



It's A Date

**Meetings General,
Tuesday,
March 1, at
7:00pm.**

Old Friends

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Box Score

Quinn	3	1	0
Groundhogs	0		
Wabbits		0	
Possums			1

Dues for 2011
are due by
March 1, to
preserve your
membership.

Conformation Classes

**2/16 Yes
2/23 Yes
3/2 Yes
3/9 Yes
3/16 Yes
3/23 Yes
3/30 Yes**



**Some folks handle
winter better than
others. This is a driver's
eye view of a six dog
team of Dancing Winds
Siberians on trail. Keep
those tug lines tight
Maggie and happy trails.**

GOD BLESS THE AKC

There was a dog bites
dog incident on
Saturday of our recent
show weekend. The
show committee held a
hearing and reported
their findings to the
AKC. Case closed. At
least we thought it was.

At the March meeting we
will discuss the situation
and what we hope is the
final resolution. We will
also discuss the current
state of problem
resolution at the AKC.
We also will put in a
simple process for
handling these issues at
the shows.

The Sound of Silence

Gallaudet University in Washington,
DC is dedicated to providing post
secondary education to hearing
impaired students. The university

also lies at the heart of a vibrant growing community of hearing impaired citizens.

Those of you who were acquainted with Margaret McConnell will remember her beautiful Siberian Huskies as well as the difficulties she encountered in training classes. She used to write me notes in confirmation class asking questions about dog training.

Margaret will be leaving Butler this spring to seek her fortune in that hearing impaired community in our nation's capital. We wish her success in that environment and the sense of belonging she seeks.

"FOUND" JOHN TOWNS

Kathie and I received the following note from Duane Towns on Wednesday afternoon, February 16, 2012.

Hello Mick and Kathie-

I just wanted to let you know my father has been in the hospital for the past week and is now under hospice care. He developed pneumonia and went downhill quickly. He has been living near us at Asbury Heights in Mt. Lebanon since October. He often spoke fondly of both of you so I wanted to keep you updated of his current status. Would you please spread the news as you see fit? Thank you so much.

Duane Towns

The Dog Listener?

The AKC has opened a new initiative to reduce the number of dog bites, especially in children.

The package includes a DVD and workbook materials. We'll plan on how to use it at the March meeting.

MIS-MATCH

Spring puppy match season is nearly upon us. You can tell they are matches because they run head-on into one another. For instance there is one match in Youngstown on the 13th of March.

There's a flyer for this match on the last page of this newsletter.

The competition is in Delmont, PA on March 12th and 13th. Who the judges will be and how they'll be deployed is anybody's guess.

The Youngstown match has judges assigned to herding, sporting, and working groups. To this date no Judges have been committed to the balance of the groups but they are promised.

The Delmont match has at least one judge committed (yours truly) but no assignments made. We are anxiously awaiting further developments.

Ain't spring matches GRAND?



Help Wanted

Newsletter Editor:

Unleash your creativity. Set publishing policy. Report the news.

Website maintenance editor: Review website regularly. Send corrections and updates to webmaster.

Website creative editor: Come up with new ways to use our website. Work with webmaster to design and implement new features.

RV parking coordinator for show, weekend: Establish process for collecting prepaid RV parking revenue. Implement the process.

In this economy you want a job that nobody can take from you. To volunteer, contact either of the McCormick's.

Those wishing to submit a single article or a continuing column to the newsletter should contact Mick McCormick.

7th Annual Conformation Fun Match



Fun, Food, Prizes

MARCH 13th 2011

Where: Youngstown All Breed Training Center
Best in Show Jr Puppy, Sr Puppy and Adult
There will also be Junior Showmanship.

Herding : Joanna Fortson Sporting: Audrey Gaffney
Working: Shelley Kacenski

Building will open at 7:30 am. Limited Grooming Space.

No Chalking please. We will also have vendors

Entries will be taken starting at 8:00- Rings start at 10:00

Herding, Sporting, Working will be judged first with

Other groups to follow

For more information contact

Diana James 330-248-1805~please leave detailed message

You can go on the web to YABTC for more info and directions to club

Or E-mail Fallfireaussies@gmail.com, please put Fun Match in subject line