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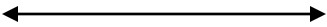
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MEETING INFORMATION

The next meeting will be on held on May 21, 2010. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Most members come early and have dinner.

DIRECTIONS:

From 422 West—Follow 422 West (do not take Business route). Continue to Wyomissing Blvd. exit At the top of the ramp turn left. Go to 1st traffic light and turn right. Go to next traffic light and turn left. Go to the stop sign and turn right. Go to the next traffic light and turn left. Go thru the shopping mall area to the end at the traffic light (State Hill Road) turn right—Giannotti's is on the left hand side.

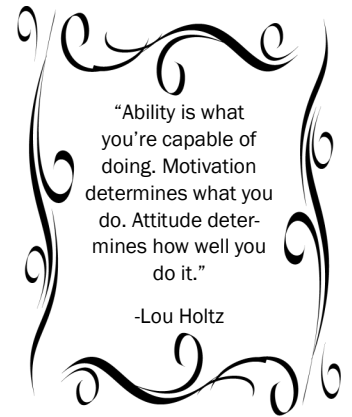
From PA Turnpike—Exit at Morgantown exit. Take route 176

North to Route 422 West and follow directions from above.



DATES TO REMEMBER

July 24, 2010 - Club picnic .
Oct 10, 2010-Club match .



CLUB STUFF

The April meeting really got a lot of positive stuff done. Shows and Match stuff were firmed up. The approval for the match has been received back from the AKC so we are ready. A lot of great positive ideas are coming to the meeting. One idea is the trophy pledge sign up sheet

which is attached. There are still openings that you can sign up. First come, first served so email or call Cindy Mabry at 610-495-5099 or apkenel@comcast.net if you want to reserve a space. Of course we still want general trophy donations so please send those in as well. The flyer for the match is

also attached.

Plans for the 2011 shows continue and please feel free to bring any ideas for this show to Gianna as plans are still in planning with hopes to make this a special celebration.

Come on out to the meetings and participate in your Club.



XYLITOL POISONING

Xylitol is a common sugar substitute (it is sometimes listed as sugar alcohol in the package contents lists) used in a ready wide variety of items. It seems to be in everything: in sugarless gum, toothpaste, pharmaceuticals, vitamins, candy baked goods, mints and even in puddings. Once ingested there is a window of about 15 to 30 minutes before it reaches the bloodstream. As little as one and 1/2 sticks of a sugarless gum could be fatal to a small dog like a Norwich Terrier.

According to Eric K. Dunayer, VDM, senior toxicologist at the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, the toxin causes a rapid release of insulin, which in turn causes a dangerous drop in blood sugar. The resulting hypoglycemia causes weakness, lethargy, loss of coordination, collapse, and seizures. There is a strong link with Xylitol and liver failure as well. Dunayer points out that cases are going up every year. In 2002, the Poison Center received 2 calls; in 2009 they received over 2600 calls. And he states that this represents a fraction of the incidents.

The biggest prevention is to read labels. If the product contains Xylitol keep them out of reach. Also watch your dog when walking to prevent them for eating a discarded piece of gum.

HINT

Keep all those food puzzle toys clean by washing in warm, soapy water. The nooks and crannies that make them fun also trap germs which can make the toys a lot less fun.



There are a lot of advertisements for behavioral consultants and trainers. We can watch them on various TV shows and see their ads in many publications but did you ever wonder what those acronyms mean. These are the letters placed after their names.

ABCDT: Animal Behavior College Certified Dog Trainer, certified and graduated from Animal Behavior College, a dog training program that includes home study and an externship.

CAAB: Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist by the Animal Behavior Society.

This certification requires supervised graduate training in animal behavioral science from an accredited university.

CABC: Certified Animal Behavior Consultant through the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants. Certified members must pass a review process that includes detailed case studies.

CDT: Certified Dog trainer through the International Association of Canine Professionals. Any member of the IACP can take the CDT exam to earn the title, as long as he or she remains a member.

CPDT-KA: Certified Pet Dog Trainer, Knowledge Assessed through the Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers. This independent organization offers proctored exams for dog trainers from any school or program after they achieve at least 300 hours of teaching.

KPACTP: A Karen Pryor Academy Certified Training Partner has completed the academy's curriculum. It consists of online study, hands-on workshops, and a written examination based on Pryor's

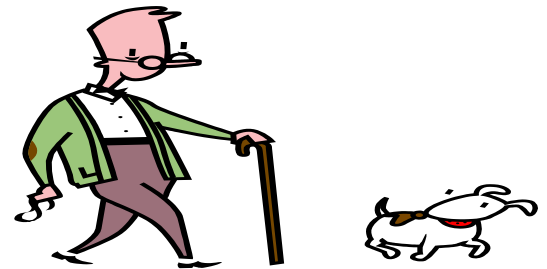


BURRS AND BRISTLES

Spring is here and summer is almost with us and with the better weather a nice walk maybe even off-the-trail is always fun. But when you return you can find you have an unexpected task: removing burrs from your dogs coat. Kim Kelly , groomer, states to reach for the corn starch. If you work the corn starch into a dry coat and let it set for about five minutes, it coats the burr and hair shaft, giving you a Teflon-like working surface. Start by using your fingers to gentle pull as much of the coat away from the burr as possible. Next get a good metal comb and a slicker brush. The slicker will do much of the work with the comb removing the rest. The guide line is pick with your fingers, brush with your slicker and check with your comb.

TOP DOGS AKC

1. Labrador retriever.
2. German Shepherd.
3. Yorkshire terrier.
4. Golden retriever.
5. Beagle.
6. Boxer.
7. Bulldog.
8. Dachshund.
9. Poodle.
10. Shih Tzu.



THE SENIOR DOG

As your dog ages, their desire to be near you might increase. She may follow you around more, lean against you longer on the couch, and become more clingy overall. Most owners appreciate this extra attention, especially since we know that time together is growing shorter.

However, other senior dogs gradually grow more solitary, spending time napping or peering out a favorite window. This seclusion-loving older dog may baffle the loving owner.

Though any behavior change warrants a Vet's examination both of these reactions prove common in healthy seniors.

If your dog becomes more affectionate, indulge her. Should she prefer time alone, encourage but don't force interaction.

Remember she still adores you, she just needs a little space.