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# Westie Wagtales



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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**    Bev Walker

Welcome Spring! We can only hope it lasts. My lake never totally froze and was open water in February with some skiers taking advantage of the early thaw. It's also been great weather to groom outdoors, poop scoop and get the LWD's some fresh air and sun. Please consider participating in the events Sue Peters has lined up for 2012. I have been to several and plan to this year also. It's a great way to spend time with fellow club members and get our education message out to the public. Thank you, Sue, for your hard work. Specialty is fast approaching. Thank you, thank you to all who are working to put this on. I know it will be a great success as always. And, it's still not too late to help out. See you all at Specialty.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Spring Specialty Setup - Friday, April 27, 2012 at 2 p.m.  
Rescue Nose Work Seminar - Friday, April 27, 2012 at 5 - 7pm  
Spring Specialty - Saturday, April 28, 2012 All Day  
Frankenmuth Dog Bowl - May 26, 27, 2012 9am-5pm  
Dog Day in the Park, Gr. Rapids - June 2, 2012 8am-3pm  
Westie Picnic, Fenton, MI - July 14, 2012 11am meeting

**MARCH 19, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

*Present: Janice Collins, Angela Evans, Kathy Kittle, Janet Lindgren, Roxanne Morway, Sue Peters, Gary Porrett, Lynda Porrett, Jeannine Price, Adela Rivera, Martha Sayles, Bev Walker, Cathy Weishaupt, Beth Widdows*

*Guest: Joshua Genow (Adela's nephew)*

**General Business**

- ❖ Reading of the Minutes from the November 16, 2011 meeting were waived.
- ❖ **Report of President** - None
- ❖ **Report of Secretary** - Angela Evans passed out a copy of the spring issue of Terrier Topics.
- ❖ **Report of Treasurer** - In Jackie Curtis' absence, Martha Sayles presented the Treasurer's report. Current balance in checking account is \$3200.00. We have obtained D&O Insurance from Philadelphia through Equisure. The cost was \$815.00. Our total cost of annual insurance premiums is now \$1,415.00. Jackie and Beth met with a Non-Profit attorney in Brighton who is going to help us file for tax exempt status. We should qualify for 501c7 tax exempt status. The only way we could qualify for 501c3 charitable corporation is for Rescue to separate from the Club and become its own corporation. There are no plans to do that at this time. There would be some advantages to Rescue being a 501c3, but we are such a small group that we don't feel it would be worth it right now. The attorney retainer fee of \$2,500 was paid for by Rescue.

**Show Expenses:** The following are the projected show expenses that have not already been paid. Some are last year's costs. Some are this year's known costs: AKC Fees: \$100 - last year's cost; Judges expenses \$800 - this is last year's. Flowers: \$70 - this year's cost; Cleanup: \$100 - last year's cost; additional 35 Catalogs: \$70 - how many extra do we want; Lunch expenses: \$200 - last year's cost; Photographer: \$125 - this year's cost; MBF: \$715 - last year's cost; Ribbons: \$22 - last year's cost; Postage: \$192- last year's cost; Sweeps Prizes: \$106 - last year's cost; Total: \$2,500. If we take in from lunch, silent auction, entry fees, and collar and leash sales a similar amount to last year, we should end up with around \$2,000 in our checking account, after we pay for the show. We need to purchase additional collars and leashes which will cost around \$500. We need these soon and definitely before the show.

The Club general fund owes Rescue \$333 for website expenses. These are a result of the website redo. The Club will reimburse Rescue after the spring show.

❖ **Committee Reports**

**Rescue** - Beth Widdows gave Rescue's report for Carole Beaudry. Beth reported that so far in 2012 3 Westies have been surrendered. There are currently 5 dogs in care. Beth asked that members bring their dogs to participate in the rescue parade and that they wear a kilt.

**Education** - Sue Peters presented a financial report for Education. Education will not be placing any newspaper ads until summer or fall. Raffle sales have been very good and Education's funds are now more stable. Sue reported that they were short of members at Cobo this year, but those present were still able to educate visitors and answer many questions. Sue is arranging for participation at the Frankenmuth Dog Bowl over Memorial Day weekend, on May 26 and 27. No fee is involved. Education is allowed to put out fundraising items, as is the Club and Rescue. Sue is also arranging for participation at Dog Day in the Park in Grand Rapids, the week after Memorial Day. Again, no fee is required. This event is sponsored by the Grand Rapids Kennel Club.

**Spring Specialty** - Janet Lindgren reported that both judges are flying into Michigan. One is renting a car. The other judge will inform Janet if a ride is needed. Martha Sayles indicated that Tom Sayles would be available to transport a judge if necessary; Janet will let Martha know whether or not the judge will need transportation. The judges' committee will decide if the judges should be given a gift. However, each judge will receive an Exhibitor bag. Bev Walker reported that the handling of trophies is done. Flowers have been ordered and paid for. Beth reported that Catalog ads brought in \$1,278; \$720 was paid to MBF; and there is a profit of \$558. Jan Murray is preparing the Rescue bags for adopters and also in charge of the rescue parade. Beth is putting together the Exhibitor bags. Sue Peters will handle the sale of raffle tickets for the Westie quilt. The quilt was sewn and donated by Sharon Horn. The proceeds will go to Rescue and all monies and/or ticket stubs should be returned to Sue Peters. The raffle drawing will be held at 1 p.m. Jim Beaudry will sell tickets for the buffet lunch. Angela Evans asked for a couple more coolers. John Morway will pick up the ice on Saturday morning. Janice Collins is bringing the pop and water. One six foot sub and sandwich wraps will be served as the main lunch item. Currently, there are 14 side items, and nine dessert items. Adela Rivera will pick up and deliver the sub on the day of the show. Bev Walker has salt and pepper shakers to bring. Angela will contact Jackie Curtis regarding picking up the wrap sandwiches. Kathy Kittle volunteered to assist with lunch duties. Janice Collins is collecting items for the Club silent auction. While Carole Beaudry is out of town, Beth is collecting items for the Rescue silent auction. Sue Peters is collecting garage sale items. The proceeds from the garage sale will go to Rescue. Jackie will email Club members through the group list for jobs that need to be filled. Set up is on Friday, April 27, beginning at 2 p.m. Mark will handle setting up the sound equipment. Angela will arrange for help with clean up after the show. Barb Boggess and Cathy Kelly are Ring Stewards. Janet Lindgren will assist Cathy and Barb. If Olivia Boggess is available, then Olivia will have the collection basket. Janice Collins will provide the bowls of candies on dining tables. Jean Story will handle the money jar. Beth reported that AKC Compliance requirements have been met and a report will be submitted to AKC after the show.

❖ **Miscellaneous**

**Wagtales** - Articles, pictures and any information are due by March 26, 2012.

**Website** - Angela Evans reported that the Education site should be coming up soon; we are verifying that now and the Rescue site is under construction.

**Nose Work Clinic** - Beth Widdows reported that a Nose Work Clinic will be held on Friday, April 27 from 5 to 7 p.m., right after set up for the Show. Beth indicated that this is a fun event and it teaches dogs to use their nose. Beth is hoping for more people to sign up. The cutoff date to register is March 31, 2012 and \$20 for an auditor position.

**Membership** - Sue Peters and Adela Rivera were voted in as Active members. Jeannine Price, and Gary and Lynda Porrett were present for their first reading, as they are applying for Active membership. Jacqueline Meczkowski's application for Associate membership was presented. Jacqueline was voted in as an Associate member. Beth Widdows suggested a lifetime free membership for Barb Stoll, as Barb and Neil Stoll were originating members of the Club. Beth motioned that Barb Stoll be allowed a lifetime free membership. The motion was put to a vote and passed.

**Car Decals** - Beth Widdows presented a sample of a car decal with the Club's name and a silhouette of a Westie to place on car windows. The Club can purchase 200 at \$2 each. Beth suggested giving a decal to each puppy buyer and adopter, and at the same time, providing a Club application. Beth will have a decal put in the Adopter bags that are handed out at Specialty. Lynda Porrett volunteered to handle sending out decals and Club applications. Breeders were asked to provide Lynda with puppy buyers' names and addresses. Beth made a motion for the Club to purchase 200 car decals. The motion was voted on and passed.

**Other Unfinished Business** - Angela Evans read an email from Jackie Curtis indicating the urgency for Club Fundraising and a Fundraising Chairperson. Roxanne Morway and Adela Rivera volunteered to be Co-Chairpersons. Roxanne displayed a dog bed and dog vests that Jackie Curtis sewed as possible fundraising items. Beth suggested the Club have a raffle or sell products that are useful other than sewn items as fundraisers. Angela suggested outings where family members or friends can attend as a fundraiser. Roxanne and Adela will discuss new ideas for Club fundraising with the fundraising committee.

The date for the Summer Club Meeting and Picnic was tentatively set for Saturday, July 14, 2012 at Bev Walker's home in Fenton.

❖ **New Business**

**New Litters** - Bev Walker's Southshore What Lola Wanted and Grand Champion Glenlea's Southshore Qwik Step had a litter on February 19<sup>th</sup> of 3 girls and 3 boys. Janet Lindgren has a 14 week old boy available.

**Member Activities** - Bev Walker's Fuschia got a 3 point major at the Detroit Kennel Club Show for her Championship and Winner's Bitch. At the Novi Show in January, Jeannine Price's Brie got a 3 point major for her Championship. And, Jeannine's Reagan got a 2 point major for Winner's Bitch.

**Next Club Meeting - Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.  
Howell Recreational Center**

EMAIL LIST AND WEBSITE
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When you joined the Club you received a welcome letter from Dee Rakic. In that letter it explained how to join the email list used by the Club members to communicate between meetings. If you did not do it at the time but would like to do it now, the instructions in the letter still apply. And if you no longer have the instructions, please contact Beth Widdows ([bew1234@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bew1234@sbcglobal.net)) for assistance.

When the new website came up, we posted to the email list the password to be used by Club Members to enter into the private area of the website. If you missed that post, please contact Beth for the password.