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CHRIS BACH COMES TO MURFREESBORO FOR TRAINING SEMINAR: "THE THIRD WAY"

Chris is a lot like you. She loves dogs!

She began to study them as soon as she was old enough to hold a leash. Her unique approach to training and living with them is called THE THIRD WAY. This program is highly effective, very easy to implement and exceptionally humane and dog-friendly. It results in dogs that are noticeably happier, more attentive and highly bonded and also have better and more reliable performance and competitive skills.

THE THIRD WAY'S Three Foundation Games are now well-known to the global dog community and are utilized more often than any other training program for getting dogs off to a great start! These games teach dogs that what they want is available through attentiveness and cooperation with people.

Chris has written a widely-read Comprehensive Reference Book about her program and she also wrote a series of articles for *Front and Finish* magazine. Chris is a Certified Dog Behavior Consultant and was a charter board member of the prestigious International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants. She was invited to be a member of the American Humane Association committee which built a code of ethics and guidelines for logical and humane dog training. Currently, Chris does seminars throughout the United States and Canada to teach people how to use THE THIRD WAY to its best advantage.

Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, is home to Chris, her wonderful and supportive husband, Bill, and their precious pooches, Border Collie Stunner and Sheltie Doozi.

The seminar schedule is as follows:

Saturday, August 30th, 2008

9:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Introduction
THE THIRD WAY Foundation
The Three Elements of Teaching
Teaching vs. Problem Solving
Problem Solving

Preparing for Novice

The Magic Prop
Teaching Heeling and Fronts
Teaching Positions

Sunday, August 31st, 2008

9:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Preparing for Open

Teaching the Retrieve
Teaching Jumping
Teaching the Drop on Recall

Preparing for Utility

Teaching Articles
Teaching the Directed Retrieve
Teaching Go-Outs

Continental breakfast, snacks and lunch offered. There will be a mid-morning break, a lunch hour and a mid-afternoon break each day. Cost is \$80 per day, or \$150 for both days. For more information contact Cheryl Tisdale at (615) 273-2929.

**NEXT MEMBER MEETING:
May 26**

The Nashville Dog Training Club • P.O. Box 110078 • Nashville, TN 37222 • (615) 331-1101



Pumpkin Patch Dog Biscuits

- 1 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 tbsp. brown sugar
- 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 4 tbsp. butter-flavored Crisco
- 1/2 cup pumpkin, canned
- 1 whole egg
- 1/2 cup buttermilk

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Combine flour, cinnamon and nutmeg and cut in shortening. Beat egg with milk and pumpkin and combine with flour, mixing well. Stir until soft dough forms. Drop by tablespoons onto ungreased cookie sheet and bake for 12 to 15 minutes. Let cool and serve.

Bulldog Banana Bites

- 2 1/4 cups whole wheat flour
- 1/2 cup powdered milk, nonfat
- 1 egg
- 1/3 cup banana, ripe mashed
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 beef bouillon cube
- 1/2 cup hot water
- 1 tbsp. brown sugar

Mix all ingredients until will blend. Knead for 2 minutes on a floured surface. Roll to 1/4 " thickness. Use a 2 1/2" bone shaped cookie cutter (or any one you prefer). Bake for 30 minutes in a 300 degrees oven on ungreased cookie pans.

Yogurt Pups

- 32 oz. plain nonfat yogurt
- 3/4 oz. water
- 1 cube chicken bouillon

Dissolve bouillon in water. Blend water and yogurt thoroughly. Pour into small plastic containers or ice cube trays, cover with foil and freeze.



Claudia Dickerson and **Anna** passed their TD at the American Belgian Tervuren National Specialty at the Hermitage in May. Several club members provided invaluable assistance to the ABTC: **Debbie Cutter** was the tracklayer for Anna and Claudia, and she and **Bill Eickmeier** (Janiece Harrison's husband and NDTC accountant) laid all the tracks. They must have smelled mighty good that day, because all dogs passed and Debbie was able to certify her puppy on an extra track. They also added a most appreciated touch by giving each tracking team a gallery map of their track. Debbie is quite the artist, doing hers with colored pencils, showing all the key landmarks and two very convincing likenesses of tracking Tervs. **Bev Stewart** was kind enough to loan the club NDTC's tracking flags, and the ABTC tracking chair commented several times about how helpful Bev had been. ABTC members also confessed that they had flag envy, because NDTC has some exceptionally nice flags.

One of the tracking judges was **Jeff Whitsitt**, who made his herding debut at the nationals, which were most generously hosted by **Alison and Todd Burnidge** at their beautiful farm in Franklin, Kentucky. After having been on stock only a handful of times, Jeff and Kane had a beautiful qualifying run in started A course sheep, earning their first leg and a fourth place ribbon. Jeff has not had time to teach Kane any herding commands, but Kane's solid instincts, self-restraint, and obedience foundation allowed them to navigate the course in a very calm and relaxed manner, even though Kane was whining with eagerness before going into the arena.

Also at the ABTC herding trials, **Anna and Claudia** (trial chair) finished their intermediate course A duck title with first and second places and also earned two legs toward their HXAs in their debut on the advanced sheep course. Anna is now KO Trillium **Annapurna VCD2 CDX TD HIAsd AXAXJ**.

Faye Head's Whippet, **Cate**, earned her CD at the NDTC Rally/Obedience Trial in March. Cate also earned her Senior Courser (SC) title on May 3rd in Fairborn, Ohio. On May 4th, she earned her first Master Courser (MC) leg.

Faye's "other" Whippet, **Wallis**, earned her 2nd MXJ at the Greater Shelby Kennel Club Agility Trial.

Faye's Pembroke Welsh Corgi, **Kiri**, earned her RA title and her first CD leg at the NDTC Rally/Obedience Trial in March. The next weekend, Kiri, competed in the Greater Shelby Kennel Club Agility Trial and earned two Open Jumpers legs with two first place wins.

Connie McGhee's Flat-coated Retriever, **McGhee's Starfish Wizard CGC, RA (Simon)**, earned his first leg in Novice obedience at the Clarksville Kennel Club trials on April 26th.

Connie's Labrador Retriever, **McGhee's Dandy Lion CGC, RA (Angus)**, earned his first leg in Rally Excellent at the Clarksville Trials on April 27th, with a second place and a score of 96.

Bruce Oppenheimer's Schipperke, **Wyndsong Blackberry Princess CD RAE (Berry)**, earned her first Open leg on April 26th at the Clarksville trials and, being the only qualifier among three entries, she also took home a blue ribbon.

Diane Overstreet's Black and White Papillion, **MACH Rosebud Midnight Dancer (Pierre)**, placed 5th out of 84 of the country's top dogs at the AKC National Agility competition in Tulsa, OK on March 28th-30th. We ran in the finals and missed 4th place by one very, very small mistake (on my part). This is such an honor for us because this is Pierre's first Nationals competition. He was injured last year and couldn't compete. Pierre went on to compete at the Papillion Nationals in Frederick, MD on April 21st. He received HIT in Agility with two perfect 1st place runs and a Double Q. On Sunday, a tunnel got Pierre in JWWs, however he did place 1st in Standard that morning. Pierre earned his FAST Novice title.

Diane Overstreet's Sable Papillion, **MACH3 Rosebud Hunter's Moon Dancer (Hunter)**, placed 20th out of the top 84 dogs, a big improvement from last year's 58th place. At the Papillion Nationals in Frederick, MD, Hunter Double Q'd both days with two 2nd places, one 3rd place and a 4th place.

Diane Overstreet's **Marlen Primavera Nenar (Shelley)** also earned her first leg in Rally Novice B in Frederick, MD.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: RANDEE WHITE

Name: Randee White

Occupation: RN. I am the Nurse Case Manager for the Renal Medicine and Transplant Service at Vanderbilt

Dogs Names and Ages: Dan is my Basset. He is seven. I have five rescue dogs in the house; four other Bassets and a Beagle. They are all permanent fosters due to special needs. BeBe, BooBoo and Molly are female. BeBe has been returned twice and was severely traumatized the last time from all the moving around. She is quite vocal and apparently that annoys some people (go figure!). BooBoo has had two skin cancer surgeries and one eye removed for glaucoma. Molly is about 10, had acute renal failure, now cured, and is deaf and heartworm-positive. She still pees in the house sometimes. Bones is the male Basset and he's as neurotic as the day is long. Elvis is the beagle that I found on the side of the road. Quite old, nearly toothless, also heartworm-positive.

How long have you been training dogs? About five years. I wish I had had the opportunity to begin as a child or young adult.

How did you and Dan meet? Dan is also a rescue. When my first Basset, Bourbon von Wrinkle, died (he was the color of bourbon, had the hiccups continually as a pup and used to trip on his ears!), I was despondent. I looked at rescue Bassets for several months before driving five hours into Alabama to get Dan – with three children aged 10, 12 and 13 in the car! I've never regretted it.

Tell us about Dan's recent accomplishments: He got his RN last year, Delta certification two years ago and his first two CD legs at our most recent trial. I keep thinking we're moving ahead so slowly, but then I remember that Bassets are not typically obedience dogs.

What do you enjoy most about doing pet therapy? I like meeting new people and being able to make their days a little brighter. I like being able to share Dan's personality with others.

How many times on average does it take for a team to pass the certification test? If you have been consistently working with your dog, and are familiar

with the exercises, you can pass on the first try. The biggest problem seems to be with teams that have not come to our classes and have not seen what the test is like or been exposed to the exercises in real time with their dog. There's a real difference between reading about it and actually performing it.

What is your favorite thing about Basset Hounds as a breed? Least favorite? They are quite entertaining. The clown of the dog world. They are actually very smart and can think of ways to get around the rules that are pretty inventive. They are also very loving and great family dogs. Least favorite? They like to roll in stinky stuff! Ugh!

What is the best training advice you can offer? Repetition, repetition, repetition. Work with your dog at least a few minutes every day.

The best advice you've ever received? Relax and remember, everyone else's dog has done the same thing yours is doing – at least once!

What advice would you give to someone who is interested in doing therapy work with their dog? It's work. Don't expect it all to be easy. You and your dog will be tired after you visit. But it's so very rewarding.



Ribbon Quilts

Ever wondered what to do with all those ribbons you've collected over the years? The Quilting Cove will turn your treasured mementos into a beautiful piece of art and one-of-a-kind conversation piece. Quilts can be made as small as one square foot up to six square feet, or any size in between, and your dog's name can be added to the hanging at no extra charge. She also makes ribbon vests and pillows.

<http://www.quiltingcove.com/Store/products/Ribbons.html>

The *Dixie Recall* is published on the first of each month. Please submit brags, classifieds and other contributions by the 20th of the month to appear in the next issue of the *Dixie Recall*. Submissions received after the 20th may appear in the following issue.

CLASSIFIEDS

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Puppy Class Instructors and Assisants We are in need of one instructor and two assistants for the upcoming session for Puppy K.

To qualify as an instructor you must have assisted in Puppy K classes a minimum of two times, to qualify as an assistant you must be willing to work and to love puppies!

We need one instructor, (you may choose either Tuesdays or Thursdays,) and assistants for both nights. The session is 8 weeks on the following dates:

Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., April 29 - June 17

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m., May 1 - June 19

If you are interested in brightening your evenings with fun-loving pups and interested owners, consider helping out! Contact Carol at lovemypets@comcast.net or call (615) 952-4551. Other sessions still have openings for instructors and assistants as well should your availability be better suited to future dates.

SHOWS IN MAY

May 2-4 Agility (Indoors) Huntsville Obedience Training Club at Racking Horse Celebration in Decatur, AL. Show closes April 14.

May 3-4 Rally and Obedience (Indoors) Birmingham Obedience Training Club at the BOTC Building in Birmingham, AL. Show closes April 16.

May 16-18 Agility (Indoors) Decatur Alabama Kennel Club at Southeaster Sports Celebration in Decatur, AL. Show closes April 23.

May 17-18 Obedience (Indoors/Outdoors) and Rally (Outdoors) Greater Kingsport Kennel Club at Appalachian Fairgrounds in Gray, TN. Show closes April 30.

May 24-25 Obedience (Indoors/Outdoors) and Rally (Outdoors) Oak Ridge Kennel Club at East Tennessee Agricultural Exposition Center in Harriman, TN. Show closes May 7.

May 31-June 1 Obedience and Rally (Indoors) Huntsville Obedience Training Club at the Jaycees Building in Huntsville, AL. Show closes May 14.

SHOWS n' GOs IN MAY

May 16 Rally at Nashville Dog Training Club. Runs begin at 7:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, please call Nola Simmons at (615) 662-0950.

May 18 Obedience (Indoors). Curt Brock's training building in Silver Point, TN. \$6 per run. Runs start at 8:30; the order is Utility, Open and Novice. To get on the schedule, contact cbrock@tntech.edu.

May 23 Rally at Nashville Dog Training Club. Runs begin at 7:00 p.m. If you plan to attend, please call Nola Simmons at (615) 662-0950.

PRIVATE LESSONS

Curt Brock available for private lessons If you need some help working with your dog, e-mail Curt for lessons in his air-conditioned building. Contact cbrock@tntech.edu for more information.

Sandra Edson offers private agility lessons For one-on-one instruction in agility, contact Sandra Edson at (615) 325-9765 or by e-mail at sancrestfarm@comcast.net

Pat Thorne available for private obedience lessons Pat has been training dogs for 25 years. She has put UD's on six of her dogs, and OTCH titles on two. Pat can be reached at (615) 274-2926.

SEMINARS

Dog Emergency Treatment Can you perform CPR, rescue breathing, stop bleeding, treat for shock, prevent pet poisoning, treat for exposure, deal with fractures, stings, seizures and convulsions, restrain and muzzle, handle choking and other life-threatening events?

If you said no to any of the above, this course is for you!

Saturday, June 7, 2008. 8 hour course, limited to 20 participants. \$118 per person.

Pre-registration is required to attend. Email Tanya at Tanya@agaperescue.org.

FREESTYLE

Freestyle Classes are being offered at Red Rover. Don't miss this rare opportunity! Brigitte Sclabas is the instructor. Classes are \$120 for a six-week session. Contact Heidi Dixner at Red Rover by calling 227-7709 or by e-mail at heidi@redrovercomeover.com.

RESCUE GROUP ADOPTION OPPORTUNITY

Pet Supermarket has opened a store in the Bellevue area and is willing to let rescue groups come and set up information booths or hold adoption days at their location. To get further information or to set a date for visits please contact the store manager, Jason, at (615) 646-1748.

This is a great location with a very nice staff willing to help get the word out about pet rescue/adoption.

THE DOG'S CAMP

Join us in the Blue Ridge Mountains Sept. 14-19, 2008 for a week devoted to the joy of training and competing in canine sports. We've brought together top instructors to coach you in all aspects of working with your dog. Learn the skills that will help draw you and your dog together as a winning team; develop the know how to train, communicate, and compete effectively.

If you sign up before May 15th, you will receive \$100 off your registration fee.

Marina Caro gives The Dog's Camp two paws up!

Visit <http://thedogscamp.com/> for more information.

ATTENTION MEMBERS! Are you or your pooch about to celebrate a birthday? Please let us know! Send in your June birthdays to be featured in the next issue.

Advertise in NDTC's Classifieds! Heard of a seminar our members might find interesting? Know of a great place to walk your dogs? Place an ad in the Classifieds by emailing editor@nashvilleclub.org