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# Westie Wagtales



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of  
Southeastern Michigan

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Janet Lindgren

Our sympathy goes to one of our founding members, Barb Stoll. Her husband Neil Stoll passed away on September 8, 2011 at the age of 79. Without the Stolls there would be no West Highland White Terrier Club of Southeastern Michigan. Neil made the boxes which we use for the first through fourth placement markers at our April Specialty. Neil also made the bases for the initial challenge trophies. Both Barb and Neil did a tremendous amount of work for the club. I used to travel to dog shows with them and besides Neil complaining about the "road work" we had a lot of fun and were happy for each other when the other person's dog won. There was a real camaraderie and respect.

This brings me to the subject of sportsmanship. I would like to call attention to our Code of Ethics Article V. B. "Members shall bear in mind at all times that all competition of dogs is a SPORT!!! Good sportsmanship shall be expected from both winners and losers, in and out of the ring." Unfortunately I have sometimes witnessed a lack of sportsmanship on the part of some of our members. It makes me sad that some do not respect our Code of Ethics. Besides this, sometimes remarks are made right outside the ring within earshot of the judge. This is very unsportsmanlike conduct. If one is going to get angry, one should not be showing dogs.

This may be my last President's Message as we have elections in November and we may have a different President for next year.

I hope to see all the active members attend the November meeting.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 21, 2011 - Westie meeting @ Howell Rec. Center  
(This is the Election meeting - Please make every effort to attend!)  
Christmas Party Date -December 11, 2011, 1-4pm, Howell Rec. Center

## SEPTEMBER 19, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

*Attendees: Carole Beaudry, Jackie Curtis, Angela Evans, Kathy Kittle, Janet Lindgren, Jim Lyddon, Roxanne Morway, Jeannine Price, Martha Sayles, Marilyn Schultz, Bev Walker, Cathy Weishaupt*

### General Business

- ❖ Reading of the Minutes of the July 16, 2011 meeting was waived.
- ❖ Report of President - None
- ❖ Report of Secretary - Reviewed Waglinked.com and Expansion of AKC Club Outreach program. Waglinked.com is similar to Facebook. It was decided that signing up with this website would not benefit the Club at this time. AKC program is a program that provides information to those seeking AKC club activities, meetings, shows, etc. Angela will register for the Club and provide Club information on this AKC site in hopes of attracting new members.
- ❖ Report of Treasurer Treasurer was unable to attend.
- ❖ Committee Reports
  - Rescue - Carole Beaudry reported on the three Westies that have come into rescue for care since July of this year. The three new rescues are: Duffy, Bailey and another Duffy. Chloe continues to be fostered, as is Petey. Carole provided a financial report on Chloe's medical expenses and an overall financial report for Rescue.
  - Education - Carole Beaudry indicated that Education funds are still lower than usual; however, due to the sale of flags, funds in the account are increasing. Education has a few new flags to offer. One autumn themed flag is being sold and it is one of Suzanne Renaud's last designs. Carole said that a new raffle will begin in October, after the Montgomery Show. The raffle will be posted to the various groups and tickets will be made available. First prize is a 55 x 68 Westie quilt, sew by Jackie Curtis. The drawing

for the quilt and the other prizes will be at the Christmas party. This raffle is to help bring up funds so that Education can continue to place ads in the newspaper, which in turn meets AKC requirements for having a Specialty show every year. Both Carole and Jackie corrected the statement that Carole made at the last meeting that Education turned over flags to Rescue.

- Monroe Fall Show - Jackie Curtis reported that Sherry Bittles has everything in order for the Fall show. Jackie and Carole will deliver the trophies on Friday. Bev Walker stated that entries are much higher this year. There are over 30 entries. Jackie asked if we could obtain a breakdown of the entries to give to Sherry, so as to know how many trophies to have on hand. Janet said that MBF can provide this information. Jackie will contact MBF to find out the exact number.
- Specialty 2012 - Jackie Curtis reported that the application to hold a show has been submitted to AKC. The judge for Regular Class has been approved and Jackie is waiting for approval for the Sweeps judge. Jackie has submitted the request to have a Rescue Parade and also sent in the Progressive KC letter that releases Westies from their show on April 28, 2012. The fee to rent the Ann Arbor Dog Training Club needs to be paid. Jackie will place ads in Imprint and Terrier Topics to announce the show and to advertise that ads will be taken for the catalog. Bev Walker has the list for trophy sponsors. Sponsors are usually accepted until December at the Christmas party. Jackie has one volunteer for Ring Steward, Barb Boggess, and is in the process of recruiting another Ring Steward.
- Nominating Committee - The Chairperson for the Nominating Committee was absent. Angela Evans announced the slate for 2012 - Officers: Janet Lindgren, President; Martha Sayles, Vice President; Kris Tousley, Treasurer; Angela Evans, Secretary; and for the Board: Jim Lyddon and Sunny Shepherd. Bev Walker was on the slate for the Board, but declined to run. Janet Lindgren then asked for nominations from the floor. Jackie Curtis nominated Bev Walker for President and Bev accepted. Carole Beaudry nominated Jackie Curtis for Treasurer and she accepted. Martha Sayles nominated Cathy Weishaupt for the Board and she accepted. Angela Evans nominated Roxanne Morway for the Board and she accepted. Jackie Curtis suggested that written ballots be prepared with the names of those nominated and that two active Club members be chosen to count the ballots, after voting is completed. Carole Beaudry and Kathy Kittle volunteered to handle counting ballots.

#### ❖ Wagtales

- Articles, pictures and any information are due by September 26, 2011. Bev Walker asked that the printing of Wagtales be delayed, so that the results from the Monroe Fall show can be included. Bev will contact Beth Widdows with this request. Angela Evans read an email from Beth Widdows, Editor of Wagtales, requesting that the Club set up a petty cash fund of \$100 for the printing and mailing of hard copies of Wagtales. When the funds reach a level of about \$40, then records will be submitted to the Treasurer with a request for re-funding petty cash back to the \$100 level. Until the present time, these costs have been charged on the Rescue Credit Card and then the costs were reimbursed. However, this system is not working and these being Club costs can no longer be charged to the Rescue card or paid for out of pocket. Board and Officers who were present agreed to establish a petty cash fund of \$100 for this purpose. Martha Sayles motioned that a petty cash fund of \$100 be set up. Cathy Weishaupt seconded the motion.

#### ❖ Website

- Angela Evans presented two proposals for doing the website. One bid was from Ultimate Pet Websites and the other from Jay Quarton. After many discussions with Ultimate Pet and Jay Quarton, Beth Widdows obtained two bids. Both proposals were reviewed and discussed by the Officers and Board of the Club prior to this meeting. The Officers' and Board's recommendation to the Club is that Jay Quarton's proposal be accepted. Jay quoted a onetime set up fee for all three sites (Club, Education and Rescue) and the quote is extremely reasonable. Once the revised sites have been established, then Sue Peters (Education), Angela Evans (Club) and Beth Widdows for Rescue will maintain each respective site. Cheryl Payne (Chris Gillespie's sister) will work with Sue, Angela and Beth, with any support needed, after the initial set up by Jay. Jackie indicated the Club has been paying the server fees and the domain name and, since the costs are minimal, will continue to do so. Barb Engerer provided an email stating that because Education's funds are currently low; they are unable to pay their one-third towards the set up fee. Jackie suggested that the Club pay Education's portion, until Education is able to reimburse the Club. Martha Sayles made a motion that the Club pay Education's one-third of the set up fee; Kathy Kittle second the motion, and it was passed.

- Martha Sayles reported that since the Breeders in the Club have their names and phone numbers listed on the website, a Breeder Referral is not needed. When visitors to the site see that all breeders are listed, they have the option to call each breeder on their own, without a referral. Kathy Kittle motioned to eliminate the Breeder Referral position from the website; Martha Sayles seconded the motion, and the motion was passed by vote.

❖ Membership

- No readings.

❖ Unfinished Business

- Janet Lindgren suggested that the budget for trophies needed to be increased to stay in line with current costs for trophies. Bev Walker will provide an amount that is reasonable at the next meeting.
- Jackie Curtis indicated that the application from Equisure for insurance to cover Officers and Board members was mailed to Kris Tousley. Janet will call Kris to confirm whether or not the application has been mailed to Equisure. Jackie recommended waiting until after elections are held at the November meeting. If there are any changes to the positions for Officers and Board members, then the application should be submitted with the most current names.
- The Board and Officers reported that it was decided to support the Terrier Club of Michigan 2012 Spring Show. Janet and Bev are going to choose the trophies the Club will provide to TCM.
- Carole Beaudry reported that Rescue Board discussed whether or not to contribute to the cost of renting the AADTC for the Specialty show. The Rescue Board decided that rescue funds should be used towards the care and medical expenses for Westies that are surrendered. Jackie indicated that rescue members work at the show and bring in many spectators. Club members accepted Rescue Board's decision not to contribute towards AADTC's rental fee for the spring show.

❖ New Business

- A discussion was held whether or not the Club should consider sending flowers or gifts to Club members who are ill or have had a death in their immediate family. If decided upon, then guidelines need to be set as to how much to spend, what is required to qualify for a gift and who will assume getting the flowers or gift. Jackie suggested this item be tabled until the next meeting.
- The position of a member to head a Fundraising Committee for the Club was tabled to the next meeting.

❖ Miscellaneous

- There was a question of which day we had scheduled for the Christmas Party. As Kris wasn't there, Jackie Curtis volunteered to contact the Rec Center the next day to verify the date. Jackie did this and the date for the Christmas Party is Sunday, Dec 11, 2011. The time is from 1pm - 4pm. We can plan food and activities at the November meeting.
- Not on Agenda: Jackie mentioned that the planning for Novi Pet Expo will be done on the Club and Foster lists, and via phone calls.

❖ New Litters

- Bev Walker has 2 boys and 2 girls from Oliver and Bella. Kathy Kittle has a litter of 1 girl and 3 boys born on September 11. Jeannine Price is expecting a litter soon.

❖ Member Activities

- Bev Walker's Marley earned a point on her first try out. Kathy Kittle's Keegan is a Grand Champion. Kris Tousley's Piper is a Grand Champion.

**Next Club Meeting - Monday, November 21, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Howell Recreational Center**

**ELECTION NIGHT**

<b>Membership Dues</b>	<b>Dee Rakic</b>
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Members, please be aware that yearly Membership dues notices will be coming out soon and are due on or before Jan. 1, of the coming year and that if an extension is not requested, *in writing to the Board by Feb. 1*, the member will be dropped from the membership list and will have to reapply for membership.

*SECTION 3: Elections. The nominated candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected. The three nominated candidates for other positions on the Board who receive the greatest number of votes for such positions shall be declared elected.*

*SECTION 4: Nominations. No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated. During the month of May the Board shall select a Nominating Committee consisting of three members in good standing, not more than one of who may be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall immediately notify the committee persons of their selection. The Board shall name a Chairman for the Committee and it shall be his or her duty to call a Committee meeting which shall be held on or before July 1<sup>st</sup>.*

- a) The Committee shall nominate at least one candidate for each office and at least three candidates for the other three positions on the Board, and after securing the consent of each person so nominated, shall immediately report their nominations to the Secretary in writing.*
- b) Upon receipt of the Nominating Committee's report, the Secretary shall, during the month of August, notify each member in writing of the candidates so nominated.*
- c) Additional nominations may be made at the September Meeting by any member in attendance provided that the person so nominated accepts when his name is proposed, and provided further that if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at this meeting, his or her proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying his or her willingness to be a candidate.*

*No person may be a candidate for more than one position, and the additional nominations which are provided for herein may be made only from among those members in good standing who have not accepted a nomination of the Nominating Committee.*

- d) Nominations cannot be made at the annual meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this section.*

The Nominating Committee:

Kris Tousley, Chair  
Sunny Sheppard, member

Official Announcement:

Kris Tousley, Chairperson, for the Nominating Committee, is providing the following proposed slate for Officers and Board of Directors for 2012:

President: Janet Lindgren  
Vice President: Martha Sayles  
Secretary: Angela Evans  
Treasurer: Kris Tousley  
Board of Directors: Bev Walker, James Lyddon and Sunny Sheppard (Bev Walker withdrew from this nomination so she could accept a nomination for President).

Any additional nominations will be accepted at the September 19 Club meeting.

At the meeting, there were several nominations for offices. Following are the positions and voting options:

	Nominating Committee Candidate	Nomination from Floor
President:	Janet Lindgren (Inc)	Bev Walker (Former President)
Vice President:	Martha Sayles (Inc)	
Secretary:	Angela Evans (Inc)	
Treasurer:	Kris Tousley (Inc)	Jackie Curtis (Former Treasurer)
Board:	Bev Walker (Inc) (withdrawn)	Cathy Weishaupt (Inc)
	James Lyddon (Inc)	Roxanne Morway
	Sunny Sheppard	

Due to the voting options in this election, we encourage every Active Member to attend this meeting and cast their vote. Proxy and absentee voting are not permitted by our By-Laws.

(Inc = Incumbent) Note: At the meeting, Bev Walker declined the nomination for Board so that she could accept the nomination for President.

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### VOTE FOR BALANCE!!!

President:	Bev Walker (Breeder/Edu/Former Club President)
Vice President:	Martha Sayles (Pet owner/Rescue/Club, Rescue, Edu Fundraising/Incumbent Club VP)
Secretary:	Angela Evans (Pet owner/Rescue/Incumbent Club Secretary)
Treasurer:	Jackie Curtis (Pet owner/Rescue/Edu/Club Fundraising/Spring Show Chair/ Former Club Treasurer)
Board:	Cathy Weishaupt (Breeder/Incumbent Board Member)
	James Lyddon (Pet owner/Incumbent Board Member)
	Roxanne Morway (Pet owner)

Platform: This slate stands for balance, actively working for the Club in every facet. They represent breeders and conformation. They understand the need for a strong Rescue and Public Education program to allow our Club to qualify with the AKC compliance requirements in order to put on two Conformation Specialties each year. They represent hundreds of hours of work to support this Club by holding office, fostering, working at our spring specialty, taking an active role in Rescue and Education administration and activities such as Meet and Greets.

**This slate represents YOU!  
VOTE on November 21!!!!!!**