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Official newsletter of the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay (Florida)  
Regional Chapter of the Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA) since 1987

## President's Message

Welcome to the new members of the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay, and the "alumni" that have returned. The new Officers and Directors of STCTB have been working to revitalize the club. Plans are underway for the Annual Awards Dinner in June, a possible introduction to the new AKC Barn Hunt sport at our Scottie Fun Day this fall, and the Specialty.

Our club will need volunteers at all of our events. To ensure an enjoyable time for everyone, we will need a number of the new members to step up and assist with the areas of interest noted on their club renewal form in 2014.

We are very grateful to Colleen Rafatti for signing on as the *Thistle-n-That* editor. Colleen has some

wonderful ideas, and the plan is to have our newsletter published quarterly once again.

Our club was formed to promote the quality of the Scottish Terrier, and for the opportunity for all of us to share our love of the breed.

**Laurie Slater**  
President, STCTB

## We Want to Hear From You!

The STCTB officers and Board of Directors are working diligently to create an active and informative club that all Scottie lovers can enjoy. *Thistle-n-That* will be an important tool in keeping everyone up-to-date. We plan to publish at least quarterly and to include many new features- some of which will include:

- Updates on STCTB Board activities and actions.
- Upcoming events of interests to the STCTB membership.
- Articles pertaining to Scottie research, health issues, and other topics.
- New litter announcements and, of course, pictures of adorable Scottie pups.
- Member accomplishments and accolades- in and out of the show ring.
- Stories about the heartwarming work done by Scottie rescue.
- A potpourri of Scottie history, trivia, and interesting facts.
- A feature column from a Scottie's perspective- "My Scottie Adventures".
- Rainbow Bridge remembrances and memorials.
- Health and safety resources.
- Fundraising announcements and activities.

For our newsletter to be a success we need *your* news and updates!  
Please email items for consideration for *Thistle-n-That* to the editors at  
[STCTBnewsletter@aol.com](mailto:STCTBnewsletter@aol.com)

## Meet the Editors!

Hi! I'm Logan "Handsome Boy" (that's what my Mom calls me!) Rafatti. My Mom Colleen and I are the new *Thistle-n-That* editors. Here are our pictures. That's me and Mom (when I was just a baby), me and my little sis Bristol (I'm on the left), and me- hunting in our yard!

I submitted my resume for the position of Editor (which I've shared below). My Mom is the Director of the Career Center at our local college. She is a life-long dog lover! I'm so glad!

Mom and I are looking forward to sharing Scottie news with all our friends in STCTB- and beyond! Every month I'll write a column just for Scotties, sharing my expertise and adventures- and more of my pictures, too.

You can write me (and Mom) at  
STCTBnewsletter@aol.com

*Logan*



**Profile:** Tall, dark, and handsome young Scottish Terrier with five+ years of experience with issues such as proper Scottie feeding and selection of treats, grooming, recreational activities, hunting, canine health care, and how to train your human family. Very capable writer (with assistance of my human Mom Colleen... I dictate, and she obediently types).

### Qualifications and Experience

- Long, quality pedigree showing lineage from purebred Scottish Terriers. Many champions in pedigree.
- Considerable personal experience with issues relevant to the current generation of Scottish Terriers. (You name it; I know *all* about it!)
- Very photogenic.
- Up to date on all vaccinations.
- Travel very well. (I sit quietly on my seat in the van and don't get carsick.)
- Went to the "earth dog trials" once. (*Don't* ask how I did- it's a little embarrassing!)
- Graduate, Petco basic and intermediate dog obedience classes.
- Game leader, Petco puppy socialization classes.

### Skills

- Hunting vermin of all types and sizes (including mice, snakes, lizards, rabbits, birds and any other creatures that dare to venture into my territory), and ridding my human parents of unnecessary items of clutter (dog beds, furniture, papers, jewelry, etc.).
- Guarding my home and property and alerting to intruders (*broadly* defined).
- Lounging and maximizing relaxation time in the most comfortable locations.
- Proficient in performing two tricks- sit up and beg, and "high five".
- Story-telling. (For examples, ask my human Grandma- Sonia Hollnagel.)
- Alpha dog that enjoys leading the pack (when my Scottie mother and father, grandmother, aunts, nieces, and sister are not around to pick on me and spoil the fun).
- Strong computer skills with use of Microsoft software suite (including PowerPoint and Publisher), Internet and email, and creation of newsletters and flyers. (I let my human Mom assist- it makes her feel useful.)

### Credentials

- AKC registered.
- Neutered and micro chipped.

The Board and Officers of STCTB are actively planning interesting events for the rest of the year. Although exact dates are not yet available, watch for future announcements about these and other activities:

- Annual membership meeting, awards dinner, and banquet (June 2015).
- Scottie Fun Day- which may include a "Barn Hunt" (Fall 2015).
- STCTB Specialty Dog Show (December 2015).

Watch for These  
Exciting Events-  
Coming Soon!

## Your Board at Work!

At the Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club dog show on February 14, 2015 the STCTB Board and officers met (between the Scottie breed and terrier group judging). In a very casual venue, on a lovely day, these dedicated members continued the reorganization and strategic planning work of the Club.

**Editor's Note:** Well, I must say that I was disappointed not to be invited! I would obviously have been the most handsome Scottie at the show! And, why is my Dad holding a strange Scottie!!!!???? Logan







## Scottish Terrier Rescue of the Southeast

STCTB collaborates with the Scottish Terrier Rescue of the Southeast (STRSE) to assist Scottish Terriers whose owners can no longer care for them in finding new loving homes.

Established in 2010, STRSE provides services in North and South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. This AKC sanctioned rescue is a non-profit group funded by adoptive Scottie families and supporters.

Prior to making a rescue Scottie available for adoption the dog is groomed, evaluated for proper diet and nutrition, examined and treated by a veterinarian, brought up to date on vaccines, tested for parasites and Lyme diseases, spayed or neutered (if age and health permit), and evaluated for temperament and other unique needs.

STRSE absorbs all costs of medical and corrective treatments required before placement in a permanent home. The rescue program relies heavily on donations and volunteers for success. Volunteers are always needed to assist in a variety of capacities including fostering rescue dogs, helping with transport, and conducting home visits.

If you would like to foster or adopt a rescue Scottie please complete the Florida adoption application available at <http://www.johnpignone.com/machform/view.php?id=12798>

To request help for a Florida Scottie in need contact Dawn or Debbie by phone at **813-238-9586** or email them at [floridascottiesrescue@gmail.com](mailto:floridascottiesrescue@gmail.com)

**For more information about STRSE, or to make a donation, visit**  
<http://scottiesoutheast.org>

***"You never soar so high as when you stoop down to help a child or an animal."***

*Jewish proverb*

## Lacy's Rescue Story

*by Leslie Condoleo*



**Lacy (October 2014)**



**Lacy and Leslie (January 2015)**  
*Orlando Sentinel 1-17-15*

Lacy came to me in October 2014 from Orange County Animal Services. She had been found in an Orlando area home along with two deceased Scotties. They had been left alone in the condemned home for long periods with little or no food or water by a neglectful former owner. At the time of her rescue Lacy was barely alive.

Lacy had many health and nutrition issues to overcome on her road back to health and happiness. She had a huge mammary tumor, chronic ear and eye infections for which she is still receiving treatment, and a gallbladder problem. Her nails were so long they were curled up into the pads of her feet and she had hardly any hair. She was terribly lethargic and needed liquid iron to build up her strength. After about 3-4 weeks, when her blood counts had improved, she was spayed and the mammary tumor removed. Unfortunately, it was cancerous.

Today Lacy is a happy girl who has joined my household. She looks much

better and even has more hair growing in! You would never know she is sick. She loves the bed and couch time with me in the evenings. Lacy is a "forever foster"- she won't be adopted out due to her health issues. The original vet believes she will have one good year before the cancer becomes problematic. Lacy is almost 11 years old and the Rescue wants her remaining time to be spent in a loving home- and it will be! She will be kept comfortable, but no further cancer treatments or surgery are planned.

Some funds have been raised for her through the Rescue and private donors to help cover the cost of her doctor appointments, special food, and medications.

**Editor's Note: Lacy is so lucky to have her wonderful new Mom Leslie! Scottie kisses to her!**

*Logan*



# Fans of Scotties Get Together October 11, 2104



**Editor's Note: Thanks to Sheila-Faith Barry for organizing this fun event at PEAR Lake Park in Leesburg. Burgers and hot dogs were enjoyed by all, and donations were raised to assist rescue Lacy!**





# What Could be More Fun Than Scottie Puppies?

## New Litter Announcements

### Breeder- Sonia Hollnagel (Dufftown Scotties)

3 pups whelped 11-8-14

- Black girl ("Brighid")- who will join Ellen Farrell
- Black brindle girl ("Darby")- who will join Sally Malena
- Red brindle boy ("Kaber")- who will remain with Sonia Hollnagel and Jene Anderson

Sire- International Champion Dufftown Black Sorcerer

Dam- International/UKC Champion Dufftown Mischievous I Am



## Resources for Scottie Parents

Name of Site	What Will You Find There?	Site URL
<b>Scottish Terrier Club of America (STCA)</b>	Official website of the Scottish Terrier Club of America; includes a health database	<a href="http://www.stca.biz/">http://www.stca.biz/</a> <a href="http://www.stca.biz/index.php?Itemid=94">http://www.stca.biz/index.php?Itemid=94</a>
<b>American Kennel Club (AKC)</b>	Information on dog health emergencies, a dog first aid kit list	<a href="http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/care/emergencies-and-first-aid/">http://www.akc.org/dog-owners/care/emergencies-and-first-aid/</a>
<b>Canine Health Information Center</b>	A searchable, centralized canine health database	<a href="http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/">http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/</a>
<b>American Animal Hospital Association</b>	A pet health library, pet health blog, and list of accredited vet hospitals	<a href="https://www.aaha.org/pet_owner/pet_health_library/default.aspx">https://www.aaha.org/pet_owner/pet_health_library/default.aspx</a>
<b>Florida Museum of Natural History</b>	Database to identify Florida snakes (includes excellent photos)	<a href="http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/herpetology/fl-snakes/identification">http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/herpetology/fl-snakes/identification</a>
<b>Dog Food Advisor</b>	Notices of dog food and treat recalls	<a href="http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/">http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/</a>
<b>Pet Poison Helpline</b>	Searchable database of items poisonous to dogs (free); 24 hour help line (\$49 fee)	<a href="http://www.petpoisonhelpline.com/">http://www.petpoisonhelpline.com/</a> Phone: 855-289-0358
<b>UC Davis Veterinary Medical School</b>	List of plants toxic to dogs (with photos and descriptions)	<a href="http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ccah/health_information/plants_pets.cfm">http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ccah/health_information/plants_pets.cfm</a>
<b>Orange County Cooperative Extension</b>	Poisonous plants in Central Florida (gardening video 5:53 minutes long)	<a href="http://www.orangetvl.net/central-florida-gardening/toxic-plants-for-pets-video_787109e7f.html">http://www.orangetvl.net/central-florida-gardening/toxic-plants-for-pets-video_787109e7f.html</a>



'There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It is called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors.

Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of meadows, hills and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, the pet goes to this place. There is always food and water and warm spring weather. All the animals who have been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by.

The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind. They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. Her bright eyes are intent; her eager body begins to quiver. Suddenly she begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, her legs carrying her faster and faster. You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.'

Author Unknown

### Brayden

Went to the Rainbow Bridge  
December 14, 2012  
(Rescue, age unknown)  
A brave, blind little lady!  
*Loved by Sonia Hollnagel*



### Rose Hill Chloe ("Chloe")

Went to the Rainbow Bridge  
December, 2009  
(Age 10+ yrs.)  
A sweet rescue.  
How we miss that aroooo!  
*Loved by Colleen and  
Chuck Rafatti*

## *In Remembrance of Special Friends- Always in Our Hearts*



### Dufftown's Spirit of the Sun ("Sunny")

Went to the Rainbow Bridge  
June 26, 2014  
(Age 14 ½ years)  
*Loved by Sonia Hollnagel*

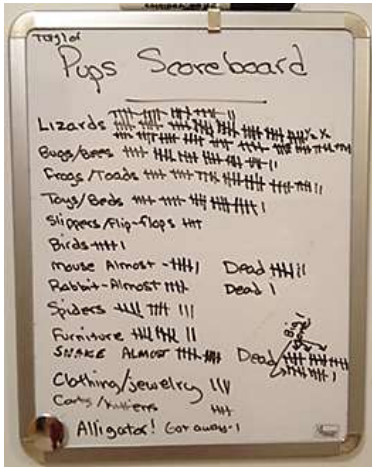




## Logan's Column... My Scottie Adventures! "The Lizard"

**Editor's Note: Calling all Scotties! Let me know about your exploits, too!**  
*Logan*

As we all know Scotties have a reputation for being excellent hunters of all types of vermin. My sis Bristol and I have mastered hunting, and work hard to rid our home and yard of all types of clutter and invading critters. When we were just pups our Mom and Dad quickly learned that we were very efficient at this- and started keeping "score" of our successes. Our scoreboard lists all our "kills". As you see, our numbers are *impressive!!!*



No creature that dares to walk, run, hop, slither, or fly through our yard is safe. We're on it- immediately! I like to watch out the window- and to quietly sneak outside when there is something there to be chased or hunted. My sis and I work well as a team- I flush the critters out, and she snatches them. (She's *very fast!*). And, we are *brave Scotties*- we will tackle *anything*- no matter how big or how nasty it is! (Because of that, our Mom sometimes says maybe we are not too smart... but we are sure we are both smart and brave!) Here's one example to prove my point!



One recent morning we caught the biggest, hugest, monster lizard in our back yard! We never, ever saw a lizard so big before. (Dad said it was about 5 feet long!?) Here's what happened... Dad let us out in the yard to potty in the morning while it was still dark. When we started barking a lot he came outside to see what was going on. Then (we don't know why!) he started yelling really loud at us to "leave it" when he saw the lizard whose tail we were biting at and jumping on. He made so much noise yelling that Mom came out to join us too. But, then Dad made her put us inside the house. We were annoyed. After all, it was *our* lizard- and now *they* were going to have all the fun with it! (Someone needs to talk to our parents about fairness. They still don't quite understand about our Scottie hunting duties and responsibilities as "earth dogs".)

Well, there was lots of commotion after that! Mom and Dad were upset about the lizard and puzzled about how it got into our fenced yard. (Surprise! We learned that these lizards can climb fences!) Dad opened our gate and shooed it out. He was letting it get away!!! That made us even madder!!!! Then, two strange men came to our house, caught the lizard, and took it somewhere. Geez! All they needed to do was let us at it and we would have finished it off! It's just not fair. That was *our* lizard. We saw it first! Dad said it was a *dangerous* lizard. Heck- I'm not so sure, but here's a picture of it. *Do you think he was right, or wrong?* *Logan*



## Homemade Treat Recipe- Peanut Butter Dog Biscuits

### Ingredients

- ½ cups water (add more water later if required)
- ½ cup oil
- 2 eggs
- 3 tablespoons peanut butter
- 2 tsp. vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- ½ cup cornmeal
- ½ cup oats

### Directions

- Blend wet ingredients together.
- Whisk dry ingredients together and mix into wet mixture to form a ball of dough.
- Roll out and shape.
- Put onto a non-stick cookie tray or lightly greased one.
- Cook 20 minutes at 400 F. Turn off oven and allow the biscuits to cool in oven until crisp and hard.
- Store in airtight container.

**Editor's Note: Scotties- ask your Mom to make you these for you! They are delicious!!!**

*Logan*





## Scottie STARS

(...Successes, Triumphs, Accolades, Records, Sensations...)

Please let us know about **your** accomplishments so we can include them in an upcoming newsletter!

### Dog Show Brags!

Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club  
2-13-15

**Select- CH. Woburn Power by Design CA** (Owners: Raymond Sodano III & Steve & Debi Russell)

### Dog Show Brags!

Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club  
2-13-15

**Best of Opposite Sex- CH. Brookstones All Eyes on Me CA** (Owner- Jene Anderson)

**Winners Bitch- Dufftown Going Country** (Owners: Sonia Hollnagel & Jene Anderson)



### New Champion!

Brandon Kennel Club of Florida  
October 2014

**CH. Brookstones All Eyes on Me CA**  
Owner: Jene Anderson

### Dog Show Brags!

Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club  
2-14-15

**Best of Breed- CH. Brookstones All Eyes on Me CA** (Owner- Jene Anderson)

**Select- CH. Brookstones Next Top Model** (Owner- Jene Anderson)

**Winners Bitch- Dufftown Going Country** (Owners: Sonia Hollnagel & Jene Anderson)

## What's in a Name? Westminster Dogs Show Their Pedigrees

NEW YORK — Feb 17, 2015, 6:30 PM By JENNIFER PELTZ Associated Press

Excerpts from <http://abcnews.go.com/Sports/wireStory/show-dogs-complex-monikers-game-29012465>

"A Chinese Shar-Pei named Deniro sits with his owner, Maria Johnson... before competing at the Westminster Kennel Club show in New York, Monday, Feb. 16, 2015...His name says it all: Sumluv Robert Deniro Johnson was bred to be a star. His drama-queen mother is Susan Lucci. His high-jumping dad: Magic Johnson... Why Deniro? "He's a ham,"...

But the fanciful-sounding handles aren't just for show. They reflect dogs' credentials, pedigrees and characteristics, plus breeders' systems for distinguishing one litter of puppies from another... Naming the puppies is one of the most enjoyable parts of having a litter", says Dalmatian breeder Mary-Lynn Jensen of Windermere, Florida. Her latest pups are getting names

related to the HBO drama "Game of Thrones." Previous litters were named after champagne appellations, beers, Disney characters, novelist Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum mystery series and phrases that include "ain't" or "mind."...

Names can function as a quick-reference code for recalling a dog's lineage or litter. Many breeders name litters in alphabetical order — all "A" names one year, "B" the next, and so on...

Others like to get a little more creative... Virginia-based mother-daughter breeders Laurie Zembruski and Gaby Gilbeau have other litters around themes including Ireland, Great Britain, gambling and the circus...

Generations of Linda Albert's chow chows have "man" in their names...

Former fashion buyer Justine Romano names all her cotons de Tulear for designers. Now a breeder, Romano even tries to wear a dog's namesake designer when showing it...

For the family pet, experts recommend keeping names to one or two syllables and avoiding words that resemble a household member's name or a canine command...

Think of a name as just "a sound which catches attention" ... Plenty of owners do keep it simple. The name most often registered with the American Kennel Club, spokeswoman Gina DiNardo says, is **Spot**."

## A Picture of the Past with a Promise to the Future

by Janet Tomlinson



This photo documents the February 1986 International Top Junior Handler Competition staged by Pedigree Chum at the Crufts Dog Show with permission of the Kennel Club of England.

The 1986 competition was judged by Mr. Peter Green and awards were presented by Princess Antoinette of Monaco.

The photo led me to wonder how many active junior handlers there are as of February 2015. How many junior handlers of Scottish Terriers are there in Florida today? Any?

As a club that has struggled to stay alive due to the distances keeping us from activities in which we would like to be involved, it would behoove us all to reach out to Junior Handlers to encourage their participation. I believe Juniors are the future of STCTB.

## Introducing the STCA's "Pedigree Photo Project"

by Janet Tomlinson

The Scottish Terrier Club of America has over 300,000 pedigrees amassed by Mary O'Neal, a long-time member of the Scottish Terrier Club of Michigan. She has done an incredible job on this project. I met with Mary at last year's Montgomery weekend and she liked the idea of adding photos to the pedigree site; an idea that was passed to me by Charla Hill over three years ago.

I have worked with Michael Krolewski, a member of the web team of STCA, to create a template and the software necessary to make this possible. Mike has a few "finishing touches" to complete the software before the template becomes available at STCA.biz.

I would like to encourage all STCTB members to upload photos of their Scotties into this database once it does become available! Your Scottie does not have to be a show dog or have its championship to be entered into the project database. Every Scottie in the pedigree data base can have a photo added.

As Pedigree Photo Project Chair, I suggest a few things you can do now to be ready when that announcement of availability is made by STCA:

- First, search the STCA pedigree database to make sure your dog is included: ([http://www.stca.biz/index.php?option=com\\_breezingforms&Itemid=167](http://www.stca.biz/index.php?option=com_breezingforms&Itemid=167)). If it is not, send your dog's pedigree information to Mary O'Neal with a request that it be added to the database. Mary can be reached at [maryscotpeds@gmail.com](mailto:maryscotpeds@gmail.com)
- Next, get photos of your dog ready. Profile photos are preferred, but if you don't have one a head shot or best photo available may be used. Photos can be black or white, or color.
- You will also need to provide this information about the dog in the photograph: name, owner, e-mail address, AKC registration number, date of birth, date of death (if applicable), sex and color.

**You may contact me at [historian@stca.biz](mailto:historian@stca.biz) if you would like to know more about the STCA Pedigree Photo Project.**





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## Did You Know?

by Janet Tomlinson

- The Scottish Terrier breed was officially recognized by the AKC in 1885.
- In 1985, there were 457 Scottish Terriers registered with AKC and 190 litters. In 1986, there were 489 dogs registered and 197 litters. Things were looking up!
- Today our beloved, confident, independent, spirited and never shy Scottish Terrier is ranked 58<sup>th</sup> in popularity by the AKC.

***Let's promise to raise this number!***

## Objectives of the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- To encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Scottish Terriers and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;
- To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Scottish Terriers shall be judged;
- To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsmanlike competition at dog shows and obedience trials;
- To conduct sanctioned, licensed specialty shows and obedience trials under the rules of The American Kennel Club.

**STCTB Bylaws**

**Editor's Note: We hope you enjoyed this newsletter! Now I'm tired, and am off to take a nap on Mom and Dad's big bed!**

*Logan*

