



# Wrinkle Time

April 2008

## Upcoming Gathering Date:

Date: May 4, 2008

Time: Noon

Location: Shakopee Memorial Park

Picnic in the Park!

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**HELP!! I NEED HELP!!**

Please see page three for specifics about Picnic in the Park.

Please, PLEASE email me if you can help.

Thanks in advance! [karen@pantheonbulldogs.com](mailto:karen@pantheonbulldogs.com)

**HEAT AND HUMIDITY KILL!**

This time of year I find the humidity sneaks up on me and the dogs. Please be careful with your bulldogs in heat and also humidity.

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No Bull. Just fun

# YOU WROTE THE CAPTION



How is a guy suppose to get any sleep around here with all this flashing going on?!

"Any you think you are going to get some work done? Think again. This is my nap chair."

It's good to be the CEO.

I just got done trying to help Mom work her new computer, I gave up!

"A Bulldogs work is never done."

Sleeping on the job.

Working 9-5, what a way to make a living.

I bet this is how many of us wish our weekly grind at our office job was more like.

Tax time is just sooo stressful...I just had to take a break!

Your tax accountant...hard at work. How many days until the deadline?

Did this chair get smaller is my butt getting bigger??!

AHHH, its good to take a break after ten hours of playing World of Warcraft online.

Somebody has to see me here when they want to use the desk.

Paying the bills is tough work.

I think I need the king size chair.

Yippy - spin me again dad, spin me again.

# picnic in the park

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I need people to help come up with games, run games, be in charge of set up, food set up, obstacle course set up, etc. for Picnic in the Park. Please, PLEASE email me if you can help.

Thanks in advance! karen@pantheonbulldogs.com

schedule (everything but start time is tentative)

12:00 Noon Eat

1:00 pm Games Start

After games MN Love-A-Bull Silent auction closes

bring

lawn chairs

non-alcoholic beverages

a dish to pass

your bully friend

water (or a water bowl) for your bully



# you write the caption



pearl and winnie

# look what we found



Dreading that spring yard "pick up?"

Look for a service in your area that will pick up your yard for you! Some services offer periodic (weekly, biweekly, semiweekly) service or one time clean ups. If you can't find them in the yellow pages ask at your vet's office or pet store.



# good deeds

We have three Bullie ladies in rescue right now that need homes. The first is Emmy Lou. Emmy Lou is a lovely seven year old Bulldog that is in good health and is a real sweetie. However, her current owner's job requires her to travel a lot and it is getting harder for her to give Emmy Lou the attention she deserves. Emmy Lou gets along with cats and tolerates other dogs, but isn't keen on playing with them. She prefers the attention of humans to other dogs.



Our second Bulldog in need of a "forever home" is six year old, Daisy. Her former owner had died and the surviving family members did not want to deal with Daisy or her mother and both were turned into the St. Paul Humane Society. Daisy's mother was adopted from the shelter, but Daisy went into foster care because she had some skin issues that needed to be cleared up before being adopted. Daisy also was spayed at that time. Her foster family called our rescue group hoping we could find a good Bulldog-experienced family for Daisy and we agreed to handle her adoption. Daisy will be going to a "meet and greet" soon. If that goes well, Daisy may have found herself a new family to love.

Gilda is eight years old and has not had the best of care. She had been used in the past as a brood bitch for many years by a questionable breeder. She was surrendered to rescue because her owner said that Gilda was depressed and would not eat for her. However, Gilda had never been to a vet to see if there was a physical cause for her lack of appetite. Interestingly enough, her foster mom, Sandy says that she has had a good appetite and has gained quite a bit of weight already in just the short time she's been with her.



Gilda was extremely thin when she first came into foster care. She will remain in foster care until we have a better handle on her medical issues. Gilda is quite timid, and appears to have been physically abused at some point in her life judging from her physical reactions to certain stimuli. She gets along OK with the dogs in her foster home, but would probably appreciate a quiet home with another dog that is also on the quiet side.

If you think you, or someone you know, would be able to provide a good home for any of these lovely Bullie girls, please contact Rita at: [rita@reingoldbulldogs.com](mailto:rita@reingoldbulldogs.com) or go to: [www.rescuebulldogs.org](http://www.rescuebulldogs.org) to fill out an application on the BCARN website.



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# taking a poll

What creative ways do you use to get your dog to take his/her medicine? Here are the reader submissions:



We use peanut butter.

As for creative way to get Sherman to take his medicine. We just put the pill in his food. He eats his food so fast, he has no clue there were pills in there.

As for the meds, nothing too sneaky, just mix with soft food.

The trick to pilling my dogs, is to never let them see the pill. Then they have no problem eating the cheese/hot dog/bread/etc that it's wrapped in. Otherwise forget it. It helps to give the other dogs the "treat" first, cuts down on suspicion!

## New question:

**Do you think your dog can read your mind? What are some stories of when you think he/she has done that?** While you wait for answers

you can check out this book by Rupert Sheldrake, *Dogs That Know When Their Owner is Coming Home*. He believes that animals have perceptive abilities of telepathy and premonitions. Or read *Kindred Spirits* by veterinarian and author, Dr. Allan Schoen who says that people and animals are intimately connected.





My dogs live here, they're here to stay.  
you don't like pets, be on your way.  
they share my home, my food, my space  
this is their home, this is their place.

You will find dog hair on the floor,  
they will alert you're at the door.  
they may request a little pat,  
a simple 'no' will settle that.

It gripes me when I hear you say  
'just how is it you live this way?  
they smell, they shed, they're in the way..'  
WHO ASKED YOU? is all I can say..

They love me more than anyone,  
my voice is like the rising sun,  
they merely have to hear me say  
'C'mon , time to go and play'.

Then tails wag and faces grin,  
they bounce and hop and make a din.  
They never say 'no time for you',  
they're always there, to GO and DO.

And if I'm sad? They're by my side  
and if I'm mad? they circle wide  
and if I laugh, they laugh with me  
they understand, they always see.

So once again, I say to you  
come visit me, but know this too..

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you don't like pets, be on your way.  
they share my home, my food, my space  
this is their home, this is their place..

----- Author Unknown

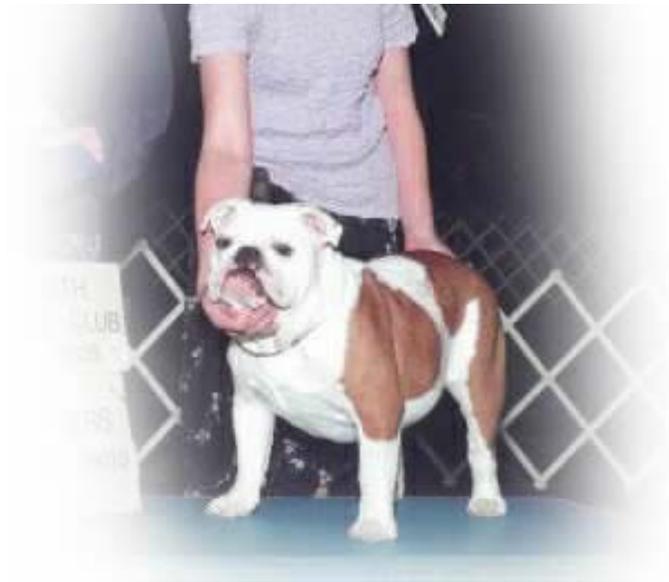
# show me!

If you care to see an upcoming dog show here  
are the upcoming events:

April has quite a few shows in neighboring  
states, but not MN...May and June will have  
more area shows.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
April 12-13 <a href="http://www.royjonesdogshows.com">www.royjonesdogshows.com</a> to find times, ring number, etc.	Eau Claire, WI
April 19-20	Waterloo, IA
April 26-27	Marshalltown, IA

If you are having trouble navigating the site or  
finnding the ring times, etc. let me know and I'll  
help if I can.



# bdays and brags

On April 7th Norton will be 11 years old. --Nancy

Birthdays- Lily turned 3 on March 26 and Agnes turned 1 on March 23.

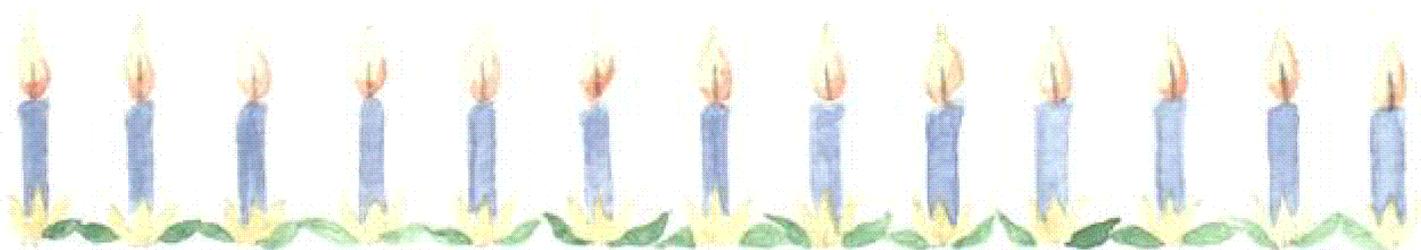
Brag- Lily was bred to Ch. Cherokee Legend Rock, due on May 5 and is pregnant!! --Jody



It was Peja Mack Larson's birthday on Easter. She believed that's why we all were getting together for a lunch party. I have enclosed a pic <--of her sporting her purple pride. --Bobby



Hi! We have a brag... Kona's big sister Princess turns 19 in April!!! She was born in April of 1989. Pretty amazing. Kate, Eric, Kona, Prinny



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# preventable WORMS

*Editor's Note: I recently heard someone say they didn't give heart worm preventative because their dog wasn't "exposed to that sort of thing." Not exposed to what? Air? Because in Minnesota where there is air, there are mosquitoes. I saw one in December last year in my house!!! Please, PLEASE consult your vet and get your dogs on preventative!*

## Heart Hazard: Protecting Your Pet from Heartworms By Rebecca Simmons

It's a devastating, debilitating illness found in every corner of the United States. So why, despite the fact that the disease is easily preventable, are millions of dogs, cats, and other animals across the nation heartworm-positive?

According to Dr. Amy Attas, V.M.D., founder and owner of CityPets, a veterinary house call practice in New York City, pet caregivers often don't realize that heartworm is something that could affect their pet. Others are deterred by the cost of the preventative medicine.

But, despite their constraints, caregivers simply can't afford to wait until this indiscriminate illness strikes their pet before taking action. "Heartworm is a common disease, and treatment is costly and dangerous," says Nancy Peterson, issues specialist for Companion Animals at The HSUS. "Educating pet owners about heartworm prevention is good medicine."

Attas agrees. "This is a devastating, even fatal, disease that we can safely and inexpensively prevent. Without prevention, animals are exposed to this disease which, in its early stages, has no symptoms."

Heartworm is transmitted to animals through a bite from a mosquito containing the infected larval form of the heartworm. When an animal is infected, the heartworm larva can grow and develop into worms. These worms live inside blood vessels within and surrounding the heart and lungs. The adult worms mate inside the blood vessels, and their offspring—which are called microfilaria—circulate in the bloodstream. These microfilaria can be picked up by another biting mosquito, and then passed to another animal.

The disease can be easily prevented, but it does require a visit to a veterinarian. Dogs must be tested to ensure they don't have heartworm before putting them on preventative medication. By federal law, heartworm preventative medicine is only available through a prescription. Pet caretakers should consult with a vet to discuss their pet's individual needs.

Vets may tailor medication depending on the type of pet. Although cats can be infected, heartworm is typically more serious in dogs. "Cats can also become infected with heartworms, and in some cases the disease progresses in the same way as it does in dogs, where the worms settle in the blood vessels and heart," says Attas. "However, because the parasite is not as well adapted to cats, sometimes the immature worm is unable to complete its migration."

Another consideration is geographic location. In some parts of the country heartworm is much more common in certain areas than in others.

"Although heartworm infection has been found in dogs in all 50 states, it is much more prevalent around the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts," says Attas. "The temperature and humidity in these regions support mosquito populations, which are the vectors that transmit this disease."

Once infected, animals with heartworm can be treated if the disease is caught in time, but there are several drawbacks.

"The treatment, although effective, is painful, expensive, and can have side effects," says Attas.

If the disease goes untreated, the results can be fatal.

"In dogs, the adult worms live in the cardiovascular system and cause a great deal of physical damage. Severely affected dogs develop heart failure because the physical presence of a large number of these worms can actually obstruct blood flow through the heart. Untreated heartworm disease causes serious cardiovascular complications which can be fatal."

Pet caregivers can start making heartworm prevention a priority by scheduling an appointment with a veterinarian in their area.

*Rebecca Simmons is the outreach communications coordinator for the Companion Animals section of The HSUS. Reprinted with permission of the Humane Society of the United States, [www.humanesociety.org](http://www.humanesociety.org) Updated September 8, 2006.*

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