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# The Barker



## Letter from the President

When I was approached about running for the office of President, I immediately informed the Nomination Committee that I had no experience in this job and somebody would have to be willing to step in as a mentor for me. Jan Leikam and Rusty Kingery volunteered for the job and have faithfully answered all of my many questions over the last few months. I am very grateful for the chance to learn this job and to have Jan and Rusty around to teach me!

Our January show was a great success thanks to everyone that worked long hours for many months to ensure that nothing would go wrong at the last minute. Our judges were quite impressed with the dinner that Bev Little put together at the hotel Friday night. Our ring stewards made the work of the judges go smoothly even though we had a very large entry for this show. And in spite of being short-handed Saturday evening, we managed to get everything cleaned up and ready to go for the next show on Sunday. Congratulations to all who participated on a job well done.

We have been busy since January 1. At the last board meeting we managed to find "volunteers" to fill the Chair position of all of our committees. Committee Chairs are as follows: **Historian:** Jan Leikam, **Social Activities (Sunshine):** Reggie Gausman, **Membership:** Dee Carlson, **Newsletter:** Deb Lewy, **Publicity:** Bev Little, **Properties:** Jan (and Wayne) Leikam, **Benevolence:** Jan Leikam, Dee Carlson and Rusty Kingery, **AKC Activities Require-**

**ments/Meeting Programs:** Rusty Kingery, **Webmaster:** Ron Critchfield, and **FOMP Liaison:** Phil Sallee and Dee Carlson. And we created a few new committees. **Public Education:** Pat Wilaby, **Juniors:** Wendy Galbreath and **Budget:** Patty Hull and Jan Leikam. If you would like to volunteer to assist on any of these committees, please notify any of the Chair people. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated!

We also decided to create job descriptions (and time lines for jobs to be completed) for all the club officers and committee chairs. I hope this will it easier for new people (like me) to understand how their small piece fits into the bigger puzzle that is the Sammamish Kennel Club.

I am looking forward to the May meeting at which King County Sheriff Dave Reichert will speak and possibly be able to present one of the Sheriff Department's K9 teams. Thank you to David Hull, Patty's husband, for suggesting this idea. Please mark your calendars for this Special Event and bring all of your friends. Promises to be a VERY interesting evening!

*Dee Carlson*

**Next General Meeting:**  
**March 12, 2003**  
**at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Grazie Restaurant**  
**23207 Bothell-Everett Hwy SE**  
**Bothell, 98021**

**425-402-9600**

**Awards Banquet!**





*Milo is the service dog that SAM Helped Dee Carlson get for one of her clients. This is Milo at 5 months!*

## More on Milo, by Dee Carlson

Milo is approaching 6 months old and is growing like a good weed! Typical of pups this age, Milo is quite gangly and out of proportion. His head looks like it has been stuck on a neck that is too long; he looks like a young, healthy standard Poodle pup that is about to blossom.

Milo has the temperament that most Poodle owners dream of. He's friendly, but not overly so; he is curious about everything, but stays out of the way when he really should; he is willing to try anything new, but thinks before he leaps; he loves going new places, but is not a bull in a china

Milo has been learning some very specialized Service Dog exercises that will be important in a few more months. He has been taught to touch any surface with his paws in preparation for turning on and off lights. He is busy learning the names of items (socks, telephone, cell phone, pen, newspapers, silverware, and anything else that we can think and will fit into his mouth) to be retrieved for Marilyn. Milo's retrieving skills are improving daily. He is learning under (the table – for restaurants), left side, right side, back, ahead, close, step, brace, stand, sit, down, come, stay and way, for starters. For such a young boy, Marilyn has done a wonderful job of teaching behaviors that would take other dogs much longer to learn. As a trainer, I am VERY pleased with this team!

We have run into a few "normal" puppy problems with Milo that keep him from attaining "Perfect Angel" status. He is an avid counter surfer and has broken a few of the dishes on the kitchen counter while trying to reach something that peaked his curiosity. His wonderful nose (this guy should be a great tracking dog!) tells him exactly where Marilyn has stashed his treats and he has become an accomplished treat thief. We tried to use snapping mouse traps, an old stand by, to teach him to stay off of the counters and he thought that it was a lovely new game. He turned into a master of springing mouse traps just to see them fly off the counter.

So far, Milo is everything that his breeder said that he would be and more. When he grows up, he is going to be a lovely Service Dog that will assist Marilyn in numerous ways, some of which he will invent himself!

## Minutes from the Last Meeting—2/12/03

**Place:** Kirkland Fire Station, 7:40 p.m.

**Members Present:** Phil Sallee, Karin Cartwright, Dee Carlson, Rusty Kingery, Deb Lewy. **Guests:** Wendy Galbreath and Reggie Gausman.

Dee called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. No reading of minutes.

### Corresponding Secretary's Report:

Jan received email from ICSB about a Breeder's Clinic at Steamboat Animal Hospital on March 2. There will be collecting of semen, eyes, heart, elbows, microchips, for very inexpensive. Members should see Jan if interested.

### Treasurer's Report:

Profit discussed from January show. Report given by Jan Leikam for Patty.

### New Business

The Most Magnificent Mutt Show will be March 29 in conjunction with the Daffodil Festival. It is open to kids 14 and under, and the judges are 20 members of the Daffodil Court. Now at Frontier Park in Graham. Dee thinks it would be good for SAM to be involved.

Awards banquet in March at Grazie restaurant on Bothell-Everett Highway, March 12.

### Committee Reports

**Programs:** David Kingery bought time with Sheriff Reichert from an auction lunch and donated the time to SAM. We can use him in a program for the May meeting. Hopefully he will be able to bring a dog and discuss the use of dogs in police work.

**Benevolence Committee:** We can donate a bullet proof vest to the county and use as public relations for AKC.

**Juniors.** We discussed creating a new committee for Juniors which Wendy Galbreath would head.

### 2nd Membership Application Readings

We read and approved Reggie Gausman and Wendy Galbreath's applications.

Reggie volunteered to be social chairman and ring hospitality at the August show.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50.

# News from the Dog World

## Steamboat Animal Hospital Breeder Day

On Sunday, March 2, 2003, Steamboat Animal Hospital in Olympia will be holding it's 3rd annual Breeder Day Canine Health Clinics. The following services will be offered:

- ?? International Canine Semen Bank, (Call 503 663-7031 for this service only)
- ?? Eye Certification, Dr. Paul Shirle \$18
- ?? Heart Certification, Dr. Gary Wood \$25
- ?? Microchip AVID \$20
- ?? OFA Clinic, Hips \$45.00, Elbows \$45

Special prices on Advantage, Front-line, Revolution, and other products.

For more information, Call Steamboat Animal Hospital at 360 866-6101 or email SteamboatAnimalHospital@hotmail.com



## AVMA Veterinary Practice Act

The AVMA has drafted a model Veterinary Practice Act which would prohibit us from sharing our knowledge about nutrition and health with one another by telephone or via the internet. The draft labels anyone who consults with anyone about even alternative therapies as practicing veterinary medicine without a license. Their intent is to get each state to legislate this Act into law.

The draft can be downloaded at

<http://www.avma.org/education/mvpa/default.asp>.

Please take the time to read it. Comments must be snail-mailed before

March 1, 2003, to:

Dr. Beth Sabin AVMA  
1931 N Meacham Rd., Suite 100  
Schaumburg, IL 60173-4360

and cc: your comments to:

Ancient Healing Arts Association  
([healers@AncientHealingArts.org](mailto:healers@AncientHealingArts.org))  
P .O. Box 75 Cold Spring, NY  
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They will present them en masse to the AVMA to ensure none are lost in the cracks. More information available on their site:

<http://www.ancienthealingarts.org/vets-1-03.htm>

This act reads, in part

18. "Practice of veterinary medicine" means:

a) To diagnose, treat, correct, change, alleviate, or prevent animal disease, illness, pain, deformity, defect, injury, or other physical, dental, or mental conditions by any method or mode; including:

i. the prescription, dispensing, administration, or application of any drug, medicine, biologic, apparatus, anesthetic, or other therapeutic or diagnostic substance or medical or surgical technique, or

ii. the use of complementary, alternative, and integrative therapies, or

iii. the use of any manual or mechanical procedure for reproductive management, or

iv. the rendering of advice or recommendation by any means including telephonic and other electronic communications with regard to any of the above.

b) To represent, directly or indi-

rectly, publicly or privately, an ability and willingness to do an act described in subsection 18(a).

If the AVMA is successful in getting the states to agree to this abridgement of free speech, to recommend (18a(iv)) a change in food

(18a(ii)) to alleviate (18a(ii)) excessive gas would constitute practicing veterinary medicine and, if you were not a licensed vet, could result in criminal prosecution.



## House Bill #1400 DEAD

**Question:** I am currently licensed hobby breeder in Snohomish County. I would like to know why your bill to destroy dangerous strays is only in effect August through March? What about provisions to control strays in the summer months?

**Answer:** Thanks for contacting my office regarding your concerns about House Bill 1400 relating to dog control. Some students from Snohomish High School made the trip to Olympia to learn about the legislative process. I met with a few groups of these students and offered to sponsor one of the bills that they had written. There is no interest in holding either a public hearing or any kind of vote on this proposal. You should rest assured that this bill is "dead" and will see no further action.

Bill Grant, State Representative  
16th Legislative District

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## Member Wags, Brags & Info

### 3-Month Calendar

<b>March 12</b>	Awards Banquet 7 p.m. Grazie Restaurant
<b>April 9</b>	Board Meeting 7 p.m. General Meeting 7:30 p.m.
<b>May 14</b>	Board Meeting 7 p.m. General Meeting 7:30 p.m.

All meetings at the Kirkland Fire Station unless noted otherwise.

**All-Breed Handling, One-Day Seminar!**  
Jane Anderson, well-known AKC Judge, former all-breed handler and breeder will teach you to show your dog to the best advantage.

Whether novice or seasoned handler, this seminar is for you!

**Date:** Saturday, March 1, 2003  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**Cost:** Participant with Dog, \$55/lunch incl.  
Participant w/out Dog: \$25/lunch incl.

**Place:** Lake City Community Center  
12531 –28th Avenue NE  
Seattle, WA 98125

To register, make checks payable to the Bull Terrier Club of Puget Sound. For more information, please call Maureen at 2-06-367-4811. Deadline is February 22.

### BRAGS!

During the four Portland shows, CH McVan's Reydale Academy Award, co-owned by **Vandra Huber** and Gerardo Reyes, won BB/G!, BB/G1, BB, and BB/G2. Congrats!

Linn County KC, 2/8/03, Jan Leikam's CH Laureate Adrienne Learning to Fly won BB (WD on 2/9/03). Co-owned by Monica Berry and **Jan Leikam**.

**Send those wins in!**