



PUPPY PATTY

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS Monthly general membership meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at the AAKA club building, 200 Basal Lane, Duncansville, PA, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!!

Contact List

Membership List

Tammy Perkins.
For additions or corrections to the membership list, please contact Tammy via email at tammyp935@gmail.com, or call 814-935-0537. The latest membership list can be picked up at the club building.

Building Rental

Kathy Pike.
To rent the building for \$5 (member) or \$10 (non-member accompanying a member) an hour, contact Kathy at Kap1967@hotmail.com or call 330-5652

Breed Referral

Kathy Pike or Larry Wilson.
For a breed referral, email Kathy at Kap1967@hotmail.com or call 330-5652; or email Larry at larryelmer@gmail.com or call 224-2803.

Sunshine Person

Connie Wilson
If you know someone in the club who has had a death in the family, sickness, or is having a rough time, please email Connie at larryelmer@gmail.com so she can send them a card from the club.

AAKA Web Page www.aakainc.com.

To have news, events, or notices posted to the club's website, contact: Darlene Ormsby, dormsby2@atlanticbb.net; or Amy Sheehan (newsletter), amy_sheehan@verizon.net

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Building Reminder

If you are on the building premises or coming to the building for any activity involving the club or building – your dog must be on lead. NO EXCEPTIONS!

No flexi leads on the club premises.

IDEAS OR QUESTIONS

The AAKA Officers and Board of Directors welcome any AAKA member to address the board with any ideas or questions. Any member may meet with the board or submit their ideas or questions in writing to the board to be discussed. If you would like to meet with the board, all you need to do is contact any board member to be put on the agenda. You will then be given a time to meet with the board prior to the start of the regular monthly meeting held on the third Tuesday of the month at the AAKA club building. If you prefer to submit something in writing to be discussed, you may give it to any board member or put it in the payment box at the top of the stairs. Again, the board welcomes any AAKA member to address the board with any ideas or questions.

Breeder Referral:

If you have not already done so, please contact Kathy Pike or Larry Wilson to have your name and contact information added to our Breeder Referral list. The AAKA gets quite a few inquiries from people looking for specific breeds. It's helpful to be able to direct them to an actual breeder or owner. If you've already had your name added to the list, thank you for participating!

AAKA Class Schedule

AAKA club classes, which are scheduled for 55 minutes, are ongoing; and costs \$42 for members and \$60 for non-members for a six-week session. Drop-ins are welcome at classes, but individuals need to contact the instructor prior to attending the class to check on room availability. **If you sign up for a class and cannot attend, you need to let the instructor know.** Also, if you decide to withdraw from a class, you need to inform the teachers so that others on the wait list can participate in the class.

Class Schedule:

- **Puppy K**, Monday, 6 p.m. – Kelly Corl, 207-1635.
- **Social Obedience Skills**, Monday, 7:15 p.m.– Kathy Pike, 330-5652
- **Pre-Agility**, Tuesday, 6 p.m.– Nancy Porta, 224-0295.
- **Obedience**, Tuesday, 5 p.m.– Marty Strawmier, 944-1927.
- **Handling**, Thursday, 6 p.m.– Anne Schettig, 886-2371.
- **Rally Class**, 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7 p.m.– Darlene Ormsby, 224-5650.
- **Agility**, Saturday, Nancy Porta, 224-0295.

Note about Pre-Agility Class!

Our club offers a Pre-Agility class annually. The start date is usually in October. This is an ongoing class after the initial 6-week session. Dog/handler teams are limited. This class fills QUICKLY -- many times before the class is announced. If you wish to attend this class, notify Nancy Porta **IN WRITING**:

Nporta9730@atlanticbb.net Your name will be added to the sign-up roster when Nancy gets your email. It is advised to keep in touch with Nancy every month or so to validate continued interest. Dogs need basic obedience skills and a reliable 'sit/stay.' Contact Kathy Pike to join a Social Obedience Class: kap1967@hotmail.com or Marty Strawmier to join an Obedience Class: mfairwind@aol.com.

New Member:

Emily Linberg
stonevalleylabs@gmail.com
German Shepherd and labs

Kimberly Stewart
KStewartRD@gmail.com
Belgian Malinois and German Shepherd

Phyllis and Casey Kephart
cpmkephart@gmail.com
Standard Poodle

New Member:

Sherri Soellner
604 Sylvan Acres Tyrone PA 16686
Shsoellner@gmail.com
German shepherd

Heidi Mumich
4858 Mill Rd Duncansville PA 16635
NHBluebird1@gmail.com
Mixed breed

Gabriella Meany
239 Castle farm Rd Altoona PA
16601
gmeany@udel.edu
English Bulldog

New Applications:

Marissa Calhoun and
Jordan Liberman
308 Sweet Cherry Ct. Hollidaysburg PA
Micalhoun329@gmail.com
Yorkies and Yorkie/Pomeranian mix

Email Correction:

Shelley Williams
swilliams@altoonlibrary.org

Supplies Needed

The club is always in need of paper towels, toilet tissue, garbage bags, cleaning supplies, Odor Ban, etc. Please add the club to your next shopping list.

New Beginner Obedience class:

The AAKA is looking to see if there is anyone interested in taking a beginner obedience class. This class would be offered at the AAKA building on Tuesdays at 4 pm. Please contact Marty at mfairwind@aol.com or 944-1927 if you are interested.

AAKA Club Building Use (Problems, Rentals, Credits):

Nancy Porta, Building Manager, has requested that you report any problem at the building to her as soon as possible at Nporta9730@atlanticbb.net or call 814-329-2993 (cell); 814-224-0295 (home). If the septic tank alert sounds off, you can silence it, but please notify Nancy immediately so the tank can be pumped.

Kathy Pike, Rental Coordinator, has requested that you contact her to reserve the building at kap1967@hotmail.com or call/text 814-330-5652. For reference in scheduling, rentals will appear on the website calendar; Use the tab "Club Events" and "Calendar": <http://aakainc.com/club-events/calendar/>. To better utilize the club building for all members, anyone who uses the building and decides not to come to the building during their reserved time slot (whether it be for classes or for training) must contact Kathy as soon as possible so that the rental can be removed from the website and others can take advantage of using the building. As in the past, club classes/events take precedence in building use. Instructors will post a class schedule on the bulletin board and/or on the website calendar so others know when the building is available for use.

Darlene Ormsby, Credits Coordinator, has requested that you complete the credit form and put it in the credit box inside the entrance door at the building. Feel free to contact her with any credit question at dormsby2@atlanticbb.net or text 814-932-5650.

Tammy Perkins, Building Key and New Member Coordinator, has requested that you contact her if you would like to become a member or obtain a key to the building. Feel free to contact her with any membership or building key questions at tammyp935@gmail.com or call 814-935-0537.

AAKA T-Shirts and Sweatshirts:

The AAKA is taking orders for T-shirts and Sweatshirts. The order form can be found on page 7 of this newsletter. Sample items are at the club building to try on. Deadline to order is **January 28, 2020**. Complete form, write check to AAKA for merchandise, and put in locked box at the top of the steps in the club building. You can also mail order to Tamsen; see instructions on the order form.

AAKA to host AKC Temperament Test:

The Premium for the AKC Temperament Test is on our club website. Limited to 30 dogs AM and PM. Need to qualify at two trials under two different judges for a title. You can enter two trials on December 28 at the AAKA training building. See premium for details. Workers will also be needed for this event so please consider volunteering even if you are not entering this event!

Calendar:

AAKA Club Christmas Party	Dec 10
Board Meeting: Host-Gary Creamer	Jan 21
General Membership Meeting: First Aid-Denise Nickodemus	Jan 28
Board Meeting: Hostess-Amy Sheehan	Feb 18
General Membership Meeting: Fitness/Warmup	Feb 25

Newsletter Brags and Pictures:

Brag wanted! When sending your brags to the newsletter editor **please put “Brag” in the subject line.** Pictures are welcome but the editor reserves the right to modify the picture to an appropriate size that works in the newsletter. Due to the limited space in newsletter the editor also reserves the right to hold a picture for a future newsletter.

Brag:



Submitted by Linda Dobbie: Happy to say that from June to November, my young male has achieved 5 AKC titles by the age of 14 months old and a Best Puppy in Show (6-12 month class). Centara Nautical Navy J.A.G (Jager) received his conformation championship, CGC, Trick Dog Novice, Trick Dog Intermediate, and Farm Dog. He is just a fun dog.

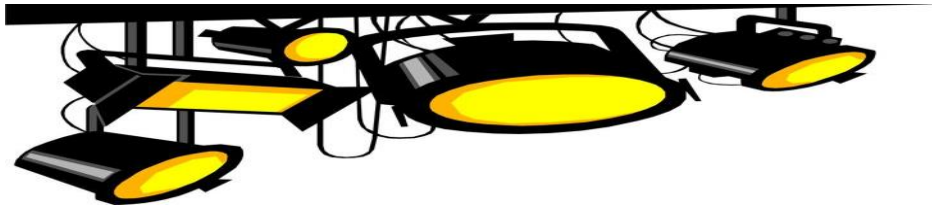


Also Submitted by Linda Dobbie: Ch Centara Jemma Jewel CGCA CGCU FDC TKP SWN THDN added two more scent tiles this Fall along with American Society Temperament Test (TT) title. Jemma added Scent Container Advanced, Scent Interior Advanced and one leg in Scent Exterior Advanced.

Check us out online!



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Or on our website at: <http://www.aakainc.com>



New AAKA Member Spotlight: Emily Linberg



What started your passion for dogs? - I've loved dogs for as long as I can remember, and I always knew I wanted to do something dog related when I "grew-up." However, I think my true passion began when my aunt started breeding AKC registered Labs when I was a teenager, and I fell head over heels in love with the breed! We always had smaller dogs when I was growing up, so when I moved out and got married, I was finally able to get my first Lab and the rest is history, I guess!

What breeds do you currently own? - We currently own 4 Labs (Maddy, 8yo - Zoey, 6yo - Molly, 1yo, and Piper, 5 mo) and 1 German Shepherd Dog (Murphy, 5yo).

What draws you to those breeds? - It's really hard to pinpoint any single particular thing, honestly. But if I had to pick just one thing, I think it would have to be their versatility! They're so good at so many things, they truly are the perfect all-around dogs!

What dog activities or sports do you participate in? - We just started our own breeding program, and have participated in couple of the group training classes here at the club with our pup Molly - I would love to get her and some of our other dogs involved in some sort of therapy work in the future, and would love to try out agility or scent work as well!

Tell us a bit about yourself..... - I've worked at Mutual Benefit Group Insurance Company in Huntingdon in the claims department for 3 years now, and before that I worked in the pharmacy at Walmart. My husband, Glenn, and I have been married for 9, almost 10 years, and have lived in Huntingdon for a little over 7 of those years after a short stay in Cheyenne, WY while he was in the Air Force. We haven't been able to have children of our own, so our dogs are our babies, and they have it better than we do, I think! When we're not busy with the dogs or working, we enjoy attending Penn State sporting events (especially football, hockey, and wrestling), browsing yard sales, and spending time outdoors. I also enjoy crocheting and growing succulents in my spare time!

What is one thing that most people do not know about you? - Other than my growing collection of Labs (haha!), I have an extensive collection of Indie (handmade) nail polish that is 300+ bottles strong!



New AAKA Member Spotlight: Sherri Soellner



What started your passion for dogs? - Dogs are face value personalities, they are honest in judgment, loyalty, and love. All a-list qualities in any species.

What breeds do you currently own? – German Shepherd Dog. Looking for a Malinois to join our pack.

What draws you to those breeds? – Intelligence, head - tilt, personality, and strong working breed.

What dog activities or sports do you participate in? P.J (dog) and I are starting to explore competitive leisure activities. PJ is my Service Dog and we have concentrated on that training for 2 years.

Tell us a bit about yourself..... – I am a very patriotic person being an American means everything to me. I am passionate about raising awareness of Service Dogs and the amazing things they do daily it is also my goal to educate the general public on Service Animals which also includes the general behavior principals Service Teams adopt, the laws. Far too many people and businesses do not realize how to engage a Service Team and are often shy or fearful.

What is one thing that most people do not know about you? - Although I appear externally to be very quiet and shy, the opposite is true. I like to observe and if asked will offer input if I feel my input is valuable. While my mouth may be silent my mind is analyzing solutions.

REVISED AAKA ORDER FORM



NAME _____ DATE _____
 EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

Item #	Description	Sizes	Available Colors	Cost per Item
1	Ladies Short Sleeve V-Neck T-Shirt Port & Company LPC54V	XS to 4XL	Aquatic Blue Coral Jet Black Raspberry	XS - XL \$15.00 2X - 4X \$18.00
2	Ladies Long Sleeve V-Neck T-Shirt Port & Company LPC450VLS	XS to 4XL	Dark Heather Grey Forest Green Cardinal Purple	XS - XL \$17.00 2X - \$19.00 3X - 4X \$20.00
3	Unisex Short Sleeve Core Blend T-Shirt Port & Company PC55	S to 6XL	Athletic Heather Cardinal Jet Black Sapphire	S - XL \$13.00 2X - 6X \$16.00
4	Unisex Long Sleeve Core Blend T-Shirt Port & Company PC55LS	S to 6XL	Ash Dark Green Jet Black Purple	S - XL \$16.00 2X - 6X \$19.00
5	Core Fleece Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt Port & Company PC78H	S to 4XL	Athletic Heather Heather Maroon Heather Purple Heather Navy	S - XL \$24.00 2X - 4X \$27.00
6	Core Fleece Full-Zip Hooded Sweatshirt Port & Company PC78ZH	S to 4XL	Ash Charcoal Heather Navy Heather Red	S - XL \$27.00 2X - 4X \$30.00
7	Core Fleece Crewneck Sweatshirt Port & Company PC78	S to 4X	Athletic Heather Jet Black Carolina Blue Heather Red	S - XL \$20.00 2X - \$22.00 3X - 4X \$23.00

Use a separate line for each item unless you are ordering multiple quantities of the same color and/or design

Item #	Description	Size	Color	AAKA Logo(check box)			Qty	Cost Each	Total
				Front	Back	Both			

IF more space is needed please check this box and continue on the reverse side!

Makes checks payable to "AAKA"

Drop order form & payment in locked drop box at club building or mail form & payment to 168 Hillside Ave, Altoona PA 16601

Order deadline January 28, 2020

Questions? Email tamsennuss@gmail.com

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