



# Tales of Lincolnwood

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

## Coronavirus & Pets, questions & Answers for Owners...

Here are some answers to frequently asked questions about the risk to pets from the new coronavirus by Ashley Mitek, DVM, University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine:

### Q. CAN DOGS GET THE NEW CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)?

A. At this time, the experts believe it is very unlikely. The World Health Organization currently advises that there is NO evidence to suggest that dogs or cats can be infected with the new coronavirus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention seconds that opinion.

### Q. IF EXPERTS BELIEVE THAT IT IS UNLIKELY FOR A DOG TO GET COVID-19, HOW DID A DOG TEST "POSITIVE" IN HONG KONG?

A. This canine was in close contact with an infected human, who was likely shedding large quantities of the virus. This led to the virus being in the dog's nose. There is no indication that the dog is sick or showing any symptoms. Authorities say they will continue to quarantine and test the dog to evaluate if the dog becomes ill. In short, there was coronavirus on the dog just like there was coronavirus on the floor in the room but the dog was not infected or diseased.

Hong Kong Health Authorities and the World Organization for Animal Health continue to investigate. All pet mammals from households with confirmed human cases of COVID-19 will be placed under quarantine and veterinary surveillance for 14 days in Hong Kong. There is no indication that pets can shed the virus or get sick from the virus at this time.

### Q. IS THERE A COVID-19 VACCINE FOR DOGS AND CATS?

A. There is no vaccine for COVID-19 for people or animals at this time.

### Q. WHAT ANIMAL DID COVID-19 ORIGINATE FROM?

A. Current research suggests that horseshoe bats are the reservoir species and the virus originated from that species as well. Previous human coronavirus outbreaks, SARS and MERS, originated in bats but passed through other species, such as the palm civet and camels.

### Q. IF I AM DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19, HOW DO I PROTECT MY PET?

A. Since your pet is at minimal risk of COVID-19 infection, there are no specific steps needed to protect it from infection. However, pets can have the virus ON THEM if they are in an environment with a large quantity of the virus and could serve to be a source of the virus for other people, including family members.

Therefore, to protect other people and yourself, the CDC recommends that you restrict contact with pets if you are sick with COVID-19, just as you would restrict your contact with other people.

Avoid snuggling, being kissed or licked, and sharing food. If you must interact with your pet, wash your hands before and after, and wear a face mask.

### Q. CAN VETERINARIANS TEST FOR COVID-19 IN PETS?

A. Yes. The Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at the College of Veterinary Medicine has recently purchased the needed equipment to test for the new COVID-19 in pets. They expect the test

Share as much as possible because panicked pet owners have been approaching vets and asking for their pets to be euthanised over coronavirus fears.



to be available to veterinarians starting March 15. For further questions, contact the diagnostic laboratory, 217-333-1620.

### Q. SHOULD MY PET WEAR A FACE MASK IN PUBLIC?

A. No. Face masks may not protect your pet from disease transmission and may cause other breathing difficulties.

### Q. SHOULD I WEAR A FACE MASK?

A. Wearing a surgical mask will not prevent anyone (human or animal) from being exposed to the virus. A mask should be used to prevent someone who is potentially infectious from spreading the virus to others via droplets through coughing, sneezing, or talking.

### Q. WHAT OTHER PRECAUTIONS DO YOU RECOMMEND?

A. Visits to nursing homes and long-term health facilities by service animals and their handlers should be discouraged at this time. (Source of article: University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, vetmed.illinois.edu)

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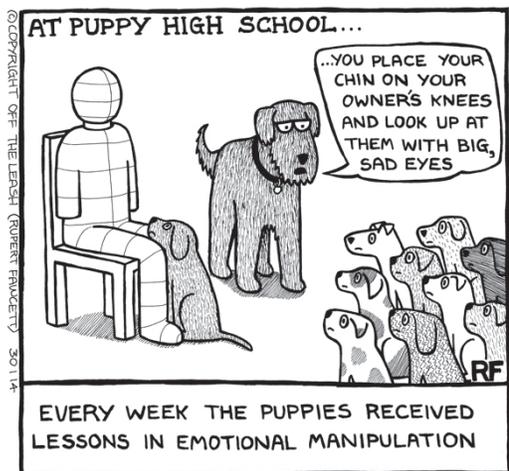
Lincolnwood Training Club for German Shepherd Dogs 2020 Outdoor Training Schedule

Dear Club members: After thoughtful consideration and out of an abundance of caution, Lincolnwood Training Club made the decision to temporarily suspend training.

While we are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause, we feel we are making the best decision for our members.

We will be monitoring the pandemic of Covid-19 and reassess as needed

--- Lincolnwood Training Club's Board of Directors



FACEBOOK.COM/OFF THE LEASH DAILY DOG CARTOONS

# semper Fi, salty...



Canines 4 Comfort recently graduated its first service dog, a German Shepherd grandson of Ruth Black and Neda Tkalcevik's celebrated champion dog, Odin.

**The GSD graduate**, called Salty (short for salted caramel) was paired with a U.S. Marine veteran called Sonny (both pictured above, top left of both photos).

Ruth; Neda (pictured in top right photo with Odin); Salty's "aunt," GSD Liesl; and Odin himself attended the special graduation ceremony held awhile back.

**And it was said** Odin threw to Salty a proud doggo kiss.

Canines 4 Comfort is a non-profit organization that trains psychiatric service dogs for veterans, children, and others in the community who are afflicted with emotional and trauma syndromes.

**It was established** to satisfy a growing need for such dogs and emotional support animals for those in the community who are in need.

Canines 4 Comfort's formal training site is in Grayslake, IL, and its service area is within a 90-mile radius of Round Lake, IL.

**So, semper fidelis**, Salty. Hoo-rah, too.

Remember this. -- If you are trialing a dog you love, you have already won.

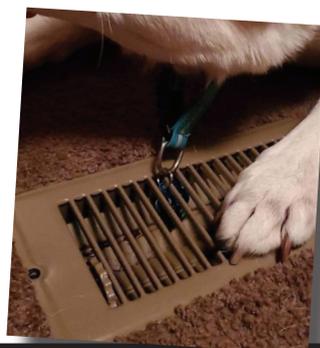
-- @lifewithsportdogs

## safety tip



Here's another good reason to take your pet's collar/harness off when you leave the house.

The photo below shows how a dog's metal tags can easily get stuck in a heating vent. The dog could choke trying to get free. (Safety tip submitted by Jane Eastman.)



## Hot Doggie!

When you're "hot," you're "hot" when trialing your dog.

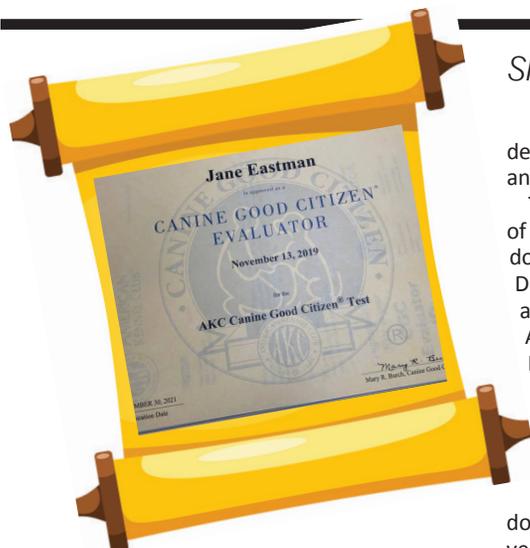
Ask Pat Behles about the really successful weekends she experienced when trialing her GSD Fritz last fall.

"Fritzi became the first dog from Lincolnwood Training Club to earn a Preferred Utility title (PUTD) at Car-Dun-Al Dog Training Club's obedience trial on October 9-10, when she earned her second and third legs and took second place.

(The PUTD is considered more difficult to obtain than the Utility Dog title.)

"The next weekend, Fritzi earned a fourth leg with another second place at Fox Valley Dog Training Club, for good measure."

Hot dog, Fritzi!



## She's a New CGC Evaluator

Congratulations to the Club's President Jane Eastman, recently certified as an AKC Canine Good Citizen Evaluator.

The honor adds to our Club's tradition of helping lead the way in a number of dog activities, including Ralph Sneve, Donna Kircher, and Bonnie Kircher as Tracking Judges; Anne Riba as an Agility Judge; and Cathy Stein and Linda Witt, both Evaluators for the AKC CGC program. Cathy is also an Evaluator for therapy dog teams for both AKC and Therapy Dogs International as well.

The Club holds CGC and therapy dog certification training classes each year.



*Pat Behles' Fritz (bottom three photos) earns a first place in Versatility, presented by Judge Joseph Caputa, while Karen Melbinger's Bruno (top three photos) completes Novice exercises to earn a third place in the class. (More photos on page 8.)*

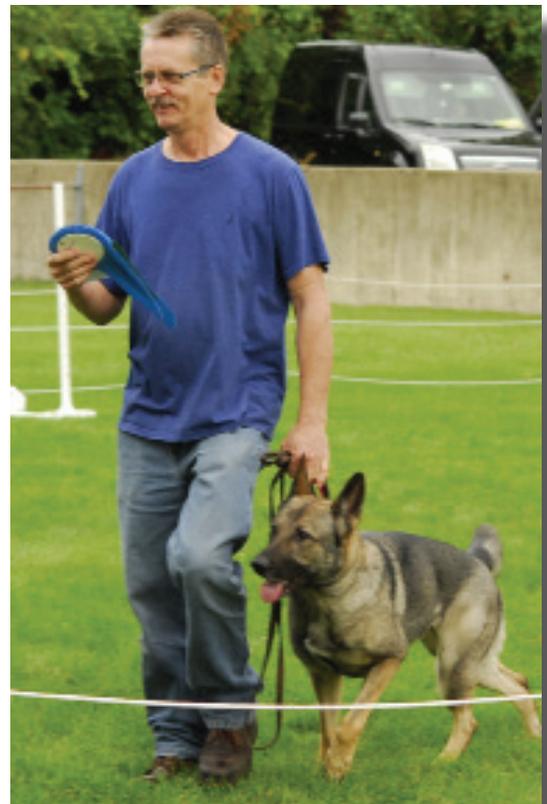
# Lincolnwood Obedience, Rally trial Memories

An obedience trial, often combined with a rally trial, is a showpiece event for a club, and Lincolnwood Training Club completed one again in style.

The Club's 79th annual Obedience Trial and 15th annual Rally Trial, held last September, offered 13 different classes in which to compete and show one's handling skills.

**Six Club members** earned qualifying legs, placements, and/or a title.

Enjoy the photos here, taken by Club member Sylvia Olechno.



*Leah Swanquist's Lexi (top two photos) goes through her paces to earn a first place in Beginning Novice, presented by Judge Joseph Caputa, while Stan Piotrowski's Nora (bottom two photos) jumps her way to a first place in Open.*



## Shooing the Flu in Dogs

As pet owners protect themselves against flu this season, veterinarians say they should also be thinking about their dogs.

While canine flu, unlike the influenza that infects humans, is a year-round virus, some veterinarians use the flu season to talk to pet owners about keeping their pets healthy.

**The highly contagious** H3N2 canine flu strain quickly spread throughout the Chicago area in 2015 and was believed to have originated in South Korea, said Dr. Natalie Marks, medical director at Blum Animal Hospital in Chicago.

The illness can spread "like a wildfire" among dogs at parks, boarding facilities, doggy day cares, or even in condo elevators, Marks said.

**Symptoms are mainly** respiratory, with coughing, sneezing, and a runny nose, followed by fever and sometimes a lack

of eating. The virus is not known to infect humans.

There's now a vaccine available for dogs, Marks said, which is effective and, unlike human influenza vaccines, there are no guessing games on which strains to include.

**Pet owners should talk** to their vet about whether their dog needs the vaccine, which is administered annually and includes a booster shot in the first year it's given.

Marks said she recommends a flu shot for any dog that's in contact with other dogs.

**"The frustrating part** is sometimes dogs will spread the virus before they even look sick," she said. "That's why vaccination is the best strategy."

While many pets are able to recover from a bout of canine flu, the virus can become fatal if it turns into pneumonia, which is a risk for less healthy dogs, Marks said.

**Unlike human influenza**, there is no required centralized reporting of the illness, which makes it difficult to track outbreaks.

However, animal hospitals can partner with research centers to track any virus spreading throughout the country.

**Banfield Pet Hospitals**, with locations nationwide, recently partnered with Cornell University's Animal Health Diagnostic Center's surveillance network to track canine flu outbreaks.

The center's data shows Illinois has had the most cases of the H3N2 strain, likely attributed to the 2015 outbreak, which then was spread throughout the country, said Colin Parrish, professor of virology at Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine.

(Source of article: *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, November 20, 2019/page 10)

## Why is a Coyote Following Me?

Has a coyote ever "followed" you or your dog while you're walking in your neighborhood or in the park? If so, you may have felt afraid, perhaps thought the coyote was stalking you, or that an attack was imminent.

You needn't fear, wildlife experts suggest.

**Coyotes are naturally** curious animals and often engage in this behavior called "escorting." Escorting is when a coyote, sometimes with its mate, makes sure that you are leaving its territory.

This behavior is most often seen from early March to late April, when coyote parents are protecting their precious puppies.

**Escorting most often** happens in early morning or in the evening, and because they may see dogs as a threat to their babies, it's most often seen by dog walkers.

What to do if you're "escorted" by a coyote? Don't panic; the coyote is more terrified of you!

If you don't have your dog leashed – which you should in coyote country – immediately leash it and keep it by your side.

**Calmly keep walking**, slowly, as normally. Soon enough, you'll be out of the coyote's home and he will stop escorting you.

On the off chance the escorting coyote starts to approach too closely, stand tall and assertive, shout, and wave your hands to frighten it away.

But if a coyote comes too close, follows you for too long, acts overly assertive, or

does not respond to hazing, report the coyote to authorities.

**The coyote may have** become habituated to humans or is being fed by someone, which can result in aggressive behavior. It may be that the coyote may have to be removed.

The media is rather one-sided about coyotes, reporting with sensationalistic fervor all the instances that coyotes have conflicts with pets, but ignoring the instances where an encounter is harmless, or a coyote is actually defending itself or territory against an intruding dog, rather than being the aggressor.

This results in myths and misconceptions about life among coyotes.

**While there can be** misunderstanding about what is happening during an encounter, what is readily apparent is that the best thing for humans, dogs, and coyotes living in the area is to minimize the possibility of an encounter.

Play your role in maintaining a coyote's fear of humans and, by extension, maintaining distance from pets.

If it is breeding or pupping season (February through July) you may be near a den and considered a threat. Do not haze coyotes as normal because coyotes will defend their den site and you will only be escalating a situation, potentially forcing a coyote to act defensively.

**During these months**, the best thing to do is slowly and calmly walk away without ever turning your back on the coyote.

+ Do not let your pet outside alone, especially at night.

+ Do not keep pet food outside.

+ Haze coyotes every time you see them, regardless of if you have a pet with you (unless it is during pupping season).

+ Avoid having any attractants in your yard, which means picking up fallen fruit from trees cleaning the BBQ grill, securing lids on trash cans, covering your compost piles, and removing anything else that might be a food, water, or shelter source for coyotes.

**As we humans develop** more and more woodlands, coyote coexistence has become even more essential; we simply must learn to speak their language.

(Source of article: Project Coyote, [www.projectcoyote.org](http://www.projectcoyote.org))



Here are a few ways to keep your pet safe:

# Why Are My German Shepherd's Ears Not Going Up?

Perhaps the most distinct feature of a German Shepherd is his ear. An adult GSD's ears are upright and pointy, making them look more alert and regal.

German Shepherds aren't born with upright ears. Like all puppies, GSD pups are born with tiny ears flopping on the sides.

*As the puppies grow* older, their ears naturally go up, but in some cases they don't – and there are different reasons why a GSD's ears won't go up.

But don't fret! There are some things you can do to help your GSD's ears go up.

A GSD puppy's ears usually go up between 4 to 7 months of age. Some ears also are up at 8 months old.

A GSD puppy's ear may go up then flop down again during the teething stage, then go up permanently after that.

The reason behind this is your puppy's body uses calcium when his teeth and bones are developing so the formation of his ears' cartilage is being halted.

According to experts, if the puppy's ears do not go up when the dog is through teething (in general between 16 weeks and 20 weeks of age, it's time to sit up and take notice, says long-time breeder Ed Frawley of Leerburg Kennels in Menomonie, Wisconsin.

He suggests that you get involved with taping your dog's ears if a pup does not have his ears up by 5 months.

In the meantime, here are a few things you can do:

**KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF** the ears. Never let anyone – even other dogs – to fold, bend, pull, fondle, or play with your GSD's ears. There is some research that suggests that massaging the base of the ears, and not the ears themselves, can help as this can help increase blood flow in the cartilage.

**GIVE YOUR GSD PUP** high-quality food with no corn or wheat.

**GIVE YOUR GSD PUP** strong toys to chew on, like Nylabones, Kongs, and bully sticks to help strengthen muscles that support the jaw and ears.

**HAVE YOUR GSD PUP** checked by a vet to make sure your pup isn't suffering from ear or any other infections. A fecal test can determine if the pup has any internal parasites because worms can also be an underlying cause of the ear issue.

Some GSD owners panic too early and start taping their pup's ears at the young age of 3 or 4 months because they're not standing up. But taping the GSD's ears too early or in the wrong way can do more damage than good so it's best to be patient and wait until the pup stops teething.

If those ears aren't up at 5 months old, Frawley says it is strongly recommended to tape them.

Some veterinarians, and certainly the breeder, can help in this matter. (*Sources for article: [germanshepherdworld.com/ears-not-going-up](http://germanshepherdworld.com/ears-not-going-up); [leerburg.com/taping\\_ears](http://leerburg.com/taping_ears)*)

## Ulysses Gets an Earful (Ear Forms)

By Greg Hayward

Uli's ears went up and then down as a puppy. We chose to use ear forms to help strengthen them as he grew. The process took 4+ months for success.

**Some vets address** this issue, other do not practice it. The use of forms is very common with breeders of GSDs. For more information, Google German Shepherd Ear Forms.

Uli's ears went down around 14 weeks, when he was 3 ½ months old, as he grew quickly and was teething. Our breeder, Mittelwest German Shepherds, glued (Tear Mender Iytex glue) in custom ear forms they buy in Germany.

**We glued in new ear forms** over a 4-month period when Uli was 5 to 9 months old. The forms helped one ear but the other was still weak after about 3 months of forms. So, we used the cotton first aid tape, a Popsickle stick, and pipe insulation foam cut to size.

Carlos Huerta-Negro, a helper at Mitt-

elwest and friend, did the "old school" taping which I had to redo a couple times. This helped to support the weak ear.

**This took about** another month and resulted in success when we removed the forms. Uli's right ear was stronger and more curved, his left ear was weaker and less curved or flatter. It flopped for a while as it got stronger.

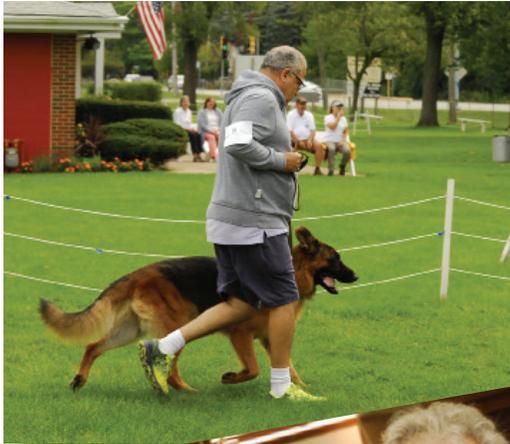
And so, when Uli was 50 weeks old (11 months), his ears were up (just in time to pass an AKC Tracking Dog Test for his TD title!).

**When Uli was 13 months**, his ears were strong with no need for forms.



Progression of Greg Hayward's Uli's ear lifts, from puppyhood (from left) to today.

# Lincolnwood Obedience, Rally trial Continued..



Those enjoying and/or competing in Lincolnwood Training Club's premium event included Mary Whalen (above, left) and Patti Barra; (then clockwise) Wendy Israel (left) and Anne Feuerstein; Pedro Forte and Kygo; Izabela Raczynski-Bell and Argos; Rally stewards John Dolak (from left), Rally scorekeeper and husband of Judge Sandy Gould; timer Anne Feuerstein; gate steward Barbara Hilbrich; Judge Sandy Gould; Sandy Tristano, scoreboard and prizes; and chief Rally steward Greg Hayward; and a hungry 8. lunchtime crowd.

# The German Shepherd Who Flew Against the Luftwaffe

There are few friends more steadfastly loyal than those of the canine variety.

During the Second World War, a German Shepherd named Antis proved his fearless devotion and undying loyalty to his master – Robert Bozdech, a Royal Air Force bomber pilot – many times over, even when caught in the middle of bombing raids, or when their aircraft was being torn up by anti-aircraft fire.

**Indeed, Antis was the only** dog in the war ever to accompany a pilot on a combat mission.

Antis's life almost ended shortly after it began. In 1939, French pilot Pierre Duval and his Czech gunner Robert Bozdech were flying a reconnaissance mission over Germany when they were shot down. They crash landed in some woods in No Man's Land between France and Germany.

Bozdech – who had fled his native Czechoslovakia in 1938 when the Nazis invaded, after which he had joined the French Air Force – was uninjured. He dragged the wounded Duval from the wreckage of the plane and helped him to an abandoned farmhouse he had spotted in the distance.

They planned to wait there until nightfall. Then, under cover of darkness, they could get across the French border and back to safety.

**While the farmhouse looked** abandoned, when Bozdech pushed open the door, he heard movement inside. With his pistol drawn and cocked, he demanded that whoever was inside reveal themselves. What came creeping out of the darkness toward him, though, was no Nazi soldier, but it was German – a German Shepherd puppy, to be exact.

Having always had a soft spot for animals, Bozdech melted some snow for the puppy to drink. He also gave it some of his rations, as it looked emaciated and seemed very weak. The pup kept him and Duval company until darkness fell, then it was time to leave.

**Bozdech felt bad about** leaving the puppy behind to fend for itself in the empty house, but this was war; there was no time for sentimentality, only survival. He left the pup behind with a heavy heart, but shortly after he and Duval had left the house, the puppy started howling and whining.

Concerned that this racket would attract the attention of the Nazis, who were searching for the downed pilots, the pair decided that there was only one way to silence the pup: they would have to kill it. Bozdech looked for a large rock so that he could end the puppy's life quickly and mercifully.

**But when it came to** actually doing the deed, he found that he couldn't do it. He

put the rock down, slipped the puppy into his jacket, and snuck off into the night.

**Duval, Bozdech, and the puppy** made it back across the border, and French soldiers escorted them to safety. Duval was taken to a hospital, but Bozdech and the puppy boarded a single engine plane, which took them to an airbase. This was the first of many flights the dog would end up taking.

Bozdech called the dog "Ant," named for the Russian dive bomber ANT airplanes, of which Czech airmen were fond. Later, Bozdech extended the dog's name to Antis, to avoid having his name sound too similar to the English word "aunt."

**The airmen were all very fond** of Antis, but a particularly strong bond developed between Bozdech and the dog. Antis soon showed himself to be not just a companion, but an especially valuable member of the squadron.

Bozdech had trained Antis to obey basic commands like "sit," "stand," and "stay," but on the morning of May 10th, 1940, Antis suddenly had no interest in either playing or obeying his commands. Instead, he stood stiff-legged, his hackles raised, staring at the distant horizon and growling.

**The reason for his sudden** and inexplicable aggression soon became clear: the sky quickly darkened with the approach of Luftwaffe Dornier DO17 bomber planes. The bombs started falling thick and fast. Bozdech grabbed Antis and dived into a trench with him, where they survived the raid, shaken but uninjured.

Antis quickly developed a reputation for his ability to sense approaching German bombers long before the actual technological equipment could pick them up. Whenever he reacted as he had done on May 10th, the troops at the air base prepared for a bombing raid.

**One evening, he and Antis** were out for a walk when suddenly the dog went stiff and started to growl. Sure enough, within minutes the sky was dark with Luftwaffe bombers.

As the bombs began to rain down, Bozdech threw himself on top of Antis to protect him.

After the raid was over, Antis immediately got up and started sniffing through the rubble of ruined buildings and barking. In this way, the canine hero managed to sniff out and save six survivors trapped under the rubble, including a baby.

**Bozdech resumed flying** bombing missions, this time from an air base at Suffolk. Antis accompanied him there but was not allowed on the airplanes.

Whenever Bozdech would take off for a mission, Antis would sit and wait forlornly, refusing to sleep or

eat, only perking up once his master returned.

One day, though, Bozdech was due to fly a mission when Antis disappeared. He searched frantically all over the air base, but with only twenty minutes until take-off, he had to abandon his search and get to his bomber.

**As soon as he was in the air**, though, he discovered where Antis was – the dog had managed to hide himself away in the airplane and had kept quiet until they were up in the air. Once they had reached cruising altitude, though, Antis started to have difficulty breathing, so Bozdech pulled off his own oxygen mask and took turns breathing through it with Antis.

Even though it was strictly forbidden to have animals on a warplane, officers made an exception for Antis. He even got his own specially-designed breathing apparatus for the missions he flew.

**Antis ended up flying** a number of missions with his master and was wounded twice in action. After the war was over, Antis stayed with Bozdech, who returned to Czechoslovakia.

When the communists took over, though, he had to flee his country once again, and he took Antis with him.

Antis continued to prove himself to be a valuable companion, helping Bozdech to detect border patrols and assisting him to escape undetected. Bozdech ended up settling permanently in Britain, along with Antis, who was awarded the Dickin Medal – the most prestigious medal an animal can get – in 1949.

**Antis lived out the rest** of his life in peace, passing away in 1953, at the age of 13.

Bozdech never had another dog after Antis, perhaps too heartbroken after losing his best friend with whom he had been through so much. He passed away in 1980 at the age of 67.

(Source of article: *War History Online*: [www.warhistoryonline.com/histstory/antis](http://www.warhistoryonline.com/histstory/antis))



GSD Antis (above) & fellow airmen 9.

# Club News, Legs

## Awards Banquet Ahead

Lincolnwood Training Club tentatively will hold its annual Awards Banquet on Sunday, April 19, at the Wildwood Tavern, 6480 W. Touhy Ave., Niles, IL.

A raffle is planned, with donations made by local merchants and Club members. Proceeds from the raffle will go to *Vested Interest in K-9s*, which provides protective vests to police dogs.

Awards Banquet Chairman Kathy Pairitz e-mailed invitations out in mid-March, asking for their return by April 10.

## 2020 Club Officers Elected

Duly elected officers for Lincolnwood Training Club for the year 2020, voted on at a January 15 election meeting held at Little Villa Pizzeria in Des Plaines, IL, are: Jane Eastman, President; Lana Berger, Vice-President; Sandy Tristano, Treasurer; and Wendy Israel, Historian.

Trustees are Karen Johnson (2021), Cathy Stein (2021), Mary Whalen (2021), Patti Barra (2022), Richard Lane (2022), and Kathy Pairitz (2022).

## Welcome Aboard New Members

The Club recently welcomed into membership Rosalia Cortes and Thomas Strissel of Chicago, IL, and their GSD Jericho, 7-17-2014, sire: Mutz Aritar Bastet, dam: Capri Vom Eisenherz, breeder: Pete Manna, and Julie Cleary of Park Ridge, IL, and GSD Cooper, 2-22-2019.

Kathryn Grace recorded bitch, Putzi Vom Mittelwest ("Indy"), 10/23/2019, sire: Figo di Casa Caputi, dam: Zuma Vom Mittelwest, breeders Tessa Martinez and Julie Martinez, Mittelwest German Shepherds.

## Legs Up!

Bobby Stevens and Lili, Open A, 4<sup>th</sup> Place, Leg #2, Cudahy KC, December 28, 2019, Judge Edree Olson.

Wendy Israel and Cassidy, Barn Hunt Champion Excellent 4 (RATCHX4) AKC Title, and Barn Hunt Crazy 8's Platinum 3 (CZ8P3) AKC Title, November 22, 2019.

Pat Behles and Britta, GSDCA Temperament Test, passed, AKC Temperament Test Title (TC), December 30, 2019, Evaluator Jim York.

Pat Behles and Fritzi, GSDCA Temperament Test AKC, passed, AKC Temperament Test Title (TC), December 30, 2019, Evaluator Jim York.

Pat Behles and Britta, Fritzi, and Ki, enrolled in the AKC PupPal Program, December 26, 2019.

Stu Unger and Roma, Therapy Dog Advanced Title (TDA), 100 visits, August 12, 2019.

Leah Swanquist and Lexi, National Association of Canine Scent Work Odor Recognition Test, Anise, Passed, December 14, 2019, Certifying Official Nancy Reyes, Judge Yolanda Belluso.

Wendy Israel and Cassidy, GSDCA Temperament Test AKC Title (TC), Passed, January 23, 2020.

Stu Unger and Freija, Car-Dun-Al Dog OTC, Novice B, Leg #1, February 1, 2020, Judge Randy Capsel; and Novice B, Leg #2, February 2, 2020, Judge Kathleen Galotti.

Stu Unger and Freija, Novice B, Leg #3, 3rd Place, Companion Dog (CD) Title, Topline German Shepherd DCI, February 15, 2020, Judge Joseph Caputa.

Izabela Raczynski-Bell and Argos, Rally Advanced B, Leg #2, Central States Collie Club, February 16, 2020, Judge Edree Olson.

## All Dogs Go to Heaven

Lincolnwood Training Club sends its condolences to the following Club members whose German Shepherds are now at the Rainbow Bridge:

Rosemary Lacey's

"Ruby"

9/24/2013 - 1/09/2020

Patti Barra's

"Nohea"

3/26/2007 - 1/14/2020

Colleen Breslin's

"Thunder"

12/20/2006 - 1/23/2020

Peter and Edna Mondlock's

"Elsa"

Passed 10/26/2019

Mary and Daniel Breau's

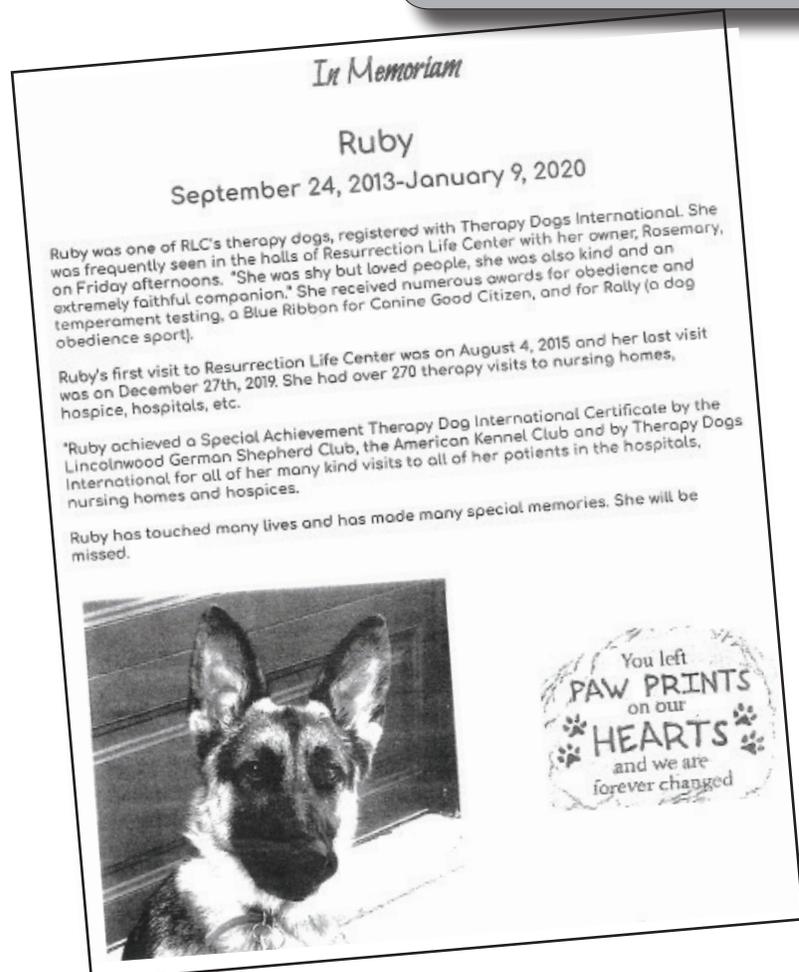
"Honcho"

6/07/2007 - 4/2018

Elaine Vedder's

"Elsa"

8/15/2006 - 10/07/2019





Birthday doggos Selene (above, left, clockwise), Odin, Sam, and Nellie

# Happy Birthday!



Kira	1/01/2012	Marianne Zielinski
Lyka	1/01/2012	Sylvia Olechno
Ada	1/06/2017	Patty Larson
Jäger	1/10/2015	Kathy/Chris Kaporis
Major	1/12/2010	John McNalis
Emma	1/13/2017	Greg/Josie Nejman
Hardy	1/14/2015	Guillermo/Ramona Zamora
Nellie	1/16/2011	Richard/Nancy Lane
Misiek	1/22/2018	Wioletta Pekala
Reagan	1/27/2017	Guillermo/Ramona Zamora
Pip	2/05/2012	Adrienne Scheuneman
Selene	2/12/2014	Gail Krogstad
Zari	2/13/2010	Karan Volltrauer
Bruno	2/16/2018	Marcin/Marzena Frackiel
Vlad	2/17/2018	Jane Eastman
Gunnar	2/20/2019	David Gillingham/Paula Harbage
Odin	2/21/2008	Ruth Black
Janek	2/22/2017	Darek Czyzewski
Sam	2/28/2013	Richard/Nancy Lane
Rocko	3/01/2014	Edmond Bahi
Apollo	3/10/2011	Jason Bell/Izabela Raczynski-Bell
Freija	3/12/2019	Stu Unger
Henry	3/24/2019	Robin Thybony
Angel	3/27/2010	Kathy Pairitz
Lexi	3/28/2014	Ramona Zamora
Blaze	4/01/2017	Curt and Christine Trefelner
Kairo	4/01/2018	Gail Krogstad

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

Requirements: Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Membership includes subscription to *The German Shepherd Dog Review*. Must be sponsored by two members in good standing of the GSDCA.

Membership Type: (check one)

Single \$36.00  Family\*\$66.00 Outside the United States add \$24.

\*Family is defined as same household or significant other. Dues are not tax deductible.

Make checks payable to GSDCA.

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I (We) hereby make application to the above Club and agree, if accepted for membership, to abide by all AKC and GSDCA rules and policies. Upon application I will be eligible for all privileges except the right to vote. Thirty days after my name has been published in the *Review*, provided no objections have been filed, I will be granted the right to vote.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Per GSDCA policy, if no sponsors are available, membership applications may be signed by the GSDCA President and the Membership Chair.



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