

# SAM - O - GRAM

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## Newsletter Deadlines: Last Monday of the Month

May 31 (Jun)	Aug 30 (Sep)	Nov 29 (Dec)
Jun 28 (Jul)	Sep 27 (Oct)	
Jul 26 (Aug)	Oct 25 (Nov)	



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## How many DOGS Does it Take to Change a Light Bulb?

**Afghan:** Light bulb? What light bulb?

**Golden Retriever:** The sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us, and you're worrying about a burned out light bulb?

**Samoyed:** Just one. And I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.

**Dachshund:** I can't reach the stupid lamp!

**Toy Poodle:** I'll just blow in the Samoyed's ear and he'll do it.

**Rottweiler:** Make me!

**Shi-tzu:** Puh-leeze, dahling, I have servants for that kind of thing.

**Lab:** Oh, me, me!!!!!! Pleeeeeaze let me change the light bulb. Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh? Can I?

**Malamute:** Let the Samoyed do it. You can feed me while he's busy.

**Cocker Spaniel:** Why change it? I can still pee on the carpet in the dark.

**Doberman Pinscher:** While it's dark, I'm going to sleep on the couch.

**Mastiff:** Mastiffs are NOT afraid of the dark.

**Beagle:** Light bulb? Light bulb? That thing I ate was a light bulb?

**Siberian Husky:** Light bulb?!? I ate the light bulb, and the lamp, and the coffee table it sat on, and the carpet under the coffee table and...

**Cat:** You need light to see?

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## Membership Meeting Minutes

### Membership Meeting Minutes - 04/19/99

#### Present:

Carolyn Bateman	Mary Lloyd
Steve Baugh	Heidi Nieman
Carol Beatty	Thalia Peletis
Julie Beatty	Jane Reller
Melissa Galvin	Michele Schmitt
Nancy Golden	Kris Schopfer
Linda Kitzman	Bob Sencenbaugh
Tom Lisec	Sue Wangerin

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM by Bob Sencenbaugh

#### President's Report, Bob Sencenbaugh

No report

#### Secretary's Report, Steve Baugh

Please provide a copy of your committee reports so I can forward to Thalia.

#### Corresponding Secretary Report, Jane Reller

Have correspondence from Sarah Miller, will start paying after May 3, in four payments plus \$25 fee for inconvenience. 2 AKC updates:

#### Treasurer's Report, Julie Beatty

General Fund: \$5,946.49

DSR Fund: \$6,697.08

Raffle Fund: \$357.48

#### -Committee Reports

##### All Breed Match

There is no chairman at this time, and no volunteers.

##### Awards, Mary Lloyd

New committee chair has all forms, no additional report.

Debbi's year end report: 10 new AKC champions, 1 AKC Companion, 1 AKC Companion Excellent, 2 SCA Working, 1 SCA Working Excellent.

Corrected nameplates were issued for previous titles.

##### Breeder Referral-Martha Lageschulte

Please keep her informed of litters, calls are sporadic.

##### Breeder's Showcase/Public Education- Jane Reller

No report

##### Cheer-Debbi Sencenbaugh

See annual report.

##### DSA Liaison to SCA-Debbi Sencenbaugh

No report

##### Historian/Librarian-Tom Lisec

The library is here. Pictures from last Specialty are here for viewing. Pictures from past shows are available in the bookmobile.

##### Hospitality-Denise Baugh

Soda is available.

##### Membership-Carolyn Bateman

No report

##### Program-Tom Lisec

While in Minnesota Tom attended a CPR class for dogs with a nice dog "doll" with electronic feedback on techniques, including the Hiemlich maneuver. Requested information, maybe CSU would have such a "doll".

Expert agility Samoyed trainer, Lisa Petersen, comes and visits Doris McLaughlin for a week or two at a time, and would like to set up a program to encourage Samoyed agility participation.

##### Sam-O-Gram - Thalia Peletis

Samoyed Association of Detroit is taking over the yearbook of Samoyeds, forms are available and profits benefit their rescue foundation.

CD's full of club information are now distributed!!

##### Specialty 1999-Carol Beatty

Jane Reller did an excellent job with catalogues.

Cannot reach Colleen and can't close books until the trophy money is finalized.

##### Specialty 2000-Bob Sencenbaugh

Have not started books yet, waiting for 1999 books to be closed out.

##### Specialty 2001-No Chairman yet

Debbi Sencenbaugh will continue as judge's contacts.

##### Sammy Rescue-Deb Castro/ Andi Mast

Received a thank you from the Sammy Angles for the \$350 donation. Web site at Sammyangles@AOL.com.

Furry Scurry is on 5/1/99, at Washington Park. Contact Andi or Deb if interested in signing up.

A fundraiser is being planned with PetsMart the weekend of May 1&2.

Planning an order for "DSR Wear", tees, sweatshirts, etc. If you're interested in ordering an item, let Deb or Andi know. Also if you can recommend a screen printing business-please do.

##### Specialty Match-Heidi Neiman

Working on site.

##### Tournament-Nancy Golden

Have AKC Judge and other judge, but need a breeder to be the third judge. Volunteers from the club? Contact Nancy if you are interested in judging.

##### Ways & Means-Denise Baugh

Still are closing out the "Sammy Give the Best Hugs". We will send items to people out of town, they will pay for postage. E-mail Denise, if interested in purchasing a shirt.

\$577 dollars made in the DSA fund raiser-"Hip, Chip, Eye Clinic" April 11. Some were sent away and the people worked hard. 74 dogs for eyes! May try to do this again. Andi did a fantastic job!! (See page 7 for fundraiser details).

##### Working Dog-Michelle Schmitt

Malamute weight pull may be rescheduled.

Herding is on hold for medical reasons, and DSA will send a card.

Coordinate pack hikes as interest and weather permit.

Bob will have a permanent weight-pulling track built in August.

#### Old Business:

Due to the number of 2001 Local Specialty Judge Nominees, not all could be contacted by this meeting, so the vote could take place tonight. The vote has been postponed until the May meeting. Debbi is still taking Non-Breeder judge nominations for 2001 Local Specialty/

##### Sweepstakes

Tina Schultz	Carolyn Maes	Bob Sencenbaugh??
Bill Lee	Joan Ansel	
Tina Aswold	Julie Beatty	

##### Working Sweepstakes

Donna Dannen	David Holley	Darlu Littledear
Lana McClellan	Pam Landers	

##### Obedience

Carol Joy Evert	Barbara Handler
JJ Ham	Nancy Pollock
Don Schemp	Sue Effinger
Mollenhaupp	Irene Bivens?(?2002)

##### All Breed

Michelle Billings	Mr. Robert C Thomas
Roger Hardinger	Janet Wilcox
Mrs. Robert C. Thomas	Chet Collier
Dorothy Collier	John Cole
Cressive	CP Harendene
Eric Ringle	Shelia Denarido
J. Council Parker	Mauren Boutwell
Richard Tang	Edna K. Gamel
Ed Biven	Joe Gregory
Danny Canino	Royce Jenmark

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# SAM-O-GRAM

## Membership Meeting Minutes

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Patrick Donia	Robert Sheri
Clinton Harris	Barbara Heller
Danny Codner	C. Anselm
Bettie Linnenger	Anthony Denardo

We need a 2001 Local Specialty Chairman in next few months.

Think about the welcome basket some more:

Welcome Basket - This was started in the '80's for Breeder judges who came to local shows to judge Sammies. This would include on shows on the Front Range, and not Grand Junction. This was started again with Mr. Munoz, Breeder Judge at CKC 2/16/99. This was very well received. It was an ABC theme (always buy Colorado) in a basket including hot chocolate, bottled water, hand sanitizer, T-shirt. \$40 limit. This can be done through Cheer or judges committee? This was left at hotel so he did not know any individual so it had a card from DSA. Discussion included cost, number of judges, who is included. Only breeder judges, judging Sammies, generally 1-2 per year. This was already approved several years ago so it needs to be included in budget.

### Barks and Growls

- Ch. Cloudnine's Music In My Heart, "Shilo" was awarded Best of Breed on Saturday at the Rio Pecos K.C. Her new co-owner Ashley Raleigh, is handling her.
- Artic Mist's Forget Me Not, WS, Best of Winners, Scottsbluff NE, 2 Pts., Winners Bitch, Wichita KS, 1 Pt., and Winners Bitch, Roswell NM, 2 Pts.
- Krystall's Shear Delight "Delilah": Winners Bitch, 2 pts, and Reserve Bitch.
- Krystall's Treasured Memory "Samson" was Best of Opposite at Roswell.
- CH. Artic Mist's Spun Sugyr, "CC" took a Group I at the Rio Pecos KC show on Sunday in Roswell, N.M.
- At Roswell there was a judge, Norton Moore, who manhandled some sensitive Samoyeds. Individual members have decided they will write AKC.

-Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

### Annual Reports:

#### Rescue Annual Report:

34 dogs were placed through DSR in 1998. 9 of those dogs were placed from area shelters on referral from DSR. DSR was awarded 'Best Canine Unit' in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

DSR continued to be authorized by the State of Colorado to place dogs and received a renewed PACFA license.

DSR continued membership in the local All Breed Rescue Network.

DSR participated in, and received funds from the following "Rescue" projects (outside DSA)

- Silent Auction (SCA National)
- Rescue Quilt (Sam Fans)
- Rescue Sam Project (Sam Fans)
- Solicitation letter to our current rescue dog owners.

#### DSA/SCA Liaison Annual Report:

Four Local Color Reports were forwarded to Bulletin Local Color Liaison Betty Cline and published in the Bulletin. DSA Club information was also forwarded for inclusion in the 1999 At Your Service SCA Bulletin Publication.

In order to conserve space, a new format was instituted by the Bulletin as of the March 1999 issue, with reports limited to 200 words. No show results or names of winners may be included as they are assumed to be published elsewhere in the Bulletin. Betty Cline hopes to have email capabilities in place by the May

deadline. Reports are sent to Betty with deadlines a week before the Bulletin Deadline, so she can format & submit to the editors.

I relayed information on the 1998 SCA National Specialty including deadlines, changes in schedule, contact persons, etc (which I found mostly in posts to the online Samoyed list "Samfans") to DSA members both at our meetings and via email. I have already begun forwarding hotel information on the 1999 National. I passed on SCA BOG meeting minutes to DSA club members via my subscription to the Communication Service. This is an excellent way to get issues being discussed before our membership in a timely manner (as opposed to the quarterly published minutes in the Bulletin). The service costs \$10/year, can be sent & distributed online. At our March meeting I will recommend that DSA purchase a Communications subscription to be distributed to our SCA members & then kept in the library.

#### DSA Cheer Annual Report

22 cards were sent, flowers were sent, a \$25 donation and a \$100 donation were made in remembrance to the SCA Foundation. The Judge's Basket idea is re-introduced.

The cheer budget increased significantly with the addition of get well cards, flowers and donations to the SCA Foundation.

#### DSA Awards Annual Report

This year awards were given to 10 new (AKC) Champions, 1 (AKC) Companion Dog, one (AKC) Companion Dog Excellent, 2 (SCA) Working Samoyed Degrees and 1 (SCA) Working Dog Excellent.

DSA provided 13 hang tags at a cost of \$2.50 each. DSA also paid 50% of two plaques for the hang tags at a cost of \$18.85, plus tax. Members ordered 11 additional tags at their own expense. Two hang tags were corrected & replaced at my expense (my mistake).

At the Christmas dinner and awards ceremony "110%" plaques were given to Deb Castro (DSR), Thalia Peletis (computer files), Michele Schmit (Working), and Jane Reller (brochures).

#### DSA Sam-O-Gram Annual Report

12 issues, averaging 6 pages each, were created and mailed to 50 recipients, itemized as follows:

- 34 - DSA members
- 2 - Subscriptions
- 14 - All-breed, Samoyed, & Rescue club newsletter exchanges

I believe the newsletter has provided to the club multiple benefits including:

- Improved communication, since it's mailed to ALL members.
- Reduced meeting times since previous minutes are received in advanced.
- Current listing of all officers, board members and committee chairs.
- Advanced notice of all upcoming club business dates such as dues, election of officers, meetings, Judge voting, etc.
- Advanced, highly visible notices of all upcoming club fundraisers and events such as Tournament, Specialty, Breeder Showcase, etc.
- Highly visible Denver Samoyed Rescue Report in every issue. (This is a good reminder to all of us, why we need to be responsible breeders and caretakers of our breed).
- Up to date Schedule of Events calendar listing all known events including: club programs, seminars, specialty, fun matches, weight pulls, shows. This information has been used multiple times during club meetings as a planning tool to determine what weekends are "open" for club activities and fundraisers.

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# SAM-O-GRAM

## As I See It



Well May is here and with it the rain and mud. I know at my house we have a grooming table set up out back and the dryer plugged in. We are drying dogs sometimes 2 to 3 times a day after they go out and play. It sure seems that this is the time that the guys find digging so much more fun. I hope you are all staying dry.

As I see it, with summer almost here, it is time to think about a get together. Would any of you be interested in getting together for picnic or barbecue this summer? Perhaps we could reserve a park, have members bring potluck while the club supplies the meat. We could just enjoy each others company, and meet family members never seen before. This would be for members and guests, while dogs would be optional.

Now having spent club money we should be thinking of new ways to earn money. While our treasury is in good shape it might not be, in the future. We need to be working to keep it that way now. As we have a raffle license this is always a good way to go. I am planning on resuming the weight pull clinics in August and that creates opportunities. One such suggestion was that we have a raffle at the clinics and raffle weight pull equipment or sledding equipment or just a gift certificate for working equipment at our local outfitter. This sounds good to me and I will work on this. What else is there we could be doing? Put your thinking caps on and help out our Ways and Means committee.

Speaking of helping, DSA currently has 27 committee, board, and officer positions, we have a total of 45 members (that is counting both spouses in a family membership). Of those 45 members there are 17 or 18 members that fill these 27 positions. If you are not currently helping on one of these committees please think about helping. This year we have canceled the All-Breed match for lack of a chair, what will be canceled next? It could be the 2001 Local Specialty.

Finally on a serious note, Last month the incident at Columbine High School touched us all. Here is something I came across that sums up my feelings.

"Do You Remember"  
by  
Jay Brady



They were known as four letter words. As children we were taught not to use them, and though it probably didn't happen to many of us, getting our mouth washed out with soap was the most common cure for the problem. Our four letter words back then, for the most part, wouldn't even produce an "R" rating by today's standards, but we learned early they were not to be uttered. There were, however, other four letter words that were much a part of our vocabulary, and were used everyday. Seldom did a day go by that "love" wasn't expressed to our parents and by them. In Sunday School we were guided to love our fellow man, and our neighbor as well as ourselves. It became second nature to "help" someone in need. We shared with our friends and learned how to "care". It was important to find a reason to "like" something about everyone. We learned about Will Rogers, who said "I Never Met A Man I Didn't Like".

Please come back, Will. Your message is badly needed today.

On this April 22nd, it's been 48 hours since a news bulletin told of the shooting at Columbine High School in Littleton. Coverage

has been continuous since, and like many of you, there is an emptiness and hopelessness that can't be described. Less than 50 miles from my front door, 40 innocent people were gunned down, 13 were killed, at school. Next to the home and church, this should be the safest place in the world for them. It's not morbid curiosity that has glued me to the screen. It's the WHY that two teenagers would take the lives of 12 peers and one teacher before turning their weapons upon themselves. It's the four letter words that have become all too commonplace in today's society. Words like "kill", "maim", "hurt", "rage" and "hate". It's the WHY these words have become so imbedded in the hearts and minds of youngsters, and WHY weapons of mass destruction can find a way into their hands? This isn't Kosovo. This is a middle class suburb of Denver, Colorado in the United States of America. In stunned disbelief, I hear of a web site on the internet where one of the killers expressed their 'hate' of everyone around them, and the strong desire to "kill" anyone with whom they didn't agree. And I have to ask WHY?

In December of 1955, John Gilbert Graham put a bomb in his mother's suitcase before she boarded a plane in Denver. When the airliner exploded killing more than 50 passengers and crew members, it was terrible, but a "once in a lifetime" incident. Two years later, Charlie Starkweather went on his Nebraska killing spree, but, still it was a deranged character, who, when executed, was no longer a danger. Then came Ted Bundy, Charles Manson, Richard Speck and Jeffrey Dahmer. Acts of terrorism on foreign soil drew our attention, but couldn't happen here. Then came The World Trade Center and Oklahoma City. Like a cancer, these senseless acts of violence invaded our homeland as our innocence and naivete was day by day destroyed. Then it hit our schools. Pearl, Mississippi.....Paducah, Kentucky.....Jonesboro, Arkansas.....Springfield, Oregon, and now, Littleton. WHY? No longer is it an isolated incident or one crazed madman. It's a sad commentary on what our society has allowed to happen, and how unimportant human life has become. Again, I ask WHY? Is it the violence seen everyday on television and in the movies? Is the family structure so shattered that the needs of children are disregarded leaving them to find the wrong answers to normal problems, or have we just become so indifferent that those newly used four letter words are acceptable? Just a minute!..... Isn't it strange how the problems at school seemed to begin when we allowed elected officials and appointed judges to tell us we could not discipline our children because it violated their rights. How they talk, what they wear and what they do is not to be questioned at home or school for fear of violating those rights. We gave up our rights as parents, teachers and friends so as not to stand in the way of the child's rights. Oh, Boy! Do I ask myself WHY?

Will Rogers, where are you? Kids today face problems and situations we would have thought impossible in the 1940's and '50's. There were cliques, disputes and even fights.....But we didn't have guns. A disagreement today resulted in a friendship tomorrow. Today's four letter words were only used in passing if at all. "Love", "Like", "Care" and "Help" were our guidelines, and somehow, somehow they must become part of our language again. There has to be a way. Maybe the way it was just wasn't so bad. At least we old timers survived, and lived long enough to ask "Do You Remember"?

Many of us have family and friends that attended the school, please keep all the students and their families in your prayers.

## As Good As Your Dog?

"We can learn a lot from our canine friends."

This was excerpted from the "Editor's Note", The Whole Dog Journal, February 1999.

. . . Recently, a dog lover sent me the following takeoff on Kipling's poem ["If"], by an anonymous author, and containing a surprise ending. He's got a point. To wit:

If you can start the day without caffeine,  
 If you can get going without pep pills,  
 If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,  
 If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,  
 If you can eat the same food everyday and be grateful for it,  
 If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,  
 If you can overlook it when those you love take it out on you when through no fault of yours,  
     something goes wrong,  
 If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,  
 If you can ignore a friend's limited education and never correct him,  
 If you can resist treating a rich friend better than a poor friend,  
 If you can face the world without lies and deceit,  
 If you can conquer tension without medical help,  
 If you can relax without liquor,  
 If you can sleep without the aid of drugs  
 If you can say honestly that deep in your heart you have no prejudice against creed, color,  
     religion or politics,  
 Then, my friend you are almost as good as your dog.

Ouch!

Did that zing you, too?

It stings because it's so on target!

As I read it the first time, I couldn't help but envision a human who exemplifies all the characteristics contained in the poem. In my mind's eye, I saw a rather too-perfect, saint-like character. But then suddenly realizing that the author was actually describing a dog... It's with shock that I

re-read it and realized, my goodness, almost ALL dogs can fit this description, most of the time!

My favorite line is the one about ignoring a friend's limited education and never correcting him. When you turn it around the way the author intended and realize that dogs accept OUR lack of knowledge about THEM rather calmly, it really points out how dramatic and demanding we can get when we want DOGS to learn OUR ways.

Keep some perspective as you work with your dog - and your friends and family! . . .



## Upcoming Seminar

"The Geriatric Dog"  
Saturday, May 22, 1999  
10:00am  
Bel-Rea Veterinary Institute  
1681 S. Dayton (between Iliff & Mississippi)



presented by Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald (of Alameda East and Animal Planet's "Emergency Vets" fame)  
sponsored by Timberline Basset Hound Club  
For more information, call Cindy Nail  
303-255-9731  
Cindy.Nail@UCHSC.edu

I'm told Dr. Fitzgerald moonlights as a stand-up comedian so his presentation should be entertaining as well as informative!

## DSA Clinic Results!

The hip, micro chip, eye, heartworm etc. fund-raiser clinic for DSA was held on Sunday, April 11, 1999. Many thanks to Dr. Beattie, Jake and Elizabeth (Brighton Animal Clinic), Dr. Dugan (Eye Specialists for Animals), Jane Reller, Martha and Jim Lageschulte and Bob Mast for making this a great success! We made a total of \$577.00 for DSA's treasury. The breakdown of where we made our profit is as follows:



Eyes	(74 * \$3)	= \$222.00
Hip/Elbow X-rays	(29 * \$5)	= \$145.00
Heartworm	(38 * \$5)	= \$190.00
Thyroid	(4 * \$5)	= \$20.00



In addition to the above procedures, we also did 30+ microchip implants that we did not schedule to make a profit on.

We started the regular services at 8:00 AM and were finished by 2:45 PM. It was very helpful that people showed up early as there is a lot of paperwork to complete and if people had multiple dogs this took some time. We also did 6 of the hip x-rays the week prior to the clinic which gave us a little breathing room on our over booked schedule. We were very fortunate that only 2 dogs needed to have their x-rays redone, and 1 needed sedation. This helped keep us on our very tight schedule.

We started the eye clinic at 9:00 AM and ended by 12:30 PM. It would be helpful to have 3 people for this part of a clinic. One to do eye drops, one to assist the doctor and take money, and one to assist people with the paperwork. Again, this was very time consuming and we had several people with multiple dogs (2 people brought in 16 dogs!). Since the type on the forms is fairly small and several people left their reading glasses at home, it took quite awhile to get the forms completed. We were fortunate again that many people showed up earlier than expected so we were able to keep to our dog every 3 minutes most of the time.

We had a wonderful turnout for the clinic. I started a waiting list almost a month in advance for people who wanted x-rays. Since we were overbooked, I turned away at least 15 people who wanted x-rays (many with multiple dogs) and other procedures. I had called or e-mailed everyone with an appointment the week before the clinic and we had no cancellations. It seemed that having many things at the same time was very appealing to people.

Andi Mast





## 2001 National Effort Underway

The 2001 National Committee members met on 4/27/99 to discuss the site selection, national dates, and other issues.

I want to thank everyone who attended the meeting and especially thank the members of the hotel committee: Tom Lisec, Michele Schmitt, Kris Schopfer, Nancy Golden, and Steve Baugh.

Tom Lisec received 17 responses in his request for hotel and show site information. From those, he received proposals from 5. They were: Marriott DTC, Hilton Denver SE, Hyatt Regency Denver SE, The Inn at Silver Creek, and Island Grove Park. The hotel committee visited all 5 locations, acquired detailed information, made a comparison table, and did a trade study that rated the 5 sites based on 11 major criteria.

The Hyatt Hotel was selected as the host hotel. They have plenty of rooms, the site is very nice, the room rate is good, we can do everything but herding on site (or within a couple of blocks), the parking is adequate, and they really want to have us. The dates of the 2001 National will be 10/9/01 through 10/13/01. All this is pending SCA approval. The Hotel committee will start working on a contract with the hotel to be completed by 6/1/99 and we will start work on the bid packet to be completed by 7/1/99.

There was discussion about the fact that many people only have time to attend one seminar at the National because they are usually so busy grooming, visiting, and doing other activities. The committee decided to have one large DNA seminar for which Julie Morris will contact Alan Odom to get that scheduled.

Linda Kitzman is pursuing information from photographers and videographers. The person who usually videos the National will no longer be doing the Samoyed national. If anyone has any suggestions on either, please contact Linda.

Mary Lloyd has graciously offered to be (or was that coerced into being?) the Ways and Means chairperson. We will be stewarding at Laramie Sunday, 5/30/99 as our first fund raiser. If anyone is interested in helping, contact Mary. Also, if you have any fund raising ideas, please contact her. She'll need lots of help.

Once the bid is accepted, we will be soliciting logo ideas. So, if you're an artist or have a friend who might want to come up with an idea, start drafting now. We may want to have a couple of logos, so lots of opportunity for you creative people.

The 2001 committee is open to suggestions about the national from anyone. Contact any committee member to share your ideas.

The next 2001 meeting will be Tuesday, 6/15/99, 7:00p at Julie Morris' house. Take I25 to Highway 7. Go east to Ulster (several miles) and turn right. Her address is 8151 East 156th Court in Brighton. She's on the NW corner. If you have any questions, call her or any committee member.

- submitted by Jane Reller



## Show Circuit Illness

*This message is being forwarded with the approval of Dr. Anna Platt and is the result of a conference call between Dr. Fenwick, Eva Locarolla and Dr. Platt.*

*Dr. Anna M. Platt, Supervisor of the Virology Lab at the Animal Disease Laboratory in Centralia, Illinois, has sent the following information to the ISVMA. This membergram is issued due to the urgency of this situation and to alert members regarding...*

### STREPTOCOCCAL TOXIC SHOCK SYNDROME IN DOGS (April 1999)

"For the past three months, I have been receiving inquiries about incidences of severe kennel cough in show dogs throughout the U.S. The last incident was after the Florida show circuit. Upon discussion with Dr. David Bromwell, Illinois Department of Agriculture, Dr. Brad Fenwick, Kansas Veterinary Diagnostic laboratory and Dr. William Castleman a pathologist at the University of Florida, it was found to be Streptococcal Toxic Shock Syndrome in Dogs (JAVMA Vol. 209, No. 8, Oct. 15, 1996).

The early symptoms are depression, weakness, rigor,

febrile (105-107 degrees), shock, DIC, blood in the feces and urine, with rapid progression to coughing up blood and severe bruising of the skin. Dogs can appear normal in the morning, by noon showing lethargy, and die within 2 to 4 hours. The route of infection is inhalation of Streptococcal organisms. Treatment is effective if early, with IV injection of Penicillin G. or other appropriate antibiotics. Drugs such as Baytril are of little benefit because they are primarily for gram negative bacteria. From cases reported to me from veterinarians, there is usually a stress factor; participation in dog shows, estrus, change of environment, shipping, etc.

This syndrome has been confirmed at all Florida greyhound racetracks during January and February resulting in closing of some race tracks as well as the quarantine of dogs. Cases have been reported in Alabama, Texas, Kansas, New York and Wisconsin. There is concern as the Greyhound racing season comes to northern states that there will be continuing outbreaks as most of the initial cases were not in Greyhounds. There is also reasonable proof of human transmission to dogs. Dr. Fenwick is available for support and personnel, and encourages calls if a local outbreak is suspected (Phone:

"Dogs love company. They place it first on their short list of needs."

-J.R.  
Ackerley,  
My Dog  
Tulip



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## Samoyed Behavior Characteristics

This breed has been ranked by a number of pet owners, breeders and veterinarians using a scale of 1 to 5, indicating how strongly the breed exhibits the trait described. A ranking of 5 indicates that the trait is very strong, whereas a ranking of 1 indicates that the trait is rarely, if ever, exhibited.

Dog Traits	
<b>Activity level - dog is frequently moving, playing, running, chasing, pacing, etc.</b>	
Indoor activity level	
Outdoor activity level	
<b>Obedience</b>	
Ease of obedience training	
Ease of housebreaking	
<b>Dominance - assumes dominant postures and/or resists control or domination</b>	
Dominance towards owner and/or family members	
Dominance towards other dogs	
<b>Territoriality - the extent to which dog will guard territory or possessions</b>	
Territoriality towards people	
Territoriality towards dogs	
<b>Sociability - seeks attention or enjoys receiving attention</b>	
Sociability with family members	
Sociability with strangers	
Sociability with other dogs	
<b>Aloofness - reserved or indifferent, does not seek attention, avoids attention</b>	
Aloofness towards family members	
Aloofness towards strangers	
Aloofness towards other dogs	
<b>Aggressiveness - bares teeth, barks threateningly, growls, raises hackles, nips, attempts to chase, attack or bite (displays some or all of these traits)</b>	
Shows aggression towards family members	
Shows aggression towards strangers	
Shows aggression towards other dogs	
Shows aggression towards cats or other small animals	
<b>Response to owner and family</b>	
Eagerness to please owner/trainer - focuses on owner and tries to understand and carry out owner's or trainer's expectations	
Demand for affection - actively seeks out and responds positively to hands-on attention from owner/trainer	
Excitability - how reactive the dog is to stimuli such as doorbell, vacuum cleaner, outside noises, etc.	
Playfulness	
Tolerates children under 4 years old (babies, toddlers, preschoolers)	
Tolerates children over 4 years old	
Excessive barking	
Destructiveness	
<b>Watchdog/guard-dog abilities</b>	
Watchdog - barks to warn of potential intruders	
Guard-dog - will threaten or even attack intruders	

## 1999 Schedule of Events

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<b>May 8-9</b>	Cornhusker KC Grand Island KC	Show – Close 4/21	Lincoln, NE	Onofrio	L K Davis H M Fisher
<b>8-9</b>	Mid-Del Tinker KC Canadian Valley KC	Show – Close 4/21	Oklahoma City, OK	Onofrio	M K Bryant D Shipley
<b>9</b>	Greater Sierra Vista KC	Show – Close 4/21	Sierra Vista, AZ	Onofrio	O A Harvey
<b>14</b>	<b>Samoyed Association Minneapolis – St. Paul</b>	<b>Specialty – Close</b>	<b>St. Paul, Minnesota</b>		<b>D Welsh L Walters (Sweeps) D Larson (Obed) T Smorch (Agility)</b>
<b>15-17</b>	Sangre De Cristo KC Rio Grande KC Chaparral KC	Show – Close 4/28	Albuquerque, NM	Onofrio	H M Cresap <b>J D Cherne</b> M Gitelson
<b>15-16</b>	Greater Emporia KC	Show – Close 4/28	Emporia, KS	Onofrio	J R White Mrs T Gomez
<b>15-16</b>	Canine Behavior & Training	Seminar – Trurid Rugaas	Colorado Springs, CO	719-599-5064	janehere@bigplanet.com
<b>21</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of San Diego</b>	<b>Specialty – Close 5/4</b>	<b>Rancho Sante Fe, CA</b>	M Simmons	V M Jordan
<b>21-23</b>	Durango KC	Show – Close 5/5	Cortez, CO	Brown	M M Hodesson Mrs R S Forsyth R S Forsyth
<b>22</b>	Loveland Community	Alpo Community Frisbee	Loveland, CO	970-495-0141	Chris Sexton
<b>22</b>	Timberline Basset Hound	Seminar-"The Geriatric Dog"	Bel-Rae Vet Institute	303-255-9731	Cindy.Nail@UCHSC.edu
<b>22-23</b>	Rocky Mountain Yorkshire Terrier Club	George Alston Handling Seminar for Beginners, Advanced & Observers	Denver CO	Marty Krenek 303-646-3094	Mkrennek@aol.com
<b>22-23</b>	Council Bluffs KC Nebraska KC	Show – Close 5/5	Council Bluffs, IA Omaha, NE	Onofrio	K A Buxton N L Herbel
<b>22-23</b>	Mount Ogden KC (2)	Show – Close 5/5	Ogden, UT	Onofrio	P A Doniere Jr J A Goodin
<b>28-29</b>	Central Wyoming KC	Show – Close 5/12	Casper, WY	Onofrio	H M Fisher Mrs T Gomez
<b>30-31</b>	Laramie KC	Show – Close 5/12	Laramie, WY	Onofrio	J A Goodin J A Brown
<b>Jun 4</b>	<b>Willamette Valley Samoyed Fanciers</b>	<b>Specialty – Close 5/19</b>	<b>Vancouver, WA</b>	<b>J Garvin Show Sec</b>	<b>T Carter B Winslow (Sweeps)</b>
<b>5-6</b>	Vancouver KC	Show – Close 5/19	Vancouver, WA	Ace Matthews	L A Sinclair J Sinclair
<b>5-6</b>	Flatirons KC Evergreen KC	Show – Close 5/19	Longmont, CO	Onofrio	C Shyrock R J Moore
<b>11</b>	<b>Northern California Samoyed Fanciers</b>	<b>Specialty – Close 5/26</b>	<b>Antioch, CA</b>	D Beckman Show Sec 510-524-9950	<b>J Frailey G Griffin (Sweeps) N Pilat (Obedience)</b>
<b>12-13</b>	Utah Valley KC	Show – Close 5/26	Lehi, UT	Onofrio	B Schwartz S K Berger
<b>12-13</b>	Colorado Springs KC	Show – Close 5/26	Colorado Springs, CO	Onofrio	D E Werdermann R J Shreve
<b>12-13</b>	Flagstaff KC	Show – Close 5/26	Flagstaff, AZ	Wilson	M S Gunville J R White

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<b>Jun 22-23</b>	Yellowstone Valley KC	Show – Close 6/2	Billings, MT	Onofrio	R R Hartinger J G Reynolds
<b>25-27</b>	Electric City KC Five Valley KC (1) Five Valley KC (2)	Show – Close 6/2	Missoula, MT	Brown	S J Hubbell G Schwartz B L Krause
<b>Jul 3-4</b>	Terry-All KC	Show – Close 6/16	Brighton, CO	Onofrio	T Goldman D P Cline
<b>10-11</b>	Roaring Fork KC	Show – Close 6/23	Eagle, CO	Onofrio	N/A
<b>22</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of Houston</b>	<b>Specialty – Close 6/30</b>	<b>Houston, TX</b>	<b>Newport</b>	<b>I Bivin L Allen (Sweeps)</b>
<b>23-25</b>	Houston KC Beaumont KC Galveston KC	Show – Close 6/30	Houston, TX	Newport	M Ward-Fanning R Stenmark R D Smith
<b>Aug 14-15</b>	Buckhorn Valley KC	Show – Close 7/28	Fort Collins, CO	Onofrio	N/A
<b>20</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of Washington State</b>	<b>Specialty – Close</b>	<b>Washington State</b>	<b>Brown</b>	<b>J A Goodin C Siipola Chittum (Sw)</b>
<b>21-22</b>	Greeley KC	Show – Close 8/4	Greeley, CO	Onofrio	N/A
<b>Sep 21-25</b>	<b>Samoyed Club of America "Northern Lights"</b>	<b>National Specialty</b>	<b>Oconomowoc, WI</b>	Robin Barkhaus Show Chair	<b>Joan Luna (Breed) Don Hodges (D) Anne Rogers Clark (B) L Blackburn (Sweeps) Pat Griffin (Futurity) Ed Haas (Obedience)</b>
<b>25-26</b>	Grand Valley KC	Show – Close 9/18	Grand Junction, CO	Onofrio	N/A
<b>Oct 17</b>	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Show – Close 9-29	Lawrence, KS	Onofrio	N/A
<b>Dec 11</b>	Panhandle of Texas	Show – Close 11/20	Amarillo, TX	Onofrio	N/A
<b>Feb 11 2000</b>	<b>Denver Samoyed Association</b>	<b>Specialty - Close</b>	<b>Denver, CO Denver Stock Show Coliseum</b>	<b>Bob Sencenbaugh Show Sec 970-223-8238</b>	<b>Don Hodges K. Metter (Sweeps) K. Dannen (W Sweeps) N. Pollack (Obedience)</b>

## American Red Cross – Pet First Aid Course

The American Red Cross is offering a **new** course in Pet First Aid. The course provides pet owners with the skills and knowledge necessary in an emergency to maintain personal safety, while helping to keep a cat or dog alive, to reduce pain, and minimize the consequences of injury or sudden illness until veterinary help is received. It includes CPR.

For ages 12+. Length: 4 hours. Course Fee: \$30. Materials Fee: \$10

The course is offered at the following branch locations:  
Call individual branch for an appointment.

### Adams Branch

**9755 Henderson Road Brighton, CO 80601 (303) 659-2631**

Dates: 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/11, 5/2, 6/6

Time : 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

### Arapahoe/Douglas Branch

**499 West Belleview Englewood, CO 80110 (303) 781-5511**

1/13 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM 4/18 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

2/11 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 5/15 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

3/18 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 6/17 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

### Aurora Branch

**10450 East First Avenue Aurora, CO 80010 (303) 343-1294**

1/12 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 4/14 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

2/13 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM 5/15 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

3/10 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 6/14 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

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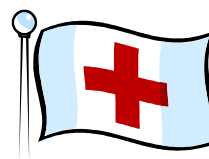
### Jefferson Branch

**10030 West 27th Avenue Lakewood, CO 80215 (303) 237-7785**

1/10 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM 4/11 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

2/7 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM 5/6 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

3/19 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM 6/18 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM



Denver Samoyed Association  
c/o Thalia Peletis  
8885 West Clifton Avenue  
Littleton, CO 80128-5324

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**Membership Roster  
Enclosed!**



**May 17, 1999 Meeting Reminder: Littleton Hospital - 7:15 PM**

- **Vote on DSA Local Specialty 2001 Judges** (Note: Due to number of nominees, not all were able to be contacted in time for the April 19 meeting)
- Discuss business pertinent to the club.
- Call Julie Beatty in advance, to order your grocery certificates!

## Denver Samoyed Rescue Report

no **HOME**, all **ALONE**

**April Placements: 0 (3 referrals)**

**Year to Date Total: 5**

As of 04/27/99, we have the following Sammies available for adoption:

Male (Rocks)                      6 yr.                      House/Outdoor                      Boarded

Comments: 55#. OK with kids, cats and other small animals, will do best as an only dog. Very people oriented, a nice boy. Crate trained. Heavy coat, needs a bath. Demands attention.

Why: Owner surrender because of too many dogs.

The following Samoyeds are available at area shelters:

None that we know of.

If you know anyone who might be interested, please call one of the Rescue Committee members. Thanks!

## Going to the Dogs...

Only the following states allow you to create an honorary trust for a dog with no human beneficiary: Alaska, Arizona, California, **COLORADO**, Missouri, Montana, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina and Tennessee.

## News from the American Kennel Club

The AKC's non-profit Canine Health Foundation will fund:

- ✓ A **cataract study** focusing on Alaskan Malamutes, Siberian Huskies, and **Samoyeds** at Michigan State University.
- ✓ A two-year \$200,000 **research project** between the University of Pennsylvania and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center to create a genetic linkage map to help identify genes responsible for inherited diseases in all breeds.