



May 2006



RMKC Newsletter

RMKC will be offering the *AKC Canine Good Citizen Test*

Tuesday, May 2, 2006

Olmsted County Fairgrounds, 4-H Building

6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Cost is \$10.00.

Bring proof of rabies vaccination!

Prong collars and flexi leashes are not allowed during the CGC test.

In case of rain, test will be rescheduled on May 16, same time and place

Also, SAME night, SAME location, SAME time:

Dr. Caroline Baihly is holding a

Microchip Clinic

Cost is \$35.00 per pet (Includes registration)

Bring the following information:

Owner & pet information, emergency contact, and name and address of your pet's regular veterinarian.

Hey Members...

We will be needing volunteers to help with the CGC testing mentioned above. Contact Caroline Baihly (phone 867-4815; email: cdbaihly@mcleodusa.net) if you are able to help out - or just show up! The more help we have the more efficiently the testing can go.

Thank you!

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Letter from the Editor:

Well, it's been a whole year since the RMKC newsletter went "paperless" & I think, & hope, that it has worked okay for everyone. I know in terms of not having to copy, assemble, fold, stamp, & mail all those paper newsletters, it's been great for me - along with being able to get it to the membership as soon as it's done, which is often around midnight, when most copy places are closed. Thanks to everyone who has sent along cartoons & interesting tidbits from the world of dogs - keep 'em coming! And a BIG Thank you to web-master John Limpert for getting my often down-to-the-wire publications up on the website so quickly!

I would also like to thank all those who have been positive & encouraging as I take on the role of President of the RMKC. I hope that anyone who has questions, concerns, or suggestions will feel free to email me & let me know. Communication is essential in the continued success of any organization.

Diana Mann

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A nursery school teacher was delivering a station wagon full of kids home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting on the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. "They use him to keep crowds back," said one youngster. "No", said another, "he's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close..."They use the dogs," she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrant."

RMKC General Membership meeting – Monday, April 10, 2006

Members present: Julie Prentice, Diana Mann, Marie Christianson, Linda Cornick, Patti Wiebe, Carole Sorenson, Paul Howe, Diane Whipple, Caroline Baihly, Steph Meyer. Guests present: Sandy Woodruff, Fran Kornblum.

The meeting was preceded by a short information session for guests/prospective members; topics covered included general information about the club, what is required to become a member, & activities that club members participate in.

Meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by President Julie Prentice.

President's Report: topics to be covered in New Business.

Recording Secretary: Motion to approve the February meeting minutes was made by Linda C., seconded by Patti W.; motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary: Lots of mail has accumulated since our last meeting in February, including a class on disaster response as it pertains to animals, artificial grass for dog owners, & an upcoming obedience match; all mail passed amongst the members present.

Treasurer's Report: Caroline B. gave current balances & income/expense reports.

Committee Reports:

Show Committee: There will be a Show Committee meeting on Wed, April 12 at Carlos O' Kellys at 6:00 pm; main objective will be to go over the premium list before its submission to Onofrio.

Agility Trial: We now have a food person, chief course builder, security, & judges. Trial will be held at the Olmsted Co. Fairgrounds, same place as the Bouvier National trial.

Seminars: Julie P. is still working with Tom Lamm to come up with dates for a fall seminar.

PR Committee: Julie P. & Steph M. are going to attempt to re-visit the possibility of the RMKC providing baggie stations at area parks. We will lobby for Park & Rec to allow us to start with at least 1 park, along with offering that maintenance & bag replacement will be done by RMKC members.

Old Business: none

New Business: Caroline B. mentioned that now would be a good time to offer CGC testing; date was set for Tuesday, May 2, with a rain date of May 16. Testing will run from 6:30-8:30 pm outside the 4-H building, with registration stopping at 7:30. Caroline will also offer a microchip clinic at that time.

The proposed slate of officers for 2006-2007 was read, & additional nominations were called for. After no new nominations were made, a motion was made by Diane W., seconded by Marie C., to close nominations; motion carried. The slate of officers will be voted on at the May meeting.

Currently 2 new memberships have been submitted, along with a check for dues; both applicants have attended 2 general membership meetings. A motion was made by Patti W., seconded by Diana M., to approve Barb Hartman as a member; motion carried. A motion was made by Diane W., seconded by Marie C., to approved Mary Ferreter as a member; motion carried. Patti Wiebe agreed to continue as RMKC membership chair. There was discussion about putting together membership packets for new members, which would include a copy of the club Constitution & By-Laws, membership list & calendar of upcoming club events; also, if possible, brochures from the AKC about conformation, obedience, agility, etc. could be included. Patti W. agreed to compile these packets & make sure new members received them.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Caroline B., seconded Steph M.; motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
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Monthly Meeting Information

Date: 2nd Monday **Time:** 7:00 pm **Location:** Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ~ 559 20th St SW
Directions from downtown Rochester: South on Broadway to 20th St SW (Kwik Trip) - turn right (W) - go approx 5 blocks to top of hill - Church is on the right, set back from the street