







# Therapy Dog Chronicles

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### A message from our President

Happy Holidays to each of you...yes, it is that time of the year once more! Time to be thankful for each of you for what you do, and for your sweet canines that do the hard work of bringing smiles and fun to our clients, patients, children!

The board has expanded our numbers once more and we welcome Don and Donna Forst to officially participate on the board. As it was explained in the last newsletter, they lead the training for the new volunteers and it was just a perfect move for them to be on the board . I know they'll be a valuable asset to us and we welcome them with open arms!

And on the topic of training, we just welcomed 17 new volunteers and beautiful canines at our last evaluations completed in October.

We look forward to seeing you at our annual **Santa Paws event** on **Saturday, November 19th, 11-2 at Pet Food Express in Napa** (in the BelAire Shopping center on Trancas St). This is always a fun event --pictures with Santa and your dog, your other pets, your grandchildren, you, and whomever. It is great fun...we'll have refreshments and a raffle. Suggested donation is \$10 for the picture. See you there!

And we are happy to announce that Trish King will present a workshop for all of you on **February 25th, 1-3 p.m. at the Cordelia Library.** Trish is a wonderful expert on training dogs and presented a valuable workshop to us about a year ago that was well attended and well received, so we are confident that this next workshop will be great! Mark your calendars and try to come!



So, with that news...have a wonderful and safe holiday season and know that you are valued! Woof woof from your Paws for Healing Board: Joyce Bristow, Sharon Da Silva, Polly Fitch, Don and Donna Forst, Nikki Pacheco, Theresa Rhoads, Pauline Seago, Sara DeCrevel

#### **NEXT TRAINING DATES**

Our upcoming training dates for 2017 are the following: January 21, January 28, February 4 April 22, April 29, May 6 September 23, September 30, October 7

#### **INFECTION CONTROL**

Winter is upon us and with that more germs are lurking around:. So this is just a reminder to be extra cautious and careful to practice good infection control---washing your hands and making sure that your dogs don't get on beds with infected patients, etc. I know you all know this but this is just a reminder to take care.

#### **NOVA HAS DONE IT AGAIN**

NOVA, a large employer here in Napa, and employee and PFH volunteer Sheryl Sindt have done it again. Sheryl participates each year in a walkathon sponsored by NOVA and we and her friends are asked to participate. NOVA matches funds up to \$1500. So thank you, Sheryl once again for facilitating this and to NOVA for their community-oriented event.

# TRAVELING WITH YOUR DOG THROUGH JFK AIRPORT IN NEW YORK?

This airport has installed special bathroom just for animals--a 'pet relief facility'. It is complete with fire hydrants and artificial turf and a hose for owners to clean up. If you go there, check it out and let us know about it!

#### TO GOBBLE OR NOT TO GOBBLE

Your Thanksgiving turkey is actually safe for the dog to eat...it contains lots of high- quality protein and is a good source of B vitamins and the minerals selenium, zinc, potassium,



What do you get when you cross a Doberman with an hyena? No idea, but if it laughs, join in.

When is a mom flea happy? When her whole family goes to the dogs.

What do you do when you find a 250 pound dog sleeping on your bed?

Quietly go sleep on the sofa.

Why don't people put an ad in the paper when their dogs get lost?

How many dogs do you know that read the newspaper.

Why do dogs drink out of a toilet?

My mother said it's because the water is a lot colder in there.

But I want to know how my mother knows that.

How do you tell the difference between a Labrador and a Marine Biologist?

One wags a tail and the other tags a whale.

Why do dogs lick their butts?
Because nobody will do it for them. (Disgusting)

































### **Chief's Summer Road trip**

Chief, one of the Gross's Weimaraners, took some time off from his duties at the Cordelia Library for a road trip this summer that took him through ten states, 6800 miles and forty-four days with seven Weimaraners along for the ride. The plan was to go o the Barn Hunt nationals at Purina Farms in Gray Summit, Missouri --on the way they stopped at Laughlin NV, Albuquerque NM, Flagstaff AZ and Amarillo TX. The first big stop though was in Memphis TN where Chief did not compete but met lots of friends while his owners toured Graceland and went to the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville. At the Purina Farms Chief competed in three main events, along with his aunt Aubrey and they both won ribbons and did great, and had lots of fun meeting new friends. They then headed home after a fun trip....now he is happily getting dressed up for Halloween and headed by to work at the library. Good job, Chief!























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Jennifer Morrow ∞ Bikini

Patricia Dexter ∞ Reno

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Jack Gordon ∞ Pete's 70th Birthday



















# Would you like to honor or remember a special friend?

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