

# N.E.W.Footnotes



**New England Westie** 

Winter 2018

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy 2018 WHWTCNE Members!!

I hope the New Year is treating you all well and everyone had safe and happy holidays with family and friends.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>. This is the date for this year's WHWTCNE Annual Banquet and Auction. This is a good time to get together for a nice meal, enjoy each other's company, chat about our favorite topics, and celebrate the many achievements of our Westies friends. Please take a few minutes to look around your homes for items you may consider donating to make room for more Westie memorabilia – new treasures that you just didn't know you couldn't live without!! All

proceeds from the Auction enable the club to pay the expenses for our other activities such as guest speakers, judges, facility fees, etc., at our other meetings throughout the year. Please donate and bid generously with these thoughts in mind.

It is that time of year again when we are asking members to step up as part of the annual nominating committee to review and interview individuals for the upcoming vacancies on our Board. If anyone would like to assist the club in this endeavor, please send me an email or give me a call – my virtual "door" is always open.

Finally, I want to remind everyone that with the last Footnotes edition, the Board and Officers delivered a proposed update to the 2012 Club Constitution and By-Laws, as well as the Code of Ethics in response to multiple members' request. To date, we have not received any feedback to the proposed updates. All directions to access these proposed Constitution & By-Laws and Code of Ethics changes are given in these Footnotes under the section, "WHWTCNE Constitution & By-Laws and Code of Ethics Changes."

Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the coming months – Until then I hope you all stay warm and stay well!

Kindest Regards,

Kim Locke

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**





### **RESCUE** – Susan Smith, Chair

Rescue has been quiet since our last Footnotes. No activity has occurred, although we do continue to receive informational e-mails.

### MEETINGS FOR 2017-18 CLUB YEAR - Susan Smith, Vice President

Our final meeting for the 2017-18 Club year is **Sunday**, **April 8, 2018** – our Annual Awards Banquet and Auction, Publick House, Sturbridge, MA. See information and all forms in this Newsletter. We have a date reserved for our Annual Meeting and Fun Match, the first meeting for the 2018-19 Club Year. Please mark your calendars for **Saturday**, **June 9, 2018**.



### N\*E\*W FOOTNOTES – Gloria Pasquini, Editor

This issue of the Footnotes is a very important issue as it contains all the forms necessary for our Annual Awards Banquet and Auction on April 8, 2018. The forms include: Live & Silent Auction Donation Form, Annual Spring Fling Awards

**Dinner Meeting and Auction Form, and Awards Form.** You can print out these forms and mail them to the appropriate person. The deadline for the spring 2018 Issue of the N\*E\*W Footnotes is **April 20, 2018.** Any articles, brags, pictures, etc. you wish to submit should be sent to me by that date at bonniebay@roadrunner.com.

### WEBSITE and FACEBOOK PAGE - Tracey Costa, Admin.

**REMINDER**: There is a new password for our Members' Only Section for this year. The password has been sent to all Club members via e-mail and is

contained in the e-mail forwarding this issue of the Footnotes. You can also contact me or Gloria Pasquini for the password at any time. Our website and Facebook page are regularly updated with all the latest Club information. Please be sure to visit our website,

<u>www.westhighlandwhiteterrierclubofnewengland.com</u> for all the news. If you wish to have your Westie's picture posted in the "Gallery" section of our website, please contact me. If you are on Facebook, be sure to "Like" our page, as that is kept current as well with information, pictures, articles of interest, and valuable information for the safety of your Westie.

"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face."

Bernard Williams

# MEETING REPORTS

# UPCOMING ANNUAL SPRING FLING AWARDS DINNER MEETING and AUCTION

Dear Club Members,

First of all, let me say how excited we are about our upcoming Spring Fling Awards Dinner Meeting and Auction event on Sunday, April 8, 2018. It was

very useful at last year's auction to have a listing of all the "live" auction items. This year, we would like to continue with that but make one minor change. Taking Club member's suggestions we would like to have all auction items, including the "silent" auction items, be submitted on a standard form. This form will include the name, description and value of the item. It will need to be submitted no later than ten days prior to the event – <a href="Friday, March 30, 2018">Friday, March 30, 2018</a>. As the silent auction is such a popular part of our event and due to limited table space to display the silent auction items, we ask that you please keep your donation of those items to a maximum of 5 pieces. Having this advanced notification, we will be able to better organize the silent auction and have a more organized event. This will allow club members to have more time to view all the donated Live and Silent Auction items and socialize with other Club members.

In order to better display these items, we would ask that <u>ALL DONATIONS ARRIVE NO LATER</u> <u>THAN 11:30 A.M.</u> the day of the event. We believe with a little advance notice and planning, we will be able to organize the silent and live auction to better capitalize on all the wonderful donations and give members in attendance a chance to view them before we enjoy the fabulous meal at the Publick House

Members have e-mailed photos to me of the items they are donating, and we would love if Club Members would do that again. It helped create added excitement for the event and allowed a sneak peek at some of the items that were so generously donated.

Looking forward to seeing you on April 8th!

Tracey

Tracey Costa, Chair 508-880-0894 westhighlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com



### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION



### Proposed new member:

According to Article II, Section 3, of the Club By-Laws, the name of this applicant and that of her sponsors – Primary (P) and Secondary (S) are to be published. Letters regarding these applicants should be addressed to: The Board c/o Cynthia Richards, Corresponding Secretary, PO Box 154, Greenland, NH 03840, <a href="mailto:cstantonrichards@aol.com">cstantonrichards@aol.com</a> and should be received no later than March 1, 2018

Stacey Pelletier (Individual Membership) Acushnet, MA

Primary: Naomi Brown, Massachusetts Secondary: Mary Sahady, Massachusetts



It's time to form a Nominating Committee to present a Slate of Officers and Board Members to the membership for the 2018-2019 Club year. If anyone would be willing to step in and assist the Club in this endeavor, please send Kim Locke an e-mail through our Club's e-mail at <a href="west-highlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com">west-highlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com</a>

Please feel free to connect with us to share your thoughts and ideas for upcoming meeting or events or if you would be willing to donate any of your energies to the Club. We are always open to hearing from you via e-mail or phone. Please reach out at any time.

The Password to our Members Only page on our website has been changed for the 2017-18 Club year. The password has been given to you in the e-mail forwarding these Footnotes. If you cannot locate it or have forgotten the new password, please contact Tracey Costa or Gloria Pasquini. They will be happy to send it to you.

### **BRAGS AND WAGS**





### **Paxton is a North Shore Star!**

Paxton, a certified therapy dog, joined his owner, Fran Weil, Chaplin at Perfect Paws Ministry, at Danvers High School in December. Paxton appeared on the front page of the Danvers Herald in an article about how therapy dogs can help reduce stress and have shown to provide multiple health benefits.

Danvers High School found, through a Risk Behavior Survey, that many of the students reported using marijuana to help reduce stress. In an effort to find healthy alternatives to marijuana use for stress relief, DanversCARES brought in Fran and Paxton to speak to the students on the benefits a therapy dog provides. Through the DanversCARES program, Paxton, along with his therapy buddies, help to relax and calm children by being "reading buddies" for pre-K to grade 5 students. Paxton is owned and loved by club members, Fran Weil and Gail Arnold. WAY TO GO, PAXTON!



### Litter Announcement



Club member, Cynthia Richards (MacLauchlin Westies,) is happy to announce the birth of 6 beautiful puppies on December 8, 2017. Mom is my CH QW Mac-Ken-Char's Sketchy Business and Dad is Mr. Bradley, GCHSCH Holyrood's Here Comes the Son @ Briarton.





# Annual Spring Fling Awards Dinner Meeting and Auction Sunday, April 8, 2018 Publick House Historic Inn, Sturbridge, MA 01566

### **TITLE AWARDS**

Westies eligible for an award at the Annual Banquet must have their owners submit a copy of their championship, title, or accomplishment, earned between 1/1/17 to 12/31/17 with a copy of the form in this Newsletter.

Awards can be in any conformation or performance category, such as: Grand Champion, Champion, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, Earthdog, Agility, Canine Good Citizen, Nose Work, Therapy Dog, and Quality Westie. The owner or co-owner must be a member in good standing with the WHWTCNE. Only one plaque per dog is awarded. Subsequent awards for the same dog will receive a "dangle" that is attached below the plaque. Those Westies that achieved a title prior to the plaques being offered may purchase a plaque. Send a copy of your certificate(s) and the form below to Mrs. Florentine Locke, 170 Hill Street, Norwood, MA 02062-3651, (781) 769-3713 NO LATER THAN Wednesday, March 14, 2018.

**Please Note:** In order to assure that everyone receives their plaque at the dinner, as Florentine receives your information, a phone call, return postcard or e-mail will be sent to each participant verifying the dog's name, owner, date, and spelling. Therefore, when you send your information to Florentine, if you do not receive a verifying call, postcard, or e-mail from her in a timely fashion, it will be up to **YOU** to contact her to inquire. Sometimes things do get lost in the mail (snail or electronic,) so don't be disappointed come awards time.

NOTE: Westies receiving a Quality Westie title are eligible for a plaque or dangle.

### **GOOD SPORTSMAN AND MENTOR OF THE YEAR**

Good Sportsman Award: This award has become a tradition. ALL Club members are eligible. The Good Sportsman Award is generally given to a member who has exhibited exemplary service to the Club. These are the "behind the scenes" people who are at a meeting ready to lend a hand, a member who volunteers to chair a meeting, takes the initiative to make guests feel welcome, gladly offers his or her time in whatever way to make a meeting/event a success. Do you know an individual in the Club who is deserving of this award?

Mentor of the Year Award: This award was made available to the Club through the generosity of John and Joyce McNabney in honor of Ruth Birmingham, one of our founding members and lifelong breeder. Ruth's influence, input, and hard work in forming our Club back in 1972 made our Club what it is today. It was through her caring and mentoring many Westie owners, especially the new owners, that this beautiful silver plate in its wooden case was called the "Mentor of the Year Award." Is there a member of the Club who has been your mentor? Someone who is always there for you, to offer advice, lend a hand with your Westie, or just listen to your concerns/problems regarding your beloved Westie? That is what being a mentor is about.

To nominate a member for either of these awards, write a letter (minimum of 25 words) giving your reasons why this person is deserving of either award. Send your letter or e-mail to: Cynthia Richards, Corresponding Secretary, PO Box 154, Greenland, NH 03840 or to Cynthia at <a href="mailto:cstantonrichards@aol.com">cstantonrichards@aol.com</a>. Letters must be received by <a href="mailto:Wednesday, March 14, 2018">Wednesday, March 14, 2018</a>. At the March Board meeting, all nominating letters will be read and a vote taken for each award. At least **two nominations** for each award must be received, or the award will be withheld. The names of the recipients will be kept secret until the Awards Banquet in April.



### **AUCTION**

The auction is a very important part of our day. This year we are asking Club members to donate Westie-related items that they have **handcrafted** or **purchased** for the specific purpose of our auction. All money raised will go to our General Fund. Of course, any Westie-related items you may have that you would like to donate will be graciously accepted. **See Letter from** 

Chair, Tracey Costa and Auction Donation Form in this Newsletter.



→THE PUBLICK HOUSE HISTORIC INN← 277 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566

This year we are back at Kraft's Hall (our favorite room) with **EASY ACCESS** for our Club members with mobility issues. If you have a mobility issue, please park in the handicapped spaces in front of the building (even though it says a handicapped plate is required.) Let us know you have done so, and we can let the staff of the Publick House know. You will not be towed. There are no steps into our room from the front entrance; it is ramped all the way to our room.

### ANNUAL SPRING FLING AWARDS DINNER MEETING and AUCTION RESERVATION FORM

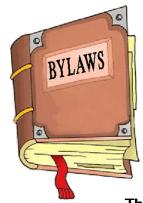
### SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018 The Publick House Historic Inn, 277 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566

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MRS. FLORENTINE LOCKE, 170 HILL STREET, NORWOOD, MA 02062-3651 NO LATER THAN

**MARCH 14, 2018** 

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### WHWTCNE CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS AND CODE OF ETHICS CHANGES

Submitted by Kim Locke, President

The Board and Officers have submitted a proposed update to the Club's Constitution and By-Laws, as well as the Code of Ethics as promised. The current version was last revised in 2012, and based on multiple requests, it is presumed that 2017/2018 is a good time to once again refresh our Club's administrative operating procedures. The revisions are very simplistic and predominantly eliminate the dual voting/non-voting membership categories. We are proposing to revert back to a single model where all members are entitled to vote without being required to attend one meeting per year. Our sincerest hope is that all members will strive to participate in at least one meeting per year to maintain the health and general well-being of the organization. Other changes include removing "absolute language" of "will" which has been replaced with "should," and additional flexibility of deadlines that will allow the Board and Officers to accommodate extenuating circumstances or if the need for additional time periods arise on deadlines.

The proposed updated Constitution & By-Laws and Code of Ethics have been uploaded to our Members' Only section on our website for your preview and to allow anyone who wants to contribute positive, constructive feedback to submit their comments directly to the Board and Officers for review by January 31, 2018 through our Club's e-mail address: <a href="westhighlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com">westhighlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com</a>. After that time, edits will be made as needed, and a final version will be posted/distributed by March, 2018 to the membership based on the current By-Laws requirement with voting/acceptance instructions and timelines. We expect all activities including the membership vote should be completed by the April, 2018 general meeting. The changes will be effective for the start of our 2018-2019 fiscal year in June, 2018.

### To access the proposed updated Constitution & By-Laws and Code of Ethics

- 1. Visit our website: www.westhighlandwhiteterrierclubofnewengland.com
- 2. Click on the Members' Only link on the upper right hand side of our home page
- 3. Type in the Password given to you in the e-mail forwarding these Footnotes and click Enter. If you have trouble locating the Password, please contact Tracey Costa or Gloria Pasquini at westhighlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com
- 4. Click on the link, "Proposed Constitution, By-Laws, and Code of Ethics changes for review.



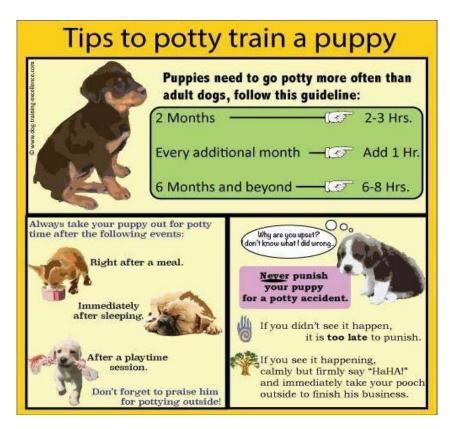
### Could This Be Possible?

Submitted by Kathleen May

Wouldn't it be wonderful and a great time saver if someone could invent an all-inone compact machine that would accomplish the following:

- An alarm system that doesn't need to be wired to every window and door and does not require
  a pad with a secret code to arm or disarm the system or have to dole out money each month to
  a security company.
- A machine that automatically cleans up crumbs on the floor without a human lifting a finger.
- The crumbs automatically disposed of with no cleaning the machine.
- A machine that doesn't require batteries or any high maintenance.
- A machine that doesn't require a bath, but can be washed.
- A system that does not require being plugged into an electrical outlet to keep it charged.
- A machine that only requires a minimum of daily care to keep it running smoothly.
- A machine that is so light, it can be easily transported to any area in the house if need be.
- A machine that is always at the "ready" 24/7.

WAIT! That "machine" is already here! It's compact, light and will dutifully perform all of the above! It's called a West Highland White Terrier!



### 2017-2018 OFFICERS

#### **PRESIDENT**

Kim Locke, Massachusetts

#### **VICE PRESIDENT**

Susan Smith, Massachusetts

### **TREASURER**

Rich Pasquini, Maine

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Cynthia Richards, New Hampshire

### RECORDING SECRETARY

Judi Gold. Massachusetts

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### One Year Term

Tracey Costa, Massachusetts Gloria Pasquini, Maine

### Two Year Term

Florentine Locke-Overko, Massachusetts Judy Cunnion, Rhode Island

#### Three Year Term

Florentine Locke, Massachusetts Carol Rossi, Massachusetts

ALL BOARD AND OFFICERS CAN BE CONTACTED THROUGH THEIR PERSONAL E-MAILS ON OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST IN THE "MEMBERS' ONLY" SECTION OF OUR WEBSITE OR THROUGH OUR CLUB'S GENERAL E-MAIL: westhighlandwhiteterrierclubne@gmail.com

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

Rescue/Placement Coordinator: Susan Smith, 508-824-2148

Website Editor: Tracey Costa

FOOTNOTES EDITOR: Gloria Pasquini

#### **Newsletter Deadlines:**

<u>Issue</u> <u>Submissions Due</u>

Winter January 20
Spring April 20
Summer July 20

Fall November 20

*Website*: www.westhighlandwhiteterrierclubofnewengland.com

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