

Denver Samoyed Association

SAM-O-GRAM

June 2025



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Summertime is pary time!

Summer is always a time for picnics, dinner parties, getting outside again after a long winter, and reconnecting with friends.

This summer Tammy Linnert is setting up some dinner parties for DSA members to attend and enjoy time with one another (see flier later in the newsletter). Thank you Tammy for this great idea - you are now the President of Party Central! This is a great opportunity for members to spend time with one another - no dog grooming, rushing to the ring, or any of the craziness that goes with our shows.

There will be three dinners in the next three months in different regions of the Front Range - so at least one will be convenient for all of our Colorado members. June's location and date has been decided, but the other two month dinners are open for suggestions.

Come one, come all - let's enjoy each other's company and have a great dining experience!

Martha Lageschulte
DSA President

Meeting Date and Location for June Meeting!

June 16, 2025

6:45 pm – 8:30 pm

Natural Grocers Wheat Ridge

I-70 and Kipling

DSA March Board Meeting - May 19, 2025

Zoom

Meeting called to order 7:03 pm

Present: Martha Lageschulte, Terry Walb, Pam Buhl, Lorrie McAllister, Tammy Linnert, Julie Morris, Rodney Martin, Linda Kitzman, Donna Dannen

Job Descriptions

Martha Lageschulte ensured that everyone got the updated job descriptions. Martha will resend to Donna Dannen.

Emergency Contact Form: Linda Kitzman

Linda updated the Voluntary Emergency Contact Form.

Feedback from Terry Walb and Sue Wangerin:

- Would the board like more info?
- Is emergency contact responsible for your animals?
- Are they aware of your decision?
- Is that too much information to collect?
- Does EC have access to your house?
- DSR has helped in past with members—are you willing to allow DSR to help?

There is room for more info (we'll provide examples of suggested additional information).

Info will be available only to board members on DSA's Google Drive. We will send the form out with annual dues invoices. Also, it will be included in new member packets.

Linda will send revisions to the board, and when it is finalized, we'll then publish it in Sam-O-Gram and Tammy Linnert will do an email blast. Bring it up at June membership meeting.

Extra Trophies

Pam Buhl will bring extras to the Summer Social/picnic and offer for sale. Linda Kitzman and Pam will use stuffed animals as prizes for the match. We will accept cash only and collect cash at registration table.

Linda Kitzman will reserve some stuff to be used at silent auction in November. We will also use some items for an SCA 2025 Colorado basket and DSA specialty judge's gifts.

Summer Social/Picnic: Pam Buhl

Linda Kitzman will not be able to be there. Pam Buhl will be assuming chair duties. Judge Tracy Kallas-Keensburg (has rat terriers, mentored with Joan and Eric Liebes). We emphasized taking her time, making sure everyone had fun, okay to repeat commands or patterns. Tracy will need documentation for AKC—there is no form—use flyer with judge's name.

Pam Buhl needs help with canopy and getting ring set up. Meet 8:30 am—Martha and Jim

Lageschulte will help. Tammy Linnert will send out another email. We need to encourage entries.

Terry Walb will bring applications for membership. Pam Buhl will get sandwiches.

Cheer: Donna Dannen

Bob Mast lost Jackie last week—Donna Dannen will send card.

2025 Specialty

Pam Buhl said specialty t-shirts are available in 6 colors, and lightweight hoodies. Towels with logo are also available. Everything is listed in the DSA store.

Donna Dannen gave an update on the photographer for specialty. She has one contact. Match judge Tracy Kallas may do photos—Donna will talk to her at picnic and match.

We discussed compensation, whether to have professional photographer.

If we do informal cell shots we lose our history.

Notes from January BOD meeting—Riley Cox was JoDee Putnin's contact. Need info for Riley—Terry is getting it from JoDee, and passing on to Donna.

Need compensation for photographer: \$50 for weekend and one night in hotel. Plus banquet.

MOTION 25-020B: Donna Dannen moved, Julie Morris second. Starting in the 2025 local specialty, DSA will pay the photographer \$50 for the weekend, offer a banquet ticket and one night in local hotel. Passed.

There was a question about whether judges for DSA 2025 will be at Best Western? JoDee Putnins may get a small block of rooms. Contact at Best Western is Lori Elvera's sister-in-law.

Accounting Software

Lorrie McAllister and Pam Buhl will resume researching accounting alternatives. We would not implement any changes until late 2025.

Adjourned: 8:05 pm. Rodney Martin moved, Linda Kitzman second.

DSA May Membership Meeting - Saturday, May 31st, 2025

Sterne Park, Littleton, CO

Meeting called to order 11:52 am

Present: Martha Lageschulte, Connie Rudd,
Terry Walb, Tamara Barach, Donna Dannen
Terry Brewick, Pam Buhl, Rick Morales-Brewick,
Jan Cherne, Chris Maslin-Cole, Kent Cherne,
Rachel Paulson, Lori Elvera, Kristi Schopfer,
Dan Elvera, Tom Schopfer, Tammy Linnert
Joe Trojan, Greg Linnert, Butch Walb, Linda Deits,
Scott Deits, Liz Evans, Sue Wangerin

Guests: Jim Lageschulte, Hannah Bosio, Rob
Roetzel

President: Martha Lageschulte

Welcome everyone. Thank you Pam for organizing
the match and picnic. Thank you to Jan Cherne for
jumping in to judge for us last minute. Thank you to
Kent Cherne for picking up the sandwiches.

Vice President: Terry Walb

Terry did the second reading of Joe Trojan's
application, Approved, Welcome Joe!!

Recording Secretary: Lorrie McAllister

Lorrie McAllister unable to attend minutes taken by
Tammy Linnert

Corresponding Secretary: Tammy Linnert

No report.

Treasurer: Pam Buhl

Pam brought trophies that were left over from
past specialties and offered them for sale to club
members most between \$1-\$5. Some of the items
included stuff toys, bait bags and welcome flags.

Board:

No report.

2025 Specialty

Donna Dannen-Still working on a photographer,
suggestion of DIY (do it yourself) but share your
photo wins with the club for our web site.

Pam Buhl- The T-shirts/towelsong sleeve Tee's are
in the DSA Store for the specialty. June 30th is the
deadline for purchases. Samples were provided at

the picnic for members to check colors and sizing.

Jan Cherne- trophy donations still needed she
brought the book to sign up or go online and make
a donation at the DSA store.

Lori Elvera-Regal Rosettes were part of the
businesses destroyed in the California wildfires.
She has noticed other clubs have been giving
money to help them on the Go fund me page. They
have been a big part of the ribbons at the specialty
and would like to help them.

Motion 25-021: DSA to give \$100 to Regal
Rosettes. Lori Elvera moved, Greg Linnert 2nd.
Vote passed. Lori will see if we can send a check or
if we need to donate through the Go Fund Me site.

Lori Elvera-Would like to see discussion in the
future on trophies for class placements. Its hard to
find things for \$5.00 and often covered by the club.

Terry Walb- Lori's sister in law is working at Best
Western again and was able to get us a block
of rooms at \$119 plus a \$20.00 pet fee for the
specialty.

New Business

Rachel Paulson- For those going to the Longmont
shows June 6-8th if interested in joining there
will be a group going to the Red Cedar Bistro in
Longmont after showing. Rachel will be reaching
out with more information.

Tammy Linnert- We are doing a Summer Soiree this
year in June we are going South, July North and
August a more central location. All are welcome
it will be dinner at a restaurant of suggestion by
the membership. We are currently planning June
24th in Castle Rock at either La Loma or Courtyard
Social. Please email or Text me by June 6th with
your selection and how many will be attending.

Chris Maslin-Cole- Hard to make meetings and
was hoping for a more northern location. Martha
mentioned the 3 zoom meetings in addition to the
Summer Social and the Holiday Party. Also was
suggested if Chris could find an option around the
Thornton area but it does need to be free.

Adjourn: 12:24 pm. Lori Elvera moved, Tammy
Linnert 2nd.

DENVER SAMOYED RESCUE

DSR Fundraisers:

Microchips - \$20 for members, \$35 for non-members. Cost includes chip and enrollment fee.
Make an appointment with
Lorrie McAllister - siriusenergy@msn.com or Pam Arnold - davepamarnold@msn.com

TREASURER'S REPORT, ENDING 5/31/2025

GENERAL FUND

INCOME

Agility Trial	
Entry Fees	12,133.00
Entry Refund	-231.00
Food & Beverages	-165.65
Judge's Fees	-3,174.93
Miscellaneous	100.00
Recording Fee	-2,546.50
Rental Equipment	-1,100.00
Rental Fee	-975.00
Secretary Fees	-1,391.69
T-shirts	-376.05
TOTAL Agility Trial	2,272.18
FastCAT Income	9,145.10
Hospitality	-256.01
Jackets	-280.17
Park Rental	-200.00
Ribbons	-238.56
Supplies	-144.83
TOTAL FastCAT Income	8,025.53
Local Specialty	
Application Fee	-175.00
Rental & Cleanup Fees	-931.68
Rental Equipment	-300.00
T-Shirts	303.63
Towels	-89.27
Trophies	-1,994.79
TOTAL Local Specialty	-3,187.11
Membership	
Dues	554.00
TOTAL Membership	554.00
Ways & Means	
Grocery Certificates	654.46
TOTAL Ways & Means	654.46
TOTAL INCOME	8,319.06

EXPENSES

Bank Charges	
Service Charge	16.00
TOTAL Bank Charges	16.00
Coupons Used	489.00
Credit Card Fees	93.87
Legislation	
Dues	75.00
Political Action Committee	100.00
TOTAL Legislation	175.00
Miscellaneous	
State Periodic Report	25.00
Supplies	76.17
TOTAL Miscellaneous	101.17
Summer Social	80.00
Website Design	214.73
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,169.77

OVERALL TOTAL 7,149.29

RESCUE FUND

INCOME

Donation to DSR	550.00
TOTAL INCOME	550.00

EXPENSES

Credit Card Fees	8.52
Rescue Misc Grooming	370.00
Veterinary Services	1,251.73
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,630.25

OVERALL TOTAL -1,080.25

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Bank Accounts

General Fund	25,081.05
Rescue Fund	11,520.09
Rescue Fund CD (Cash)	20,495.24
TOTAL Bank Accounts	57,096.38

Asset Accounts

TOTAL Asset Accounts	0.00
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Investment Accounts

TOTAL Investment Accounts	0.00
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OVERALL TOTAL 57,096.38

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SUMMER SOIREEES

**Come share dinner &
stories with your
Sammy family**

JUNE SOUTHERN REGION

JULY NORTHERN REGION

AUGUST CENTRAL REGION

Suggest a favorite restaurant,
pick a date (evenings/weekends), &
send to Tammy (icefire10@msn.com)
by the 6th of the respective month



Colorado Legislative Update

Final: Post Session, May 12, 2025

HB 25-1034 Changes to Dangerous Dog Statute

Under current law, the owner of a dog that causes serious bodily injury to a veterinary health care worker, dog groomer, trainers and other professional workers in the performance of their duties is exempted from criminal liability unless the owner is subject to an existing court order. This new Law removes this exemption if the dog inflicts serious bodily injury to these professionals. Serious bodily injuries encompass severe injuries and those that involve a substantial risk of death. This does not change the Law for bodily injury; only serious bodily injury.

Sponsors: Rep. McCormick; Sander; Senator Daugherty

Status: Signed into Law on 03/14/2025

Position: Support

HB25-1180 Concerning Prohibiting Certain Transfers of Pet Animals in Public Spaces.

The bill was intended to stop the arbitrary sales of dogs on street corners and public spaces by fly-by-night entities, many coming in from out of state; selling the dogs without contact information and then leaving the area. Consumers would have no recourse if the puppy or dog was ill or died. While the dog fancy supported that idea, the bill, as written, would have had severe consequences on pure-bred dog owners. No dog could be transferred to another entity at a dog show, including to a professional handler. No prearranged sale could have taken place in a park or area convenient for the transfer of a puppy. The entities supporting the bill worked with us to allay our concerns and amend the bill. One of the amendments is a complete exemption for all dogs involved at or transported to or from AKC events. As passed, the bill now states, that an individual or entity may not sell, offer or advertise for sale or adoption, barter, or give away a pet animal that, at the time of transfer is physically located at or on any public street, highway, right-of-way, parkway, median strip, park, recreation area, outdoor market, parking lot, or other public space. Pet animal facilities licensed under PACFA are exempted from this provision, as is the sale of livestock, and a pet animal owner, breeder, or trainer while transporting to or from or exhibiting or competing at an event licensed, regulated, or sanctioned by the AKC, UKC or any other nationally recognized registering organization. The amendment also exempts hunting dogs bred or trained for lawful hunting.

During the hearing, PACFA testified that this bill will not impact previously arranged sales or transfers taking place on a public site, (Example: a breeder and new owner who agreed previously to the sale of a dog and now meet at a public place for transfer.)

Sponsors: Majority Leader Duran and Rep. Armagost; Senators Bright and Roberts

Status: Passed with CFDCO written amendments. Waiting Gov Signature

Position: Support as amended

HB25-1207 Concerning Measures to Address Barriers to Pet Ownership in Connection with Residing in a Residential Structure.

Current law prohibits an insurer from refusing to ensure a homeowners policy based on breed or mixture of breeds unless the dog is known to be dangerous or has been declared dangerous. Section 1 of the bill clarifies that this provision applies to all residential structures. Section 2 requires each housing development that receives financing to authorize tenants to own or keep one or more pet animals, subject to reasonable conditions. The amendment changes this section to limit the number of pets allowed to two. Section 3 required a person claiming a tax credit for offering affordable housing to allow tenants to own or keep pet animals in the unit that the tenant resides in. Section 3 was removed from the bill entirely.

Sponsors: Rep. Mabrey and Majority Leader Duran and Senators Winter F. and Exum

Status: Passed both houses amended; waiting for the Governor's signature

Position: Monitoring

HB25-1285 Concerning Veterinary Workforce requirements

Sponsors: Representative McCormick and Senators Kipp and Pelton, B.

The bill establishes and modifies requirements related to the practice of veterinary medicine by a veterinary professional associate (VPA). This bill is in response to Proposition 129, which the voters in Colorado passed in November of 2024. The bill lists the requirements necessary for a VPA to start practicing veterinary medicine on January 1, 2026. House amendments further clarified the veterinarian

and VPA professional relationship and in what instances the VPA may practice independently.

Status: Passed both houses amended. Sent to the Governor for signature. Position: Support

HB25-1299 Concerning a voluntary contribution of all or a portion of an income tax refund as a donation to the Animal Protection Fund.

Sponsors: House Majority Leader Duran and Senator Roberts

Known as a Tax Check-off bill, the bill creates a voluntary procedure by which an individual may elect to contribute a portion of their state income tax refund as a donation to the Animal Protection Fund located in the Department of Agriculture. The fiscal note requires an appropriation of \$155,000 to implement the bill: for the Dept of Revenue and the Dept. of Ag. Instead of using General fund monies, the cash will be taken from the fund directly to fund the appropriations needed by the departments.

Status: Passed and waiting Gov. Signature

Position: Monitoring

SB 25-085 Concerning the Adoption of Animals that are Test Subjects of Health Related Research

The bill initially required a facility that uses animals for health-related research to offer a dog or cat to an animal shelter or a pet animal rescue for the purpose of adoption before euthanizing the animal. Studies have shown that research dogs and cats may not do well when transferred to these facilities. Dogs especially are kept in a very controlled and quiet environment in research facilities. Due to the noise and confusion in an animal shelter, dogs from research may be fearful and even terrorized in these new conditions. CFDCO worked with the bill sponsors to allow transfer to other appropriate conditions which may include an internal adoption program by the facility, or a foster home or other appropriate setting. A provision in the bill requires research facilities to submit an annual report to the Department of Agriculture that includes certain statistics for the previous year.

Sponsors: Senator Kipp; Reps Rutinal and Paschal

Status: The House amendment in committee had several parts. It clarified that research institutions will not be penalized in maintaining the status quo in euthanizing an animal due to research related concerns. It removed one of the reporting requirements; gives the institution immunity from circumstances related to the internal adoption of a cat or dog and clarified on the record that dogs can be adopted out to any appropriate circumstance, such as a foster home, as well as to a shelter or rescue. The Senate amendments included changing the reporting authority from the Department of Health to the Department of Agriculture. The Senate also added an amendment that states the federal Animal Welfare Act takes precedence over any conflicts that may occur with the new state law. The bill has passed both houses, and the House has concurred with Senate amendments. It is now waiting for the Governor's signature.

Although the fiscal analyst stated that \$0 are necessary to implement the bill, there is a discrepancy noted: CSU stated it will cost them \$50,000 to implement the bill and the money will come from the state. The analyst stated that CSU will have to find the money from their existing appropriations. This may or may not be feasible.

Position: Amending

SB 25-159 Concerning Veterinary Telehealth

The bill would have modified certain laws related to the practice of veterinary telehealth in Colorado.

Sponsors: Senators Winter F. and Cutter; Reps. (None)

Status: Introduced and assigned to Senate Agriculture Committee. Killed in committee 3/21.

Position: Monitoring

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Disrupting Hemangiosarcoma: A Novel Approach to Fight Canine Cancer Using Early Detection and Targeted Therapy

Hemangiosarcoma is one of the most aggressive and heartbreaking cancers in dogs. Often described as a silent killer, it advances rapidly with few—if any—early warning signs. By the time symptoms appear, treatment options are limited and often come too late.

Dr. Jaime F. Modiano, VMD, PhD, Director of the Animal Cancer Care and Research Program at the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine, has spent much of his career focused on changing that outcome. “Hemangiosarcoma is a devastating disease,” he notes. “It’s responsible for the death of one in five Golden Retrievers in the U.S., and it also significantly affects Portuguese Water Dogs, Boxers, and other breeds.”

Because the disease is rarely detected before it spreads, traditional therapies typically fall short. Dr. Modiano and his team recognized that to fight this cancer effectively, they needed to take an unconventional approach—one that relies on early detection and prevention over late-stage intervention.

Their strategy? Pair a patented experimental blood test that detects hemangiosarcoma cells circulating in the bloodstream with a novel targeted treatment known as eBAT—short for EGF-bispecific angiotoxin. eBAT targets the very cells that initiate and propagate hemangiosarcoma, aiming to halt the cancer before it gains a foothold.

Some of the results have been nothing short of groundbreaking.

In a pilot study involving 23 dogs of various breeds with hemangiosarcoma of the spleen, those treated with eBAT saw significantly improved outcomes. The six-month survival rate rose from 50% to around 70%, and the one-year survival rate nearly tripled—from 15% to 40%.

And in a few exceptional cases, dogs lived much longer than expected. Five of the 23 dogs treated with the experimental therapy survived more than 450 days.

“This is probably the most meaningful advance in treating canine hemangiosarcoma in over 30 years,” Dr. Modiano told the National Canine Cancer Foundation, a co-sponsor of the study. “Our hope is not only to extend the lives of dogs but also to apply what we’ve learned to benefit people. Ultimately, we want to build a future where no one has to live in fear of cancer.”

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