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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 2021

- January 20, 2021
- March 17, 2021
- May – TBA (watch for e-mail notification)
- July – TBA - (annual picnic)
- September 15, 2021
- November 20, 2021 (in conjunction with the Festival of Trees)



NEXT MEETING

Please see information elsewhere in the newsletter.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Good bye 2020 . . . We are out of here !!!!

Hi Everyone,

It's hard to believe that it is already December. We had our Zoom meeting instead of our Christmas dinner. It was good seeing everyone, even if it was only on screen. We were able to have some of our members from afar come to our meeting since we were online. Maybe some of the rest of you can join us for our January meeting. We had Alexis Hubbard from northern Illinois, Jon and Suzanne R. from Iowa, and Diana from West Virginia. Thank you for joining us.

You can read the details of our meeting in this newsletter. We did vote on our officers and board for next year. Everyone agreed to stay in their same positions for 2021.

Have a safe happy holiday!

Your President,

Connie Reidner



PSSC BOARD MEETING MINUTES 11/18/20

The Prairieland Standard Schnauzer meeting was held via Zoom on Wednesday, 11/18/2020, 6:30 pm, lead by President Connie Reidner. Thank you to Don Kachur for arranging and set up of the Zoom meeting.

In attendance were Kathy Koehler, Penny Duffee, Connie Reidner, Gwen Kirman, Marsha Landers, Don and Diane Kachur, Lynne Conder, Alexis Hubbard, Jon Rosenberg, Suzanne Garcia, Diana Barber.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as published.
(Marsha/Kathy)

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Koehler said PSSC dues are due before the end of 2020. She will email the annual dues notices. SSCA dues are also due before end of year and remember to send in your 2023 specialty judge selections.

OLD BUSINESS

PSSC Zoom meetings

- Penny had no further updates about PSSC legally meeting via Zoom. Our club is able to meet via Zoom since our club by-laws do not prohibit such virtual meetings.
- Zoom meetings will continue until it is safe for us to have regular meetings. ALL members can attend the Zoom meetings via a meeting link sent prior to a meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

IFDCO Renewal

- PSSC has in the past supported Illinois Federation of Dog Clubs and Owners (IFDCO). Our annual dues are \$100. IFDCO's mission is to provide members information and education regarding legislation not in the best interest of all Illinois dog owners coming before the Illinois General Assembly. They also have a paid lobbyist.
- Motion voted and passed to continue \$100 membership. (Penny/Kathy)

PSSC 2023 regional specialty

- Penny reported the 2023 SSCA national specialty in California is planned for the same Memorial Day weekend as our usual local regional specialty. Since many people customarily helping at or attending our PSSC show might go to California, there would be few people left here to run our local show. Decision needed if PSSC wants to forfeit holding a 2023 regional specialty show in Bloomington.
- Motion voted and passed to not have a 2023 PSSC regional specialty in Bloomington.
(Lynne/Gwen)

Election of Officers

- Connie previously contacted the current officers/board members about continuing another year. All agreed.
- Vote carried for all officers and board to serve again in 2021.

PSSC Newsletter

- Since we continue to have no club activities due to Covid restrictions, Kathi Dvorak would like for members to share photos in the next newsletter, particularly holiday photos and anecdotes about our schnauzer family members. Deadline is 12/7.

Other announcements

- The 11/20 PnS had many interesting photos and information of previous national specialty winners. The key to identifying the photos is on page 18. Great job Dorothy Pazereskis for putting together an issue while recovering from serious back surgery! John had said she is recovering better than expected.
- Penny reported Roger Hartinger has unexpectedly died. He and his wife, Paula, are familiar judges to some members and were club members up until 2014. Roger helped with the formation of PSSC after the Cincinnati club disbanded.

- Diana Barber announced a dog of her breeding (Maggie) won a 5 point major during her 2nd day of showing.
- Kody and Lynne Conder have finished two C-Wags nose work titles, Level 3 and Ranger level 2.
- Jon Rosenberg competed recently with Little Flica in Waterloo, IA.
- Festival of Trees is happening in Bloomington as a hybrid show this year, with online bidding and limited local viewing. Unfortunately we couldn't have a group designer meeting and we didn't participate this year.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. January meeting plans will be announced later.

Submitted by Lynne Conder, PSSC Secretary



Our next club meeting will be on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. (yes – that says **2021** – **good-bye to 2020!!!**) It will be another Zoom meeting. Please watch your emails for details. Our last meeting via Zoom was good – and we had some of our more distant members participating. It was fun to see everyone! Hopefully this next time we will have even more joining us!



2021 Specialty

We are still planning on our specialty in conjunction with the Heart of Illinois cluster May 2021. There are a lot of unknowns . . . So stay tuned for developments and details!

Dues

If you haven't already paid your 2021 PSSC dues, please get that task done ASAP. You should have received the renewal form and Code of Ethics via email. If you need a form, please email Kathy Koehler KatonSS1@frontier.com.

Otherwise please mail your dues to :
Kathy Koehler, PSSC Treasurer
8 Chrisman Lane
Bloomington, IL 61704



WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOUR PET IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO YOU

Info from Lynne Conder

This is an on-going concern for many pet owners. Thanks to Don Kachur we were given important planning information earlier this year. I recently found this additional info from a link in Dr. Karen Becker's Healthy Pets newsletter.

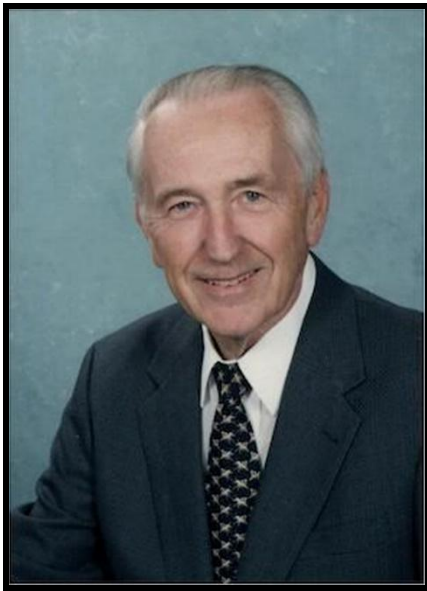
2nd Chance 4 Pets (www.2ndchance4pets.org) is an all-volunteer, nonprofit animal welfare organization. They are committed to providing pet owners information that will help them plan for their pet's continued care should their pets outlive them.



They created a convenient well-laid out 8 page workbook of forms to record detailed care instructions for your pet(s) so they will continue to receive the same type of care you currently provide. Recording these instructions will allow anyone who might care for your pets (temporarily or permanently) to understand best how to provide care. If you have multiple pets, you can fill out certain pages for each pet.

[https://www.2ndchance4pets.org/2nd Chance 4 Pets Pet Care Instructions Workbook Copyright 2013.pdf](https://www.2ndchance4pets.org/2nd%20Chance%204%20Pets%20Pet%20Care%20Instructions%20Workbook%20Copyright%202013.pdf)

Page sections include owner info, primary caregiver, alternate caregiver, pet sitters or boarding, pet health insurance, emergency contacts, vet and/or emergency clinic info, trust fund and trustee info, plus specific, detailed pet info and care instructions, and instructions if your pet dies. The last page has 2 additional small forms to fill out: 1 to post in your house and 1 for your wallet.



Roger Hartinger

On November 18th the dog world unexpectedly lost a very special man – Roger Hartinger. He and his wife, Paula, have been pillars of the dog world for many years. They were truly devoted to each other – and to their family. They celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary last May. They were the parents of four children (3 boys and a girl) and have 15 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. Their house was always full to overflowing during the holidays – which were very special times for their family.

Roger deeply loved the sport and was very supportive of the dog world. He led a full, interesting life. . . including things many dog people may not have known. The

obituary in the Kentucky Enquirer summarized it well. *“He enjoyed building and racing cars as a teenager, learned the construction trade from his father, graduated from Elder High School in 1952, and attended the Ohio Mechanics Institute to earn his Associate of Science degree in Industrial Engineering Technology in 1954. After a short career as a draftsman, he joined the Air Force for two years before serving as a police cadet for the Cincinnati Park Police before entering the Cincinnati Police Academy, where he graduated in January 1958. He remained with CPD until 1966. After a year as an insurance adjuster, he continued his career with the City of Cincinnati in the Housing and Building Department, working steadily up the ladder until retiring as the Assistant Supervisor of Buildings & Inspection in 1993.” **

Roger has always been involved with dogs. He grew up with a German Shepherd and a Wire Fox Terrier. While in college he acquired a Great Dane, the breed he and Paula shared when they were first married. In the mid 60’s they began breeding and showing Standard Schnauzers, producing some quality blacks at a time when that color was not so common. Later they bred Lakeland Terriers. Both became AKC licensed handlers and eventually moved on to judging. Roger spent 45 years judging all over the world. He was one of the few AKC All-breed judges, as is Paula. A popular and well-respected judge, he officiated at many prestigious shows, including a Working assignment at the first AKC National Championship Show and Best In Show at the 2017 National Championship, and the SSCA National specialty. The Hartingers have been very active, judging regularly all over the world. His last assignment was in South Dakota in October.

Quietly and consistently Roger and Paula would always check out the local Catholic churches in the communities where they were judging and attend mass on Saturday night. They felt privileged over the years to enjoy services in so many beautiful churches.

Roger was a life member of Clermont County and Cincinnati Kennel Clubs, founding member of the Oklahoma Dog Judges Workshop, member of SSCA, AMSC & Buckeye Associated Specialty Clubs. SSC of Cincinnati depended on both Roger and Paula’s support for many years. When the Cincinnati club was dissolved, they were founding members of Prairieland SSC, helping get the club fast-tracked to AKC recognition.

*“His knowledge was incomparable, and his devotion to the sport was immeasurable. Although he leaves a legacy that can never be surpassed, he also left the people who met and knew him countless memories of a man full of life, love and passion for so many things.”**

*Kentucky Enquirer – Nov 20-22, 2020
Penny Duffee



Heartwarming pictures of Roger and his wife of 64 years, Paula

PS – Like so many in the dog world, we have many special memories of Roger. A favorite was many years ago when we were handling two Pug Specials for a friend. If you know that breed, you know how much they can snore at night. Unable to sleep, we decided to put their crates in the bathroom. Bad decision – the snoring just echoed louder. So – out of bed again – moved back to the bedside. No sleep – back into the bathroom and closed the door. That still didn't work. . . back out beside the dresser. All night long we periodically wakened them to stop the snoring. Next day Roger was judging the breed. As he was examining my Special, he commented "I really like this dog – but he seems so tired today" I burst out laughing. He awarded the breed win to the Special that Kathy was showing. . . and then got a big chuckle out of the story about the shenanigans the night before.

We would like to collect some special memories about Roger. Please jot down your stories and send them to me. We will put them together and share them next issue. You do not have to be a good writer – just share your thoughts. You can email them to me at DuffPnB@aol.com Looking forward to seeing a lot of good memories!





FENZI PODCASTS

Info from Lynne Conder

I recently stumbled across this resource from Fenzi Dog Sports Academy (FDSA). They offer a wide variety of free podcasts.

If you're not familiar with Fenzi, for a competitor or hobbyist FDSA has a lot to offer - convenience to train when and where it fits into your schedule, knowledgeable instructors using motivational methods, and affordable online classes. Fenzi is owned by Denise Fenzi, a long time trainer and instructor in a variety of dog sports. Besides FDSA, she also is an author of numerous books. I have taken some FDSA online nose work classes and webinars and have been pleased at the insights I've gleaned even without face-to-face training.

I'm personally not a big fan of podcasts, I tend to lose focus. But Fenzi's podcasts are also available with a transcript, complete with photos. The link below is separated by categories, tags and authors.

Topics are numerous such as behavior modification, handling, cuing, agility, rally, tracking, treibball, nutrition, socialization and more.

<https://www.fenzidogsportsacademy.com/blog/categories>

If you prefer a list by year, it is

<https://www.fenzidogsportsacademy.com/index.php/22211>.





AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

December 2, 2020

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/breaking-news-u-s-dept-transportation-revises-airline-service-animals-rules/>

Today, the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) announced final revisions to its Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA) regulations that concern the transportation of service animals. The new finalized rules, which will be effective in January, are intended to ensure that America's air transportation system is safe for the travelling public and accessible to individuals with disabilities, and address concerns raised by individuals with disabilities, airlines, flight attendants, airports, other aviation transportation stakeholders, and other members of the public, regarding service animals on aircraft.

[Click here to read the final rule in its entirety.](#)

The final rule defines a service animal as a dog, regardless of breed or type, that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. This change in definition significantly aligns DOT's definition of "service animal" with the definition that the Department of Justice uses under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

The changes also clarify that emotional support animals (ESAs), comfort animals, companionship animals, animals being trained to be service animals, and species other than dogs are not considered to be "service animals" under the new DOT definition. Instead, airlines may recognize and accommodate emotional support animals as pets. Many commenters, including airline industry stakeholder groups, disability rights advocacy organizations, and animal interest groups, [including the American Kennel Club \(AKC\)](#), cited safety concerns with the previous recognition of ESAs as service animals, including the growing trend of individuals misrepresenting their pets as service animals and the number of online mental health professionals willing to provide pet owners with emotional support animal and psychiatric service animal documentation in exchange for a fee.

The DOT rules also continue to prohibit airlines from refusing to transport a service animal solely based on breed. Airlines may continue to assess each animal individually to determine whether it poses a direct threat to the health or safety of others.

In keeping with our policy on the [Misuse of Service Dogs](#), the AKC submitted comment in April 2020 that expressed support for the proposed definition of "service animal" and reiterated strong support for public accommodation that allows individuals with disabilities to use service dogs without regard to the dog's size, phenotype, or breed. Likewise, our comments condemned actions that fraudulently misrepresent a dog as a service animal when it is not, or attempt to benefit from a dog's service dog status when the individual using the dog is not a person with a disability.

[Click here to read AKC's April 2020 comments to DOT.](#)

AKC's Government Relations Department (AKC GR) has begun analyzing the extensive provisions and DOT-supplied discussion and justifications of the newly-finalized rule, and will provide detailed information to stakeholders once that analysis has been completed.

For more information, contact AKC GR at doglaw@akc.org.

Here's the actual webpage. The link in email doesn't work. (Thank you Lynne for catching this!)

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/u-s-department-transportation-proposes-new-rules-define-service-dogs-purpose-air-travel/>

NEW . . . AKC Virtual Obedience Test Program

Approved effective March 1, 2021.

The Board reviewed a recommendation to create an AKC Virtual Obedience Test Program consisting of two beginning level classes – Virtual Beginner Novice and Virtual Novice as a pilot program in 2021. The purpose is to provide owners that are not able or willing to attend an in-person event an opportunity to stay engaged in the sport by evaluating their skill and teamwork via video. There will be two beginning levels of virtual obedience offered, with possible expansion of the program over time. The first two levels in the Virtual Obedience Test program will be Virtual Beginner Novice and Virtual Novice classes. The exercises in virtual obedience will be slightly different than in-person tests, therefore the titles earned will be designated with the letter V – Beginner Novice Virtual (BNV) and Companion Dog Virtual (CDV). This will be a standalone program with no crossover to the regular obedience titles. This is a pilot program and will be reviewed toward the end of the year 2021.

Here is the link to the regulations for the Virtual Obedience Test Program:

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/cdn-origin-etr.akc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/23115013/AKC-Virtual-Obedience-Test-Regulations-1120.pdf>



Other changes in obedience can be found here:

<https://www.akc.org/sports/obedience/news-updates/>



AKC Rally® Virtual Pilot Program

This Pilot has been extended through midnight, December 31, 2021



THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

BY: PINKEE & PIBBEE
(Submitted by Connie Reidner)

On the **first** day of Christmas my human gave to me
One birthday cake – carrot cake with vanilla frosting please

On the **second** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Two fluffy new dog beds – one for day and one for nighty night

On the **third** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Three new winter coats – one for playing in the snow and two spares

On the **fourth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Four rubber boots – one for each foot

On the **fifth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Five new 1st place ribbons – so I could see my human do her happy dance

On the **sixth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Six big rats in tubes – so I can play hide and seek all day

On the **seventh** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Seven stuffed toys with 7 squeakers – start the timer, get set, find the squeaker

On the **eighth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Eight rubber balls – a fetch'in we go Ho Ho

On the **ninth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Nine dog-gon good doggie cookies – icing please

On the **tenth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Ten ice cream cones – vanilla yogurt if you please Lick Lick

On the **eleventh** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Eleven bully sticks – sorry Mr. Bull Ouch Ouch

On the **twelfth** day of Christmas my human gave to me
Twelve Get out of grooming Free Cards- Yea Me!!



Festival Of Trees 2007 (thanks Lynne Conder for the pictures!)



*PSSC tree designers taken at
Bloomington IL Interstate Center*

Close-up of PSSC Festival of Trees 2007

*We won People's Choice with our
"Schnauzers at Grandma's House"
themed tree.*

Close-up of tree skirt.



*Close-up of Grandma's House in front of Schnauzer themed tree.
All constructed by PSSC members.*

Christmas memories from Lynne Conder. . .



*Barry and Mani looking for Santa - December 2000.
This is one of the most memorable photos I have of Mani.*



Jack under the Christmas tree - December 2008

Christmas memories from Penny Duffee . . .



This is one of the last 4' trees we decorated for the Festival. It was a white tree with small stockings holding a variety of dog breeds. The girl (doll) under the tree was walking a Schnauzer.

Bob Wiegel won the high bid on the tree and enjoyed the tree every year until he passed away in early 2010.



Hopefully next year the table will be full again with all of our members celebrating together. . . we all have a lot of good memories of PSSC Christmas parties and crazy gift exchanges over the years!!!



At our Christmas party 2 years ago, the after dinner entertainment was 5 crazy Schnauzer puppies – those are the grey blurs in the photo!!



Mr. Schnauzer is the official greeter on Penny & Kathy's front porch each year. Nearly 6' tall, he is also the unofficial guard dog!



In 2015 Kathy Koehler's wreath, with the owls, won "Best Wreath" at the Baby Fold's Festival of Trees. Our club has supported the Festival for many years. We have had lots of good times getting together to make wreaths, centerpieces, trees, etc.



Schnauzers are always good for a romp in the snow!

G R E A T B I G H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y W I S H E S go out to



Lynne Conder – January 23

Caren Rohlfing – February 16

Alexis Hubbard – February 17

If you failed to include your birthday with your renewal, please drop an email to Kathy Koehler KatonSS1@fontier.com so she can add you to the list.



SCHNAUZER TALES



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, himeldad@aol.com 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??????????

Lynne Conder writes. . .

Kody (CH Katon’s Eastman Kodak Picture This) has earned 2 C-Wags nose work titles: Level 3 CW-SI and Ranger Level 2 CW-ScR2. Each title entails 4 qualifying searches.

Level 3 is 3 hides in less than 3 minutes, including an elevated hide, spread among 16-20 objects.

In Ranger 2 the dog works independently off-leash. The handler stays behind a boundary line 10-12 feet from the dog.



Jon Rosenberg and Suzanne Garcia write. . .



Marco was home for Thanksgiving and wanted Phantom and him to have matching pj's. I still look at this Marine as my little boy. He will soon be leaving and going back to his base. We miss him so much but also know we did our job. Now he is doing his to serve and protect us.

Too much turkey!



Phantom, without pj's, at the Waterloo KC show winning the Working group NOHS. This was Judge Arlie Hussin's last show before retirement. He was still doing a fantastic job in the ring at 90 years of age. We wish him well.

Flica, our sweet “walk about” girl showing at the Waterloo KC show in November. She got a nice NOHS Group 4.



GCH Von Rose Commander Sparks
“Sparky”



GCH Von Rose Enchanted Christmas Vision
“Ivy”

We are hoping to see puppies out of our girl Ivy and Sparky toward the end of January. There should be some nice show quality pups available.

Kathi and Roy Dvorak write. . .

We had a couple more FCAT competitions before the snow started to fly. . . October 17th (Rocky Mountain Borzi) and October 24th (Rocky Mountain Hounds). Arnold and Rita need one or two more runs for their BCAT titles. . . Lindy earned her BCAT on October 24th. We can't wait for more competitions to be offered!



Arnold



Rita



Lindy



Lindy – new BCAT title
(pending AKC approval)

Say hello to **Lindy** who earned her RATS (senior) title at the Rocky Mountain Ratters Barn Hunt trial on November 22nd. Lindy's first run was 1:42:56 for a first placement and High In Class Senior. Her second run was 3:16:75 for another first placement and her title. Rocky Mountain Ratters does personalized rosettes for new senior titles. . . I can't wait to get it. I am just so proud of Lindy Hopper!!!!



November 26th, Thanksgiving day, we loaded up the kiddos and headed to a CGC (Canine Good Citizen) test. I am thrilled to report that **Rita, Lindy** and **Arnold** passed with flying colors. **Merry** was the best cheerleader ever!

The kiddos end 2020 with the following titles (titles earned in 2020 are in red – not bad for no shows). . .

RITA – CH Himmlisch-Arjo's All Time High, **ACT1, ACT2, RATI, RATN, RATO, TKN, TKI, TKA, TKP, TKE, CGC**

LINDY – GCH CH Himmlisch-Arjo's A Blast From The Past, ACT1, ACT2, NA, NAJ, NF, OF, **RATI, RATN, RATO, RATS, TKN, TKI, TKA, TKP, TKE, BCAT, CGC**

ARNOLD – CH Himmlisch-Arjo's Time Of My Life, **ACT1, ACT2, RATI, RATN, TKN, TKI, TKA, TKP, TKE, CGC**



Stay Healthy. . . Stay Pawsitive



In loving memory . . .

What we have once enjoyed. . .

We can never lose!



CH Himmlisch Reach For The Stars In Cassiopeia "Cassi"

MX, MXJ, MXP, MJP3, MJPB, TKI

AKC Achiever Dog

SSCA Preferred Agility Dog of the Year - 2019

July 6, 2008 – October 30, 2020



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

From your newsletter editor Kathi (and Roy)
(left to right. . . Lindy, Merry, Rita, Arnold)