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**For information on the 4th of July Brookfield Parade
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NEXT MEETING

July 14, 2007
General membership 7:30 PM
Board Meeting 6:30 PM
Quality Inn
100 Busse Rd.
Elk Grove Village, IL

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No General membership Meeting on June 9, 2007
Picnic and Fun Match

Collect Purina Weight Circles

The Purina Weight Circle Program officially started on January 1, 2007. Regional Clubs are encouraged to collect weight circles from Purina dog food products. The circles can be collected by members of the club, friends, relatives and any one who wants to help. Each club will automatically receive 25% of the proceeds of their Weight circle collection. The club with the highest weight circle poundage will receive 50% of the proceeds of their collection. The balance of the proceeds will go to DCAF to help support DCAF's activities.

Send your weight circles to our corresponding secretary or bring them to a meeting:

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July Program

Postponed from May

How to Read Dog Food Labels

There's more to a dog label than the first ingredient!

Bring your dog food labels to the meeting

Dear CDC Members,

Although I couldn't make the picnic (we had a unexpected visit from our daughter, who lives in LA and who we hadn't seen in over a year and a half) I understand that it was a big success. I know that the weather did cooperate, and it was a lovely day to be out and about with our spotted friends. Thanks to the Kaiser Kafe, members who brought dishes to share, our judges, and everyone else who was there to enjoy the day and the fun activities.

Our next event is the Fourth of July parade in Brookfield. This is always fun, and if you've never participated before, it's not too late, just contact Karen Naess and she'll tell you how to get to the parade grounds. We'd love to have you join us. It's in the morning, so if you have plans for the afternoon, you can still make them. And, as for the picnic, I've been doing my good weather dance for the parade, so let's see you all out there.

Now, for some interesting information that I've heard along the "grape vine". I have it from excellent authority that China's counterpart to our head of the FDA got himself in a bit of a mess when he wouldn't allow our people from the US FDA into China to check out the gluten problem. So much so, that the Chinese authorities took him to court and found him guilty of what the Chinese accused him of. And do you realize what they do to guilty politicians in China? They are like the "Queen of Hearts"...off with their heads. This makes me think that the Chinese aren't all bad, if they feel that one of their higher-ups made such a grievous mistake that caused pain and suffering not only us as humans, but death and serious illness to our beloved pets.

With the heat of summer upon us, please remember to have fresh, cool water available for your pets. They can't get it for themselves. And please make sure that they have shade to relax in. For as much as they do for us, this is the least that we can do for them.

See you at the parade.

*Gail Meyers
President*

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The 2007 Pedigree Book.



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Don't Wait Until It's Too Late.

A Pet Owner's Guide to Disaster Preparedness

In a disaster situation (natural or man-made), pets are not allowed inside emergency shelter for people. With a little advance planning for its safety you could save your pet's life.

Before

- ☞ Keep your pet's vaccinations current.
- ☞ Take photos of each animal, including any distinguishing marks.
- ☞ Store photos and medical records in resealable plastic bags with other important papers, including your pet's microchip number.
- ☞ Compile a Disaster Preparedness Kit for each pet.
- ☞ Familiarize your pet with the kit's carrier or cage before an emergency.
- ☞ Keep a properly fitted collar with current license, rabies and identification tags on each pet-- even cats that never go outside. Birds should be leg-banded. Consider permanent microchip identification.
- ☞ Start a neighborhood 'buddy system' to check on one another's pets during disasters. Exchange veterinary information and file a permission slip with your veterinarian authorizing your "buddy" to get necessary emergency treatment for your pet if you cannot be located.
- ☞ Determine the best place to leave your pet in case of a disaster. Identify a place in your home as well as an off-site location for evacuations.

Disaster Preparedness Kit

- Pet carrier or cage for each pet.
- Two-week supply of food and water.
- Non-spill food and water bowls.
- Toys and treats.
- Current photos of each pet.
- Medications and dosing instructions,
- Vaccination and medical records.
- Cat litter and shoebox-sized litter pan.

During

- ☞ Bring your pet indoors, especially if you cannot evacuate with it. Do not leave pets chained outdoors. Position cages off the floor, where they won't tip over.
- ☞ Prepare a pre-selected site indoors for your pet. Leave only dry foods and fresh water in non-spill containers. If possible, open a faucet to let water drip into a large container. Partially fill a bathtub with water.
- ☞ **Do not** leave vitamin treats, which could be fatal if over-eaten.
- ☞ Keep bird cages covered with a sheet, away from windows and other pets.
- ☞ Evacuate your pet early, if possible.
- ☞ Take your pet's vaccination and medical records as well as identification photographs with you.

Safe Places In Disasters

- ☞ *At Home:*
- ☞ Bring pets inside to a place you can leave them if they cannot evacuate with you. Avoid windows. Consider easy-to-clean places like kitchens, bathrooms, utility rooms. Keep cats and dogs separate, even if they normally get along.
- ☞ *Away From Home:*
- ☞ Before a disaster occurs, know where you can safely leave your pet. The home of a friend or relative is your best bet. Or contact boarding kennels and veterinary clinics with boarding facilities, as well as hotels outside your area that will allow pets. Contact the local Emergency Management Office to find out if pet shelters will be available during an emergency.

After

- ☞ Pet behavior may change after an emergency; monitor it closely. Keep pets leashed and maintain close contact. Familiar scents and landmarks may be altered, causing confusion and abnormal behavior.
- ☞ If your pet was lost, contact boarding kennels, humane shelters and veterinary hospitals.
- ☞ If you find a pet, call animal control or any emergency phone numbers set up during the disaster

Unfortunately, disaster assistance groups such as the American Red Cross and the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) are not equipped to handle, rescue and care for displaced pets during large-scale emergencies. For safety and sanitation reasons, human disaster shelters cannot accept animals (except service animals).

As a pet owner, it's your responsibility to provide for the safety, shelter and well-being of your animals, even in times of flood, fire, tornado, earthquake or man-made emergencies. Planning ahead, before a disaster happens can ease your worries in a stressful situation and mean the difference between life and death for your pet.

Our thanks to the AVMA, IVMA, SEMA, BOAH and Merck AgVet for this information. Please feel free to copy and distribute.



Western Reserve Dalmatian Club
Back-to-Back Specialty Shows
Friday, August 10, 2007 and Saturday, August 11, 2007
Lorain County Kennel Club Park – Oberlin, Ohio

Friday, August 10, 2007

Breed: Mrs. Meg Hennessey (Marengo, IL)
Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes:
Mr. Joseph Vergnetti (Medina, OH)

Saturday, August 11, 2007

Breed: Mr. John Cramer (Baldwin City, KS)
Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes:
Ms. Nancy Smith (Mansfield, OH)

Show Secretary: Linda Lombardi
6668 Manchester Road
Clinton, Ohio 44216-9464
Entries Close on July 26, 2007

Western Reserve Dalmatian Club – Barbara Brandon, Show Chair on both days
6003 Bradley Ave
Parma, Ohio 44129
440-842-9044

RV Camping * Security * Food Vendors * WRDC provides lunch both days

Sunday, August 12, 2007 * Lorain County Kennel Club (All Breed) * (MB-F Super)

CDC Match Results

Best Puppy in Sweepstakes

From the 9 - 12 month class

Snowood Snap Shot

Meg & Mike Hennessey

Best Puppy in Match

From the 3 - 6 month class

Spotlight N Dakota Griffin

Kris & John Benoit

Congratulations to all our class winners.



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**Some days you're the dog;
some days you're the hydrant .
- Unknown**

DOGS & FIREWORKS

As a responsible dog owner, you should do everything in your power to protect your dog on this night filled with loud bangs, pops and sizzles. Since fireworks typically only happen once or twice a year, the sounds and lights are likely to catch your dog off guard, confuse him a bit (or a lot!), and possibly make him nervous and on edge the entire evening. **Remember, your dog's hearing is 10 times more sensitive than yours!** If you want to enjoy the fireworks and you have a dog, here are your options:



If you're thinking of taking your dog outside to watch the fireworks with you...

Think again! You *and* your dog will have a much more enjoyable evening if you leave the dog at home. Plus, wherever there are fireworks displays, there are usually people setting off their own personal fireworks -- including sparklers and firecrackers. Aside from the danger associated with your dog being in the wrong place at the wrong time (dogs & fire simply don't mix), the mass hysteria, loud noises and repeated flashes of light are likely to have a traumatic effect on your dog. Whatever you do... *don't* leave your dog in the car!



If you live close to a location where the fireworks are set off in your town...

Your best bet is to keep your dog indoors (preferably in a crate, if he's already accustomed to spending time in a crate). Leave your dog indoors somewhere where he is likely to do the *least* amount of harm -- to himself, and your house! You should also turn on the TV or a radio -- with the volume turned up loud -- to make it less likely that he will be able to hear the fireworks outside. Since the flashing lights can scare your dog just as much as the loud noises, be sure to close all the curtains and blinds inside your home *and* turn ON all the lights in the room. This will make the bright lights from fireworks less noticeable to your dog. Plus, closed curtains and blinds offer a small degree of sound-proofing in your home, lowering the high pitched sounds a tiny bit.



If you're staying home with your dog...

Without a doubt, the best place for your dog on this night is inside the house. Preferably *your* house -- a place that your dog is already familiar with and a place where he feels comfortable. Ideally, you would be in the room with him to monitor any stress or anxiety which might arise. Odds are, there will be none, and you'll simply be enjoying a night at home with your dog. But you never know.

Some dogs exhibit no signs of fear in their early years, then as they get older suddenly become terrified by the loud noises and bright lights. (This is often due to a change in their hearing, as different tones & pitches begin to sound differently to them.)

Be Safe, Have Fun and God Bless America!!!

Until next month ... Happy tails to you!

JodyLynn





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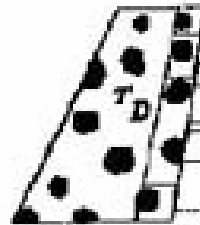


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