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OUR DOGS DO STUFF!

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Happy Easter!

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I wanted to start off this new Newsletter with a sincere apology to the members for the lull in the Newsletter towards the end of last year. However, we now have a new addition to the Newsletter staff, Lena Ralston. Both her and Scarlett Saunders took the brunt of the work for this issue and did a fantastic job while at it!

We have a fantastic new year ahead of us, and an opportunity as well. We are getting ever closer to reaching our goal of Parent Club status for the UWSC. I expect that this year, like the last, will be full of wonderful opportunities and news to report about our whites, and that we will continue to show the world how wonderful our dogs are!

As always the staff of the UWSC Newsletter likes to have feedback about it, and we very much look forward to any articles, blurbs, announcements and anything else you might have to report. This newsletter is for you, the members, and we hope that you enjoy it!

Sincerely and Respectfully,

Catherine E.P. Helfgott



Letter from the President

Diana Updike

Dear Members,

I just received a letter from the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program and I am very pleased to inform you that the United White Shepherd Club, along with other clubs, helped earn in excess of \$596,000, which will benefit canine health!

Our club currently has 90 Pro Club Members declared for this program. There were 13 Pro Club Members that submitted weight circles from January through December 2008 and they earned \$440.38 for their participation! And, as a result, \$220.19 has been given to the Canine Health Foundation in our Club's name and the other \$220.19 has been given directly to our Club for use in the area(s) of: canine health research, education, and/or rescue.

In June, when we meet for our annual club meeting (exact date/time to be determined), please bring your ideas and suggestions as to how we should disburse these funds. Offhand, a couple of recommends come to mind. We can consider donating a portion (or all) to the White Shepherd Genetics Project *or* we could use the funds to sponsor a person with respect to attending the next Canine Health Foundation Conference (assuming there will be another in Fall 2009 or 2010).

I'd like to remind everyone that the June UKC Premier shows are PRE-ENTRY only and there is an early entry closing date for both the Top Ten Competition and all 3 UKC hosted shows. Also, the UWSC Specialty Show is PRE-ENTRY only, however, the closing date is not until the week prior (but, don't delay!).

Lastly, I ask you to extend your deepest sympathy to Maggie Keller and her family. On March 30th, her husband, John, was taken from this physical world. Maggie indicated "He is in heaven watching over the White Shepherds that have gone on before." And, I believe this statement to be true, as he genuinely loved this breed. John would haul their 5th Wheel Trailer to the shows so that Maggie and their Granddaughter, Breanna, could partake. Many of us that knew John will miss him dearly but he will always be in our hearts.

Yours for the White Shepherd,

Diana



Letter from the Editor

Hello everyone,

The excitement is building... the big UKC Premier & our UWSC National Specialty is just around the corner! I hope everyone has gotten their entries in already or will be very soon. Please remember there is an early closing date for Premier and Top Ten entries.

Our club's elections are coming up soon as well. Miranda has put together the ballots (Thank you Miranda) and will be sending them out very soon. I hope everyone will take a few moments to read the candidates bio's here in this newsletter and take the time to send in your vote, this is YOUR club and we want to hear your voice, **so please vote!!** :0) The results will be announced during the annual club meeting and also in our May/June newsletter. Good luck to all of the candidates!

Our club will be going through some changes this election as our beloved current President has decided to step down from her position this election. Diana Updike has been a part of this club since the beginning and has worked very hard for our white dogs. Thank you Diana for your dedication and hard work these past years. We will miss you as our leader. :0(

We are happy to be able to welcome new club members, the Lowry Family to our club!

We had a great response to our Easter contest! So many lovely entries!! I wanted to take a moment to say "Thank you" to Mona Persson for judging our contest. Congratulations to all of the winners!! We will be sending out your certificates & free ad codes very soon. Thank you to everyone who sent in entries!!

On a final and sad note... our Newsletter staff is losing Cate Helfgott. Though we are sad to be losing her Cate has explained that her jobs are just keeping her to busy to be able to for fill her position on the newsletter staff. Thank you Cate for your work in the past on our newsletter.

Hope everyone had a great Easter!

Your newsletter editor,

Scarlett Sanders

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Brag!

Upcoming Shows

Conformation and Junior Showmanship

- 04/25/2009 – Modesto, CA: North -Western American Eskimo Association
- 04/11/2009 – Hollywood, FL: Mid Florida Dog Club
- 04/18/2009 - Schiller park, IL: For Your Canine Sports Club
- 04/25/2009 – Elburn, IL: Kay-9 Petiquette
- 04/25/2009 – Tonganoxie, KS: Heartland Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 04/25/2009 – Westfield, MA: Apple Valley Rat Terrier Club
- 04/04/2009 - Whitmore Lake, MI: Michigan Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 04/25/2009 – Buchanan, MI: Echo Club
- 04/18/2009 – Minneapolis, MN: Northern Lights American Eskimo Dog Association
- 04/04/2009 - Long Beach, MS: Great Southern Kennel Club
- 04/24/2009 – Jayess, MS: Mississippi State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 04/18/2009 – Sparks, NV: Silver State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 04/10/2009 – Dallas, NC: Tar Heel Kennel Club
- 04/17/2009 – Wapakoneta, OH: Ohio Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 04/25/2009 – Norman, OK: Oklahoma American Eskimo Dog Club
- 04/04/2009 - St Helens, OR: American Eskimo Dog Association of Oregon
- 04/25/2009 – Lewisberry, PA: Trained n' Talented Canines
- 04/18/2009 – Athens, TN: Great Smoky Mountain Dog Club
- 04/18/2009 – Denton, TX: North Texas American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 04/04/2009 – Warrenton, VA: Shenandoah Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 04/17/2009 – Chesterfield, VA: Mid-Atlantic Kennel Club
- 04/25/2009 - Roanoke, VA: United Labrador Retriever Association

- 05/09/2009 - Santa Barbara , CA: Catahoula Owners, Breeders and Research Ass.
- 05/15/2009 - Rancho Cordova, CA: Nor Cal APBT club
- 05/22/2009 – Claremont, CA: American Pit Bull Terrier Club of Southern California
- 05/23/2009 – Lakeland, FL: Sunshine Terrier Club
- 05/23/2009 – Hollywood, FL: Mid Florida Dog Club
- 05/15/2009 – Perry, GA: Middle Georgia Kennel Club
- 05/14/2009 – Dunlap, IL: Mid-Lakes Australian Shepherd Club
- 05/16/2009 – Dunlap, IL: Illinois Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 05/02/2009 – Laporte, IN: Trail Creek Dog Training Club



U Gr Ch Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil CD, RE, PT, JHD, TT (Wynnter) got her AKC CD title in Toledo! Mandy Phillips & Wynnter took a **First place** and were the only dog/handler that qualified! They earned their **ASCA CD** just a couple of weeks after earning their AKC CD!

Wynnter is now the 1st White Shepherd with an ASCA obedience title!

Owner: Mandy Phillips

Foxhunt's Enchanted Wizard of Oz (Wizard) graduated from the class on April 5 and completed his AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy test successfully!

Owners: Nicole Harmer and Scarlett Sanders, Breeder: Scarlett Sanders

Conformation and Junior Showmanship (continued)

- 05/16/2009 - Bel Air, Maryland: Old Line State United Dog Club
- 05/01/2009 – Belleville, MI: Michigan Gun Dog Club
- 05/01/2009 – Belleville, MI: United Hungarian Wire-Haired Vizsla Association
- 05/02/2009 – Belleville, MI: Michigan American Pit Bull Terrier Association
- 05/08/2009 – Centreville, MI: K9 Fanciers
- 05/08/2009 – Locke, NY: Empire State Dog Club
- 05/09/2009 – Locke, NY: Finger Lakes American Eskimo Dog Association
- 05/16/2009 – Ravenna, OH: Carnation City Kennel Club
- 05/29/2009 – Wapakoneta, OH: Ohio Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 05/09/2009 – Warner, OK: Performance Events Trials and Shows
- 05/02/2009 – Hutto, TX: National American Eskimo Dog Association
- 05/02/2009 - Virginia Beach, VA: Hampton Roads Weight Pull Cub
- 05/30/2009 – Chehalis, WA: American Eskimo Dog Association of Washington
- 05/30/2009 – Ixonia, WI: Wisconsin Boston Terrier Association
- **06/11-14/2009 – Kalamazoo, MI: United Kennel Club Premier Dog Show**

Obedience Events

- 04/04/2009 - San Diego, CA: All Breed Obedience Club
- 04/18/2009 - Georgetown Ontario, Canada: Maple Leaf Kennel Club
- 04/04/2009 – Jacksonville, FL: First Coast Dog Obedience Club
- 04/11/2009 – Ocala, FL: United Marion Dog Training Association
- 04/11/2009 - Loves Park, IL: Rock Valley Kennel Federation
- 04/18/2009 – Minneapolis, MN: Northern Lights American Eskimo Dog Association
- 04/18/2009 – Sherwood, OR: Northwest Oregon Dog Training Club
- 04/08/2009 - Fountain Inn, SC: Carolina Obedience & Agility Trainers

- 05/16/2009 – Longmont, CO: Twin Peaks Dog Club
- 05/30/2009 - St Petersburg, FL: United Dog Training Club of St Petersburg
- 05/02/2009 – Pottstown, IL: Kickapoo Kreek K9 Klub
- 05/02/2009 – Laporte, IN: Trail Creek Dog Training Club
- 05/15/2009 - Cedar Rapids, Iowa: 4RK9's Inc
- 05/02/2009 – Dexter, MI: Run For Fun
- 05/30/2009 – Springfield, Missouri: Competition Dogs of the Ozarks
- 05/16/2009 – Flanders, NJ: Pennjy Obedience Club
- 05/16/2009 – Ravenna, OH: Carnation City Kennel Club

Weight Pull Events

- 03/13/2009 – Kalamazoo, MI: All American Bulldog Club
- 03/14/2009 – Shakopee, MN: Minnesota Mixed Breed Club
- 03/20/2009 – Hickory, NC: UKC Carolina Classic CHECK THE DATE!
- 03/14/2009 – Morristown, TN: Working Dog Association
- 03/27/2009 – Roy, WA: Rainier Weight Pullers Association
- 04/04/2009 – Oceanside, CA: Rip Curl Weight Pullers
- 04/11/2009 – Leslie, MI: Mid West Weight Pullers
- 04/24/2009 – Jayess, MS: Mississippi State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 04/25/2009 – Jayess, MS: United National Weight Pull Association



Goldfield Question Authority (Quest)

CPE Agility Trial - Gray's Harbor, WA
March 14 & 15, 2009

Five - 1st place Q's out of nine events!
Two new titles!

Owner: Betty Tanner



UKC Ch Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa, HIC, OFA H&E (Koa) took WSCC Best of Breed on Sunday, March 22!

Sire: Royal Von Tasz Classic Combo (Hugo) Dam: Celestial Haleys Comet Von Tasz (Haley)

Owned by Jackie O'Connor, Handled by Shannon O'Connor
Breeder: Mona Persson

Weight Pull Events (continued)

- 04/04/2009 – Niota, TN: Athens Tn SDA Association
- 04/18/2009 – Denton, TX: North Texas American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 04/11/2009 – Longview, WA: Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club

- 05/15/2009 – Perry, GA: Middle Georgia Kennel Club
- 05/16/2009 - Bel Air, Maryland: Old Line State United Dog Club
- 05/08/2009 – Centreville, MI: All American Bulldog Club
- 05/08/2009 – Reno, NV: Silver State APBT Club
- 05/22/2009 – Niota, TN: Athens TN SDA Association
- 05/02/2009 - Virginia Beach, VA: Hampton Roads Weight Pull Cub
- 05/15/2009 – Roy, WA: Rainier Weight Pullers Association

Agility Events

- 03/28/2009 - New Hill, NC: Autumn Winds Agility Club
- 04/11/2009 – Ocala, FL: United Marion Dog Training Association
- 04/04/2009 – Warrenville, IL: Smack-Dab's Obedience Training
- 04/18/2009 – Manville, IL: United Piece of Cake Dog Club
- 04/25/2009 – Newburgh, IN: Lincoln Trail Belgian Shepherd Dog Club
- 04/25/2009 - Grand Blanc, MI: Dogsports of Genesee County
- 04/04/2009 – Dayton, OH: Gem City Dog Obedience Club
- 04/25/2009 – Montpelier, OH: Northwest Ohio Dog Obedience Club
- 04/25/2009 – Lewisberry, PA: Trained N' Talented Canines
- 04/11/2009 – Ixonia, WI: Bark River Dog Club

- 05/09/2009 – Escondido, CA: San Diego Dog Fanciers
- 05/09/2009 – Lakeland, FL: United IPOC
- 05/30/2009 - St Petersburg, FL: United Dog Training Club of St Petersburg
- 05/02/2009 – Pottstown, IL: Kickapoo Kreek K9 Klub
- 05/16/2009 – Cornell, IL: United Piece of Cake Dog Club
- 05/30/2009 – Lawrence, KS: United Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club
- 05/02/2009 – Dexter, MI: Run For Fun
- 05/16/2009 – Lansing, MI: MI Dog Agility
- 05/02/2009 – Chesapeake, VA: Tidewater Dog Performance Club

Dog Sport Events

- 05/08/2009 – Loomis, CA: Iapc Sport Club
- 05/02/2009 - Saint Johns, MI: Capital City Dogsports Association



Royal Lady Isis IQ (Isis) earned **Best of Breed** in the Saturday pm AWSA show! Isis is 15 months old, bred and owned by Jean Reeves, Handled by Miranda

Sire: Vantasia's Merlin Lancelot
 Dam: Royals Timeless Treasure



Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger (Hemi) earned **Best of Breed** in the first AWSA show, **Best of Winners** in the Saturday WSCC show and **Reserve Winners Dog** twice on Sunday

Sire: Tumbledown's Super Sonic
 Dam: Surefire's Sugar Magnolia V Starr

Owner: Mona Persson
 Breeder: Keslie Joyce

Meet The Character PORTER



We have now had Porter for 3 months and we are completely in love with him! Every morning he is like clock-work. My husband gets up with the dogs and plays with them for about 15 minutes or so and then no later than 7 a.m. Porter is scratching at the bedroom door wanting to come in and tell me "Good morning!" My husband puts him up in bed with me and I must say, there is no reason for me to wash my face after I get up b/c Porter does such a great job of it!! Not only does he give kisses all over my face but it never fails he accidentally gets my nose in all the excitement and decides he may as well lay right on top of my head instead of laying on the bed.

As the morning goes along Porter plays inside and out with our other 2 dogs, but as soon as I start drying my hair, there he is! He comes in the bathroom and lays underneath the vanity to catch a quick snooze. He stays in there until I am done with my hair and off he goes for play round #2. The other thing that Porter is known for is being the "sock bandit!" He will find a sock no matter where it is and he will walk out, head held high, so proud that he has, yet again, found another sock!

My husband likes to think that Porter is a daddy's boy, but I had to break it to him that he is definitely a mama's boy! That is what we raise down here in the South, ha-ha! We have many things we want to do with Porter, the most important thing we want to do is to get him therapy certified! Dogs work wonders in our lives and the things they can do for those that are ill or with disabilities really makes an impact on their lives. We are also going to take a shot at getting into performance

events and see how Porter does with rally. I have never done anything like that so it should be interesting. Porter and I will be learning together!! We have thoroughly enjoyed the addition of a white shepherd to our family. Not only is he a lot of fun but he is also so smart, a lover boy and just so handsome!

Tara Tippit



AWSA/WSCC Chicago Land Pet Fair Dog Show

By Arleen Ravanelli

A Dog show yes, but like no other I have ever experienced. Where else can you attend a dog show with Cats and Birds being shown at the same time, over 300 vendor booths showcasing everything from snakes to lizards and 100,000's of pet products being sold. Agility demos, Disc Flying demos, dancing dog demo's, contests for everything under the sun; this is just a few things that go on over the weekend all under one roof.

This show gives socializing your dog a totally new meaning!!! It is truly a family event and there is something for every one, even if they are odd enough not to like watching our shows ☺

It is all so the first real get together after the long winter for most of us and a wonderful way to catch up on things with members and meet all the new pups they have kept over the winter, and to see how the older dogs have matured from last year. It is amazing to me how a few months not only changes the dogs but the people, one person I will not name, seemed to disappear she lost so much weight, and don't even get me started on how big all the kids in Juniors are now!!!

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I think the puppies are my favorite part of these shows; they seem to take all the chaos in stride, unlike myself. We of course had moments with them – like my own personal embarrassment when Keely pooped in the ring while being shown. And the inevitable chasing and barking of play rather than showing. But their presents add laughter to the ring and awws from all the spectators like no other.



Mona did an amazing job this year and we had 5 wonderful judges and a very nice turn out of dogs. I was pleased to see the wins spread around this year, it is always nice to see different dogs take the wins, rather than the same one winning it all – now if I could just figure out how to get my dog in that winning category I would really be happy.

People stopped at the show as well as the booth to learn about our breed. They drew in people from all the way down the hall to come see them and find out more. It was a wonderful way to show case our breed and educate people about these amazing dogs and breed.

So next year come join us – bring the family. But I have to warn you be prepared to spend a lot of money – no way possible to get out of that place with out at least 10 new dog toys, new yummy treats, and of course a few things for the house and your self as well.

Thank you Mona, job well done and I can't wait till next year!!!

*AWSA/WSCC Chicago Land Pet Fair Dog Show
(Continued)*





Lost your pet???

10 Important Steps to take if you have lost a pet:

1. Search your property thoroughly! Check in all small spaces, inside appliances (washer, dryer, etc.) every nook and cranny!
2. Walk the neighborhood calling to your pet, make noise with favorite toy or treat bag, take your other pet with you if possible. Talk to all the neighbors while you are out there and leave them with your pet's description and your phone number. Talk to everyone you see in the neighborhood while you are out (mailman, bus driver, etc.) Get the kids in the neighborhood on your team!
3. Notify all the local authorities (police, animal control/shelters) veterinary hospitals, and any independent rescue organizations in your area.
4. Get your pet's picture out on a flyer as soon as possible. Aim for intersections where people are slowing down and stopping first, starting within a 1 mile radius of your home. Then head for local businesses (gas stations, groceries, pet stores, etc.)
5. Visit the local postmaster and ask if he/she will give your flyer to the postal delivery persons. Visit the school bus garage and ask the same. (Consider garbage service, UPS/FedEx, pizza delivery etc too!) Most people will do this for you!
6. Visit the local animal shelters and rescues in person. Try to check every 1-3 days.
7. Find out what authority is responsible for picking up dead animals on the road (Animal Control, DPW, DOT, etc.) and check with them daily. :(
8. Place ads in the local papers. Check the found ads every day.
9. Post on as many websites as you can find: Petfinder.com, Fidofinder.com, Dogdetective.com, LostandPound.com, and many more. Google "lost pet websites" and take your pick! Post on Craig's list too.
10. Consider an animal communicator if you are open to it. Lorrie the Pet Psychic (248-328-9511) lorriethepetpsychic.com. There may be others in your area too! These individuals can often give you valuable info to hone in on your pet's location.

Visit <http://www.petrescue.com/library/find-pet.htm> for a more complete article.

Do not give up! Some pets are returned home after months away!!!

Meet The Character

PIRATE



Pirate is such an unbelievable character! I have NEVER trained a dog like him - nor has our instructor.

He is a cautious guy, but VERY willing to try anything, just careful. He has had on and off concerns about the dog walk. Not enough to stop him from doing it, but enough to make him hesitate and slow down on it sometimes. He was putting his front feet on the board and walking along side it on his hind legs, as if he was testing it, for a while.

We were not pushing him, but he was determined and he just kept trying it again and again and again. We just stood and watched him because it was fascinating how determined he was to do it. After about a dozen attempts, with not a word from me or Karen, he went right on it and completed it beautifully. He then proceeded to go back the other direction, and again the first way. He kept doing this on his own, without treats or even encouragement from either of us. We were just spectators. It was like he was determined to get it down solid until he felt confident. Neither of us has ever seen a dog work at something like that, on his own. At least not something that frightened him.

We went on to some sequences of jumps, which he completed beautifully. He is a perfectionist. In between times, every time Karen and I were discussing something, Pirate took advantage of the break and went back to the dog walk to practice it, on his own - no treats, no toy thrown, just working away and gaining confidence. We just watched him in amazement. He got better and better and faster and faster on it. He has just got to be the coolest dog I have ever trained. He loves agility and he is determined to become totally competent. It is downright weird and soooo cute. He REALLY works at it. Karen suggested that maybe he was thinking: "I am a German Shepherd, I cannot be afraid of anything, I have to work this out!"

When we arrive at the barn he takes off and does the course on his own, while we discuss the game plan for our lesson. When we are ready I call him and he comes immediately ready to work. Don't know what I did to deserve this guy, but I am certainly enjoying him. I cannot get the smile off my face throughout the entire lesson.

Betty Tanner



Helping a Dog Who Can't Walk Much.

Spirit came to me from Pam and Michele Koons. I was at a training session to pick out my new dog for my first house when I saw this beautiful white shepherd who wouldn't take her eyes off of a little girl. I started talking with the lady next to me and I told her that the dog really loved that girl. The lady was Pam Koons and that was her daughter Michele with their dog Ashley.

Pam told me that Ashley is pregnant and if I wanted a puppy she would keep me in mind. The love story with Spirit happened. If I could have custom ordered a dog from heaven, God would have sent me my Spirit...

Spirit has Degenerative Myelopathy and was diagnosed at 13 years old. She didn't have problems from this disease until a month ago and now has difficulty walking but still follows me all through the house, plays with the squeaky tennis balls with Ziva and Mirage. She also has cancer but it is in its second remission and no further issues in over a year from it. Spirit is now 13 and five months. She got her new dogcart the other day. We went for a brief walk today while Mirage, Fantom and Ziva watched. Spirit was so happy to be able to move around again and play with the pups in the yard. That's my girl!

I was asked to put together a list of items that I use for my Spirit girl to help her with her walking in case anyone might need something like this. I hope you find this useful. Spirit really helps me a lot and tells me what she wants, so she is really easy to take care of and she is not in any pain. If you didn't look at Spirit from her back end you couldn't tell anything was wrong.

Items you may need

- Dog sling-padded
- Dog Stretcher for transporting to vet
- Dog ramp for vehicle if dog can walk with sling
- Dog diapers but not all dogs can use them (explained below)
- Dog cart
- Puppy pads
- Dog boots/ Gauze wraps and antibiotics
- Orthopedic bed that is easy for the dog to pull themselves up and down on
- Disinfectant
- Black rubber mats that have carpet on them. (Home Depot)
- Soap that is easy to rinse out (Phisoderm or Cetaphil)
- Lots of Terri cloth small towels (Costco buy the Terri shop towels, make sure no chemicals)
- Large waterproof pads and a couple medium pads (Go to medical supplies for people like Write and Philips. The pads are larger from there and not as expensive as pet supplies). You need to be able to wash some and be using some

Vet Assistance

If your vet does not make house calls you may consider finding a Mobile Vet Service. Spirit can stand on her legs and walk about two feet before her back turns and she lays her back end down.

Helping a Dog Who Can't Walk Much. (Continued)

Her handicap has not seemed to slow her down any and she will be following me room to room and lie down next to me when I am doing dishes or on the computer. I wanted to get her a cart because she still goes to the back door and barks when she needs to go out. She also wants to go out with Ziva and Mirage and I could see that it was making her sad. I would take her out with the sling around her, but I couldn't keep up with her and holding up any of our big dogs is hard. Now she is happy again.

When Spirit started showing signs that something was wrong she would be standing and have one back foot with the toes bent over. Just looking at her you would think that would hurt standing on tip toes, but she does not feel it. When I took her to the vet, they bent her toes over and she stood on them, she didn't straighten them out. When I tried it with Ziva, she picked her foot up right away and fixed it. As Spirit's condition went on, I had to buy gauze and antibiotics to wrap around her feet so when she dragged the tops running or walking they wouldn't get scraped. Spirit needed to walk with assistance about a month in a half ago so I had to get creative; especially with a dog like Spirit where her handicap is not going to stop her any.

Here's the hardest issue I had to help her with. Spirit bends her back sideways from the lower half so it makes things a little hard. This compresses her bladder so when she has to go she has to go. Putting diapers on Spirit does not work because she pulls herself places and slips right out of them. We have a routine time to go outside with the sling and I also use the bed size waterproof pads that you find for people and taped to the floor in a corner. On top of that I taped waterproof puppy pads so she can go. I through the tissue pads away and wash the cloth pads. I use the Terri cloths to wash Spirit off every time she goes. It's important that she stays very clean. The soap that you use needs to rinse off easy and is gentile to use often.

Next, I had to help Spirit travel where she wants to. The slippery floor inside the house isn't any good and any floor runner would just ball up as she tried to scoot over it. I found the heavy rubber mats that have carpet on them at a Home Depot.

I bought enough to make a path through the house where she always follows me. They don't ball up under her and they provide her front-end traction so she doesn't slip.

Okay, I know you're asking, why do this? Spirit is having too much fun with Ziva and Mirage and doesn't show any signs of quitting. Also, keeping Spirit confined, well, that's just not her. She always wants to be where the action is. I always feel bad watching her try to follow me, but my vet said that she loves you and she just wants to be with you, if she didn't want to do it she wouldn't.

It's work out time

The other important thing that I do with Spirit is exercise. Spirit likes to watch TV, so while she is barking at Animal Planet I lay down on her pet bed help her work out. I move each toe, paw and leg for a half hour, and then I switch legs. It's real important to do this for her so she keeps her muscles from dying and becoming useless.

Today, Spirit, Fantom, Ziva and Mirage were outside with me. Spirit was in her cart cruising all over. I took string cheese and made a path in the yard. Spirit raced the puppies to get the cheese and won a few times. The neighborhood kids stopped by to give her a hug. My brother and his friend thought that it was great and are making racing stripes and numbers for her cart. Everyone loves Spirit!

Helping a Dog Who Can't Walk Much. (Postscript)

In memory of Spirit...

September 20, 1995 - April 4, 2009.

The two nights before she left me, we enjoyed a few pieces of pizza together (I knew it was getting close) and watched the movie Bolt. As usual, she barked at the dog and barked when Bolt barked. I am so glad I got to do that with her. I was waiting for the movie to come out so we could watch it together.

Spirit put up a good fight. As much as she was hurting she did not want to leave me. The last couple of days something happened to her. I woke up with her barking and barking in mid air and couldn't figure out what was wrong. This was the beginning of changes for the worst and she began declining fast. She couldn't move around much at all and needed help. She had an accident and I went to clean her up. Spirit started crying when I moved her tail or her legs to wash her. The vet said there was a lot going on with her. Probably overall the cancer was causing this. But she also had reoccurring bladder infections and the spinal problem.

The next night at 2:00 am Spirit woke me up and I noticed her breathing has changed. Me, Fantom, Ziva and Mirage sat with her and loved her up, and then the vet came. Ziva and Mirage were kissing her and I was holding her crying then she went.

It wasn't how much I loved Spirit... Losing Spirit is so hard, because I never had any animal show me how much she loved me.

Pam Horner

Spirit, Fantom, Ziva and Mirage



Spirit as puppy.



Spirit with her friends.



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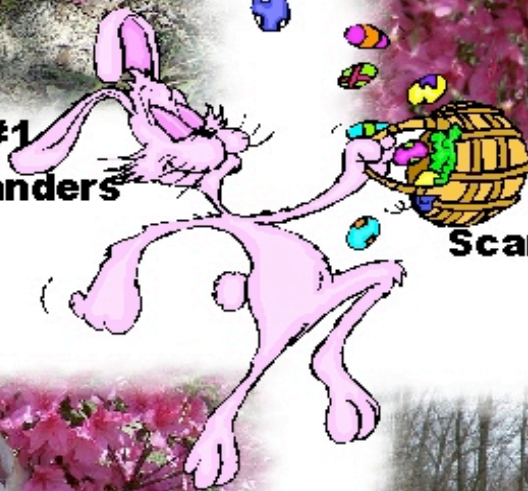
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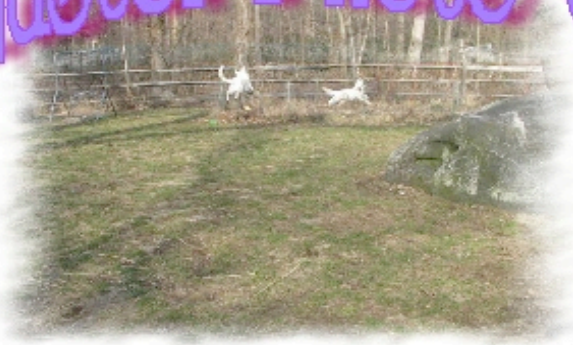
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Entry #6
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Robin Davey



Entry #9
Robin Davey



Entry #10
Tara Tippit



Easter Photo Contest Entries...



Entry #11
Cathy Wasman



Entry #12
Cathy Wasman



Entry #13
Betty Tanner



*Good Luck
Everyone!*



Easter Photo Contest Winners

Cutest



Best

Prettiest



Funniest

*A special "Thank you" to
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★ Puppies Announcements!



March 2009 Litter at Kaufman Farm Kennels – Athena (UKC CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna) and Brutus (UKC CH Kaufman's Brutal Reality) Pups! Six boys, one girl! They are 4 weeks old now and are all spoken for!

Congratulations Julie Cornelius!



March 2009 Litter at Hidden Hill Kennels - Sandhill's Twist of Fate, (Zehra) and Maplehofe's White King.

Two girls and one boy!

Congratulations Cathy Wasman!



★ Puppies Announcements!



March 2009 Litter at Keepsake Shepherds – Ch Starr's Spirit of the Earth and Surefire's Spirit of the River are the proud parents of 5 males and 7 females! There are a few puppies still available for reservation.

Congratulations Erica L Canaday!

April litter at Noblewood Kennels - Regalwise Regine V Surefire and Bahr S Bearndt Von Fleet. Reggie whelped her litter on April 8th. She had four healthy pups!

Congratulations Linda Machorro!

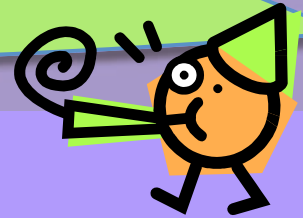


March 2009 Litter – Misty (UKC CH Starr Ms Misty) and Sailor (UKC CH / IABCA Puppy Ch. Hallmark Help On The Way v Starr) Pups!

Congratulations Cathy Norlin!



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CANADA

November 15, 2008

Show One - 1 Entry - Judge: William Orwin

Jr. Female BF BOB Group 2nd CH Regalwise Victorious Faith - Elena Ralston

Show Two - 1 Entry - Judge: Maurice Baughn

Jr. Female BF BOB Group 2nd CH Regalwise Victorious Faith - Elena Ralston

COLORADO

November 22, 2008

Show One - 2 Entries - Judge: Richard Kortemeier

Male Puppy BM BOW BOB CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

Female Puppy BF SureFire's Enchanted Izzy - Nicole Harmer/ Rhonda McMahan

Show Two - 2 Entries - Judge: Sherry Baker Brooks

Male Puppy BM BOW BOB CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

Female Puppy BF SureFire's Enchanted Izzy - Nicole Harmer/ Rhonda McMahan

Group 2nd: CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

November 23, 2008

Show One: 2 Entries - Judge: Joyce Lea Hanson

Female Puppy BF BOB SureFire's Enchanted Izzy - Nicole Harmer/ Rhonda McMahan
CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

Show Two - 2 Entries - Judge: Ruth Kramer

Female Puppy BF SureFire's Enchanted Izzy - Nicole Harmer/ Rhonda McMahan

CH BOB CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

Group 4th - CH Foxhunt's Enchanted Yaschek - Nicole Harmer

MICHIGAN

December 12, 2008

Show One - 2 Entries - Judge: Sue Rose

Male Puppy BM BOB Marike Willys Razz Ma Tazz - Shirley White-Black

GRCH GRCH Kyra's Kin-King Kole Von Tasz - Judy Huston

December 13, 2008

Show One - 2 Entries - Judge: Joyce Lea-Hanson

Male Puppy BM Marike Willys Razz Ma Tazz - Shirley White-Black

GRCH BOB GRCH Kyra's Kin-King Kole Von Tasz - Judy Huston

Show Two - 1 Entry - Judge: Mary King

Male Puppy BM BOB Group 3rd Marike Willys Razz Ma Tazz - Shirley White-Black

MICHIGAN (continue)

December 14, 2008

Show One - 1 Entry - Judge: Sandra Shaw

Male Puppy BM BOB Marike Willys Razz Ma Tazz - Shirley White-Black

Show Two - 1 Entry - Judge: Lorraine Tayeb

Male Puppy BM BOB Marike Willys Razz Ma Tazz - Shirley White-Black

November 29, 2008

Show One - 1 Entry - Judge: Sally Davidson

NFP BP Wyndsong Moonlight Sonta - Fred Price

WASHINGTON

November 28, 2008

Show One - 2 Entries - Judge: Danny Bussard

Jr. Male RBM Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male BM BOB Group 3rd Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

Show Two - 2 Entries - Judge: John Booth

Jr. Male RBM Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male BM BOB Group 3rd Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

November 29, 2008

Show One - 4 Entries - Judge: Lorraine Tayeb

Male Puppy BM BOB Group 2nd SureFire Aragorn of Dunedain - Rhonda McMahan

Jr. Male Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male RBM Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

CH CH Starr Shiver Me Timbers - Betty Tanner

Show Two - 4 Entries - Judge: Dennis Blickenstaff

Male Puppy BM BOB Group 2nd SureFire Aragorn of Dunedain - Rhonda McMahan
Jr. Male Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male RBM Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

CH CH Starr Shiver Me Timbers - Betty Tanner

November 30, 2008

Show One - 4 Entries - Judge: Jerry Brown

Male Puppy BM SureFire Aragorn of Dunedain - Rhonda McMahan

Jr. Male RBM Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

CH BOB Group 2nd CH Starr Shiver Me Timbers - Betty Tanner

Show Two - 4 Entries - Judge: Joyce Leahanson

Male Puppy SureFire Aragorn of Dunedain - Rhonda McMahan

Jr. Male RBM Surefire Faramir Of Gondor - Rhonda McMahan

Sr. Male BM Royal Raphael v. SureFire - Rhonda McMahan

CH BOB Group 2nd CH Starr Shiver Me Timbers - Betty Tanner

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Sanctioned Entries

- 3-21 AWSA – Judge: Roger Bennett, Dogs 8 (4pts) Bitches 11 (4pts), 0 specials, 18 Top Ten
- 3-21 WSCC – Judge: Julie Felten, Dogs 7 (5pts) Bitches 11 (4pts), 1 sp dog, 0 sp bitches
- 3-21 AWSA – Judge: Lynette Rutz, Dogs 8 (3pts) Bitches 10 (3pts), 0 specials, 17 Top Ten
- 3-22 AWSA – Judge: David Cook, Dogs 6 (3pts) Bitches 10 (3pts), 0 specials, 15 Top Ten
- 3-22 WSCC – Judge: Barb Lauer, Dogs 5 (5pts) Bitches 10 (4pts), 1 sp dog, 0 sp bitches

3-6 Month Puppy Dog

BOSP _BP_BP_BP_BP_ # 150
Shylo's Titanium Star, born 11/23/08

Sire: Royal Lord Zeus,
 Dam: Shylo'sGalaxy Star
 Breeder/owner: Arleen Ravanelli

_2_2_2_2_2_ #151
Jazmond's Snowstorm Trooper, born 12-12-08,

Sire: Jazmond's Magnificent Jem,
 Dam: Sandhill's Dazzling Jem,
 Owner: Jack & Nicki Arnold, Breeder: Pam Anderson

Bred by Exhibitor Dog

_RWD_RWD_ #152
UKC CH Von Schraders Skylar Blue,
 DOB:10/20/05

Sire: Willowood Sir Galahad, Dam : Stafford's Ava Von Schrader
 Breeder: Brenda Schrader, Owners: Brenda Schrader and Mona Persson



American Bred Dog

 2 2 WD 1 1

BIMBS UKC CH Royal Ready, Set, Go,

DOB: 4/16/07

Sire: UKC CH Regalwise Unrivaled, Dam: UKC GR CH AWSA/WSCC CH Royal Day of Providence, CGC,OFA

Breeder: Jean Reeves, Owners: Jean Reeves/Susan McGrath

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Von Schrader Heaven's Phantom

DOB: 11/12/06

Sire: Oldambt's Special Beloved Adam
 Dam: GR CH Stafford's Ava von Schrader
 Breeder: Brenda Schrader, Owner: Monica Gerzevski

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Surefire Anthem of the Sun

DOB: 05/25/06

Sire: Surefire Mr. Mister of Patchwork
 Dam: Nala Mingan
 Breeder: Keslie Joyce and Rhonda McMahon
 Owners: Keslie Joyce, Rhonda McMahon and Brenda Schrader

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UKC CH Von Schraders Skylar Blue

DOB:10/20/05

Sire: Willowood Sir Galahad
 Dam: Stafford's Ava Von Schrader
 Breeder: Brenda Schrader, Owners: Brenda Schrader and Mona Persson

Open Dog

 2 2 RWD 3 BOB,BOW,WD #156 UKC CH

Hallmark Kahuna's HanaHo Koa

DOB:12-03-2005

Sire - Royal Von Tasz Classic Combo
 Dam - Celestial Haleys' Comen Von Tasz
 Breeder - Mona Persson, Owner - Jacqueline



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__3__2__BOB,BOW,WD #157

UKC /WSCC CH Royal LordZeus,

TDI,CGC,PennHIP, OFA H&E , DOB: 07/12/05

Sire: UKC/WGS/ WSCC CH Reeves Royal Angus Von Tasz,CDX,TT,HC,CGC,OFA H&E,
 Dam: UKC CH Royal's Here We Go Again,HC,OFA
 Breeder/Owner: Jean

__4__3__4__AB__AB__ #158

UKC CH Shewana's Wyle "E" Kyloyote

DOB: 5/20/05

Sire: Shewana's CaptainCourageous
 Dam: Shewana's Good As Gold
 Breeder: Wilma Johnson, Owner: Brenda Schrader

BOB,BOW,WD BOW,WD

__3__RWD__RWD__ #159 UKC GR CH Starr

Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

DOB: 9/29/05

Sire: UKC GRCH/IABCA CH Tumbledown's Super Sonic, PennHIP, OFA H&E
 Dam: UKC GRCH Surefire's Sugar Magnolia V. Starr, PennHIP, OFA prelim H&E,
 Breeder: Keslie Joyce-Shepard, Owner: Mona Persson,

__4__3__ #152

UKC CH Von Schraders Skylar Blue,

DOB:10/20/05

Sire: Willowood Sir Galahad
 Dam: Stafford's Ava Von Schrader
 Breeder: Brenda Schrader, Owners: Brenda Schrader and Mona Persson

3-6 Month Puppy Bitch

__2__BOSP__2__1__2__ #160

Hallmark's Erika von Phenom,

DOB 09/26/08 Sire: UKC GR

Sire: CH Surefire Hemi Supercharger
 Dam: UKC GR CH Royal's Timeless Treasure,
 Breeder, Mona Persson, Owner: Cindy McCann



BP 2 BOSP 2 1 #161

Shylo's Star Keely Belle,

DOB 11/23/08

Sire: Royal Lord Zeus,

Dam: Shylo's Galaxy Star

Breeder/Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

3 3 3 3 3 #162

Jazmond's Radiant Ruby

DOB: 12-12-08

Sire: Jazmond's Magnificent Jem

Dam: Sandhill's Dazzling Jem

Breeder/Owner: Pam Anderson

4 4 4 #163

Royal Goddess Soleil

DOB: 01/18/09

Sire: Surefire Anthem of the Sun

Dam: Royal Goddess of Love

Breeder/Owner: Jean Reeves

6-9 Month Puppy Bitch

1 1 1 #164

Hallmarks Polar Express of Mephram

DOB 7/15/08

Sire: Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

Dam: Mephams Snowball

Breeder: Robbi Mephram, Owner: Barb Hively

9-12 Month Puppy Bitch

1 1 1 BOSP BOSP #165

Regalwise Yeshua's Reign

DOB: 03/12/08

Sire: Regalwise Kruger

Dam: Regalwise Rehab V Knighthuas

Breeder: Ronda Beaupre, Owner: Brenda Schrader

12-18 Month Puppy Bitch

1 1 BOB,BOW,WB 1 1 #166

Royal Lady Isis IQ,HCT,CGC

DOB: 12-8-07

Sire: Vantasia's Merlin Lancelot

Dam: UKC GR CH Royal Timeless Treasure,OFA H&E

Breeder/Owner: Jean Reeves, Valparaiso,



Bred by Exhibitor Bitch

__RWB__2__1__2__1__#167

UKC CH Royal Wish Upon a Star

DOB: 4/16/07

Sire: UKC CH Regalwise Unrivaled

Dam: UKC GR CH AWSA/WSCC CH Royal Day of Providence, CGC,OFA

Breeder: Jean Reeves, Owner: Jean Reeves/Elizabeth Homza

__2__1__2__1__2__#168

BIMBS UKC GR CH Shylo's Galaxy Star

DOB: 10/29/04

Sire: Willowwood's Proud Jack B Nimble

Dam: Royal Shylo's Nashira

Breeder/Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

American Bred Bitch

__2__BOS,WB__1__RWB__RWB__#169

UKC CH Royal Hale Koa's Makai

DOB: 09/01/2007

Sire: UKC GR CH Shewana's Wild Wild West,TDI,HIC,CGC,PennHip, OFA E

Dam: UKC CH Royal Elite Elegance, OFA H&E,

Breeder: Jean Reeves, Owner: Jackie O'Connor

__4__3__#170

FO Gr Ch Proud to be Massey's Lakyndzie RN

CD DOB 4/14/2004

Sire: FO UCD GrCH Willowood's Proud Jack B Nimble

Dam: FO Gr Ch Proud's Corinthian Connection,

Breeder: Jennifer Proud/Jonesboro

Owners: Diane and Bob Massey

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DOB:2/25/2007

Sire: FO UCD GrCH Willowood's Proud Jack B Nimble

Dam: Gr Ch Proud's Corinthian Connection

Breeder: Jennifer Proud/Jonesboro, Owners: Diane and Bob Massey



Best Junior Handler - Audra Arndt

BOS,WB _2_2_ #172

WSCC CH Sandhill's Dazzling Jem

DOB: 4/15/03

Sire: Elvis HunkaHunka Burnin Luv

Dam: B and J Sheeba Snowflake

Breeder: Brad and Julie Hansen, Owner: Pam Anderson

_3_2_3_3_3_ #173

Stafford's Ava Von Schrader

DOB 06/14/03

Sire: Staffords Spike

Dam: Staffords

Spirit, Breeder: Margaret Stafford Brenda Schrader

Open Bitch

_2_3_ #174

AWSA CH Furrari's Gypsy Mystery Jem

DOB: 11/19/00

Sire: Hally's Sky King of Furrari

Dam: Furrari's Bit of Texan Class

Breeder: Marion Lopizzo, Owner: Pam Anderson

_1_3_RWB_BOS,WB_2_ #175

UKC CH Royal Take It To The Limit CGC

DOB: 4/16/07

Sire: UKC CH Regalwise Unrivald

Dam: UKC GR CH AWSA/WSCC CH Royal Day of Providence, CGC,OFA

Breeder/Owner: Jean Reeves

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WH-Proud Krystal Ann of the Lakes

DOB: 04/22/05

Breeder: Katie Kosmach

Owner: Kevin and Laura Connor

Specials

BOB #157

UKC /WSCC CH Royal Lord

Zeus,TDI,CGC,PennHIP, OFA H&E

DOB: 07/12/05

Sire: UKC/WGS/ WSCC CH Reeves Royal Angus Von Tasz,CDX,TT,HC,CGC,OFA H&E

Dam: UKC CH Royal's Here We Go Again,HC,OFA
Breeder/Owner: Jean Reeves



2009 ELECTIONS

For those who don't know me, my name is Susan McGrath. I have a Degree from the University of Indianapolis and work as a Business Systems Analyst at the Corporate Office for the Sisters of St. Francis Health Services, a large non-profit Catholic healthcare system.

My partner Cindi and I live in NW Indiana and are owned by 3 White Shepherds. Dee Dee (UKC Ch Royal Day of Desire, CGC, OFA H&E) who is 4½, Maggie Mae (Maggie Mae, U-AG1, CGC, TDI, HCT) who is 3½, and Raider (BIMBS UKC CH Royal Ready Set GO, CGC, PennHip, OFA PreE) who is 2 years old this month.

My introduction to the wonderful world of Whites started on a hot August evening with a small white fluff ball loaded with fleas.

Maggie Mae was bought from a typical 'back-yard' breeder. Her parents were black-tan GSD's that had a litter of 8 white puppies. The seller was offering the puppies for \$75.00. Maggie was given to me as a surprise birthday present. The biggest surprise had to be the impact owning this amazing dog has had on my life.

UWSC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BIO

I met Jean and Miranda Reeves when I started taking Maggie Mae to Jean's Doggy Day Camp. When we decided Maggie Mae needed a playmate, Jean trusted us enough to co-own and place Dee Dee in our home. Thus began my introduction into the world of AWSA and UKC Confirmation. Although Dee could be the poster dog for a female confirmation bitch, she had issues with the Judge examination and was retired from the ring. Then along came Raider. (My first experience of having an intact male has been enlightening, to say the least.)

I've been showing Raider since he was allowed in the ring, and I make every attempt to attend a UKC show on a monthly basis. I think it's important to have a good representation of our breed at as many UKC events as possible, whether it's Confirmation, Agility, Obedience, or Dock diving. There's no mistaking when it's time for our breed to be in the confirmation ring as these beautiful white dogs make their way through the crowd. I'm always very proud to be one of those lucky owners.

Besides being a member of UWSC I'm also a member of AWSA and currently hold the Mid-Atlantic Regional VP position. I plan to continue showing Raider in UKC events, as well as getting him involved in at least one of the performance sports. My desire is to help advance our wonderful breed in any way that I can, including working with all UWSC and AWSA members as well as with the UKC to promote and better the White Shepherd.



2009 ELECTIONS

If elected President I would work towards having the UWSC host more events, including UKC sanctioned events and 'fun' matches. I think that it's time to put as much emphasis on performance/sporting events as confirmation. There is a great number of White Shepherd owners who do not show in confirmation but may not know the fun and bonding they could be having with their dogs in Agility, Obedience, Dock Diving, and especially UKC's newly accepted Rally Obedience. Holding 'fun' matches would be a great opportunity for some of our more experienced members in these areas to help other White Shepherd owners not only become more involved in their dogs lives but also increase our membership and introduce them to licensed UKC events. The one thing I have learned being an owner of our breed is that these dogs can do anything. All we have to do is ask!

Susan McGrath

UWSC VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE BIO

Hi UWSC members,

My name is Chris Maluzhinsky and somebody nominated me for Vice President of our little group. This is to let you all know a bit about myself.

My husband and I moved to North Eastern Michigan about 10 years ago from Troy, MI. We have about 38 acres of land for our 4-legged kids to romp on and for me to get lost on! LOL!

I'm the mother of 2 boys and I have 3 grandchildren that love to come visit and play with the dogs.

Currently we have 7 White Shepherds and 11 German Shepherd dogs plus we've had my father-in-law's 2 dogs for about a year now.

Some of you might remember that I was Treasurer of the club back in 2000 - 2003. Sorry but I hate to have my picture taken so there's no picture of me to be posted.

Chris Maluzhinsky

Presidential Candidate Bio

Hello Fellow Club Members,

03/30/09



My name is Scarlett Sanders and I am running for the position of your club President. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little about myself and how I have worked for our wonderful White Shepherd dogs.

I live in Chipley, Florida which is in the Panhandle of Florida on 20 acres known as Foxhunt Farm. I have a wonderful husband named Tim, we have been married for 25 happy years. We have 3 wonderful children, Rhett, Buddy & Tara who are all now grown. Our daughter Tara is married and has given us 3 wonderful grandchildren, Jacob, TJ & Natalie. We have the pleasure of having 14 wonderful White Shepherds and we enjoy training, traveling and showing our dogs in conformation, performance & even some herding.

I have had White Shepherds since I was 10 years old and there is just no other breed for me. I grew up with a mom who raised, trained and showed German Shepherd Dogs. When I turned 10 years old she told me I could have my first very own dog and she took me to see a litter of White Shepherds. I took one look at those little white bundles of joy and I was hooked for life! I chose my puppy that day, a little girl I named Selina, thus starting my life long love of these dogs.

I have been a UWSC member in good standing since 2005. I have been attending the UKC Premier and have attended every Annual Meeting since I became a club member. I became the club's first Newsletter Editor in 2005 and still work in this capacity for the club to this day. I have enjoyed playing a major roll in working on building the newsletter into what it is today.



I have been honored to serve as your Vice President since 2006 and have enjoyed working closely with the other Board Members to improve our club and striving for our club's Official UKC Parent club status for the White Shepherd.

I have also been an AWSA member since 2005 and I am at present serving as the SE Regional VP. I have also helped to bring AWSA to the Southern Region, helping to put on several AWSA shows in my Region over the last several years. I will be continuing this effort in the coming years. I was also honored to help with this past years AWSA Nationals by collecting donations for the prizes offered and making trophies for the Sunday show.

I have spent endless hours working for our white dogs including doing local public education of our dogs by way of Pet Fairs and Meet the Breeds events. I have worked closely with the club's Web Master to help improve our UWSC website and have worked closely with the last two Members Chair's to get our club's membership list sorted out and designed the new members welcome package. I have also helped to educate

many UKC Judges about our breed by doing a Judges Education Seminar in Perry, GA. in 2008. You can view the power point program I designed for this purpose on the UWSC website. I have worked for the last 2 years as the Show Chairman for our UWSC National Specialty Show and have been privileged to also make the trophies for those shows.

I have worked with Judy Huston for the White Shepherd Genetics Project on a couple of fund raising projects and collecting donations for the "Bolt" project.

I would like to continue to serve you and our dogs as your new UWSC President. I will strive hard to accomplish our most important goal of for filling the requirements to achieve our UKC Parent Club Status, increase club membership, and will continue working hard for our great club.



Respectfully,
Scarlett Sanders



Hi, my name is DianaTheilgaard-Hoppe. I am currently a resident of Fennville, Michigan but was born and raised in the Chicago land area of Illinois. After 24 years as an educator in the Lutheran and public school systems my husband and I retired to the beautiful state of Michigan. I am currently employed at one of our local grocery stores.

We live in Ganges Township just south of Saugatuck, Michigan with our beloved Nova. Nova is our 2 year old white shepherd from the G litter of the Foxhunt family. Nova is the second white shepherd in my life and the fifth

for my husband, Henry.

**UWSC SECRETARY
CANDIDATE BIO**

I have been a part of the United White Shepherds Club for the past two years. It has been my privilege to attend the past two meetings at the Premier in Kalamazoo, Michigan. It has been so special being a part of the UWSC and sharing joys and concerns for the future of our fur babies.

I will be at Premier this summer and once again look forward to meeting with each of you.

DianaTheilgaard-Hoppe

2009 ELECTIONS



UWSC TREASURY CANDIDATE BIO

I took over the Treasury position for our club last fall and I have been working very hard to keep our books in order and to keep an open book policy with all of our members. As a club, we all need to be aware of our spending habits and know what our budgets should be as we look to promote our breed.

I have been showing white shepherds for almost twenty years now and have had many personal accomplishments with my dogs. I love this breed and I look forward to the great things our club is going to do for this breed!

Miranda Reeves

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