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# New York's Hotel Pennsylvania new location for the DWAA Annual Writing Awards Banquet

**February 9, 2014 • Hotel Pennsylvania  
across the street from Madison Square Garden**

New York's Hotel Pennsylvania is once again offering Five-Paw service, and pulling out all the stops, to cater to canine hopefuls participating in the 2014 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show. The 138th Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show takes place on February 10 and 11, 2014 at Madison Square Garden, directly across from the hotel.

As one of only three Gold Partner Hotels, the Westminster Kennel Club is providing shuttle buses to transport exhibitors and spectators directly from the Hotel Pennsylvania to Piers 92/94 throughout each day, where the breed judging and benching will take place. The Groups, Junior Showmanship Finals and important Best in Show will still be held at Madison Square Garden.

"Every year we look forward to hosting our VIPs (very important pooches) for the annual dog show," said Jim Flynn, General Manager and All Dogs' Best Friend at the hotel. "Given our ideal Westminster location, unbeatable rates, and exclusive canine amenities, participants know we are the perfect place to stay year-after-year."

No one does it better than New York's Hotel Pennsylvania! From "pup"tual wedding ceremonies to hosting an annual Pet Fashion Show, the recipient of the Pet Friendly Hotel of the Year award always goes the extra mile. The list of exclusive amenities grows each year and New York's Hotel Pennsylvania is outdoing itself again by adding agility equipment for Westminster hopefuls. This recent addition will cater to canines entering Westminster's newest

event, the Masters Agility Championship.

To prepare for this special occasion, the property is planning to set up a variety of exclusive onsite daily events and amenities, exclusively for guests, to coincide with the show, including:

- \* Direct shuttle bus service for dog show exhibitors and spectators from the hotel to Piers 92/94 each day (courtesy of Westminster).

- \* Exclusive welcome package for Westminster guests.

- \* A live Westminster Kennel Club broadcast satellite feed from the hotel's lobby on the morning of February 7.

- \* Hosting the largest indoor doggie spa in all of New York, the 1st In-Line, Inc. sponsored Green Room Salon, Spa and Canine Gym offers a variety of amenities for show participants: bathing/beauty parlor/salon, dog grooming/comfort station, exercise/fitness area, animal massage, animal acupuncture, agility equipment, walking area, and even "his and hers" relieving area.

- \* Hosting the 2014 New York Pet Fashion Show presents "The Crown Jewels of Fashion and Rescue" taking place on February 7, starting at 7 pm EST.

- \* Hosting a live three-hour radio broadcast of the popular pet show "Talkin' Pets" with Jon Patch on February 8 from 5 pm to 8 pm EST.

- \* Hosting the Dog Writers Association of America Annual Awards Banquet on February 9.

- \* Our exclusive on-site Doggie Concierge will be working hard to attend to



all canine requirements (such as “pup”arazzi interviews and hotel tours) related to the Westminster Dog Show.

\* The Paw Mall, located at the Dog S’paw’, will feature all the latest accessories and gifts for both owners and pets to enjoy, from jewelry to pet clothing.

. . . and so much more! Visit [www.hotelpenn.com](http://www.hotelpenn.com) for full details.

Hotel Pennsylvania is offering unbeatable room rates for Westminster guests with dogs and those without dogs. To stay at the host hotel where all the Westminster Dog Show action happens, contact 212-736-5000 (locally) or 800-223-8585 (toll-free) or visit [www.hotelpenn.com](http://www.hotelpenn.com) today.

Note to media contacts: For interviews and photo opportunities, please contact Jerry Grymek, LMA Communications Inc. at 1-800-387-1399/416-440-2500, Cell: 416-918-2043, e-mail: [jerry@lma.net](mailto:jerry@lma.net).

Westminster is the oldest, continuous sporting event in America, with the exception of the Kentucky Derby. The show is the most prestigious of national dog shows and has been held every year despite power shortages, hazardous weather conditions, economic depressions and World Wars.



## About New York’s Hotel Pennsylvania

Since 1919, New York’s Hotel Pennsylvania has been host to millions of visitors to Manhattan, more than any other hotel in the world. The hotel is one of only two hotels in Manhattan to earn the prestigious ENERGY STAR award, which exemplifies superior energy performance and efficiency. With 1,700 rooms and over 90,000 square feet of function and adjacent exhibit space, the hotel’s location on 7th Avenue at 33rd Street is conveniently located to the Midtown business district and within walking distance to many of Manhattan’s famed tourist attractions, including Times Square, the Theater District and the Empire State Building. Directly across from Penn Station and with most major subway lines within one block makes getting to and around Manhattan exceptionally easy. Reservations can be made on-line at [www.hotelpenn.com](http://www.hotelpenn.com) or by calling 212-736-5000 or toll-free at 800-223-8585. The World’s Most Popular Hotel is a registered trademark of New York’s Hotel Pennsylvania.

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# DWAA Awards Banquet reservation form

Sunday, February 9, 2014 at 6:00 pm

**Important: note new location!**

**Penntop South, Hotel Pennsylvania**

**401 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10001**



## Menu~

*[please choose one per guest]*

- Grilled chicken breast in white wine mushroom sauce
- Grilled Atlantic salmon
- Vegetable plate

All meals come with appetizer, mixed green salad, cheesecake, brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, tea, or soda upon request.

*If you have food allergies, please let us know so we can better serve you.*

Cost: \$65.00 per person

Name of guest(s) . . . . .  
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*Make checks payable to DWAA in U.S. funds and send along with this form to:*

Pat Santi, Banquet Chair, 173 Union Road, Coatesville, PA 19320-1326

Phone 610 384-2436, fax 610 384-2471, RHYDOWEN@aol.com

*You may phone, fax, or e-mail your reservation to Pat, however, your reservation is not complete until payment has been received.*

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*Cash bar opens at 5:00 pm. Dinner begins promptly at 6:00 pm.*

*The Awards Program will start at 7:45 pm.*

**PLEASE MAIL YOUR RESERVATION BY JANUARY 27, 2014 (deadline: February 1, 2014)**

# meet our New Members

## Julie Dorsey-Oskerka

Carol Stream, Illinois, allstardobes@att.net

Learning about canine communication and teaching others how we can better understand our dogs and improve our relationship is what my writing and training career is based on.

As co-author of *A Sound Beginning ~ Setting the right tone for your newly adopted dog*, my life is dedicated to working with the rescue community on how to smoothly integrate a newly adopted dog into an already established family.

Working closely as behavioral advisor and trainer with various shelters and rescue groups, my goal is to facilitate gentle rehabilitation and successful placements so that more dogs can stay in their forever homes.

Currently Director of Training at Wiggles-n-Wags Dog Training, Inc., Lombard, Illinois, as well as Obedience Judge for UKC, WCRL, and C-WAGS, I am a force-free trainer that believes that all animals deserve to be treated with compassion and respect.

I am honored to be a new member of DWAA. I simply am a dog trainer who wrote a book that has the potential to make those adoptions stick! Excerpts can be found at [www.fourlegsinharmony.com](http://www.fourlegsinharmony.com)

## Lynn Moon

Rancho Santa Fe, California, artforbarks@gmail.com

Lynn Moon is the founder of the on-line, nonprofit charity ArtforBarks.org, and publisher of the online *Dog Art & Literary Journal*. Art for Barks mission is to support and promote animal writers and artists, service dogs, and abandoned animals. Our goal is to facilitate public education about animals and art through our *Dog Art & Literary Journal* and Fine Art Gallery Museum. Through our literary education programs we will help people make humane and informed choices affecting their animals.

Beside promoting creative writing, our author's books and animal artists, the *Dog Art & Literary Journal* will cover cutting edge information on canine personality and psychology, canine science,



dog health, veterinary research, dog art history, cultural and historical role of dogs, progressive dog training, distinctive characteristics of each breed, working dogs, service/rescue dogs, and author and artist interviews. Besides educational content, creative prose, short stories, quotations, poetry, and humorous anecdotes, we welcome cartoonists, illustrators and video creators.

Share your talent and creativity by contributing to *Art for Barks* online journal. Still in its inception, our journal is an opportunity for you to educate, inform, inspire, and entertain with your creative work. And all the while, writing about something you love . . . dogs! We also feature cats, horses and wildlife. Contributors will build their on-line platforms, showcase their work, obtain publishing credits, create material for literary competitions and benefit from our marketing of literary professionals and artists.

See "Writers Inquiry" at [ArtforBarks.org](http://ArtforBarks.org). Join our growing list of prominent authors, writers and researchers who want to improve the life of animals and pet families.

## Peter Paige

Yardley, Pennsylvania, repete@paige2.com

My wife, Anne, and I publish *The Courier*, the official publication of the Portuguese Water Dog Club of America. We are both life-long dog lovers, having owned and cared for many great dogs. The arrival of PWDs into our home ten years ago brought many delightful

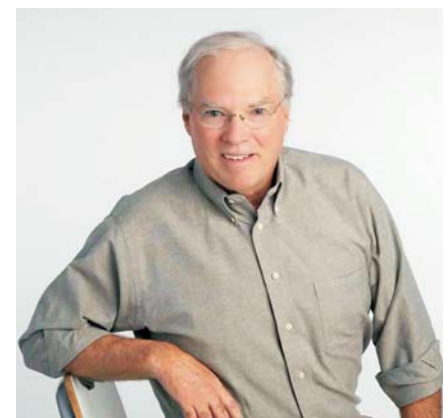
and unexpected changes into our lives. Our kids like to say our lives "have gone to the dogs!"

In addition to the *Courier* magazine, I have contributed to the development of graphic and communications material for several National Specialties and have served as editor and publisher of the "News Buoy," our regional PWD club's newsletter. In addition, we are happily involved in conformation, obedience, rally, therapy and water work with each of our three dogs.

When I'm not working and playing with the dogs, I enjoy playing tennis and cooking.



Lynn, Chaco and Sage





## Anne Paige

Yardley, Pennsylvania, [anne@paige2.com](mailto:anne@paige2.com)

My husband, Peter (BTW, he's an excellent cook!), and I edit and publish the *The Courier*, the official publication of the Portuguese Water Dog Club of America. It is a labor of love, and we are embarking on our second year at the helm.

I began my career as a newspaper reporter and worked in corporate communications for a number of years. Most of my career has been spent writing, ghost-writing and editing, but not, until recently, for the world of dogs. I am delighted to be able to turn my avocation into a vocation.

We have three dogs who keep us busy when we are not working on the magazine. Our nine-year-old PWD has been a regular in a local school district's canine-assisted reading program, where she happily (and patiently) attends class and encourages seven-year-olds to read aloud. Sometimes, they also write about her. Future DWAA members, perhaps?



## Emily Patterson-Kane, PhD



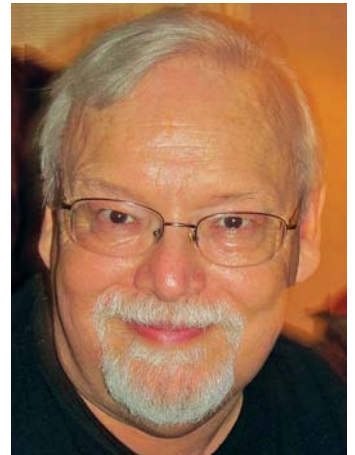
Emily is a New Zealand-born animal psychologist currently living in Illinois. She shares her home with Avon, a border collie cross, and Vera, a greyhound. Her approach to writing about human relationships with dogs is to combine sound science, compassion,

humor, and common sense to try and provide insights and advice that will help and entertain the reader. She is a blogger contributing to Dogster.com and her own blog [thebunnyhugger.com](http://thebunnyhugger.com)

Emily spent 15 years researching the behavior and welfare of rats, chickens, and pigs before becoming a full-time animal advocate. She is an author of scientific books, chapters and articles on subjects including animal abuse, animal welfare, behaviorist psychology, environmental enrichment, dog health and behavior, the human-animal bond, laboratory animal welfare, and veterinary hospice. Emily is series editor for the *Pets and People* book series soon to be published by Purdue University Press, and on the editorial team for the *Journal of Critical Animal Studies* and the *Enrichment Record*.

## Billy Wheeler

Billy attended his first dog show in 1968 and has been active as an exhibitor, breeder, and advocate ever since. Prior to his retirement in 2002, he worked as a congressional liaison for the Department of Justice and an in-house management consultant with the Department of Defense. Billy has provided consulting services with a number of



organizations within the American Kennel Club (AKC) and the Cat Fanciers Association (CFA), including serving on a joint AKC/CFA committee responding to the 1992 anti-breeder legislation in San Mateo County, California and facilitating the CFA's first long-range business plan in 1995.

Prior to 2008, Billy's main contribution to dog writing was the occasional article for a club newsletter. In 2008, Billy began publishing *Dog Show Poop*, a blog dedicated to promoting the sport of conformation dog shows. *Dog Show Poop* (DSP) covers every AKC all-breed show, providing show reports and up-to-the-moment rankings and statistics. The focus is on providing a ringside experience with analysis and commentary on all things doggy. Billy was one of the original contributors to *Best in Show Daily*, penning his *Back Story* column from December of 2011 through July of 2013. Currently, Billy is dedicating all his free time to DSP, hoping to make new converts to the world of purebred dogs.

After 25 years of living in New York, San Francisco, and Washington DC, Billy is living in his hometown of Memphis, Tennessee with his wife of 43 years, Brenda. Billy and Brenda have two adult children, Winston and Wellesley, and two granddaughters, Emily and Olivia. When Billy is not writing about dogs, he is likely listening to opera while in the kitchen, working on a cookbook of family recipes.

## Steven D. Wolf

Better known as Wolf, Steven was a founding partner of Hauptman, O'Brien, Wolf and Lathrop, P.C., an Omaha law firm specializing in products liability and personal injury. Because of a severe health problem, Wolf reluctantly left his job and family in 2000 and moved to Arizona for its warm winter climate.

There, he is drawn to a local group that rescues abused racing greyhounds. Though he can just barely take care of himself because of a spinal condition, Wolf adopts Comet, an elegant cinnamon-striped racer. Or is it Comet who adopts Wolf?

Racers, exposed only to the track and cage, have no experience with the most basic everyday skills, such as walking on tile floors and climbing stairs, so Wolf must show Comet how to lead a normal dog's life. Gradually, a confident and mysterious spirit emerges from the stunning animal. And when Wolf's health and mood sharply decline, the tables turn.

Now he can no longer perform basic everyday skills, such as climbing stairs and grocery shopping, and Comet must help. In *Comet's Tale*, we follow their journey as Wolf teaches Comet to be a service dog. Soon she is towing shopping carts down food store aisles, opening doors for Wolf, and even pulling off Wolf's blankets, insisting he get out of bed, stop moaning, and take a walk! Comet attracts new friends to Wolf's isolated world, and, finally, she plays a crucial role in restoring his health, saving his marriage, and broadening his definition of success.

As inspiring as it is entertaining, *Comet's Tale* leaves us all with a deeper understanding of the extraordinary kinship between man and dog. As Kirkus Reviews put it, "The close bond between man and dog is only part of this absorbing tale of love, family and dealing with disability ... A heart-warming story that will hold appeal far beyond just animal lovers."

Comet was recognized as Service Dog of the Year 2010 by the Nebraska Humane Society.



*Hudson News* recognized the book as a Top Ten Nonfiction selection for 2012. Shelf Awareness also chose *Comet's Tale* as a Top Ten Pick for 2012.

Wolf is now an active sponsor of the Humane Society and an active participant and sponsor of greyhound education through various rescue and advocacy groups throughout the United States. He currently divides his time between Omaha, Nebraska and Sedona, Arizona.

## Celeste Yarnall, Ph.D

Celeste is an author, film producer, speaker and actress, whose career, in both film and television, spans five decades. She is best known for her guest-starring role in the original *Star Trek* episode entitled *The Apple*, and as Elvis Presley's co-star in "Live a Little, Love a Little." However, her true passion is animals.



Celeste's lifetime love of cats and dogs led her to the realization that there was much to be challenged in the world of traditional veterinary medicine and pet nutrition. This inspired her to earn a doctorate in Nutrition from Pacific Western University in California in 1997. She has, over 20 years experience as a holistic animal advocate, consultant and spokesperson. She is the author of *Cat Care, Naturally*; *Natural Cat Care*; and its companion book, *Natural Dog Care*. She is the co-author of the Muse Medallion Award-winning book with long-time friend Jean Hofve, DVM entitled *The Complete Guide to Holistic Cat Care* (Quarry Books. 2009).

Celeste writes a popular blog called *Celestial Musings* on both WordPress and the social action network Care2.com, which has a large global membership. She has contributed to *Natural News Network* (naturalnews.com), *The New Zealand Journal of Natural Medicine*, *Raw Instincts*, *Healthy Dogs*, *Naturally*, and many others.

Celeste's first love was a Collie dog named Lonnie, whom she bred with Lassie #7 and raised a litter of beautiful Lassie puppies. She also trained and showed Lonnie in obedience and conformation. Celeste considers it an honor to have had a Collie by her side for most of her adult life.

One of Celeste's proudest achievements is raising 11 generations of Tonkinese championship show cats, who for many years lived happily with one of her Collies - all were reared on the holistic diet, lifestyle and principles outlined in her books.

Celeste's company, Celestial Pets, offers clinical nutrition holistic



life coaching and consultation services, along with their own line of all natural, human grade supplements and “mix ins” called Celestial Pets as well as other anti-aging and holistic alternatives for both pets and people.

Celeste co-produced and is featured in the award winning documentary film entitled “Femme: Women Healing the World,” directed by Emmanuel Itier, which can be streamed: [athttp://ykr.be/15ey12pp6r](http://ykr.be/15ey12pp6r).

Celeste is a Reiki Master, EFT practitioner, and student of homeopathy, homotoxicology, animal communication, and flower essences. She currently serves on the prestigious Moxxor Holistic Advisory Board. She and her husband, Nazim, are the creators of the Art of Wellness Collection, which includes Nazim’s holistically glazed paintings and prints, anti-aging whole food supplements, and state of the art FDA registered devices that facilitate self healing.

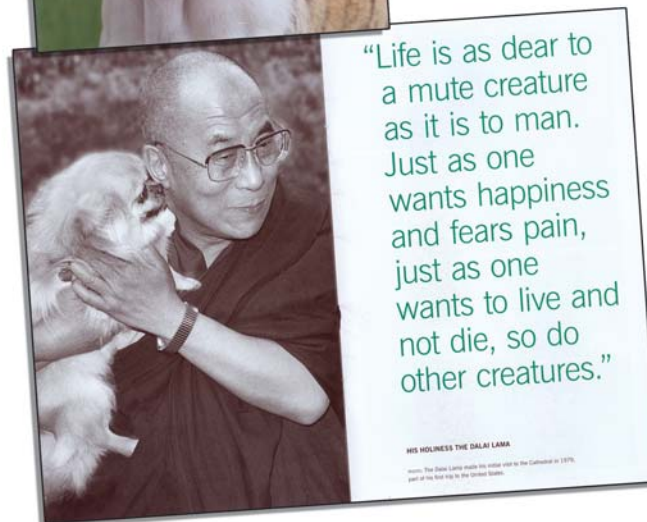
Nazim and Celeste live in Los Angeles, California, and can be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/celestialmusingsblogpage](http://www.facebook.com/celestialmusingsblogpage), as well as the websites: [www.moxxart.com](http://www.moxxart.com) and [www.celestialpets.com](http://www.celestialpets.com).

# member News!



Mary Bloom exhibit at the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York City. It's the largest Cathedral in the world, a very beautiful building, and very dog friendly.

Mary's latest exhibit, titled “Dog Bless You,” will be hanging until the end of January. It contains a slide show with 150 dog images and another with 240 from my days at the Cathedral. That display is at the front of the Cathedral as you enter the main doors. Further down the nave, hanging on two photo walls, are 72 framed photos of dogs. The response has been very positive as the visitors are surprised to see so many dogs in such a sacred space.



## The Photography of Mary Bloom

Mary Bloom has been a photographer specializing in dogs and their importance in our lives since 1978. The first time Mary Bloom, Cathedral Photographer in Residence for two decades, had a show of her photographs at the Cathedral (1980), she saw herself as a neophyte photographer, a recent escapee from the corporate world, wanting to change her life. Her show was called “Animals, Their Uses and Abuses,” and documented her work with the ASPCA, which included photographing protests against the clubbing of baby harp seals on Canadian ice floes (pictures that made newspaper front pages around the world). Bloom was the only woman photographer assigned to photograph the harp seal hunt off the coast of Newfoundland, and the grey seal hunt off the coast of Scotland.

Bloom has always worked with and for animals, from seals to the wolves that were once fashionable as Manhattan pets, to dogs, cats, skunks, birds, monkeys and many others. In the early days of planning for the first St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals,



Cathedral Director of Communications Paul Gorman told her, "You have to get involved. They've got great ideas, but they don't know anything about animals." She went to the next planning meeting and was part of the committee until she left the Cathedral in 2002.

As Cathedral photographer, Bloom covered every aspect of life at the Cathedral, taking pictures of events great and small, and providing all the images for the newsletter. She depicted the grandeur of holiday services and consecrations, and small human moments. She made portraits of the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu, and portraits of peacocks and elephants.



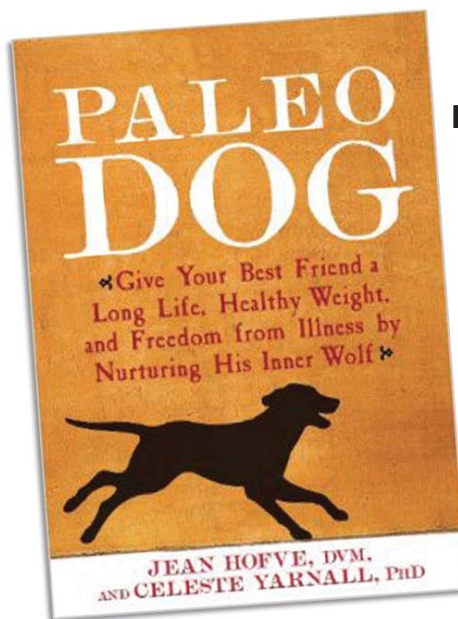
She also volunteered at the Soup Kitchen, cooking meals and raising funds for kitchen appliances. She's responsible for the Cathedral's current peacock trio: Harry, Phil and Jim, whom she found at a Pennsylvania breeder and raised in her kitchen for several weeks, letting the chicks get used to human handling.

Bloom is passionate about the Cathedral and the relationships she formed here. "Being at the Cathedral gave me a life. I had no training, was just starting out, and I joined this great community. That's what it was all about, working with other artists . . . and we all did something in the world to help that was important; it wasn't just about being artists. It was a spiritual journey . . . you know, you leave something that was good and know you're going on to something else good . . . but then you look back and say, 'That was the best time.' "

Bloom is the recipient of the Dog Writers Association of America Distinguished Service Award both in February 2001 and again in 2009, and will be introduced into the Dog Writer's Hall of Fame in 2014. She has illustrated over 40 dog books for numerous publishers, and was the inspiration for two children's books by the author Aiki, titled *At Mary Bloom's* and *Overnight at Mary Bloom's*, Greenwillow, New York, 1987. Her photographs have appeared in numerous publications including *Life*, *People*, and *Smithsonian Magazine*.

Most of Bloom's time is spent helping animals and photographing dogs. She's was appointed as the official photographer of the Westminster Kennel Club in 1995.

Mary lives 100 miles north of New York City in the Hudson Valley with a Cardigan Welsh Corgi and three cats. Her pictures vibrate with personality and love. The beauty of the animal is there, but more important is the absolute statement of unique individual life.



**Paleo Dog:  
Give Your Best  
Friend a Long  
Life, Healthy  
Weight, and  
Freedom from  
Illness by  
Nurturing His  
Inner Wolf**

by Jean Hofve, DVM (Author), Celeste Yarnall, PhD (Author)  
Paperback and Kindle for release June 2014, Rodale Books

From the tiniest teacup poodle to the most massive Great Dane, dogs' digestive systems are pure wolf. Fido's ancestors enjoyed a diet that was 45 to 50 percent protein, 40 to 50 percent fat, and less than 10 percent carbohydrates. Walk down the pet food aisle, however, and you'll find that typical commercial kibble is made mainly of starchy ingredients like peas, potatoes, corn, wheat, rice, and oats - nothing a prehistoric pup would dream of eating. This "healthy" mix is proving anything but: About 85 percent of dogs eat commercial dog food, and at least half of them are overweight or obese, with cancer killing 42 percent of all dogs and half of dogs over the age of 10.

So how do you feed a wolf disguised as a pug? Paleo Dog guides readers through an assessment of their dogs' diets and helps them find the right balance of healthy ingredients. In addition to recipes and nutrition info, the book offers advice on what treats are safe, training tips, the benefits of exercise, massage, and other alternative therapies, and how to ensure that dogs receive the love and attention they need. Paleo Dog is the ultimate manual for any pet owner who wants to give her pet the longest and best quality of life.



# AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB®

## Dr. Joseph Kinnarney named American Veterinary Medical Association liaison to AKC

[New York, NY] Dr. Joseph H. Kinnarney has been named the first American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) liaison to the American Kennel Club® (AKC®), a position newly created to foster shared objectives between the two organizations. As AVMA liaison, Dr. Kinnarney will work with AKC liaison Mari-Beth O’Neill to ensure access to world-class health information for owners, breeders, and scientists, to educate new dog owners on preventative health and to support funding canine health research.

“We look forward to working with Dr. Kinnarney as AVMA’s liaison to AKC,” said Mari-Beth O’Neill, Assistant Vice President of Sport Services. “The AKC and AVMA are both relentlessly committed to advancing canine health and improving the care and well-being of all dogs and this shared mission will allow us to accomplish a great deal for dogs.”

“The health checks and research that dog breeders do before planning their litters helps improve the health of all dogs, something I know firsthand as a veterinarian as well as a breeder and dog fancier,” said Dr. Kinnarney. “I am excited to work with the AKC and see what we can accomplish with over 275 years of collective animal knowledge between the two organizations.”

Dr. Kinnarney graduated from Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine in 1980 and currently practices small animal medicine at Reidsville Veterinary Hospital in Reidsville, North Carolina. He has a particular interest in small animal surgery and complex orthopedic cases, and also uses his MS in Reproductive Physiology to assist many hobby breeders with their breeding programs.

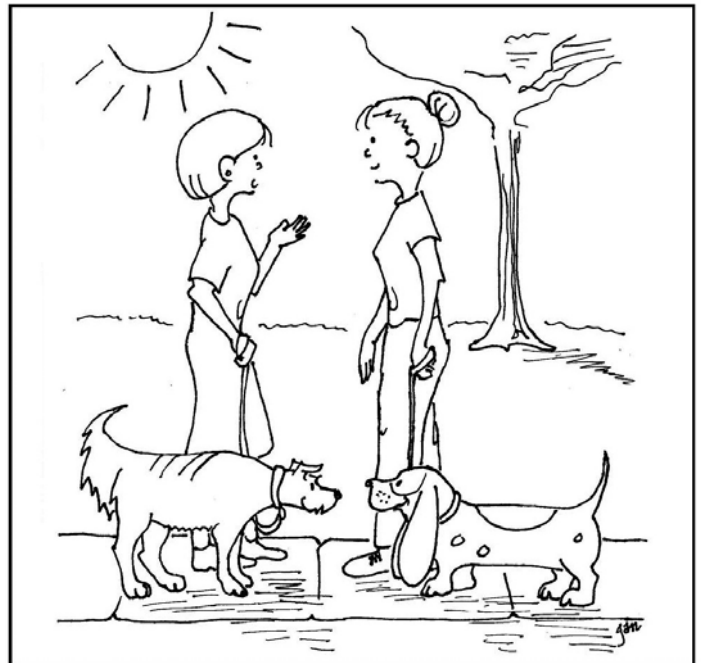
He also has personal ties to the dog show world. In 1995, his black Scottie, Champion Gaelforce PostScript, was crowned Best in Show at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show. He continues to breed Scottish Terriers and Miniature Schnauzers under the Jovial kennel name.

Dr. Kinnarney’s professional awards include the 2006

Distinguished Veterinarian Award from the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association (NCVMA) and 1991 Veterinarian of the Year, also from NCVMA. His previous work with the AVMA includes service on the Board of Directors from 2007-2013 and the position of AVMA Vice President and Student Liaison from 1999-2001. As AVMA liaison, Dr. Kinnarney will serve a once-renewable, three-year term ending in August 2016.

## Roxie

by Janice Biniok



*Hmmm . . . that’s what you call a lowercase dog!*



# Dues renewal notice



**Payment of dues, \$40**

**Dues payments are due by March 1**

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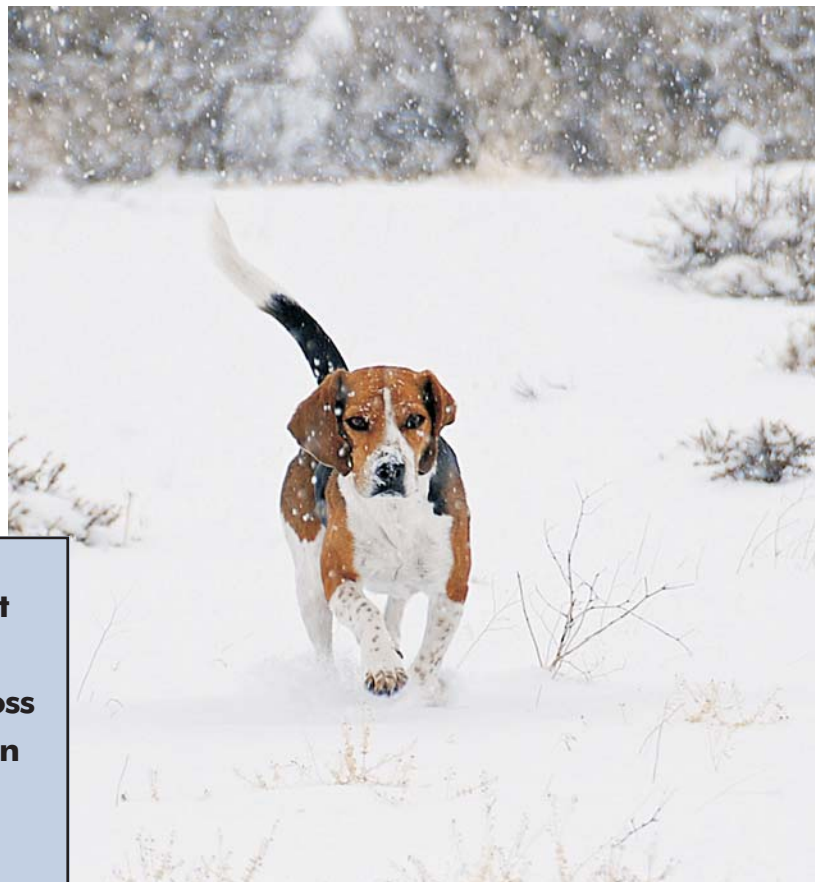


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