



# Tales of Lincolnwood

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



*Dianne Grassi's GSD, Lokelani, takes snow shoveling to a new level. (See "Snow Dogs" on page 3.)*



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## Lincolnwood Training Club for German Shepherd Dogs 2021 Outdoor Training Schedule -- Spring Session

**Pre-registration is required for all classes. Please Contact Director of Training Cathy Stein at 847-217-0527 to pre-register.**

Time	Class	Place/Instructor
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Lincolnwood Training Club (Starts April 17, 2021)</b>	<b>Central &amp; Dearlove Rds. Glenview, IL</b>
12:00 p.m.	S.T.A.R. Puppy Class	Jane Eastman
1:00 p.m.	Advanced Puppy Class	Cathy Stein
2:00 p.m.	S.T.A.R. Puppy Class	Anne Feuerstein
3:00 p.m.	S.T.A.R. Puppy Class	Anne Feuerstein
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Lincolnwood Training Club (Starts April 25, 2021)</b>	<b>Central &amp; Dearlove Rds. Glenview, IL</b>
9:00 a.m.	Open and Utility Classes	Richard Lane
10:00 a.m.	Advanced Puppy Class	Anne Feuerstein
10:00 a.m.	AKC Obedience - Novice Class	Cathy Stein
10:30 a.m.	Rally Classes - All Levels	Lana Berger
11:00 a.m.	Beginner Class	Jane Eastman
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Lincolnwood Training Club (Starts April 28, 2021)</b>	<b>Central &amp; Dearlove Rds. Glenview, IL</b>
6:30 p.m.	Beginner Adult Dogs Class	Tim Schaefer
7:00 p.m.	Beginner Obedience Class	Nancy Lane
7:00 p.m.	Novice Class	Richard Lane
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Lincolnwood Training Club (Starts April 29, 2021)</b>	<b>Central &amp; Dearlove Rds. Glenview, IL</b>
6:00 p.m.	Beginner Agility Class (Members only)	Ashlee Trotter

**PLEASE NOTE:** All training is outdoors. The only part of the clubhouse available are the restrooms, with only one person at a time allowed in. Park only in the parking lot and enter the field from the parking lot gate.

- \* **Facemasks and 6-foot** socialization are required
  - \* **Only dog handlers**, dog handler guardians, and LTC staff allowed on field.
  - \* **Only pre-registered dogs** are allowed. No drop-in training.
  - \* **Classes will be limited** to 45 minutes, allowing for safe entry and exit.
  - \* **All classes will be held** in a ring, rings spaced a minimum of 8 feet apart.
  - \* **Handlers are to leave** the field promptly at the end of the class.
  - \* **Classes are normally** 8-week sessions unless otherwise noted.
  - \* **The fee** is \$125 for S.T.A.R. Puppy.; \$144 for Beginner Agility. All dog breeds as well as mixed breeds are welcome to attend our classes.
- All handlers must bring a copy of the current vet record ("Boarding Pass") to the first class. If classes are cancelled, you will be contacted and there will be a message on the Club phone: 847-299-7273.

**Questions? Please call the Club's Director of Training Cathy Stein at 847-217-0527.**

# SNOW DOGGOS...

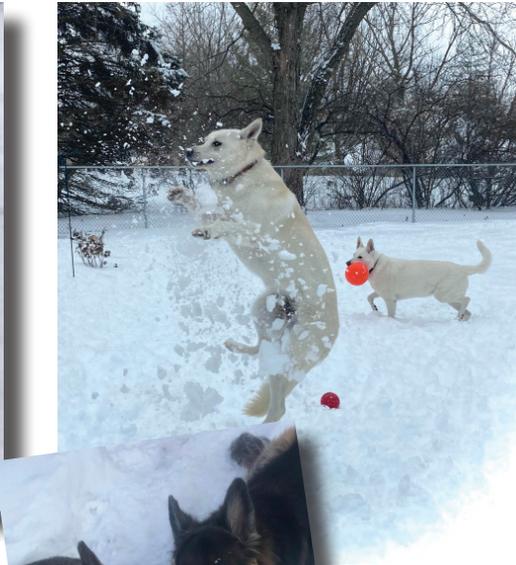


Had your fill of snowy Chicago weather?

Not our German Shepherds.

They never met a pile of snow they didn't like.

Here's **Dianne** Grassi's Lokilani (photo above, clockwise), also featured on our cover; Leah Swanquist's Marshall and Lexi; and Cathy Stein's Morgen and Danny Boy all bundled up and confronting a snow bank during their morning walkabout at a nearby shopping center.



## ★ Dog Star Passes Away

A bright light of Lincolnwood Training Club and the Schutzhund/German conformation world has passed away. He is Ruth Black and Neda Tkalcevik's Odin.

The celebrated champion died peacefully at home in late February, one week after his 13th birthday.

**While actively** being shown, Odin earned five VA (Excellent Select) titles and was the 2012 United Schutzhund Clubs of America American Sieger (Champion).

After retirement, Odin placed first in all the Veterans Classes in which he was entered. Judges marveled at his perfection.

**More importantly**, Ruth and Neda say, the highly awarded Odin loved people, loved to work, loved to play, loved life, and loved his family, with daughter, Liesl.

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## Club Vests 15th K-9

A young Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd K-9 named Dino has become the 15th police dog to receive a lifesaving Kevlar vest to wear from Lincolnwood Training Club donations.

**K-9 Dino** (pictured below) is partnered with Officer Jacob Walker of the Muscatine (IA) Police Department and is certified in patrol and narcotics detection.

Lincolnwood has been purchasing bullet- and stab-protective vests for police dogs since 2009 through Vest-A-Dog and, most recently, Vested Interest in K-9s.



## New 13 Club Member Listed

"My Britta's a fighter!

"She's about 12 and 8 months now and I cannot believe she's actually made it this long. There have been several times that I thought for sure we'd be saying goodbye.

**"But she has** fought the good fight and beat (a series of medical problems).

"Today she is still growing strong. Even with her arthritis, she tries to keep up with her daughter, Fritzzi, and with Ki.

**"She still** wants to work, even though I don't throw a ball or dumbbell more than a few feet for her.

"Yes, Britta loves life."

--- Pat Behles



# Who is that Masked Human?

Your dog may be concerned or confused by your mask. Here's how to increase his comfort level.

By Kim Campbell Thornton  
Andrews McMeel Syndication

Most of our dogs are exposed to masks – scary or otherwise – at least annually, at Halloween.

But because of the COVID-19 virus, seeing people in masks has become a daily occurrence for many dogs.

**According to experts**, and a completely unscientific survey on social media, animals rarely respond to masks with concern.

Professional dog groomer Julie Ellingson in Sacramento, CA, says none of her canine clients bats an eye when she greets them in a mask. They just look for a new place to deliver a kiss, usually targeting her glasses.

**This is probably** because animals rely on more than a view of our faces when it comes to identification.

“They have other points of reference, such as eye contact, our tone of voice, scent, body language – and in some cases, familiarity with the person,” says Wallani Sung, DVM, veterinary behavior specialist at the San Francisco SPCA.

Other cues such as gestures or movement can also contribute to their recognition of a particular person.

**And yet masks muffle** voices, and that can be an issue when working with or training dogs, so it's important to speak clearly. Wearing a mask with a transparent section over the mouth allows other humans – and not very likely dogs – to read lips and better understand what's being said.

Some dogs learned that masks mean that good things are about to happen: When they see their human putting on a mask, this usually means they're going for a walk, says Jen Reeder in Denver, CO.

**But this is not to say** that every dog reacts to masks with nonchalance.

Alastor, a flat-coated retriever, first saw owner Jill Gibbs wearing a mask when they were at a barn hunt event.

“He wanted to pull it off my face and almost broke my nose trying,” says Gibbs, of Billings, MT. “He is better now but still jumps for it.”

Her golden retriever, Henry, avoids



her until she pulls the mask down so he can see her whole face.

If you have a new pet or one that doesn't like masks, the following tips from Toronto veterinary behaviorist Gary Landsberg, DVM, can help.

- **Wear a mask** around the house to accustom your pet to seeing you and other people in them.

- **Put on the mask** while your pet is watching so it knows it's you.

- **Don't stare at** your pet, whether or not you're wearing a mask.

- **Get a different mask** if you think that a mask with a particular design causes fear in your pet.

- **Offer favorite treats** or toys while wearing a mask so your pet develops a pleasant association with it.

(Source for article: [www.sfspca.org](http://www.sfspca.org); [www.palmbeach.floridaweekly.com](http://www.palmbeach.floridaweekly.com))

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## Need-to-know Info on ticks

By Meghan McMahon  
Will County Forest  
Preserve District

After a long winter, nothing compares to spending time outside. But in Cook County and surrounding Counties, mid-to-late spring also marks the season when it's most important to be vigilant about ticks when outdoors.

**In Illinois, adult ticks** are most active in April, May, and June. By September, the adults are inactive and are rarely observed.

According to a report released in May, 2018 by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](http://www.cdc.gov), tick-borne illnesses, along with those caused by mosquito

and flea bites, more than tripled in the United States between 2004 and 2016.

**Tick-borne diseases** can range from mild to severe, and many of the illnesses have similar symptoms, including fever, chills, body aches and pains, and a rash, according to the CDCP.

Ticks move by crawling – they cannot fly or jump – so they typically lie in wait and then quickly move onto a host animal as it moves by.

**Take the following** precautions to help avoid bites:

When walking on paths and trails, avoid brushing against tall grasses and weeds.



Wear protective clothing, such as pants, long-sleeved shirts, and boots, and tuck your pant legs into your socks. Light-colored clothing is also helpful because it will be easier to see a tick on lighter-colored clothes than on dark-colored items.

Use insect and tick repellents containing 10 to 30 percent DEET, but apply sparingly to exposed skin and avoid sensitive areas. Always follow the label directions when applying repellents.

*Ticks Continued on page 10*

# tracking at the National



By Pat Behles

There's just something about competing at the national level that adds a different element than that of local trials and shows.

So when the German Shepherd Dog Club of America held its annual Tracking Dog and Tracking Dog Excellent Tests, it didn't take much to decide that was where I would try to get Ki's first real title.

**The T's were held** at the 400-acre Walker Standardbreds Horse Farm, just north of Springfield, IL. Thankfully I have a couple friends who have horses who allowed me to track on their property a couple weeks before the test so Ki could get accustomed to the smell of equines, hay, and manure.

None of it fazed him.

It was a cool, clear, bright morning, with little to no breeze, when dog and handler teams from Oklahoma, Tennessee, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Illinois excitedly gathered for the tests.

**There is a road that** goes right through the middle of the property. Tracks 1 and 2 were on one side of the road in pasture areas that were relatively flat with grass only about one to two feet tall. Tracks 3 and 4 were on the other side of the road, where it was a little different. It was rolling hills and dried grass.

At 8 a.m. it was time to draw for the tracks we would run. I don't like to go first, and really didn't want to be last. In my opinion, first has a lot of pressure to pass, and last is too much of a waiting game, too much anticipation, then the stories of what happened on the other tracks. There was also the concern about it getting warmer.

But, oh yay, ... I did get track 4, the last track.

**Dogs on the first three** tracks all failed. As I tried to follow the judges, tracklayer, and photographer over a couple hills, I was told to just stay in the valley so I didn't have to deal with the uphill, downhill hike to the yellow start flag.

Ki started out strong. With a nice, steady, tight line we headed uphill. He veered a few feet off, but came right back. He nailed that first turn and was on a mission...now going downhill.

**He was pulling so hard** that the tracking line was slipping through my hands. I got my thumb in the loop at the end of the line and hung one with one hand while I tried to keep my balance so I wouldn't fall and get dragged down the hill.

It finally leveled off. That leg of the track went 100 yards. Ki circled around a couple times again, coming right back on track. He went wide on the next turn, then stayed right on track the last three legs, totaling 265 yards.

**But that last leg**, 125 yards, started to concern me.

The sun was beating down, it was starting to get hot, and Ki was not pulling as steadily as when we started. It seemed he was working in spurts a strong pull, then light tension in the line so I was afraid he was going to quit. I just encouraged him "Come on, Ki. Just a little further. We're almost there."

**About another 20 yards** up, and there it was. My hand flew in the air to acknowledge Ki had done it! He found the glove, gave it to me, then jumped around with renewed energy like he knew it was a big accomplishment and wanted "his" glove back to proudly run around with it in his mouth.

The thrill of passing a tracking test is amazing, but to do it at Nationals, especially having the only dog, in either the TD or TDX, to pass is beyond words.

**Thankfully, no one** told me beforehand that this was the first track my tracklayer had ever laid. And, while having lunch, one of the other handlers who is a tracking judge told me I had the hardest track that day.

Seeing the flags while driving with her husband to the farm she told him that she

definitely didn't want to get that track.

**I would have been** a wreck had I known.

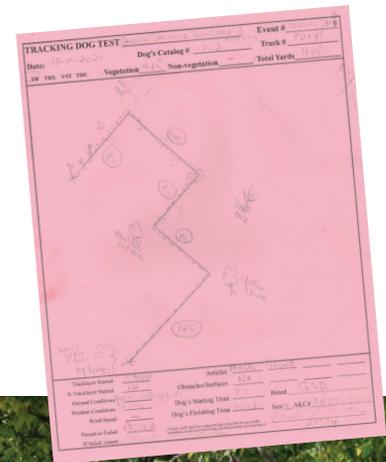
During the GSDCA Opening Ceremonies on Thursday morning, Ki and I were honored in a special Presentation Ceremony with a 12-inch silver platter, and a 2 ½-foot beautiful green rosette.

We were successful (and unsuccessful) in other events at the Nationals, but the icing on the cake came at the end of the last day when Ki and I were awarded another silver platter for being the Highest Scoring Dog in Rally with a Tracking title.

**Next year, the GSDCA** Nationals will be held at Purina Farms, just west of St Louis, MO.

It's a great facility and I encourage everyone who competes, no matter in what AKC sport or competition level, to try to get to National at least once.

It's a wonderful experience!



Pat Behles & Ki tracking at the 2020 GSDCA Nationals.



# The Scoop on Poop

**WARNING:** Abnormal poop patterns are a red flag that something is wrong. Noticing changes early could prevent a problem and even save your pet's life. Poop reveals a wealth of information about overall health, so learn to be a poop sleuth! 🔍

### THE PERFECT POOP



Chocolate-brown. Firm, but moist. Segmented log shape. Consistency of Play-Doh. Light odor.

### BLACK/TARRY



May indicate a large amount of blood in the stool.

### BRIGHT RED STREAKS



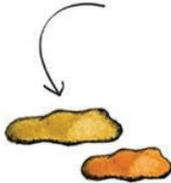
Could mean blood in the stool.

### GRAY/MUCUS COATING



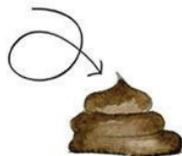
Can indicate inadequate digestion and malabsorption of nutrients.

### YELLOW/ORANGE



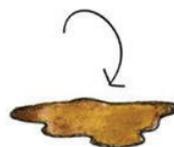
Can indicate problems with the liver, gallbladder, or pancreas.

### COW PATTY/SOFT-SERVE



Can be due to a change in diet or may be a sign of illness or infection.

### LIQUID/DIARRHEA



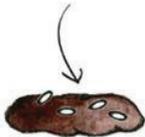
If persistent, can indicate a viral or intestinal infection. (Caution: Dogs with diarrhea are at high risk of dehydration.)

### DRY CHUNKS



May indicate dehydration or kidney disease.

### WHITE RICE



Rice-shaped flecks or spaghetti-like strands may be worms.

### CLUMPS OF HAIR



Can be due to allergies or other medical conditions.

### UNDIGESTED FOOD



Can indicate food intolerance or allergy.

### FOREIGN OBJECTS



Need to keep things out of reach. Can cause obstruction.

# Police K-9 Unit seeks Your Help



By Pat Behles

In the far western suburbs of Chicago lies a little village called Campton Hills. The community is protected by a small police department of 7 full-time officers and several part-timers.

Because of the determination of one officer, James Levand, there is actually an 8<sup>th</sup> full-time officer: K-9 Koda.

German Shepherds are Officer Levand's favorite breed, but he says he might be just a little biased because of K-9 Koda. The breed is beautiful, smart and so loyal. Becoming a K-9 handler was a lifetime career dream.

**Three years ago**, seeing the benefits of having their own police dog, Officer Levand presented the program to the village board. They were all in favor, but advised him that he would need to find ways to fund the entire K-9 unit since there are no funds available in the village budget.

The village is unique being one of the only municipalities in the State of Illinois that receives no tax dollars from residents.

**The only funding** for the whole police department comes from the little bit of sales tax in the Village and the motor fuel tax, which makes operating the department a challenge.

So, Officer Levand took the idea to the citizens and businesses and received amazing support, including financial. A restricted fund to accept

donations was established to cover 100% of the K-9 unit's planned expenses.

All of the hard work and effort finally paid off when Officer Levand got his new partner.

K-9 Koda is a 3-year-old male German Shepherd Dog from Czechoslovakia.

**He is a multi-purpose** patrol K-9 trained in narcotics detection, tracking, article searches, handler protection, obstacle course, and cadaver finds.

Initially, the K-9 patrol vehicle for K-9 Koda was an older used Chevy Tahoe with high mileage. Maintenance and repair costs began to put a huge strain on the fund. To ensure Koda's safety, they had to get a new vehicle.

**Though enough money** was raised to purchase a 2021 Dodge Durango, the vehicle cost, itself, ate up most of what was left in the program's funds.

Another \$12,000 is needed to outfit it with everything a regular police vehicle requires, plus all the additional equipment and safety features necessary for K-9 Koda.

**On top of that**, the next hurdle for Officer Levand and K-9 Koda is maintaining the K-9 unit. The cost of other necessary equipment, ongoing training, and upkeep also comes from that fund.

Typically, the program hosts several fundraisers each year; but due to COVID, 2020 was not good.

**The State of Illinois'** pandemic shut-downs prevented events from being held. It has caused financial hardship for many people and businesses, and the ability to

donate dropped, hitting the K-9 unit hard. This prevented them from raising the anticipated funds.

**As an alternative**, they decided to sell T-shirts as a fundraiser.

Unfortunately, the profit from sales has not been substantial, though greatly appreciated.

Through it all, K-9 Koda has certainly earned his place as an asset to the police department and within the community.

**This past year**, he was called on many times to help find missing persons, search for narcotics, track violent offenders, help control crowds, and more. He has also helped other police departments when needed.

K-9 Koda is the best-known officer in Campton Hills, quickly attaining the level of village "Rock Star."

**The community loves** him as he participates in presentations, demos, parades, school functions, and special events.

*If you would like to support K-9 Koda, a check can be made out to: Campton Hills Police Department, (please note K-9 Koda in the memo), 40W270 La Fox Rd., Campton Hills, IL 60175.*

*T-shirts are available for purchase at \$25 each, plus \$4 shipping. For more information, call the Campton Hills Police Dept. at 630-584-0330.*



T-shirt available for sale (above); K-9 Officer James Levand and K-9 Koda reporting for duty



## Book Review

# Baking Your Own



# Treat-os

By Judy Braginsky

If you're one of those eccentric dog lovers who likes to bake your own dog treats (& even if you're not), you've gotta read the *You Bake 'Em Dog Biscuits Cookbook* by Janine Adams.

Joanne Compton, who taught some of the Beginner Obedience classes at Lincolnwood Training Club years ago, first turned me on to this 112-page wonder after I moseyed over to a table she'd set up for her class that was loaded with examples of bite-sized training treats prepared from *You Bake 'Em* recipes.

**(Especially intriguing** were the Poodle Jellies, small squares of gelatin similar to ones you probably ate as a kid but that were mixed with chicken broth.)

The book's greatest strength is its simplicity, & you don't need to know a whole lot about baking to follow these recipes.

**The recipes have chatty** lead-ins that offer simple tips on everything from watching a dog's weight to throwing a doggy party.

All of the recipes are meant to be healthy & natural, with some intended to address special needs (such as lower fat & grain-free treats).

**But what's especially** valuable about this book -- whether you're training your dog to be a mannerly companion or for competition in the obedience ring -- is its philosophy about training treats.

Here are excerpts from *You Bake 'Em* about using food in training, which most trainers recommend:

**"Rewarding your dog** for doing what you ask, rather than correcting him for misbehavior, is not only effective but it keeps training sessions fun for your dog," Compton says. "It's also a lot more enjoyable (for both you & your dog) than training with corrections.

"If you feel that your dog isn't motivated by food, think again. You probably just haven't tried the right food. Many beginning trainers use pieces of the dog's kibble or plain Cheerios as a reward.

Some dogs, however, simply don't find those rewards worth the effort."

*You Bake 'Em* goes on to detail what makes a good training treat & how best to use it as a teaching aid with these tips:

- **Keep treats tiny** when training so your dog won't fill up too quickly or become fat.

- **The best training** treats are soft & not too chewy, so your dog can eat them quickly & move on to the next activity.

- **Avoid pieces of hard, bland** biscuit. They are too crunchy and also hard to subdivide into smaller pieces on the fly.

- **Avoid training treats** that are too rich or they might cause diarrhea. (Liver, for example, can give some dogs loose stools.)

- **Vary the treats** to make them more rewarding. Dogs get sick of being offered the same old foods like we do.

You can do this by mixing different treats in your treat pouch (or carpenter's apron), so you can randomly select what your dog's going to get & keep him or her guessing.

- **Keep your treats** on your person. If you can't get to your training treats quickly & easily (for example, treats that are stuffed in a baggy that's stuffed in your pocket), you slow down training & risk having your dog forget what you're rewarding, even if you use a clicker.

- **One more training tip:** What's called the "Jackpot."

When you're training your dog -- particularly if you're training a specific behavior -- you've got this great, treat-related ace in the hole.

Here's how it goes:

When your dog figures out what you want & performs that desired behavior, you can reward him or her with a jackpot.

A jackpot is an especially delicious treat just for this purpose, or, rewarding your dog with a larger-than-usual portion.

When your dog performs the feat, get excited & toss a whole handful of treats on the ground or feed him or her a handful, one treat at a time, until your dog thinks the supply may never stop.

Trainers believe that this can make a real impact on the dog & increase the likelihood that the desired behavior will be repeated.

## High-Value Dog Treats Recipe

3 egg whites  
1/4 cup tahini paste  
3 tsp peanut butter  
1/3 cup nutritional yeast  
1 cup brown rice flour

**1) Preheat oven** to 350 degrees.  
**2) Separate egg whites** from egg yolks. Save egg yolks for another recipe or discard.

**3) Add tahini**, nutritional yeast, and peanut butter to egg whites. Stir to combine.

**4) Add brown rice flour** to egg mixture and stir until a stiff dough is formed.

**5) Turn dough out** onto a piece of parchment paper. Place a second piece of parchment paper over the dough and flatten the dough into a patty shape.

**6) Roll the dough** until it reaches 1/4" to 1/8" thickness.

**7) Remove the top sheet** of parchment paper and transfer dough (on bottom parchment sheet) to a baking sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

**8) Remove from oven** and slice into less than half-inch squares using a pizza cutter or sharp knife while hot. Treats should be refrigerated and can be stored in an airtight container in the fridge for up to 5 days, or frozen for up to 3 months.

# Desert Dogs



By Judy Braginsky

(Editor's note: Lincolnwood Training Club Lifetime member Marianne Perlman runs a Rescue for German Shepherds in need. Since it was founded in 1996, German Shepherd Rescue has rehomed 2,010 dogs and counting. Here is one of their stories.)

Dozens of homeless German Shepherds have been saved from life in the searing hot deserts of Doha, Qatar, thanks to the efforts of German Shepherd Rescue and an American and European expat group living in the Southwest Asia country.

**A German Shepherd** named India was the first dog taken in by GSR, rehomed with a family that lives in Northfield, IL, through a partnership with Paws Rescue Qatar (PAWS) that started in 2015.

The PAWS' shelter in Doha is not supported by any organization or government agency. It operates properly donated by a kindly sheikh.

**Most of the animals**, says PAWS co-founder Alison Caldwell, come in sick, diseased, unvaccinated, and un-neutered, leaving PAWS and its team of volunteers to bear the costs of nursing the animals back to health. The food bills, alone, cost about \$5,500 a month.

"The sheikh has a kind heart, so ministry officials who know him think that it's alright to bring in animals that they've found or rescued here, but we have no idea what to do with the amount we are getting in anymore," Caldwell says.

**"In one recent week**, our shelter took in over 50 dogs, most dropped off by policemen.

"These are animals that don't belong in this country, or this heat. But people keep bringing in more and more of them. We currently have more than 20 Huskies, Alaska sled dogs, with us."

PAWS put out the following call for help to GSR and other rescue groups:

**"We currently have** six German Shepherds who need homes. They all live at our farm in a dark kennel. They are safe and well fed but we

are desperate to relocate them to the U.S. Here in Qatar, the conditions for dogs are horrible.

**"The very hot climate**, combined with a general negative attitude toward dogs and very little green space, leave dogs like the GSDs very bored and down."

For starters, Marianne Perlman agreed to take in one of the German shepherds, named India, with more dogs to follow.

**Some German Shepherds** arrive at the PAWS shelter in ways typical to that area,

Perlman says.

One dog named Mac was turned in by police and was possibly a police K-9.

"Mac has a great personality," Perlman adds.

"He is also definitely into searching vehicles.

"He did so very thoroughly when his foster family first took him home in their car."

To donate, volunteer, foster, or adopt, visit GSR's website: [www.gsrescue1.org](http://www.gsrescue1.org).

(Reprinted from GSR's newsletter, *Friends for Life*, Winter, 2015.)



PAWS Rescue Volunteers (photo above, clockwise) Julia (from left), Rachel, Shigeyo, and Ali at Qatar Airport bound for Chicago with GSDs Mac, Angus, and Gibbs; a sad Angus, rescued from a doorway; Angus with foster and adopter Tracey; and India. 9.

# Club News, Legs

## 2021 Club Officer Slate Elected

Congratulations to the Club officers who were newly elected to serve Lincolnwood Training Club in 2021.

President, Jane Eastman; Vice President, Lana Berger; Trustees Karen Johnson, Cathy Stein, and Mary Whalen; Recording Secretary; Samantha Bukowski; Treasurer, Paul Volltrauer; Historian, Wendy Israel; and Superintendent of the field, Tom Strissel.

## Welcome New Members

Lincolnwood Training Club welcomes the following and their German Shepherd dogs into membership:

Donald and Cynthia Jensen of Arlington Heights, IL and S-Laika vom Mittelwest ("Laika"), born 3/10/2020, bitch, sire: Lando Von Den Klosterspatzen, dam: Laney Vom Mittelwest, breeder: Mittelwest German Shepherds.

Pablo and Janeth Torres of Chicago, IL and Venus, born 12/2019, bitch.

Ed Lamasky and Dakota Vom Winter Storm ("Kota"), born 4/06/2020, dog, sire: Cole Von Den Lars, dam: River Rose Vom Winter Storm, breeder: Sandra Walloch.

Ken Porello and Hans Gruber 11 ("Hans"), born 9/03/2020, dog, sire: Zagheria's Black, dam: Voodoo Canine Extreme, breeder: Nina Heinze.

Francis Koszyk recorded Sheena Vom Gildaf ("Jana"), born 9/28/2020, bitch, sire: Yah-Weh Vom Gildaf, dam: Isabela Vom Haus Beschutzer, breeder: Melinda

Clark, Vom Gildaf Shepherds.

Also, Larry Hoseman recorded Lemel of My Bodyguard ("Mojo"), born 8/04/2019, sire: Ringo Moses of My Bodyguard, dam: Ellie of My Bodyguard, breeder: My Bodyguard German Shepherd Dogs.

## Club Members' Passing Noted

Lincolnwood Training Club has learned of the passing of Dr. James Murray in 2019 and Herb Ringham, date of passing unknown. Mr. Ringham was Club President in 1965-1966, 1968, and 1973, and Director of Training 1974-1975.

## QSDCA Temperament Test Evaluator Retires

The Club has learned of the retirement of German Shepherd Dog Club of America Temperament Test Evaluator Jim York.

Jim has temperament-tested scores of Lincolnwood's German Shepherd dogs through the years. With the closest evaluator now in Missouri, the Club will pursue the idea and costs of having such tests in the future.

## Legs Up!

Pat Behles and Ki, **AKC Approved Parent Club Title (TC)**, Oct. 13, 2020, Evaluator Butch Steifferman.

Pat Behles and Ki, **AKC Virtual Home Manners, Passed, AKC VHMA Title**, Dec. 30, 2020, Evaluator Shawn Hacker.

Pat Behles and Ki, Intermediate, Leg #1, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Judge Loretta Lazzara, and Intermediate, Leg #2, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Jan. 22, 2021, Judge Loretta Lazzara, Greater DeKalb KC Rally Trials.

Pat Behles and Ki, Intermediate, Leg #3, **Rally Intermediate (RI) Title**, Feb. 6, 2021, Judge Robert Self Jr., and Intermediate, Leg #4, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Feb. 7, 2021, Judge Robert Burgin, Car-Dun-AI OTC Rally Trials.

Sandy Tristano and Hannah, **AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy, Passed**, Feb. 6, 2021, AKC Evaluator Anne Feuerstein.

## All Dogs Go to Heaven

Lincolnwood sends its condolences to the following Club members whose dogs are at the Rainbow Bridge:

Barbara Murray  
"Connor"  
10/01/2020



Ed Lamasky  
Bosco Vom Winter Storm  
"Bosco"  
05/22/2014 – 11/30/2020

Francis Koszyk  
Elke Von Der Vogel Haus  
"Elke"  
10/12/2006 – 6/25/2020

Larry Hoseman  
Shemp V111  
"Shemp"  
11/20/2009 – 08/2020

Ruth Black & Neda Tkalcavik  
VA1 Odin Vom Mittelwest,  
SchH3, KKL, 5XVA  
"Odin"  
02/21/2008 -- 02/28/2021

## Ticks (Continued from page 4)

People who spend time in grassy areas (like trackers) should check their clothes and body frequently to help catch and remove ticks before they bite.

Once arriving home, it's a good idea to immediately remove and check your clothes, and then launder them.

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**This helps to prevent** ticks from getting into your house or on other clothes.

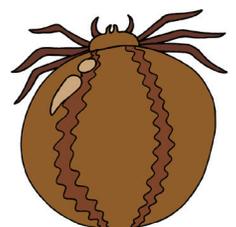
If you do find a tick, remove it immediately.

**If it's already** embedded itself, use tweezers and apply slow, steady pressure to remove it, not using more force than necessary.

Don't jerk or twist while pulling because that can cause the mouth-parts to break off and remain in the skin.

The CDC recommends disposing of live ticks by placing them in alcohol and sealing them in a bag or container, or flushing them down the toilet.

(Source: [www.reconnectionwithnature.org](http://www.reconnectionwithnature.org)).





Ruth Black & Neda  
Tkalcevik's Odin, 13

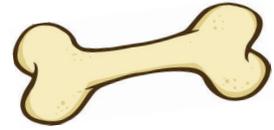


Richard & Nancy  
Lane's Sam, 7,  
(bottom) & Nellie, 10



Gail Krogstad's Selene, 7

## Birthday-ing



Kira	1/01/2012	Marianne Zielinski
Lyka	1/01/2012	Sylvia Olechno
Ada	1/06/2017	Patty Larson
Jäger	1/10/2015	Kathy/Chris Kaporis
Major	1/12/2010	John McNalis
Emma	1/13/2017	Greg/Josie Nejman
Hardy	1/14/2015	Guillermo/Ramona Zamora
Nellie	1/16/2011	Richard/Nancy Lane
Misiek	1/22/2018	Wioletta Pekala
Woody	1/24/2020	Iwona Sikorski
Zachary	1/25/2020	Thomas/Mary Vogenthaler
Reagan	1/27/2017	Guillermo/Ramona Zamora

Max	2/02/2020	Maria Sundqvist/Mattias Eriksson
Pip	2/05/2012	Adrienne Scheuneman
Selene	2/12/2014	Gail Krogstad
Zari	2/13/2010	Karan Volltrauer
Bruno	2/16/2018	Marcin/Marzena Frackiel
Vlad	2/17/2018	Jane Eastman
Hoku	2/17/2020	Georgia Cawley
Odin	2/21/2008	Ruth Black
Cooper	2/22/2019	Julie Cleary
Maggie	2/23/2020	Dan/Sue Meyers
Sam	2/28/2013	Richard/Nancy Lane

Apollo	3/10/2011	Jason Bell/ Izabela Raczynski-Bell
Laika	3/10/2020	Donald/Cynthia Jensen
Freija	3/12/2019	Stu Unger
Henry	3/24/2019	Robin Thybony
Angel	3/27/2010	Kathy Pairitz
Lexi	3/28/2014	Ramona Zamora

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EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

PRINTED NAME & SIGNATURE OF ENDORSER \_\_\_\_\_

PRINTED NAME & SIGNATURE OF ENDORSER \_\_\_\_\_

**WHAT TO DO IF YOUR DOG GETS SKUNKED!**

**DO NOT GET THEM WET!!!**

Water seals the skunk oil secretion into the hair follicle and your pet will smell for weeks or even months.

**INSTEAD**

Make a paste with baking soda and shampoo /or dish soap. Apply this mixture liberally onto your pet DRY and let it sit for about 30 mins, then it is okay to rinse.

**Fun Fact**  
Skunks can spray up to 10 feet and can spray as many as 6 times in a row!

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