

**Membership Drive 2012 Only One Meeting Left!**

***Fabulous Prize Announced***

The entries are growing in the 2012 Membership Drive. At the September meeting, Rosanne Boudreau of Brighton (shown in photo with Bev Walker) became an active member. Rosanne was referred by Bev Walker. Four new associate members were voted into the club: Joseph V. Clemente, Penni Fields, Doris Saygan, and Mimi Smith. Carol Sowders and Jan Murray had their first reading towards active membership.

There is only one membership meeting left in 2012. Help support the club by inviting your Westie friends to join us!

The purpose of this membership drive is to promote membership into our club. This is meant to be a fun event with simple rules. Each time a current member refers someone to the club as an associate or an active member, that person's name will be entered into a drawing. At the end of the year, the name drawn will receive one year's free membership into our Club plus a \$25 gift card to Pet Smart.

1. Open to all active and associate members.
2. Club Secretary & Membership Chair will track referrals.
3. Prospective member must be voted in during 2012
4. If no one refers associate member, then no one gets credit.
5. If no one refers active member, then 1<sup>st</sup> sponsor gets credit.
6. If current associate becomes active, then associate's name or designated name gets credit
7. Drawing will be held at the 2012 Christmas Party. You must be present to win.



**Just Think About It!!!!**

From the Police Crime Log published in the Midland (Michigan) Daily News

Saturday, July 28, 2012

3:51pm A Jasper Township woman, 70, reported her sheltie recently gave birth to two puppies, but usually has six puppies. The woman feels someone stole four of the puppies.

## 15 Minutes of Fame

### **Earthdog**

September 23, 2012 Terrier Club of Michigan Earthdog Test at the Detroit Beagle Club, Addison, MI

Miss Molly Marie Widdows, age 14 years and 10 months, successfully passed Intro, Senior and Masters all in one test!!

### **Obedience**

Connor Roth (Helen Roth) placed third in the nation in the First and Foremost rankings for Novice Obedience for 2011!

### **Therapy Dog**

Wrigley & Blossom Wilson (Bonnie Wilson) earned their Therapy Dog Title from AKC.

*New York, NY - Therapy dog owners, and those who have benefitted from comforting visits with these special canines, have long known this treasured expression of the canine-human bond has a healing touch like no other. On June 27th the American Kennel Club launched its AKC Therapy Dog Title program to honor those who have unconditionally given so much. To achieve AKC's Therapy Dog or "ThD" title a dog must be certified or registered with an AKC-recognized therapy dog organization, perform a minimum of 50 documented visits and be an AKC Dog through either AKC registration, PAL listing or AKC Canine Partners enrollment.*

### ***Canine Good Citizen® Becomes a Title!***

***Many of our Club Westies have earned the CGC award. This may be of interest. Please note that the CGC must have been earned after January 1, 2001 and that there will be a \$20 processing fee accessed to add the title to the dog's record.***

As of January 1, 2013, Canine Good Citizen® will become an official AKC title that can appear on the title records of dogs registered or listed with AKC. Dog owners who complete the CGC as a Title process may list the suffix "CGC" after the dog's name.

Since the program began in 1989, CGC™ has been considered an "award," meaning that it has not been listed on a dog's title record.

As a result of frequent, ongoing requests from dog owners and instructors for AKC to recognize CGC as a title, dog owners will have the option of having CGC added to their dog's title record and appear as a part of the dog's titled name.

## Earthdog Judges Seminar

The Motor Cities Fox Terrier Club is sponsoring an Earthdog Judge's Seminar put on by the AKC. The date for this event is December 1, 2012. This is open to all. While Earthdog judges are required to attend this type of seminar periodically, it is very beneficial for Earthdog participants to attend because this is a chance to hear from the AKC just how the judges should be applying the rules. At this time, it appears that the event will be held in Rochester, MI. It is an all day seminar with a lunch break. The cost will be relatively small. However, details are not yet set. In October, more information will be known. If you are interested and want more information, please contact me, (Beth Widdows) in October. There will not be another newsletter prior to the event but if possible the details will also be posted to the Club email list as soon as they are known.

## Donate a Thundershirt

If you would like to donate a Thundershirt to Westie Rescue, use the following link:

<http://shelter.thundershirt.com/shelterDefault.aspx?sid=MI381>

The shirts are priced at \$27 each which is a deeply discounted amount using this program through Petfinder.

Size XS will fit most of the smaller Westies and S will fit the Medium Westies. Some of our Westies might need the Medium.

### Size Chest Size Weight

XXS	9"-13.5"	< 12 lbs.
<b>XS</b>	<b>13"-18"</b>	<b>10-18 lbs.</b>
<b>S</b>	<b>16"-23"</b>	<b>15-25 lbs.</b>
<b>M</b>	<b>18"-26"</b>	<b>20-50 lbs.</b>
L	24"-32"	40-65 lbs.
XL	31"-40"	65-110 lbs.
XXL	38"-50"	> 110 lbs.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY 2012

**Mark your calendars, but don't tell your Westie...the excitement will be too overwhelming!**

**Westie Christmas Party 2012  
Sunday, December 9 -- 1 to 5 pm**

**Howell Recreation Center  
Howell, Michigan**

**All Westies and their families are invited  
Prizes, Fun, Food  
More details to follow soon....**

Note: Belly Bands or Piddle Pants required on all dogs attending.

## We Were on the Move!

Our club was represented at the St. Andrew's Scottish Festival in Livonia on August 4. We traveled to Grand Rapids on September 15 to attend Dog Days in the Park, sponsored by the Grand Rapids Kennel Club (see photo 1). On September 21-23, we could be found at the All American Pet Expo in Novi (See photo 2). At all of these events, we talked about the breed, answered questions about the Club and Rescue, and sold fundraising items.



Grand Rapids



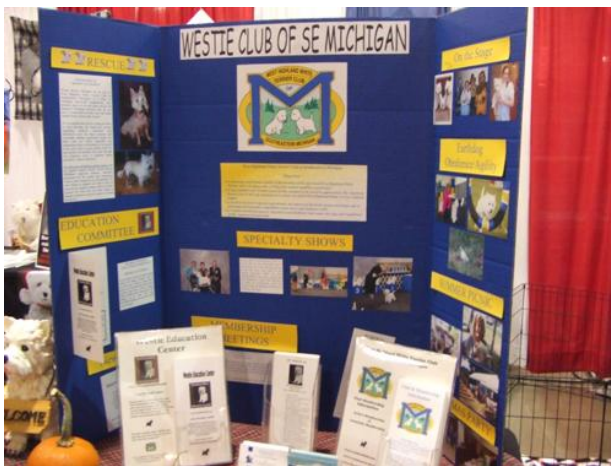
Novi



Rocket worked hard and earned a rest at the Grand Rapids Event

## Our All American Pet Expo Booth

Our Club participated in the All American Pet Expo at the Suburban Showplace Collection in Novi, Michigan. The 3-day event was held September 21-23. We had a great location for our 10x20 booth. Everyone loves Westies, and our little white ambassadors were very cordial and loving! We distributed literature on the breed, the club, and Westie Rescue; and our volunteers answered many questions about "everything Westie". We were also kept very busy with fundraising sales. And to add to the fun, Molly & Jake Widdows entered the Costume Contest as Miss Muffet & the Spider!



Club Display Board



Rescue Display Board



Miss Muffet and the Spider



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