

MO-KAN PRESS



MO-KAN PET PARTNERS

"Yes, you can. If you put your mind to it, you can do it"

Joan Kemp



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Winter 2011 NewsBLAST



If you have any input for the NewsBLAST, please send your information to Cathy Leschena at tzuhouse3@me.com.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winter Note from Sue Manning:

I hope you are all toasty and warm! Lily and I are chilling in front of the fireplace and enjoying the snow. Now and then she runs outside, makes a figure 8, and makes snow dog angels; but mostly sleeps in front of the fire.

A Board Meeting was held on January 17, 2001, where many items were discussed including one member's request and the establishment of our 2011 Goals.

Each team should expect objectivity and appropriate performance from each of our evaluators, but we agreed to add the evaluator's name for each 2011 evaluation on the website. We agreed to this request for a test period of time. The request will be reconsidered if "shopping" for an evaluator causes some evaluations to be over or under attended, thus creating a management crisis. A scheduling crisis often occurs even under the best of circumstances.

2011 GOALS

FACILITY AGREEMENTS:

With extensive discussion with Dianne Bell, Delta Society, we now understand the Delta requirements concerning Facility Agreements. There are two choices for establishing policies for our Pet Partner visits.

The facility must include wording in their written Policies and Procedures to include visits with Pet Partners incorporating the Delta Society's policies and procedures. A copy is required for our file.

OR

The facility must complete, and update every two years, the Delta Society's facility agreement as posted on their website. Please check the website to insure you are using the current facility registration package. Also, after completion send all pages of the original form to Jayne Frye.

Jayne Frye has the responsibility for managing the facility agreements and is working hard to compile a complete list to send to Delta. Please cooperate with her as she continues to create our file. If you need any help in obtaining a facility agreement, please contact me or one of the other board members.

HOURS:

MO-KAN will compile Delta hours for visits who meet the above requirements. If a team visits at a facility without one of the above, the hours will not be compiled by MO-KAN. Individual teams visiting an unauthorized facility should send those hours directly to Delta.

We urge each of you that are visiting to submit the hours you visit. We need the hours to verify our facilities are being served and if the facility agreements are in compliance.

Hours are also needed when seeking Grants.

Jayne Frye is the contact point for hour's submission.

Stay Warm,

Sue



Pet Expo 2011

Pet Expo normally held in the spring, has been cancelled. Apparently due to economic reasons, the vendor participation is down as well as visitors to the event. Therefore, it has been cancelled and they are determined to return in 2012.



2011 Evaluation Dates and Evaluators:

February 5, 2011 - R.E.A.P (Raytown, MO) (FULL AND CLOSED) (Julie Yoder)

March 12, 2011 - Adams Rehab (North of the River) (Heddie Leger)

April 16, 2011 - VSEC - Overland Park, KS (Barbara Smith)

May 14, 2011 - R.E.A.P (Raytown, MO) (Julie Yoder)

August 20, 2011 - R.E.A.P. (Raytown, MO) (To be Announced)

September 17, 2011 - VSEC - Overland Park, KS (Gary Turner)

October 22, 2011 - Adams Rehab - (North of the River) (Heddie Leger)

November 12, 2011 - R.E.A.P (Raytown, MO) (To be Announced)

Julie Goodman who is the evaluation coordinator has a new email address jjgoodman@gmail.com

PLEASE CHECK YOUR DELTA BADGE EXPIRATION DATE TO ENSURE THAT IT IS STILL VALID. EACH HANDLER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RENEWING WITH DELTA BEFORE THE BADGE EXPIRES.

Please visit our newly designed website at <http://www.mokanpetpartners.org> for the following:

1) See how easy it is to find our Constitution and the Code of Ethics.

2) See pictures of our newest members :



Charles Featherstone and Aslan
Connie Featherstone and MoJo
Jackie Taylor and Reba
Liz Graham and Sam and Boo
Darcy Phillips and Huckleberry



3) Upcoming Events:

Evaluator Practicum - April 9 - 10, 2011

Camp Erin - June 10 - 12, 2011

Camp Carousel - September 23 - 25, 2011

Blessing of the Animals - Community Christian Church -
October 2, 2011

4) 2010 Events

Camp Erin

Annual Meeting 2010 Meeting - don't miss Sue's great report of
the meeting

Multiple Sclerosis Booth

Camp Carousel


Presentation by Dr. Wayne Hunthausen
Boo to the Flu Health Fair
Thanks for Giving Party



5) In the News

Heddie Ledger and Hero were recently highlighted in the news on Fox 4 TV. Visit the website for a link to the wonderful interview.



6)  R.E.A.D. - dedicated to charter member, Holly May, and the inspiring work she has initiated with the R.E.A.D. Program. This Program has helped so many children to open up to the world, face their fears of reading and succeed. If you have an inspirational R.E.A.D. story, please email it to Cathy Leschena at tzuhouse3@me.com



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