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As we round out our first year in print, you probably found this issue, the cover in particular, a little different. Our first year as southeast Wisconsin's only canine companion magazine proved to be extremely successful. Over 10,000 local families, like yourselves, enjoy finding the next edition at their favorite pet supply store, Groomer, or Veterinarian. However, we need to reach more dog lovers in southeast Wisconsin. To share Fetch Magazine with more people, we have decided to forego the glossy cover in exchange for printing an additional 5,000 copies, starting with the Jan/Feb 2005 issue. Have you ever stopped by your Groomer or pet supply store and saw an empty display or the copies at your Veterinarian's office were snatched up before you could grab your own? We hope that never happens again.

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# Ask the VET

## Q: Vaccines for dogs-what do they need?

**A:** Vaccines are a terrific way to keep your pet healthy and happy, but not all owners understand exactly what those vaccines are meant to prevent. The American Animal Hospital Association recently revised its recommendations for canine preventatives and divided the vaccines into three categories-core (recommended) vaccines, non-core (recommended but optional) vaccines, and not generally recommended vaccines. This scheme allows veterinarians to determine which vaccines each dog needs to protect him from the diseases he may encounter.

**CORE VACCINES** are those that are considered necessary for all dogs to maintain optimum health. Some of these vaccines may be given combined into one shot, allowing your veterinarian to cover multiple diseases while giving fewer injections to your pet.

Canine Distemper Virus is a highly contagious and often fatal disease. Due to effective vaccine programs, this disease is seen only rarely in the United

States, usually in shelters where the dog population may not be fully vaccinated. Symptoms range from fever, runny nose, cough and vomiting to twitching, seizures and death.

Canine Adenovirus/Hepatitis are two viruses (Adenovirus 1 and 2) that can affect a dog's liver, kidneys, spleen and lungs. It is most often fatal in young dogs, although dogs of any age may become infected. Clinical signs include fever, diarrhea and respiratory disease.

Veterinarians generally only vaccinate for Adenovirus 2 which gives dogs cross protection against Adenovirus 1. Canine Parvovirus is highly contagious and attacks the cells that line the intestines, causing fever, dehydration, vomiting and a characteristic bloody diarrhea. In rare cases the heart muscle can also be affected, leading to long term health problems. Some infected dogs can survive parvovirus with aggressive medical care, but treatment is costly.

Canine Parainfluenza Virus causes chronic respiratory disease and is more serious when accompanied by other viral or bacterial infections. Parainfluenza is passed by coughing dogs as airborne particles, allowing it to spread easily. Rabies is a fatal viral disease that can affect most mammals, including dogs, cats and humans. Rabies is endemic in Wisconsin because it lives in the wild mammal population in raccoons, bats and wild carnivores. Because it is a

public health issue, all dogs and cats are required to be vaccinated against rabies by state and local laws. Treatment is available for humans exposed to rabid animals but for our pets prevention is the only option.

**NON-CORE VACCINES** are given to dogs at risk of exposure to the disease. The decision to vaccinate for these diseases is based on the lifestyle of the dog and can vary with what part of the country a dog is living in, what activities the owner engages in with the dog, and how often the dog is exposed to other dogs.

*Bordetella bronchiseptica* is the bacteria most often associated with infectious cough in dogs. It is commonly referred to as the 'kennel cough' vaccine, although dogs need not go to a kennel to be infected. Affected dogs have a characteristic dry hacking cough, often described by owners as a choking noise. *Bordetella* is usually found in dogs with upper respiratory tract infections in conjunction with other bacteria and viral diseases.

Lyme disease is acquired from the bite of an infected deer tick. Deer ticks are very tiny and nearly impossible to find on a dog. This is the most commonly reported tick disease in the United States, however not all animals that are exposed will show signs of illness. Caused by the bacteria *Borrelia burgdorferi*, Lyme disease may cause joint infections, damage to the kidneys and other organs, and may be accompanied by a fever.



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**NOT RECOMMENDED** vaccines are those that are currently on the market but are not considered useful and include the Corona Virus, Giardia and Adenovirus 1 vaccines. "AAHA's guidelines are based on limited scientific evidence that is supported by consensus and expert opinion as well as clinical experience," says Michael Paul, DVM, chairperson of the AAHA Canine Vaccine Task Force. "The guidelines should not be construed as dictating an exclusive protocol, course of treatment or procedure. They serve as a guide for developing vaccine schedules for individual patients."

All dogs need vaccinations to ensure their health. How frequently and with which vaccines are determined by the veterinarian based on the dog's age, immune status, risk factors, history of vaccination or vaccine reactions, travel habits and lifestyle. Young puppies require a series of vaccines to teach their developing immune systems how to handle disease exposure, while older dogs generally do not require more than once or twice a year boosters. Some vaccines are capable of stimulating a longer duration of

immunity than others-these require less frequent boosters than those that provide only temporary protection. Together, you and your veterinarian can determine a vaccine protocol appropriate for each dog in your household.

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# Ask the Trainer

## Question:

When I sign up for an Advanced Canine Training class, what types of exercises will we be practicing?

## Answer:

After the Intermediate Class, discussed in the September/October issue, the next step is what we refer to as the Advanced Class. We continue to build on previous learning experiences and add additional distraction training, increasing the intensity of the distraction. Perhaps we put some toys on the floor, (bones, ropes, tennis balls), in two columns, eight feet apart. Now we call the dogs, one at a time, through the gauntlet. If they pass through the gauntlet, we put the rows of toys closer together. Or perhaps we

add some food, or meat bones into the gauntlet. As I said, the idea is to increase the intensity of the distraction.

We continue with the use of the agility equipment to build the confidence of both dog and handler. We start putting different obstacles together rather than just doing the individual obstacles. We use our Intermediate Bridge to encourage the dogs. It is gratifying to watch a dog that a few weeks earlier was afraid of the High Walk, move quickly and safely across it.

We also expand on the trick training that we started in the Intermediate Class. Students will spend time practicing whatever they wish to practice, and we will advise them how to proceed.

One of my goals for Advanced students is to have a command that you can use to stop your dog if he's running away. I believe very strongly that if you expect to have your dog off leash you need to have one command that is so absolutely

rock solid that he will do it running away towards a high value distraction. It may be a Down on the fly. Or it may be a Sit. We build on what we have done in the Intermediate Class to establish these safety commands.

To be sure a behavior is reliable it must be "proofed". Proofing is just testing to see at what point your dog becomes distracted. For example, if your dog is standing in front of you and you want your dog to sit, you ask your dog to sit. If he's on leash, facing you, and you have a fanny pack full of treats, the reliability will probably be about 80% or so. If you have your back to your dog when you ask for the sit, that reliability may drop to around 60%. If you are lying down when you ask for the sit, reliability falls away even faster. Proofing is how you determine where you become irrelevant to your dog.

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For example, they may have you sit your dog, tell him to stay, go out six feet in front of your dog, and hop on one foot. You may have told your dog to stay and gone six feet in front of him. You may have stood there; you may have squatted and clapped your hands...chances are you never hopped. You now know that your dog will or will not hold a stay under these circumstances. If your dog moves, we will lower the intensity by not going as far, or not hopping as long, or by using the Intermediate Bridge. Gradually the student works it so that his dog will now hold the stay while he hops on one foot, six feet in front of the dog.

That's proofing your dog. We draw cards in class to assist the students and their dogs with the proofing. Some of the cards will be behaviors that no one has ever tried with their dogs. This allows me to gauge how well I've taught the principles of how to get your dog to do a specific behavior. This is something that everyone has fun with. It really challenges the student and the dog.

This will be the last in my series of articles for Fetch Magazine. The publishers want to rotate so that you (the reader) can get many different perspectives about training your dog. Even after training professionally for twenty years, I still attend as many seminars and conferences as I can. I always learn something. That is Fetch Magazine's goal for you.

Thank you for reading the articles. I've had some very positive feedback from you. It is appreciated.

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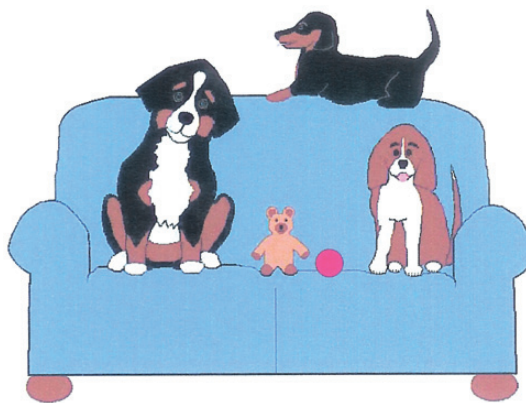


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Dog owners from all over come to The Natural Pet, a unique store in Bay View on the corner of Delaware and Oklahoma. Dogs love the place. They lead their owners up the steps and into the good smells and country store atmosphere to sniff around and socialize with other dogs while their owners shop. "They come in and don't leave," said storeowner Kim Hecker. She likes that. "I'm here to help them."

Hecker, a founder of GRROW (Golden Retriever Rescue of Wisconsin) got the idea for her store as a result of adopting Murphy, a 7 year old Golden looking for a new home. It was a match made in dog heaven, but soon after Murphy moved in, Hecker discovered the dog had cancer and hip dysplasia, a painful ball-and-socket misfit not uncommon to Goldens. (See Fetch Magazine, May/June 2004.) Murphy and Hecker then formed a unique partnership, and through trial and error found alternative, holistic ways to treat the Golden's conditions.

Hecker wanted to combine their three years of research into one place for the benefit of others—a "safe place" where pet owners could one-stop shop trusting that

all purchases would only enhance their pet's health. This venture between dog and dog's best friend ultimately led to the opening of The Natural Pet in June of 2003. One has to wonder if it was really Hecker's idea, or Murphy's.

In any case, Hecker suggests to other folks wanting to try holistic pet care that they start with food. "People need to understand that most traditional vets know about science and medicine but are not taught nutrition in vet school." She recommends Dr. Ian Billinghurst's book, *Give Your Dog A Bone*, which describes health benefits of the Biologically Appropriate Raw Food (BARF) diet. Hecker carries Companion Natural Pet Food, a tempting recipe of raw meats, vegetables and supplements.

Murphy balked at the raw diet, however, so Hecker researched the best cooked foods available. She found that a healthy food must have animal protein listed as the first ingredient and must also include whole grains and vegetables. The food must not contain any BHA, BHT, Ethoxyquin, animal by-products, artificial colors, dyes or flavors. There must be no generic listing of "animal fat," but a specific listing of poultry or lamb fat is acceptable.

The Natural Pet carries Back to Basics, Wellness, Solid Gold, and other healthy brands including Paul Newman's organic dog and cat foods. "I give people samples to take home and have their pet try before spending money on food that the animal might not eat," said Hecker.

In addition to healthy food, Hecker recommends digestive enzymes, especially if the pet is not on a raw diet. "Cooking food kills the enzymes necessary for digestion," she explained. Hecker offers a full line of vitamins, herbs and herb tinctures, and even a detox system for pets. She sells Dr. Billinghurst's books and others including *Dogs, Diet and Disease*, by Caroline Levin; *Herbs for Pets*, by Greg Tilford; *Pet Allergies*, by Martin Zucker; and the monthly "Whole Dog Journal."

Hecker's beloved partner lived a long and happy life. This spring Murphy decided his favorite companion and business partner had learned enough to go it alone. In March he passed on at 14-1/2 years old, an impressive age for Golden Retrievers. Hecker and her "girls," Mandy and Promise, two more rescued Goldens, carry on the work that Murphy inspired—helping folks learn holistic pet care and offering the products and resources to practice it.

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Dr. Jodie, the "animal doctor" in Muskego guided Hecker and Murphy with flower essences and herbal remedies. Dr. Chris Bessent in Oconomowoc treated Murphy with acupuncture, Chinese herbs, and chiropractic. Certified Canine Massage Therapist Douglas Arthur provided Murphy's massage therapy, and Claudeen McAuliffe, a Tellington TTouch practitioner introduced them to her powerful touch therapy.

Jean Scherwenka loves dogs, writing, and the opportunity to combine the two in her articles for Fetch.





# Born to Run

Determined is the best word to describe Penny Wagner. In her running career she's participated in countless races and 43 marathons, two of which were thirty-five miles and one was fifty. Penny has raced the stairs of the US Bank building sixteen times, the John Hancock Center and Sears Tower twice, she's even raced up the Empire State Building!

So when she decided it was time to get a canine companion, it was no surprise she was determined to get the best fit. For five years she researched breeds and breeders until finally deciding on the Jack Russell Terrier. This tenacious little breed known for its energy and courage was a perfect fit and Fast Eddie, her first pup, was no exception.

Eddie proved to be everything the breed promised and more. His athleticism was out shown only by his intelligence, he was the first Jack Russell to graduate his obedience class, and he then followed that with agility lessons. His sweet personality and quick kiss earned him friends wherever he went. Then, during a doctor's visit, the veterinarian felt something wrong with Eddie's hip. Eddie was missing part of his left hip bone, a deformity he must have been born with. At only a year of age Eddie was facing major surgery.

Meanwhile, Penny was facing major bills. The first estimate she received was way beyond her means. With the tenacity of her little dog, she sought out a different veterinarian. It paid off, but it was still not inexpensive by any means. Penny had to dip into her retirement savings for the three thousand dollar procedure. Eddie spent two hours in surgery and two weeks in recovery. Then he was back to hiding the car keys in his crate and jumping into the birdbath for a drink.

For some dogs, this is where the story would end. A successful surgery followed by a well-deserved restful life. But this is about a Jack Russell, and passiveness isn't in their nature. Not only does Eddie remain active, he does it with flair. During the 2002 Olympics Penny and Eddie followed the torch for 23 miles through Wisconsin. During the Task Force for Family Violence run, Sheriff



David Clark made Eddie an honorary sheriff. Being quite the looker, Eddie made the Wisconsin Humane Society pet calendar 2 years in a row and every year Eddie enjoys a birthday bash at Hi-Fi Café in Bayview, complete with a Limo ride provided by his owner.

Earlier this year on July 14th, Eddie made history as the first dog to ever Storm The Bastille in the French festival's 20 year run. Despite being required to start last Penny and Eddie finished in the top half with a time of 24 minutes, eleven seconds. Their accomplishment even earned them an interview with a local news caster, who in return received a dousing of Eddie's affections. When asked why she chose to run with her dog, Wagner replies " Because I wanted to prove that Jack Russell's aren't wild, that they're not the curtain rippers or carpet shredders they're portrayed to be."

Eddie's family has grown. Wanting to provide Eddie with companionship, Penny sought the same breeder to get Emma Biaggio who at a eighteen and eight pounds rules over her siblings. Just when Penny thought the pack was complete, along came Boomer Sebastiano. The breeder was contemplating euthanasia for Boomer, born totally deaf, but Penny wouldn't hear of it. So what does Penny do with a troop of Jack's? Run, of course. In August the entire gang participated in the Hank Aaron State Trail 5K run/walk and took second place in her division.

As you look around Penny Wagner's house, mementos of her accomplishments are everywhere. As we gaze at a poster-size picture of her running in the California Mountains, she recounts her race in Big Sur with a fractured leg. A black leather-bound book holds page after

page of medals, but what Penny really loves to talk about is her beloved Jacks. So what's next for dynamic duo of Penny and Eddie? Eddie's looking to become a therapy dog and share his good nature with even more friends yet to be had. Penny is hoping to be granted a special waiver so that Eddie can join her in a marathon, something he has so far been denied. "I don't care if we have to start last" stated Penny, "I just want the chance to show that my dog can run and not disturb others". If this pair pursues it with the same determination as they do everything else, I have no doubt they'll see another victory.

In addition to being an avid dog lover, **Keri Meyer** has spent several years in the veterinary field, currently as Assistant Hospital Manager at the Wisconsin Veterinary Referral Center.

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# War Dogs:

## Milwaukee's Efforts to Support Military Heroes



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As the saying goes, cry havoc and let slip the dogs of war. Just like their canine counter, the military serve and protect. Rarely, however, do these dogs get the respect or recognition that they deserve. War Dogs, a group made up of veterans and supporters, is out to change that.

"Our purpose is to bring attention to war dogs. We want to keep in the public's eye that dogs saved lives. (In Vietnam) whole units were saved by dogs who walked ahead of the soldiers and found the trip wires or the booby traps. Dogs discovered tunnels and detected bombs. Whenever we go to parades, we find veterans with stories to tell, vets whose lives were saved by dogs," says founder Carol Singer.

Singer was doing research on her Doberman pinschers when she found out the breed was used extensively as war dogs in World War II. She also met Jerry Witt, who was a dog handler when he served in Vietnam. Karen Iding added her assistance and War Dogs was founded

in 1999 in Menomonee Falls. The group, which currently has about 30 members, wants people to realize how important dogs are in the war efforts and to the soldiers who are fighting. "The topic of war dogs is very emotional for soldiers who worked with the dogs," Singer says. This is especially true for those who served in Nam.

Over 4,000 dogs served in the Vietnam War. It's estimated they found over 3,000 mortars and 2,000 tunnels. American military officials also estimate that the dogs saved over 10,000 American soldiers. At the end of the war, however, the dogs were classified as equipment and left behind. Less than 300 of the dogs were returned stateside to the families who volunteered them to the armed forces. Despite the pleas of their handlers, the dogs were either euthanized or given to the starving Vietnamese. It wasn't until September of 2000 that then-President Clinton signed a bill to change military policy, allowing war dogs to be retrained

and adopted at the end of their work life. Currently there are war dogs serving in Iraq, and Singer points out that military dogs are trained to detect bombs and some were used at Ground Zero after the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center. "Most people don't realize how important these dogs are," Singer says.

To raise awareness, War Dogs members march in parades, accompanied by dogs representative of the breeds which have served in past wars. Members make sure they attend Memorial Day parades, Veteran's Day parades and try to attend Fourth of July parades, although those are dependant on weather. There are also plans of school sessions and brochures to inform the public about the history and role of dogs in war.

You can find War Dogs members marching on November 6 in the Veteran's Day parade in downtown Milwaukee. "We're always looking for people and their (well-behaved) dogs who can march with us and represent those who have served in wars," according to Singer. There are many breeds which have been used as war dogs, including Collies, German Shepherds, Newfoundlands, Malamutes, Airedales and mixed breeds.

For further information about War Dogs, contact Carol Singer at (262) 252-3855. For more information about dogs in war and the current nationwide efforts to bring them recognition, check out: [www.wardogsmemorial.org](http://www.wardogsmemorial.org) or [www.uswardogs.org](http://www.uswardogs.org).

**Kim Johnson** is a freelance writer living in Glendale with her husband and two small children. She is saving money to buy a big house and a big dog. Until then, all the neighborhood dogs know which pocket she carries treats in.



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# More than a thousand words

A passion for animals and a love for art are two important qualities of artists who capture an animal's essence through a drawing or painting. It is a talent that evolves over time and not something that can be easily taught, if taught at all. It takes a steady hand, a trained eye and an unlimited amount of talent to offer a product to a client who is emotionally attached to the subject. Following are two area artists who have mastered the technique of capturing the essence of a pet while producing a priceless image that says way more than a thousand words.

## **Ken Young, Oconomowoc Young Creations**



Ken Young is a natural artist who picked up drawing at a very young age. Though he was later formally trained in the field of graphic arts, and now spends most of his time working on his graphic arts business, Young Creative, he never really let go of his passion for drawing.

"I used to do a lot more drawing on a professional level, but now I do it more of a hobby since I still enjoy it," said

Young. "Still drawings are very, very detailed and each drawing can take up to eight hours depending on the subject. For instance, a black dog takes a lot of detail so those types of drawings can take a long time."

Though he truly loves drawing animals, Young admits he can draw most anything from landscapes to people. Drawing animals, however, is extra satisfying for Young.

"What I find enjoyable about drawing pets is that people already love the subject matter, they have a personal connection to it, so when the portrait is finished the person is so enthralled by what they see. It's almost a surprise to them."

Young recalls one elderly client who was so captivated with his work that over a 20-year period he drew nearly every dog the woman owned, which comprised of 8-9 German Shepherds through the years. "She kept every drawing together on a wall in her home and she always used to tell me if there was ever a fire that those drawings would be the first things she'd save," he said.

Working mainly from photographs provided by clients, Young explains that he begins his drawings by penciling an image very lightly and from there he hones in on the subject's eyes.

"The eyes lead to everything else so I really spend a lot of time on those since the eyes really are the windows to the soul," he explained. "I then go over everything extensively in layers from there."

Young prices his work by the extreme detail of the portrait, an 8x10 can run between \$150-\$200. He finds his busiest time of the year usually comes around the holidays.

"To do this it really helps to have a passion for drawing because it's an emotional thing and it makes what you give people so much better, that's really the best part of doing this," he explained.

## **Scott Holdmann, Muskego Unique Perspectives**



Also a natural, self-taught artist, Scott Holdmann believes he received his artistic talent from his mother, who also had a passion for drawing. Though he has no formal art training, Holdmann, like Young, knows how to use his mind's eye to create amazing portraits.

Holdmann began drawing wildlife portraits in 1983 and later began drawing pet portraits in 1993. Though he still draws mainly as a part-time hobby, there's little he doesn't love about what he does with pencil or brush in hand.

"Pets are so personal to people and I really enjoy each subject that I work on whether it's a family pet or a pet belonging to someone I don't know," said Holdmann.

Since he's a born animal lover who grew up in the company of dogs and cats, Holdmann admits that even though he can draw nearly anything, he loves drawing animals the most.

"There's a lot of satisfaction in drawing animals because they make such great subjects," he said.

Holdmann also begins his portraits by working off of photographs provided by a client. "I usually start with the eyes and the mouth because if I don't get those right, I don't go any further, because that's the most important part. I've learned over the years that if I don't feel right about a portrait after doing the

eyes or mouth, then the client won't be happy with it either. So now, if I'm not pleased with where it's going I just immediately start over."


Along with doing black and white charcoal portraits, Holdmann also offers pastels and watercolor portraits. When it comes to price, detail and the size of the portrait determines price. An 8x10 charcoal drawing can run around \$75.

"I try to keep my prices affordable so someone like myself, who works in a factory full-time, can enjoy them also," said Holdmann who does a majority of his drawings on weekends. "I do most of my rough work right away on Saturday or Sunday mornings since that seems to be the best time for me to work."

Holdmann finds that a majority of his clients are those who are offering the portraits as gifts to others. He admits that about half of the portraits he draws are of dogs that are deceased.

"It's a way for people to hold on to them, it's a really different way to memorialize them rather than just in a photograph," he said.

Jamie Klinger-Krebs is a freelance writer and avid animal lover who lives in Jefferson County with her husband, two dogs and two cats. Having been around animals her entire life, Jamie can't imagine what life would be like without "four-legged" kids to keep life interesting.



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## Provide Plenty of Fresh Water

Your dog is just as likely to get dehydrated in the winter as in the summer. Snow is not a satisfactory substitute for water.

## Provide Plenty of Food

Feed your dog additional calories if it spends a lot of time outdoors or is a working animal. It takes more energy in the winter to keep body temperature regulated, so additional calories are necessary.

## Keep Your Dog's Paws Dry

Rinse your dog's feet and dry them completely after a walk. This helps avoid tiny cuts and cracked pads. A little petroleum jelly may soften the pads and prevent further cracking.

## Groom Your Dog Regularly

Your dog needs a well-groomed coat to keep properly insulated. Towel or blow-dry your dog if it gets wet from rain or snow.

## Keep Your Dog Warm, Dry and Away From Drafts

Adequate shelter is a necessity. Tiles and uncarpeted areas may become extremely cold. Place blankets and pads on floors in these areas.

## Watch Out for Winter Hazards

**Cold:** Don't leave your dog outside for long periods of time. Windchill makes days colder than actual temperature readings, and dogs are susceptible to frostbite on their ears, tails and feet.

**Ice and Snow:** Be extra careful when walking or playing with your dog outside. Your dog could slip or jump in a frozen lake, river or pond and get seriously injured. Snow can muffle scents, and your dog can easily get lost.

**Carbon Monoxide:** Don't leave your dog alone in a car. It gets too cold, and carbon monoxide from an engine left running is dangerous.

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# BREED PROFILE:

## *Jack Russell and Parson Russell Terrier*

A schism of sorts, but not exactly the Great Schism that scholars research and debate.

For those who aren't up on their medieval studies, the Great Schism refers to the time when Christianity was divided into East and West churches during the 14th Century. This marked a turbulent period of church history and European history that Christians still feel today.

For those who aren't up on Russell breeds, last April, the American Kennel Club officially ruled on a division in the family of Russell Terriers - splitting the factions of Jack Russell Terriers and Parson Russell Terriers. This marked the beginning of questions and controversy that Russell Terrier enthusiasts still debate today.

So then, what's the difference? That is, between a Jack Russell and a Parson Russell?

"I wish I could tell you," laughed Bob MacFarland, a Jack Russell Terrier owner. "It keeps changing."

Essentially, the AKC made the distinction in hopes of addressing both terrier group enthusiasts' concerns over breeding, the terrier's true function, and the creation of a "standard" breed. From the AKC perspective, you could say that the Parson Russell Terrier is a Jack Russell Terrier. The term "Parson Russell Terrier" distinguishes between the AKC version of the terrier (that is size, proportions and appearance standards) and the original "working" Jack Russell Terrier that follows different standards.

Some describe the schism like this: Parson Russells now are the AKC show dogs. Jack Russells focus on the outdoor hunt and the "working heritage" of this terrier. In other words, the schism made the Parson Russell the AKC "standard" breed.

"Terriers are terriers," said MacFarland, who runs the Wisconsin Jack Russell

Rescue group. "The AKC simply wanted to go in a different direction" than the Jack Russell Terrier Club of America wanted to go, that is, the direction of emphasizing the dog's hunting skills and abilities.

Parson Russells need to be between 12 and 15 inches tall - in other words, tall legged. Jack Russells can be between 10 and 15 inches tall - in other words, short legged. Jack Russells, some say, are a bit sturdier than Parson Russells. The dogs wear a white coat, some with black or tan markings, or a combination.

Naturally, as recognized by the AKC to be the standard breed, Parson Russells are allowed to participate in AKC events, like agility and obedience and confirmation, while activities for Jack Russells are not AKC related. Jack Russell groups do organize events themselves. For instance, MacFarland organizes a "Fun Club" four times each summer to bring together Jack Russells for different racing and agility events.

"To me, being relatively new to the Jack Russell-Parson Russell debate, I don't see a huge difference between the two," said Joe Pavlic, who owns two Parson Russells with his wife, Rebecca England. (Archie is 17 months old. Pavlic hopes to get him involved in agility events. Abbie has already been attending agility classes with England.)

"You have to decide what you want to do - and consider the flexibility of getting a Parson or a Jack," the Bayside resident said.

There are some commonalities, Pavlic said. "They have the same temperament. They've got the same incredible looks."



Setting aside the debate over the factions for the moment, MacFarland, of the Jack Russell camp, couldn't agree more.

The two dog types share temperament and other personality characteristics. High energy and active, very sociable, affectionate are just some of the words used to describe these canine companions. The dog is very fast.

"We've been removing wallpaper, and they always want to help. They want to be around all the time," said Pavlic said.







"This isn't a dog where it's done when you come home from a walk. It will not just lay down and leave you alone."

"They are extremely affectionate, extremely involved dogs," Pavlic said.

MacFarland said the dog's greatest weakness is that they adore all people. "They don't realize there are bad people out there."

When asked what makes his three dogs special, MacFarland didn't hesitate. "They make your life exciting."

"There's something about them...they get in your soul," MacFarland said.

They're intelligent animals and relatively easy to train. At the same time, they can be headstrong.

"If you force them to do something - they'll push back to you," MacFarland said. "Once they understand what you



want (them to do), they're the easy animals to train."

Some warn of the terrier's reaction to children and other pets in the house. Pavlic wasn't too sure.

"They told me at some point in time, your dog will attack any cat," said Pavlic, also a cat owner. "I haven't had that experience. They told me that your dog will not have patience with children. They've been extremely affectionate around children."

MacFarland warned of the Jack Russells' speed and obsession for the hunt.

"Jacks will hunt anything," MacFarland said. That's why they're no good in an area where they are confined."

"The Jacks' No. 1, biggest killer are cars. No matter how well trained they are, if they get their nose full, they get so focused and can just run across the road" without hesitation, he said.

He'll still take his Jacks - and keep a close watch when he's out in the fields on the hunt. In other words, MacFarland is set on his Jack Russells - forever.

"Our dogs can do anything. We like to keep our dogs like they were 200 years ago. I want my dog to do everything," he said.

Pavlic and his wife, too, aren't ready to change their minds and won't not go anywhere for any other dog than a Parson Russell. They're looking into adding



another to their family, and perhaps breeding some day.

"Now that we've had them, we wouldn't have anything else," Pavlic said.

An avid dog lover, Milwaukee native and accomplished freelance writer, **Mark Edmund** has spent the better part of his life with canine companions.

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## INGREDIENTS

Here are some ingredients that should be avoided.

**By-Products:** All meat rejected by the slaughterhouses must be "denatured", a process designed to make the meat unpalatable to humans. According to the

federal meat inspection regulations, fuel oil, kerosene, crude carbolic acid and citronella are the approved denaturing materials. In some widespread cases, dogs and cats that have been euthanized at clinics, pounds, and shelters, with Sodium Pentobarbital, are sold to rendering plants. Sodium Pentobarbital does not break down in the rendering process and has shown to cause liver and kidney damage and renal failure. These animals along with road kill are covered under the 4D Rule, diseased, disabled, dying and dead. The buffet of 4D is ground and slowly cooked. The grease, or tallow, rises to the top and becomes "animal fat", used in some low grade pet foods. The remaining material is then pressed and made into by-products.

**Fat:** The reason for fat being added is to give off a pungent odor that entices pets to eat foods without flavor. Rancid, heavily preserved fats are extremely hard to digest and can lead to many problems. Another fat stabilizer that is often used is Ethoxyquin, suspected of being a cancer-causing agent.

**Coloring:** They often include coal-tar derivatives dyes and produce a powerful carcinogenic substance known as nitrosamines. Research has shown that people have died from accidental nitrate poisoning and animals ingest much larger amounts in their diets daily.

**Soybean:** Increases protein content and bulk. It is very difficult to digest and is linked to bloat, a major killer of dogs today.

**Sweeteners:** Corn syrup, sucrose, beet pulp sugar, and molasses produce a great deal of stress on the pancreas and adrenals, a condition that may result in diabetes.

## LABELS

Learning to read labels is very important if consumers want a good food for their pets. Some pet food companies can be misleading. According to law, ingredients are listed in descending order of weight; meaning that the first ingredient generally has the largest amount in the food. The items that are 10 or so down the list are far less meaningful. The exception to this rule is the presence, no matter how small, of chemical preservatives, color and flavors. They should not be present in pet foods at all.

Purina recently introduced a product called Beniful. The ads and packaging show chunks of beef, ears of corn, stalks of wheat and whole carrots and peas. Beniful actually contains ground corn (1st & 3rd), a dried grain used as a cheap source of protein. Dried peas and carrots (17th and 18th on the list), far below sugar (10th), sorbital, another sweetener (11th), and even sorbic acid, a preservative that appears (15th) on the list of ingredients.

## THE RIGHT FOOD FOR YOU PET

There are numerous bands of pet foods available today. Years back you could count on the larger companies such as Hills, Eukanuba, Proplan, and Iams, but now they are just lost subsidiaries of

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#### VETERINARIAN ADVICE

According to a Wall Street Journal article by Tara Parker-Pope, "Hill's now funds a nutrition professorship in nearly half of the veterinary schools. Hills employees wrote a widely used text book on animal nutrition that is distributed free to students". Hills and Eukanuba are the two top companies that manufacture prescription foods, which put them on the top of pet food list for most veterinarians. Unless significant research has been conducted, many vets remain painfully unaware of the possible toxins our pets ingest every day.

#### NATURAL PET FOODS

On the flip side of this issue, there are natural pet food companies that use high quality meats (human grade), grains, vegetables, fruits and natural preservatives. Natural foods contain wholesome ingredients your pets' organs can digest to support a healthy immune system that fights off bacteria, viruses and parasites. You probably have never seen a commercial for natural (Holistic) pet foods. The companies that produce these foods put their assets into research and product development. Their success is spread through owners of healthy pets. Natural pet foods can only be found in pet supply stores, not grocery or hardware stores.

According to "The Whole Dog Journal," the following brands are considered the best foods.

California Natural	Canidae
Eagle Pack Holistic	Evolve

Flint River Ranch  
Star  
Innova  
Natural Balance  
Prairie  
Timber Wolf  
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Millennia  
Pinnacle  
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Although this article just touched on the dry dog food industry, I feel it would not be complete without mentioning the many excellent raw diets available to our pets as well. Milwaukee's own Companion Natural Pet Food is one of them. Bill and Stacy Conroy in cooperation with a Professor of Animal Nutrition developed a quality, raw, grain-free, natural pet food available to our canine companions at local pet supply stores or online at [www.companionnaturalpetfood.com](http://www.companionnaturalpetfood.com).

As mentioned above, a magazine called "The Whole Dog Journal" ([www.whole-dog-journal.com](http://www.whole-dog-journal.com)) researches many types of pet food and writes an article once a year with their top 10 picks. If you want to further investigate your dog's food, stop by your local pet supply store and talk with an associate who is knowledgeable about natural pet foods, or do some research on the Internet. LDC Professional Pet Products, a pet supply store in Waukesha, has an article "Dog eat Dog" on their web site [a1petsupply.com](http://a1petsupply.com) that is very helpful. The Animal Protection Institute ([www.api4animals.org](http://www.api4animals.org)) also has information to help you better understand the ingredients in your dog's food. I hope this gives you some insight on what direction you can take to ensure that your pets will live a longer and healthier life.

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# Canine communication without words



Giny Boll (left) has been a client of Rebecca's for many years. In this photo they share a light-hearted laugh about one of Giny's beloved canines.

Rebecca Moravec, pet communicator, consults with Gloria about the likes and dislikes of Rocky, a Maltese.

IMMEDIATELY he challenged, "Am I in trouble?"

Duke, my spunky terrier, was responding to Rebecca Moravec, animal communicator. Rebecca transmitted that no, Duke wasn't in trouble, and no, she wasn't a veterinarian or groomer, either.

Next, "Are they really going to get another dog? I don't want another dog in the family." I had no idea that Duke paid attention to my kids joking about getting another terrier.

Rebecca conveyed to Duke that "No, we're just joking around, we have no intention

of getting another dog." Four kids, Duke, and a retriever named Digger are quite enough for me to handle, thank you.

Duke was Rebecca's fifth client on an unhurried Sunday afternoon. Earlier, I observed as Rebecca communicated with an agitated German Shepherd mix (he didn't like his muzzle leash) and a Maltese who likes baths, wanted longer hair and to wear his sweater more often.

Rocky, the Maltese, also offered that although he's ageing and losing some of his hearing, Gloria (his owner) shouldn't be too worried. Rocky was curious about my presence and wondered to Rebecca whether I had treats for him, why I didn't pet him and with all the attention being paid to him, whether it was his 'big day' - his birthday.

As Rebecca explains it, her ability to communicate with animals - technically called Interspecies Telepathic Communication - is not a unique skill. No crystal balls, trances, or shrouded secrets, Rebecca simply shuts her eyes and concentrates when it comes to sending and receives messages from her clients.

Adept only at verbal speech, humans ordinarily do not trust their own telepathic abilities. And frankly, society does not readily accept the notion of two-way communication accomplished through images, feelings, thoughts, and emotions. The goal, however, creating a more harmonious relationship between humans and animals, in turn fuels the harmony and interconnection of all living things.

Virginia Boll has hired Rebecca to communicate with her dogs for many years.

There are many times, according to Rebecca, when she has communicated with abused or abandoned animals that are in a new home. Many of these pets continue to be frightened, are withdrawn and even will hide from their people even though a loving new family has adopted them. "After I talk to them and they understand their people love them and are going to keep them safe, or that this is now their 'forever' home most transform - come out of their shell, stop hiding or cowering and begin to develop their true personalities. Sometimes all it takes is an opportunity for the animal to be heard by it's people," explains Rebecca.

It seems that when pets 'tell' their story, there is an emotional healing that takes place, in Rebecca's experiences. Particularly impressive to me was Rebecca's willingness to give away her techniques and encourage pet owners to seek their own deeper communication with their beloved pets.

The day's triumph was the truce negotiated between Rumer, the cat-terrorizing shepherd mix, and her harried owner. Rebecca relayed Rumer's request: "Lots of BIG plush toys" for distraction and dissipating her nervous energy as well as more time walking outside one-on-one with her human. In turn, Rumer promised to try really hard to curb her herding tendencies and ignore the cats, even though, according to Rumer, it is the cats who initiate all the trouble!

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Gloria Rauwald (left) consults with Rebecca Moravec (right) while Rocky weighs in with his requests.

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# The Legal Beagle

Family Violence and Animal Cruelty:  
The Link, Why It Matters, and What  
You Can Do

The Legal Beagle Honors National  
Domestic Violence Awareness Month  
in October

The role of pets in family violence has  
long been an unrecognized component  
of domestic abuse. However, research  
shows that pets, like humans, can become  
targets of domestic abuse. A 1995 survey

of 72 women seeking refuge in domestic  
abuse shelters in Wisconsin found that  
86% had pets and in 80% of those cases  
the batterer had abused the pets. See  
Arkow, P., "The Relationship Between  
Animal Abuse and Other Forms of  
Family Violence," 12 Family Violence  
and Sexual Assault Bulletin 29 (1996).  
Domestic abuse victims and their chil-  
dren are brutally aware of the risk that  
the batterer poses to the safety and  
well-being of family pets.

Domestic abuse is about the batterer's  
exercise of power and control over the  
family. Batterers frequently use pets as  
a tool of domination - to teach submis-  
sion, to make the family keep secrets, to  
punish the victim and/or the children,  
and ultimately, to coerce the victim to  
stay. Such tactics are horrifying because  
the batterer's brutality to the family pet  
serves as a symbol to the rest of the  
family of the consequences of failing to  
submit to the batterer's demands. Sadly,  
victims and children wishing to protect  
their pet from abuse often feel that they  
have no option other than to stay in a  
violent home.

Because domestic abuse shelters typically  
do not allow pets, domestic abuse victims  
with pets face an undeniable reality. That  
is, leaving the batterer may mean harm,  
or even death, to a beloved pet. Faced  
with this horror, many victims with pets  
delay leaving or never leave. Three  
separate studies have documented that  
between 18% to 40% of victims seeking  
shelter at a crisis center reported that  
concern for the welfare of their pet pre-  
vented them from seeking shelter sooner,  
in some cases for more than two months.  
See Ascione, Frank R., "Safe Haven for  
Pets: Guidelines for Programs Sheltering  
Pets for Women Who Are Battered," page  
1 (2000). The number of victims who  
never leave because of concern for the  
safety and well-being of a pet is simply  
immeasurable.

To leave a pet at the risk of harm or  
death is a decision that no one should  
ever have to make. Fortunately, there are  
a variety of ways in which domestic abuse  
victims can protect their pets from abuse.



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## Safety Planning and Establishing Legal Ownership

Domestic abuse victims may wish to engage in safety planning to protect their pets. A victim may start taking the dog for a daily walk to plot an escape route. The victim may store items in a safe place: proof of legal ownership, leash, carrier, medications, favorite blanket or toy, and an information sheet about the pet. The victim may also take steps to establish legal ownership of the family pet, such as: licensing or registering the pet in the victim's name, paying for veterinary care with a paid receipt in the victim's name, ensuring the veterinary records are in the victim's name, or obtaining a dog park permit or pet insurance in the victim's name.

## Domestic Abuse Restraining Orders

Although Wisconsin law has yet to address the role of pets in domestic abuse, victims and their advocates can creatively use existing law to obtain protection when a pet is the target of abuse. Under Wis. Stat. § 813.12, Wisconsin's Domestic Abuse Restraining Order Law, a victim may obtain protection when the batterer has threatened to or has intentionally caused damage to the victim's property. Because pets are legally recognized as property, a batterer's abuse of the family pet may serve as the basis for a restraining order. Victims may wish to seek the assistance of a domestic abuse advocate or an attorney to guide them through the legal process.

## Safe Havens for Pets Programs

Victims wishing to flee with the family pet may be able to place their pet in a temporary shelter through a safe havens for pets program. There are two such programs available in Wisconsin. In Madison, victims may be eligible for participation in The SAAV Program ("Sheltering Animals of Abuse Victims"), a collaboration of Wisconsin United for Furry Friends, the Dane County Humane Society and Domestic Abuse Intervention Services. In Milwaukee, victims may be eligible for the Temporary Shelter Program, a program offered by the Wisconsin Humane Society. Both programs provide victims of domestic abuse with safe, confidential and temporary shelter for their pets while the victim stays at a local domestic abuse shelter.

## Conclusion

When a family is ensnared in the cycle of violence, it is rarely only the human members of the family who are affected. Although victims of domestic violence may feel powerless to protect their pets, there are many ways to protect pets from abuse. Moreover, as a society, we all have the power to make a difference. Animal abuse is a crime. Therefore, any individual who suspects animal abuse may contact their local police department or animal control agency to report the abuse.

For more information, please contact: Victims wishing to utilize The SAAV Program in Madison should contact the 24 hour crisis line at Domestic Abuse Intervention Services at: (608) 251-4445 - OR- (800) 747-4045.

Victims wishing to utilize the Temporary Shelter Program in Milwaukee should contact Ellen Clark at (414) 431-6106.

For information about the link between family violence and animal cruelty, or starting a safe haven for pets program in your community, please contact: Wisconsin United for Furry Friends ("WUFF") at P.O. Box 5152, Madison, WI 53705. By phone (608) 442-5544. By email: email@wuffinfo.org. On the web: www.wuffinfo.org

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Do you love your dog enough to make "rat tea"? This concoction made by steeping the two to three-day old bedding of a caged rat and then running it through a sieve to get the scented water is an integral part of the sport called Earthdog. Earthdog (also known as "go to ground") is a non-competitive sport for AKC registered dachshunds and terriers. It consists of dogs traversing underground tunnels in search of the caged rat that is safely tucked away at the end of the tunnel. The sport simulates the breeds' earlier job of pursuing quarry into the ground and alerting a hunter where the prey is hiding.

Earthdog clubs dig trenches and then place nine inch by nine inch wooden liners in the trenches. The liners are shaped like an upside-down "U". The top of the liner is placed flush with ground

level. Then, dirt and debris such as branches are placed around the liner so it is not visible. The tunnel includes a varying number of 90 degree turns and the length from the entrance of the tunnel to the quarry depends upon which class of Earthdog is being run. There is an exit area by the quarry that also has a small area for the judge to view the dog. Rat tea is used to lightly scent the den and the entrance to the tunnel.

A dog's exposure to Earthdog typically begins with the Introduction to Quarry test at a sanctioned trial held by an Earthdog club. The tunnel is 10 feet in length and has one 90 degree turn. The dog is released 10 feet from the entrance on his own. He is then allowed two minutes from when he enters the den to find the quarry. The dog is then expected to "work the quarry" for 30 seconds meaning something like barking or digging. The rat and the dog are both protected by having the rat in a cage located behind protective bars at the end of the tunnel.

Dogs can earn titles starting with Junior Earthdog (JE), then Senior Earthdog (SE) and finally Master Earthdog (ME) by having multiple successful trials. The length and complexity of the tunnels and the time the dog must spend working the quarry increase with each title.

"Earthdog is not a spectator sport" according to Debby McNamara whose 10 years of running Earthdog led to the natural progression of her becoming an Earthdog judge a year ago. Only the dog handler, dog, rat caretaker, judge and perhaps an apprentice judge are allowed in the test area. The handler releases the dog, a short time passes and the next thing a spectator may see is the handler jumping up and down because the dog passed.

Debby states that a lot of dogs come to the sport later in life. It is common for dogs that can no longer compete in agility or flyball to become Earthdogs. Debby's two dogs, Pete at 3 years old and Barney at 16 years old are both Master Earthdogs.

Master Earthdog is more complex than the other classes in a variety of ways. Two dogs run the trial at the same time. There are two openings to the tunnel

that are not readily visible and are blocked with an obstruction. Dogs are not only tested for their ability to locate and work quarry, but they must also respond to the handlers when called and must work harmoniously with the other dog.

Rewards aren't really used for Earthdog according to Debby. Unlike agility or obedience where you can train the dog, for Earthdog, you can encourage a dog but they either have it or they don't. "You can't teach a dog instinct," states Debby. While some people will heavily praise the dog, getting to the rat is his reward. Most dogs in addition to being dirty and a bit smelly after running the tunnels are revved up afterwards.

If someone is interested in learning more about Earthdog, Debby has several suggestions. The first thing is to read the AKC rules (<http://www.akc.org/dic/events/earthdog/index.cfm>). Next, contact someone who participates in Earthdog. The local Badger Dachshund Club can be contacted at 414-299-9609. Two recommended books include "Earthdog Ins and Outs" by Jo Ann Friar-Murza and "Dig In!" by Mario Migliorini. Online there is a Yahoo group for Earthdog as well as several informative sites. These include the Dallas Fort Worth Dachshund Club website ([www.dfwdachshund.com](http://www.dfwdachshund.com)), a Wire Hair Fox Terriers site ([www.wirehairfoxterrier.com/hobbies/earthdog.htm](http://www.wirehairfoxterrier.com/hobbies/earthdog.htm)) and the United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club(sm) website ([www.uskbt.com/article.php/164](http://www.uskbt.com/article.php/164)).

So, if you are tired of your dachshund or terrier chasing the critters in your yard, why not investigate Earthdog? Who knows? Maybe rat tea doesn't smell as bad as it sounds.

Marie Tubbin loves spending time with her two best buddies, her husband, Mike and her dog, Louie. She met Mike at Burger King and Louie at HAWS and considers those two of the luckiest days of her life.

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**Where:** Animal Doctor, S74 W17045 Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 414-422-1300, Appointment Required

#### 3 Wednesday

**What:** Start of AKC Novice Obedience Classes 12:15 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

#### 5 Friday

**What:** Animal Communication Mini Consultations  
**When:** 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** For Pet's Sake Dog Training, Mukwonago  
**Info:** 262-363-4529 Pre-registration is required.

#### 6 Saturday

**What:** Holiday Pet photos (w/ family) by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** Friends of Nature W309 S4837 Commercial Dr., Geneseo Depot  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Info:** 262-968-3333 [www.sliderphoto.com](http://www.sliderphoto.com)

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
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**When:** 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 [www.petlicious.com](http://www.petlicious.com)

#### 7 Sunday

**What:** Start of Puppy Kindergarten Classes  
**When:** 4:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

**What:** Photos with Santa by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** Petlicious 2217 Silvermail Road, Pewaukee  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Reservations Req.)  
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#### 8 Monday

**What:** Start of Basic Obedience Classes 5:15 p.m.  
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**What:** Start of Flyball Classes 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
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#### 11 Thursday

**What:** Learn about raw feeding from Dr. Jodi (Animal Doctors)  
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**What:** Rock For The Wild  
**When:** 6:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.  
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**What:** Canine Massage by Geri  
**When:** 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
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**What:** Holiday/Fall pet photos (w/ family) by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** Friends of Nature N88 W15443 Main St., Menomonee Falls  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Info:** 262-253-9889 [www.sliderphoto.com](http://www.sliderphoto.com)

**What:** Holiday Bargain Bash  
**When:** 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Nov 13th - 27th  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 (Get your Holiday pet shopping done early!)

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
**What:** Greyhound Great-n-Meet  
**When:** 12:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 [www.petlicious.com](http://www.petlicious.com)

#### 11 Thursday

**What:** Acupuncture & Chiropractic Treatments w/ Dr. Fife  
**When:** 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Animal Doctor, S74 W17045 Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 414-422-1300, Appointment Required

#### 18 Thursday

**What:** See Spot Live Longer Seminar  
**When:** 4:00 p.m. Taught by Beth Taylor  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd.,

Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 Cost: only \$10.

**What:** Start of AKC Canine Good Citizen Classes 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

#### 19 Friday

**Who:** Frank from Rocks Positive Training  
**What:** Practical obedience w/ positive control  
**When:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 Cost: only \$20. Class size limited.

#### 20 Saturday

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
**What:** Canine Massage by Doug Arthur  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 [www.petlicious.com](http://www.petlicious.com)

**What:** Fall Fun Dog Fashion Show  
**When:** 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (Prizes, awards, beverages, etc.)  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** Call 262-679-6776 to sign up.

**What:** Holiday pet photos (w/family) by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** 1026 E. Commerce Blvd, Slinger  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Info:** 262-644-4088 [www.sliderphoto.com](http://www.sliderphoto.com)

#### 21 Sunday

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
**What:** Animal Communication w/ Rebecca Moravec  
**When:** 12:00 - 5:00 (Reservations required)  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 [www.petlicious.com](http://www.petlicious.com)

#### 26 Friday

**What:** Free Yappy Hour  
**When:** 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Amiable Dog Training 4343 S. 27th Street, Greenfield  
**Info:** 414-289-7785 or [www.dogclass.com](http://www.dogclass.com)

#### 27 Saturday

**What:** 3rd Anniversary Party  
**Where:** The Dog Spot, 7707 W. State St., Tosa  
**Info:** 414-258-3444

**What:** Holiday pet photos (w/ family) by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** W359 N5920 Brown St., Oconomowoc  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
**Info:** 262-567-2699 [www.sliderphoto.com](http://www.sliderphoto.com)

#### 29 Monday

**What:** Start of AKC Rally Obedience Classes 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935



### 30 Tuesday

**What:** Start of Basic Obedience Classes 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

**What:** Acupuncture & Chiropractic Treatments w/ Dr. Fife  
**When:** 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Animal Doctor, S74 W17045 Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 414-422-1300, Appointment Required

## DECEMBER

### 1 Wednesday

**What:** Start of Puppy Kindergarten Classes 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

### 2 Thursday

**What:** Start of AKC Canine Good Citizen & Therapy Classes  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935 1:00 p.m.

### 3 Friday

**Who:** Frank from Rocks Positive Training  
**What:** Types of Training: When is What Wrong?  
**When:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 Cost: only \$20.  
Class size limited.

### 4 Saturday

**What:** Midnight Magic Open House  
**When:** 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
**Where:** For Pet's Sake Dog Training, Mukwonago  
**Info:** 1-888-581-9070 (see ad in magazine)

**What:** Pet Christmas Photos by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** The Dog Spot 7707 W. State St, Tosa  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Info:** 414-258-3444 www.sliderphoto.com

**What:** Pictures with Santa  
**When:** 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
**Where:** LDC Professional Pet Products, Waukesha  
**Info:** 262-549-7773

### 5 Sunday

**What:** Start of Basic Obedience Classes 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

**What:** Holiday pet photos (w/ family) by SliderPhoto  
**Where:** Petlicious 2217 Silvermail Road, Pewaukee  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
(Reservations required)  
**Info:** 262-548-0923 www.sliderphoto.com

### 8 Wednesday

**What:** Start of Basic Obedience Classes 1:00 p.m. & 5:15 p.m.  
**Where:** Best Paw Forward, 1005 Richards Rd., Hartland  
**Info:** 262-369-3935

### 10 Friday

**Who:** Frank from Rocks Positive Training  
**What:** All about aggression  
**When:** 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 Cost: only \$20.  
Class size limited.

### 11 Saturday

**What:** Pictures with Santa  
**When:** 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
**Where:** The Doggy Bag, 150 East Wisconsin Ave, Oconomowoc  
**Info:** 262-560-1717

**What:** Canine Massage by Geri  
**When:** 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Pet Supplies 'N' More, Janesville Rd., Muskego  
**Info:** 262-679-6776 Session only \$15.  
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### 12 Sunday

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
**What:** Animal Communication w/ Rebecca Moravec  
**When:** 12:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
(Reservations required)  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 www.petlicious.com

### 14 Tuesday

**What:** Acupuncture & Chiropractic Treatments w/ Dr. Fife  
**When:** 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
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### 18 Saturday

**Where:** Petlicious Dog Bakery  
**What:** Canine Massage by Doug Arthur  
**When:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Info:** Phone 262-548-0923 www.petlicious.com

### On-Going Through the Holidays

**What:** Food for Charity Food Drive  
**When:** Now through the Holidays  
**Where:** Dog's Best Friend Training Facility  
**Info:** www.dogsbestfriend.us or chas@dias.net

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### Every Thursday

**Who:** Amiable Dog Training with Amy Ammen  
**What:** T.V. Show 6:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Channel 14 (MATA/MCM) Community TV

### Every Saturday

**Who:** "Your Family Pet" with Amy Ammen  
**What:** Radio Show 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  
**Where:** WRRD 540am The Word  
**Info:** Hear expert interviews and pet-related news.

**Who:** Amiable Dog Training with Amy Ammen  
**What:** T.V. Show 10:30 a.m.  
**Where:** Channel 14 (MATA/MCM) Community TV

### Every Sunday

**Who:** "The Everything Pet Show" with Amy Ammen  
**What:** Live call-in show 1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
414-799-1234  
**Where:** WEMP The Voice, AM 1250  
**Info:** Hear expert interviews and pet-related news.

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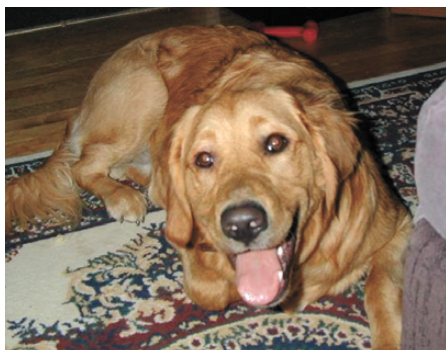


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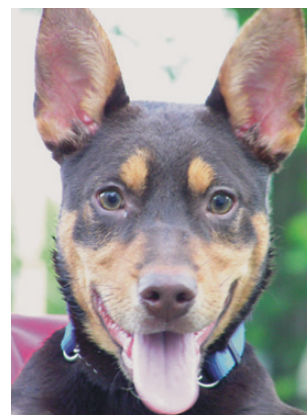
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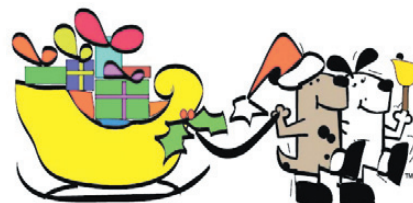
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