



Admiral Perry Obedience Training Club, Inc.

NEWSLETTER

March 2011

APOTC website www.apotcerie.org.

Regular club meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at the Shriners Hospital, 1645 West 8th Street, Erie, PA

Club Officers:

President:	Lee-Ann Czytuck
Vice-President:	Marilyn Flower
Treasurer:	Ann Gehrlein
Recording Secretary:	Amy Barney
Corresponding Secretary:	Kathy Croft
Board of Directors:	Trish Clark
	Melanie Shufraan
	Jim Kwiatkowski
	Betsy Olson
	Sally Shilling
	Janet Norman

Club News

The next meeting will be March 8, 2011 at the Shriners Hospital. Updated membership lists are available from Secretary, Amy Barney at the monthly meetings.

Cleveland All-Breed Training Club will host a seminar featuring Brenda Aloff on March 26 and 27, 2011. APOTC members, especially those who are instructors in our obedience classes, are encouraged to attend with APOTC subsidizing a portion of the fee. Contact Janet Norman for more info or visit www.cabtc.org for seminar specifics.

The upcoming obedience classes will be as follows:

Spring session: March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26, 2011

At the invitation of the Hamot Women's Hospital, APOTC has been invited to present several workshops on "Babies and Dogs -- Staying Safe." The first workshop was on February 15th; with 21 participants. Four dogs were brought in to use for the demos. Some of the topics covered included: practice holding a baby doll and seeing reaction from the dog; baby toys/dog toys -- how they sound and look the same; crating your dog; 30-minute down demonstration; recognizing signs of stress in dogs; keeping dogs healthy; the need for daily exercise for high-energy or large dogs; and equipment familiarity --- baby swings, carry seats, strollers -- how will the dog react. The first program was very well-received and the next workshop is scheduled for April 19th.

Upcoming Events

The All Breed Training Club of Akron has their 2011 Run Thru schedule for January to July posted on the website, www.abtca.org. For any questions about the agility, obedience, rally and breed run thru schedule call 330-630-0418 or email info@abtca.org.

The Humane Society of Northwestern PA will present the *American Red Cross Cat and Dog First Aid Program* on Saturday, March 5, 1-5 PM, at the Humane Society, 2507 Zimmerly Road. Live animals are not permitted so bring a stuffed animal to work on. Fee of \$30 includes a book and supplies. Advance registration is required. Please contact Peggy at 825-7825 or greysave@aol.com to register.

Pencil in on your calendar...APOTC Obedience and Rally Trials are scheduled for August 20 and 21, 2011, and will be held at the JMC Ice Arena. Wild card classes will also be offered. More details will be forthcoming as the date gets closer.

Dr. W. Jean Dodds, DVM will present a one day seminar on July 10, 2011 in Monroeville, PA, covering the health and behavior problems associated with thyroid and autoimmune disorders in dogs. See the registration form included in this newsletter for more information.

What are the core vaccines every dog needs? What is vaccinosis and how can it affect your dog? Does what your dog is fed affect his behavior? What breeds of dogs are most likely to be affected by Thyroid Disorders in their lifetime? What are the common symptoms and behavioral changes dog owners, trainers and breeders should be aware of attributed to Hypothyroidism.

For the answers to these questions and more, join us for an enlightening day with:

Dr. W. Jean Dodds, DVM.

A Rare and Unforgettable One Day Seminar

Speaker: Dr. W Jean Dodds is a noted California veterinarian and educator; foremost authority on health & behavior problems associated with thyroid and autoimmune disorders.

Topic: This seminar will be slide intensive with new statistics and a broad scope of information regarding the autoimmune system. Dr. Dodds will discuss thyroid related problems; Immune-mediated diseases; vaccinations; genetics; alternative treatments and therapies; nutrition and how all these affect our canine companions.

Date: Sunday, July 10, 2011,
8:30 am - 4:00 pm.
Registration at 8:00 am

Location: Holiday Inn Ballroom,
2750 Mossdale Blvd, Monroeville, Pa.
15146 phone 412-372-1022

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED. SEMINAR IS LIMITED
TO 250 PEOPLE.**

Prices:

Early Bird: If received by May 1,
2011; cost is \$75.00 per person.

Regular: If received after May 1,
2011; cost is \$85.00 per person.

Sunday July 10, 2011 Monroeville, PA

Registration closes on June 25, 2011
or when the 250 limit has been
reached.

Additional REGISTRATION FORMS can
be obtained by visiting:
www.steelvalleyhavaneseassociation.org

Checks should be made payable to:
Steel Valley Havanese Association.

Please mail registration form and
check to:
Mr. Terry Farley, 6719 Verona Road,
Verona, Pa. 15147

Seminar Includes: A mid-morning
break, luncheon and mid-afternoon
break. (refreshments will be provided
at breaks). Handouts will also be
included.

**PRICES ARE PER PERSON.
PAYMENTS ARE NON-
REFUNDABLE**

For additional information please
contact:

Linda Caldwell at 724-339-3949
or gr8poodles@att.net

REGISTRATION FORM

Please PRINT clearly and fill in ALL
areas to avoid delays in your
registration.

Name of Attendee: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: () _____

Cell Phone: () _____

Email: _____

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Western PA, Steel Valley Havanese
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**SPACE IS EXTREMELY LIMITED, SO SIGN
UP EARLY TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT!
NO CHILDREN OR PETS, PLEASE**