



Cleveland Shetland Sheepdog Club *S P O T L I G H T*

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Happy Labor Day!



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MEETINGS ARE HELD on the second Tuesday of every month .
The General Meetings begin promptly at 7 o'clock p.m. and are open to
anyone with an interest in all things concerning Shelties.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, September 11, 2018

Board Meeting to follow



**@CLEVELAND ALL-BREED TRAINING CLUB
210 Hayes Drive, Brooklyn Heights, OH 44131
(if you need directions, contact Barb Kaplan)**



September refreshments will be provided by Sue Moreland

Coming Events for 2018 (Mark your calendars):

2018

September meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Sue	September 11
CSSC Independent Specialties at CABTC <i>*note new dates!</i>	<i>*October 6 and 7</i>
Annual Meeting/Election of Officers, refreshments by Kim	October 9
November meeting, (+Board) refreshments by Mary	November 13
December meeting, CHRISTMAS PARTY, refreshments tba	December 11

The Nominating Committee has proposed this slate of Officers for our election to be held at our Annual Meeting in October:

- President - Barb Kaplan*
- Vice-President - Lori Chegan*
- Recording Secretary - Betty Hitzler*
- Corresponding Secretary - Sue Moreland*
- Treasurer - Rhadine Zabrecki*

Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the general meeting on September 11. If you are interested in taking an office, please let Barb know.

*Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee
John Bush, Wayne Moreland and Diane Walker*



**CLEVELAND SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB
GENERAL MEETING**



The August general meeting was canceled out of respect for President Barb, whose husband Walter passed away suddenly on Friday, August 10. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to Barb at this sad time, and CSSC will be standing by to help in whatever way possible. For the sake of the newsletter archives, only the monthly correspondence is listed below.

President's Report – N/A

Recording Secretary's Report – N/A

Corresponding Secretary's Report –

Correspondence from AKC –

- Closeout Notices -- the results of the referenced events have been processed: 6/8/2018 HRTR, 6/9/2018 HRTR/HRTS, 6/9/2018 HRTR/HRTS, 6/10/2018 HRTR, 6/10/2018 HRTR/HRTS and 7/13/2018 Agility Trial. Next year's dates will be 6/7, 6/8, 6/8. 6/9, 6/9 and 7/12, 2019.
- From their recent Board Meeting, the AKC has made some changes in the Rally Regulations, effective 8/1/2018. Most notably, they've lifted the restrictions on the number of Rally trials a club may hold in a year. If we reach the point where we are considering adding Rally, we will need to be sure we have a copy of the rules after August 1.

Report of the Treasurer – N/A

Reports of the Committees – N/A

Unfinished Business – N/A

BRAGS N/A

ATTENTION CSSC MEMBERS—The September general meeting is extremely important, as it is our last meeting before our October specialties, and there are still details to be finalized. There are things you can do to help, even if you are not familiar with conformation shows. If you are an associate and cannot get to the meetings, perhaps you could send something for the Raffle or a contribution to the Trophy Fund. If you can come for the shows, you might help sell Raffle tickets or hand out prizes or help in the kitchen. Most importantly, we are making a statement about our club and its members. One of our main missions as an AKC club is to host a specialty show, whether it be independent or as part of an all-breed club. Your committees are working hard to make sure our specialties are huge successes, and we should all be on board . **PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THE MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 11 AND**

LET'S MAKE THIS THE BEST EVENT EVER!



Five Heroic Dogs Honored With 2018 AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence(ACE)

By Samantha Seymour

The AKC® Humane Fund is proud to announce the winners of the 19th annual *AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence (ACE)*. These awards celebrate five loyal, hard-working dogs that have significantly improved the lives of their owners and communities.

One award is presented in each of the following five categories: **Uniformed Service K-9, Service, Therapy, Search and Rescue and Exemplary Companion dog**. This year's winners range from a therapy dog who helped comfort students after a school shooting to a family pet who helps a young boy battle autism. (continued next page)

“Whether saving lives or providing comfort, these five ACE recipients serve as testimony to the immeasurable ways our canine companions touch our lives every day,” said Doug Ljungren, President of the AKC Humane Fund. “Each dog’s loyalty and dedication to their work and community is an inspiration to dog lovers everywhere. We’re thrilled to honor their achievements with an ACE Award.”

Each ACE recipient will receive \$1,000 to be awarded to a pet-related charity of their choice, a one-year pet insurance policy from AKC Pet Insurance, and an engraved sterling silver medallion will be presented to each at the AKC National Championship presented by Royal Canin in Orlando, Florida held on Saturday and Sunday, December 15-16, 2018. The 2018 AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence are proudly sponsored by EUKANUBA™ Pet Food.

This year's ACE winners are:

Uniformed Service K-9: “Copper,” a Black and Tan Coonhound handled by Officer Christopher Hattaway of Cocoa, Florida

“K-9 Copper,” officially known as Oak Hills Above and Beyond by Brenmaur, is a two-year-old Black and Tan Coonhound serving the Cocoa Police Department with his handler, Officer Chris Hattaway. He is a registered therapy dog and is trained to track missing persons. One of the most significant parts of his job as a Cocoa Police K-9 is community engagement and public relations. Copper’s role in the department has helped bridge the gap between the Cocoa community and the police. Copper’s presence during police interviews changes the atmosphere for people who have been traumatized, including children, victims of sexual or domestic abuse, the elderly and more. Copper’s warm and comforting energy helps put victims’ minds at ease while interacting with police and telling their stories. His participation in interviews gives police the ability to create a bond and build trust with victims.

When Copper is not at work with the Cocoa Police, you might find him in the Conformation ring at a dog show or representing the Black and Tan Coonhound at the AKC Meet the Breeds booth at the AKC National Championship in Orlando. K-9 Copper has become somewhat of a local celebrity in his community and he also poses as an ambassador for his breed and his police department.

Service Dog: “Sampson,” a Golden Retriever owned by Joey Ramp of Foosland, Illinois

“Sampson” is a three-year-old Golden Retriever certified by Paws Giving Independence. After a life-altering accident in 2006, Joey Ramp was left recovering from a brain injury, mobility complications and nerve damage. She was also struggling with the onset of complex-post traumatic stress disorder (C-PTSD). As Joey’s service dog, Sampson assists with mobility, bracing, climbing stairs and retrieving items, among other tasks. He alerts Joey to an elevation of PTSD symptoms, like panic and anxiety. When Ramp went on to pursue a PhD in Neuroscience she was faced with the challenge of her university not allowing service dogs in laboratories.

Joey and Sampson fought the university policy to overcome service dog access obstacles. Sampson is now the first service dog to gain access to a biology and research laboratory at the University of Illinois. This big change in the university’s policy is now promoting change in other universities nationwide. The pair is currently working to launch a two-year research study to measure the impact a service dog has in a laboratory environment in hopes that it will help develop a national model for service dog accommodations. Joey has also developed a template for the American Chemical Society outlining service dog accommodations in chemistry laboratories and has designed chemical resistant outerwear for service dogs.

When Joey and Sampson are not in a laboratory, they volunteer at community organizations to promote service dog awareness. As peer mentors, the team visits mental health, domestic violence and Veteran organizations to spread awareness. Together, Joey and Sampson have been able to break barriers and inspire others to help promote equal access for service dog teams in educational institutions and the work place.

Therapy Dog: “Kol,” a Golden Retriever owned by Jane Eisenberg of Boynton Beach, FL

“Kol,” an eight-year-old Golden Retriever, officially known as GCHB CH Gemini’s House Of The Rising Sun CDX BN RAE JH THDD CGCA TKA, is certified by Paws for Assistance and owned by Jane Eisenberg. Kol is an AKC Grand Champion and has earned many AKC titles including the AKC Therapy Dog Distinguished (THDD) by completing at least 400 therapy dog visits. Jane and Kol have spent the past six years comforting people who have experienced trauma, but nothing was quite like their last assignment. They spent almost four months at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School (MSD) in Parkland, Florida following the devastating shooting that occurred on February 14th.

Jane and Kol arrived to meet MSD students the day after the tragedy and braced themselves before entering. They spent the next few days comforting students, parents and faculty, but the

team knew the grieving wasn't nearing an end any time soon. They eventually were situated in room 723, directly across from where the shooting occurred. Kol greeted students as they entered the classroom and would make his rounds, lending comfort to anyone in need. Many students were overcoming different struggles, including but not limited to: stress, anxiety, grief and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Some of the students were even injured in the shooting. Room 723 became a place of peace and calmness, thanks to Kol.

During classroom changes, Kol would gather his favorite stuffed animal and proudly strut through the halls of the school. As he walked down the hallways, Kol was greeted by students and would often bring smiles to their faces. Although Jane and Kol's time at Marjory Stoneman Douglas has come to an end, the incredible pair has helped heal some wounded hearts along the way.

Search and Rescue Dog: "Inspector Gadget," a Bloodhound owned and handled by Robert Wells of Lancaster, California

"Inspector Gadget," officially known as CH Inspector Gadget Sniffs Spottyacre, is an eleven-year-old Bloodhound. He is a Volunteer Mission Ready Search and Rescue Dog with the California Rescue Dog Association (CARDA). Inspector Gadget and his handler, Bob Wells, have deployed dozens of times to assist in locating the missing and bringing them home. The pair has dedicated thousands of hours to training and performing searches throughout the southwest. Inspector Gadget has established himself as an outstanding tracking dog in the field. In one case, Bob Wells and Gadget were deployed to Nevada to help locate a missing person. After trailing from the vehicle and following up on possible sightings, Gadget was able to lead the search team to the location of the subject. His tireless work on this case helped grant closure to a grief-stricken family. As a member of the Search and Rescue team, Inspector Gadget also attends community events to spread awareness and education.

Aside from Inspector Gadget's rewarding work as a Search and Rescue volunteer, he also excels in the Conformation ring, earning himself an AKC Champion title. Although Inspector Gadget has a notable resume under his belt, he is first and foremost a loving family pet whose favorite spot is asleep on the couch.

Exemplary Companion Dog: "Teddy," a Standard Poodle owned by Terri and Spencer Pardee of Concord, MI

"Teddy" is a six-year-old Standard Poodle, officially known as Jed's Theodore Roosevelt SH CD BN RE TD TDU CGC. He is owned by Terri and Spencer Pardee and has helped Spencer gain confidence through his ongoing battle with autism. Spencer was adopted from Guatemala by the Pardee's at just eight months old. He was highly intelligent with extreme anxieties and fears, later to be diagnosed with "high-functioning autism". His fears even extended to their family Golden Retriever. Terri Pardee, a psychologist who focused heavily on animal-assisted therapy, wanted desperately to bring a dog into her son's life. She brought him to 4-H events to help get him acclimated with dogs. However, rather than participating in training exercises, Spencer spent

much of his time sitting under a tree, holding onto a leash with no dog at the other end. When the family Golden Retriever passed away, Pardee knew it was time to get another dog.

The Pardee family went on to purchase a Poodle puppy, Teddy, from a breeder nearby and life was never the same for them. Teddy and Spencer began bonding right away and Teddy slowly helped Spencer break out of his shell. The boy and dog duo began competing in various AKC sports like Obedience, Tracking, Rally, Agility and Junior Showmanship. The boy who once held an empty leash was now earning AKC titles and competing at events with hundreds of people. He was able to give an Obedience demonstration in front of a classroom of students who he was once afraid to sit with. Teddy opened up Spencer's world and helped him face his fears in a way that may not have been possible without him.

*New York is 3 hours ahead of California, but that
doesn't make California slow.*

*Someone graduated at the age of 22, but waited 5
years before securing a good job.*

*Someone became a CEO at 25 and died at 50,
While another became a CEO at 50 and lived to 90.*

*Someone is still single, while someone else got
married.*

*Obama retired at 55, and Trump started at 70.
Everyone in this world works based on their own time
zone.*

*People around you might seem to be ahead of you,
and some might seem to be behind you.
But everyone is running their own race, in their own
time.*

*Do not envy them and do not mock them.
They are in their time zone, and you are in yours.
Life is about waiting for the right moment to act.*

So, relax.

You're not late.

You're not early.

You are very much on time.

