



The President's Report by Amanda Hackbarth

Happy New Year!!! I hope you had a great and wonderful holiday season. We certainly did at the Hackbarth household. Jax got lots of presents from Santa and loved opening all his gifts and playing non stop with all his new toys. We were also a little sad having our first Christmas without Greta.

Well 2018 is a very special year for our club. The club was started in 1928 making this our "90th" birthday! Of course we want to celebrate all year. In the fall I asked some members, and former members, for pictures from the club's past. Even though they said they would help me out I haven't heard anything from them since. I thought it would be fun to showcase some of our members from the past and have some fun pictures to show everyone in the upcoming issues of the NSN, the club's education booth and at our specialty show. Please let me know if you would be able to help me out?

Talking about the specialty show coming up over Mother's Day weekend in May, I'd really like to have a great celebration. Laura and Donna are coming up with some great prizes for the specialties, obedience and rally trials. Good news - Laura is ready to accept your trophy donations right now. Please contact her to sign up for a trophy or two or three. They start at \$10 and go up from there for High in Trial etc. Laura can be contacted at minadog10@hotmail.com or 206-356-6689 to make a donation. The best news about that is even if you're living far away from club meetings or can't make club meetings, you can donate to YOUR club to help with expenses.

Of course we will be having our famous raffle again this year. We will need donations for that too. So take advantage of after Christmas sales if you see anything that would sell lots of raffle tickets.

I hope you'll be able to make it to our February meeting. What's special about this meeting is it's our annual awards night. We're not only going to celebrate some members accomplishments from 2017 but did you know that the Chinese New Year is celebrating the Year of the Dog!!! Of course that alone is a cause for celebration. Our food theme for February is - bet you can't guess it? Chinese food potluck. Please join in the fun by bringing a Chinese dish to the meeting.

For the February education program I've asked Larry from Pet First Aid Seattle to come talk to us about pet first aid. He has accepted and is looking forward to coming and talking to us. Come perfect your first aid skills.

I hope you make a New Year's resolution to help YOUR club out with trophy, raffle and food donations. Looking forward to seeing some of you helping out at 2018 club events. Remember you earn club points for some nice club gear!



The club's Obedience C Match will be held on April 22 at Carco Park in Renton.

Good practice and a few days before our specialty closing dates. You'll still have time to determine whether or not your dog is ready to be entered and an excellent opportunity to work on the actual show grounds. More details in the next issue...



JANUARY

26 - Nickcoal Grip

FEBRUARY

5 - Jim Brown

6 - Cindy Stratton

7 - Barb Donahey

12 - Bruce Smith

15 - Scott Hackbarth

Meeting Dates

<u>Monthly Meeting Dates</u> <u>(1st Thurs of Month)</u>	<u>Board Meeting</u> <u>(3rd Mon of Month)</u>
February 1, 2018 (Plaque Awards)	February 19, 2018
March 1, 2018	March 19, 2018
April 5, 2018	April 16, 2018
May 3, 2018	May 20, 2018
June 7, 2018	June 18, 2018
July 5, 2018	July 16, 2018
August 2, 2018	August 20, 2018



...**Club Meetings**...guests are always welcome to attend and enjoy our meetings, picnic, auction, and parties. See driving directions to hall on page 12.

...**February 1, 2018 Meeting:** Plaques will be awarded to members finishing an AKC title on their GSD during 2017. Also there will be a program on first aid for your dog. See flyer on pages 16 and 17.

2018 AKC C Obedience Match (April 22)

Here's your chance to see if your dog is ready to enter the specialties while working on the actual show grounds - Carco Park in Renton.

2018 Specialty Shows (May 12-13): Sounds like a long ways away, but many preparations for these shows are necessary months before the actual shows. The deadline for the premium list will be in February. All trophies must be listed in this document, as well as judges and the classes they will be judging, plus location of the show and other information — the most important of which is the entry blank.

2018 Temperament Test - July 15 Held at Carco Park in Renton, WA. No prior training required to enter the test. Dogs must be at least 1 year old. Watch for details in future issues of the NSN.

2018 CLUB DUES... Did you miss paying your dues on time? No biggy, but you have to add an extra \$10 as a late fee for every month after January. Also January will be your last NSN until your dues are paid. **PAY NOW!!**

Club Web Site: GSDCofWS.org You can find information there about club activities, officers, newsletters, etc.

Tidbits

by Dalene

While beginning work on this issue, I had the Carol Burnett 50th anniversary show on. I just had to stop and watch Tim's dentist skit. It was still very, very funny even after all these years — I had to laugh out loud. He had to be the master of deadpan.

Well, the New Year started out right for me — I finally found three Christmas gifts I had purchased in November and then hid so certain people wouldn't find them. I could not find them after looking from one end of the house to the other...at least three times. Then on New Year's Day I picked up a plastic bag — and there they were. I hope this trend continues as I'm really getting tired of spending so much time looking for something I just had in my hands a few minutes before.

How long will it take you to get used to writing 2018 on your checks, etc, instead of 2017? I've found in the past (especially when I was working), I did very well on that year change for the first week or two and then relaxed feeling I was not having a problem. Once I relaxed about it, I began writing the previous year.

Okay, the jig is up! They have finally decided that you can become addicted to gaming, so now you know you are "sick" if that's your problem. Actually, I think they should include being on your cell phone an addiction. No matter where you go, people are looking at their cell phone...or are they gaming on them? Especially when they are crossing a street.

The sad part is no matter what technology they come up with, someone is waiting in the wings to figure out a way to use it for nefarious deeds! Ergo, the guy who made a 911 call giving false information about a house several states away, saying he had just shot his father in the head. When the police arrived they surrounded the house and when the man who lived there

walked out onto the front porch to see what was going on, they shot him to death because he raised his hand and they thought he had a gun in his hand. Now that's carrying things too far! We have some pretty demented people wandering around out there who are not nice.

If you go away from our Christmas dinners hungry, it's your own fault...plenty of food for everyone. Lorrie brought her wonderful fudge and Donna Gonzalez brought her famous potato dish, Cindy baked a tasty turkey for us to enjoy, along with all the other great food people brought.

I had fully intended to arrive at the hall early to help with the decorations, but the club printer decided to be quirky. I put Erika to work helping and we managed to have 20 copies ready for the meeting. Good guess, that's exactly the number of people attending!

I finished off the other copies the next day with much screaming and hollering at the printer and they weren't mailed until the following Monday. I bought the postage on my way to my sister's in Arlington; there I put on the postage and she put on the Christmas sticker (where I usually staple them) to hold the issues closed while going through the mail. I thought that was a festive idea.

Speaking of the staples in the newsletter, the side with the one staple is the side you open. I've had two people chide me lately for putting too many staples in that have to be pulled apart, so I go into my spiel of "look at the cover and then take out the single staple on the right".

For days before Christmas they kept saying on the news that everyone was hoping for a white Christmas...and what to they do when we have

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one? Drive into the ditches and each other on the roads and complain about not being able to go to planned events. Come on people, you can't have it both ways.

The huge AMTRAK accident was big news for quite a while. One of the guys that live along my driveway was in it. He sustained injuries to his neck and head, but nothing very serious, he wasn't hospitalized. Just patched up and sent off so someone else could take his place on the table. He did say it was scary to look out the window of the car he was in and see all the bodies on the ground below them. For all he could tell, they were all dead, but luckily only 3 people were killed, but LOTS of injuries.

On to more pleasant news. Betty Winthers' Papillon Choco finished his Platinum Grand Championship with the enviable record of 14 Bests in Show, 22 Bests in Specialties, 48 Group 1's, 75 Group placements, and over 225 Bests of Breed. WOW. He's retired from the shows now.

A magazine article said to put a couple pine cones sprayed with apple cider vinegar under your tree to keep your cat from being under the tree. I tried it and — the pine cones are Shadows new favorite toys and I find them all over the living room. Really brings home the saying "Don't believe everything you read!"

Funny thing about old sayings, they usually have at least a kernel of truth in them.

Listened to an audio book by Mary Daheim titled "Gone With The Win" and she is from Seattle. At the beginning they are talking about geoducks, and pronounced it like that. I wondered if I had been pronouncing it wrong all my life? Looked it up in the dictionary and I was correct...it IS pronounced like "goeey", not ge-oh. I always have to smile when I listen to books that mispronounce names of places and things. The Willamette area in Oregon always gets them as well as Spokane. You'd

think they'd make an effort to let the reader know the correct pronunciation. But maybe they feel the person on the CD won't murder the words any worse than the actual reader will in their head. Most people probably skip quickly over any words they don't know how to pronounce anyway, but they're good for a quick chuckle on the CDs if you happen to know the correct pronunciation.

For my daughter Dionne's birthday on New Year's Eve, four of us went to see "The Greatest Showman". It was a show that you came out of feeling good, kind of like an old musical popular in my younger days where everything prompted a song, whether it be sad or happy, and you walked out of the theatre with a smile on your face.

My neighbor sent me a small article which appears on page 11 about being a Seenager. I'm afraid I fall into that category for sure.

Leslee's father is very ill, so Leslee may not be able to order the plaques for the February meeting. Stay tuned to Amanda's messages to the membership to find out the final details. We may just put them off for a month if no one else volunteers to take it over for this year,

EVENTS FOR THE FUTURE:

- Let Laura know if you're willing to donate a trophy/prize for classes at the specialty shows this year in May.
- Let Laura know if you're willing to donate your time for stewarding or any other job at the specialties.
- The club will be having a C Match two or more weeks before the specialties so you can practice working in a ring-like atmosphere before the show entries close.
- Items you'd like to donate to the club raffle at the Saturday Specialty.
- Temperament Test coming up in July — need volunteers for the stations in the test. If your dog hasn't earned the TC title, this will be the perfect opportunity to do so. Dogs have to be

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OBEDIENCE TRAINING AT YOUR CONVENIENCE

Have a young or old dog to train in obedience? Can't find a class that's convenient for you, whether it's location or time of day? These three DVDs are your answer.

Dogs can begin formal training at 12 weeks of age and any time thereafter if you have kind of let their training slip by.

These three DVDs contain all the novice obedience exercises:

Heel on Leash & Figure 8
Stand for Examination
Heel Off Leash
Recall
Finish
Sit Stay
Down Stay

All the exercises you need if you are interested in showing at dog shows in the AKC Novice Obedience Class or Beginner Novice Class. They are also the basics for any other training you are interested in.

OR

These same exercises will give you a well-trained dog to be your lifetime friend and companion — whether you are interested in showing or not.



Training Without Treats!

You can buy the DVDs for \$75 and train by yourself (at your convenience), or call and set up one or more private lessons (one free lesson), if you wish — either to get you started or to check on your progress after working with the DVDs for a few weeks — at \$30 each.

Using the DVDs, you can train when it's convenient for you, no worry about missing a class and getting behind. You can watch a segment over several times until you're sure you understand it before working with your dog. You can also call me if you have any questions. Once your dog knows the exercises, you can take him/her out to work in public to learn to work around distractions instead of learning to ignore distractions AND trying to learn his lessons at the same time.

PRICE - \$75 for complete DVD set (plus \$4 postage)

Claiburne Kennels

Contact: Dalene McIntire 253-852-0605 dalenemcintire@q.com

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EVENTS FOR THE FUTURE (Continued)

- one year old, can be any breed, no prior training necessary.
- AHBA Herding test at Ewe-Topia in August, watch newsletter for date. No prior training necessary for this event either.
- If you're interested in being on the 2019 club calendar, start taking pictures for it now or go through your stash at home to find "just the right one".
- Club Auction at the October meeting — keep your eyes open for items to donate to the auction, whether like-new items around your place or bargains you see in the stores between now and then.

Our club, though down in number of members, is still very active and sponsoring most of the events begun when our membership was much larger. To continue with all our great programs, it is necessary that our present members sit up and help out, donate, etc to these events. The largest majority of our membership is content to let the "others" do all the work. This can't continue or we'll be posting on Facebook one day that our club is no longer in existence. The fewer members we have, the more work is piled on the shoulders of the few who struggle to keep this club a going concern.

What a shame if this happens to us (as it has to many others in the country, both specialty and all-breed clubs). This club was formed in 1928 which means we are now 92 years old! That's older than I am! Are we going to let it die of old age? Or jump in and help and breathe new life into it? If every member would donate something to the club in the way of help at functions, attendance at meetings, or monetary donations, we would be in great shape.

The choice is yours...

If you care to donate trophy money to the GSDCA (parent club) Futurity Shows this year,

they are looking for donations. Also ads in the Futurity/Maturity catalog (same catalog goes to all the futurities). Check with Candice Zumwalt at candiasgsd@silverstar.com for prices on ads and amounts required for trophies.

Had to take my computer to the Tacoma Mall or wait a week for an appointment at Southcenter. I haven't been there for ages...it is like driving through the Lost City. Had to stop twice to ask directions.

The good thing was they were able to fix it...the bad thing was they had to erase everything...the lucky thing was I have always had an external hard drive plugged into my computer so everything was restored. I was sweating that, believe me. The scary thing was I had to do it. They erased it, then told me what to do when I was back home for the restoration. You talk about breaking out in a sweat every time I had to click on "continue". Kept waiting for it to give me some kind of error message, but luckily it never happened.

My best advice to anyone using a computer — make sure you back it up! You won't be sorry. If your computer never crashes, you're lucky, but if it does you're even luckier if it's backed up!

Lovely/cute picture on Facebook of Sandy Anderson's Woodside's Megabuck: 2X US and Canadian Grand Victor, 2X US Select Excellent and Canadian Select, Multi Best In Show, Best in Specialty, #1 GSD USA in 2014, US ROM, OFA H&E DM Clear. He is pictured with his young owner Parker (looks to be about 3-4 years old maybe, Parker, not the dog).

If you read Amanda's "President's Report", you'll know this is our club's 90th year "birthday". I wonder how many others can say that? I wasn't even alive then....

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FOR SALE

Helen Word has a like-new dog crate for sale.

Price - \$45

Crate is an olive and cream colored Pet Mate Vari-Kennel. Dimensions are approximately 12" W x 30" L x 27" H. (see picture below)

Pick up at Helen's (lives near Olympia), call for directions—360-866-7842



hello
february

CLUB PINS AVAILABLE



Club pins are only \$5 each (pictured at right).

Buy a couple so you don't have to be changing them from one jacket to another

Pins are available from Amanda or Dalene.

Driving Directions to Manhattan Community Hall



From I-5 driving north: Take the Orilla exit, turn left at end of exit, follow S 188th on across Highway 99 and through tunnel under the runway; stay on this road, which becomes Des Moines Memorial Drive, until you come to the light at 8th Avenue S, turn left, then right on South 186th, right on 4th Avenue S., and right on South 183rd (which is really a gravel driveway at this point), drive to the end to Manhattan Community Hall.

(You are basically making a big circle after you turn onto S. 186th as the hall is at the end of a dead end road.)

From I-5 driving south: Take the Orilla exit, turn right, follow from S. 188th above.

There are other ways to drive there, but these are the simplest. Phone number at the hall is **206-433-9900** if you get lost, whether following these directions or your own, and y. If you want to Google it, the address is 18300 - 4th Avenue South, Burien, WA.

GSDC OF WASHINGTON STATE ANNUAL DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY



The beginning of all parties – decorating!



Faith & Cody checking to make sure Theresa placed the greens decorations just right on the tables



Cooks in the kitchen – Cindy Stratton and Kerry Southern



All the gifts were all laid by the tree – including the doggy gift table in front



Get in line – if you snooze you lose!



Jax trying to scope out the doggy presents



Wrangler showing off his Christmas scarf



Waiting to see if you're going to lose your gift



GSD Cookies - what else for a GSD party?

(Party photos by Amanda, that's why she isn't in any of them!)



Kimmy Seward, always smiling

🐾 **NEW CALENDAR** 🐾

2018 GSDC of Washington State Calendar

The club's 2018 calendar will be available for sale by October 5

Price is \$10 each

Perfect gift for that special friend or family member
for Christmas or their birthday.

Some Samples from this year's calendars below...

Contact Dalene McIntire to reserve your copy now
253-852-0605 or dalenemcintire@q.com



Photo of the Month



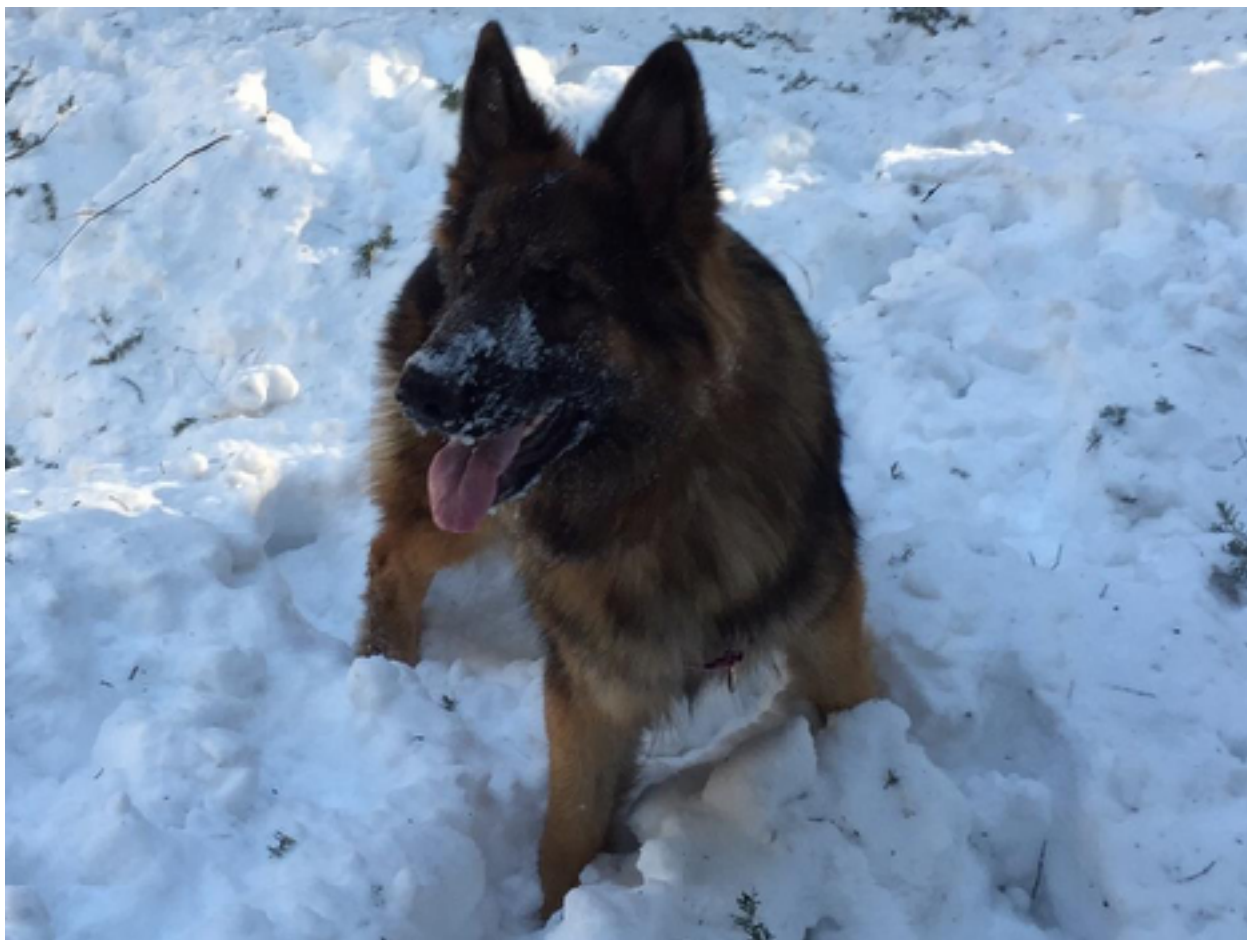
Submitted by Donna Sater

To submit your puppy or dog picture for publication on this page in a future issue, send it either electronically or by snail mail to Dalene McIntire. (dalenemcintire@q.com). Address is on the newsletter masthead.

REMINDERS: Working at club activities earns points toward your club shirt and jacket. However, it is up to you to make sure the chairman has your name on the list of workers so you will receive credit.

It is also your responsibility to make sure you sign the roster at all club meetings if you want your points for attending. Printing your name will ensure it is readable.

Trifiro Cartoons



Luna Enjoying the December Snow (owned by Erika Brennan)



UKC Ch. Arseniy V Volf

OFA Hips and Elbows good.

**Pictured at 20 months -1/2 German. Beautiful Type,
Med size male. Good temperament, sound of body.
Needs 2 pts to finish AKC Championship.**

Stud fee \$400.

***Inquiries:* contact owner - Marina Salkov at 253-486-4172
or Juanita Williamson at 253-350-6930**

**Please Join Us To Celebrate
Our Annual Awards Night
and the Chinese New Year....Year of the Dog!!!**

Meeting will be at Manhattan Center in Burien
Thursday, February 1st at 7pm.

Our education program will be presented by Larry Fosnick Davis from Pet First Aid Seattle. Have you ever wondered what you would do if one of these things happened to your furry family member?

- Choking
- Bleeding and Wounds
- Bone and Joint Injuries
- Restraint and Transport
- CPR
- Artificial Respiration (AR)
- Eye & Ear Injuries
- Burns, Frostbite, Hypothermia & Heat Stroke
- Poisoning
- Parasites
- Snake bite and insect stings
- Impaled objects
- Infections
- Bandaging
- Foreign Objects
- Shock

Lots to go over in just an hour or so, but definitely
a good and informative meeting!

Please bring your favorite Chinese dish to share with everyone.
The hall does have a microwave oven if you need one.

See next page for more details



Pet First Aid Presentation

Hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Washington State

➤ **February 1, 2018**

7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Location: Manhattan Community Hall, 18300 4th Ave S., Burien, WA 98148

Come join us for an introduction to the world of pet first aid! Why learn about pet first aid? Because there is no 9-1-1 for your furry family members. You are the first responder in the event of an emergency. Our Walks 'n' Wags pet first aid classes will teach you how to identify acute and chronic issues, safely administer aid, become aware of hazards and help give your pets a happy and healthy home. Veterinarian reviewed and approved.

Metro Dog
(206) 284-3647 (DOGS)
PetFirstAid@MetroDogSeattle.com
www.PetFirstAidSeattle.com



The year in review

By Nikki Rohrig

(From Kennel Talk / December 2017 / MWDTSA)

Military working dog teams are spread across the globe and it is our duty as MWDTSA volunteers to support them through various missions. Our non-profit organization would not be able to impact the teams that we support without your help. To those of you who contributed to MWDTSA this year by making a purchase from our Amazon Wish List, donating an item for a care package, making a monetary donation through PayPal for care package postage, or donating money to our Facebook page, we thank you.

Our missions are many, but our goal is one: to support both ends of the leash. Each donation that we receive goes right back out into the hands and paws of the teams that we support. As 2017 comes to a close, I would like to share some of the highlights of our year with you, our supporters.

With the help of our generous donors, MWDTSA was able to send out 735 care packages to deployed MWD teams throughout the year. Each care package is valued at over \$150 and items vary each quarter, according to our theme. We pride ourselves on sending a healthy mix of necessities, as well as fun items to these teams that are away from home for long periods of time. Our postage costs for 2017 totaled \$12,752.25 for care packages alone. This does not take into account any special requests that we receive throughout the year, such as a cooling vest,

tactical vest, RexSpecs or collar.

Our volunteers conducted 15 kennel visits this year, delivering almost \$7000 in goods donated by MWDTSA. On each visit, we were also able to take in donor items such as collapsible water bottles from PetChatz, KONG toys donated through our annual KONGs For K9's drive, baseball dog toys donated by Planet Dog, dog toys purchased through our Petsmart Charities grant and, one of my personal favorites, vacuum-insulated water bottles donated by Fifty/Fifty with our logo etched onto each bottle. These donated goods totaled over \$10,000 for the year! These donations were able to impact 232 MWD teams at kennels throughout the United States, including one kennel in England and a first for MWDTSA...a Coast Guard kennel visit!

MWDTSA had another first this year: we took part in the Petco Foundation "Meet A Helping Hero" event at Petco stores nationwide. We were represented at 15 stores, some of which included a retired MWD team! This was a great public education event for us, allowing us to share with the customers how the Petco Foundation grant made a positive impact our MWD teams.

Public education is one of our many missions and we love to speak about the teams that we support.

To start our year end campaign, we would like to try something new. I challenge each of our supporters to take part in our "5for5" campaign. You donate \$5 to MWDTSA and encourage four of your

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More Tidbits...

Well, by the time you've made your way this far back in this issue, you'll see that I decided to combine the January and February issues for the first time. Just too much going on at the end of the year with Thanksgiving, Christmas, and 4 family birthdays.

So this issue is a few pages longer than usual. I only added a few pages for this double issue to make sure nothing was skipped over by having the "double" issue.

Thanks to Juanita Williamson for her ad on page 15. Only 2 more points needed to finish his AKC championship, shouldn't be difficult to do that. Once you have the majors out of the way, it is a piece of cake.

Diane Waid has a very nice brag on 22. Her My-Ahh earned a new title AKC is trying out in a pilot program — Achiever Dog. At the end of the brag I put an explanation on how to earn this title and which events count toward it. So Diane not only had a wonderful brag, but she's helping educate us all on a new title available to the "doggy" world, including me.

Well, our Seahawks didn't do so well this year. Hopefully, they will do better next year with the changes they are making in coaches and players. At least we never lost a game by more than 6 points except to the Rams, and we had our revenge when they lost a playoff game.

Had some repairs done to the gutters on my house... and of course, it hasn't rained hard enough since then to see how well they are working now. Never thought I'd be hoping for a good, hard rain. Bite my tongue!

...and the rat's tail fell off...



W E L C O M E !!

Please help me welcome our new member for 2018!

A lot of you might know my friend Alicia Olsen already. She's been thinking about joining for years and finally took the plunge. Alicia has been involved with her kids' PTA, and now that she has passed that on to someone else she has more time for our club. She's learned a lot being with the PTA and she's even brought up some ideas on how to improve some club ideas too.

Alicia owns two GSDs, Elijah and Leah, and you might have seen her daughter Aubrie competing in our specialties or local shows in the past couple of years. Aubrie will become a member too after she's been introduced to the membership. Welcome to the club, Alicia!!!

(Written by Amanda)



MWDTSA Volunteers Attend War Dog Premiere

by Nikke Rohrig

MWDTSA was thrilled to accept an invitation to attend the premiere of a new HBO Documentary, **"War Dogs, A Soldier's Best Friend,"** in Los Angeles on November 6th. Channing Tatum is the Executive Producer of this deeply personal documentary that focuses on the bond between three Army Ranger handlers and their MPCs (multi purpose canines), long after they're off the battlefield.

Less than one percent of all military K9s are selected for Special Operations teams. These dogs are dedicated, fearless and highly trained, much like their human counterparts. They're cut from the same cloth and forged to be human/animal teams under the most grueling selection courses known, in order to develop an unbreakable bond and lethal fighting capacity. This is a world where two-legged and four-legged warriors are considered equal members of a team built on loyalty, sacrifice, and love that blurs the line between human and animal.

Our furriest volunteer, RMWD Aura, was in attendance and managed to snag a few photos with some of the attendees. Volunteer Jesca Daniels was "honored to attend and touched by the story" that the documentary delivered. Aura was happy to soak up quite a bit of attention and was able to give out a few kisses and pose for selfies. MWDTSA Board Member Jan Slotar was also in attendance to dish out some MWDTSA info to the attendees. "MWDTSA is honored to be able to impact teams just like the ones

featured in this documentary. It's our mission to support both ends of the leash and provide these teams with the necessary items to make their deployments a little bit easier."

We highly encourage you to catch this documentary through HBO On Demand or view the documentary on the HBO YouTube channel (free for 30 days) at the link provided here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ojVq2Sa-PD0>

(The pictures below are from the web, not MWDTSA)



SEENAGER

I JUST discovered my age group - SEENAGER!

(Senior teenager)

I have everything that I wanted as a teenager, only 50-60 years later. — I don't have to go to school or work — I get an allowance every month.

I have my own pad. — I don't have a curfew.

I have a driver's license and my own car.

I have ID that gets me into bars and the wine store. I like the wine store best.

The people I hang around with are not scared of getting pregnant, they aren't scared of anything, they have been blessed to live this long, why be scared?

And I don't have acne.

Life is Good! Also, you will feel much more intelligent after reading this, if you are a Seenager.

Brains of older people are slow because they know so much.

People do not decline mentally with age; it just takes them longer to recall facts because they have more information in their brains.

Scientists believe this also makes you hard of hearing as it puts pressure on your inner ear.

Also, older people often go to another room to get something and when they get there, they stand there wondering what they came for. It is NOT a memory problem; it is nature's way of making older people do more exercise.

SO THERE!!

I have more friends I should send this to, but right now I can't remember their names.

So, please forward this to your friends; they may be my friends, too

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friends to do the same. The \$25 that you and your friends donate to MWDTSA will help to cover shipping costs, dog toys, and other care package goodies during 2018. Share your donation on social media and tag four of your friends, challenging each of them to do the same.

On behalf of our team of MWDTSA volunteers, I would like to thank each of you for contributing to our mission throughout the year. Our MWD teams appreciate all of your kind thoughts, well wishes, and donations, and we look forward to your continued support in the coming year.

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I have printed articles throughout last year from the MWDTSA's newsletter "Kennel Talk" sharing some of the great stories it has about the volunteers who do so much work as well as about the dogs themselves. Once you recuperate from your Christmas expenses, I challenge each of you to send them a \$25 one-time donation for this year, as I will also be doing in February.

Send to: Dixie Whitman,
3501 MacCorkle Ave. SE #326,
Charleston, WV 25304

Many thanks to the MDWDTSA volunteers, care packages filled with items for dogs and handlers traversed the globe to bring a touch of home into the hands and paws of 735 individual dog teams.

I just wish I could share some of the photos of the dogs and handlers, but for some reason I cannot copy them.

B R A G S



Diane Waid has a BIG brag this month...

Her DiWaid's Southern My-Ahh Girl (3.5 years old) is a multi-talented GSD. Diane and My-Ahh received an Achiever Dog certificate from AKC dated January 2, 2018.

Also trick dog intermediate and trick dog novice certificate dated January 3 for the two tests she passed in November of last year. These tests were taken at Southern Kennels;

On July 19, 2017, she earned her barn hunt novice "RATN" with one third place;

On July 30, 2017, My-Ahh finished her Rally Excellent title, with two first placements at our Shepherd Specialties in May;

On September 24, 2017, My-Ahh earned her Barn Hunt Open "RATO" in Union Gap, Wash. with THREE first places!

I think it's safe to say these two had a very

busy year in 2017.

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(P.S. — I don't think the rats in the picture are real, in case you were wondering.)

In case you are wondering, the "Achiever Dog" title is new from AKC and is now a pilot program - here's their explanation:

The American Kennel Club is excited to announce the launch of its new Achiever Dog certificate program. The AKC Achiever Dog certificate program is designed to recognize those exhibitors and dogs who participate in multiple sports. A dog will receive an AKC Achiever Dog certificate when they have been awarded a placement or earned a qualifying score in three different sports. Dogs can start earning AKC Achiever Dog certificates December 1, 2017.

"Many exhibitors are interested in participating in different sports," said Dr. Carmen Battaglia, AKC Board Member. "The AKC Achiever Dog program is designed to encourage owners to try a variety of sports, finding those they enjoy and realizing success. Both are winners!"

AKC is launching the Achiever Dog as a pilot program. At the end of one year, all owners who have received a certificate will be surveyed to determine the success of the program. Opportunities for improvement will be identified and could lead to a more refined program which recognizes these versatile dogs. The survey finding will help to shape the future of the AKC Achiever Dog certificate program. For more information on this program, visit <http://www.akc.org/events/achiever-dog/> or email achieverdog@akc.org.





AKC Rally & Obedience Championship Date & Location Change

Due to a provision in a corporate contract, the AKC will not be hosting the 2018 Rally National Championship or the National Obedience Championship on March 23-25 in Gray Summit, Missouri, at Purina Farms.

We have secured a new site and date for these events. The 2018 AKC Rally National Championship and the 2018 National Obedience Championship will be moved to June 29-July 1, 2018 and will be held at the Roberts Centre and Eukanuba Hall. The Roberts Centre offers Eukanuba Hall as the perfect venue for dog shows in South Central Ohio.

Roberts Centre
& Holiday Inn
123 Gano Road
Wilmington, Ohio 45177

A block of rooms has been reserved for these events at the Holiday Inn. The individual call in block will open on December 28th at 10am Eastern Standard Time. To make reservations, exhibitors will need to call the Hotel directly at 937-283-3200 and reference the Block Code AKC.

The Rally National Championship will be held on June 29th and the National Obedience Championship will be held on June 30th – July 1st. We will publish additional details as soon as they are

available. The events premium lists will be published in early January, with the opening and closing date information.

All dogs eligible to attend the National Obedience Championship will receive an emailed invitation. Check to ensure your email address is up-to-date on your dog's AKC records. Dogs that have met the qualifications for the Rally National Championship will be published on a list on the AKC RNC webpage. If you don't see your dog's name on the list, and believe it is eligible to attend, email your dog's information to RNC@akc.org for assistance.

We apologize for any inconvenience these changes may cause you, and we look forward to working with Purina on other programs in the future.

Sincerely,

Pamela Manaton
Director of Obedience, Rally and Tracking





WSOTC Sponsored C Match Feb. 3, 2018

Location: Instep Dog Training, 19625 99th Ave SE, Snohomish, WA 98296
For directions visit instepdogobedience.com

The match will consist of run throughs. Food and toys are allowed.
Each run will be limited to 9 minutes.

Starting Time: 9am

Ending Time: 4pm

Cost: \$8/run

First run free for WSOTC members

Preregistration requested. Registrations Due by Feb.1, 2018. If room allows registrations will be taken until 10am on Feb. 3.

Group exercises will be held at 11am, 1pm and 3:50pm

Sharon Colvin has donated her building for our use. Please respect her property by cleaning up after your dog and using the paddock adjacent to the training building to air dogs.

For questions, contact Terrie Sato at 425-788-6628, wdsato@cablespeed.com

GSDC of Washington State C Match

April 22, 2018

Carco Park — Renton, Washington

Contact Kerry Southern for more information

360-893-1622 — vonsudlich@aol.com

Our yearly **Eastside Hushpuppies/Olympic Kennel Club Match**/Conformation B match/OC Obedience and CGC match will be held **Sunday, March 4, 2018 at the Enumclaw Expo Center**. Conformation, junior showmanship, obedience, and CGC + Advanced CGC will be offered. As always, we will have full concessions and a SPECTACULAR basket drawing.

Preregistration is greatly appreciated and recommended. Our flyer is available at:
<http://eshp-4h.pbworks.com/f/2018%20Sanctioned%20B%20Match%20Flyer.pdf>

(On-site registration will also be offered on the match date, beginning at 8:30am, but *preregistration is open now - it really helps us out.*)

This is always a fun match with a large turnout, and is a GREAT warmup for upcoming shows. ***Please pass this info on to anyone who might be interested! We would love some new people!***

If you have any questions, feel free to email Terri - HartBult@aol.com

Looking forward to seeing you there!

LITTER BOX

Whelped: October 22, 2017

Sire: Sajjadi Farms Czar of Fernwood Hills

Dam: Sajjadi Farms Fireball

3 Males - 6 Females — Traditional & dark - blk/tan
and blk/red

Breeder: Gina Sajjadi (206) 226-3231

Call or text

View at "Sajjadi Farms" public Facebook page

Whelped: October 24, 2017

Sire: Atlas von der Hoya "a" normal Hips/Elbows
and DM Clear

Dam: Xascha vom Tanhauser OFA Good Hips/Elbows
and DM Clear

2 Males - 2 Females — Black and Red

Owner: Debra Hughes (360) 748-1966

TannhauserGSD@mindspring.com

www.Tannhauser_shepherds.com

Whelped: December 31, 2017

Sire: Move Like Jagger v Sudlich, BN CGCA TDI,
HIC HCT OFA prelim Hip/Elbows DM Clear

Dam: Southern Chanel vd Bolen, BN CGC HCG,
OFA Hips/Elbows DM Clear

3 Males / 3 Females — Bicolors, 1 B&T male

Breeder: Kerry Southern

vonsudlich@aol.com / 360-893-1622

PLEASE NOTE: The listings of litters in this newsletter are a courtesy to members. A listing does not constitute an endorsement of either the dogs or the breeders by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Washington State.

Two litters per year may be listed in the "Litter Box" for two months for free. After that there is a charge of \$10 per month. Send info to Dalene (editor) and/or to the club's Web Site, gsdcfws.org.

NOTE: New requirements: both the dam and sire of litters posted here must be OFA certified and a copy of certificates sent to editor.

Having OFA hips and elbows is very important and since it can be a selling point (and it is too easy to just say they are), proof must be supplied. Such copies will be kept on file so they need not be supplied with subsequent listings for that particular dog.

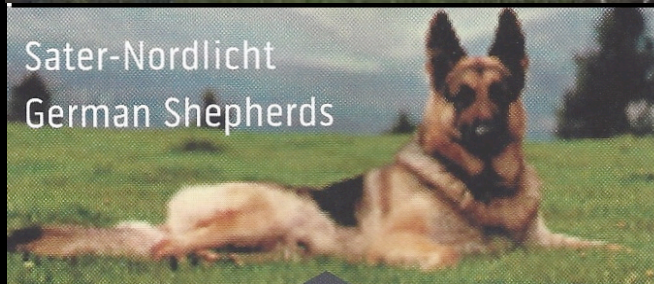


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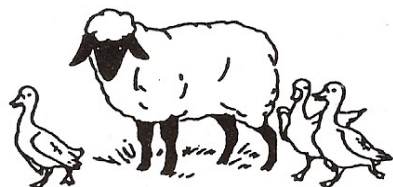
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Application for Membership
German Shepherd Dog Club of Washington State, Inc.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Cell _____ E-Mail _____

Why do you want to join this club? _____

How many German Shepherds do you own? _____ Females _____ Males _____ Puppies _____

How long have you owned German Shepherds? _____

Do you own more than one breed? _____ If so, what? _____

How many litters a year do you breed? _____

Check which areas you are working your dog in _____ Conformation _____ Rally _____ Herding
_____ Agility _____ Obedience _____ Therapy _____ Tracking _____ Schutzhund _____ Other

Please list any other dog clubs you belong to: _____

Proposed for Membership by: _____

How long have you known this person? _____

Areas of Interest you are willing to help with? (please mark all that apply)

_____ Obedience _____ Rally _____ Conformation _____ Herding _____ Hospitality (Meetings)
_____ Shows _____ Other Events

Applicants must attend a meeting to be introduced to the members; voting on your membership will be on the following month.

Membership dues are (\$35 single - \$50 household) payable to the German Shepherd Dog Club of Wash. State, Inc. (Dues will be refunded if membership process is not completed within 6 months of receipt of check.)

Signature of Applicant/s _____ Date _____

Date Received _____ Date Presented _____ Date Approved _____

Send completed form to:

Amanda Hackbarth
7723 - 202nd Street Ct. E.
Spanaway, WA 98387



German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. Application for Membership or Renewal

There are two types of membership. **Regular Members:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Applicant (and sponsoring members) agrees to abide by the GSDCA by-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club. Two endorsements by current members must be provided by new applicants. Applicant's name will be published in the German Shepherd Dog Review. Provided no objections have been filed within 30 days of publication in the Review, applicant will be notified that he/she is eligible for all privileges including the right to vote. **Junior Members:** Must be 10 years of age and not more than 18 years of age and shall be treated in the same manner as Regular Members with the exception of the requirement to pay dues. Junior members cannot vote, hold office, or serve on committees other than junior committees.

To apply and pay **ONLINE** with a credit card, please go to gsdca.org/join-the-gsdca/apply-online.
You can **MAIL** this form to: Laura Gilbert, Chair - 557 Dunning Lane, Chesapeake, VA, 23322

Circle Your Desired Membership Type:

Membership Category	Review Delivery	One year Renewal	Three year Renewal	Five year Renewal
Single	Online only	\$45	\$135	\$215
Single	Print & online	\$75	\$215	\$355
Family	Online only	\$70	\$200	\$335
Family	Print & online	\$115	\$325	\$545
Lifetime	Online only	Free	Additional delivery charges: Delivery in poly wrap: \$5.00 2 nd Class delivery: \$36.00 Outside United States: \$24.50	
Lifetime	Print & online	\$45		
Juniors	Online	Free		

Membership Information (please print)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (Juniors Only)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

For FAMILY Memberships, provide 2nd member information. (Family membership is defined as 2 people living in the same household - principal & one other person).

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

What activities do you enjoy with your GSD? (Circle all that apply) Agility Conformation Herding

House Pet Obedience Rally Schutzhund/Working Dog Sport Tracking Other _____

Endorser 1 Printed

Name & Signature: _____

Endorser 2 Printed

Name & Signature: _____

Applicant/Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

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GSDCA.org

The GSDC of America's website with information on club activities, results of specialty shows, and much more.



ANOTHER WEB SITE OF INTEREST:

GSDCOFWS.org

The GSDC of Washington State's website with information on club activities, etc. There is also a Face Book page under German Shepherd Dog Club of Washington State.

AKC.org

The website for the American Kennel Club where you can look up show regulations; judges' names, addresses, phone numbers, future and past judging assignments; articles of interest about the canine world, check on information for your dog (titles, points, etc).

COMING SHOWS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

FEBRUARY - 2018

**Nisqually Kennel Club - Feb. 17-18, 2018
Chehalis, WA - Supt: BaRay

**Linn County K.C. - Feb. 23-24, 2018
Albany, OR — Supt. Onofrio

**McKenzie Cascade Dog Fanc. - Feb. 25-26, 2018
Albany, OR - Supt: Onofrio

MARCH - 2018

**Seattle Kennel Club - March 10-11, 2018
Seattle, WA - Supt: BaRay

**Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club, Inc. - March 24-25
Bremerton, WA - Supt: Onofrio

**Chintimini Kennel Club - March 31/April 1, 2018
Albany, OR - Supt: Onofrio

APRIL - 2018

**Ephrata-Moses Lake Kennel Club - April 14-15
Moses Lake, WA - Supt: BaRay
Indoors/Outdoors

**Palouse Hills Dog Fanciers - April 20-21
Lewiston, ID - Supt: MB-F

**Lewis-Clark Kennel Club - April 22-23
Lewiston, ID - Supt: MB-F (indoors and outdoors)

**Walla Walla Kennel Club - April 28-29
Pendleton, OR - Supt: Onofrio

MAY - 2018

Olympia Dog Fanciers Assoc - May 5-6
Elma, WA - Supt: - Onofrio (no obedience)

**Klamath Dog Fanciers, Inc. - May 10-11-12-13
Klamath Falls, OR - Supt: MB-F

German Shepherd DC of Wash. State
May 12-13 (Outdoors)
Renton, WA - Supt: BaRay
Obedience and Rally both days

STAND ALONE OBEDIENCE TRIALS

**Spokane Dog Training Club - Feb 17-18, 2018
Spokane, WA - Event Secy: Rosie Banta
509-768-8832

**Collie Club of Washington - Feb. 24
Argus Ranch, Auburn, WA
Ann Akerill, showsecretary@anarak.org

**Overlake Collie Club - February 25, 2018
Argus Ranch, Auburn, WA
Ann Akerill, showsecrtary@anarak.org

**Idaho Capital City KC - March 10-11
Boise, ID - Supt: Alice Peterson (208)939-6096

***Indicates obedience shows held indoors*

SUPERINTENDENTS:

BaRay Event Services, P.O. Box 508,
Burlington, WA 98233 -- (206) 818-3647
dogshows@barayevents.com

MB-F Inc., P.O. Box 22107, Greensboro, NC
27420-2107 (336) 379-9352
mbf@infodog.com

Onofrio Dog Shows, P.O. Box 4660,
Portland, OR 97208-4660
(336) 239-1080 - www.onofrio.com

Rau Dog Shows, P.O. Box 6898 -
Reading, PA 19610 - (610)-376-1880
www.raudogshows.com

If you wish more information about the shows in this list, go to AXC.org and check the events calendar, or go to the show-giving club's web site.



FROM:

Dalene McIntire
11054 SE 192nd Street
Renton, WA 98055

Best Newsletter

1967-1970, 1974-1976, 1986,
1990, 2009, **2011-2017**

Second Place

1981-1982, 1985, 1987-1989,
2008, 2010

Third Place

2001, 2006

Fourth Runner Up

2002-2007

Honorable Mention

1971-1972, 1977-1980



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To:

**DUES ARE DUE ON JANUARY 1, 2018 !!
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