

# DOTC Fall 2012

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## Official Club Business

### Important Dates

- Oct 31**  
Basic and Puppy  
Orientation
- Nov 21**  
Thanksgiving Break
- Dec 12**  
General Meeting
- Dec 19**  
Holiday Party
- Dec 26**  
Holiday Break
- Jan 9**  
Basic and Puppy  
Orientation
- Feb 20**  
General Meeting

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### Perpetual Award Winners

DOTC awards to club members six perpetual trophies steeped in club history at the club's annual End of Training Year Picnic for a variety of achievements.

The Monster, first awarded in 1942, is presented as an all around good sportsmanship award to the club member whose contributions and accomplishments have been outstanding. The 2012 winner of the award was Pat Douglass and her Standard Poodle, "Coal."

The Whitehouse Walker, first awarded in 1941, is presented annually to the team that wins first place in the most advanced class at the End of Year Match. This year the award went to Elaine McAvoy and "Griffin" (Doberman).  
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*Pat Douglass and her beautiful 4-year old Standard Poodle, Coal, received DOTC's perpetual trophy "The Monster" this year.*

## Club Officers 2012—2013

President: Tom Stromer  
Vice President: Joy White  
Secretary: Una Slick  
Treasurer: Judi Ruff  
Training Director: Adam Willey  
Registrar: Judy Schreiber

Board Member: Linda Hulbert  
Board Member: Tim Prendergast  
Board Member: Terry Nicholl

## 2012 Fun Match Results — Obedience

### Beginner Novice A

1. Anna Potts (Cattle Dog)
2. Art Scherer (Golden Retriever)
3. Elin Lehrmann (Rhodesian Ridgeback)
4. Amy Cahn (Great Dane)

### Beginner Novice B

1. Gail Holliday (Puli)
2. Sheila Curry (Cattle Dog)
3. Robin Korotki (Bernese Mountain Dog)
4. Bernie Solich (German Shepherd)

### Novice

1. Beth Coile (Toy Poodle)
2. Pat Gilstein (Sheltie)

### Novice cont'd.

3. Rich Desser (Golden Doodle)
4. Dick Stedding (Labrador Retriever)

### Veterans

1. Judy Schreiber (Miniature Schnauzer)
2. Tim Prendergast (Australian Shepherd)
3. Linda Hulbert (Cocker Spaniel)

### Versatility

1. Elaine McAvoy (Doberman)
2. Tom Stromer (Golden Retriever)
3. Joy White (Golden Retriever)

## Recommended Reading

### ***A Dog's Purpose*** by W. Bruce Cameron

This is the remarkable story of one endearing dog's search for his purpose over the course of several lives. More than just another charming dog story, *A Dog's Purpose* touches on the universal quest for an answer to life's most basic question: Why are we here?

### ***Amazing Gracie: A Dog's Tale*** by Dan Dye and Mark Beckloff

It's a love story. A story of salvation. And a rags-to-riches story about a dog—yes, a dog who launched Three Dog Bakery, the burgeoning international retail chain with 31 stores and counting.



## Perpetuals Cont'd.

The Gretchen Memorial, given to the Club in 1950, is presented to the team who started Basic within the last 14 months and has made the most progress. The handler must never have trained a dog before. The 2012 Gretchen was awarded to Sheila Curry and "Blue" (Cattle Dog).

The Jessie Memorial, given in 1964, is awarded to a mixed breed dog and handler team who have the highest score in the End of Year Match. This year the award went to Rich Desser and "Zia" (Golden Doodle).

The Doyle Memorial, given in 1997, is awarded to the highest scoring team in Veterans Class at the End of Year Match. Judy Schreiber and "Spot" (Miniature Schnauzer) received this year's Doyle.

The 2012 Good Sportsmanship Award went to Art & Linda Scherer for their many contributions to the Club.

## 2012 Fun Rally O Results

### Rally Novice

1. Pat Gilstein and Finn
2. Pat McConnell and Winston
3. Linda Scherer and Annie
4. Sheila Curry and Blue

### Rally Advanced

1. Rich Desser and Zia
2. Robin Korotki and Titan
3. Dick Stedding and Maddy
4. Gail Holliday and Henry

### Rally Challenge

1. Judy Schreiber and Clancy
2. Elaine McAvoy and Piper

## 2012 Holiday Party

Mark your calendars for a bit of fun and frivolity as DOTC celebrates the winter holidays at our annual party on December 19 at 8:30pm.

Bring a wrapped canine toy to share (under \$5) and let your furry friends pick one of their own. Refreshments for all.

Note class time changes below.

Advanced: 7:00—  
7:45pm

Heeling: 7:50—8:15pm

Basic: 7:50—8:30pm

Party: 8:30pm!!!!



## Dog Gone It, We're Proud!

Gail Kennedy's German Shephard "Sascha" earned her RN and RA, both with the minimum three trials.

Gail Holliday's Puli "Henry" got his second leg in Beginner Novice B with a third place ribbon.

Linda Hulbert's Cocker Spaniel "Catcher" has been extremely busy of late, receiving his first

Double Q in AKC agility, his Flyball Master Champion title and legs 7, 8 and 9 toward his RAE.

Pat Gilstein's Sheltie "Finn" received his CD title and took second place in Obedience Novice B at his first outdoor show.

## Pup-parazzi

A special shout out to "Chloe" Fishman who has been in the news of late. Her most recent moment in the spotlight was on October 9 when Lloyd Fox of the *Baltimore Sun* captured Chloe and "Buddy" retrieving at Robert E. Lee Park in North Baltimore.

Earlier coverage included a story in the April is-

sue of *Baltimore Child's* magazine which highlighted Chloe and her Karma Dog friends visiting Cedarmere Elementary School in Reisterstown. Chloe was thrilled to celebrate her birthday in such grand style.

For more information on Karma Dogs, visit [www.karmadogs.org](http://www.karmadogs.org).

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## Holiday Safeguards

Fall and winter bring lots of fun activities for our 4-footed friends and their 2-footed companions. Pet owners should keep in mind that it's up to us to make sure that everyone is safe and happy.

Remember to consider the following:

Halloween candy is more trick than treat for our furry buddies. Be sure to keep it well out of reach.

Think twice before you leave the Thanksgiving turkey anywhere near nose-level. A dog on a mission has yet to find a kitchen counter too high to tackle.

Holly, mistletoe and poinsettia plants are pet poisons. Make sure they are kept in places your pup can't reach and be sure to check for fallen leaves and berries, as well.

Holiday tree lights on low branches can create a number of temptations — from seemingly tasty snacks to wagging tail obstacles.

Edible ornaments of any kind may just be asking for trouble. Would you be able to resist if someone dangled a cookie in front of YOUR nose?

No matter how sociable you or your dog are, remember to factor in the right amount of exercise and quiet time during the holidays — for both of you.

A nice walk followed by a little snooze will go a long way in making the holiday hub-bub enjoyable for everyone.

