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# Westie Wagtales



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** Bev Walker

Hope all is well with all of you as we go in to the fall season. Welcome new members. Please feel free to jump in and help with upcoming events. The fall specialty is almost here. The day is well worth attending with raffles, rummage sale and vendors. There is only one entry for sweeps and eleven in regular classes. Hope to see some of you there. Westies are in at 11 a.m. My favorite festival is coming to an end next weekend. That is the Michigan Renaissance Festival. I regularly take Maxim with me and he attracts quite a bit of attention. Of course, I think he is a most handsome Westie man and he loves going. I have talked to many people about the Club and the breed. You never know if they might show up. Hope to see you all soon. Bev

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Club Meeting - November 18, 2013 - Howell Rec Center, Howell, MI  
6:30 pm Board Meeting 7pm Reg meeting

Novi Pet Expo - November 15, 16 and 17, 2013 - Novi Michigan

Christmas Party - Dec. 8, 2013, 1-4pm - Howell, MI

Reminder: No January meeting

Club Meeting - March 17, 2013 - Howell Rec Center, Howell, MI 7pm

## **NEW LITTERS**

GrCh Glenlea's South Shore Qwik Step(Maxim) and Skerryvore South Shore What Lola Wants (Lola) had 7 puppies, 4 girls, 3 boys, Sept. 13.

*Present: Carole Beaudry, Barb Boggess, Angela Evans, Josh Genaw, Kathy Kittle, Jim Lyddon, Chet Mienaltowski, Sue Mienaltowski, Adela Rivera, Beth Widdows*

Visitors: Susan Bloomfield, Sara L. LeRoux

### General Business

Reading of the Minutes from the July 13, 2013 meeting was waived.

- ❖ Report of President - No report
- ❖ Report of Secretary - No report
- ❖ Report of Treasurer - No report

#### ❖ Committee Reports

Rescue and Education Corporation - Carole Beaudry reported there are three dogs in care: Deacon, Max 2 and Jacky. Jacky came to Rescue, after Gary and Linda Porrett kept him for the first few days, after being surrendered to them by a neighbor. Jacky was then transferred to his foster home. Rescue is looking for a forever home for Deacon. Since July, DeeDee, fostered by Chris Finkbeiner, has been adopted.

♦ Carole Beaudry reported for Education that flags have continued to sell throughout the summer. Ads will be placed in the newspaper beginning in November. Education will have a booth on Saturday, September 21, during Dog Day in the Park, "A Festival for Dogs" sponsored by the Grand Rapids Kennel Club, in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

♦ All American Pet Expo details were discussed later in the meeting.

Specialty 2014 - Chairperson, Adela Rivera reported that the Ann Arbor Dog Training Club has been reserved for 2014. Adela has the Application to submit to AKC. Adela suggested wearing skirts, since the theme is Westie Side Story. Angela Evans suggested a themed t-shirt similar to the shirts worn this year. Beth Widdows indicated someone would need to draw up a print for the shirts to match the theme.

Monroe Fall Specialty - No report

Nominating Committee - Members from the Nominating Committee were not present. There were no nominations from the floor. Angela Evans asked Carole Beaudry if she would be willing to prepare the ballot slips for the election at the November meeting. Carole agreed to do so.

Club Fundraising - Adela Rivera suggested raffling off a television at the All American Pet Expo. Beth Widdows indicated we would need to obtain a license. Angela Evans recommended Adela contact Sue Peters, to find out if raffles are allowed. Adela Rivera suggested as a Club fundraiser to hold a Dog Pageant, with a costume contest for best costumed dog, including possibly having lure racing. There would be an entry fee and the event would not be limited to Westies. Angela Evans indicated that it was a good idea; however, this type of event would require a chairperson and chairpeople. Holding a pageant would be easier, after Specialty, and during late spring or early summer.

Wagtales - Articles, pictures and any information are due by Monday, September 23, 2013.

Website - No report. Angela Evans asked members to submit pictures for the home page.

- ❖ Membership - Sara LeRoux was present for her second reading for Active membership. Sara has one Westie, which she purchased last year from Jeannine Price. Susan Bloomfield was present for her second reading for Active membership. Susan has one Westie. Susan also applied to Rescue in order to become a foster home. Both Sara and Susan were voted in and became new members.

❖ **Miscellaneous** - Adela Rivera, who is on the planning committee for the Christmas Party, asked for a volunteer to be Santa at the party. Barb Boggess indicated her husband is available and willing to be Santa this year. Closer to the date, Sue Peters, will be asking for volunteers to help with set up, etc. The Howell Rec. Center has been reserved for Sunday, December 8. Set up will begin at 12 p.m., with the party beginning at 1 p.m. and ending at 4 p.m. The last hour or so is for cleaning up and taking down tables. Beth Widdows motioned that the Club follow the same details as last year's party. Chet Mienaltowski seconded the motion and the motion was passed. A few details mentioned that we had at last year's party were a \$5 donation to cover the main food item, a Dirty Santa, and bringing a dish to pass. Additional details will be discussed at the next meeting and posted to the group list

◆ Angela Evans suggested the Club have its own business card to hand out to the public. The card would have the Club's logo and website printed on it, including "Associated with Westie Rescue Michigan, Inc. and Westie Edu MI", as do the cards for Rescue. Beth Widdows stated that the cards are inexpensive to print and are available within a few days of placing an order. Two hundred fifty cards (250) is the lowest number that can be ordered. If ordered now, the cards would be available to pass out at the show in November. Beth volunteered to draw up a sample and post it to the group list, before placing an order. Chet Mienaltowski motioned for the Club to order and print business cards. Adela Rivera seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

#### **New Business and Other Unfinished Business**

◆ Beth Widdows reported that the fee to have a spot at the All American Pet Expo at the Novi Showplace (November 15 through 17) has increased. At the last meeting, a vote was taken to rent a 20 x 30 foot space at the cost of \$290. Sue Peters was notified that the fee has increased to \$350 for a smaller space. Assuming Club pays the first \$350, Rescue has offered to pay \$100 to get a larger booth. Education is considering contributing \$100. Adela Rivera proposed a motion that the Club authorize up to \$350 to rent the floor space. By accepting Rescue's offer to pay \$100, the larger booth size will be rented and if Education contributes \$100 towards the fee, the Club total could be as low as \$250. Kathy Kittle seconded the motion. Members voted in favor and the motion was passed.

◆ Angela Evans indicated during the May meeting a discussion was held to hold a raffle for the quilt donated by Sharon Horn "The 12 Dog Days of Christmas". After the meeting, Sue Peters posted a picture of the quilt to the group list, asking for fundraising suggestions. Angela Evans asked Adela Rivera to contact Sue, to decide whether or not to proceed with a raffle at this time. Adela agreed to contact Sue Peters.

◆ Angela Evans suggested at the July meeting the idea of Club having a Facebook page. Angela suggested it, because of the success that Rescue has had with its Facebook page. Beth Widdows indicated that making up a page is not difficult, but monitoring it takes time and postings should be done on a regular basis, even daily; otherwise the page becomes stagnant. Susan Bloomfield volunteered to administer a page for the Club, if someone else would assist in developing it. Beth Widdows stated someone from Rescue would probably be willing to help set up a page for Susan and perhaps create a banner for the header. Beth will contact Marcia Reimer to request assistance.

❖ **General Information/Club Members** - Bev Walker's, GrCh Glenlea's South Shore Qwik Step (Maxim) and Skerryvore South Shore What Lola Wants (Lola) had a litter of 7 puppies - 4 girls and 3 boys, on September 13.

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#### ***Board Meeting***

***Monday, November 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. - Howell Recreation Center***

#### ***Next Club Meeting***

***Monday, November 18, 2013 at 7 p.m. - Howell Recreation Center  
(ELECTIONS FOR 2014)***

#### ***Adjournment***