

The Official Newsletter of the Grand Rapids Kennel
JULY 2018



Website grandrapidskennelclub.com

Monthly meetings are held at Cascade Animal Hospital 6730 Cascade Road SE Grand Rapids 49456

7:30 PM
NEXT GENERAL MEETING
September 25th, 2018


## REMEMBER YOUR RESERUATION

for the Riverboat Dinner Cruise (Tuesday, August 7th)

Advance Reservations Are Required! (No one without a reservation will be admitted on the night of the cruise.)

Reservations are due to Sandee Lovett by July 24th.

Contact Sandee at Wee-Lovett@charternet or (616) 984-5303.

## Message From The President

Don't Miss The Boat!

This common expression, like the other 25,000+ idioms in the English Language, has both literal and figurative meanings. Literally, it means arriving too late to travel on a scheduled boat; or, figuratively, it means to lose an opportunity to do something by being too slow to act. I hope neither one will apply to you for GRKC's summer outing on August 7th!

Boarding for "The Grand Lady" Riverboat Dinner Cruise will begin at 6:00 p.m., and the sternwheeler will depart from its historic dock in Jenison promptly at 6:30 p.m. If you are not aboard by 6:30 p.m., you will literally "miss the boat"! And if you do not make your reservation with me by Tuesday, July 24th, you will figuratively lose the opportunity for a relaxing cruise, delicious dinner buffet, outstanding musical entertainment, and memorable fun with fellow GRKC members and friends! No one without a reservation will be permitted to come aboard on August 7th, so I don't want you to be disappointed.

If you have not yet made your reservation(s), please do so as soon as possible, but no later than July 24th. On that date, I must notify the caterer and the boat management of the number of guests to plan for; if I don't hear from you by then, you will both literally and figuratively "miss the boat". The dinner boat cruise is one way the Club thanks its members for their work in support of the Club. There is no charge to members, and the charge for guests is $\mathbf{\$ 2 0}$ (the cost of the meal), which is payable in advance. Check the flyer for the dock address and details about the dinner and entertainment.

According to my records, the following members and friends have reservations: Tina $\mathcal{E}$ Jeff Chase, Char Czarnecki $\mathcal{E}$ Joanne Hodder (guest), Elaine $\mathcal{E}$ Greg Edmonds, Jan Hamming $\mathcal{E}$ Charlie (guest), Kay Janus, Pat E Jack Kronemeyer, Mike $\mathcal{E}$ Sandee Lovett, Kevin Nieboer $\mathcal{E}$ Pat DenBoer, Margaret Sudekum, Steve $\mathcal{E}$ Lindsey Tanyko, Ann Timmer, Bonnie Wilson, and Merilee Wilson. If your name should be on the list and isn't, or, if your name is on the list, and you know you won't be able to attend, please let me know.

Though we don't have summer business meetings, your GRKC Board and Event Chairs have been busy planning for the fall. One update is that Holland Michigan Kennel Club is joining GRKC at the Well-Mannered Dog Center on Saturday, September 22, to host a second Match; so now exhibitors will have the opportunity to participate in two Conformation matches, an Obedience match, and a Rally Match, in the same location on the same day. (See flyer elsewhere in this issue). In addition, the Club is planning to host a day-long "Scent Work" Seminar on a separate date from the Match (date to be determined), and Sharron Podleski has graciously agreed to chair it.

We had a wonderful attendance of members and their dogs at the June pienic. The weather was great, the food was delicious, and it was fun watching the dogs perform for their "Trick Dog" certifications. Special thanks to Judge Jan Hamming for officiating and congratulations to the new titlists.

Enjoy the summer but remember: Don't "Miss the Boat" for the dinner cruise on August 7th!

Sandee


# Join GRKC Members \& Friends For a Dinner Cruise aboard "The Grand Lady"! 

(Docked at 825 Taylor St, Jenison, MI 49428)


6:30-8:30 p.m. (boarding at 6:00 p.m.) Paddlewheel Boat Cruise with Catered Dinner The "BEST American Barbecue Buffet" by Adeline Leigh featuring BBQ Ribs \& Chicken Skewers (w/choice of 4 BBQ sauces), Red Skin Potato Salad, Creamy Cole Slaw, Baked Corn Pudding, Fresh Fruit Salad, Homemade Breads, \& Strawberry Shortcake Bar.
Cash bar for beverages. (No beverages may be brought on board.)
Musical Entertainment by Toby Bresnahan
GRKC Members - No Charge Guests Welcome - \$20 (dinner cost) Advance Reservations Required
(No one without a reservation will be admitted on the night of the cruise.)
Reservations due to Sandee Lovett by July $24^{\text {th }}$. Wee-Lovett@charter.net (616) 984-5303

DINNER CRUISE RESERVATION FORM

Names of GRKC Members attending $\qquad$
Names of Guests attending $\qquad$ GRKC Members - No charge Guests - $\$ 20 /$ person Amount enclosed ___

Payment for guests must accompany the reservation. Make checks payable to "Grand Rapids Kennel Club" for guests. Mail reservation form and payment to Sandee Lovett, P.O. Box 68, Trufant, MI 49347.

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## GRAND RAPIDS KENNEL CLUB

 AKC Sanctioned "B" MATCH(AKC Approval Pending)

## Saturday, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

## WHERE:

WELL MANNERED DOG CENTER 5949 Clay Ave S.W. (Exit 78, US 131 at $54^{\text {th }}$ St) GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

## CLASSES

Conformation PUPPIES
4-6, 6-9, 9-12, 12-18 Months
Conformation ADULTS
Open (over 12 Months)
Obedience
Beginner Novice A, Beginner Novice B
Novice A, Novice B,
Open A, Open B
Utility A, Utility B

JUDGING TIME: Judging will begin at 10:30 a.m. Order of judging \& ring assignments posted day of match.

REGISTRATION: Entries taken day of show, 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

FEES: $\mathbf{\$ 8 . 0 0}$ for first entry. Second entry of same dog $\mathbf{\$ 5 . 0 0}$

| GROUPS: | Herding | Non-Sporting | Toys |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Terriers | Hounds | Working |
|  | Sporting | Junior |  |

GENERAL: Classes divided by sex. Puppies do not compete against adults. No dogs with major points may be entered. Professional handlers may only show dogs they own or co-own. All dogs must be AKC registerable.

Food is not available at the site. There are many restaurants on or near $54^{\text {th }}$ Street. All workers will be fed by the Club.
Solid tarps required under all crating.

QUESTIONS: Contact Match Chair Alice Frazier at yorkyalice@tm.net Or Jan
Hamming at janhamming@aol.com

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Asparagus No, dogs shouldn't eat asparagus. While asparagus isn't necessarily unsafe for dogs, there's really no point in giving it to them. It's too tough to be eaten raw, and by the time you cook it down so it's soft enough for dogs to eat, asparagus loses the nutrients it contains.


> Avocado No, dogs should not eat avocado. While avocado may be a healthy snack for dog owners, it should not be given to dogs at all. The pit, skin, and leaves of avocados contain persin, a toxin that often causes vomiting and diarrhea in dogs. The fleshy inside of the fruit doesn't have as much persin as the rest of the plant, but it is still too much for dogs to handle.


Cherries No, dogs shouldn't eat cherries. With the exception of the fleshy part around the seed, cherry plants contain cyanide and are toxic to dogs. Cyanide disrupts cellular oxygen transport, which means that your dog's blood cells can't get enough oxygen. If your dog eats cherries, be on the lookout for dilated pupils, difficulty breathing, and red gums, as these may be signs of cyanide poisoning.

Grapes No, dogs should not eat grapes. Grapes and raisins have both proved to be very toxic for dogs no matter the dog's breed, sex, or age. In fact, grapes are so toxic that they can lead to acute sudden kidney failure. Definitely skip this dangerous treat.

Mushrooms No, dogs should avoid mushrooms. Wild mushrooms can be toxic for dogs. While only 50 to 100 of the 50,000 mushroom species worldwide are known to be toxic, the ones that are can really hurt your dog or even lead to death. Washed mushrooms from the supermarket could be OK, but it's better to be safe than sorry; skip out on the fungi all together.

Onions No, dogs should not eat onions. Onions, leeks, and chives are part of a family of plants called Allium that is poisonous to most pets, especially cats. Eating onions can cause your dog's red blood cells to rupture, and can also cause vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain, and nausea. Poisoning from onions is more serious in Japanese breeds of dogs such as Akitas and Shiba Inus, but all dogs are very susceptible to it.

Tomatoes No, dogs should probably avoid tomatoes. While the ripened fruit of the tomato plant (the red part humans normally eat) is generally considered safe for dogs, the green parts of the plant contain a toxic substance called solanine. While a dog would need to eat a large amount for it to make him or her sick, it's better to skip tomatoes all together just to be safe.

