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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *Bev Walker*

Hi All! Now that summer has arrived it's time to plan for picnic. We will need help for set up and take down. 4 p.m. on Fri. for set up and take down on Sat. I need definite commitments for this as it is a lot of work to do this. It is your picnic too and help is needed just like at specialty. I have a vendor coming who I have purchased trophies from in the past. She makes beds, blankets, treats, toys and does special orders. It's Simply For Pets by Shona Shaw. Her prices are reasonable. Please visit her booth at picnic. It's looking more like chicken from VG's for picnic. I am still looking in to pig roast. Cross your fingers for good weather. Please RSVP. I will be getting with certain members about soda, water, plastic wear, etc. as it gets closer. Hope you are all enjoying the warmer weather and lack of snow.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Frankenmuth Dog Bowl – Info Table – May 24, 25, 2014 – Contact Sue Peters to volunteer

Club Meeting and Westie Picnic – July 12, 2014 – Bev Walker's home (RSVP Please)

Earthdog Schedule at Metamora

- Practices, June 14, July 19, Aug 2
- Test, August 16, 2014
- Private Practice sessions available

Barn Hunt

- Seminar/Fun Match 6/20
- Trials, 6/21 and 6/22 Armada, MI See <http://www.getactivek9.com/> for Premium and details



MEETING MINUTES *May 19, 2014*

Present: Carole Beaudry, Jim Beaudry, Jackie Curtis, Angela Evans, Josh Genaw, Kathy Kittle, Sara L. LeRoux, Janet Lindgren, Jim Lyddon, Chet Mienaltowski, Sue Peters, Gary Porrett, Adela Rivera, Clarence Sheufelt, Jean Sheufelt, Bev Walker, Cathy Weishaupt, Beth Widdows

Visitors: Marty Boyer

General Business

Reading of the Minutes from the March 17, 2014 meeting was waived.

- ❖ **Report of President** – No report
- ❖ **Report of Secretary** - No report
- ❖ **Report of Treasurer** – Bev Walker reported for Cathy Kelley what the current balance is in the Club's checking account.

❖ **Committee Reports**

Rescue and Education Corporation Reports - Carole Beaudry reported on that Rescue currently has 5 dogs in care. There are four possible new surrenders. Carole reported for Education that ads were placed in the Detroit News/Free Press, the Lansing State Journal and the Grand Rapids Press, Placing ads in these papers will cover the whole state.

Specialty 2014 – Adela Rivera stated that Specialty was a success this year. After expenses, the Club netted \$437.44. Adela had on hand extra Westie Side Story T-shirts for sale. No set price, only a good will donation. Carole Beaudry reported that Rescue did very well with the quilt raffle, Chinese raffle and miscellaneous sale items.

Specialty 2015 - Adela Rivera agreed to be Show Chair for 2015. Sue Peters volunteered to assist Adela and indicated she would help with email communications on the group list. Regarding Show Secretary, Adela will call Barb Boggess, to ask her if she would consider being Show Secretary next year. Jackie asked who has the contract for MBF, because it must be sent in immediately. Adela stated that Barb Boggess has the contract. Adela will talk to Barb about the contact when she calls to discuss Show Secretary for 2015. Angela Evans indicated that she received a letter from AKC, where the AKC has closed out its records for this year's show. The letter also stated that the Club must submit both their application and judging panel for next year's event at least 18 weeks prior to the closing date of the event. Jackie Curtis indicated that the letter should go to whoever is going to be Show Secretary for the 2015 Show.

AKC Compliance for 2015 - Beth Widdows reported that the Club has met AKC compliance requirements to hold a specialty next year.

Monroe Fall Specialty 2014 - Angela Evans stated that Sherry Bittles has submitted the application for the Monroe Fall show.

Club Fundraising – Adela Rivera said that she and Sara LeRoux are going to discuss Club fundraising at the July meeting/picnic. Sue Peters displayed the two table toppers, Westie Quilts, and one non-Westie quilt donated by Sharon Horn. Sharon indicated to Sue that either Club or Rescue could have them; whenever they are most needed to raise funds. Jackie Curtis suggested the Club take all of them, because Rescue has items it can sell on Ebay. Jackie motioned that the Club be allowed to take the table toppers and quilts; Janet Lindgren seconded the motion. A vote was taken and was unanimously passed in favor of the Club. For the time being, Adela Rivera will keep the quilts at her residence.

❖ **Miscellaneous**

Wagtales – Articles, pictures and any information are due by Monday, May 26, 2014.

Website – Angela Evans stated that Clare Sheufelt will now be able to assume the position of webmaster for the Club. Angela will assist Clare with training and/or questions.

Frankenmuth Dog Bowl – Sue Peters reported that participation at the Dog Bowl in Frankenmuth will be both May 24 and 25. Jackie Curtis indicated that if volunteers are needed on Sunday that she is available. Sue will post an email to the group with the volunteers' schedule and location where the Club's table will be stationed.

Summer Picnic – The picnic will take place at Bev Walker's home in Fenton. The Club meeting will begin at 11 a.m., with the picnic to start at 1 p.m. Bev will need help with set up on Friday afternoon. Sue Peters announced that she and Beth Widdows have arranged for Linda Lundstrom from the Zodiac Ranch, to demonstrate how Barn Hunt works. All dogs at the picnic will have a chance to participate. There will be ribbons given out and prizes awarded to the dogs with the fastest time. Because of Sue and Beth's help at Barn Hunt events, Linda is putting on this demo free of charge. Expected time for the activity to begin is right after lunch. The Club will have a 50/50 raffle. Sue will have a welcome table and is going to donate a doggie door prize. Bev suggested looking into the cost of a pig roast. If a pig roast is cost prohibitive, then the main food item will be chicken. Bev will check into prices for both. Sue Peters suggested the cost for lunch be \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children; same as what we charge for lunch at Specialty. Anyone who wants to attend must RSVP by July 5th to Bev Walker.

Christmas Party 2014 – A date for this year's Christmas Party was chosen: December 7 as first choice and then December 14, if the hall is not available on the 7th. Angela Evans will email Cathy Kelley, so she can contact the hall to firm up a date.

Club Membership – No readings for Active or Associate membership.

- ❖ **Other Miscellaneous** – Sue Peters indicated that if Club or Rescue wants to do fundraising on their own, to contact Sue. Sue will provide the tables and canopy. Sue asked if the Club wanted to participate at the Highland Games in Livonia in August. It was decided not to participate because it's really not an event for dog people. Beth Widdows said that attending with our Westies and not as a formal group is just as much fun. And, we would still be able to talk to anyone who asked about a Westie. Sue mentioned Dog Day in the Park which is held in September by the Grand Rapids Kennel Club. Jackie Curtis indicated that she could attend. Jackie will contact Jean Story and Bonnie Wilson, to find out if they are available too. Sue reported that the Novi Pet Expo is scheduled for November 21, 22 and 23.

Janet Lindgren stated that she has been approached by other clubs, to ask if our Club would be interested in putting on a joint Specialty. Several points were brought up that we would not be able to have the type of show we usually put on if joined with another club. Motions were placed on the floor; a vote was taken and passed unanimously to continue to have Specialty stand alone.

❖ **New Business and Other Unfinished Business**

Bev Walker will chair the nominating committee for 2015 Officer and Board positions. Sara LeRoux and Jim Lyddon agreed to be on the committee with Bev.

Angela Evans stated that those who are listed as Active members are participants at scheduled events. It was discussed that people are not joining clubs as much as in the past.

- ❖ **General Information/Club Members** – Jackie Curtis, Susan Bloomfield and Carole Beaudry attended the Hudson Mills Metro Park Cancer fundraiser in Dexter. Due to the really cold weather and rain, they left early. Jackie said that the event was well planned, but the weather ruined it. Adela Rivera reported that Pet Smart has opened a new in Detroit. It is located near the train station.

Adjournment

Next Club Meeting

Saturday, July 12, 2014 at 11 a.m.

Bev Walker's House in Fenton

Picnic at 1 p.m.

Barn Hunt Demo (immediately after lunch)

BOARD MEETING MINUTES May 19, 2014

Attendance: Angela Evans, Gary Porrett, Bev Walker, Cathy Weishaupt

- ❖ Reading of Minutes of last meeting were waived
- ❖ Report of President – None
- ❖ Report of Secretary - None
- ❖ Report of Treasurer – None
- ❖ Unfinished Business
 - * Discussed participation of Club members in Club activities. After review of the list of active members, it was determined that almost all active members participate in Club events. The Board decided that a point system would not be practical for current members.
 - * Discussed whether placing “a dog for sale” ad in Wagtales be allowed. The Board agreed that Club members who had a Westie for sale could do so by posting an email on the group list. Ads have not and will not be allowed in Wagtales.