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This month's featured breed is the German Shepherd.

Rin Tin Tin, one of the most famous working German Shepherd Dogs, starred in 27 movies in the 1920's.

## Quote of the Month

**"Buy a pup and your money will buy love unflinching that cannot lie."**

## Luvk9s Dog Training September newsletter

Happy Labor Day! Google defines Labor Day “as a public holiday or day of festivities held in honor of working people.” But shouldn't we also recognize working *dogs*?

Perhaps you've considered putting your dog to work as a therapy dog. Is your dog therapy dog material? Click on this month's article below to find out.

Click on the links below for additional dog-related tips:

- [Is a dog's mouth \(really\) cleaner than a human's mouth?](#)
- [Rawhide chew recalls – please read this!](#)
- [Dogs can tell \(and remember\) if somebody is mean to you.](#)

It's not too late to sign up for a BASIC OBEDIENCE CLASS or a CANINE GOOD CITIZENSHIP CLASS (which is a great follow up to basic obedience and a prerequisite for therapy dog work.) Both classes start Monday, Sept. 11. [Click here for more info.](#)

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## Is your dog therapy dog material?

It will come as no surprise to pet owners that scientific studies confirm petting your dog or cat can improve your mood and make you feel less anxious and stressed.

Spending time with a dog or cat—even just watching fish swim—can result in your body going through physical changes. Pets.webmd.com explains, “the level of cortisol, a hormone associated with stress, is lowered. And the production of serotonin, a chemical associated with well-being, is increased.”

No wonder therapeutic visitation dogs (or therapy dogs, for short) are welcomed into assisted living, nursing homes, hospitals and schools across the United States.

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## German Shepherd Dog (GSD)

The AKC lists the GSD as being the third smartest breed of dog, beat out only by the border collie and poodle. But did you also know that:

- The German Shepherd Dog is one of the few breeds whose official name includes the word dog? This is so people knew if you were talking about a German shepherd human, who tends the livestock, or the dog helping him.
- GSD's are loyal; a GSD named Capitán sat on his owner's grave for 6 years?
- Two of the three dogs who have stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame are GSD's?
- The first dogs trained as guide dogs for the blind in the 1920's were female GSD's?

To learn more about the GSD, [click here](#).

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## Ending with a smile....this month's VIDEO

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