

# Tales of Lincolnwood

*News from Lincolnwood Training Club, Inc., for German Shepherd Dogs, Glenview, IL*



*Lincolnwood's Obedience & Rally Trial coverage on pages 6-7*

**WINTER '10**

# from the prez



All of us as Lincolnwood members owe a tremendous thank-you to Alan Cash, Sue Czuchra and Pam Hungerford for the great job they did in running our Obedience and Rally trials on Sept. 19.

The entries were not what we would have hoped for, but that was not their fault.

As was stated at the October meeting, we were competing against a two-day agility trial in the area.

**Our trials went off** without a hitch. The exhibitors seemed to enjoy the trials and the judges were outstanding.

Lana Berger ran the kitchen and did a wonderful job and the food was excellent as usual.

All those who donated food, thank you very much.

I, as chief ring steward, personally thank the stewards Larry Green, Cathy Stein, Diane Payton, Pat Goudie, Susan Kinloch, Tim O'Rourke, Anne Fuerstein, Elaine Schwartz, Birgit Mantilla, and Wendy Toy for a job well done.

**As I stated** in the last newsletter, this

will be the last issue published by Judy Braginsky; after 15+ years, she has decided to retire.

Judy's effort have brought many honors to Lincolnwood in the intervening years.

I think the members of Lincolnwood owe her a vote of thanks for a job well done.

**Thanks to all** who contributed time and talent for the benefit of Lincolnwood during 2010.

I have agreed in principal with the Glenview School District for Lincolnwood to use the Lyon School located at 1335 Waukegan Rd. (Waukegan and Lake Streets) in Glenview for our winter training.

The contract is in the process of being mailed to me as I write this article.

**The start date** as agreed is January 9, 2011, at 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

The ending date is set for the last Sunday in March, which is March 27.

If you as members have any thoughts or ideas on how to better our Club, send those ideas to Karan Volltrauer.

Thank You.---Paul

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# Club news

## Winter training Announced

Beginning on Sunday, Jan. 9, 2011, Club members can train indoors from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays at Lyon School, 1335 Waukegan Rd., Glenview, IL.

Sunday classes will continue until March 27. Call DOT Mary Ann Riecke at 773/478-4534 & let her know what training you & your dog need.

## Holiday Party Ahead

Make sure you get your reservation in to Karan Volltrauer to enjoy another annual Club holiday dinner. The event will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, at the Pescatore Palace, 3400 N. River Rd., Franklin Park, IL.

Dinner reservations are \$27 per person and must be received by Dec. 3. There will be a silent auction, raffle, & games with prizes. To donate silent auction/raffle items, call Karan at 847/678-8966.



## Those Dues are Coming Due

Club members are reminded to send in their Club dues by Dec. 31 to keep enjoying their membership & all the benefits of belonging to a specialty dog training club, including free training.

Envelopes with Club dues checks must be postmarked on or before Dec. 31, 2010, when Club records will be closed. Mail your individual membership (\$60) or family membership (\$90) dues to Club Treasurer Norbert Opon, 1505 E. Eastman St., Arlington Heights, IL 60004.

## Tales Wins Again

Club newsletter *Tales of Lincolnwood* received a first-place rosette in its division (intermediate) in the German Shepherd Dog Club of America's 2010 newsletter competition among regional dog clubs.



## Congratulations, Odin!

Ruth Black's Odin vom Mittelwest obtained his second VA rating at the North American Sieger Show in Virginia in October. Odin was also named the No. 1 American-bred Male in the Working Class, & obtained a Top Performance Award for his protection work!

## Welcome New Members

Lincolnwood welcomes its newest Club members, recently voted into membership:

Carol Bandu, 1551 Quaker Ln., Prospect Heights, IL 60070, (847) 541-8915, & her GSD Dante Max ("Dante"), DN14631904, dog, born 5/15/06, sire: Max Znorko, dam: Sara Nike Princes, breeder: Wiktor Augustyn.

Michael & Pam Bukowski, 2460 Chambour Dr., Buffalo Grove, IL 60089, (847) 821-7678, & their GSD Bekkah Von Haus Glitzernstern ("Bella"), DN27978901, bitch, born 5/17/10, sire: Grappo V Haus Glitzernstein, dam: Jazz Vom Haus Glitzernstein, breeders: Jerry Kenwick & Lou Anne Kenwick.

Barbara & Doug Glanz, 5344 Crain St., Skokie, IL 60077, (847) 583-8849, & their GSD Maggie Glanz ("Maggie"), DN26913108, bitch, born 11/30/09, breeder: Herbert Preiser, DVM.

Marie Goulden, 13907 W. 167<sup>th</sup> St., Homer Glen, IL 60491, (708) 301-2710, & her GSD, Shewana's Golden Cheveyo ("Reye"), DN26238202, dog, born 11/08/09, sire: Shewana's Ram Tough, dam: Shewana's Vamp of Savannah, breeder: Wilma Johnson.

Cary & Gina Haney, 2838 Eisenhower Dr., Des Plaines, IL 60018, (847) 826-4462, & their GSD, Greta Haney ("Greta"), DN24399104, bitch, born 4/09/09, sire: Jake, dam: Frauline.

A. Darlene Kmiecik, 910 S. Golf Cul De Sac, Des Plaines, IL 60016 (847) 824-2749, & her GSD, Rocco Prince Kmiecik ("Rocco"), DN26595401, dog, born 12/07/09, sire: Sammy Jr. IV Thudium, dam: Macy Sumner Thudium, breeders: Roberta & Randy Thudium.

Beata Skrzeczyna, 2712 N. 73<sup>rd</sup> St., Elmwood Park, IL 60707, (708) 452-0061, & her GSD, Spiky the First ("Spiky"), DN23483705, dog, born 12/15/2008, sire: Lex Vom Czaplá, dam: Tora Nela, breeders: Krzysztof Slowik & Izabela Kaczerzewska.

Ely & Donna Sophier, 7137 Kedvale, Lincolnwood, IL 60712, (847) 674-3863, & their GSD, "Lola," bitch, born 3/02/10.

Alma & Alen Sucjic, 603 S. River Rd., Des Plaines, IL 60016, (224) 567-8808, & their GSD, "Pasha," dog, born 12/17/09.

Natalia Vdovtchenko, 3155 Deerfield Rd., Riverwoods, IL 60015, (847) 971-3976, & her GSD, Uzi NV ("Uzi"), DN25-379203, dog, born 8/01/09.

Kathleen Birmingham, 233 Pine St., Deerfield, IL 60014 (847) 971-4327, and her GSD, Nemo Vom Geistwasser ("Nemo"), DN25770901, dog, born 8/05/09, sire: Huteh Vom Waldwinkel, dam: Irmihild Von Der Startsmacht, breeders: Bill Kulla & Jennifer Acevedo.

## Legs Up!

*Club members please note: Each Club member is responsible for submitting his or her leg report to Club Historian Mary Merlin. Each report will be read at the Club's monthly business meeting. To be eligible for an award at the annual Club Awards Dinner, a Club member must contribute time to Club events & attend at least four Club business meetings during the year. Leg report sheets can be reprinted off Lincolnwood's Web site by going to: [www.ltcgsd.org/ourstuff](http://www.ltcgsd.org/ourstuff).*

Mary Even & Gracie earned their 3<sup>rd</sup> leg in Open A, 1<sup>st</sup> place, & **Companion Dog Excellent title**, 190 score, 9/19/10, Lincolnwood TCGSD, Judge Joy-Ann Pool.

Marianne Perlman & Misty earned their 3<sup>rd</sup> leg in Novice B & their **Companion Dog title**, 189 score, 7/30/10, Waukesha KC, Judge James J. Ham.

Patrice Barra & Nohea passed the Tracking Dog test for the **Tracking Dog (TD) title**, 10/23/10, Burnidge, GSDTC of Chicago, Judges Donna Kircher & Pam German.

Judy Braginsky & Amos passed the Tracking Dog test for the **Tracking Dog (TD) title**, 10/23/10, Burnidge, GSDTC of Chicago, Judges Donna Kircher & Pam German.

Sandy Tristano & Jack earned their 1<sup>st</sup> leg in Rally Novice A, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 83 score, 9/19/10, Lincolnwood TCGSD, Judge Stephen Pool.

Cathy Stevens & Ely earned their 1<sup>st</sup> leg in Rally Novice A, 1<sup>st</sup> place, 87 score, 9/19/10, Lincolnwood TCGSD, Judge Stephen Pool.

Marianne Perlman & Misty earned their 3<sup>rd</sup> leg in APDT Rally Level 1A, 1<sup>st</sup> place, & **Rally Level 1 title**, 210 score, 6/19/10, Proper Paws U, Judge Linda Chiamonte.

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Marianne Perlman & Misty earned an **extra leg** in APDT Rally Level B, 204 score, 6/19/10, Proper Paws U, Judge Patricia Burgess.

Cindy Tracy & Zeus earned legs 29 & 30 in Agility Excellent B Standard, scores 100, a 1<sup>st</sup> place, 7/02-18/10, Golden Retriever Club/San Diego/Chaparral KC, Judges Kera Holm/ Gene Downing.

Cindy Tracy & Zeus earned legs 47-49 in Agility Excellent B JWW, scores 100, a 2<sup>nd</sup> & a 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 7/03-16-18/10, Golden Retriever Club/San Diego/Chaparral KC, Judges Kera Holm/Gene Downing. Alan Cash & Jake earned a **Therapy Dog International certification** on 4/11/10.

Cathy Stein & Danny Boy passed a **Herding Instinct test** on 6/13/10 in Wisconsin, Judge Shannon Wolfe.

Cathy Stein & Morgen passed a **Herding Instinct test** on 6/13/10 in Wisconsin, Judge Shannon Wolfe.

Cathy Stevens & Ely passed their **Canine Good Citizen** test 8/29/10, Lincolnwood DTCGSD, Evaluator Cathy Stein. Sandy Tristano & Jack passed their **Canine Good Citizen** test 8/29/10, Lincolnwood DTCGSD, Evaluator Cathy Stein.

Nancy Schultz & Maui passed their **Canine Good Citizen** test on 10/09/10, Camp Dogwood, Evaluator Dolores Derner.

## Remembering Our Dogs

Lincolnwood Training Club is sending a donation to the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation to help support Fidelco's mission of providing the blind with German shepherd guide dogs.

Fidelco is a non-profit guide dog school in New England with clients throughout North America.

The donation is being made in memory of the following Lincolnwood GSDs who passed away in 2010, including: Lana Berger's *Heidi*, Georgia Cawley's *Dando*, Richard & Nancy Lane's *Miss Daisy*, Marty Yundt's *Bosco*, Elizabeth Kampinga's *Zena*, Margo Tsim's *Ilsa*, Victoria Mackay's *Shira*, & Tony & Kris Montagano's *Xena*.

## Did You Title in 2010?

If your dog earned a title or certification in 2010, please repeat this info by the end of January to Club Historian Mary Merlin or drop her a line at 415 Dorset St., Prospect Heights, IL 60070. An Awards Dinner to celebrate our dogs' accomplishments will be announced and held next spring.

Honors tabulated by mid-November, 2010 include:

### COMPANION DOG (CD)

*Marianne Perlman & Misty*

### UTILITY DOG (UD)

*Sue Czuchra & Ursus*

### TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT (TDX)

*Patrice Barra & Suzzie*

### COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT (CDX)

*Mary Even & Gracie*

### TRACKING DOG (TD)

*Patrice Barra & Nohea*

*Judy Braginsky & Amos*

### APDT RALLY LEVEL 1

*Marianne Perlman & Misty*

In addition, passing the **CANINE GOOD CITIZEN** test were *Cathy Stevens & Ely*, *Sandy Tristano & Jack*, & *Nancy Schultz & Maui*.

**HERDING INSTINCT** certifications were earned by *Wendy Israel & Cassidy*

& *Cathy Stein's Danny Boy & Morgen*; and passing the **THERAPY DOG**

**INTERNATIONAL** testing was *Alan Cash & Jake*.

*Cathy Stein's Danny Boy* also passed the AKC's **PUPPY STAR PROGRAM**.

## Lifetime Member, Schutzhund competitor Sherri Bednarczyk passes away suddenly

Lincolnwood Training Club Lifetime member Sherri Bednarczyk passed away suddenly in her Buffalo Grove, IL home on Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Sherri, 65, joined Lincolnwood in the 1970s & earned AKC obedience titles on her German shepherds. She was the first Club member to participate in Schutzhund; & she & her GSDs earned many Schutzhund honors through the years, including her GSD, the late A.J. vom Bogenstadt, who she handled to his Schutzhund III title thirteen times.

In 2005, Sherri & A.J. were part of a five-member U.S. team that competed in the prestigious Deutsche Meisterschaft show in Cottbus, Germany.

In 2007, Sherri & A.J. were the first team in Illinois & one of the first in the country to earn a Working Dog Sport Level 3 title in a new AKC performance competition that mirrored the German Schutzhund exercises.

For the past several years, Sherri helped Club member Georgia Cawley put on the Club's Tracking Tests.

"She was always willing to share," Georgia said. "She helped many people with great training tips through the years."

Sherri is survived by her new puppy, Marco Vom Bogenstadt; three daughters, Dawn, Karen, & Kathy; a sister; & two brothers. Sherri was preceded in death by her daughter, Kim, earlier this year.

A memorial service has been held.



*Sherri & Marco*



## All Dogs Go to Heaven

*"Bless you my faithful friend.  
God's gift.  
Your beautiful trusting eyes can close,  
Knowing I love you & will see you  
soon."*

Lincolnwood Training Club sends its condolences to the following Club members who have lost their dogs to the Rainbow Bridge:

Kris & Tony Montagano's  
"Xena," UDT  
6/01/1996 -- 11/03/2010

Vicky Mackay's  
UCD UAGII "Shira"  
1/25/2000 -- 10/24/2010

Margo Tsim's  
"Ilsa," CD, BH, OB1, RN, RA, RE,  
TC, HIT  
1/17/1999 -- 8/17/2010

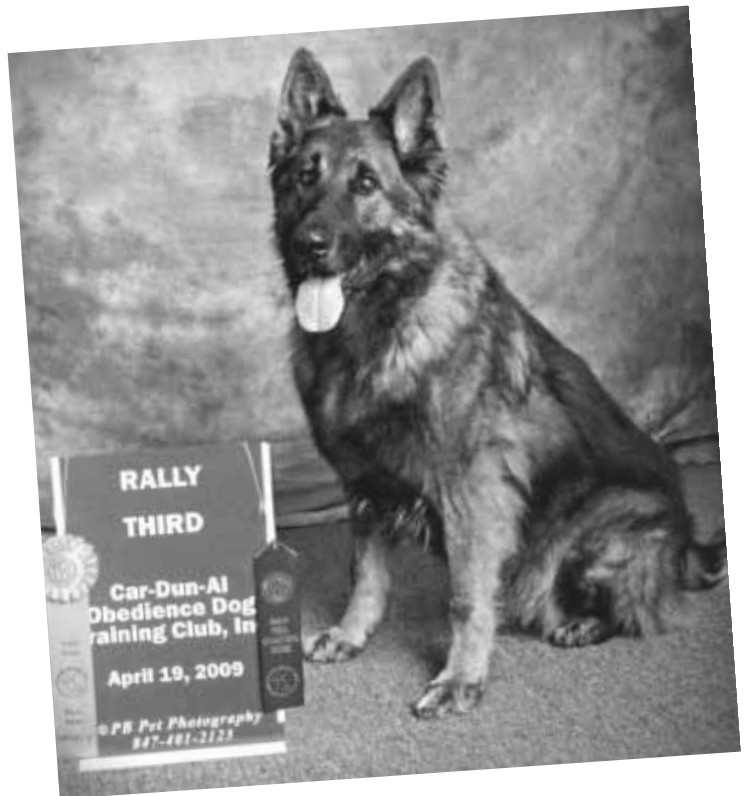
Betty Kampinga's  
"Zena"  
1/22/2000 - 8/31/2010



Kris & "Xena"



Vicky & "Shira"



Margo's "Ilsa,"



Betty & "Zena"

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# SHOW TIME: LINCOLNWOOD'S OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRIALS--2010

by Sue Czuchra  
Trial Chairperson

Lincolnwood Training Club's 70<sup>th</sup> annual Obedience Trial & 6<sup>th</sup> Rally Trial came off without a hitch.

The weather really was perfect. Just the right temperature for our canine entrants.

**Even the strong** breeze did not affect the trial. Although the number of entries was low (21 for obedience & 9 for rally), it was quality not quantity!

We started the day with two Pride on Parade entries. The preliminary pictures are fantastic! Congratulations to both Barb & Pat & their wonderful canine companions. I am so grateful for so many peo-ple who helped to make the Trials successes.

**Thank you to Alan Cash** for taking on the role of Trial Secretary. Pam

Hungerford jumped right in and did a monumental job doing the Catalog. Wow! As if that was not enough, Pam also was our Scorekeeper. She kept track of all the special prizes & awards.

**Thank you, Mary Merlin** for being our Trophy & Prize Chairperson.

The trophies, prizes, & ribbons were outstanding. Many thanks go to Lana Berger for once again doing her culinary magic in the kitchen. The food was so delicious and what a variety! Kudos also to Marianne Perlman for being in charge of Hospitality.

**Dick Lane was busy** all day taking pictures, many of which can be found in this newsletter.

Thank you so much, Dick.

I appreciate all the work that Betty Kampinga did to obtain the ads for the Catalog. Backtracking, I need to thank

Judy Braginsky for doing the Premium List & for mailing it to perspective entrants & dog clubs. Without her help, there would have been no trial.

**Paul Volltrauer was** instrumental in his job as Chief Ring Steward.

He made sure that we had stewards for each class & that the classes ran smoothly.

I appreciate, also Cathy Stein, Mary Even, Greg Hayward, & Paul Volltrauer who helped make the Clubhouse & grounds ready on the workday before the Trials.

**I know that others** helped in the weeks before the Trials, also. Thank you, everyone!

There are so many people to thank. If your name was not listed, please know that your help was very much appreciated.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 18, 2011 for LTC's 71<sup>st</sup> Obedience Trial & 7<sup>th</sup> Rally Trial.





## Old Dogs

*Submitted by Marianne Perlman*

One day, the old German Shepherd dog starts chasing rabbits; & before long he discovers that he's lost.

Wandering about, he notices a panther heading rapidly in his direction with the intention of having lunch.

**The old German** Shepherd thinks, "Oh, oh! I'm in deep doo-doo now!"

Noticing some bones on the ground close by, he immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat.

Just as the panther is about to leap, the old German Shepherd exclaims loudly, "Boy, that

was one delicious panther! I wonder if there are any more around here?"

**Hearing this**, the young panther halts his attack in mid-strike, a look of terror comes over him, & he slinks away into the trees.

"Whew!" says the panther. "That was close! That old German Shepherd nearly had me!"

Meanwhile, a squirrel who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree, figures he can put this knowledge to good use & trade it for protection from the panther.

**So, off he goes**; but the old German Shepherd sees him heading after the panther with great speed & figures that something must be up.

The squirrel soon catches up with the panther, spills the beans, & strikes a deal for himself with the panther.

**The young panther** is furious of being made a fool of & says, "Here, squirrel. Hop on my back & see what's going to

happen to that conniving canine!"

Now the old German Shepherd sees the panther coming with the squirrel on his back & thinks, "What am I going to do now?" But, instead of running, the dog sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet.

**And just when** they get close enough to hear, the old German Shepherd says...

"Where's that squirrel? I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another panther!"

**Moral of this story:** *Don't mess with old dogs. Age & skill will always overcome youth & treachery. BS & brilliance only come with age & experience. (Author unknown.)*



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