



# Newsette



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Our next General Membership meeting is the  
VHOC Holiday Party—  
it will be held on  
December 15th,  
Location TBD

## REMINDER

Remember to check the website  
<http://www.vhoc.org>  
for announcements, cancelled classes,  
upcoming events and other important club information.

If you know of a member who would appreciate receiving correspondence, such as a get-well card, sympathy card, etc., please email our Corresponding Secretary, Carole Hills, at  
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Debbie Lang at  
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## Valley Hills Obedience Club 2019 Membership Renewal

**Dues are due by December 31, 2018**

***Payments received after this date will be assessed a \$10.00 late fee.***

Please complete the form below with your changes and return it with your 2019 membership dues to:

**Carole Hills  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

	<i>Received by December 31:</i>	<i>January 1-March 3:</i>	<i>After March 3</i>
Single membership	\$25	\$35	Membership terminated: must re-apply with application fee*
Family membership	\$35	\$45	
Junior membership	\$10	\$20	
Joined after October 1	--	Applied to following year	

*\*"Membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid sixty (60) days after the first day of the fiscal year" (Constitution & By-laws).*



# October General Meeting Cancelled

Sadly, the October General Meeting was cancelled due to lack of interest. We only received 4 RSVPs for the meeting. In past years this has been one of our most popular with the costume contest and the games. I hope the Holiday Party on December 15th has a better turnout, be sure to send RSVPs to [chills37@aol.com](mailto:chills37@aol.com)

**"IT'S OKAY! MY  
DOG IS FRIENDLY"  
NO! NO! IT'S NOT OKAY!**

Just because your dog is friendly does not mean other dogs are. Some may be nervous, reactive, fearful, in training, or owned by people who want to be left alone.

NEVER LET YOUR DOG RUN UP TO ANOTHER DOG

**RESPECT OTHERS &  
THEIR NEED FOR SPACE**

IF YOU HAVE NO VOICE CONTROL OVER YOUR DOG  
KEEP THEM ON A LEASH

**TRAINING & BEHAVIOR****Why Are European Dogs So Well Behaved?  
Dogs, Euro Style**By Kama Brown CPDT-KA, January 2017

RECENTLY, I VISITED AMERICAN FRIENDS IN the UK who had moved from Dallas to London's Kensington South. Since relocating, they had adopted a cat and were considering getting a puppy. However, after reviewing their previous dog experiences, they realized that the dogs they raised had not been nearly as well behaved as the dogs they saw in their new city.

As we chatted over drinks, they asked my opinion as a dog trainer: Why were the dogs in London behaved better than the dogs back home? What were dog owners in London doing differently?

I told them I would make it a point to watch dogs as we traveled through England, Belgium and France, and report back to them. Following are my observations.

> Dogs in the UK and in the countries we visited were allowed almost everywhere. We saw them in bakeries in Belgium, inside French toy stores, in the Stonehenge museum, at markets, on elevators, on the trolley, on the train.

> It was common to see dogs off leash, except in areas where waterfowl were present.

> Children were discouraged from interacting with strangers' dogs. Over and over, I heard parents tell their children, "Don't distract them, darling."

> Owners did not give their dogs obedience commands. I never saw a dog asked to wait before going through a doorway, sit for a pat, stay quiet on a train or lie down under a table. The dogs often did do these things, but they were not asked to do them.

> Young dogs in Europe did the same things as young dogs in America. A nine-month-old black Labrador jumped onto a counter to sniff the cheese selection at the market. A small mixed breed stopped to sniff each interesting spot. When a young Bulldog resisted going down the stairs to the Underground, the owner coaxed him down each new step. A man with a very young puppy walked quickly to keep the puppy from picking up objects he found along the way. Nothing I saw made me think that European dogs were born well behaved.



## **Why Are European Dogs So Well Behaved? Dogs, Euro Style—Continued**

> The general public ignored the dogs. I never saw anyone ask to pet or give treats to a stranger's dog. When I approached to inquire about a dog's age and breed, the response was brief. If I gave a compliment, the answer was often "Oh, that's very kind." This noninteraction included other dogs as well. Dogs would see each other or stand near each other but were not allowed to sniff or play.

As I examined my notes, I couldn't help notice that the way dogs are treated in Europe is strikingly similar to the way we treat (or strive to treat) service dogs in the U.S.

From an early age, the environment created for service dogs is meant to keep them calm and comfortable, which keeps them quiet as well. Young service dogs in training are walked through crowds of people who ignore them. Children are taught not to distract them. The dogs are not able to sniff or play while they're working. We treat service dogs this way because we understand that interacting with them makes training harder for their handler.

As a dog trainer, I understand how access to many environments and being ignored by strangers creates success for dogs and their people. When strangers frequently offer treats and attention, or allow their dogs to rush into another dog's space, it produces specific emotional responses, which will arise each time a new person or a strange dog approaches. Sometimes, this emotion is pleasure, but more often, anxiety, over-exuberance or defensive behavior is manifested.

There is no need to ask a dog to sit if no one is approaching. Nor is there a reason a dog would pull toward strangers who have typically ignored him. If being taken to new places were a regular occurrence, it would not excite a dog into lunging through doorways. If barking and pulling were consistently ignored in young dogs, those behaviors could never become a game or a way to get attention.

Unlike the restrictions put on U.S. dog owners, Europeans are able to consistently expose their dogs to new sounds, sights and smells, which mentally enriches the dogs without overstimulating them.

If a dog receives no reinforcement from strangers, the owner will never have to calm an excited dog or manage a fearful one. It gives dogs freedom to focus on their owners because nothing interesting is coming at them from another source. People have the freedom to work or relax with their dogs in a variety of environments without needing to fend off a strange person or dog, and their dogs gain confidence from knowing exactly what to expect.

## Why Are European Dogs So Well Behaved? Dogs, Euro Style—Continued

So when I reported back to my friends, I told them that they should have no trouble raising their puppy to be a well-behaved European dog. Their fellow Londoners would do 75 percent of the work for them by ignoring the dog, keeping their children from interacting with him, allowing him access to a wide range of socialization opportunities, and keeping their own dogs under control. My friends would only need to build a strong bond with their puppy and teach him basic manners. It turns out that it's not dog owners who are doing things differently across the pond, it's everybody else.

### Take the Lead

While opportunities for full public socialization are more limited in the U.S. than they are in Europe, there are still ways to instill European-style behaviors in our dogs.

- Create a neutral experience for your dog in a variety of places. The simplest way is to kindly ask that no one pet your dog while he is on a six-foot leash. The dog will begin to recognize that being on a short leash means ignoring others, and that being let off-leash is a chance to interact and play. (For those without access to safe off-leash areas, putting the dog on a 30-foot training lead works just as well.)
- Reward your dog with praise and attention when he notices other dogs, people, loud noises or things that are new to him, but encourage him to focus on you and maintain a relaxed and calm demeanor. Too much interaction and exuberance can lead the puppy or dog to distraction in the future.
- Keep high-value rewards with you in the event a person or dog rushes in. If walking, continue to walk, and offer your dog a treat once the excitement has passed and your dog begins to look up at you. If sitting, wait for the other dog to leave and reward your dog for refocusing on you.
- Use food toys to your advantage. Practice going to a busy place, sit down, place a food-stuffed toy at your feet and do not let anyone pet your dog. In a few sessions, most dogs will lie down and settle almost immediately when their owner sits.

By being proactive and putting these tips into practice, we can train others to have the same respect for pet dogs in training as they do for service dogs. Who knows—we may be able to influence greater access for our U.S. dogs, which would allow them to be part of our daily lives the way those in Europe are today.

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**This information is taken from “The Bark” <https://thebark.com/content/why-are-european-dogs-so-well-behaved>, submitted by Carole Raschella**



# Annual Awards Banquet Reminder

Don't forget our Annual Awards Banquet will be coming up soon. Date to be determined. The complete rules will be coming out in the December Newsette. But, below are the basic terms of eligibility.

## Terms of Eligibility, Rules and Regulations:

All VHOC members whose dog(s) completed a title in the current year are eligible to receive title plaques.

Awards #4-22 are open only to those VHOC members who have attended at least FIVE VHOC events in the current year, where "event" is meant to include general membership or board meetings, the Annual Awards Banquet of the previous year, the Holiday Party, and the VHOC match and/or trials. Members who *work* an approved VHOC event (e.g., a match or trial) will be given credit for attending *two* events per day. Contact the Membership Director (Carole at [chills37@aol.com](mailto:chills37@aol.com)) if you would like to verify your event attendance.

In the spirit of equity and to encourage a wider range of award recipients, we ask that VHOC instructors not apply for awards in the sport that they teach.

Perpetual awards will be kept by the recipient for one year and returned to VHOC by January 10 of the following year. If for any reason the recipient should cease to be a member in good standing of VHOC, it is expected that s/he return the award to the club at that time.

All awards are for the American Kennel Club (AKC) registry, unless otherwise specified (e.g., "*any registry*").

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## DOG TEXT ACRONYMS

**WTF:** Where's the food?

**OMG:** Outside munching grass

**BAE:** Barking at everything

**BIMBY:** Buried in my back yard

**BFF:** Begging for food

**CUBAR:** Chewed up beyond all recognition

**FOMO:** Freaking out, missing owner

**NSFW:** New smell from window



We published the FDA article in the October 2018 Newsette—this is Dr. Jean Dodd's in response to the original FDA article.

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Articles Circulating  
about Heart Disease  
in Dogs

Dr. Dodds



## ARTICLES CIRCULATING ABOUT HEART DISEASE IN DOGS

Articles currently circulating state that grain-free dog foods cause the heart disease condition called dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM) in dogs due to a taurine deficiency. These articles fail to paint a clear picture, and are biased and misleading because they largely ignore prior scientific research studies into taurine deficiency and DCM.

**Our Unequivocal Statement: No independent survey or scientific research has been finished or published yet to conclude whether or not grain-free dog foods cause taurine deficiency that leads to DCM in dogs.**

Unfortunately, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) unwittingly prompted these articles to be written when it recently gave a warning about a possible connection. Since then, the FDA has elucidated its initial warning and stated, "At this time, we are not advising dietary changes based solely on the information we have gathered so far. If you have questions or concerns about your dog's health or its diet, we suggest that you consult your veterinarian for individualized advice that takes into account your dog's specific needs and medical history."

In this article, we will discuss:

- Taurine
- Industry pushback
- Prior research
- Active survey research and how you can help
- Suggestions before you switch foods
- What's next

### Taurine

- Taurine is an amino acid.
- Amino acids are found in animal-based protein sources and plant sources like soy at varying amounts, depending on the type of meat or plant.
- Taurine deficiency can lead to heart disease, specifically DCM, in humans, cats and dogs.
- All breeds and sizes of dogs can develop DCM. However, DCM is more common in larger and giant breeds such as Great Danes, Boxers, Newfoundlands, Irish Wolfhounds, Saint Bernards and Doberman Pinschers. American and English Cocker Spaniels also have a higher incidence.

## **Dr. Dodd Response to Heart Disease in Dogs—Continued**

- At this time, taurine is not considered an essential, food-sourced amino acid for dogs. Taurine is synthesized in the liver from the amino acids cysteine and methionine, which should provide sufficient quantities to meet dogs' metabolic needs.

## **Industry Pushback**

Granted, the pet product industry has a vested interest in continuing to produce grain-free foods. We wholly agree with much of this reporting that rebuts the bold assertions about grain-free diets and taurine deficiency.

### **Pet Business Excerpts**

- However, when you look more closely, it becomes clear that there is very little hard evidence about any general connection the ingredients might have to DCM.
- While the FDA points out that four of the reports involved dogs that had a deficiency of the amino acid taurine in their blood, which is well-documented as potentially leading to DCM in certain breeds, four other dogs involved in these reports had normal blood taurine levels. What's more, the FDA does not mention any evidence specifically connecting taurine deficiencies with grain-free diets.

### **Pet Food Industry Excerpts**

- When I asked several well-regarded and experienced companion animal nutritionists about it, they all had the same response: if diet is a cause or contributor to these cases of DCM (and that's still a big "if"), it's likely due to the formulation matrix, not the individual ingredients. In other words, the balance and proportion of the ingredients in relation to each other, how they are processed and — most importantly — whether the diets are delivering essential nutrients to the dogs.
- This investigation is still in very early days, and there truly is no information or data, at least not yet, showing a definite connection between the ingredients indicated and the atypical cases of DCM.
- And that points to the true, underlying problem: we just don't know enough about dog and cat nutrition, due to an ongoing lack of published research and data available.

## **Prior Research**

Several research studies have been conducted into taurine deficiency in dogs. We summarize three.

- Delaney et al., June 2003: Mean whole blood taurine concentrations were lower in dogs fed diets containing whole grain rice, rice bran or barley. The lowest whole blood concentrations were seen in dogs fed lamb or lamb meal and rice diets. Plasma methionine and cysteine concentrations were lower in dogs fed diets with animal meals or turkey, and whole grain rice, rice bran or barley.
- Backus et al., 2006: All dogs were fed the same kibble that consisted of lamb meal and rice. Beet pulp was not listed as an ingredient. These findings support the theory that taurine deficiency in dogs may be related to the consumption of certain dietary ingredients. Taurine deficiency in dogs is suggested to result from reduced sulfur amino acid bioavailability in dietary ingredients that are heat processed, such as rendered meat meals.

## **Dr. Dodd Response to Heart Disease in Dogs—Continued**

- Ko and Fascetti, 2016: Rather than rice, dietary beet pulp showed the most significant effect in lowering plasma and whole taurine concentrations, in part, by decreasing the protein digestibility (sulfur amino acid bioavailability), by enhancing fecal excretion of bile acids and possibly, by enhancing degradation of taurine by the gut microflora in dogs. These findings may result from the greater effect of beet pulp fiber than rice bran or cellulose on intestinal bacterial fermentation that cleaves taurocholic acid and destroys the taurine released. Cellulose was the control fiber in this study – and rice bran caused similar responses as cellulose – the study authors concluded that rice bran is unlikely the cause of the increased risk of taurine deficiency in dogs fed lamb and rice diets.

## **Active Research**

The FDA is actively taking reports from pet parents whose companion dogs are diagnosed with DCM, so long as diet is suspected as the cause. We encourage everyone to report at the FDA's Safety Reporting Portal.

## **Suggestions**

We should remember that DCM is heart disease. Overall, heart disease is a slow, progressive disease that is impacted by a number of factors such as genetics, environment and diet.

In the instance of diet-related taurine deficiency potentially causing or contributing to DCM, we need to think of two types of diagnostic plans: preventative and disease. Preventative plans would be to stave off the disease progression. So, if your dog is not showing signs of any type of cardiac-related disease, think about choosing the preventative method first.

### **Preventative Diagnosis**

You can have a sample of your companion dog's blood sent to one of two laboratories that measure taurine and other amino acids. Your veterinarian will know what sample to draw based on the particular laboratory's requirements.

- University of California Davis School of Veterinary Medicine – Run by Dr. Andrea Fascetti who coauthored the beet pulp study mentioned above.
- Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin

Most importantly, please do not make radical changes to your companion dog's diet until you have had proper preventative testing done. Before you make dietary changes, if any, you should remember your dog's food sensitivities and intolerances, as well as consult with your veterinarian or a companion animal nutritionist.

### **Disease Diagnosis**

The signs of DCM vary depending on the breed of dog and stage of the disease. Loss of appetite, pale gums, increased heart rate, coughing, difficulty breathing, periods of weakness, and fainting are signs commonly seen.

Testing for DCM diagnosis includes: listening to the chest with a stethoscope, blood and urine tests, electrocardiogram, and ultrasound (echocardiogram). We would also suggest that you add the whole blood taurine amino acid test to find out if your dog's particular case of DCM could be diet-related. Plasma taurine level can also be measured.



## What's Next? **Dr. Dodd Response to Heart Disease in Dogs—Continued**

The FDA is working on its survey research study. Other private studies are currently underway as well. However, even results of these studies will not lead to any needed widespread dietary change overnight.

Research studies will be pushed to the American Association of Feed Control Officials (AAFCO) to update the minimum amino acid recommendations, or the formulations between meat and other ingredients, for a dog diet to be considered “complete and balanced.” We would anticipate actual AAFCO changes in approximately five years or so.

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Taken from Dr. Jean Dodd’s URL—<https://drjeandoddspethealthresource.tumblr.com/post/179049849051/canine-heart-disease#.W8THYmhKiUk>  
Submitted by Allison Pobirs

## SERVICE DOG PSA

So today I tripped. Fell flat on my face, it was awful but ultimately harmless. My service dog, however, is trained to go get an adult if I have a seizure, and he assumed this was a seizure (were training him to do more to care for me, but we didn't learn I had epilepsy until a year after we got him)

I went after him after I had dusten off my jeans and my ego, and I found him trying to get the attention of a very annoyed woman. She was swatting him away and telling him to go away. So I feel like I need to make this heads up

**If a service dog without a person approaches you, it means the person is down and in need of help**

Don't get scared, don't get annoyed, follow the dog! If it had been an emergency situation, I could have vomited and choked, I could have hit my head, I could have had so many things happen to me. We're going to update his training so if the first person doesn't co-operate, he moves on, but seriously guys. If what's-his-face could understand that lassie wanted him to go to the well, you can figure out that a dog in a vest proclaiming it a service dog wants you to follow him

Source: lumpatronics

Submitted by Allison Pobirs

# Brag

## Sharon Clarke and Dash—

On Friday, September 14, 2018 "Dash" AKA Semper Fi Dasher, CD, BN, CAX, FDC, CGC went **BEST OF BREED** and went on to earn a **GROUP 2** at the Lake Drake Cluster in Vallejo, CA.

AND

On Sunday, October 14, 2018 "Dash" earned his FIRST CDX leg at the Bakersfield Obedience Training Club's obedience trial placing FIRST with a score of 196!

## Sharon Clarke and Dash-

Dash earned his 2nd Open leg on Sunday, October 21 at the Del Valle show earning FIRST place with a score of 197.

## Sharon Clarke and Dash -

There is a **new CDX** dog in town! "Dash" aka GCH Semper Fi Dasher is now CDX BN,CAX, FDC, CGC.

Dash earned his title and a FIRST PLACE at the Pasanita Obedience Club obedience trial on Sunday, October 28, 2018 with a score of 192.5

## Cathy Davis and Ella—October 20, 2018—AKC Scent Work Trial—Camarillo, CA:

Ella & I did our 1st AKC nose work trial. She was a star, qualified in all 3 elements both days.

I just need to learn to read her better. A 2nd place, 2 3rds & a 4th. Great job Ella!





VHOC members—Dressed up for Halloween at HDOC Trial Oct 28,2018

Jeff Kogen, Diane Schlesinger, Eileen Kickish

Photo submitted by Allison Pobirs



# Brags

**Laurie and Scusi**—October 26, 27 & 28, 2018 Hollywood Dog Obedience Club, Agility Woodley Park, CA:

## Friday 10-26:

Master FAST Score: 75 (Q) 1st Pl

Master JWW Score: 100 (Q) 13 MACH Pts

## Sunday 10-28:

MACH Pts

Time 2 Beat Q 4th Pl 6 Pts

Master Standard Score: 100 (Q) 7 MACH Pts

Master JWW Score: 100 (Q) 10 MACH Pts

**7th Double Q 5th Triple Q**

359 MACH points to date. Getting there...

## Saturday 10-27:

Master FAST Score: 65 (Q)

Time 2 Beat - Q 4th Pl 7 Pts

Master Standard Score: 100 (Q) 15 MACH Pts

Master JWW Score: 100 (Q) 8

**6th double Q 4th Triple Q 3rd Quadruple Q**



**Debbie Lang with Quila and Fable**— October 21, 2018—  
Rancho Cucamonga, CA:

Fable and Quila both passed their **CGC Urban test** at the Bass Pro store in Rancho Cucamonga. Old dogs can still do it all. Fable will be 9 years old in January and Quila will be 12 and 1/2 years old in December.



# Braggs

**Debbie Lang with Fable and Quila**—October 27-28, 2018, High Desert Dog Sports, Barn Hunt Trial, Phelan, CA:

**Fable:**

10-27—Finished **RATO title** with 3rd place

10-28—Senior Leg #1 with a 2nd place

**Quila:**

10-28—Finished **RATO title** with a 1st place



**Debbie Lang and Panda**—October 20, 2018, Samoyed Club of America Agility Trial, Camarillo CA:

Panda earned her 9th Double Q and her second Triple Q.



**Marcia Siderow and Matisse**

Matisse is now a certified therapy dog with Love On A Leash. He will also be getting his **AKC Novice Therapy Dog title**. I'm very proud of my wonderful 12 year old poodle boy. Pictured with their therapy group

# Brag

## Eileen Kickish and Sandy

Sandy earned her **Rally Excellent (RE) title** with qualifying scores at the German Shepherd Dog Club of San Gabriel Valley trial on September 22, the Pasanita Obedience Club trial on October 28, and the San Gabriel Kennel Club trial on November 3.

Eileen and Sandy also won 2nd place in the dog and handler division of the Halloween costume contest at the Hollywood Dog Obedience Club agility trial on October 27.



## Allison Pobirs and Ladd – 11/3 and 4/2018, Holiday Haunt - ASCA Agility trial, Juniper Hills, CA:

12 runs in two days, too much fun!

Super hospitality, camaraderie and a great dog at the ready!

### 11/03/18

Elite Regular 20"+	Round 2 1st place Q
Elite Jumpers 20"+	Round 2 1st place Q
Elite Gamblers 20"+	Round 1 2nd place Q
Elite Gamblers 20"+	Round 2 1st place Q

### 11/04/18

Elite Regular 20"+	Round 3 1st place Q
Elite Gamblers 20"+	Round 4 1st place Q

Nothing will challenge your memory like an agility course!

Take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the flow of the course (course walk).

Determine how you *think* you are going to navigate the course with your dog.

Add one enthusiastic dog.

Go for it, adapt/improvise as needed, leave exhilarated!



**Laurie Burnam and Scusi** - November 3 & 4, 2018, ASCSC- ASCA Agility, Juniper Hills, CA:

Elite Regular 10 Q 2nd pl  
 Elite Regular 10 Q 3rd pl  
 Elite Regular 10 Q 3rd pl  
 Elite Regular 10 Q 3rd pl

Elite Gamblers 10 Q 4th pl  
 Elite Gamblers 10 Q 5th pl  
 Elite Gamblers 10 Q 3rd pl

Elite Jumpers 10 Q 5th pl

So proud she got all 30 contacts on these courses, a nemesis for us, and if I hadn't gotten lost on the last Jumpers course, we would of Q'd in all 6 classes on Sunday.  
 But 8 out of 12 isn't too shabby

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**GS-E-OP title #69**



**Debbie Lang and Panda** - November 3 & 4, 2018, ASCSC- ASCA Agility, Juniper Hills, CA:

Open Regular 10 Q 1<sup>st</sup> pl  
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**Open Regular Outstanding Title (RS-O-OP title)**

Open Regular 10 Q 2<sup>nd</sup> pl

Open Gamblers 10 Q 1<sup>st</sup> pl

**Open Gamblers Title (GS-O title)**

Open Jumpers 10 Q 1<sup>st</sup> pl

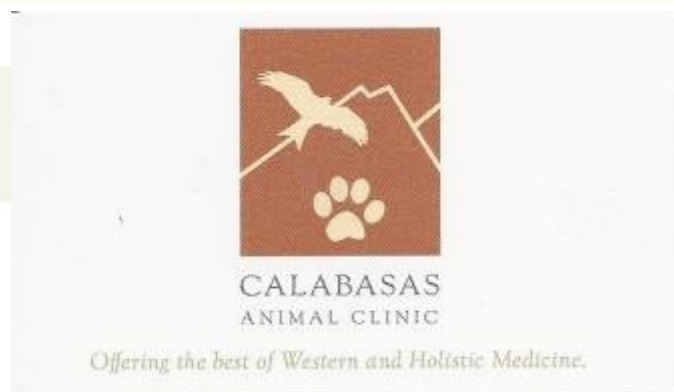
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## **Diane Schlesinger and Apple—**

On November 3, Apple passed her therapy dog test. We will be volunteering with Love on 4 Paws.



## **Cute new Family Member**

Cathy Davis and family welcome a new member to the family.

**Family Affairs A Star is Born, call name Gaga**



## **Cynthia Casby and Potter—November 11, 2018**

Potter got 2 more Qs in Coursing Ability Test at Diamond Dogs in Chino today.  
That's Q's #7 & #8 (we need 10 Qs for a Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA) title.



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**Monica Nolan and Augie**—Augie and I had a great month.

10-28-2018 Pasanita Obedience Club-

Rally Advanced B, first leg, 1st place, 97 pts.

11-4-2018 Antelope Valley KC -

Rally Advanced B, 4th place, 96 pts.,

Obedience Novice B, third place, 89 pts. and

**NEW CD Title**

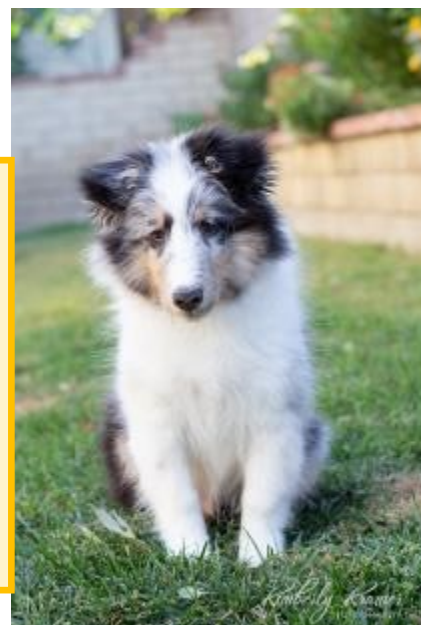


**Elizabeth Patterson and Mimosa**

Mimosa got her **AKC Novice title in containers, interior and exterior**. She placed 2nd in containers, 3rd in interior and 4th in exterior. We qualified in all 4 classes we entered.

**The Kramer Family has a new addition —meet Tye .**

This is newest sheltie, Tye and he joined us at the end of September. Looking forward to seeing where his talents and interest lie in the dog sports world.



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## Sharon Jeter and Kindle—

The French Bulldog Club of America awarded Sharyn Jeter Owner Handler of the Year Award for highest number of dog defeated in the show ring as a non-professional handler for the calendar year 2017. This award was presented at the National French Bulldog Show at their annual banquet in Louisville, Kentucky.



## Sharon Jeter and Kindle

Kindle (GCHS Dk's Kindle on Fire CGC TKN) was invited to participate in the Top Twenty event at the Frenchie Nationals in Louisville, Kentucky on October 31st.. Kindle was ranked #13 of the country in number of Frenchie dogs he defeated in the confirmation show ring. Dogs #1-#12 were all professionally handled. This was Kindle's third year of participation in this National event. As the this formal event was done on Halloween evening, a masquerade theme was used and all the handlers went in the ring during the non-judging portion of this event in masquerade masks plus Kindle wore his black silk bow tie.



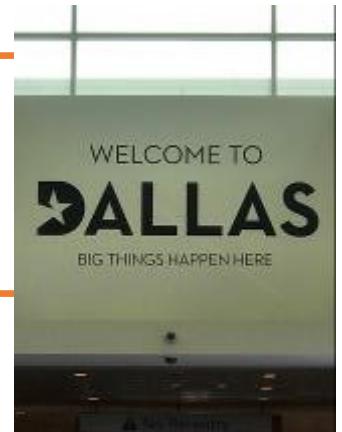


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## New Puppy Announcement by Sharyn Jeter

I guess big things do happen in Dallas per the Dallas Airport sign (see picture).

I picked up my new 14 week old French Bulldog puppy who is my dog (Kindle's) son in Dallas and then flew him to Burbank on November 10th.



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**Larry Ribbeck—Show Secretary—Entries close 11/23/18**

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**Unlimited Entries**

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**DEC 8-9 VHOC RALLY AND OBEDIENCE TRIALS in Ventura —**

**Jan McAninch—Trial Secretary—Entries close 11/21/18**

**Premium List on [vhoc.org](http://vhoc.org) website**

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**December 15th—Saturday—VHOC Holiday Party—more info to come in  
December Newsette**