out rat bait, so they can protect their pets from exposure, and ask them to do the same for you.
- When buying plants for your home, opt for those that won't cause problems if your dog happens to nibble on them. The ASPCA has an online list of toxic and nontoxic plants by species. If you choose to have toxic plants, be sure they are kept in a place where your animals can't reach them.
- Store all chemicals and cleaners in petinaccessible areas of your home.

LEFTOVERS...continued from p. 1, col.3 add another to their home.

The exception is the case of someone who just isn't ready yet. After losing a dog, some people can only think of replacing Joey with another Joey. To those people I advise waiting awhile, till they can understand that though this new dog may have many of the characteristics Joey had, he will not be nor should he even be compared to Joey.

Many breeders will not sell to families with young children. I think this can be a mistake. My children were taught a healthy respect for all living things, and I think families today are capable of doing the same thing with their children. All it takes is one visit to see whether or not parents have taught their children how to interact with animals. What is more wonderful than growing up with a dog? And what can make a dog happier than a child who adores him?

Old Girls Need Love Too

When I first started breeding dogs, I visited a very successful old-timer who showed me her house and kennel. Toward the end of the tour, she opened a door into a room of six or seven crates and a little ex-pen, with older, and some infirm, dogs.

She called this her "geriatric ward." They were segregated from all the others and looked so forlorn, it was sad. Then and there I promised myself never to have a geriatric ward. That is why I begin to look for homes for bitches after their last litter. Ideally, I want an older couple with no other dogs. A special place where my girl can live out the rest of her life as someone's only dog.

So the next time you talk about all your champions, mention, too, the lovely family you just sold a great pet to, or the second or third generation of pets you have sold to the Smiths down the block.

I can tell you that I am equally as proud of those puppies and what they have brought to the lives of their families as I am of the champions I have bred. They give me great pleasure. There truly is a joy in leftovers!

Beverly Verna was the Terrier Group's American Kennel Club Breeder of the Year in 2006.

Are we being redundant? Don't forget your dues!

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Oscar Enrique Calvo owns 1 Miniature Schnauzer which he co-owns with one of his sponsors and with his mentor. He is not a breeder. He has attended 11 shows in 2009 and 2010 thus far. He plans to apply for membership in the Riverhead Kennel Club. He is a Landscape Architect and is interested in all listed AMSC activities.

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Deborah Effland is a past member of AMSC whose membership accidentally lapsed. She has had Miniature Schnauzers since childhood. She does breed her dogs, producing 2 litters in the past 5 years. She is active in Conformation, Agility, Obedience and has trained for Tracking but has not competed. She attends 10-20 dog events yearly and has done pet grooming for 31 years. She is a member of the Chicago Miniature Schnauzer Club having served as President, Board, Secretary and Rescue. Her occupation is a Production Specialist.

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Has owned Miniature Schnauzers for over 30 years and has decided to become more dedicated to the breed and is learning to owner handle her own dog. She does not list herself as a breeder. They are members of the Miniature Schnauzer Club of Southern California. Ms Kolca has an MBA/ Business Management and Ms Mieszala is an RN – Consultant/Educator.

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Enrique Filippini has owned Boxer, Borzoi and Miniature Schnauzers for forty years. He does list himself as a breeder, having bred approximately 10 litters in the past 5 years. Mr. Filippini is an all-breed Judge, attending over thirty dog events yearly around the world. Club activities of interest to him would be the newsletter. Mr. Filippini is retired.

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Loretta Gould has owned Miniature Schnauzers for 7 years and a Standard Schnauzer for 3 years. She does not breed her dogs. She is active in Agility, attending 35-40 Agility Trials each year. She is not currently a member of any other dog clubs. Her area of interests in Club activities would be Agility. She is a Project Manager

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Sonny Wang has had both Miniature Schnauzers and Doberman Pinschers for 15 years. He is a breeder having bred 15 litters in the past 5 years. He is involved in breeding and in conformation attending approximately 20 dog events yearly. He is a member of the CNKC (China National

Kennel Club) in Beijing China, serving as Vice President

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The Zemany's have owned Am Staffordshire Terriers, a Beagle, Welsh Terrier, and currently, a Miniature Schnauzer. They state they do not breed their dogs. They are active in conformation and obedience events, attending 10 shows in 2010. They do not belong to any other dog clubs but will be applying to the Onondaga Kennel Club. Susan is a Human Resources Director and Gregory is retired.

BLACK RIBBONS

Ch. Ward's Creek One And Only
passed over the bridge this morning in
Joe and my arms. Solo had Congestive
Heart Failure and the vet said nothing
else could be done.

Solo was born on February 18, 1998. Solo produced 7 champions and I have no idea how many champion grandchildren she has. As anyone who met Solo can attest, she was a complete "Nut", she loved to climb on things and loved to talk!

She has gone to join all our other schnauzers who loved her and are buried in our yard, of course she waited for 14 inches of snow, in true Solo fashion!

Marcella and Joe Beard

Ch Daystar's Perfect Storm "Stormi"

passed away in Dec. Stormi was the first b/s bitch with natural ears to finish her championship. Stormi was also the dam of Ch Daystar's Storm Chaser, a top b/s dog in 2005. Stormi lived the life of a queen and slept in the bed every night. Stormi was bred/owned and handled by Kim Cox Griffin, Daystar Miniature Schnauzers.

TROPHY DRIVE...

please don't forget the trophy drive. Terrie Houck 105 Fite's Creek Road Mount Holly, NC 28120-1149



NOTE from Dr. AGUIRRE on PRA RESEARCH

As you know, we have had a continuing interest in PRA in Min schnauzers and have been making good progress. Unfortunately, I don't think that the grant application to the Morris Animal Fdn will be funded, but I consider this a temporary deterrent, and no reason to throw in the towel.

As I indicated above, we have made excellent progress recently, and now are in the need for additional samples (and money too if you know of any pressure points to apply to Morris). The "older" science approach we used in the past, i.e. linkage analysis, and which proved so effective in our finding Type A PRA in schnauzers has been replaced by what is known as genome wide association studies (GWAS). In the linkage analysis approach we only collected samples from affected dogs and their parents. We never collected samples from nonaffected littermates as we could not tell a priori if they were genetically normal or carriers, and this information was essential for linkage analy-

With GWAS that is no longer the case, and samples from non-affected siblings, regardless of their status, are very important. We would appreciate if through your contacts in the Min schnauzer world you can ask people to provide us with samples from dogs that have confirmed PRA diagnosed by an ACVO (or ECVO in Europe) diplomate, and encourage them to also provide eye examinations and pedigree information on non-affected relatives-the more the better.

The most convenient method to have the samples and information conveyed to me is to send through Sue Pearce-Kelling at OptiGen (suepk@optigen.com). I no longer have the money and luxury to have a full time person working at sample collection/storage for dog eye diseases as most of the funding comes from the government to develop treatments for humans. For that reason, this has become a very efficient means of collecting and archiving information and samples.

Thanks so much for your help.

Gus Aguirre

Vets-in-training helping elderly keep animals

By Kristea Wyatt, Assodated Press

Ed.'s Note: Dorothy "Kiser" is the wife of out late Gerry Kyser

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) -A fun-loving schnauzer named Pocket is stroke survivor Dorothy Kiser's closest companion. But Kiser almost had to put Pocket to sleep when her pet developed diabetes: Kiser feared she wouldn't be able to take care of the dog alone.

Aspiring veterinary students at Colorado State Universit:y stepped in to visit the 88-year-old Kiser and Pocket twice a day, giving the dog insulin shots and checking his blood-sugar levels.

The students are taking a class called Pets Forever, which pairs social work and preveterinary students with elderly and disabled pet owners who need help keeping their pets at home. Students walk dogs, clean litter boxes and drive sick animals to the vet for homebound owners.

It's a chance for vets-in-training to care for animals in a home setting - and helps the elderly and disabled keep companion animals, which studies show can prevent depression and even lower hospitall admission rates.

"I don t know w}lat I . would have done with Pocket if they didn't come help," said Kiser, a widow who lives alone and has limited use of her left arm. She shook her head as she watched 21year old student Lauren Gould take Pocket, 9, to the backyard for a morning urine sample.

"I couldn't do this alone. I probably would've had to put her to sleep," Kiser said.

Pets Forever was created in 2008 by Lori Kogan, a CSU psychologist who works with the College of Veterinary Medicine. Entering a third semester, Kogan has had to cap enrollment in the program at 35 students and hopes to see it replicated at other universities, not just those with a large number of pre-veterinary students.

"I would hear these really sad stories about people who had to give up their pets because. they couldn't walk the dog anymore, couldn't clean the litter box, Kogan said. "And there are cases where the relationships people have with their pets are sometimes the only relationships they have left, because everyone else is gone."

Other charities help needy pet owners take care of their animals, but Pets Forever is the nation's first program affiliated with a university. It is similar to the well-known PAWS (Pets Are Wonderful Support) charity in San Francisco, which started serving HIV/AIDS patients in the 1980s when food bank workers noticed some of their clients vvere using food donations for their pets before themselves.

PAWS has 500 volunteers who visit sick owners, not just AIDS patients, and pro-

vides, foster care for animals during their owners' hospital visits.

Companion animals can reduce depression and anxiety, alleviate dementia and help people recover more quickly from injury. Even the simple act of petting a dog or cat can promote well-being and help seniors feel independent.

"For many of our clients, it's why they get up in the morning, that they have another life to take care of, said PAWS vice president Joanne B. Kipnis.

Kogan envisions including non-students in CSU's Pets Forever program. She's seeking grants to help cover veterinary care for animals owned by needy clients. Pets Forever recently won \$25,000 through an online contest sponsored by Heska Corp., a Loveland, Colo., veterinary supplier.

For Gould, the CSU junior who gives Pocket her insulin shots, the program helps future veterinarians as much as pet owners. Veterinary school is too demanding for students to spend much time with pets in a home setting, and Gould says her work with homebound pet owners gives her valuable insight she can use later; when she has a small-antinal practice of her own.

"I learn something new every day interacting with people and their pets," Gould said. She spent a few minutes playing with Pocket before headiing off to pick up her next client, a "Shih Tzu in need of a trip to the groomer his disabled owner couldn't handle.

"Even if I'm having a bad day, when I leave here I'm in the best mood," Gould said.



In this December 15 photo, Pocket, a blind Miniature Schnauzer with diabetes, stands safely under her owner's walker while Lauren Gould administers an indulin shot. Pocket is a dear pet-friend to 83-year-old Dorothy Kyser who thought she would have to put Pocket down when he was diagnosed with blindness and diabetes. Then she found about the Pets Forever Program at Colorado State University that would connect Gould with people like her that would help care for the pets. I feel like Dorothy is family," says Gould who has been assistin Kyser with giving Pocket insulin shots.



American Miniature Schnauzer Club National Roving Specialty

in Cooperation with Kentuckiana Cluster Dog Shows



March 16-20, 2011 Louisville, Kentucky

Schedule of Events

Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport 830 Philips Lane Louisville, Kentucky 40209 888-233-9527



Below is the link for AMSC members to reserve their rooms during the Kentuckiana Cluster dog shows. This is a dedicated link for our members provided by our host hotel, the Crowne Plaza— Louisville Airport. The room rate is \$119 per night plus tax. For guests wishing to keep dogs in their rooms, there will be a one-time charge of \$50 (nonrefundable) for any and all

dogs.

FYI, the Crowne Plaza—Louisville
Airport sits directly across the street
from the KY Expo Center (our show

Crowne Plaza

site).

—Louisville AirportReservations



Tickets for Saturday night's Banquet are \$42.

Please forward your checks made payable to AMSC in care of

Sharon Edwards, 21303 Golf EstatesDrive Laytonsville, MD 20882 or pay via PayPal (AMSC web site)

Wednesday, March 16th:

AMSC National Obedience Trial @ show site 7:00 p.m.—Welcome Party @ Crowne Plaza (h'doerves and cash bar)

Thursday, March 17th:

Miniature Schnauzer Club of Michigan Specialty/Sweeps -

Judge Barbara Alderman 6:00-9:00 p.m.—"Trips from the Pros" Seminar by Eric Salas @ show site

Friday, March 18th:

Greater Columbus Miniature Schnauzer Club Specialty/Sweeps—

Judge Peter Green

4:00-5:30 p.m.—"Discussion of Hereditary Eye Disease in the MS" by the AMSC Health Committee @ Crowne Plaza

6:30-11:00 p.m.—Board Meeting @ Crowne Plaza

Saturday, March 19th:

Greater Cincinnati Miniature Schnauzer Club Specialty/Sweeps—

Judge John Constantine

4:00-5:00 p.m.—"Understanding Contracts for Dog Breeders" @ Crowne Plaza

6:30 p.m.—Banquet @ Crowne Plaza

Sunday, March 20th:

8:00-9:30 a.m.—AMSC Judges Seminar (breeders welcome) @ show site

AMSC National Roving Specialty/Sweeps—Judge Dale Miller

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!! Wednesday March 16, 2011 is the date for our AMSC Obedience Trial to be held in conjunction with the Louisville shows

There will be great prizes, a tribute to all the OTCh Miniature Schnauzers to date, and a day of fun for all! We are offering the following classes: Novice A & B, Open A & B, Utility A & B, Beginner Novice, Graduate Novice, and Veterans. Our judge is Marilyn Gormley. The trial will start in the morning, so plan to come and visit with your friends, and make plans for dinner afterwards! If you have any questions, please email me at richnsonny@gmail.com or call me at (512) 689-6280.

Minutes – October 9, 2010 AMSC Annual Meeting

The annual meeting was called to order at 8:55 pm at the Ft Washington Holiday Inn in Ft Washington, PA on October 9, 2010, by the AMSC President John Constantine. Each person in attendance was asked to introduce themselves.

Report of the President, John Constantine
-The President reported that everything
for tomorrow's specialty is going well.
-The 2010 Roving Specialty in West Palm
Beach, Florida was a great success.
-President Constantine thanked Amy
Gordon, Carole Weinberger and especially Specialty Co-ordinator Gloria Lewis.
-The pedigree database is on the AMSC
website.

- -The 2011 Roving Specialty will be with the Louisville cluster of shows in Mid-March. There will be 3 local specialties , Michigan, Cleveland and Cincinnati.
- -3 seminars will be held:
 - -Tips of the Pros by Eric Salas -A Hereditary Eye disease forum by the Health Committee
 - -Understanding Contracts as they relate to our breeding contracts by Carole Weinberger's stepdaughter
- -The 2013 Roving Specialty will be at the Purina Farms Complex in the St Louis Missouri area. The dates are May 8-12. All 3 Schnauzer breeds will hold their national specialties there. There will be Agility and Obedience.
- -We were reminded that we all have to become active in the fight against antidog legislation especially crop and dock legislation.
- -John thanked the outgoing Board Members for their service: Marcia Feld, Kurt Garmaker, Wyn Hagmaier, and Lisa Sarvas.

Report of the Secretary, Amy Gordon - Local clubs were urged to send in specialty results, new officers and Club delegates to the Secretary, Amscope editor and Treasurer. As of September 30, 2010, our membership totaled 491 Regular, 5 Life, 43 Foreign (w/voting privileges), 20 Foreign (w/voting privileges), 1 Junior, and 4 new membership applications, for a total of 564. Presently there are 19 active local clubs that are licensed to hold specialty shows.

Report of the Treasurer, Sharon Edwards – The club has just under \$80,000 in the bank. Sharon explained that Non-profit organizations must maintain a \$0 balance budget.

-The dues for 2011 will not change and the dues notices will be mailed the last week of November. They are due January 1 2011.

The 25 year membership pins were awarded to: Robert Aunko, Brian Bogart, Jeri Reidy, Bernice Wise. The pins have been mailed to the recipients.

-The Board voted to recognize 50 year members with a gold plated membership pin.

CHIC Pin Presentation The following members received the AMSC Health Champion pin for listing dogs on the CHIC website: Amy Gordon, Terrie Houck, Elliott Mackle, Cathy Pendelton, Paula Steele, Leanne Tousey, Carole Weinberger, Hiromi Ueki

<u>Awards Presentations</u> Luana Nedich presented the Local Club Bulletin and Local Club Website Awards

-Local Club Bulletin Award: TidBits and Tails – Cactus State MS Club Honorable Mentions:Centennial State MSC,Gateway MSC Local Club Website Award: Miniature Schnauzer Club of Northern California Honorable Mentions: Michigan MSC, Gateway MSC

<u>Lifetime Membership</u> Award - Millie Schultz was presented with a Lifetime Membership award for her dedication and work for the club.

<u>President's Award</u> – The president's award was bestowed on Hilde Haakensen and Owen Clouss for their work on the pedigree database on the AMSC website.

The Top Obedience and Top Agility
Awards for 2009 These awards go to the
AMSC member-breeder who bred the dog
with the highest ranking for the previous
year.

Top Obedience Award: Southcross Sensible Shoes VCD2, UDX, RE, AX, AXJ, NAP, NJP Breeders: Sonny Lelle & Karen Morse, Owner: Sharon Bloss

Top Agility Award: MACH4 Ch. Sterling Out of Control, OF, Breeders: Mr. & Mrs. D.J. Ferguson, Tom LaSalle and Santos Diaz, Owner: Anna Ericcson

AMSC Breeder Awards for 2009.

Top Dog: Ch. Beauideal It's Raining Men, Breeder: Dr. Lisa Sarvas, Owners: Barbara Weidner, Laurie Darman, Kim Griffin Top Bitch: Ch. Lonestar's Wicked Good, Breeders: Richard & Sharon Edwards, Owners: Richard & Sharon Edwards Top Producing Sire: Ch. Regency's Twist

Of Fate, Breeders: Beverly Verna & Gwen Mulheron, Owners: Beverly Verna & Barbara Baymiller

Top Producing Dam: Ch. Carmel Legacy By Design, Breeders: Carma Ewer & Patty Ledgerwood, Owners: Carma & Galen Ewer

AKC Good Sportmanship Award The AKC Good Sportsmanship award was awarded to Clay Lincoln.

<u>Induction of New Officers & Board Members</u>

President – John Constantine Vice President – Carole Weinberger Treasurer – Sharon Edwards Secretary – Amy Gordon Board Members:

> Penny Hirstein Cindy Molieri Patricia O'Brien Brooke Walker

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:45pm by Patti Henderson. The motion was seconded by Patty Ledgerwood.

Respectfully submitted by Amy Gordon, AMSC Secretary

AMSC Secretary

DUES....DUES....DUES...

2011 Membership Dues

*Members receiving AMSCope by **Email** - **\$30 individual** - **\$52.50 joint***Members receiving AMSCope by **regular mail (hard copy)** - **\$55 individual, \$75 joint**

New members (voted into membership Oct. 2010) and Life members do not need to pay

Payment may be made either online or by check.

Online payment is made by secure credit card (VISA, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express) or PayPal transaction by using the following link. Note this link is only available directly, and cannot be accessed through the AMSC web site or through PayPal. You must have a PayPal account in order to pay via PayPal. Foreign members can pay with currency conversion to US dollars from most countries. Online dues payment: http://amsc.us/dues.html

Payment by check may be made by sending a check payable to the AMSC to the address below. Foreign payments must be a bank draft or certified check in US dollars.

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White Polo Shirts with same logo
Unisex sizes S-XXL
\$35 includes shipping
These high quality polar fleece vests
have the new logo embroidered on
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men's sizes in two colors-royal blue
and light grey. The women's sizes
come in two colors-raspberry and
heather.

\$45.00, which includes shipping



new logo on floor mats and vests

AMSC FLOOR MATS

These striking logo mats are dye injected and are made of high quality nylon and are 100% launderable in cold water. They can be used indoors or outdoors, since they can be washed but will last longer if not subjected to extreme weather. They will be perfect for grooming room, offices, motor homes, condos, or to stack your puppies on. They measure 22" X 33".

Cost of the mat is 65.00 plus 15.00 shipping and handling.



AFGHAN

This beautiful colorful woven 100% cotton afghan of Miniature Schnauzers in a garden setting will be a keepsake. Black, Salt/Pepper and Black/Silver Minis are at home on green grass with colorful shrubs, trees and flowers in the background. Lori Bush and Mildred Shultz collaborated with the artist at We Love Country on this very unique design. \$75. Includes Shipping

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Montgomery County Kennel Club/AMSC Specialty Survey*

If you <u>attended</u> Montgomery County KC and our Specialty in 2010, please take a few minutes to fill out this short survey and send back to me. Thanks!!!

1.	Name:
2.	I attended as: a Spectator an exhibitor/handling an exhibitor/not handling
3.	Please rank the following items on the following scale:
<u>1 -</u>	- Excellent, 2 - Good, 3 - Neither good or bad, 4 - Poor, 5 - Terrible, or N/A if it does not apply to you
	a Grooming space
	b Grooming set-up (e.g. under ring tent)
	c Distance from the main rings
	d Parking
	e Hospitality
	f Ring size/set-up
	g Loading/Unloading
	h Seating around the ring
	i Port-a-potties
	j Shade
4.	Select one:
	aI would like to move back to the main ring area
	b I would stay at this past years location
	(If we stay in the same location the grooming tent will be expanded by 30 feet and we will have a separate hospitality tent)
	Please return to: or scan and email to John@adamis.org
	John Constantine
	2165 West Chester Rd
	Fast Fallowfield PA 19320



UPCOMING SPECIALTIES

Chicago MSC/IKC Specialty February 26, 2011 Regular Classes: Lorraine Boutwell

Sweepstakes: Diana Francois

Cactus State MSC March 3, 2011

Regular Classes: Claudia Seaberg Sweepstakes:Kathy Colby

Gr Columbus MSC(Louisville) March 18, 2011

Regular Classes: Peter J. Green Sweepstakes: Carma L. Ewer

Cincinnati MSC (Louisville) March 19, 2011

Regular Classes: John Constantine Sweepstakes: David Owen Williams

Cincinnati MSC May 26, 2011

Regular Classes: Penny Hirstein Sweepstakes: Arlene Smith

Cactus State MSC April 7, 2011

Regular Classes: Dr Alvin Krause Sweepstakes: Shirley Cole

MSC of Atlanta April 17, 2011

Regular Classes: Carole Luke Weinberger

Sweepstakes: Linda Drost

Gateway MSC (Purina Farms) May 5, 2011

Regular Classes: PaulThoman Sweepstakes: Marilyn Cooper Obedience: William Oxendale

Cincinnati MSC May 26, 2011

Regular Classes: Penny Hirstein Sweepstakes: Arlene Smith

MSC of Southern California June 24, 2011

Regular Classes: Clay Coady Sweepstakes:Carma Ewer

MSC of Southern Californioa June 25, 2011

Regular Classe Ken McDermott

Sweepstakes: Shirley Cole Milshore MSC

July 29th, 2011 Sweepstakes: Marcy McGuire Regular Classes: Sally Baugneit

AMSC SPECIALTIES Louisville Ky. Kennel Club March 20, 2011

Regular Classes: Dale Miller Sweepstakes:Lisa Sarvas

AMSC Obedience: Marilyn Gromley March 16 June 26, 2011 **GWTA**

Regular Classes: Geri Kelly

Sweepstakes: Gale Schnetzer

Montgomery County KC October 9, 2011

Regular Classes: Wyoma Clouss Sweepstakes: Susie Atherton

Fort Worth March 25, 2012

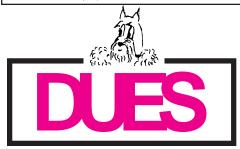
Regular Classes: Carole L. Weinberger Sweepstakes: Jan Taylor

Great Western June 24, 2012

> Regular Classes: Lynda Berar Sweepstakes: Carla Nickerson

Montgomery Co. October 7, 2012

> Regular Classes: Ken McDermott Sweepstakes: Linda Drost



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