

# G7 DELEGATES' QUARTERLY MEETING

## Annual Meeting Of The Delegates of The American Kennel Club March 9, 2010

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*Beth Lagimoniere*

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- Mount Vernon Dog Training Club—*Mrs. Ruth W. Crumb*
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*Carmen Armstrong*  
Western Fox Terrier Breeders Association—  
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Worcester County Kennel Club—  
*Debra A. Hokkanen*  
Yakima Valley Kennel Club, Inc.—  
*Richard Lewis*  
Yorkshire Terrier Club of America, Inc.—  
*Patricia D. Reynolds*

## AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB Delegates Meeting March 9, 2010

Dennis B. Sprung, President in the Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Chair introduced the persons seated on the podium: Chairman, Ronald Menaker; Vice Chairman, Dr. Tom Davies; Doris Abbate, Professional Registered Parliamentarian; Jim Crowley, the Executive Secretary; and Mark Schaffer, the Court Reporter.

The Executive Secretary read the report of the Nominating Committee and the report on additional nominations as follows: Pursuant to Article VIII of the *Bylaws of the American Kennel Club*, the Nominating Committee, Constance B. Vanacore, Chair, Irish Setter Club of America; Karen H. Burgess, Greater Clark County Kennel Club; Ruth W. Crumb, Mount Vernon Dog Training Club; Martha Feltenstein, American Tibetan Mastiff Association; David H. Hopkins, English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois, appointed by the Board of Directors on August 10, 2009, has nominated the following Delegates as candidates for such vacancies on the Board of Directors as are to be filled at the next annual meeting of the Club on March 9, 2010. There are three vacancies for the Class of 2014. The Class of 2014: Dr. Charles J. Garvin, representing Marion Ohio Kennel Club; Dr. William R. Newman, representing Mastiff Club of America; Patricia C. Scully, represent-

ing Obedience Training Club of Hawaii. Pursuant to Article VIII of the *Bylaws of the American Kennel Club*, the following Delegates have been endorsed in writing by the required number of Delegates as a candidate for the vacancies on the Board of Directors for the Class of 2014, to be filled at the annual meeting of the Club on March 9, 2010: Dr. Carmen L. Battaglia, representing the German Shepherd Dog Club of America; Steven D. Gladstone, representing Reno Kennel Club.

The Chair reported on the passing of a Delegate Dr. Sam Burke and Gilbert S. Kahn as follows:

It is my sad duty to inform you of the passing of Dr. Sam Burke on December 18th, 2009. He had just been appointed as Delegate of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America on November the 9th. He served previously as the Delegate of the Shreveport Kennel Club from October 17th, 1991 until June 1st of 2006.

Gilbert S. Kahn, the current Chair of the AKC Museum of the Dog, died on February the 22nd. Gilbert served as the Delegate of the American Shih Tzu Club from 1982 to 1985, and the Delegate of the Japanese Chin Club of America from 1985 to 2003.

The Executive Secretary read the names of the Delegates seated since the last meeting: Phyllis Belcastro, Leetsdale, PA, Beaver County Kennel Club  
Margaret K. Curtis, Bronxville NY, Greenwich Kennel Club  
Marylyn DeGregorio, Hartsdale, NY, Taconic Hills Kennel Club  
Treva Faires, Andover, KS, Wichita Kennel Club  
Fred G. Ferris, Middletown, CT, Connecticut River Working Group Association  
Joyce Fortney, Shinnston, WV, Blennerhassett Kennel Club  
Christiana Gaburri, Bellevue, PA, Old English Sheepdog Club of America  
Felice Jarrold, Tucson, AZ, Old Pueblo Dog Training Club  
Gail A. LaBerge, Buford, GA, Atlanta Obedience Club  
Dawna E. Mauldin, Pampa, TX, Panhandle Kennel Club of Texas  
Jinny Nealon, Nottingham, NH, Cheshire



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Kennel Club

Lilian Ostermiller, Westtown, NY, Monticello

New York Kennel Club

Helen A. Prince, Port Republic, MD, Scottish  
Terrier Club of America

Tony Rosato, Miami, FL, Pekingese Club of  
America

The following Delegates, who were attending  
their first meeting since approval, were intro-  
duced from the floor:

Phyllis Belcastro, Leetsdale, PA, Beaver

County Kennel Club

Margaret K. Curtis, Bronxville NY,

Greenwich Kennel Club

Marylyn DeGregorio, Hartsdale, NY, Taconic  
Hills Kennel Club

Treva Faires, Andover, KS, Wichita Kennel  
Club

Fred G. Ferris, Middletown, CT, Connecticut  
River Working Group Association

Bernard F.X. Ferry, Litita, PA, Irish Terrier  
Club of America

Joyce Fortney, Shinnston, WV, Blennerhassett  
Kennel Club

Christiana Gaburri, Bellevue, PA, Old English  
Sheepdog Club of America

Joellen Gregory, Jefferson, MD, Otterhound  
Club of America

Felice Jarrold, Tucson, AZ, Old Pueblo Dog  
Training Club

Gail A. LaBerge, Buford, GA, Atlanta  
Obedience Club

Marjorie McTernan, Punta Gorda, FL,  
Norfolk Terrier Club of America

Lilian Ostermiller, Westtown, NY, Monticello  
New York Kennel Club

Helen A. Prince, Port Republic, MD, Scottish  
Terrier Club of America

Tony Rosato, Miami, FL, Pekingese Club of  
America

Diane Wagner, Boca Raton, FL, Boca Raton  
Dog Club

The minutes of the December 15, 2009  
Delegate meeting were approved.

The next item was the approval of Member  
Clubs. The following clubs were approved as  
members of The American Kennel Club:

Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club of America;

Belle City Kennel Club.

Mr. Menaker gave the Chairman's report as  
follows:

Good morning. I'm sure many of you stayed  
up late on Sunday evening to watch the  
Academy Awards. Like the Oscars, AKC has  
its own awards programs to recognize the  
contributions and notable deeds among our  
dogs and our people.

The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award,  
founded in 2006, recognizes the hard work  
and dedication of our volunteer Club mem-  
bers. Each year, the AKC provides an  
Outstanding Sportsmanship Medallion to be  
awarded based on criteria that each member  
Club selects. Once a recipient has been  
selected, let us know and we will be pleased  
to add their name to the list of winners that  
we have on the AKC website.

Another distinguished award, established in  
1998, is the Lifetime Achievement Award.  
This award recognizes those who have spent  
the majority of their lives dedicated to the  
sport and to our dogs. Past honorees have  
included dog world greats such as Dorothy  
Nickles, Rachel Page Elliott, Dr. Josephine  
Deubler, Michele Billings and Jane Forsyth,  
just to name a few. Only AKC member Clubs  
are able to cast a vote for this award.

For the first time this year, we have distrib-  
uted the initial round of ballots to member  
clubs via e mail. We ask that you please sub-  
mit your choices for nominees by May 7th.  
Clubs may submit one nominee in each of  
three categories: Conformation, Companion  
events, and Performance. The three nominees  
receiving the most votes in each category will  
be selected as finalists. Later in the year,  
member clubs get to choose the winner in  
each category. We look forward to your con-  
tinued participation in this selection process.  
And finally, the award program in which we  
receive the most amazing, heartfelt stories  
continues to be our ACE Awards. For the  
11th year, we will be selecting dogs that have  
performed exemplary acts in one of five cate-  
gories: Companion, Law Enforcement, Search  
and Rescue, Service and Therapy. Heroes, like  
dogs, come in all shapes and sizes. ACE nom-  
inees range from skilled assistance dogs to  
brave law enforcement canines, as well as  
comforting therapy dogs.

Each year when we review all of the ACE  
nominations, it becomes increasingly clear  
how important dogs are in our day to day

lives, as well as their role in protecting and  
serving our nation. We encourage you to  
nominate a dog that has touched a life in  
some way or made the world a better place.  
The new deadline for submission is June 1st.  
For more information about these award pro-  
grams, visit [www.AKC.org](http://www.AKC.org). We look forward  
to recognizing the people and dogs that have  
touched our lives. Thank you all very much.

Mr. Sprung gave the President's report as fol-  
lows:

Picking up on Ron's theme, I am delighted  
to announce the establishment of two new  
awards that highlight the American Kennel  
Club's ongoing commitment to preserving  
the rights of responsible dog breeders and  
owners. The James S. Holt Memorial Award  
for Promotion of Responsible Dog  
Ownership in Legislation will annually honor  
one legislator in each state who demonstrates  
a commitment to promoting responsible dog  
ownership, the well being of dogs, and whose  
actions advance the mission of the American  
Kennel Club.

The Holt Award is a memorial to the late Jim  
Holt who was our federal legislative consult-  
ant, participated in this sport for well over 40  
years, and served us both as a Director and a  
Delegate.

The inaugural Holt Award is being presented  
to Texas State Representative Edward  
Kuempel at the San Antonio Kennel Club  
Show in conjunction with the club's 100th  
anniversary event.

Our second new award, named for the late  
Director of the AKC Government Relations  
Department, Walter Bebout, will recognize  
federations and groups who have been active-  
ly involved in educating legislators about  
responsible dog ownership issues and have  
worked to preserve the rights of responsible  
owners and breeders.

These awards will recognize those who make  
an impact on the legislative issues we face,  
and also celebrate the diligent work of our  
supporters.

And now I am sure you remember that last  
year at our March meeting, I was privileged  
to honor three long time employees for their  
outstanding service to your clubs, and for  
their long-term commitment to the  
American Kennel Club. This morning I will  
recognize three additional outstanding

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employees.

Our first honoree is someone who has had his hand in literally every page of the *GAZETTE*, *Family Dog* and *New Puppy Handbook*. His meticulous editor's eye has reviewed all of our published materials since 1998, but he has done so much more. He regularly writes full length breed profiles, as well as the columns *Dog Sport 101*, *The ACE Files*, *Times Past* and *AKC Updates*. All of us also appreciate his extraordinary artistic talent on display in the popular "Dog People" page, his affectionate drawings of well known fanciers.

Considered a true Renaissance man by his peers, Bud Boccone, our Publications copy editor, please join me on the podium.

Our next honoree is a familiar face to most of you. Following in her parents' footsteps, she has had a lifelong involvement with pure-bred dogs, primarily Doberman Pinschers, attending shows since she was two years of age and exhibiting her first dog at five. She started as an administrative assistant from 1995 to 1999, and returned to AKC as the Advertising Sales Manager with the *GAZETTE* in 2001. A year later, she was named Director of Club Communications. In 2004 she was promoted to Jim Crowley's right hand woman as Assistant Executive Secretary, ensuring the maintenance of AKC policies and historical records, with the added responsibilities of the Publications, Event Management, Travel and Project Management Departments all reporting to her.

In 2006, her promotion was to AVP/Assistant Executive Secretary; these responsibilities are in addition to being a media spokesperson. We are most fortunate to have Gina DiNardo in the AKC family.

If you have ever called AKC with almost any type of customer service question, our next recipient is one of the best people to answer it. A lifelong fancier starting in Manchester Terriers and later English Cocker, she has been a member of the American Manchester Terrier Club since 1968. Hired in 1990 as the Associate Director of Judging Research and Development, then serving as Director of Judges Applications and Director of Judges Education, she was promoted to the AVP of Corporate Training and Development in 2002, AVP of Special Services in 2005, and AVP of Customer Service in 2006.

She currently directs all aspects of AKC's Customer Service, including the Call Center and the Special Services Unit which is dedicated to our core fanciers. She is also responsible for managing initiatives such as our PAL Program and our Foundation Stock Services. Another second generation dog person, Mari-Beth O'Neill has dedicated her career to the sport and to the improvement of dogs. We're proud to have her with us.

I would like to call forward three Delegates who have made outstanding contributions as long term members of our fancy. We are proud to thank them today for their dedication and contributions.

Patricia Laurans, representing the German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America, is a 30 year Delegate, past Board member and currently Chair of the Parent Club Committee. She started out in dogs as a Doberman Pinscher exhibitor in 1963. Her Laurwyn line of German Wirehaired Pointers produced four National Specialty winners, three Best in Show dogs and many top producers. During her time on the AKC Board, Pat helped launch the Breeder Education program and was, and continues to be, a major supporter of Junior Showmanship. She has chaired the Coordinating Committee and was instrumental in the establishment of the Parent Club Conference.

Pat voluntarily stepped forward to assist management and staff in our Meet the Breeds initiatives, helping to make it the success we all appreciate.

Pat is a founding member and Vice President of Take the Lead, the distinguished charitable organization that assists individuals in the sport who have terminal or life-threatening illnesses. Thank you, Pat.

Mary Price has been a member of the Newfoundland Club of America since 1970, serving on the board as Recording Secretary, Membership Chair and Delegate for the past 25 years. Since her start in conformation and obedience in the late '60s, Mary has bred many fine Newfoundlands, including National Specialty and High in Trial winners and has won the Top Show Dog of the Year from her Parent Club.

As the very first recipient of the Club's Isabel Kurth Award, which has only been bestowed a handful of times over the past quarter century, she has been honored for her continual

and long term contributions to her Club. Mary is also on the Parent Club's Charitable Trust Board and has served her Land O'Lakes Kennel Club since starting in the sport as a Board member, Recording Secretary, Chief Steward and Assistant Show Chair. Mary, thank you.

Helma Weeks is the Delegate for the Bucks County Kennel Club after performing that same service for the American Bullmastiff Association. A member of her Parent Club since 1968, Helma has served as Treasurer, Vice President and Judge's Education Chair. Litters she bred have produced over a dozen champions.

Belonging to the Bucks County Kennel Club since 1976, she has served as Treasurer and Hospitality Chair. For many years she was the unofficial Assistant Show Chair under the renowned Dr. Josephine Deubler, but now officially serves as Show Chairwoman as well. Professionally, Helma has been a writer and editor. Before retiring, she was Director of Communications for the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine. Helma, thank you.

And now our Chairman, Ron Menaker, will present to each of you, our valued friends and employees, a special token of our appreciation, an AKC Medallion in recognition of your dedication and great accomplishments to dogs, the sport and the American Kennel Club.

Lastly, as always, we welcome your helpful suggestions. In matters of registration, please speak with Dave Roberts; Canine Partners ideas are invited by Doug Ljungren, and for any of our events, please meet with Curt, Robin or Doug. We thank you in advance for your input.

The Chair called on Jim Stevens, CFO, for the annual financial report. A summary follows:

AKC's audited 2009 consolidated financial statements are available for your review on the Delegates Portal.

2009's total revenues were 9% below the previous year. Total operating expenses were 9% less than in 2008. This resulted in an operating surplus of \$2.5 million for the year vs. \$2.9 million in the previous year.

Due to the excellent performance of the stock market in 2009, our investments gener-

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ated a gain of 21% for the year. This recouped a portion of the prior year's significant losses from investments.

The Chair of the Tellers Committee, Kim Johnson of KPMG, read the results of the balloting for the Class of 2014 as follows: The total number of ballots cast was 396. The number of invalid ballots was one. Therefore, the majority to elect was 198 ballots. The results of the ballots were as follows: Dr. Carmen Battaglia, 175; Dr. J. Charles Garvin, 238; Steven Gladstone, 172; Dr. William Newman, 217; and Patricia Scully, 218. The Chair declared that Dr. J. Charles Garvin, Dr. William Newman and Patricia Scully were duly elected as Members of the Class of 2014.

Next on the agenda was the vote on the proposed amendments to Chapter 3, Sections 1, 16, 18, 20, and 21 of *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* and Chapter 2 of *Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline Registration Registrable Breeds By Group*. This amendment would split the Sporting and Hound Groups, and the Non-Sporting Group would be renamed the Companion Group and a new Northern Group would be created. If this amendment were adopted, all references to the number of Groups must be changed to accommodate the new number of Groups.

Since the original proposal was made, some Parent Clubs have expressed dissatisfaction with their breeds' proposed placement. Other clubs have raised logistical and cost issues.

Before the proposed Group realignment amendments were considered, the Chair called on Dr. Tom Davies, Vice President of the AKC Board and Chair of the Group Realignment Committee, who spoke as follows: Thank you, Mr. President. After the Delegates voted to defer the proposed amendment on realignment to this meeting, the Realignment Committee reconsidered its recommendations. As the Chairman of that committee, I reported to the AKC Board in November that a majority of the committee members felt that the matter needed further study. The Committee continues to believe that the eventual realignment of the Group structure

will be necessary; but based on input from Parent Clubs and the fancy, the current proposal may not be ideal. In the best interests of the sport, the Committee suggests that the realignment proposal needs further discussion and refinement.

The influx of new breeds, six this year alone, along with the current list of FSS breeds that will likely be advanced in the near future as a result of recent Board action, suggests that a reassessment of the Committee's recommendations may be necessary and desirable. Therefore, I move that the proposed amendment be referred back to the Board.

There was a motion and a second to commit.

The Chair recognized Patricia Laurans, Delegate for the German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America, who spoke as follows: I am speaking now as the Chairman of the Parent Club Committee. At our committee meeting on Monday, Dr. Davies and the two members of our committee, John Nielsen and Karen Burgess, discussed this with our committee. Our committee voted unanimously to support the wish of the Realignment Committee regarding the postponement. Thank you.

The Chair Recognized William Green, Delegate for the Rio Grande Kennel Club, who spoke as follows: Although the need to go back and reevaluate this proposal is obvious, my club wonders and I wonder, whether we might be better off to simply start with a new slate, a clean sheet of paper, rather than prolong the current proposal further than it has been carried on already. In other words, give it an up or down vote today. If, as might be expected, the current proposal would fail, the Realignment Committee could still work on a new proposal, but starting from scratch, rather than trying to patch up what we already have. Thank you.

There was a vote with a majority in favor of committing the matter to the Board.

The next vote was on the proposed amendment to Chapter 11, Section 6 of *Rules Applying to Dog Shows; Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility*. The pro-

posed amendment was brought forward by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This amendment would eliminate the use of telegrams to change or cancel entries, as telegrams are now obsolete. There was no discussion and the amendment was adopted.

The next vote was on the proposed amendment to Chapter 10, Sections 1 through 6 of *Rules Applying to Dog Shows - Duties and Responsibilities of Show Veterinarians*, and Chapter 15, Section 1, of *Rules Applying to Dog Shows, Protests Against Dogs*. The proposed amendments were brought forward by the Delegates Dog Show Rules Committee. These changes would update the requirements for show veterinarians to better accommodate on call veterinarians and to require clubs to inform them of their duties. It has been published in two issues of the *AKC GAZETTE*, and is on the blue worksheet.

Your Board recommends its approval. A two thirds affirmative vote is required to adopt. Is there any discussion? As a result of questions that were raised concerning the clarity of the proposed wording, the Delegates voted to refer the matter back to the Dog Show Rules Committee.

The Chair called on the Executive Secretary to read the proposed amendment to Chapter 14, of the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedures for Pointing Breeds, Rules for Pointing Breed Field Trials*, which would establish minimum standards for National Championship events. This amendment was brought forward by the Performance Events Department of the AKC and approved by the AKC Board of Directors. It will be published in two issues of the *AKC GAZETTE*, and you will be asked to vote on it at the June 2010 meeting.

The Chair called on John Lyons, Chief Operating Officer, to announce some additional honors and awards. Mr. Lyons spoke as follows:

I am pleased to announce the first quarter AKC 2010 Community Achievement Awards. This award is given to clubs and AKC federations and their members who have made outstanding contributions to public education



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or canine legislation activities. Each honoree receives an AKC certificate of recognition, and the AKC donates \$1,000 to each honoree's Club or federation. Details about the honoree's accomplishments are published in the *AKC GAZETTE* and featured on the AKC website.

The first quarter honorees are Tom and Barbara Bishop of the New Brunswick Kennel Club; the Bayou Kennel Club Delegate, Wayne Boyd, Delegate; and the Bismarck Kennel Club.

Please join me in congratulating this quarter's honorees.

Next we are pleased to announce that Golden Gate Basset Rescue is the latest recipient of a grant from the AKC Humane Fund. Golden Gate Basset Rescue is the tenth organization to receive a grant from the AKC Humane Fund in less than one year. The fund is proud to support AKC clubs in this very important cause.

On February 23rd, the United States Senate passed Senate Resolution 393, honoring the American Kennel Club for its service to dog owners and the United States public. This measure and its companion House Resolution 160 have now passed both the House and the Senate, giving formal national and Congressional recognition to the American Kennel Club for dedication to our mission of promoting responsible dog ownership through public education programs, and by protecting the rights of all dog owners for the continued enjoyment of their companions.

Congratulations to our Government Relations Department for a job well done. It's also my pleasure to announce that the AKC Publications Department was the recipient of six awards at the Dog Writers

Association of America awards banquet on Sunday, February 14th, including Best All-Breed Magazine for the *AKC GAZETTE*. Also, our book entitled *Dogs: The First 125 Years of the American Kennel Club* received the Non Fiction Book Award from the Alliance of Purebred Dog Writers at their luncheon on February 14th.

Please join me in congratulating our staff for their splendid accomplishments and their well deserved recognition.

The Chair informed the Delegates that the

June 7th, 2010 Delegates meeting will be held in Atlanta, Georgia at the Hilton Atlanta Downtown Hotel. In the next few weeks, our Conference and Travel Department will send more information and will place the hotel information on the Delegates Portal.

During New Business the following Delegates spoke:

Barbara Wicklund, Delegate for the Basset Hound Club of America, made an appeal for donations to a legal fund to defend the owner of the Murder Hollow Basset Hound Pack, a recognized award winning pack of hunting bassets in Philadelphia, raided last July by the Pennsylvania SPCA with 11 dogs seized under duress.

Blackie Nygood, Delegate for the Mispillion Kennel Club, asked anyone who has suggestions about revising the veterinarian amendments to please send them to her or to Linda Flynn.

Ms. Laurans thanked all the Parent Club Delegates who's presidents sent in the name of the person who will be attending the Parent Club Conference the last weekend in August in the Raleigh Durham area. She also asked all Parent Club Delegates to check the AKC website to see if their current list of officers is correct.

David Hopkins, Delegate for the English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Club of Illinois, and Chair of the Field Trials and Hunting Test Events Committee, spoke about John Russell's induction into the Field Trial Hall of Fame a few weeks ago with one of his greatest dogs.

Patte Klecan, Delegate for the American Bouvier des Flandres Club, suggested that everyone urge their All Breed Clubs to buy subscriptions to Family Dog and try to get it into as many veterinarian offices as possible, in order to spread the word about all the wonderful things that AKC does, as well as the advantages of purebred dogs.

Judith Priestly, Delegate for the Companion Dog Training Club of Flint, Michigan, urged everybody who does a press release to follow that up with phone calls. She also suggested

the AKC Marketing Department develop a new PSA that clubs can use in their area to support our cause.

Carol Williamson, Delegate for the Houston Kennel Club, reminded everybody that the deadline for articles for the next issue of Perspectives is April the fifth. Both she and Monica Stoner, the issue coordinator can be contacted.

Hearing no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

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