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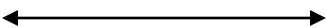
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MEETING INFORMATION

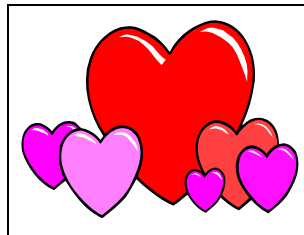
The next meeting will be held on February 18, 2011. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Most members come early and have dinner.

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

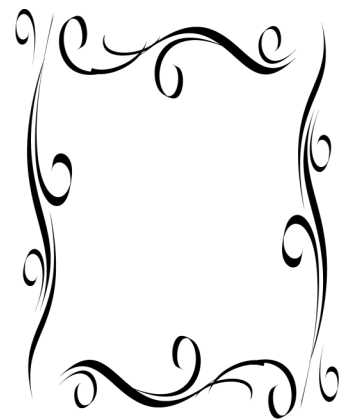
North to Route 422 West and follow directions from above.



The Board will meet at 7am on 2/18/2011.



DATES TO REMEMBER



CLUB STUFF

Well another great show under our belt. Many thanks to those members who helped in any way. Any Club is made up of its members and those active members we have make the difference. Heard many, many compliments about the show, the great prizes and the goodie

bags.

Now to begin another year and even better stuff. Discussions and committees will be looking at judges for the 2012 show, matches (where and how many), programs for the meetings and anything else positive for the Club.

We all hope that everyone can mark their calendars for the 3rd Friday of every month which is the dates of our meetings.

Lets keep the ball rolling on a great Club for 2011. Come to the meetings bring new ideas and participate in the decisions with positive input.

A SENIOR MOMENT

As your dog ages, attention she may have had for previously disliked but tolerated can turn into conflicts due to the seniors decreased stress tolerance. A lack of positive reinforcement for cooperation often adds to the problem; many owners take their older dog's good behavior for granted.

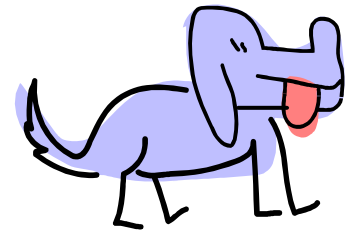
Modern methods that help puppies form more pleasant associations with disagreeable necessities also work with senior dogs. An example would be the elderly dog who starts balking

at ear cleanings. One way is to get a special treat she really liked and feed it to her as the ear cleanings progressed. This is called counter conditioning and works by simultaneously reinforced cooperation

Soon the dog willingly accepted ear cleanings again and began to anticipate her "special ear cleanings-only treats, illustrating that the older dogs benefit as much as puppies from a positive approach to problems.

So if your senior dog digs in his/

her heels next time she faces something distasteful, "treat" her like a puppy.



HEALTHY TIPS



Eczema can be caused by many things: vitamin deficiencies and hormone imbalances; pesticides, household cleaning materials, and fragrances; foods; and even dust. But the result is usually the same: dry skin leading to scratching like crazy.

Of course trouble can set in from all the scratching. This can lead to irritation, infections, scabs, and possible hair loss.

Traditional treatments include steroids to handle the itch and antibiotics to fight infection, but there are some natural relief, too.

> An oat bath can relieve itchiness. Add to the bath water two quarts of water in which one pound of organic oat straw has been boiled. The boiling releases salicylic acid, the active ingredient in aspirin.

> Rinse red, itchy skin with calendula tea made by steeping a handful of calendula in a cup of hot water. Sponge the cooled tea onto the itchy area and let it dry.

> Steep chamomile tea bags in a cup of hot water, let it cool, and apply it to the irritated area with a cloth to calm the skin.

Naturally, always check with your Vet before using any natural remedy.

SOME STUFF FROM THE AKC



Did you know that since November 4 body harnesses have been on the list of acceptable equipment for dogs taking the Canine Good Citizen test? Well it's true but only standard harnesses, with the leash attaching to a ring on the dog's back are allowed.

The Norwegian Lundehund' will be in the non-sporting group. It

has six-toes on each foot along with a really different walk.

Forms for shows must now be in the hands of the AKC at least Eighteen weeks before the closing date of the show.

The Akc is allowing some Clubs to hold a four-six-month puppy class during the 2011 pilot program. Two have been held

already.

The AKC has placed a freeze on any new licensed clubs except the 33 that are at the B or A match level.

The Board considered, positively, of a club that giving group classes can give a Best in Show as well as a Reserve Best in show. More details will be up and coming.