

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 20, 2010

*Board Members in Attendance: Janet Lindgren, Kathy Kittle, Jackie Curtis, Angela Evans, Janice Collins, Bev Walker, Cathy Weishaupt*

- ❖ Minutes of Last Meeting were waived
  - ❖ Report of President - None
  - ❖ Report of Secretary - Angela Evans reported that the Club has not maintained its subscription to Imprint for the current year, which is the magazine issued by the National Westie Club of America. The subscription rate for one year is \$40. Angela suggested the Club discontinue its subscription for the reason that usually anyone interested in receiving Imprint has their own subscription. A motion was brought before the Board by Angela Evans and Jackie Curtis seconded the motion that the Club's subscription to Imprint would not be continued.
  - ❖ Report of Treasurer – Jackie Curtis reported that the Club's insurance is due around the middle of December. Jackie asked if the Board and Directors would be interested in spending additional Club funds for insurance that would cover the Board and Directors. The cost would be \$1,200, instead of \$600 a year. Janice Collins explained what type coverage would be provided for the additional cost. This means any actions or inactions, i.e., an email, a recommendation, libel of a member against another member or causing a financial loss to an individual; a Board member would be covered, including any defense costs incurred as a result of needing legal representation. It was agreed that the Board would present this matter to the Club at the general meeting and recommend that the Club obtain insurance for its Board and Directors.
- Reports of Committees - None

Unfinished Business – Janet Lindgren has formed a committee to research, review and report their findings with regard to the National Club's Code of Ethics compared to the Club's Code of Ethics. This committee consists of Janet Lindgren, Cathy Weishaupt and Barb Stoll. Janet will present a report at the next Board meeting in 2011.

<b>WESTIE RESCUE</b>
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Beth Widdows
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Dogs listed in last issue:

Placed: Abby, Bonnie, Fargo, Ripley and Tinker

New Fosters since the last issue:



CASEY, age 4, was a shelter dog. His owners could not afford his medical care. He had some skin issues and a bad ear infection. Casey is a very laid back, sweet little boy who quickly recovered and found his new home.

Foster home: Cathy Dickens



CAESAR, age 10, was placed by us some years ago. His adopter had age related problems and was no longer able to care for him. However, another 'friend of rescue' (Don Herman) has been babysitting off and on for years and agreed to adopt Caesar. Caesar went directly to his new home from the home of the adopter's daughter.

Foster home: None



STEVIE, Est. age 6, was surrendered by his owner because she could not afford to take care of his skin issues. He has done very well in foster care and is now looking for his new home.

Foster home: Chris Gillespie



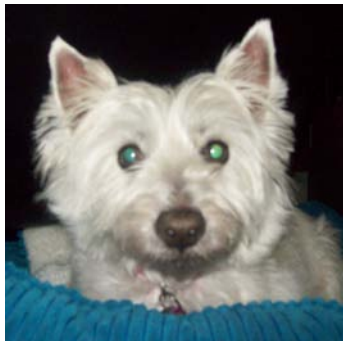
CHARLIE, age 1.5 years, came into Rescue because his owner had lost her job and could no longer afford his care. Charlie has been a great little foster teenager and has now been placed.

Foster home: Jean Story



GRACIE NOELLE, age 13 weeks, came into Rescue on New Year's Eve. She was an unwanted surprise Christmas gift who was transported here from Kansas. Gracie is a sweet little puppy and is doing very well in foster care. She will stay in foster care until she is old enough to spay. We will wait until her baby teeth come out to do that.

Foster Home: Beth Widdows/Eileen Michael



TERRY, age 10 years, came to Rescue because her owners no longer wanted her. They said they had not bonded with her. They had recently moved here from a home with a doggie door. Now Terry was having accidents because she didn't tell them when she had to go out. They said the other dog would come back when called but Terry would just run. They were clear that they did not want help in finding solutions to the issues. We took her quickly because it was clearly not in her best interests to stay where she was and it seemed likely they would take her to a shelter if we did not take her soon. (We prefer to get dogs from homes than shelters because they are often exposed to disease in shelters and we do not get medical records from shelters.)

Foster Home: Cathy Dickens

**Rescue Parade Donations Really Needed** Sue Peters & Maggie Pietrzak

We need many things for the rescue parade bags this year. Toys, snacks, paper products (note pads etc), pencils or anything else you think appropriate for the bags. Beth Widdows and Eileen Michaels were kind enough to make a three dimensional westie for the bag and we are looking for a black or navy bag of a good size (usually around 25 of them) to put them on. If you have any ideas or donations please let us know. I will be at the March meeting and Sue Peters and I will be glad to take any donations at that time. Thanks.

**DOG SHOW INFORMATION**

Jackie Curtis

<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TYPE OF EVENT</b>	<b>SPONSORING CLUB</b>
2/12,13	Dexter	Agility	Ann Arbor Dog Training Club
2/19,20	Dexter	Agility	Canine Combustion Agility Club
2/25 - 27	Warren	Obedience, Rally	Sportsmen's Dog Training Club
2/25 - 27	Dexter	Agility	Capital City Agility
3/5, 6	Detroit	Conformation, Obed, Rally	Detroit Kennel Club
3/5, 6	Detroit	Lure Racing	Motor Cities Fox Terrier Club at Cobo
3/5, 6	Grand Blanc	Agility	Sportsmen's Dog Training Club
3/12, 13	Buchanan	Agility	St. Joe Valley Agility Club
3/18,19,20	Dexter	Agility	Oakland County Kennel Club
3/25,26,27	Flint	Obedience, Rally	Companion Dog Training Club

**Donations Requested for Exhibitor Bags**

Beth Widdows

As always, we have put together gift bags for each of our show exhibitors. This is a way of welcoming them to our show and letting them know we appreciate their entry. These bags are traditionally filled by contributions from Club members. We create 40 bags each year. There are sometimes a few left over and we usually are able to sell those at the end of the show.

We would appreciate a donation from each Club member. There is no need for the bag contents to be identical. If you can't provide 40 of any item, that is fine. Provide 20. Or give a money donation and we will do the shopping for you. Or go in with another Club member to provide 40 items. Things donated can range from things the exhibitor might use (comb, McDonald's \$1 gift certificate, tissue packs, candy) or dog items (small toy, individual treats, etc.)

Everything will be appreciated by the Club and by the exhibitors. Please give your donations to Beth at the next or mail them to Beth Widdows, 1371 South Blvd. W., Troy, MI 48098. It would help a lot to get them well before the show so we know how much packaging space we will need.

Thank you for your participation.

**SPRING SPECIALITY 2011**

Jackie Curtis

The Spring Specialty is on April 30<sup>th</sup>. It is time to start thinking about what you want to donate to the Silent Auctions and where you want to pitch in and help this year. We will be having 2 Silent Auctions: One to support general club funds which go to pay for the spring show among other things; and one to support Rescue. Please donate a new or very gently used item to either of these auctions. Janice Collins is collecting for the Club Silent Auction and Carole Beaudry is collecting for the Rescue Silent Auction. You may bring your items to the March meeting or contact either of these ladies to make arrangements. It is very helpful if they get the items before Friday set up as they need to be tagged and priced.

We will need help with setting up and taking down the food for breakfast and lunch. We will also need help with lunch tickets, sales tables, silent auction tables, clean up, and the rescue parade. If you could think about where you would like to help out, we will be putting together the job list in early March.

I want to thank everyone for their continued support of the Spring Specialty show. Without everyone's cooperation and participation we could never do it. We always receive compliments from the exhibitors about how well put together our show is and how good our food is. We do put on an awesome show!!!