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#### A REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS:

Please advise our secretary, Lynne Conder, of any changes to your address, phone or e-mail address. We don't want you to miss any of the Prairieland newsletters!

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR . . . CLUB MEETING DATES FOR 2019

- January 16, 2019
- April 17, 2019
- May 26, 2019 (in conjunction with annual dinner at Specialty)
- July 20, 2019 (annual picnic)
- September 25, 2019
- November 23, 2019 (in conjunction with the Festival of Trees)



## **NEXT MEETING**

The next PSSC meeting will be on **Saturday**, **November 23**, **2019**. Please see information elsewhere in the newsletter.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Everyone!

Summer has come and gone. There is frost on the pumpkin. It seems like summer gets shorter and shorter every year.

After taking a couple of years off, our club is spending October 26<sup>th</sup> working on items for the 2019 Festival of Trees. We have quite a few very creative members so make sure you come to the Festival of Trees to see what all we made. We usually go after our Christmas dinner the Saturday before Thanksgiving.

It's not too early to be thinking of Prairieland's dues for 2020. Mail or bring them to our Christmas dinner.

Your President, Connie Reidner



#### **PSSC MEETING MINUTES 09/25/19**

The Prairieland Standard Schnauzer Club meeting was held at Penny & Kathy's home in Bloomington, IL on Wednesday 9/25/19, 5:30 pm. After a potluck dinner, President Connie opened the business meeting.

In attendance for the business meeting were Kathy Koehler, Lynne Conder, Penny Duffee, Connie Reidner, Gwen Kirman, Marsha Landers, Dorothy and John Pazereskis, Diane and Don Kachur.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published. (Gwen/Penny)

**Treasurer's Report:** Kathy Koehler reminded us that **2020 dues are to be paid before the end of 2019**. She said members coming to the November meeting can bring their dues and signed membership form that night. Other members should mail their dues directly to her.

And PLEASE print **legibly** or use a mailing label in the form address area (particularly if your address had changed since last year.)

# **PSSC 20th Specialty**

- 2022 is PSSC's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary show.
- Ideas are appreciated for how to commemorate this show: special trophies, mementos, table favors, ways and means, etc.
  - o Kathy reported we have paperweights and metal sculptures which can be used.
  - o Discussions of what to do at the show for special emphasis: possibly repeat the grooming seminar as in 2003 and/or a judges' education seminar.
  - o If you have other celebration ideas please contact Penny.
- Connie gave info about a dog stripping tool (ruby stone), hopefully with a club logo, as a ways and means project. If a grooming seminar is held, using the tool can be demonstrated. Vote approved to order approximately 100 customized tools. (Penny/John P.)
- Photo memories of 2003–2012 are needed. Our 1<sup>st</sup> show was 2003 and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary was 2012; other photos between those years are fine too. A volunteer is needed to organize and figure out a photo display. Check with Penny about where/how to send photos.

#### **New SSCA Club Contacts**

- Lynne asked for contact info of the 3 new or forming SSCA clubs: Texas SSC, Desert Southwest, and Pacific Northwest. Secretaries from most of the SSCA clubs exchange newsletters as a way of sharing club information/ideas.
  - o Dorothy P. and Lynne will exchange other secretary's contact info.

#### **Festival of Trees**

- We will participate in Festival of Trees this year (11/22-24/19). As a club, we have not participated for awhile. This type of activity counts toward our AKC required community service activities.
- We still have a supply of dog related items which will can used.
- Saturday, 10/26, 9:00 is scheduled as the work day. We will meet at Penny and Kathy's.
- Saturday, 11/23 is the PSSC Christmas potluck/party. Please mark your calendar now if you plan to attend. We will have a potluck dinner with the club supplying meat, an abbreviated club meeting with election of officers, and a gift exchange to follow.

#### May 2020 Sweeps Judge

Penny reported Carol Hathway-Minn will be the May judge.

## Palooza '19 post mug order

Connie offered a reorder of the blue insulated mugs originally sold through Palooza '19 store. A required reorder of 24 mugs was reached and resulted in a profit of \$250.85 for SSCA. PSSC's share will be returned in our Palooza '19 settlement from SSCA.

# **AKC Evacuation and Pet Emergency First Aid Checklists**

Lynne brought up the 9/19 article from the recent PNS about pet emergency planning.
 She distributed copies of the AKC check lists, plus a list she personally tweaked. In light of recent disasters, all PSSC members are encouraged to plan for personal emergencies as well as local emergencies.

- Kathy said she is concerned about how SSs owners should plan for pet care if something happens to the current owners. Having plans in place may seem like extra work now, but can really pay off when a crisis happens.
- Penny asked since Lynne has been reading already about such info that she present info at a future meeting.

## **Brags**

- Anna and Marsha earned 2 points at the 4/19 St. Louis show.
- Gwen finished Flash in a recent Minnesota show.
- Rory and Penny have 2 majors.
- Elin and Penny won Best of Best in Minnesota over 25 other dogs. This is a special class at the Minnesota show.

# Adjournment

- Connie thanked Penny and Kathy for hosting our dinner/meeting.
- No further business was conducted after adjournment at approximately 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Lynne Conder, PSSC Secretary



#### **NEED SUGGESTIONS**

At our last meeting we discussed potential projects for the club to support. We are going to make items for the Festival of Trees again this year. Due to fall commitments the last couple of years, PSSC has not supported the Festival as a club. Look for details regarding the work day elsewhere in this newsletter. Please send any suggestions for new activities to our president, Connie Reidner.



#### **FESTIVAL WORK DAY**

We will meet at Penny & Kathy's for a work day to create wreaths, centerpieces and other decorations to donate to the Baby Fold's Festival of Trees. The work day on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> will begin at 9 am – and last until projects are done or ideas exhausted (or getting close to bedtime!!) The club has several totes of supplies but bring your crafting supplies (glue guns, wire cutters, etc.) and your creative ideas for both fall/Thanksgiving and Christmas decorations.





#### **NEXT MEETING**

Our November meeting is always held in conjunction with the Festival of Trees weekend. We will hold our annual Christmas dinner party on Saturday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 1 pm at Penny & Kathy's. The club will provide turkey & ham (cooked by "Chef Kathy"). . . but please let "the chef" know what dish you plan to bring to share.

Plan now for the gift exchange. . . it is always a lot of fun with lots of "steals" and other challenges!! Items may be either "people" or "doggie" with a value of approximately \$10.

After the party we will go to the Festival to see all the beautiful trees and see how our creations are doing in the bidding.

Watch your email for updates closer to the party.

## SCHNAUZAPALOOZA RAFFLE





You may remember that for Schnauzapalooza in April, Nancy Grizzi offered to do a custom drawing to be given through a raffle to support the SSCA national specialty. The lucky winner was Penny Duffee! With specialty wrap-up, local shows over Memorial weekend etc. we just never managed to select a photo to send to Nancy. After Elin's big Best of the Best win in MN, Kathy Koehler took several informal pictures of her in the flower garden area at the show site. We chose one of those to send to Nancy. Here is a copy of the photo and the pastel picture that Nancy did. It is gorgeous – she is SO talented!! We really love it – hung above the sideboard in the kitchen for everyone to see. Thanks Nancy!!

# GREAT BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go out to



11-23	Roy Dvorak
11-27	Connie Reidner
12-01	Don Farage
12-09	Don Kachur
12-15	<b>Gwen Kirman</b>
12-15	<b>Cheryl Wallace</b>

If you failed to include your birthday with your renewal, please drop an email to Kathy Koehler <a href="Materials.">KatonSS1@fontier.com</a> so she can add you to the list.



This is your chance to share "tales" about your Schnauzer – show ring wins, performance wins and titles, or any other accomplishments or news that you want everyone to know about. Send e-mails (pictures welcome too!) to our editor, Kathi, <a href="mailto:himeldad@aol.com">himeldad@aol.com</a> for the upcoming issues!! Remember to e-mail things as they happen. . .don't wait for the deadline and then forget. We love reading about your Schnauzers!

# What have you been up to?????????

Kathy Koehler and Penny Duffee had a great trip to the Heartland SSC specialty weekend in August. It was fun seeing everyone – and the club always does a nice job!

At the Friday specialty "Roar-E" (aka Katon's Hear the Tiger Roar v Morgenwald) was BOS in Sweepstakes. In the classes "Flash" (aka Katon's Firecracker v Morgenwald) was WD from the BBE class for 5 point major. Then their mother, "Elin" (GCH Katon's Eye of the Tiger v Morgenwald RATO) won the Veteran Bitch class and went on to win Best of Breed at nearly 9 years old! "Elin" then teamed up with her son "Flash" as the only brace – and did a great job with minimal practice.

On Saturday "RoarE" was WB from BBE class for a 5 point major. After Best in Show on Saturday the all-breed clubs offer a special competition called "Best of the Best." It is open to all the Specialty winners from Thursday, Friday and Saturday and the BIS winner of the all-breed show on Saturday. . . approximately 25-30 dogs. The judge was a secret until she was introduced in the ring. What a thrill when she said ". . . the Standard Schnauzer!" It was one of the most significant wins of our careers.

Then on Sunday "Flash" was WD for another 5 point major to finish his Championship. But his half-sister, "RoarE" had to out-do him – she was WB, BW and then topped it off with a BOS win.

So. . . It was a really great weekend!



Katon's Firecracker v Morgenwald "Flash"
WD at the HSSC specialty for a 5 point major.
Flash finished his Championship on Sunday with another 5 point major.



GCH Katon's Eye of the Tiger
v Morgenwald RATO "Elin"
BOB at the HSSC specialty.
This win made her eligible for
"Best of the Best" completion, which she
won on Saturday.



"Elin" and her son "Flash" as a brace at the HSSC specialty.



Katon's Hear the Tiger Roar v Morgenwald "RoarE" Going WB, BW and BOS on Sunday in MN for her second 5 point major that weekend.

#### Marsha Landers writes. . .

I showed Katon's Here We Go Again v Morganwald "Ana" in Springfield Illinois on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> under judge Robert Vandiver. She went Best of Winners and Best of Breed over one special.



# Kathi and Roy Dvorak write:

What a great "western adventure" we had in October which included sightseeing in Utah, 2 days at the beach, visiting my 89 year old Dad, attending the Northern California Local Specialty and visiting Fly Geyser in Nevada on the way home.









Having 3 "specials" and not being able to clone myself,



CH Himmlisch-Arjo's Time Of My Life, TKI "Arnold" showed on Friday



and CH Himmlisch-Arjo's All Time High, TKI "Rita" showed on Sunday.

These two kids haven't been in the ring since they finished their championships in July and did a terrific job!

Cassi – (CH Himmlisch Reach For The Stars In Cassiopeia MX MXJ MXP MJPB TKI) showed the day of the specialty in Veteran Sweepstakes 10 years and older. She had a ball taking first place in her class at the 'young age' of 11 years and 3 months. Cassi hasn't been in the ring for at least 9 years and she didn't miss a beat.





**Lindy** – (GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's A Blast From The Past, NA, NAJ, NF, ACT2, TKA) showed the day of the specialty and took Select Bitch (still waiting for the official picture).

Lindy then took second place in Brood Bitch (with her daughters Poppy and Nina).

