



# ERIE KENNEL CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

## MARCH

### 2013

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## Cabin Fever Dinner Rocked!

Members and friends had a great time at this year's awards dinner.

Planned and Hosted by Andrea Bubna, who paid meticulous attention to detail, the dinner delicious and atmosphere was fun!

Roberta's presentation of 44 new titles and awards proves the club has a high participation in AKC events.

Kathy Croft planned a great game of "Family Feud" to wind the night up with some silliness. The game prizes were great!

### Thanks Andrea, Roberta and Kathy!



Go to the EKC web site for more pictures.

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## Membership Meeting

### March 20

<p>Membership Meeting Wednesday March 20,2013 Waterford Boro Hall Board Meeting 6:30 General Meeting 7:30</p> <p>EKC Agility Trial April 12, 13 &amp; 14, 2013 Countryside Training Center</p>	<p>Eye Clinic <span style="float: right;"><i>Esther Kostelnic</i></span></p> <p>The Spring Eye Clinic, held on Saturday, February 23, 2013, was a success! 104 eye exams were performed and 10 microchips were inserted. Attagirls go out to Bonnie Kotyuk, Cindy Stubenhofer, and Patti Herhold for a job well done! These ladies did a great job making the day run smoothly. Next clinic will be held: <b>Saturday, September 7, 2013.</b></p>	
<p><b>Meet the Breeds</b> at the January 26 &amp; 27 Show had a great crew to help in the room. The Lucas-Holben girls pitched in and passed out invitations to the show people, arranged tables, chairs and education materials. They made sure that each child got a coloring page. Michelle Vincent was great help in organizing the room, pamphlets and pitching in with what needed done.</p>	<p>EKC wishes to express our sympathy to Karen Novotny and Family. Rudy Novotny passed away February 26, 2013 . The Novotnys are past members of the Kennel Club. Karen is currently in nursing home. You can send condolences to Edinboro Manor 419 Waterford Street Edinboro, PA 16412</p>	
 <p>Mari</p>	 <p>Anyah</p>	<p><b>Rodenticide Alert –Fastrack, Terminator</b> <b>Poisonous to: Cats, Dogs</b></p> <p>Level of toxicity: Generally moderate to severe, depending on the amount ingested, time of ingestion, active ingredient, and concentration of the product</p> <p><b>Common signs to watch for:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Lethargy</li> <li>•Walking drunk</li> <li>•Abnormal pupil size</li> <li>•Decreased consciousness</li> <li>•Tremors</li> <li>•Seizures</li> <li>•Death</li> </ul> <p>This type of mouse and rat poison causes swelling of the brain. Because the ingredient name looks similar to many of the long-acting anticoagulant (LAAC) mouse and rat poisons, it can easily be mistaken for a LAAC. Bromethalin poisoning is not treated with Vitamin K1! Bromethalin works by uncoupling oxidative phosphorylation in the brain and liver mitochondria and can result in brain swelling (cerebral edema). Common signs of poisoning include incoordination (ataxia), tremors, seizures, paralysis, and eventually death. <b>Unfortunately, this type of mouse and rat poison does not have an antidote, and this poison can potentially have long-lasting effects.</b> Treatment includes decontamination, IV fluids, and specific drugs to decrease brain swelling. With bromethalin, cats are more sensitive than dogs. As this type of mouse and rat poison has a narrow margin of safety, prompt therapy is often needed in all species.</p>
<p><b>Pet Cremations</b> West County and all of Erie lost a valuable pet service when Pet Cremations of Erie closed their door. Owner Jo Bawol said the PA Dept of Environmental Protection had ordered her to make significant changes to her business or face fines. Bawol said that the changes made no sense and would cost thousands of dollars, not wanting to risk thousands of dollars in fines she closed business.</p> <p>Ms Bawol has been in business for about 5 years and has taken meticulous care of our deceased pets.</p> <p>I am very saddened to lose such a caring person. <span style="float: right;"><i>editor</i></span></p>		<p style="text-align: right;">2</p>

## TAKE THE LEAD CELEBRATES 20 YEARS



Recently, one of our agility friends suffered a heart attack, and our fellow competitors were generous not only with their good wishes, but also their dollars. These events reminded me of Take the Lead. This organization was founded in 1993 as a not-for-profit foundation under Section 501 (c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code dedicated to provide direct services, support and care for all qualified participants in the sport of dogs who suffer from the devastating realities of life-threatening or terminal illnesses.

Anyone who has made a serious commitment to the sport of dogs for at least five years and is suffering from a life-threatening or terminal illness qualifies for assistance from Take The Lead. They have paid for a wide range of services, including Home Health Care Workers, Certified nursing assistant, Health insurance payments, Health insurance deductibles, Uncovered medical treatments, Home equipment rentals, Prescription drugs, Transportation for health care treatment, Rent/Mortgage payments, Homeowner insurance, Utilities, Telephone bills, and Funeral expenses.

I encourage all of you to visit <http://takethelead.org> and consider joining the organization to support their good work. This is an excellent opportunity to Pay It Forward. We never know when we may be the one who needs a little help. The website provides detailed information about the organization, instructions on how to join, as well as instructions on how to apply for assistance.



### Pictures from the 2013 Show Meet the Breeds Room

Roberta's Sammy getting lots of pets.  
Teresa's Rodesian Ridgeback display.  
Karen Grettler's Wire Fox Terrier Display.  
Meet The Breeds was an awesome place to be!