



# MKC Newsletter

March 2007



## Spring Meeting Programs

The March program will be a presentation on First Aid by Dr. Tobin Emrich of Assisi Drive Animal Hospital.

Dr. Emrich will provide information on basic steps for emergency care for dog owners, including wound care, poisoning, & other common situations.

The program will start at 7:00 pm, with the general membership meeting to follow.



In April we will be at the Family Tree Nursery for a program on Landscaping & Gardening for Dog Owners. The Board & General Membership meetings will also be held at this location. More information will appear in the April newsletter.



**A Big Thank You to  
Carole Sorenson  
for once again hosting  
the February meeting  
&  
Westminster watch!**

**There will not be a Board Meeting  
on March 12th.**

*Letter from the Editor:*

I think I have just experienced the most difficult part of the dog world - placing puppies. I know many of you have done it, & I'm sure it gets easier - and then again, maybe not - but I can honestly say I think it would be easier to place my human kids in new homes than my furry kids. These are people I've never met before - & they want me to trust them with something so cute & precious - how will I know if their new puppy really likes them? Would Kix rather be an only dog or live with a family of dogs & kids? Will Dandy & his new German Shepard friend get along? Is it considered cruelty to make them live in...gulp...Iowa? Will I ever see them again - & if I do, will they even care? And the truly hardest part - watching the number of happy puppy faces & wagging puppy tails that are there to greet you every morning get smaller & smaller.

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## **AKC Mixed Breed Participation Survey**

AKC is seeking the input of the Fancy on the subject of possibly expanding mixed breed dog participation in AKC programs. Staff is researching the possibility of creating a listing service for spayed and neutered mixed breed dogs. In addition, they are exploring the possibility of enrollees in this service being eligible to compete in separate classes at Companion Events (agility, obedience, rally, tracking).

There is a survey on the AKC site regarding this - deadline is March 31.

[www.akc.org/mixedbreed\\_survey/](http://www.akc.org/mixedbreed_survey/)

## **RMKC General Membership Meeting – Monday, February 12, 2007**

**Members Present:** Linda Cornick, Carole Sorensen, Barb Hartman, Diana Mann, Renee McGovern, Sandy Woodruff, Marie Christianson, Vicki O'Neill, Paul & Kris Henning, Rick Miller, Pat Campbell. **Guests Present:** Marvin & Nia Kolokythos

President Diana Mann called the meeting to order @ 6:15 p.m.

**Introduction of visitor(s)** Marvin & Nia – have 2 Bull Terriers.

**President's Report:** Diana thanked Carole Sorensen for opening up her home for the February meeting.

**Approval of the January Meeting Minutes:** A motion was made by Barb Hartman, seconded by Sandy Woodruff to approve the January minutes as published in the newsletter. Motion carried.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Correspondence reviewed and circulated among members present.

**Treasurer's Report:** Diana read the Treasurer's report as sent to her by Caroline Baihly.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Show Committee:** Diana reported for Caroline that New Title rosettes were ordered for the Obedience & Rally trials. Kris reported that most of the judges for 2007 are hired. 2007 Show Committee chairs are: Chief Ring Steward – Pat Campbell, Vendors – Diana Mann, Grounds/Camping – Paul Henning & Sandy Woodruff, Hospitality – Caroline Baihly & Linda Cornick, Obedience – Paul Howe & Caroline Baihly; we still need a Trophy Chair. Kris also brought up the possibility of providing gifts for the ring stewards, namely small bone light key chains; we would have to order a minimum qty. of 250 at \$1.99 each. Item tabled until March meeting.

**Seminars:** No Report

**Budget:** No Report

**PR/Public Ed - brochures:** No Report

**Membership:** No Report

**Judges Selection:** No Report

**Sunshine:** No Report

### **Old Business:**

- **Show Signs** – Sandy Woodruff and Paul Henning brought some sign designs for members to view; possibilities for improvement were discussed. A decision on the final design was table until the March meeting.
- **Programs:** - Diana is waiting for a call from the Gardening people to give them first option of the March or April meeting; once that is confirmed, she will contact vet clinic for a First Aid speaker. Pat Campbell offered to contact person she knows at the Rochester Flower & Garden Club to see if they have someone available.

### **New Business:**

- **Letter to the AKC** - The possibility of coming up with a letter from the RMKC to be sent to members of the MN Legislature regarding MN Senate Bill #121 was discussed. Members were supposed to send suggestions to Diana prior to the meeting, but few did; discussion of the bill & letter ensued. No formal action was taken.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Marie Christianson and Seconded by Sandy Woodruff; Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned @ 6:50

Respectfully submitted

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**Monthly Meeting Information: December meeting will be the annual Holiday Party**

**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