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JUNE MEETING

The June meeting will be at the Will Rogers Garden Center Tuesday, June 17, 2008, at 7:30 pm. This will be a closed meeting for election of officers and directors.

We had two guests at our meeting whom I forgot to introduce, but I would like to thank them for their attendance. They are Robert Stoops and Patty Whitecotton.

THINKING OF YOU

Please keep Pat White, Barbara Holland, Maurine Kearns, Betty Ogle, Frances Durrett, Marilyn Lindsay and Valerie Trumbly in your thoughts and prayers.

OCOTC Scholarship

The OCOTC Scholarship was awarded to Ms. Heidi Stricker. Ms. Stricker was a guest at our May membership meeting. She has just begun her senior year at OSU vet school. She graciously thanked the club for the scholarship and told us all about what she is currently researching as well as her future goals. We wish her the best in her endeavors.

THANK YOU!

Special thanks to Becky Gray for the donation she sent in with her OCOTC dues!

MEETING PROGRAMS AND THANK YOU

Thank you to Carol Van Wart for speaking to us about disaster preparedness. She did a wonderful job reminding us that we need to be prepared for disasters especially during tornado season by having certain items

readily available and a plan in place. Remember to practice your plan so that you will be calm and able to execute it quickly if needed. If you missed the meeting, the handout is attached to the Courier.

Also, there will not be any programs scheduled for June, as it is a closed meeting due to the elections or for July as it is our club picnic.

Debbie Harr

SUMMER FUN MATCH

Dates: June 14-15, 2008

Location: Oklahoma Expo. Bldg., Fairgrounds

Chairman: Valerie Trumbly -392-4651

Stewards Needed for Obedience.

Match will be air conditioned! Helping at this event counts toward OCOTC membership qualification!

Please contact Lori Baer at k9pals2@yahoo.com if you can help ring steward!

JUNE ELECTIONS

The slate of nominees for the 2008-2009 term was presented at the May board meeting. Nominees are as follows:

President: Lori Baer

Vice President: Debbie Harr

Recording Secretary: Bill Ballard

Corresponding Secretary: Will Crowe

Treasurer: Patti Saiz

Training Director: Karen Allen

Directors:

Kaye Kirk

Cindy Sirotkin

Kathy Logan

Mary White

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Beverly Ballard
Brian Swingle

Nominations may still be made from the floor at the June meeting. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee. Nominating committee members are Laura Swingle, Gayle Bryner, LeRoy Saiz and Kathy Logan.

PICNIC

Hello everyone! July 19 is almost here and we really hope to see everyone at the OCOTC Annual Picnic. This year's picnic is at the Warr Acres Community Center at 4301 N. Ann Arbor Avenue at 6:00 p.m. Those helping with set-up please be there at 5:00 p.m. We will be playing BARKO this year and for those not knowing what BARKO is, you will have to attend to see! BARKO is - a lot of fun! All potential members are encouraged to attend as this will count towards your membership application. Everyone planning on attending is asked to bring a dish of some type that would be picnic appropriate; *i.e.* baked beans, potato salad, fried chicken, etc. Sign-up sheets will be placed at training sessions for sign-up to bring a food dish. Everyone planning to attend, please bring donations for: 1) a leash, collar, etc. to donate to the Oklahoma City Animal Shelter, as well as, 2) a gift for a child at the Children's Hospital. We really look forward to seeing everyone there!! Feel free to call Sheryl Hogan at 924-0409 with any questions!

Disaster Preparedness for Pet Owners

Disasters can occur at anytime and anywhere, just since 1999 there have been 14 federally declared disasters in Oklahoma alone. It is important to make plans now to help save yourself and your pets. Included in this handout are tools to aid you in preparing for a disaster and evacuation.

Remember: Personal safety is always first!!

Preparing

Just as you should have an emergency kit for your family, you should also make one for your pets. Here is a list of items to include in your kit.

- * Pet carrier or cage for each pet
- * Leash, collar and harness for each pet
- * Identification on the pets (tag, microchip)

- * One week supply of food and water
- * Travel bowls for food and water
- * Vaccination and medical records
- * Medications with instructions
- * Emergency contact information (including your veterinarian)
- * Photographs and other proof of ownership
- * First aid kit
- * Familiar toy or blanket
- * Stakes and tie outs
- * Manual can opener
- * Spoon (canned food)
- * Paper towels
- * Disinfectant
- * Litter, litter pan, litter scoop
- * Trash bags
- * Batteries (flashlight, radio)
- * Flashlight
- * Radio (solar and battery operated)
- * Newspaper for bedding or litter.

Planning

Always take your pet with you when you evacuate. If it is not safe for you to stay in the area, it is not safe for your pet.

Plan ahead in the event that human shelters will not house your pets.

- * Identify near-by facilities where you can board your pet.
- * Contact hotels outside your immediate area to locate "pet friendly" ones and keep a list of them in your emergency kit.
- * Contact friends and relatives outside your area to see if they will shelter you and your pets.

If You Are Not At Home

- * Designate a neighbor to tend to your pets if you are not home. Be sure they are familiar with your pets and where your emergency kit is located. Give them your veterinary information and file a permission slip with your veterinary office authorizing them to seek medical treatment for your pet if you are not there.

Identification

- * You will need proof of ownership to retrieve your pet from a shelter.
- * Be sure all of your animals have a properly fitting collar with current personal tags and rabies tags.

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- * Collars can slip off so consider having your pet microchipped.
- * Keep photographs of you with your pet. Be sure any distinguishing markings your pet has are visible.
- * Give a copy of these photographs to a friend or relative out of town in case your copies are lost.

During An Emergency

- * Evacuate as early as possible.
- * Be aware of changing conditions.
- * Take your emergency kit with you when you leave.

After The Disaster

- * Monitor your pets closely and keep them leashed. Familiar scents and landmarks may be altered and can cause confusion or abnormal behavior.
- * Survey the area inside and outside your home to identify potential dangers (downed power lines, fallen trees, debris).
- * Release pets indoors only. They could encounter dangerous hazards if allowed to go outside unsupervised.

- * Reintroduce food in small servings and gradually work up to full portions if your pets have been without food for a prolonged period of time.

If You Have Lost Your Pet

- * Visit each shelter daily. You must check in person as you are the only person who can truly identify your pet. Bring the photos you have of you with your pet.
- * Create flyers with your pet's photo and description, pet's name and your contact information.
- * Notify local veterinary offices, neighbors, local animal control offices and local animal shelters.
- * When you do find your pet, have it examined immediately for injury or illness.

Helpful Websites

- * U.S. Government "Ready Pets" brochures: www.ready.gov/america/getakit/pets.html
- * ASPCA: Go to www.aspc.org then click on "Emergency Preparedness" for advice.
- * AVMA: Go to www.avma.org and click on "Disaster Preparedness" for brochures and manuals.

UPCOMING SHOWS				
Show	Show Date	Closing Date	Superintendent	Judges
AGILITY (Indoors) Alamo Dog Obedience Club, Inc. South Alamo & East Market Sts San Antonio, TX	7/10/08	6/25/08	Rene Fitch (210) 273-8083 rfitchecs@yahoo.com	Kathy Humphreys Sarah Dow
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AGILITY (Indoors) Alamo Dog Obedience Club, Inc. South Alamo & East Market Sts San Antonio, TX	7/12/08	6/24/08	Rene Fitch (210) 273-8083 rfitchecs@yahoo.com	Helen Dorrance Kathy Humphreys
AGILITY (Indoors) Missouri Rhineland Kennel Club 460 Indian Warpath Dr. Pacific, MO	7/12/08	6/27/08	Judith Walker (636) 390-4414 studiohillk9@earthlink.net	Jaime Ramirez
AGILITY (Indoors) Bexar County Kennel Club, Inc. South Alamo & East Market Sts San Antonio, TX	7/13/08	6/25/08	Rene Fitch (830) 334-2215 rfitchecs@yahoo.com	Helen Dorrance Kathy Humphreys

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AGILITY (Indoors) Houston Kennel Club, Inc. 1 Reliant Center Dr Houston, TX	7/18/08	7/2/08	Linda Cole (281) 692-9053	Annette Narel Bonnie Drabek Kimberly Reeher Lavonda L Herring Terri Campbell
AKC Rally® (Indoors) Houston Kennel Club, Inc. 1 Reliant Center Dr Houston, TX	7/18/08	7/2/08	Onofrio Dog Shows, L.L.C. (405) 427-8181 mail@onofrio.com	Ms. Susan (Suzi) B. Bluford
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AKC Rally® (Indoors) Amarillo Obedience Training Club 3rd St & Buchanan St Amarillo, TX	7/19/08	7/2/08	Lynne Tellman (806) 358-0565 morning@dm.net	To Be Assigned
AKC Rally® (Indoors) Amarillo Obedience Training Club 3rd St & Buchanan St Amarillo, TX	7/19/08	7/2/08	Lynne Tellman (806) 368-0565 morning@dm.net	To Be Assigned
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AKC Rally® (Indoors) Beaumont Kennel Club, Inc. 1 Reliant Center Dr Houston, TX	7/19/08	7/2/08	Onofrio Dog Shows, L.L.C. (405) 427-8181 mail@onofrio.com	Ms. Sandra L Walroth

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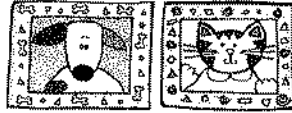
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Breed _____ / Variety _____ Dog's Call Name _____ Sex: M F

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Puppies - 3 - 6 Months 6 - 9 Months 9 - 12 Months Adults - Open

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Age of Handler _____

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