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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER CLUB EVENTS

Tuesday, October 16, 6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Comfort Suites
Tuesday, October 16, 7:30 pm	Regular Meeting	Comfort Suites
Saturday October 20	Chili Cook-Off	Downtown State College
Tuesday, November 20, 6:30 pm	Board Meeting	Comfort Suites
Tuesday, November 20, 7:30 pm	Regular Meeting	Comfort Suites

October Meeting: Sue Reighard will give a presentation about small animal resuscitation units, which firefighters and emergency personnel can use when responding to an emergency at a house where there are pets. We are looking into doing some kind of fundraiser to purchase units for the local fire departments. We will also devote some time to wrapping up our Responsible Dog Ownership Day event, with the idea of previewing next year's event and getting input and ideas from club member.

September Meeting Wrap-up: Guest Speaker Jennifer Johnson, Animal and Poultry Health Inspector, from The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture shared a presentation on SART- State Animal Rescue Team & Emergency Preparedness for Pets. She is the director of the Centre County – CART – County Animal Rescue Team. Her presentation was very informative, included historical development of SART, funding, examples of state SART action and incidents. The state SART web site is www.pasart.org. Individuals can contribute time, resources, facilities, and/or money to the program. Volunteers are required to attend a training session before they can participate in SART/CART incident. Pennsylvania is one of 11 states in the nation to have a SART program. Only 7 of our 67 counties do not have CARTs.

Chili Cook-off: The Chili Cook-Off is scheduled for 10/20/07 (note change in date, it was incorrect in the July Minutes). Steve will develop a sign up sheet for volunteers. We will also bring the “stuffed” dog and our polaroid camera. We’ll take photos of individuals, as per their request, with the dog. Our club will also submit an entry in the salsa contest.

Member News: Roberta Horner reports that Siberian Husky Isagulek CD, RAE, WPD, CGC finished her rally excellent advanced title on September 29 at Westmoreland County Dog Training Club and has now gone into retirement. Congratulations!

Send all brags or other information you would like published in the newsletter to Helen Smith, hfs1@psu.edu, or 814-238-0902, or 309 Ravendale Rd., Pennsylvania Furnace, PA 16865.

Message from the 2007 Show Chair, Carol Brown:

How can one person be so lucky? Show Chair is usually a thankless job, but this year with the cooperation of the weatherman, our wonderful club members digging in to help, the congeniality of all the judges, the help of the tent company, the great lunches of the Grange ladies, and the support of our superintendent, I heard nothing but kudos from everybody, including handlers, exhibitors, judges, superintendent and spectators.

I have gotten several emails of thanks and appreciation from the judges for all the club help, the wonderful site, the quality dogs brought to them, and the friendliness of the organization. Some mentioned the interesting downtown, as well as the sites they could be driven past on the way from the airport. Apparently, the van driver and the taxis do a bit of touring on the way to the hotel. Here is a note I received from Karen Anderson, one of our obedience judges: "I want to thank you for inviting me to judge at your shows and for all the courtesies expended to me. Truly, that hospitality bag was wonderful!! I am having fun saying I got a car. Everyone connected with your shows was so very nice; it was a great pleasure."

THANKS to EVERYONE who HELPED. We are an extraordinary club. We even had one person who is not even a member yet who showed up at a crucial time and saved my bacon for the day. (Thanks Anne).

Editor's note: Carol sent this to me back in *August*, hoping its early arrival would not throw me for a loop. Well, sorry Carol – I guess it did and I just found it in my NNKC pile! My apologies!