



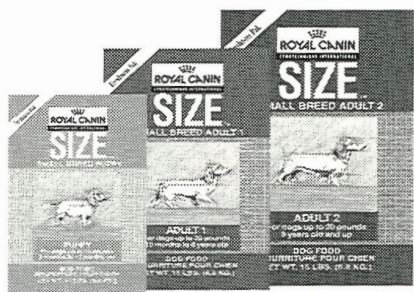
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- ...has interesting articles
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KENNEL VISITS

**February...Diane Finch
 Finch's Pomeranians**

COVER



Ch. Candyfloss Shall We Dance

Multiple BISS, Group winning Ch. Candyfloss Shall We Dance is sired by **BIS Ch. Homestead's Spit N' Polish ROM**. His dam is **Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Tatiana ROM**. Tatiana has produced two litters (6 pups) in two years. 5 of them have finished their championships and one is pointed.

At 18 months of age, he is currently **#4 Pom (All Breeds)** in the country.

Owner:

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CANDYFLOSS

Hideko W. Strasbaugh

The February issue will feature a tribute to former APC president **Mrs. Dolly B. Trauner**. Over the years, Dolly has unstintingly contributed her knowledge, expertise, and finances to the cause of the Pomeranian in America. It is time she was publicly recognized for her achievements.

Nothing could be finer than.....



CH. ABSOLUTE'S MINI BIKE

(Ch. Jan-Shar's Harley Davidson x Jan-Shar's Madonna ROMX)

"LIL BIT" pictured with Judge Dr. Harry Smith after winning Best Of Opposite at the National Specialty! Thank you for this win!

Congratulations to Brenda and her beautiful "FAME" Pomeranians!

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The day after the National, "LIL BIT" wins Best in Specialty under Breeder-Judge Mrs. Arlene Benko. Our sincere thanks for this great win! Hats off to the members of the Central Carolina Pom Club on the wonderful hospitality you showed us! Sharon and I had a great time!

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President's Message

by
Jim Shearer

For those of you who have not heard, the American Pomeranian Club National Specialty is going to be held at the Comfort Inn (Six Flags) in Arlington, Texas on March 17 and 18, 1998. Norman Patton will be doing the Regular classes; Fran Stoll, Sweepstakes; Darrel Baker, Junior Showmanship; and William L. Chaillot, Obedience. Please note the early closing date.

We were able to get a very reasonable room rate of \$59, and a free telephone call can make your flight arrangements, rent your room, and make travel arrangements (888-397-7782) with X-Press Travel. They have made arrangements to have a bus to carry you, your dog crates, and your equipment to and from the Convention Center at approximately \$10 a call. For the RV buffs, there is limited space available on the Comfort Inn grounds.

Something new this year, when the Officers and Board heard Sue Goddard and Olga Baker were handling hospitality, the Board decided to hold their Board Meeting in the afternoon so we would be available to be with all the Pom People for any questions and to enjoy the hospitality.

Peggy Hendricks would like to hear from you about any trophy donations and Dudley Roach likewise for any ads for the catalog. Trophy donations are to be received by January 1, 1998, to be listed in the Premium List, and trophy and ads are to be in before February 25, 1998 to

good time to get the pen and check book out and give X-Press Travel, Peggy Dudley, and Sue all a call.

I hope all of your holidays were merry and your New Year will be happy.

Nuff said,
Jim



TRAGEDY IN WASHINGTON

from
Cynthia and James Bradley

Last Saturday a fire broke out in the kennel of Darlys Flaata, owner of Cl Damata's Timber Country. Smoke inhalation killed all of her upper kennel dogs and five boarding dogs. The flames destroyed the structure and all contents. The damage was estimated at \$50,000. The loss of the canine companions, many quite old, is immeasurable. Her champion producing stud and two of his sons perished in the smoke. 40 years worth of breeding gone in a few minutes. Darly was badly burned on her hands and feet trying to get back in the burning building to rescue her dogs. In her despair, she could not acknowledge that they were dead. All of her grooming equipment and dog supplies are now non-existent. As and all donations to help this stunned woman back up on her feet would be appreciated. Please contact me at the following e-mail address.

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Holiday Dangers: Beware!

With Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Chanukah right around the corner, you've probably got a million things on your mind. Here's one you should add to the list: your dog's safety during the holiday season. Just a few simple precautions, however, are enough to ensure that the holidays will be happy, healthy ones for your canine companion.

Thwarting Thanksgiving Threats

The sight and smell of the perfectly roasted turkey are the essence of Thanksgiving, and your dog is likely to be just as enticed by the aromas as you are. But the typical Thanksgiving meal could be lethal for your dog. First rule for an incident-free Turkey Day: Keep your dog and your meal apart.

The biggest threat to dogs at Thanksgiving is "overeating greasy stuff," says John Saidla, DVM, director of continuing education at Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

While scarfing down a large turkey dinner may cause your dog to have gastrointestinal upset--and certainly constitutes an annoying behavioral problem--overloading on fat and grease can be far more insidious. Acute pancreatitis, which, Dr. Saidla says, comes on in a very short period of time, is a condition in which the dog's pancreas starts to digest itself. The initial symptoms are abdominal pain and vomiting, and the dog may subsequently go into shock. This is a dire emergency that requires veterinary intervention immediately.

So keep in mind during the holidays that greasy food is your dog's arch

Saidla puts it, greasy food "kills them deader than doornails."

Another potential problem is chocolate which, Dr. Saidla says, "may or may not be toxic" to your dog. In some cases even a small amount of chocolate, which contains theobromine and caffeine, can be harmful. Rapid breathing and hyperactivity are signs of reactions to chocolate.

Dispose of aluminum foil from the turkey and other food carefully. Your dog will lick the fat off the foil if she can get to it, and may even swallow the foil which can cause an intestinal obstruction.

Although young turkey bones aren't likely to splinter, says Dr. Saidla, they can cause an impaction in your dog's intestines.

The best bet is to keep your dog far from the kitchen and dining room table. Make sure well-meaning guests don't feed your dog table scraps, and make sure you dispose of the turkey carcass and aluminum foil wrap as quickly and thoroughly as possible.

Continued Vigilance at Chanukah and Christmas

The winter holidays are fraught with potential perils for your dog. Dr. Saidla says that electrocution is a major problem. Especially with puppies who tend to chew on wires. "Dogs don't sustain electrocution very well," he states, adding that it is imperative to unplug wires before handling a dog who's been shocked (otherwise you might also get a shock) then seek immediate veterinary care for the dog.

The ornaments may break and injure paws; decorative toys or ornaments can cause an impaction if Rover decides to chew or swallow them. If you discover toys are missing, Dr. Saidla advises

Watch your dog; if he starts vomiting, he may have eaten them.

Take care with lighted candles, since dragging tails can knock them over, spilling hot wax or even causing a fire.

Holiday plants, like holly, mistletoe, and poinsettias can be a problem if your dog eats them, causing vomiting or worse. Keep the plants out of reach.

Finally, if you're thinking about giving a puppy as a gift, think twice: Dr. Saidla advises against it. Too many distractions and potential hazards make the holiday season a less-than-optimal time to introduce a young dog to a new home.

Top Holiday Threats to Your Dog

- Fatty, greasy food: Can cause pancreatitis.
- Holiday chocolate: Potentially toxic.
- Discarded aluminum foil wrap: May be covered in grease. Can become impacted in the intestine if swallowed.
- Electric wires on tree and decorations: Can electrocute dogs if they chew them.
- Tree ornaments and toys: Can cause intestinal blockage and injures you swallowed.
- Lighted candles: Can cause burns from hot wax, or fires.
- Holiday plants: Potentially toxic.

Taken from November, 1997, Dog Watch.)

Notice

The 1998 American Pomeranian Club membership dues are due and payable. If you have not sent them, please do so.

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Ask Us Anything

by
Annette Davis

Our question for this month is "What is Coccidiosis?"

As long as you feed a premium food, normal Pomeranian stools are small, firm, and without foul odor. A change in normal stools is a red flag that something is amiss. A common intestinal disease among dogs is coccidiosis. Coccidia are parasitic protozoans (single celled organisms) found in the intestinal tract of many animals, including dogs. Coccidiosis causes severe losses of agricultural animals each year, especially calves and fowl. It is highly contagious and extremely difficult to eradicate. In dogs, the first symptoms are soft stools that contain yellowish mucous and have a characteristic sweet odor similar to freshly cut alfalfa. The infected animal's eyes are often watery and the coat becomes dull and rough. As damage to the mucous lining of the intestines progresses, a secondary bacterial infection sets in and the stools begin to smell foul and often contain large amounts of mucous and blood. Infected dogs often eat each other's stools. Symptoms are similar to the protozoan infection Giardia, except that in Giardia infections, the stools are light colored and have a "greasy" consistency. It is not uncommon for more than one species of parasitic protozoan to occur at the same time. Because cysts are shed intermittently, it can be very difficult to confirm protozoan infections by fecal examination.

Coccidiosis is spread when an animal ingests infective cysts that are passed in


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Congratulations to Regina and Robert Nunn for finishing **Dimonde Flynn's Ziegfield Girl** with three 4-point majors! "Lana" was superbly handled by Hal Webster. Thank you Hal.

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CH. DIMONDE'S WICKED WENONA

"Wenona"

(Ch. Elan's Don Juan x Dimonde's Satin Sorceress)

Wenona finished with 4 majors from the BBE class. She is a Multiple BOB winner.

Congratulations to Barbara McKinney on **Dimonde Flynn's Fling** (Emma) being awarded WB, BOW, and BOS by Judge Paula Hartinger.

Thank you, Mrs. Hartinger.

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the stools. Cysts may be passed by animals with an active infection as well as carriers that show no clinical signs but continue to harbor infection. There is a common misconception that coccidiosis is only a problem in filthy and crowded kennels. This is simply not the case. Certainly filth and overcrowding will accentuate any disease, but coccidiosis can become a problem in even the cleanest of kennels. It is best treated

(trade name Panacur) 50 mg./kg. given for three days in a row and then repeated at one week intervals until the infection clears (generally 3-4 weeks). Please note: Although University studies have shown that fenbendazole is an effective treatment for Giardia, it is

It is important to clean all fecal matter promptly and disinfect all kennel surfaces, bedding, and toys daily. Coccidia are not destroyed by Chlorox and many other disinfectants. It has been shown that they are readily destroyed by Ammonia and 'old fashioned' Lysol Concentrate (1 part Ammonia or Lysol to 10 parts water). Do not use plastic food or water dishes. Coccidia can stay in the crevices. Use stainless steel, crock style, or glass food and water dishes. Change drinking water often and clean the food/water dishes with a mild Ammonia solution regularly. Separate all infected dogs as much as possible. It is imperative that you do not allow the infected animal to become dehydrated. Supportive care and oral electrolyte solutions are helpful. Keep the animal warm and away from drafts. B Vitamins may not be given during the Albon treatment. Albon works by inhibiting folio acid, therefore B Vitamin supplements with folio acid will negate its action. Zinc and Vitamin C with Bioflavonoids may be given during

effects of Albon is that it destroys beneficial intestinal bacteria leaving the animal more susceptible to pathogens. During and after treatment with Albon, it is important to give a high potency Probiotic (beneficial microbial supplement). After Albon treatment has

Our question for next month is: "Can you recommend a good toy puppy formula and some suggestions for feeding puppies that need supplementation?" You may direct new questions or answers to these questions to:

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Membership Report

by
Jerrie Freia

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Letters, other than those from sponsors commenting on the applicants whose names are published in the Review, are to go to Marge Kranzfelder; 821 Brow Road; San Juan Bautista, CA 95045.

Contact Jerrie Freia for membership applications.

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**Health & Genetics
Committee Report**

by
Marge Kranzfelder

Meet Me In St. Louis

I was pleased to be able to represent the APC at the Canine Health Conference. The main purpose was to hear presentations of what was the current progress of several of the Canine Health Foundation's grants. But an equally important function was to help establish a network of information among parent clubs. An additional benefit was an opportunity to have face to face contact with foremost canine researchers.

The center post of this conference was the mapping of the canine genome. Presently 60--80% (30 out of 38 chromosomes) of the genome is mapped. By integrating Dr. Ostrander's work at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center with that done at Berkeley and that

NEW APPLICATIONS

Amilla Knight (OH)

Woodrose

Susie Q wins another major....



Yellow Rose Black Eyed Susan

Susie Q is shown winning a 4-point major. In 5 shows she has already gained 11 points, 3 majors, toward her championship.

Mahalo to Mr. Larry Shinsato for Woodrose's Making Waves' 4-point major at 6 months and Carol Rice for showing him.

We would personally like to thank all those who supported our Kennel Visit. Without you, it would never have happened.

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done in Europe, the whole genome would be covered within the next several months.

Most of the funding for this project is from the National Institute of Health and from cancer research funding. All mammal DNA share some common information in research--mice, man, and canine genomes are being cross referenced. The most is known of the mice genome. The fact that all mammals share some common DNA codes points out the impossibility of someone taunting, "My line has no genetic problems." There are some diseases or conditions common (or very similar) to all mammals. If an unlucky combination of genes happens to occur, a problem will manifest itself seemingly "out of nowhere." An answer will not come from studying pedigrees in this case.

Usually people think any kind of testing is done with the purpose of eliminating members of the gene pool. The state of our art today is that if your dog tests positive as carrying a trait such as hip dysplasia, hypothyroidism, etc., he is eliminated from your breeding program entirely. Some diseases do not manifest themselves until well after the common breeding age. In the future, with DNA testing, diagnosis can take place early for both treatment or breeding considerations. It could allow us to continue to use carriers. When we can successfully read DNA of an affected individual, carrier, or clear individual on a specific problem, we will be able to plan a breeding with knowledge of this. Breeding a carrier to a clear individual will not produce an affected individual of a recessive trait. The next generation can be retested and breeding planned accordingly so as not to produce an affected individual. This can be repeated until a clear and typy individual is

Dr. Battaglia's seminar on Breeding Better Dogs, usually problems within a breed are known to affect the typiest of individuals. This often is because a typy individual carrying this problem was used extensively by the breed without any problem appearing until many generations later. (Most problems are polygenetic.) For some rare breeds (small gene pools), eliminating every individual with a problem would eliminate the type for which they are striving, if not the entire breed. We would now be able to work on type and good health simultaneously.

Mapping the genome can be thought of as a similar process as originally mapping our globe. First we had explorers map the larger units of continents and water. Then we drew in country boundaries. We now can further subdivide into states, counties, cities, neighborhoods, streets, and finally addresses. In the early days each explorer added information to a previous map making it easier for the next explorer to follow.

Our early explorers of the genome searched for the PRA genes. Dr. Gu Aguirre is our Dr. Livingston of genes. In other words, he found the PRA "needles" in the chromosome "haystack." Now, as the genome markers are established (street signs), tomorrow's search for specific areas will be more readily found.

There is still much more middle ground of the genome to be explored and information gathered. That is why the AKC has contracted with PE Zoogen to come to Nationals to gather DNA samples. Not for specifically finding hidden faults or ailments your dog has but rather to study the canine genome of breeds. Presently, we can not differentiate the wolf-hybrid from domestic dog by DNA, let alone breed discrimination. However, proof of parentage can

wonderful tool of our AKC record-keeping inspection process.

Just as we realize we must work together as a club to share information to solve our problems too complex for any one individual, we see we should network with other parent clubs to share information and combine research dollars. This is necessary financially considering the cost of research. The Canine Health Foundation has recognized these needs and is well on its way to being a leading force in finding answers to our canine health issues. We must support this effort individually and as a club.

Health & Genetics Committee Report

I was able to speak briefly with Dr. Gary Johnson, one of the speakers in St. Louis. I still need to get an information packet to him in regards to the Severe Hair Loss Syndrome in Pomeranians. Again, I ask for pedigrees of affected dogs and their affected and unaffected relatives to be sent to the address published in the previous **Review**.

I recommend that we volunteer for the AKC DNA sample program to be held at one of our future Nationals, and that we support the Canine Health Foundation.

The networking progress is starting to junction. Upon my return from St. Louis, and APC member called me as three of her Poms have been diagnosed with a condition heretofore not found in Poms. My having a list of Breed health contacts, I was able to supply the name of the researcher her Vet should contact for the latest information available.

I've also had several very good phone conversations with individuals requesting information about the Severe Hair Loss syndrome. This kind of cross-information is wonderful. I need to know what is happening in our breed. We

still don't know for sure if we have only one genetic make-up for which we are searching, or several occurrences with similar appearing symptoms. I was very impressed with the openness and willingness to co-operate of these individuals. With this kind of attitude, we will find answers!



From The Skeptic Tank Goring Oxen As We Go

By
Dr. Al Grossman

All is well in life as we go along until an event occurs that shakes us up. It could be as simple as the **March Gazette** which has changed the ratings for a major in our breed in our zone so that it is nigh on impossible to achieve. Or it could be another change in the requirements for applying for your judge's license; just as you have finished filling out the voluminous forms for the old one. Then comes a might roar. **HOW COULD THEY DO THIS ?**

Your ox has been gored and you are not going to take this lightly. Now of course if you had been paying attention you would have seen the entries creeping up in your breed so you may have anticipated a change in the point ratings. Changes in the judging procedure come along at such a rapid rate that also should have been anticipated. That will teach you not to procrastinate--that form was ready to go weeks ago but you still had doubts as to whether you would apply or not.

Most of us tend not to notice events that will impact our lives until they are thrust upon us. We open our mail to see this month's Utility bill and go through the ceiling when we notice there is a new fee

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for road maintenance. How in the H---- did that get on there. They can't do that to me! However, if you had read the local paper and seen that the mayor had appointed a task force seven months ago to develop a cost effective scheme for doing this, it would not have come as such a shock.

Most of us go through life viewing the road just in front of our windshield instead of looking up just under our rear view mirror to see the road ahead and be able to anticipate what was developing before catastrophe struck. As a pilot I was taught to look around every five minutes and pretend my engine had just conked out and calculate where and how was I going to land this light aircraft. I had to view the terrain, check altitude and wind direction and decide how I was going to get down in one piece.

In the dog world we seem to go along blithely in our own little world and not let the real world intrude. When we get a litter of puppies with cleft palates or other serious problems, do we begin to investigate the causes? Do we check the pedigrees of sire and dam and check to find out from others if such problems occurred in similar matings? Do we just check it off to bad luck and repeat the breeding because it seems like such a good nick? What do good breeders do?

What if PRA is running rampant in our breed and you learn that one of your popular stud dogs has sired offspring that have come down with this affliction? Do you sweep it under the rug and not inform others who have bred to your dog of the possible problem? Do you remove this carrier from the gene pool? It is your Ox, what do you do? A better question is what should you do?

Let us look at the people who have bought these puppies from the afflicted litter or who bred to the stud dog. If they

turn will unknowingly pass these genetic afflictions on to the next generation. By this time everyone's Ox is being gored and a mighty roar goes up from the fancy. Do you want to be the object of their rage and derision?

Most of us want to be left alone and not have unwanted events intrude upon our lives. We don't want our boat rocked. Life's ruts are great as long as we are comfortable in them. Live and let live--all these cliches are used every day and describe a day-to-day existence that really doesn't exist. Life is full of change. Most are so small and gradual that they sort of creep up on you without your realizing they have happened. Small steps are easier to handle. We have time to make modest adjustments and, generally, they are not life disrupting. When a major change is thrust upon us we are just not ready for it. However, there is no way to leap across a gorge in small steps. It takes one giant leap. So major change is hard to handle.

Let us look at the AKC move to North Carolina in this light. The proposals before the AKC Board of Directors were to move the whole operation to the Carolinas, keep everything now in New York there for the foreseeable future or move to Louisville, KY. The Board hit the brakes hard! They deadlocked. No decision! The CEO then made a unilateral decision, which was his prerogative. Move everything except the administrative staff, the Library and the Gazette to North Carolina.

Many, many Oxes were gored. Many, many people were offended. Pundits came out of the woodwork and, depending upon their bent, proclaimed this to be the worst thing AKC had ever done or credited the CEO with the wisdom of Solomon. What ever the case, it was grist for the mills for many a day.

steps. Can it be done? Will it cause such problems that his administration will be threatened? Time will tell.

In many cases, like the AKC matter, there will be an outcry from those whose position was not upheld. Goring Oxes can be noisy and messy. Unfortunately, there are not too many occasions in life where it is a win win situation. It is much to be hoped for but seldom achieved. In most cases there are winners and losers. In one breed a standard change on one point has been festering for 20 years and six votes, all defeated. Another vote is in the offing.

The proponents of the change have really felt their Ox was gored! Twenty years is a long time to rage and fulminate.

Maybe all of us should sign up for a defensive driving course. The lessons taught in these courses focus on looking ahead and anticipating what might happen by seeing far enough ahead to be prepared for any eventuality. Lets all adopt the Boy Scout motto "BE PREPARED" and let the Oxen rest in peace.

Dr. Grossman is a noted Sporting Group Judge and the Publisher of Doral Publishing

New Champions October and November AKC Awards Magazine

Absolute's Driving Miss Hanson (B) by Ch. Jan-Shar's Johnny Be Good x Ch. Absolute's Biker Babe. Breeder/Owner: Jeanne and Robert Blank.

Apolloette Sundae Delite (B) by Ch. Apolloette Coast to Coast x Apolloette Diamond Lil. Breeders: Marlene and Marlin Presser. Owners: Ann M.Schmitt and Timothy Reese and Randy L. Winters.

Arctic's Trilogy of the Rings (D) by Ch. Stuber's Heza Dream Maker x Suber's Reflection D'Artic. Breeder: Sherry Christianson and Suzanne Berney. Owner: Sherry Christianson.

Cascade's Satin and Lace (B) by Ch. Watts' Little Penny Serenade x Millamor's Chantilly Lace. Breeder: Doris Wheeler. Owner: Doris Wheeler and Evelyn Conley.

J's Almost An Angel (B) by Fame Jacque Gustow x Theldun's Miss Majorette. Breeder/Owner: Cathy Lasota.

Dimonde's Twice Enticed (D) by Elan's Double Entendre x Dimonde's Satin Seductress. Breeder/Owner: Diana M. Downey.

Leisty's Autumns Bewitched (B) by Ch. Patty's Bev-Nor Teddy Ruxpin x Autumn's Champagne Wishes. Breeder: Wendy Feist. Owner: Deanna French.

Game's Lil Gentelman Dillan (D) by Ch. Wee Rambo of Coy's Top Mark x Fry's Katie Hooper Magic. Breeder: Mrs. Brenda K. Segelken. Owner: Maureen E. [unclear]

KILPATRICK'S POMERANIANS

Offers Puppies for Sale--pictured at 12 weeks of age



*Tidy Show Stud Prospects
Orange, WA 8/15/97*

Ch Emcee's Terrific Wee Chips
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Chip-A-Way's Golden Patty
A/C Ch Kilpatrick's Wee Rebel Rouser
Ch Jolly Wee Magic of Tim Sue
Hallmark's Charade
Ch Feisty's Bombshell
A/C Ch Chriscendo Calvin Klein
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Hallmark's Rockin' Savanna
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Seasons Greetings

From

Denton Pomeranians



WE CELEBRATE 1997 WITH "DENTON'S DIAMOND DELIGHT" (DELLA) AND A VERY SPECIAL "JOART'S SUPER HARLEE DAVISON." THANKS TO JOY AND ART DAVISON.

Thank You to all those Wonderful "Pom People" and their Beautiful Poms. You all made our trip to the Carolinas a memorable experience. Most of all, our Very Special Thanks to Charlotte Creed for her Interest and for her win with Harlee.

Foxfire's Shy Girl Friday (B) by Ch. Shy Acres Our Man Friday x Ch. Polly's Adora-Dolly of FF. Breeder: Linda Parks. Owner: Audrey M. Roberts.

Jerbo's Workin Man's Phd (D) by Cheyenne's Diamond Chipper x Dupre's Ms. Chip of Buster. Breeder: Jerry C. and Betty Owens. Owner: Karen Chisam.

Mayfair's Litl Magic Maker (D) by Jan-shar's-Walkin-Away-A-Winner x Mayfair's Calamity Jane. Breeder: Mary Lee Linger. Owners: Elizabeth Blake Joyce G. Fortney, Mary Lee Linger.

Pom Acres Atomic Fireball (D) by Ch. Pom Acres Stunningly Sable x Windy Hills Dolly O Pomacres. Breeder/Owner: Juanita Fiddick.

Razzle Dazzle Willow's Song (B) by Chriscendo Centre Stage x Razzle Dazzle Summer Music. Breeder: Judith B. Green and William H. Green. Owner: Suzanne Warfield and Judith B. Green.

Sandy's Miss Whirl Away (B) by Jan-Shar's Take a Chance On Me x Sandy's Foxy Lady Farley. Breeder/Owner: Sandra Farley.

Silver Meadows Jus' Peachey (B) by Ch. Silver Meadows Jus' A Lil Teddy x Silver Meadows Peaches Brite. Breeder/Owner: Jacquelyn W. Klein.

Sunterra Sweet Seduction (B) by Great Elms Little Buddy II x Windmill Angelfire. Breeder/Owner: Douglas B. Stratton.

Valcopy-Wakhan Scarlet Letter (B) by Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino x Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Scarlet Fever. Breeder: Dana L. Plonkey and Randy Gemmill. Owner: Dennis J. Litonjua and Mario J. Litonjua.

Woodrose's Little Big Man (D) by Ch. Creider's Bound For Glory x Woodrose's Sunflower. Breeder: Clarice M. Oganeku. Owner: Cindy Edlao and Clarice M. Oganeku.

Absolute's Primetime Pom (D) by Ch. Absolute's Magic Mountain x Absolute's Charm of Prism. Breeder: Robert and Jeanne Blank. Owner: Barbara and Alfred Boehmer and Jeanne Blank.

Beltane I'm Only One Man (D) by Ch. Tim Sue's Just A Bright Lite x Ch. Beltan Gold Digger. Breeder / Owner: Paul T. and Barbara A. Curry.

Finch's Petipom Chances R (D) by Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water x Ch. Finch's Exquisitely Obvious. Breeder: Diane L. Finch. Owner: Pat Cummings.

Golden Aires Moon Chip (D) by Ch. Golden Aires Moonwalker x Golden Aires Make A Wish. Breeder / Owner: Sharon Masnick and Benson Ray.

Halley's Gift of Oakridge (B) by Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge x Fancy Gold Kandee of Oakridge. Breeder: Nina K. Epps. Owner: Jonna Hickcox Payne.

HP's Lady Lexus (B) by Jack's Copper Birnbeau x Max's Charming Bizzy Bee. Breeder: Geneva Pennock. Owner: Donna S. Riehm and Mari Iffland.

Millamor's Rock Dance (D) by Ch. Millamor's Dance of Sourwood x Great Elms Sweet Mandy. Breeder: Eleanor Miller. Owner: Terry Wilford.

Rhea-Na Columbo of Lynnwright (D) by Ch. Whispering Lane Nevada x Glenris Distant Smile. Breeder: Stephen V. Nagy, Dr. Cheryl Jackson, and Barbara F. Nagy. Owner: Donna Lynn Wright.

Rhea-Na's Little Miss Mischeif (B) by Ch. Lynnwright's Dracula x T and T's As Fur Blue of Rhea-Na. Breeder: Stephen V. and Barbara F. Nagy. Owner: Charles Wilcher and Wayne Sulser.

Sandhills Shadow Dancer (D) by Ch. Mercer's Exotica x Sandhill's Jessica. Breeder / Owner: Debby Wilkinson.

Shady Park B Bopper (D) by Ch. J and J's Billy Bob x Shady Park Tangie of Captain. Breeder: Lucille Nolan and Diana L. Nolan. Owner: Lucille and Diana Nolan.

Silverwood's Ashford (D) by Silverwood's Foul Play O'Watts x Silverwood's Strutting Ashley. Breeder: Bess P. Roberts. Owner: Dolores A. Watts.

Starfire's Aunt Jemima (B) Ch. Valcopy-Wakhan Valentino x Starfire's Rosa's White Live. Breeder: Jose A. Cabrera. Owner: Jose A. Cabrera and Fabian Ariento.

Starfire's Playboy of Haiku (D) by Ch. Starfire's I'm Too Sexy x Starfire's Traciela. Breeder: Jose A. Cabrera. Owner: Marit Hattori.

Teakwood's Two Thumbs Up (D) by Ch. Teakwood's Best Wishes x Teakwood's Wee Hearts A Fire. Breeder / Owner: Laureen Ivey.

Tomho Revel Lee (D) by Ch. Texican's Robert Redford x Ch. Tomho Strutting Terri Lee. Breeder: Tommi and Sandi Hooban. Owner:

Ursa Minor's Black Pearl (B) by Ursa Minor's Sea Change x Ursa Minor's Pearls N Laliq. Breeder / Owner: Barbara Krzewicki.

Shy Acres Sweet Lovin Man



McGuire's Key To My Heart

Sparkie was bred by Goldie McGuire and handled by Brenda Segelken.

Shy Acres Sweet Lovin Man, handled by Brenda, is #10 in Breed.

Congratulations, Brenda on your Kennel Visit!

Owner: Jo and Russell Kern / Freeburg, IL / (618) 539-3984

Ch. Elan's Yo Yo Ma

We are very proud of this beautiful boy who finished so quickly--expertly handled by Fran Stoll. He is the son of our lovely black Ch. Elan's Terminator who is a Ch. Great Elms Firestarter son and a grandson of Ch. Bev-Nor's Statesman.

Congratulations, Brenda, on your Kennel Visit.

Congratulations and the best of everything in the New Year.

ELAN / Lissa and Dave Dahlenburg / Box 1160 / Loxahatchee, FL 33470
(561) 793-0975 Fax: (561) 791-0293





Brenda Segelken and Faithful Friends....

FAME POMERANIANS

By
Brenda Segelken

Greetings to you, from Phil and Brenda Segelken, of Effingham, Illinois, home of FAME Pomeranians. The coffee pot is always on, come and visit. Effingham, Illinois, is centrally located between St. Louis, Missouri and Indianapolis, Indiana--a great location for numerous dog shows!

Phil and I are originally from DuQuoin, a small town in southern Illinois, where we met my first day in Kindergarten. We have been married 32 years and have a son Wayne and daughter Leslie. Wayne and Sheila have two children, Karley, 4 year old and Cameron, 5 months. Greg and Leslie (Kueker) have a 3 year old daughter, Elizabeth. Grandchildren are the greatest! I highly recommend them!

After the move to Effingham in 1996, I retired from over 20 years as professional dog groomer. Now, I am proud to be a homemaker. I have many time consuming interests: church involvement, grand kids, drawing, oil painting, sewing, antiques, computers, orchids, photography, and of

course, the Poms! I collect anything Pomeranian and have a large collection of kerosene lamps. I love contemporary Christian music and enjoy some country.

I am currently a member of the American Pomeranian Club, Indiana Pomeranian Club, and the Mattoon (IL.) Kennel Club, an all breed club. I have held positions as APC/AKC Breeder Referral Person and Rescue Coordinator. I have served as match and trophy chairman, newsletter editor, secretary and ring steward for all breed clubs. I enjoy and am proud to judge matches and sweepstakes.

Phil is the "Wind beneath my wings." He is a wonderful companion, has encouraged me and is my pillar of strength. Without his help, emotional strength, building/repairing, dog sitting, while I am away at shows, FAME would not be complete. Phil enjoys gun collecting, quiet times at the cabin, hunting and fishing. He is an avid Jeff Gordon fan. He has several 1962



The Segelken Home

CHRISDEN POMERANIANS



**BISA, BISS AM/PH
CH. JAN LE'S MAKIN TRAX TO POMPEII**

Breeder: Jane Lehtinen

"Piper" is now "Makin it to the Big Wins"

A BEST IN SHOW -- All Breeds under Mrs. Mary Kemp (Australia). Thank you for such a memorable win!

Special thanks to Judge Elaine Rigden for "Piper's" BOB and Group I.

Congratulations to Brenda Segelken and her FAMEous Poms
on her well-deserved Kennel Visit

PROUD OWNERS: Dennis and Mario Litonjua / Phone: (011) (632) 632-7025

CHRISDEN POMERANIANS



CH. CHRISDEN'S WATARI

"Watari" finished his championship in just three shows with a record of:

Best in Show (All Breeds, Phil Born)
Group 1
Group 2
Group 3
2 Best of Breeds

And he's only just begun at 10 months of age...and need we ask for more...?
Thank you, Judge Elaine Rigden for recognizing our boy!

Breeders/Owners/Handlers: Dennis and Mario Litonjua / 15 San Juan St. / Capitol,
Pasig City / Philippines 1600 / Fax: (011) (632) 632-5085 / 746-0374 / e-mail:
chrisden@compass.com.ph



Brenda, attempting a breeding.

Chevrolet Impalas, with the infamous 409 motors, complete with four on floor (4 speed transmissions), dual quads and post-tractions. Ever heard the Beach Boys song, "She's so fine, my 409"?

Most people aren't aware that I claim to be a "one man show." I am proud to breed, own and handle most of my Poms. I am my own beautician. I style, cut, perm my hair, and create my acrylic nails. I do most alterations on my clothing (petite clothing isn't short enough when you are under 5 foot tall).

When Dudley asked if I would like to be featured in the December/January Review, I was thrilled. Then he said, "Make it personal, people would like to know about you." I didn't think that would be hard until I sat down at this computer. When I first started writing, I refused to get personal. Then, Pat Cummings suggested I share the following to inspire those having tough times, too. (No sympathy wanted or expected!)

Pain is a constant companion for me. As an infant, my parents were aware that something was wrong with me. At age

three, I had surgery behind my right knee to remove a large non malignant bone tumor. Multiple bone tumors were found throughout my entire body. I am thankful to God that they are "out of sight", but pray that they be "out of mind", also (with the pain they are seldom forgotten).

These tumors grow from inside of the bone outward, usually at the joints. Some are the size of a golf ball, others resemble antlers. Due to these tumors, in 1974 I took my last bike ride, which I dearly loved. A few years ago, I "gave in" to an automatic transmission car. I loved to drive 5 speed, stick shift cars, like Mario Andretti.

With my physical problems, dog shows continue to be a challenge. Sometimes I cannot go up and down steps, and have to take precautions. Kneeling! Oh, am I thrilled when I can show a free stacking Pom! I am thankful to God that I am still able to show.

As a small child, I had big ambitions. My parents encouraged us to do/be what we wanted. I wanted to become a professional boxer, a cowBOY or a nurse. I also created a scrap book with 25



Starbuck and 50 year old bear.



Ch. Fame Gift of the Spirit

ictures, cut from magazines, of different breeds of dogs that I would someday own.

As an adult, I still have ambitions, though they have changed. I would love to earn a nursing degree (I read every medical book I can). I would like to play the violin, conduct an orchestra and judge the perfect Pomeranian at Westminster. Still strange, huh?

I strive to be creative. I like to make things that are unique. I recycle mink, fox and other exotic furs from antique shops and sew "Fame Furevers," squeaky show toys for dogs. I create original Pom jewelry from acrylic clay, and have recently began to write a unique grooming book for Pomeranians, thanks to a dear friend, Donna Machniak.

Even though Phil is wiser than myself, I always say with pride, "I have good common sense." However, Phil loves to remind me about a few poor decisions, I have made. In his words: "Remember the time (Dec. 91) when the airport in St. Louis, MO. was nearly closed due to a horrible ice storm? Wasn't that the day you flew to Lakeland, Florida with two

bitches to breed to Topper, CH COY'S TOP OF THE MARK?!"

I admit to the above, but you have to understand! Think about the timing and planning involved. Two bitches in season a day apart, one owned by Geneva Pennock and the other, myself, huh? shared expenses? Both bitches were in my kennel. But....terrible ice storms, was Topper available....for two bitches? Could (the late) Jane Johnston and June Coy accommodate my plans? Was (the late) Goldie McGuire available for 4 days (Goldie was the only person that handled Toppers' affairs)? Hotel arrangements, air fare/reservations and the rental car. Timing was everything!

It worked, though. Everything went perfectly. I flew down (girls tucked safely under the seat) and on Day 1 we bred bitch A; on Day 2, bitch B; on Day 3, bitch A, and on Day 4, bitch B. I returned with two impregnated Poms. Results: Geneva's bitch produced a beautiful orange male, "Florida Fuzz," HHP'S TOP MARK FLAME. My bitch free whelped orange female, "Farrah," FAME FLORIDA MISS FORTUNE. Files and



Ch. Fame Piece Of The Rock

PETIPOM PROUDLY PRESENTS A New Champion!



Ch. Finch's Hot Ticket (Face) (Ch. Tim Sue's Moon Rocket x Finch's Shesa Fancy Notion)

Thank you judges J. Cavaleiro, K. Miller, Mrs. A. Clark, M. Billings,
F. Hogan, C. Harris, R. Miller, L. Boileau, J. Walton, and D. Walsh.

Thank you breeder Diane Finch. "Face" was my first "show Pom."
Thanks, not only for this lovely girl, but for all your help and
advice—and for believing in both of us.

Thank you, handler Diana Nolan. You made a wonderful team!

Pat Cummings / Box 279 / Maryville, MO 64468 /
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PETIPOM PROUDLY PRESENTS

Another New Champion!



Ch. Finch's Petipom Chances R (Chance)
(Ch. Finch's He Walks On Water x Ch. Finch's Equisitely Obvious)

Thank you judges A. Hussin, G. Moran, Mrs. J.E. Clark, C. Harris,
M. Bryant, and J. Esporte.

Thank you breeder Diane Finch for this exceptional boy. His first
puppies show great promise!

Thank you, handler Troy C. Dargin for your wins with Chance.
Congratulations to Brenda Segelken on her Kennel Visit! She is a
lovely person and an excellent handler!

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Grand kids--Korley and Cameron

Farrah are a great asset to our breeding program. We recently bred the two and had a beautiful litter 3 females and 1 male.

"AND remember when you fell (10:30 PM) in over the X pen, landing on an outstretched right hand? You tried to convince me and yourself that you could leave at 3:30 am, drive alone four and one half hours, one handed, while throwing up and fainting, to a dog show?"

"But Phil, I have to show!" Needless to say, I didn't go, actually I *couldn't* go, though I tried twice. At the time, I couldn't understand why Phil was so upset at my determination.

The Poms feel right at home in our double car garage, located off the dining room and adjacent to our family room. They are quite comfy in 2 X 3 puppy pens, with snugly hooded beds. Whelping bitches and nursing mamas are located in our guest bedroom (The Pom Room), while growing pups enjoy the everyday activities in the kitchen. The Poms are allowed to play in the 1/3 acres fenced back yard (Pom proofed, of course). I also have several X pens (put together) to

make 3 large portable X pens across the yard, to separate puppies, males and females, plus not everyone gets along.

Our breeding program is small and a bit out of balance, as usual. I love male Pomeranians. We currently have 3 group winning Champion males: CH FAME PIECE OF THE ROCK, CH FAME KING LINUS and CH FAME GIFT OF THE SPIRIT. Two males are currently being shown: FAME ROCK OF MILLAMOR, needs 6 singles and FAME PARAGON, just beginning his show career with a 4 point major from bred by exhibitor class. FAME CALVIN KLEIN, a black show male, purchased from Geneva Pennock Long, recently had a serious eye injury. We are prayerfully awaiting the end results (stitches will be removed first week in Dec.). We recently added "Florida Fuzz" HHP'S TOP MARK FLAME (mentioned above) to the FAME stud force, also.

Four of our eight bitches are Champions: CH FAME GREAT EXPECTATION, CH FAME IHS SPIRIT, CH FAME MON SHEREE AMORE and CH FRY'S MAGIC



Granddaughter Elizabeth Kueker



Ch. Fame Piece of the Rock

JEANNIE. Three of our bitches are retired from breeding. Two female puppies (four months old) are currently being evaluated in hopes to be added to the FAME team. I believe strongly, that all but one Pom we currently own could have finished their championships.

FAME puppies are very slow to mature. We rarely have knock-out gorgeous puppies. Our puppies appear to be all legs, noses and ears. Which, if I am evaluating and can "dress" the dogs with my eyes, is exactly what I am looking for provided they are from heavy coated Poms, and all else is there: good shoulder lay back, excellent tail sets, straight legs, expression and attitude). No, I do not want long length of muzzle, but I am not trying to breed flat nosed Poms, either. Yes, I want a pronounced stop. No, I do not want large ears, but I do want high set, small ears. Yes, I want some length of leg. Some FAME Poms do not mature until nearly 2 1/2 years old.

FAME Poms are heavily line bred to include two famous Poms. CH COY'S TOP OF THE MARK and CH DIXIE LINDA'S ROCK OF MILLAMOR

Also included in our pedigrees are Millamor, Great Elms, Van Hoosiers, VI-Ra, Aristic and Gold Toy, which without these great breeders, FAME Poms would not be possible.

Our first Pomeranian was purchased from Jewel Weber, formerly Jewel-Ken Pomeranians. Jewel taught me to groom ears correctly. I still trim as she taught and continue to pass on her instructions. I purchased a collection of Pom Reviews, dating back to 1960 from Jewel. These were instrumental in finding the type of Pom I wanted to breed. I was at "awe" at the famous breeders spotlighted in the Reviews, NEVER dreaming that someday I would be so fortunate to be writing this!

My first Champion, Rocky, CH FAME PIECE OF THE ROCK, was bred by Geneva Pennock, from Indiana. Norman and Geneva (Pennock) Long, and Geneva's mother, the late Ruth Pennock, entrusted me with their beautiful Poms. They were there to answer my unending questions on breeding, whelping and raising puppies. The combination of their breeding knowledge and my ability to groom and handle resulted the FAME!



Ch. Fame Mon Sheree Amore

Brenda,

Thanks so much for for "Percy"
Our darling little boy.
For without "Showy" and "Bo Charms"
We'd never have known such joy.

And True Companion "Scarlett"
Just wanted you to know
Her "Percy Fame" can't be replaced
By any other beau!

Congratulations on your Kennel Visit
And Many, Many, Many Thanks
For giving us the Love of our Lives
The Late Fame Little Miss Penny Anne
And now our adorable little guy
Fame Mr. Personality!!!

Hope you never stop producing those beautiful
Little Poms that bring such love and
Happiness into all the lives they touch!

Love and Best Wishes Always,

Marcia and Bruce Cox

"Scarlett Rainey" (Raine's Rhett Butler's Dream)

And "Percy Fame" (Fame Mr. Personality)

FAME MR. PERSONALITY



(Ch. Fame Showtime x Bo's Charms A-Plenty)

At just 3 ½ pounds 'Percy' continues to show he's got what it takes to run with the 'Big Boys!' Many thanks to Judge William Usherwood for this BW win.

Percy is loved and shown exclusively by Peggy and Doug Vest.

We will be forever grateful to Donna Riehm for allowing us to have this special loving little guy with us always!

'Scarlett' says her True Companion 'Percy' is one in a Million!!

Owners: Marcia and Bruce Cox / Mr. Vernon, IL 62864

Breeder: Brenda Segelken / (217) 347-5731

Ruth always prayed for my safety traveling to/from dog shows. They always encouraged me and built my confidence.

Geneva (HHP, Hoosier Home Place) originally bought her Poms from Joyce Brown from Cumberland, Indiana, home of Gold Toy Poms. CH GOLD TOY'S GAY FLAME was bred to several of Geneva's females. The late Norma Jean Brown from Indianapolis, IN. owned CH DIXIELAND ROCK OF MILLAMOR, CH BROWN'S ROCK N ROBIN, CH BROWN'S GAMBLING MAN, and BROWN'S WEE FLAMBEAU MARK (to name a few). Most of these appear on HHP's (and FAME) pedigrees. Geneva also bred bitches to CH VI-RA'S PRINCE CHARMING and CH VI-RA'S FANCY TANGO DANCER, owned by Ralph and Vivian Bouse.

CH. WEE RAMBO OF COY'S TOP MARK, a son of CH COY'S TOP OF THE MARK, purchased by Geneva, from the late Jane Johnston, the late Jim Coy and June Coy, was a great asset to the HHP breeding program, and that produced the FAME Poms.

Though the FAME Poms will continue to carry the HHP Poms in their pedigrees,

I am sorry to say that Geneva is no longer breeding her beautiful Poms. Geneva had bred Poms for over 40 years, a job well done!

FAME puppies do not leave until they are 12 weeks old. Pet puppies are placed or sold at that time. I prefer to keep show prospects for at least 6 months. It takes devotion and hard work to nurture a puppy into a show dog. There are teeth to watch and pull at the correct time. There is lead breaking, crate training, table training, stacking, conditioning, baiting, bathing, and constant grooming. Hours and hours of work, if left unattended to, can ruin the puppy's future show career.

I do not believe that the dwarf/runt Poms should be bred. Breeders of the past reduced the Pom to it's current size. We do not need to continue to reduce size. When we evaluate a puppy to keep as a show/breeder prospect for our own kennel, we tend to keep a medium or the largest puppy in the litter. Our show dogs are our breeders. We breed males and females that are within one pound of each other. We do not breed a tiny male to a large bitch. We do not have or want tiny males. We have bred for consistent



size and quality, though like everyone else, we do have the occasional throw-backs.

For the last few years our Poms consisted of oranges, orange sables or reds, all weighing between 4 and 6 pounds. However, last year we added two black pups, a male and female (HHP) to the breeding program. FAME DESIGNER GENES, the black female, and an orange female, were just bred to Nina Epp's Jake, CH ROCK N TRADITION OF OAKRIDGE. This should be exciting, maybe adding more color?

It's not that I do not like, or appreciate exotic (color) Poms. I think a beautiful Pom in any color is breathtaking. My brief experience with the exotics was not pleasing. I did not get type. My hat is off, though, to the dedicated breeders who have been faithful and successful with their exotic Poms. I love to admire your results, keep up the good work.

The best advice I could give someone just beginning to breed Poms is to get the best bitch YOU can afford, from a free whelping line. Study her pedigree and whelping line breed her to a Champion male that is the TYPE of Poms YOU prefer. Our Champion females have been our greatest asset in the FAME breeding program.

I evaluate my puppies, as if I were a judge in the ring. I look for a balance of type, soundness, correct coat, and showy attitudes. Usually a puppy with correct conformation can walk as fast as other puppies can run. Watch your puppies. Who is the bouncer? Who can move with the least spent energy? Then, who is the shy one? If we could only take *this* from this one and *that* from that one you know, always trying to *make the perfect* Pom.

Before I breed a Pom, I review her pedigree and evaluate what will be a close one breeding. However, the final

decisions rests upon what each bitches/studs' strengths and weaknesses are. I try to combine what would create the perfect Pom. To date, I have not bred "the perfect Pom." I rather doubt if I ever see one in my lifetime, as I am much too critical.

If you are not familiar with correct bone structure, try to attend a seminar. It will be invaluable. There are also books and videos available. Then go over your Poms. Feel each one and make notes on your dog's strengths and weaknesses. Keep this information in mind, when planning a future breeding.

The Pomeranians require a lot of time, if the job is properly done. Guard against too much involvement, when your children are small, unless it can be a family affair. My dogs still interfere with a lot of family planning. I have always tried to put the family first and dogs second.

I began to show Poms in 1983, with a little female Pom, FAME LIL SPARKLING FANCY. Fancy would not walk her first time in the ring. We had a very patient judge, who was willing take extra time with us. The second day, totally untrimmed, Fancy went Winners Bitch for 2 points. Barb Chance encouraged me to continue to show Fancy. Her next week end out, Fancy (still untrimmed) again received Winners Bitch and 2 points. The dear judge, Georgia Buttrum, while taking photos, explained that I should ask someone to help me to trim her.

Fancy did not finish her championship, however, it was not due to her quality. I did not have enough confidence. I didn't think I could ever finish a Pom, and gave up too soon. Looking back, I regret that I didn't finish several Poms in our first generation FAME Poms, as they could have finished fairly easy.

Looking back, I realize how hard it

"GODFREY"



MAJESTIC'S SIR GODFREY

(Ch. Southland's S
Impressive x Ch.
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Majic)

A Major win!

Needs one Major
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Bred, owned, loved and presented by Annette Rogers-Rister.

"ASSYLEE"



Ch. Majestic Southland Assylee

(Ch. Southland's
Mighty Impressive
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New Champion
A Major win!

Bred by Owner and Charlotte Creed. Owned, loved and presented by
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With Toy Authority Judge Mr. Victor Joris
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was. No help at the shows, no mentor. I believe that is why today, I love to help newcomers in the ring, and coach/teach to groom their Poms. Before I begin, I inform them the way I trim is not the correct way, as I still have never been shown "correct," but it is my way, the FAME way! I receive constant comments about how well my dogs look and are groomed, so I must be doing something right!

If you would like to learn to groom your Poms for show, ask an exhibitor, who's grooming you admire, if you can watch. Do not approach them, before you/they have shown. Watch carefully and go home and groom a pet or kennel Pom. Never attempt your first show pattern on a show dog. (I know from BAD experience, this is very embarrassing!) Practice again and again. If you still cannot trim to please yourself, approach the exhibitor again and ask if they would be available to trim your Pom before the next show, and pay them for their expertise. It should be easy for you to follow an established pattern.

If I am ever at a show, and you need help, please feel free to ask. I caution you, though I reserve the last hour before ring time for the Poms I am showing that day. I am all business, at that time.

In the past, I have trained Poms in conformation, obedience, agility and therapy work. I currently handle exclusively Poms for Russell and Jo Ann Kern, Donna Riehm and Pat Philipp, as well as myself. They keep me quite busy with their gorgeous Poms. I have finished numerous Poms for them and two were in the APC Top Ten several years (overall winning).

Breeding and showing Poms sure has its highs and lows. One week, I was totally stressed, missing nights of sleep, delivering puppies, tube feeding and then

Time to quit." Then the next two week ends, I came home from 5 shows with 7 majors on 4 Poms and 2 Best of Breeds, even though I wasn't showing a special!

The time involved with the dogs is immeasurable. Proper daily exercise, cleaning, individual socialization and care must be met. Daily care of a show coat and proper training is a must. Vet appointments, proper handling of breedings, this is a thankless never ending job!

The competitors in this area think that I am all business while showing the Poms. When it is TIME to be intense, then I am all business. I do love to have fun, though, even in the ring, occasionally. Though we don't often show against each other, Sue Malek and I tell each other jokes while in the ring (provided it's a large class and time permits).

Once, while showing to the late Frank Oberstar, I lost an arm band in the ring. The ring steward helped me get it back on (unknowingly upside down, 6 became 9). My bitch placed fourth. As Frank was marking the judge's book, he noticed the incorrect number, and told me I would have to stand on my head for that ribbon. I said, "No way for fourth, however, I certainly will if you give me first!" Everyone cracked up.

My pet peeves this year are:

Number 1. Hey, at dog shows, don't get mad at me or too disappointed if I win when you have the better dog. I'm not the judge. I don't point the finger. I have never shown a perfect Pom. I have done more than my share of winning, but that is my responsibility (to the dog, myself and clients) in the show ring. Show the judge your dogs' best assets. Present the Pom the best way possible for that dog. Don't try to hide your dogs' faults, but

accentuate its strengths. I don't like to lose, either, but I am not the judge.

Number 2. Please have fun. Shows are great! When I can no longer have fun at the shows, win or lose, I will retire. Keep the dogs happy, too. There is nothing uglier than a Pom in the ring that hates being there. I have shown a few that really don't like to show, and it is hard to finish an unhappy Pom. These little Poms are very keen and know when you are upset, nervous or unhappy. Tell them they are beautiful. Let's have fun!

Number 3. I resent remarks made about professional handlers. I spend more time with clients dogs, than I do training my own Poms. I have to win that little Pom's confidence, love and bond with him (sometimes within a few days). I make sure that he is happy, clean, well groomed and comfortable traveling to the shows. This can be challenging and hard work. What if we charged by the hour? Hey, now that's a keen idea!

Patience is a virtue, the Bible says, and I believe I normally have a lot, but I am patiently waiting for that Best in Show All Breed, or that Best In Show Specialty win. We have come close, oh so close, several times. But no BIS,yet. Patience, patience!

We have had many tremendous wins through the years. The Louisville, Kentucky spring shows are the largest all breed shows in the United States and the competition is tough. Most of the top winning Poms are shown there each March.

We have had numerous big wins at Louisville, including two back to back 5 point majors on CH FAME PIECE OF THE ROCK. The following year, "Brother" CH DOUBLE ROCK TOP MARK, a half-brother to Rocky, and littermate to CH FAME KING LINUS went Best of Breed. In 1994 a Rocky son, CH FAME GIB OF THE GREAT

ROCK, "Chips" won Best of Breed. I usually keep my composure in the ring (win or lose) however, that day I lost it. Dianne Kieffer practically held me upright, while receiving the ribbon.

CH FAME IHS SPIRIT, "Spirit," a Linus daughter, also won a 4 point major and Best of Opposite Sex at Louisville. Then in 1995, a 7 month old Rocky grandson and Chips/Spirit son, CH FAME GIFT OF THE SPIRIT, "Gift," won back to back 5 point majors. These were not easy tasks, considering the amount of Poms entered and the quality of exhibits.

I enjoy entering the Bred by Exhibitor class at the APC National Specialties, and have placed first in this class several times. CH FAME IHS SPIRIT won her BBE class in New York in 1995. Then in 1996 CH FAME SHEREE AMORE, "Sheree," won the BBE bitch class and Best Bred by Exhibitor. Both are wonderful compliments to our breeding program.

Though I know that I haven't made much of a difference in this world, never breeding the perfect Pom or finding a miracle cure for AIDS, my greatest dreams will be fulfilled when I am in Heaven (not by merits of my own, but through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ), and am surrounded by my family and friends. To quote one of my favorite heroes, James Dobson as he speaks to his family and friends, "Be there, just be there!"

We feel very honored to be chosen as this month's **Pomeranian Review** Kennel Visit and I hope you glean something of value from it. This has been fun to write, and rewrite at the last minute thanks to a computer error! We thank everyone that has had any involvement with this issue. Thanks to the wonderful people world wide who have admired the FAME Poms.

PEBBLEBROOK



Pebblebrook's Copper Penny

(Ch. Wee Challenger of Lenette x Creider's Countdown to Glory)

Congratulations, Brenda, on your Kennel Visit. Thank you for your expert handling of my dogs, and especially for all of Penney's exciting wins!

Pat Philipp / 2788 Meyer Road / Foristel, MO 63348 / (314) 463-1258

BLACK LACE



CH. FINCH'S BLACK LACE

(BIS, BISS Ch. Finch's He Walks One Water x Finch's Black Fad Fashion)

She started her show career at 10 months of age in the Open Bitch class and just kept winning. She finished with two four-point majors and a Best of Breed over Special Lace was Reserve Winners Bitch at the APC Specialty in Charlotte.

Lace was shown to perfection by Brenda Segelken. Thanks, Brenda, for all the joy of watching this duo at work in the show ring...

Congrats on your Kennel Visit.

Donna S. Riehm

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We love and appreciate our ring side cheering section. God bless you all!

To my husband and clients: For your financial assistance, and your emotional support, For your encouragement, or just listening; for your delight at what we did great, and your indifference when we failed; for the memories, FAME and glory, I thank you!

Love, Brenda and FAME

SILVER OR GOLD?

God, tell me quickly, "What is this,
these tiny strings so rare?
Their value must be, oh so great,
No, no, I shall not share!

"They're on my socks, in my drawers,
they creep around at night.
To church, to bed they travel well,
they're never out of sight.

"It must have wealth and magnitude,
no fat or cholesterol.
Why else would this be in our house
on dishes, clothes and walls?

"But, last I shall forever know,
I'll send this creature far.
To a lab to test and magnify
in search of what you are.

"It glistens, glitters and reflects.
Just look it's everywhere.
I'll gather it and bottle it
I'll be a millionaire!"

"You'll not get rich," the Mrs. says,
"Not strings of gold so rare."
"Shut up and eat your veggie soup,
Relax, it's just POM HAIR!

Brenda Segelken '94



Fame Rock of Millamor



Phil and Brenda Segelken

Y'ALL PLAN TO COME TO TEXAS FOR SOME BODACIOUS DOG SHOWS 9 SHOWS IN 11 DAYS!!

Set your sights on Texas for fun, hospitality, and the chance to visit with your Pomeranian friends. Start your trail ride in Houston for 3 shows and mosey up to Dallas--Fort Worth area for two days of the American Pomeranian Club National Specialty followed by 5 more Texas-sized shows. If you are looking for majors there should be plenty to try for.

Friday, March 13	The Houston Pomeranian Club (Houston)*
Saturday, March 14.....	Houston Kennel Club (Houston)**
Sunday, March 15	Galveston Kennel Club (Houston)**
Monday, March 17	Travel and Shopping Day
March 17 and 18	American Pomeranian Club National Specialty (Arlington)***
Thursday, March 19	Dallas-Fort Worth Pomeranian Club (Dallas)**
Friday, March 20	Texas Kennel Club (Dallas)**
Saturday, March 21	Texas Kennel Club Centennial Show (Dallas)**
Sunday, March 22	Fort Worth Kennel Club (Fort Worth)****
Monday, March 23	Trinity Valley Kennel Club (Fort Worth)**

*Newport Dog Shows

** Jack Onofrio, Superintendent

***Wanda Roach, Show Secretary (806) 257-3817)

****MB-F, Superintendent

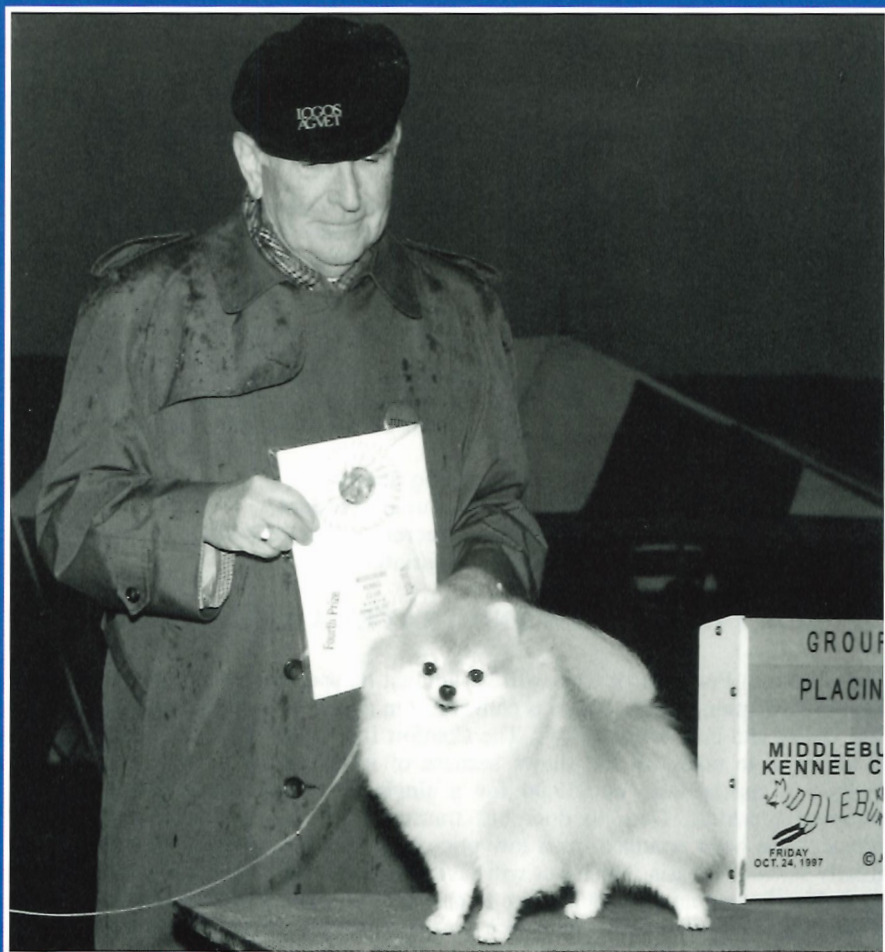
SPECIALTY ROOM AND TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

The American Pomeranian Club will be holding its specialty at the **Comfort Inn (Six Flags) in Arlington, Texas**, which is convenient to the DFW Airport and centrally located to the Dallas and Fort Worth shows. The Comfort Inn will serve as our headquarters and will allow us to enjoy all the shows because of its proximity to them. **The club has arranged a special rate of \$59.00 for a single or double room which includes a continental breakfast.** Door to door bus transportation for you, your dogs, and your equipment has been arranged for a low price of \$10.00 round trip. The buses are on a regularly scheduled basis. The buses will save you the hassle of driving in downtown rush hour traffic, finding an affordable place to park within walking distance of the show sites, and then having to repeat the experience for the return trip. We have made arrangements through **X-PRESS TRAVEL** to make Hotel reservations, airline reservations, transportation to and from the airport, and bus transportation. All these services can be accomplished with one easy toll free call to 1-888-397-7782 or 972-641-0186 if you cannot use the toll free number. **Please note that you must make your hotel reservations through X-PRESS TRAVEL to get the special room rate because they have reserved a large block of rooms for our show.** They will also make your other travel arrangements if you wish. X-PRESS TRAVEL'S address is 2424 S. Carrier, Suite 109; Grand Prairie, TX 75051.

The Club has also made arrangements for round trip bus transportation to the D-FW Pom Club's after show dinner on March 19.



LIL LUKE IS AWARDED ANOTHER GROUP PLACEMENT!



Ch. La Cherie's Lil Luke Skywalker

Thanks to eminent judge Dr. Harry Smith, Jr. for this win!

Congratulations to a lovely lady, **Brenda Segelken**, and the Fame Poms on a greatly deserved Kennel Visit!!!

Dot and Ed Martin
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York, SC 29745
(803) 831-8086

OAKRIDGE

Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge

'JAKE' --Top Producing Sire 1996 and 1997

(Hopefully 1998 also)



Jake sends congratulations to his daughter, **Foxworth Five Star Tradition** who was Best of Winners at the **North Carolina American Pomeranian Club Specialty**. Congratulations also on the other five-point major, all from the 6-8 month puppy class.

Congratulations to **Brenda Segelken** on her Kennel Visit. She is a super lady and an excellent handler!

Nina K. Epps
908 Bryce Lane
Nixa, Mo 65714

**Tom Thumb Pomeranians
Wishes Everyone
Happy Holidays!**



Tears in Heaven of Tom Thumb

(Sire: A/C Ch. Harbin's Charming Touch by Ch. G.E. Prince Charming II)

Photo by Animal World

"Iddy Bitty" with limited showing in '97 has another BOB. Watch for him in '98!

by Tom Thumb Pomeranians, Inc. Photo by Tom Thumb Pomeranians, Inc.

LOVELY POMERANIANS
Offers for Your Consideration....



Ch. Ruby's Wee Jezebel Sais So
(BIS Ch. Lovely Jessie Sais So x Ruby's Sassy Weetart Lady)

Jezebel...beautiful rich red-orange (grows coat to the floor!), finished with four majors and Best of Breed over a group winning special. Proven free whelped, just turned 4 years old.

**DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO OWN THIS GORGEOUS
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Also available: nicely marked, good quality white/black parti male. **MUST SELL.** For additional information:

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Glen Iris Distant Lady. Winners were awarded rosettes, plaques with the theme picture in color and the American Pomeranian Club Medallions. First place in each class received rosettes, a Medallion, a crate pad with a Pom motif, notepads with club logo and other items. See on Third and fourth place winners in each class received rosettes and notepads with club logo. Best Bred By Exhibitor received a rosette and \$25.00 cash offered by David and Melissa Dahlenburg. Immediately after the judging, wine and cheese was served for exhibitors and guests.

The evening concluded with the Banquet at the lovely T-Bones on Lake Wylie. There were four entree items on the menu and the 108 guests were served quickly by the staff. Ed Martin serenaded all with his own special rendition of "Nothin' Could be Finer than Poms in Carolina" and there were some interesting tales about "Jerry" Shearer and other Board Members. Door prizes were awarded before the dinner was served. The auction concluded the evening. The "hot" ticket items were a hand made leather wallet with a Pom and flowers carved into the leather and a lighted wall clock with the theme picture in color in front of one of the lights. There was also a framed cross stitch of a Pom head study and several drawings of Poms in addition to numerous other items. Our thanks to Alta Davis who did such a great job coordinating the auction.

Friday was a lovely day for a show which began at 9:00 a.m. with Sweepstakes. Judge Mrs. Ann D. Hearn had 7 males and 10 females competing for Junior puppy. Jan Shar N Janesa's Kitty Cool, bred by Sharon Hanson and Jerrie Freia - owned by Sharon Hanson was

13 dogs and 12 bitches vying for Best Senior Puppy. The winner was Emcee's Ultimate Chip, bred and owned by Morris and Betty Carson. The Grand Sweepstakes Winner was Emcee's Ultimate Chips. All winners received a rosette and a Plaque with the theme picture in color. First in each class won a trinket box, crate pad with Pomeranian motif and notepad with club logo and other items. Second, third and fourth place winners in each class received rosettes and notepads.

Mrs. Arlene Benko had 142 dogs in competition with 64 males and 50 females in the classes and 26 champions in Best of Breed. Two veterans were entered. Winners dog, Golden Aires Moon Chip was from the open ROCS Class, bred and owned by Sharon Masnick and Benson Ray. Reserve winners dog was Mai T Tois Jelly Bean from the Open BBB Class, bred and owned by Angela Nisbet. Winners Bitch, Great Elms Buttercup was from the Puppy 9-12 month class, bred and owned by Ruth Beam. Reserve winners bitch, Foxworth Five Star Tradition was from the Puppy 6-9 month class bred and owned by Pamela Dodsworth and Larry Fox. Best in Specialty was Ch Absolute's Mini Bike, bred by Jeanne and Robert Blank and owned By Jeanne Blank and Sharon Hanson. Best of Winners was Golden Aires Moon Chip and Best of Opposite was Ch China Doll Bette Midler, bred by Darlene and John Boyd and owned by Ann Simmons. Best Bred By Exhibitor was, Millamors Style Maker, bred and owned by Eleanor Miller. Best Veteran was Ch Tim Sue's High Lights, bred and owned by Tim and Sue Goddard. All winners received rosettes and plaques with the theme picture in color. First place in each class

Prizes donated by Roberta and Beth Kerr, - crate pads with Pomeranian motif, notepads and other items. Second, third and fourth place in each class received rosettes and notepads. Best Bred By Exhibitor received a rosette and \$ 25.00 cash offered by David and Melissa Dahlenburg.

Immediately following the judging wine and cheese were served. Our thanks to Stella Lizambri, Hospitality Chairman and Janet McWhorter for their assistance.

Thirty minutes after Best in Specialty, a Judges' Breed Study Group was conducted by Charlotte Creed, Chairman of the Standard Revision committee. The new illustrated standard was distributed to the 77 people who attended. After the lecture portion that featured pictures on an

overhead projector and live dogs to help demonstrate various points, the group returned to the rings for hands on tutoring. It was a very informative session. Thanks to all who brought their dogs to help with the demonstration.

The evening concluded with a Southern Social hot dog supper complete with grilled dogs, chili, slaw, potato salad, fruit salad, dessert and iced tea. Thanks to Ken and Eleanor Griffith who were in charge of the event and to Jeff and Lisa Braddy who assisted. Also thanks to all club members who provided food.

Many exhibitors stayed for the All Breed shows on Saturday and Sunday. A good time was had by all and we hope to see you again in the future.



Best of Breed

Ch. Absolute's Mini Bike



Rancho Vista Pomeranians *presents*



Chippendale's Once In A Song and M'Lady's Fresh Prince

(Photo by Susan Cappock)

These beautiful little lads were born in July, 1997 and exhibit all first rate features shared by their parents. Sired by Ch. Luv-n's Storibook Cupid x Ch. Winston's Sweet Emily O'Loma, we expect to see both youngsters in the ring in February, 1998.

Prince will be trained and presented by professional handler, Karen Crawford, and will begin his show career in California and Nevada. Watch out for this royal knight!

Owner/Trainer/Handler
Karen Crawford

Co-Owner/Breeder
Richard E. Lane--dickspoms@AOL.com



Point Loma Pomeranians

presents



Mary Alice Joy of Point Loma

—Ms. Mary Alice—

(Ch. Nice Guy of Point Loma x Princess Nocturn of Loma)

(Photo by Kitten Rodwell)

Another Point Loma girl on her way to the top! Expertly presented by Amador Nava Valdovinos, 'lil "Mary Alice" took Best of Breed under judge Don Rogers (retired) and Best Opposite Sex under Canadian judge Margaret E. Robertson at the dog grounds in Rancho Santa Fe, CA in November, 1997. THANK YOU, judges!!! Much appreciation to Pauline Hughes (pictured above) for allowing me to benefit from her bloodline.

Owner/Breeder: Richard E. Lane
Box 4253, Carlsbad, CA 92018

Handler:
Amador Nava Valdovinos



Best Opposite Sex
Ch. China Doll Bette Midler



Best of Winners
Golden Aires Moon Chip



Winners Bitch



Best in Sweepstakes

OHIO Valley Pomeranian Club

Mega Match

by
Ruth Ripperger

Let the Happiness Begin

Friends, fun, food, and fuzzy Poms in a motel banquet room in Columbia, Ohio, on a rainy Fall weekend. There's nothing quite like a home cooked turkey dinner with dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, lots more scrumptious choices for filling up the plate (and stomach) including a variety of pies, cakes, brownies, and even Pom cookies. Put that together with lots of great Pom exhibitors, lots of prizes, and fuzzy pups and what do you have???

The Ohio Valley Pomeranian Club Mega Match drew over 80 entries (all deserving of a blue ribbon). But there wasn't a ribbon to be found anywhere. Who needs ribbons? We awarded beautifully embroidered grooming towels for the first four places in each class, foldup dog show chairs (with Poms penciled on them, of course) for best Junior puppy, Senior puppy, and Adult, and a cool EZ up canopy for BIM.

No one went away empty handed as each entry received a goody bag filled with samples, dog toys, and who knows what...and for those who were determined to take home something really special, there was the silent auction table--filled with beautiful items to delight and tempt. The costume class winner was "The Pom Bull" FameParagon owned by Brenda Engelken.

The Tack Box Rat winner was obviously the sexiest RAT shown, however, I do not have a record of the rat's name which was handled by Pat Barney. There is some question about the judge taking bribes in this class. Let me assure you all that HE DID indeed solicit

and take bribes! A great big thank you to our TBR judge, Bob Fiddick.

We were very sorry to hear that our judge for the regular classes, Jeanne Blank, couldn't join us because she caught the flu bug that was going around. So we've invited her to join us next year. Stay well, Jeanne!

Many thanks to Phillip Heinz who was able to step in at the last moment to judge--and did a wonderful job!! Mr. Heinz is an AKC judge who plans to apply to judge Poms in the near future. We can never have too many good Pom judges.

Best Junior Handler was Courtney Evans showing Jodi Beaty's Pom, Cashmere's Sapphire Gold.

Best Junior Puppy (from the 2-4 puppy bitch class)--LYNNWRIGHT'S CARRIE owned by Donna Lynn Wright.

Best Senior Puppy (from the 6-9 puppy dog class)--HONEY DEW'S FUZZY LITTLE THING owned by Angie Roberts.

Best Adult--HEARTLAND'S KNIGHT RIDER owned by Dianne Kieffer.

Best in Match went to the little black adult Pom. Kit just showed his little furry heart out and would not be denied. I think maybe he's been taking lessons from his dad--Ch. Heartland's In the Nicka Time.

Let me take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make this match a truly memorable experience! First of all, our hard-working match chairperson, Karen Schwartz, the show committee members and other OVPC members who contributed of their time and talents. And a very special thank you to all our Pom friends who came from near and far with



Ch. Forever Darin to Dream

Another champion for 'Bobbi' Bearcat. We are proud of Darin's 5 BOB's from the classes. If our entry got in, watch for us at the Garden. Also taking Breed from the classes is Forever Tiger Eye, a dark sable Hatfield son.

Forever Yours,
Marge Kranzfelder

MUSTANG



MUSTANG'S PETER PAN SHORT STOP

Just an example of the type of puppies Sunny is producing. He's carrying on the TRADITION of his daddy, A/C Ch. Rock N Tradition of Oakridge and his granddaddy Ch. Millamor's Tradition. We are very proud of Sunny and his tyty, short-backed offspring. Can't thank you enough Nina Epps and Nancy Smith for this gorgeous little boy!!

We wish all of our Pom friends a Happy New Holiday Season and a Great New Year filled with lots of show ribbons and healthy puppies. Looking forward to seeing you all in Texas in March!

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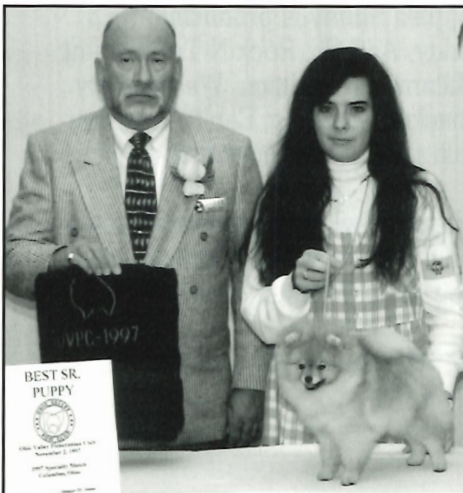
carloads of some of the cutest puppies on Earth!

The best thing about showing and breeding Poms is the kinship felt with others who are owned and loved by these incredible little dogs.

See y'all next year when the OVPC Mega Match will be held after the APC Summer Specialty Show. Both the Specialty Show and the OVPC Match are being held in the same location.



**Best Adult and Best in Match
Heartland's Knight Rider**



Best Senior Puppy

A Harrowing Experience

by Evelyn Blake

My name is Evelyn E. Blake. I have a story to tell, that may help other people or you may have a family member, or friend, that may profit from the terrible agony I have just experienced.

In the spring of 1994, my son came to visit, (he was between jobs, and is a very good carpenter). He said if I wanted him to do some repair work, and remodel my home he would take the time and do it for me. At that time, I had a young male Pom being campaigned. He was Blake's Yo Light up my Life (he had both majors). I thought since Jack was willing to do this for me at little, or no expense for himself I chose to take advantage of the offer. We all know the expense to show is getting out of reach, so I quit showing. I could not do both!

My son had put on a few extra pounds, and he was feeling sorry for me, too. (I had gone up to 163 pounds and for my frame and height I looked awful!) So, one morning my son Jack said to me, "Mother, I am going to start on a diet; do you want to share this with me? I told him no, I was not ready to start on a diet just yet! I weighed myself the next morning, and decided it was time to take action. We started to eat lots of salad, chicken, tuna, and lots of fruit. I chose for a sweetener, (Contact Evelyn for the name and distributor of this product) stayed on a pretty strict regime during the time my son was at my home. (It always helps if someone else is dieting with you). I lost several pounds, and was feeling pretty good about my will power to stick with our diet. One night I woke up with a strange feeling of my heart racing, my tongue felt like it was

From The Skeptic Tank

What Can All This Mean?

By

Dr. Al Grossman

AKC to Maintain Status Quo reads one headline --- No resolution to Location Conflict reads another --- A Great Decision reads a third.

What and who are we to believe? Does it make any difference to the overall dog show fancy? Did we get our money's worth from the consultants study which was to help the Board make a decision as to the future location of the American Kennel Club.

For those of you that have spent the last ten years herding goats in Outer Bator or a monastery in Tibet and are not versed in the goings on at 51 Madison Ave., here a nutshell is the story.

A former board light years ago, for whatever reasons, judged that much of the backroom (read computer and record keeping) function of the kennel club could be done more efficiently and economically by being moved to North Carolina. A major presence was established there under a Vice President whose training was in data processing and not in dog processing. Let us be kind and say the operation was not the sterling success it was predicted to be.

Subsequent boards poured more dollars, manpower and administrative talent into the breach to correct the situation. Then the final scenario forecast a total move to another site in the Carolinas and land was purchased. This new site had an ambitious plan which included a campus like environment, a possible show site and a hotel to be leased and run by a hotel corporation. There was much to do in certain segments of the press over this announced move and certainly the location.

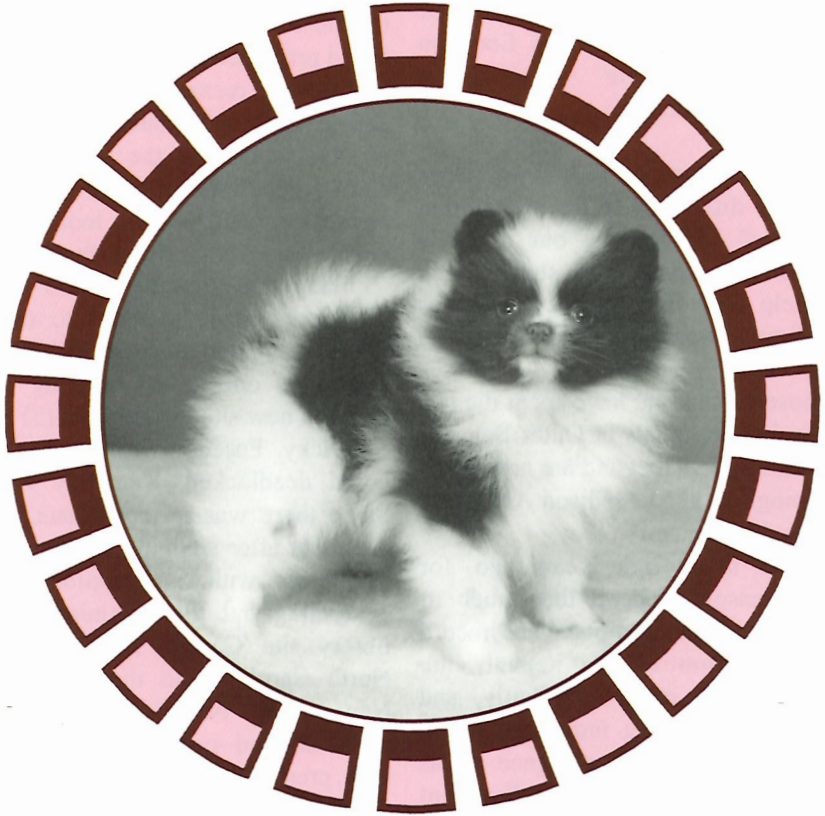
majority favoring the move and caused a total new Think". The air was filled with new plans and new strategies. At the same time a new non doggy President was selected to lead the kennel club into the next century. Key members of the board presented position papers on how it was best to reexamine the whole notion and to hire a consultant to study the problem anew. In the meantime, other states got into the act, principally Kentucky with what looked like a wonderful offer on the surface.

Finally the consultants after weighing all factors made a report to the board which compared all the possible choices. The main ones were (1) stay put; (2) move to new site in Carolina; (3) move to Kentucky. Faced with these choices the board deadlocked. Kentucky was out!. Since there was no consensus, the new president after studying all the variables, came up with a compromise. Shift everything but the administrative staff, library and Gazette to the old site in North Carolina and the rest remain in New York. Now while this was a decision, and considering the fact the new president was not conversant with the feeling of those not on the Eastern seaboard, it really did not settle the political animosity about New York City being the hub of the dog world. There was a feeling that the decision was not even worth a half a loaf.

It is hard to fault the new president. He was given a lemon by the board and he tried to make the best lemonade he knew how from the ingredients he had on hand. So, what does all this mean? Not much I am afraid. It turned out to be a very large tempest in a very small teapot. Many staffers faced with the move to the South will opt out. Especially the lower echelon people. This means hiring and training a new staff. Hopefully, North Carolina



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under competent leadership. However, with the administrative staff (headquarters) still in New York City, the long festering antagonism from those removed by many miles from the scene will only get worse. It is imperative that the headquarters staff reach out to those who feel wounded by the decision to remain in New York City.

A good way to start might be that elusive rewrite of the constitution and by-laws that changes the makeup of the AKC delegate body. As we know only a handful of clubs are represented and those West of the Mississippi are poorly represented. Just encouraging all clubs to become AKC member clubs would not work for the delegate body would become unwieldy and finding a meeting place for this large convention each quarter would be nigh on impossible. I might suggest the reader review two of my previous articles, NOW HEAR THIS! and The

Role and Function of the AKC in the 21st Century in which I spelled out plans to reorganize and make more democratic the workings of OUR Kennel Club.

If some of these things are not done in the near future I predict a number of brush fire like challenges to the board's recommendations and authority will occur in the delegate body. Sniping at the administration will increase by those feeling disfranchised. It is a shame that these things happen but in such a competitive sport such as ours, little things can grow into giant appearing problems if not dealt with quickly and in a win/win atmosphere. The situation today seems to be one of control; we've got it and you don't so do not stick your nose into places where it does not belong. I wish this was not so but alas it seems to be. At this point my crystal ball is clouding up and I cannot see the future clearly. Time to turn to the tea leaves.

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the same time. I got up and went to the bathroom in a half zombie state! I knew something was going wrong, but did not have good sense about me to decide what to do, like my brain was not functioning right either!! I headed to my son's room, and at the same time going from the shivering to the shakes. My knees were knocking together, so bad I could hardly talk!! I managed to turn the light on, and my son looked at me and said "Mother what is wrong? I was grouchy as an old bear! My husband said he was getting ready to send me to a psychologist! I'm sorry, I don't remember much, except I knew I was not feeling normal! I had always been very healthy, and had not been to a doctor since 1974, did not have what some people call a "family" doctor, when these feelings hit me, it never dawned on me to go to the doctor. I called a friend of mine, Rosie, who had bought a small female Pom from me, and we became friends. Rosie was an LVN, and worked in a clinic not far from my home. I asked her to make an appointment for me, that I had something terribly wrong with my body, causing me lots of mental anguish! I thought it must be cancer! It must be in my brain! It must have my body ate up! The thing that was my biggest concern was my Pomeranians. What would happen to them! Would they get good care! Everything went through my mind! My love for my Poms, and their daily care kept me going.

When my time came to go to the doctor, I told him of my "attacks" or seizures. Which was now happening on a regular basis. I would go into a zombie state, my teeth clinching together, my body shaking all over, my body feeling like it was attached to a live electric current. My husband, bless his heart, when I knew I was going to have an "attack" (I always

knew before the time because of the symptoms) he would stay with me, sometimes missing work, taking my blood pressure all the time I was going through my "attack." It would shoot up high on both ends, and then when it was all over, go down real low. When it was over I was very limp, and could not lift my legs to take a step! My memory was leaving, I received my new bank checks in the mail, put them in a safe place, and I have looked every place. (I still have not found them) I may have thrown them in the trash, who knows, I don't! My EKG came back O. K.; my heart was normal at that time. All my blood work was normal. When the doctor called to tell me everything came back O. K. I said, "If all is true what is causing my heart to race as though I'm having a heart attack"? He said my blood pressure was up a "little bit," and he prescribed a high blood pressure pill. I did not wonder why it was up, after all I had been through, but never did think that was my problem. The last attack, that I was to see a doctor was 3-10-97, a woman doctor at the clinic took me in to her examining room, and checked me out. I was so weak, dizzy, and my heart beating irregular. I felt like I would pass out any minute as if I was having morning sickness and a heart

attack. What I could do was shake my head, and with that he said, "Do you want me to take you to the emergency room?" He said, come and sit down. I sat down in the chair beside his bed, and went into the shakes, I could not speak, or control my body. My husband heard us talking, and came to my son's room, thinking because I was shaking I was cold, he began to talk of going to the hospital, and at the same time trying to wrap his arms around me for warmth. I could not speak, my teeth clinching very tightly together, and my tongue felt swollen. I was as helpless as a

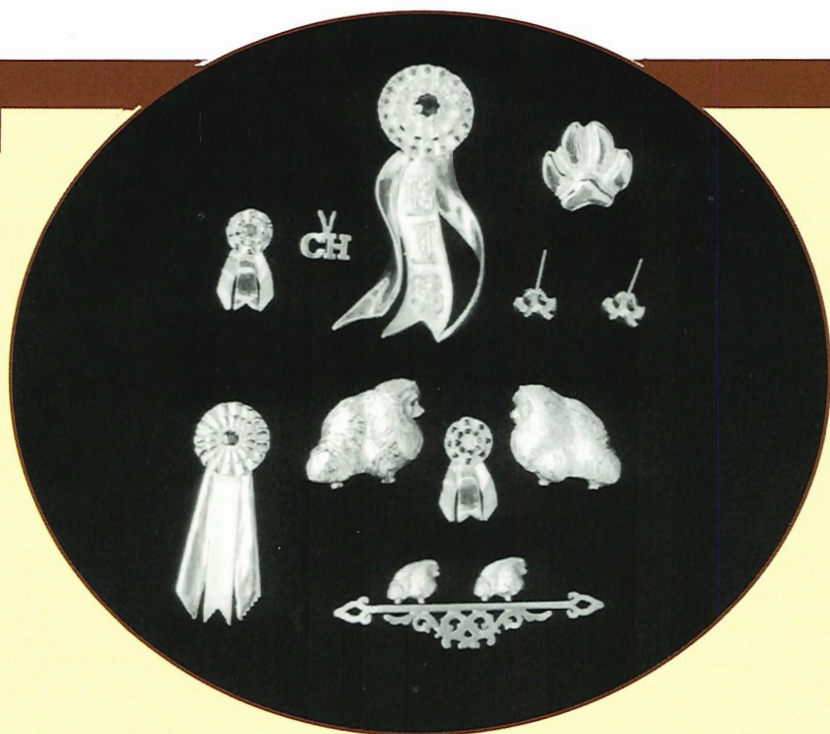


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new born baby! In a period of 20 minutes the shaking let up, and I was released from the seizure, or what ever it was, and it felt as though I was released from a very high current of electric, and I went limp. I told my son and husband I was O K., and my husband took me back to bed. As we were talking I began to shake again, and this one lasted around 5 minutes. It was all over, and we went back to sleep. The next day I wondered what had caused this seizure to happen to me, but feeling O. K. I continued to do the normal routine. At that time, I was, what you would call a rescue home for all mistreated Pomeranians. I was buying them just to get them away from the treatment they were receiving, if you know what I mean?. I was so attached to a lot of my own breedings, that it was a full time job caring for them. I was trying to help my son as much as possible, doing the office work for my husbands shop, so I blamed the seizure on stress. I began to feel tired all the time, but forcing myself to carry on. In the meantime I was forced to kind good homes for a lot of my dogs. I began to lose interest in everything, became depressed, and had no desire to do the things I was interested in! I was doing genealogy, had written two early marriage books (when you had to be bonded to marry) and was on my third book when my mind began to fail. I could not concentrate, and do that which I had no trouble doing before. I thought well, that comes with getting older, and let it go at that. I had to write down all important stuff, because I would forget. I can look back at some of the things I did, and the people I talked to, and it is like a dream, remembering only parts of it! I would be at my computer, trying to put in data on my book, and I would go into a zombie like stare, and not even remember

my senses again. I was still feeling depressed, and getting weaker until all I did was keep a path cleaned through my house. I hired a woman to come twice a week to help with the Poms, and clean my house.

Again I told the doctor of my symptoms. She ordered an EEG, and more blood work.

They tested for thyroid too, because I told her my hair was starting to fall out. My body had become one big nervous system, my insides trying to get outside! I was uneasy all the time never knowing when these "attacks" would happen. I did not drive for a year, for fear of having an "attack in my car," and maybe hurting someone else!

When my test results came back, I was told all of my tests were O.K! How could this be happening to me! I knew something was wrong! The new doctor prescribed a very low dose of thyroid medication, and maybe it was a "little" low, but that was not my problem. Why was none of my tests revealing what was wrong!

When I could think clearly, I told my husband I was going to eliminate everything I was taking into my system, and I started with my vitamins. I started taking that because I was starting to have problems after I would eat, and was not eating much because I still did not know what was causing my seizures (on top of everything else), my stomach was beginning to hurt! I quit that for 3 or 4 days, I was still having my attacks, so I started with my food. I eliminated all the foods, one by one, and the "attacks" continued. All that was left to eliminate was a FDA approved product that was supposed to be safe for consumption, so just to prove to myself, it was the only thing left to eliminate. I eliminated it

The one thing that even children are taking into their system, even vitamins has this product in them!! It is called NUTRASWEET! That was 10-03-1997. I have not had a seizure since. My eyesight has returned. Oh, I didn't mention my eyesight did I? I was needing my glasses changed bad. Not anymore! I see fine with the ones I have. My memory is improving, I am back in my computer, working on my new book. I still have heart palpitations, but they are farther apart. I have been off of the sweetener for almost 6 weeks now. I have almost "returned" to normal, and last week I went to see the first doctor that did the EKG and all the blood work. I told him I found out what had caused all my agony for 2 and a half years, and he said, "Oh that's good". I have trouble believing that doctors are compassionate, and caring! I called my brother in Georgia and was telling him of my illness, and what had caused it. He said to go on line to the web page and put in Aspartame search, I did, and I could not believe my eyes! There is page after page telling about the danger of aspartame, what it is made from, and letter after letter of people like me, having the same symptoms, and how they found out it was aspartame that caused their health problems. There is over 9,000 products on the market with aspartame in them. If you use products with aspartame, you could have physical, visual, mental problems; ailments the doctors can't seem to cure....then please try the 60 day no aspartame test. When your symptoms disappear, please get involved in an international effort to get this deadly neurotoxin off the market. Write a letter to the FDA, with a copy to Betty Martini (for proof of how the FDA doesn't keep proper records). Write your congressmen. By the way, for those of you who do not have a computer and can't find a friend who does to tell you what Aspartame is

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12/97

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