



# TOTAL RECALL

## FEBRUARY, 2008

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### Notes and reminders...

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: FEBRUARY 18, 2008 @ 7:00 PM**

**NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: FEBRUARY 18, 2008 @ 8:00 PM**

### ELECTIONS

Elections for officers and directors will be held in May. If anyone is interested in running for a position, please contact any Board member to express your interest.

### FUNDRAISERS

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### COMEDY NIGHT

Rod Sabatini is coordinating the Comedy Night on February 15. Contact Rod if you would like tickets

[rottie1\[underscore\]pgh@yahoo.com](mailto:rottie1[underscore]pgh@yahoo.com).

Tickets are \$10.00. The show will again be free of vulgar material. See page 5 for more details.

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**TDI/CGC Testing will be held at KCC on Sunday, March 2 from 9 am to 12 noon.**

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### KCTC MEMBERSHIP MEETING January 21, 2008

#### ATTENDEES:

Dan Goldberg, Michele Manion, Jean Miller, Caroline Chapman, Joyce Petrow, Lucy McCloskey, Betty Jean Maier, Arden Reining, Barbara Pohodich, Rod Sabatini,

#### CALL TO ORDER

Michele (in Toni's absence – she is teaching a class) called the meeting to order at 8:05. Last meeting's Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes were approved.

#### ELECTIONS

Elections for officers and directors will be held in May. If anyone is interested in running for a position, please contact any Board member to express your interest. The Board serves as the Nominating Committee, per the Bylaws.

#### CLEAN-UP AND PAINTING

We need to put another coat of paint on the bottom of the walls, paint a stripe, then do final clean up, hang things back on walls, etc. The dates will be Sat. Feb. 2 (paint walls) and Feb. 9 (paint stripe, clean up, and hang). Everyone is requested to pitch in and help. All members are obligated to help in at least one event during the year, and this would be a good opportunity!

This led to a discussion of how we can get more people to participate in club events. Ideas included membership discounts for those who help at a lot of events, phone calls to new people, moving some meetings back to the club, parties following meetings and events, more guest speakers and seminars, and more social events.

## FUNDRAISERS

The next fundraiser will be Joe Corbi pizza and other products. Order forms were given out, and will be available at the club. Order forms are due back to Pam Lewis by March 7. Delivery will be March 19.

Rod Sabatini is coordinating the Comedy Night on February 15. Contact Rod if you would like tickets ([rottie1\[underscore\]pgh@yahoo.com](mailto:rottie1[underscore]pgh@yahoo.com)). Tickets are \$10, like last year, and the show will again be free of vulgar material.

Future fundraising ideas include the frozen pies that were so popular last year, Sarris chocolates and candy, and gift wrap for the winter holiday season. Please contact Pam Lewis if you have other ideas for fundraising.

## FEISTY FIDO CLASS

Joyce plans to teach a "Feisty Fido" class for dogs that display aggression toward other dogs while on leash, later this year. There will be a 6-dog limit. She will need assistants for that class. Please contact Joyce if you would like to help.

## MASSAGE SEMINAR

Dan thanked those who attended the massage seminar with Maria Duthie. The club purchased her book and CD, which are available to any member who wishes to borrow them.

## WEB SITE EDITOR

Alexis Tate has volunteered to become our new web site editor. Teresa's extensive work travel has limited her ability to serve this function.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Caroline provided a summary of K-9er activity. Two demos are planned.

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### INSTRUCTORS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED

Joyce said that we are in need of more Instructors and Assistants. We will train anyone who is interested, and this is not a life-long commitment! Teaching is fun and rewarding. Please contact Joyce if you are interested.

### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20.

## HELP THE WASHINGTON AREA HUMANE SOCIETY

### EMAIL FROM MONA CALLAHAN AND DAWN OWENS

I am not sure if you are aware of a simple way that you can help the Washington Area Humane Society get a much needed makeover. There is a website called zootoo that was started by the former CEO of Meow Mix. He is giving away a one million dollar makeover to a deserving shelter. Here is how you can help. To be in the running to get the makeover the shelter must be in the top 20 nationwide in points. Points are earned by logging on to the website and registering. It only takes a few minutes and it can earn the shelter 100 points. If you do it through the e-mail that we will send you (in a separate e-mail) another 100 points will be generated for the referral. You can also earn points for the shelter in various other ways on the site itself. The Washington Area Humane Society is currently in 1<sup>st</sup> place by over 400,000 points. Please take a minute to help and spread the word to all you know. The shelter is in desperate need of a makeover and the animals are the ones who will benefit. Below are the steps to register.

### How to vote

To place a free vote

Log on at [www.zootoo.com](http://www.zootoo.com)

Click Shelter Makeover then Join Now

Follow directions

Password (voters choice)

Include Zip code 15330 for WAHS

E-mail will be returned for confirmation.

### Vote total

As of Jan. 21, votes for WAHS totaled more than 811,000. A shelter in New York is in second place with more than 350,000.

The contest ends on March 31, 2008. Don't hesitate—vote today.

## FEISTY FIDO CLASS



Joyce Petro will be teaching a “Feisty Fido” class for dogs who show aggression toward other dogs **while on leash**. She will be doing this later this year. There will be a 6-dog limit. She will need assistants for that class. Please contact Joyce if you would like to help.

## THANK YOU

**Our thanks to Teresa DiGiorgio who has given her time and energy to doing our website! She has to relinquish this because of changes in her work schedule. Welcome to Alexis Tate who will now be taking over that task. A big “Thank You” to both of you!!**

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### SPECIAL THANKS

I do a Sunday morning Basic Obedience class at 11 a.m. and it's over by noon. In spite of the fact that I ask during most classes if there are any questions, it's usually when the class ends that people come up to ask questions and linger for a while to talk about problems. Recently, Pete Grandillo and one of his agility groups decided that they wanted to have some extra practice time on alternate Sundays and were going to gather at noon. When Pete came in the first Sunday, I asked him if there was any chance that he and his group could start a little later so that the Basic Obedience folks would have a chance to ask their questions and leave without feeling that they were being rushed out. Pete talked this over with his group and they very generously decided not to start their agility practice until 1:00! So I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to Pete and his group for this courtesy. I really appreciate their consideration for the Basic Obedience people.

Marian Roznowski

### NEW MEMBERS/CHANGES

Maryann Snyder endorsed by Rod Sabatini and Ed Hanke has applied for membership.

James Ellison endorsed by Michele Manion and Mary Ann Thompson has applied for membership.

### NEWSLETTER ADS

**\$5 per month for a quarter page ad**

**\$10 for a half page ad**

Email [mmmanion@comcast.net](mailto:mmmanion@comcast.net)

**Checks made payable to KCC**

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# A DAWG GONE FUNNY FUNDRAISER

Slapsticks!  
Comedy Loft

2660 Library Rd.  
Pittsburgh, PA 15234

Friday **Feb 15<sup>th</sup>** 8:00pm  
Three comedians – no vulgar material.

Tickets \$10.00 due by Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>

Pay by cash, check or money order payable to KCC  
Contact Rod at [rottie1\\_pgh@yahoo.com](mailto:rottie1_pgh@yahoo.com)

**We would like to sell 120 tickets this time for the club.  
We get half of the money raised for our Fundraising activities.  
There are only a few weeks left. Tickets are at the club and can  
also be purchased from your instructor.**

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### COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT FOR KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB

**Arden Courts (Encore Performance) –  
Valentine Theme – Feb. 9, 2008**

**Country Meadows Living Center  
(Encore Performance) – St. Patrick’s  
Day Theme) – March 15, 2008**

### **Notes from Caroline**

We did a demo at Pathfinder School –  
Birthday Theme – January 9

At this performance we celebrated a  
birthday for eleven year old Michael.  
He had never had a birthday party or  
been invited to one. You see, Michael  
has a feeding tube. Special thanks to  
Sally Tress, Barb Pohodich and Patti  
Ennis who took time off from their jobs  
to attend this demo.

Thanks also to Arden Reihing and her  
“Buck” who were able to participate in  
the demo at the Pathfinder School on  
January 25. She was able to handle Buck  
with the assistance of Tom Bandi

**Thanks to all the K-ers who  
participate in these demos.**

### WHAT IS A DOG?

What makes a dog a dog? What makes a  
German Shepherd and a Cocker Spaniel  
– two very different kinds of dogs – the  
same species?

The full scientific name for a dog is  
*Canis lupus familiaris*. The dictionary  
defines a dog as a domesticated  
carnivorous mammal related to the foxes  
and wolves and raised in a wide variety  
of breeds.

Yes, our dogs are descendents of wolves.  
It’s amazing that over the course of  
several thousand years and in some cases  
just decades, dog breeds have become  
varied and distinct. It’s fair to say that a  
genetically refined, domesticated dog is  
not a wolf, although the fact remains that  
the direct connection exists. Remember  
the saying, “You can take the dog out of  
the wolf, but you can’t take the wolf out  
of the dog.”

With this in mind it is easier to  
understand what makes our dogs what  
they are.

A dog is a social animal: likes to live in  
packs not alone; not only likes to, but  
needs to chew; prefers meat to  
vegetables and is healthier with a meat-  
based protein source. They communicate  
by barking and get a lot of information  
through their noses.

Good point to remember. Breeds of  
dogs were developed to perform certain  
tasks, and those characteristics help  
define who they are and whether they  
will fit in with our lifestyles.

Research your breed to find out what his  
general characteristic is and if they will  
be adaptable to you and your family.



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