

Paw Prints



The Newsletter of the Rand Park Dog Training Club, Inc.

March 2022

Spring Has Sprung (sort of)!

Spring (AKA mud season) is here! The days are longer, the temps are getting warmer, and it's time to get out and enjoy the weather. I know our dogs have had some major cabin fever. I hope everyone gets a chance to get out and have some fun!

Also, let us keep the people and animals of Ukraine in our thoughts during this horrible time. Hopefully peace can be restored soon. It's a terrible situation that I personally cannot even begin to imagine living thru.

Also, the club is now in need of a new Paw Prints editor. This is my last issue, so if you are interested in becoming the new editor please contact Mary Laurie, our club president.

It's been fun but it's time to have someone new take over! Out with the old, and in with the new! 😊

Barb Krynski



Important! Please note.

If training needs to be cancelled because of bad weather or for any other reason, instructors will call the students in their classes to notify them.

Notice of training cancellation will also be posted on the Club's website:

<http://www.randparkdte.org> and Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/RandParkDTC>

Welcome New Members!

Annice Coughlin

Audrey Drechsler

Bradley McGinnis

Jacob Medding

Gerardo Mejia

Jackie Montero

Don Martin Ramos

Lori Scott

Ruth Wedekind

And returning members Bill and Evelyn Eiden

RAND PARK NEEDS YOU!

Just a friendly reminder that our trial will take place on April 30 and May 1, 2022.

If you'd like to volunteer to be a steward, timer, help with refreshments, set-up, etc, Barb Pische (773/637-5491) . We cannot hold our trials without your help!

From Ursula Hoeft:

An older, tired-looking dog wandered into my yard.

I could tell from her collar and well-fed belly that she had a home and was well taken care of.

She calmly came over to me, I gave her a few pats on her head; she then followed me into my house, slowly walked down the hall, curled up in the corner and fell asleep.

An hour later, she went to the door, and I let her out.

The next day she was back, greeted me in my yard, walked inside and resumed her spot in the hall and again slept for about an hour.

This continued off and on for several weeks.

Curious, I pinned a note to her collar: "I would like to find out who the owner of this wonderful sweet dog is to ask you if you are aware that almost every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap."

The next day she arrived for her nap, with a different note pinned to her collar:

"She lives in a home with 6 children, 2 under the age of 3 - she's trying to catch up on her sleep. Can I come with her tomorrow?"

A very special note from Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy

Michelle Jaworski
Rand Park Dog Training Club
7527 W Kirk Dr
Niles IL 60714

October 13, 2021

Dear Michelle

Enclosed find a check for \$125.00 from Rainbow Animal Assisted Therapy to cover the cost of Eva's Beginner Obedience class, winter session.

Eva, (AKA Dogwood's Viola d'Amore) is the result of a generous donation from a family foundation called Esther's Friends. Esther Viola Frey died a year ago at the age of 2. She spent time at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital and Lurie Children's Hospital where she enjoyed time with Rainbow therapy dogs. You can read her story at www.Esthersfriends.org.

In her memory the family asked if they could sponsor a therapy dog. This was not something Rainbow ever considered as all our therapy dogs are handled by their owners. At a Board meeting it was agreed we would honor this little girl and began a search for a suitable dog/puppy. Purchased by an elderly couple this puppy was not yet old enough to go home. The couple discovered the wife's cancer had recurred and they could not take the dog.

The day I called the breeder to inquire about being put on their waiting list was the day Todd and Pam Parmenter had decided to keep the pup and put her through their five week head start program before reaching out to their extensive wait list to place her. They listened to the story and asked us to come meet her. When we saw her, she was playing with a rope toy – purple, Esther's favorite color. Puppy was born March 20, the same date as Esther's birthday.

Esther's Friends raised the money to pay for Eva and to cover veterinary expenses and training for a year. Rainbow holds those funds and thus wrote the check to you for her Obedience class.

Hopefully with your help in establishing a strong base, Eva will develop into an outstanding therapy dog.

Carol Schuster



Also, Rand Park donated \$250 to Canine Companions for Independence on 12/17/21!



Recipe Corner

CARROT MINI-MUFFINS

Is everyone getting ready for a carrot loving visitor? These carrot mini-muffins will be sure to please, and your canine pals will love them too.

Ingredients

3 medium Carrots, shredded (approximately 1 1/2 cup)
1 cup sugar free Apple Sauce
2 Eggs
1/2 cup Milk
1 1/2 cup Whole Wheat Flour
1 teaspoon Cinnamon
1/2 tablespoon Baking Powder

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees fahrenheit and line mini-muffin pans with paper liners.
2. In a medium bowl mix shredded carrots, apple sauce, eggs and milk then set aside.
3. In a large bowl mix whole wheat flour, cinnamon and baking powder.
4. Once well combined add the wet carrot mixture to the flour mixture and stir until mixed.
5. Spoon cupcake batter into paper liners until 1/2 to 2/3 full.
6. Bake for 10 minutes, until a toothpick inserted in the middle come out clean.
7. Cool 5 minutes in pans then remove and place on wire racks to cool completely.

Makes 4 dozen mini muffins.