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MEETING NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING & AWARDS BANQUET

Wednesday, February 16, 2011

The Farm House Cafe
3461 S. 84th St.
(84th & Grover in Westgate Plaza)
Omaha, Nebraska

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Cash Bar & Election of Directors
(Order from the menu by 6:30 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Dinner

7:45 p.m. Reports & Awards

A fun and festive evening!! Guests welcome!!

ELECTION

Election of four members to the NKC Board of Directors will take place at this meeting. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO VOTE.** No proxies or mail-in ballots will be accepted. Resumes of the candidates appear on pages 5and 6.

REPORTS

All NKC Committee and Officers Annual Reports will be read at this meeting. If you are a committee chair or officer and unable to attend, please email your report to jclumber@aol.com, or mail it to Jenni Toebben, President, 120 S. 90 St., Omaha, NE 68114.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR MARCH GROWLER: *March 4, 2011*

SECRETARY'S REPORT

JANUARY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 19, 2011
Nebraska Humane Society
90th and Fort, Omaha, Nebraska
(Subject to approval)

President, Jenni Toebben called the Meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

The speaker was Judy Varner, President and CEO of Nebraska Humane Society. Judy updated us on Activities and Programs at the Nebraska Humane Society.

The minutes of the last General Membership Meeting were printed in the Growler.
Sue moved and Jan seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion carried.
Secretary Barbara Hill advised that there was no correspondence.

Treasurer Debby Stokley read the Treasurer's Report and it has been filed of record with the secretary.

1st Vice President, Sue Volkmer advised that the February annual meeting will be held at The Farmhouse Restaurant on February 16, 2011. There will be a cash bar and you will order off the menu. Please RSVP to Sue no later than February 9, 2011. Sue's e-mail address: drsuz1990@yahoo.com

2nd Vice President – no report
AKC Delegate – no report
2011 Show Chairman – Pam Swisher – All judges' contracts are in the mail, she up dated the membership asking for volunteers to assist with the show. She is currently working on the premium list.

Committee Reports:
Community Outreach/Public Relations – Open
Education: Donna to assist in organizing the volunteers for Kids Explorer. Jenni will obtain the dates and call Donna with the information.
Growler – Deadline for the next issue is February 4 and Sharon requested resume's of the candidates be e-mailed to her also no later than February 4, 2011.
Herding Trial – There will be no Herding Trial in 2011.
Historian – open
Legislative Liaison – Sandy Orr – No report
Tracking Test – Shelly Rehmeier – No report
Training – Elly Rensink – No report

Old Business – Jenni advised that Paula and Tom Steenson have agreed to be NKC new webmasters and they will be putting updates and a redesigned website soon.

New Business: The following nominations were made for the 4 expiring positions on the board.

Debby Stokley nominated Sue Volkmer
Pam Swisher nominated Cheryl Morris
Barbara Hill nominated Tim Bourke
Pam Swisher nominated Debby Stokley

Sharon Bourke nominated Ron Weaks

Tim moved and Jan seconded the motion to close the nominations. The motion carried.

Pam moved and Debby seconded the motion that Sandy Orr be voted into Life Membership
The motion carried with 1 vote opposed.

The meeting adjourned at 9 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Hill, Secretary

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FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, February 2, 2011
(Cancelled due to bad weather)

NEWS & NOTES

CONFORMATION TRAINING CLASSES

WHEN: Every **Monday** evening except **major** holidays.
Note: No Class February 14, 2011.

LOCATION: **Companion Dog Club**
10800 N. 72 Street
Omaha, NE

TIME: **7 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

COST: $2.00 per Junior Handler
3.00 per puppy
5.00 per adult dog (over 12 months)

NOTE: Classes may be divided depending upon class size that evening.

The following Training Cards are offered for 1 year:

- 5 training sessions for adult dogs at a discount of $22.50
- 10 training sessions for adult dogs at a discount of $45.00

- 5 training sessions for puppies at a discount of $13.50
- 10 training sessions for puppies at a discount of $27.00

Each punch represents 1 dog per session. There will be no refunds for lost cards.

In case of bad weather, please check the NKC website for class cancellation information.

Your **2011** membership dues are payable at the close of the **Annual Meeting, February 16, 2011**.

$20.00 per Regular Membership, per person

Make checks payable to Nebraska Kennel Club

Mail to:
Deb Stokley, Treasurer
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CONTACT THE GROWLER EDITOR

- **If** you have something to contribute for the betterment of the dog fancy that you would like published in the **Growler, please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have a show win that you would like to brag about, information regarding an upcoming dog event, or poem, etc. to share with others, **please contact the Growler Editor**.
- **If** you are the Chair of an NKC committee and would like to inform the membership of the committee's activities, **please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have a photo of your dog to put in the **Growler**, **please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have something for the **Growler**, please contact the **Growler Editor**: **Sharon Bourke, 391-5069, or e-mail:** omahasb@aol.com

TROPHY ROOM

JEDAWN'S PRINCE CHARMING
Breeder: Dawn and Jeff Hall and Shannon Myers

Platte Valley KC	10/21/10	BW, WD	
Platte Valley KC	10/22/10	BW, WD	
Cornhusker KC	10/23/10	BB (over Specials), BW, WD	
Cornhusker KC	10/24/10	Group 2, BB (over Specials), BW, WD	

JEDAWN'S PRINCESS BELLE
Owner/Breeder: Dawn and Jeff Hall and Shannon Myers

Platte Valley KC	10/21/10	WB	
Cornhusker KC	10/24/10	WB	
Council Bluffs KC	11/21/10	BOB (over a Special), BW, WB	3pt. major

JEDAWN'S SHOW GIRL
Owner/Breeder: Dawn and Jeff Hall andShannon Myers

Council Bluffs KC	11/21/10	BB, BW, WB	3 pt. major

First and only time in the ring!

---Submitted by Dawn Hall

CONGRATULATIONS!!

CANDIDATES FOR NKC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE FOLLOWING RESUMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEBRASKA KENNEL CLUB ARE SUBMITTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP FOR CONSIDERATION.

Tim Bourke: Member of the NKC for 40 years. Positions held in the Club include President, Treasurer, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaw Review Committee, member of the membership application revision committee and Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. Activities in the NKC include ring stewarding, catalog sales, judge's transportation, judges' luncheon and p.a. announcer. I was a charter member of the Greater Omaha St. Bernard Club 41 years ago and served as president, vice-president, show chairman and newsletter editor. I am a member of the St. Bernard Club of America. I have judged several St. Bernard sweepstakes and numerous all-breed fun matches. I am a past president of the Greater Omaha Pharmacists Association. I was a national delegate and past treasurer of the Nebraska Hospital Pharmacists Association. I exhibited and bred St. Bernards for the 41 years. Seven years ago, I added a Vizsla to my household. I am married and have two grown children and 3 grandchildren. Occupation: Pharmacist. Having served for 30 years on the NKC board, I have a through understanding and background of Club goals and activities.

---Submitted by Tim Bourke

Cheryl L. Morris, Ph.D.: I was invited to join NKC 2 years ago in order to assist with the agility trial. In 2010, I became the Chair for the agility trial at the Annual NKC show in July and continue that role in 2011. Although dogs have been part of life since childhood, my interest in training and showing developed in graduate school while I was finsihing a Ph.D in animal nutrition. My Rat Terrier and I became registered for animal-assisted therapy through Therapy Dogs International, and the Delta Society. Although we experienced Rally Obedience and Flyball, the sport of agility captured my attention and has been my focus for the past 5 years. Currently I compete locally and nationally. In addition to Chairing the NKC trial, I have volunteered and served in every job role necessary for agility (gate steward, chief ring steward, awards, and course builder to name a few) and have volunteered as ring steward for several obedience and rally obedience trials. I have also served as an AKC secretary for an Earthdog test.

I enjoy instructing agility classes and classes that give people an opportunity to build a lifelong positive relationship with their dogs, regardless of their desire to step into a competitive show ring. I am a strong advocate for the inclusion of mixed breed dogs into the Companion Events through AKC and believe that I can assist NKC with strengthening the Companion Events offered.

---Submitted by Cheryl Morris

Debby Stokley: I have been a member of the Nebraska Kennel Club since 2001 and a member of the board since 2003. It has been my pleasure to represent the club on this exemplary board and to act as the club Treasurer for the majority of that time.

I am an active volunteer at our annual Dog Show as well as the Tracking and Herding trials that are held every year. I show my beloved Bouvier des Flandres in conformation and am eagerly awaiting warmer weather so that I can again begin training for our tracking test.

I would appreciate the opportunity to again represent the club on the Board of Directors.

---Submitted by Debby Stokley

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Sue Volkmer: I have been a member of NKC for approximately 4 years and have served on the Board for 2 years. My interests are education, community outreach, and hospitality. I have worked the education booth at the show for 3 years and helped with hospitality 1 year. I have also worked the herding trial and tracking test for the last 3 years. I have a Gr. Ch. Bouvier des Flandres and a Ch. Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen (PBGV).

---Submitted by Sue Volkmer

Ron Weaks: I served on NKC's Board for two terms during the late 80's thru early 90's, and as 1st Vice-president from 1991-1992. Over the years, I have worked at NKC conformation shows, Agility Trials and Tracking tests. I have bred 4 AKC champions. I showed six dogs to their Championships. I have put CD and CDX's on two of my doges in obedience. I have put Agility Excellent titles on six dogs and a Master's title on another. I have two dogs with Versatility Excellent titles and two "Obedience Dog of the Year" titles awarded by the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America. I have or have had Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers, Border Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, a Miniature Schnauzer and a Border Collie.

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To RSVP, contact Sue Volkmer: 402-932-5974 or drsuz1990@yahoo.com

NKC Standing Committees

2011 Show Chair	Pam Swisher
Librarian/Historian	Mary Ann Jaworski
Education	Dona Rosales
Growler Editor	Sharon Bourke
Training Director	Elly Rensink
Community Outreach	Vacancy
NKC/AKC Legislative Liaison	Sandy Orr
Tracking	Shelly Rehmeier
Strategic Planning	Tim Bourke
Meeting Refreshments	Jan Hague
Specialty Coordinator	Sandy Orr

NKC
2011 Calendar of Events

February 16	Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet
March 2	Board Meeting
April 6	Board Meeting
April 20	General Meeting
May 4	Board Meeting
June 1	Board Meeting
June 15,	General Meeting
July 6	Board Meeting
July 15, 16, & 17	NKC Dog Shows
August 3	Board Meeting
September 7	Board Meeting
September 21	General Meeting
October 5	Board Meeting
October 19	General Meeting
November 2	Board Meeting
December 7	Board Meeting

Note: List subject to change *--Sharon Bourke, Editor*

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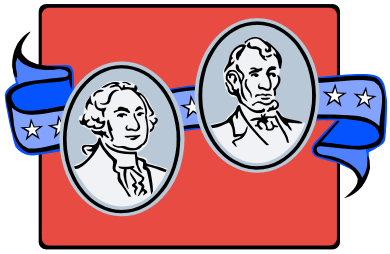

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