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Warming Hearts

Our Mission:

KPETS is a non-profit organization established to promote Animal Assisted Therapy / Animal Assisted Activities (AAT/AAA) by recruiting, educating, uniting and coordinating volunteers with the facilities, social agencies and special-needs programs whose clients may benefit from the healing and rehabilitating effects of the animal/human bond. The unconditional love of our pets is shared with those of all ages and from all walks of life.

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KPETS Keynotes

Keeping Pet Therapy Volunteers Konnected!

BOW WOW BROWN BAG BINGO

Ready for tons of fun? Mark **September 6th** on your calendar.

That's Bow Wow Brown Bag Bingo Day!



The event is always extra special because the raffle ticket prize is a trip to the Dover Speedway to watch the September 27th race! The prize package includes:

- ◆ Two race tickets
- ◆ Deluxe motor coach transportation (departing from Lancaster or Harrisburg)
- ◆ Three-night rental accommodation at Outdoor World Circle M
- ◆ Race day tailgate party
- ◆ Post game sandwich

Get your tickets and help sell some to your friends! \$5 per chance or five tickets for \$20. Contact Adella Houck at ahouck@embarqmail.com or Jenny at konnnections@kpets.org to get yours!

The race ticket raffle benefits KPETS and is sponsored Action Jackson Sports Tours. ***The winner will be selected the day of the event.*** No need to be present.



Bow Wow Brown Bag Bingo is a very important event for KPETS! So far in our history, it has been our largest fundraising event. And with our growth in size and trying to keep things running smoothly, the success of this event is even more critical!

Bring the family and friends to play Bingo and teams are welcome to bring your registered therapy dog along to schmooze the crowd. Adella has worked so hard at gathering donations of all kinds for the awesome gift bags for each game's winner. There are silent auctions with all types of items to bid on and the Chinese auction gift baskets, too!

Come out and have fun while helping KPETS! See you there!

Lots of volunteers are needed to help make the night a huge success.

Prior to the event:

- ◆ Baking items for bake sale
- ◆ Assistance with decorating and setting up the room 11 am, Sunday, Sept 6

During the event:

- ◆ sell raffle tickets
- ◆ sell bingo cards
- ◆ meet and greet,
- ◆ work the KPETS booth
- ◆ work the food service area.

As you can see, we'll need a bunch of 'man'-power for this one. So please, interested parties contact Adella at ahouck@embarqmail.com

THANK YOU !!

GETTING INVOLVED WITH COLLEGES

This column will appear in Keynotes monthly. Its purpose is to make readers aware of programs, presentations and resources that can help you plan activities and find your niche as a pet therapy team. All the information presented here can also be found on the KPETS Forum under "Presentations and Resources" in PDF downloadable form.

While many of you are aware of opportunities to get involved as pet therapy teams with elementary schools, you may not realize that college students can also benefit from your work as a pet therapy volunteer.

Many college students are dog lovers and miss their pets while they are away at college. There is a very active K9 Club at Elizabethtown College. A few years ago, the president of this club contacted KPETS and requested we bring teams to a K9 Club-sponsored event called 'Cookies and K9s'. The club sponsors this event in the lounge of one of the campus dorms during finals week for both fall and spring semesters. They provide cookies and beverages, and KPETS provides the dogs! Last December we had 10 teams, and the students loved it.

Don't be shy about approaching an area college to help sponsor an event of this kind. Contact the Residence Life Director, or the head of Student Senate. A letter with your proposal for the event and a KPETS brochure can be followed with a phone call. You can mention how successful this type of program has been at Elizabethtown College.

This is just one idea for involvement with college students; you might think of more.

KPETS AND THE POLITICIAN'S SECRET:

By Margie Smith

Children from the New Oxford Area Library grades 4-10 got together the summer of 2009, to write a sequel to **KPETS AND THE MURAL MYSTERY**. There were twelve children who put their writing efforts together to create a graphic organizer, sequence chart, illustrations, draft, and a final copy of this story.



The library hosted this event, led by middle school teacher, Margie Smith, accompanied by Donna Gomer, Liz Kielley, (KPETS volunteers), Pat Baumgardner (student's grandmother), Maria Fasnaght (library volunteer and student at Conewago Valley High School), and Phyllis Szalwinski (student's grandmother). Wilma Krepps, librarian and her assistant Sue Adams (KPETS volunteers) helped behind the scenes with research, contacting the local high school for publication and binding and keeping the library quiet so the students could work in a large group and pair/share groups.

Along with the students, there were also some KPETS therapy animals that also helped with the writing. They were: Beamer (Maine Coon cat), Ma Barker (Basset Hound), Cullen (Cavalier King Charles Spaniel), Rosie (Rough Collie), Guinness (Rough Collie) and two special visits from Pippa (Bernese Mountain Dog). Not only did these animals help write the story, but they were also leading characters to help solve the mystery!

To get a copy of this book or to get a copy of the first book in the series, contact either the New Oxford Area Library (WilmaK@adamslibrary.org) or Margie Smith (margiesracking@earthlink.net). The cost for each book is \$5.00 with all the proceeds going to KPETS.

I will post pictures on Kodak Gallery. If you want any for the newsletter, I can pixelate faces out, although no releases were signed, everyone knew their picture was being taken.

KPETS PARTICIPATES IN NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

By Sue Schreffler

A huge thank you to all who attended the August 4, 2009, National Night Out in Campbelltown:

PattiJo Hibshman and husband (He was a tremendous help!!) / Suzy Q

Nan Handshaw-Roberts / Smidgen

Sue Schreffler / Sullivan

Sylvia Miller / Skipper

Troy Conner / Brodie

Nancy Campbell / Holly

Ginny Swartzell /Tucker

Lynn Scherden / Meggie

Jan Williams / Liberty

JoEllen Meyer / Edgar

The teams were a major attraction! All the teams were very well received.

They all tolerated the heat, excitement and the wonderful odor of food everywhere. Poor pooches even had to deal with the fire alarms being sounded no less than three times!! **Ouch**

We had a wonderful mix of breeds, sizes and talents!! I have absolutely no doubt we will be invited to participate next year!



KPETS Recap

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 8 was a busy day for me. We had an orientation class first thing at 9 am with approximately 15 attendees. Thank you Carol and Anita for covering the last half for me as Podley and I scooted off to Four Seasons



Golf Course to welcome the Knights of Columbus golf players in the tournament that benefited KPETS.

Kate Cox and her two her extremely cute cute children came out to help with big Bo, their bear, I mean Newfie. What a trooper he was in the heat. I can't count how many times he was called a bear! Adella Houck and Lexi came to schmooze the golfers as only Adella can! Poor Jenny Rule and Maddy got lost but eventually found us as we mingled and wished the golfers good luck.

One of the Hole-in-One sponsors was Neffsville Veterinary Clinic. I'm pretty sure Dr. Sloyer, a KPETS board member had a lot to do with that! Adella and Lexi hitched a ride on a golf cart to hole 16 to get a picture of the sponsor sign. What a beautiful course!

As the "convoy" of golf carts went by after the shotgun start, we waved and thanked them for their support.



But after the tournament, dinner was served. Laura and Rich Whitman and my hubby, Bill and I attend. There were awards for various things from the golf world, that Rich was able to interpret for the rest of our foursome. I had a few minutes to officially thank everyone for the success of the event. All in all, it was a great day for everyone.

And special THANKS to Cindy Wilson for connecting KPETS with Alan Hohman and the Knights of Columbus and initiating the great event. We hope to do it again next year!

- Karen Gerth

KPETS GO TO ROUNDTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!

On Tuesday, July 21st, five KPETS' teams joined by three Seeing Eye puppies, went to Roundtown Elementary School in York, PA to entertain the kids grades K-3 at their summer camp.

The KPETS teams began the session with a brief, "kid-friendly" overview of what KPETS' dogs do when they go visiting. The teams also explained the difference between the "yellow" KPETS' vests and the "green" Seeing Eye vests. That way, the kids would know which dogs to go to pet and which dogs were "working".



The children were then given a brief lesson on how to approach the dogs so as to not scare them. The children and dogs had a meet-and-greet session.

Some of the older children then listened to "*KPETS and the Mural Mystery*", a New Oxford Area Library Mystery. This was the first in a series of mysteries written by children from the New Oxford area library in conjunction with KPETS' therapy animals.

Kristen Rebbin / Magic (black Lab mix) were the program coordinators for this visit. The KPETS teams that joined them were: Donna Gomer / Amanda (yellow lab), Dora Panick / Zeke (Golden Retriever), Harriet Hombach / Matoon (black lab), Fran Holt / Jackson (black lab), and Margie Smith /Ginness (rough collie).

Sounds of kids laughing with delight while moving from one KPETS team to another, could be heard for most of the ½ hour. Everyone had a great time and the program was a success! Congratulations Kristen for putting this together for us . We had a great time!



Additional Pre-Assessments

Monday, July 27th the pre-assessment process for KPETS in the Lebanon County and surrounding areas took a new direction. We were graciously donated space by *The Net* in Palmyra to organize a group session. Our goal is to get teams qualified more quickly so that the many requests can be better met.

We were able to pre-assess all three teams thoroughly in less than one hour. It also provided an opportunity for volunteers who might, under other circumstances, never get to meet each other. Another benefit of the "group class" model is the exchange of information about available services and activities that not all are aware of.

Another goal is to train and prepare more evaluators to be available for pre-assessments and supervised visit evaluations. We have many more requests than teams able to answer the call. Hopefully, this will be one more step to fulfilling KPETS' mission.

NOTE: Lancaster is currently doing pre-assessments every Tues (except 5th Tues of the month) at Mennonite Home at 7 pm.

Re-assessments can be done at these group sessions as well.

TWELVE YEAR OLD TWOIE: AN INSPIRATION

by Mary Gottfried

"I'm not sure how this will go," said Laura Whitman as she talked about the team she was pre-assessing on June 27th. As part of my training to become a site evaluator for aspiring KPETS teams, I was assisting Laura with three pre-assessments. Twoie was to be my last pre-assessment, and it sounded like I would learn a lot.

It seems when Laura first met Twoie and greeted him by petting his neck, he growled at her. During the pre-assessment itself, he again growled when he saw another dog, and he wouldn't allow his feet to be handled. Twoie would pull them under his body to protect them. So Twoie didn't pass his pre-assessment that day.

When Laura explained to owner Jacqueline Reid why Twoie didn't pass, Jacqueline said she would like to work with him to see if she could help him to overcome his behavior issues. We set a date for three weeks hence, July 18th. But given his age and the number of issues Twoie had exhibited, I had my doubts that he would pass the next test.



Here is where the story gets interesting. Laura told me that many times when people say they want to work with their dog and try again, she may never hear back from them. But Twoie and Jacqueline were not one of those cases.

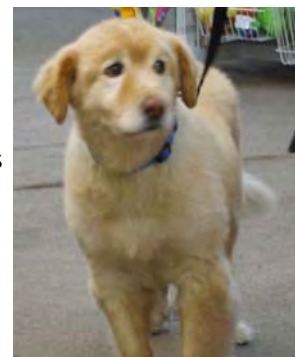
When I entered the room for the July 18th session, I saw Twoie, Jacqueline, and friend Helen Stoitsits putting Twoie through his paces. They had both worked with him for the three weeks between the first and second assessments, and what a difference they made! I approached Twoie and roughly patted the side of his neck: he wagged his tail! They told me to ask for his paw, which the last time he had fearfully hidden. This time, he wagged his tail and lifted his paw to be held! When he saw another dog in the area, he allowed it to approach and didn't growl! And, Twoie passed the pre-assessment with flying colors!!

Jacqueline is Associate Chief Nurse at the Lebanon VA Hospital where she works with behavioral health patients. Her ultimate goal, in her own words, is "to have a class at the hospital using several therapy dogs where patients can learn to open their hearts to unconditional love."

I don't have any doubts that Jacqueline can accomplish anything she puts her mind to, and that she will soon have her class at the hospital. She showed me that with patience and perseverance, things that look impossible can be accomplished. She definitely proved to me "You CAN teach an old dog new tricks!!"

Looking for a new place to visit? Check out the KPETS Forum! The visit requests have just been updated. There might be something new on there that is just up your alley!

So we know what is covered, don't forget to let us know by emailing us at: konnections@kpets.org THANKS!



A JOURNEY ALWAYS STARTS WITH THE FIRST STEP

The Story of How Westminster, Maryland Has Gone to the Dogs - By Donna Gomer

I have been involved in the canine sport of agility since the 1980s. Our group trains three hours each week at Carrol Indoor Soccer Center in Westminster, Maryland on equipment provided by Carrol Kennel Club. We are a small group, consisting of fifteen permanent members and several substitute members (it takes a lot of physical effort to set up full agility courses to run each week). Bev Hirt, the heroine of my story is also a member of this group. I have known Bev and her husband, Dave, for many years, originally from our connection to Jack Russell Terriers and now with Agility.

About 18 months ago, Bev approached us during a Thursday session and asked us if we had any interest in becoming certified with our dogs to do therapy work. Bev's parents had recently moved into a retirement home in Westminster, which was less than two miles from the soccer center. She said that since her parents were living at Westminster Ridge as a member of their family, she was able to take her smooth collies, Dixie, Sandy, and Downey to visit with them. There were two ladies from an organization called KPETS who were there visiting with the residents, but only once or twice a month. (The ladies were Margie Smith and Mary Merrell.)

It took some time to organize, but I took my Labrador, Amanda, and Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Cullen and Gwendolyn, for orientation, pre-assessments, and supervised visits. Little did I know, my journey with KPETS had begun!! I will admit at first to being a little nervous about visiting with the residents, but my feet were on the path and I had to take the next step.

Gertrude Turner, the activities person in the assisted living area of the facility, was great. Gwendolyn, Cullen and I joined in afternoon activities once agility practice was finished each week, doing things like visiting during a sing-a-long concert, playing Westminster Ridge's version of Wheel of Fortune (Cullen always wants to buy an "A" but never is able to solve the puzzle!) On one of my visits with a resident who had been an award-winning photographer and copy editor during her working life, now lived at Westminster Ridge. I found out her favorite author was a man named Nevil Shute, who is also my husband's favorite author. (Yes, I know you have never heard of him.) Shute's work is no longer in print and is not available as a book on tape. My husband Curt offered to come with me on a KPETS visit to read a recently discovered Shute story that had only been published to this resident. I would take Amanda or Gwendolyn to visit with her while Curt read the stories to her. After sharing this experience with "agility person" Nancy Morris, Nancy and KPETS border collie, Raisin, actually started a book club with some of the residents of Westminster Ridge. (Yes, Nancy has now read a Nevil Shute book!)

One day I showed a DVD of my Cavalier Cullen running at an agility trial—where he had done extremely well—to residents at Westminster Ridge. We invited some of the residents to come to see an actual agility trial that was being held at the soccer center, which then resulted in the idea to ask some of the residents to come watch the practices. The atmosphere on Thursdays is perfect for visiting between each dog's turn. Westminster Ridge provided their bus to bring the residents, Bev and Dave provided a snack for the residents to eat while they watched each dog run the course. The activity has caught on at Westminster Ridge, and now there is a waiting list for those who want to get on the bus to come for their once monthly visits to agility practice. Some of the residents asked Gertrude to get pom poms for them to use when they cheer on the dogs, and it is rumored there are colored Tee shirts in the works for supporters of certain dogs (like NASCAR fans wear to races).

A few weeks ago I went into Wellspring, the dementia unit of Westminster Ridge, and put one of my cavaliers next to a resident I had not previously met. We had a nice conversation about my dog, and the dogs the resident had when he was younger. He said that he liked big dogs especially collies. I knew Bev was in the building with her collie, Downey, so I tracked her down, and we both visited with the new resident. As we were leaving the area, the supervisor told us the man had been in residence for 10 days, and had not spoken until we brought the dogs to visit. He was placed at the top of the list for the next agility practice visit, and enjoyed the day out very much.

I was getting comfortable with KPETS and putting myself out with my dogs during visits. It was time to take a wider path on my journey. I joined in the Community Days event at the Bon Ton in Hanover, a pet food drive for shelter animals in

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DON'T FORGET TO SUBMIT YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

If you have web-access, you can submit your hours on-line at www.kpets.org/volunteers.

Each member should be set up with user name of first initial and last name (ex. kgerth) and the initial password being the last four digits of your phone number (unless I typed it in wrong). You change your password once you log in. You can also see a list of your hours. If you cannot log in, contact Karen.

For those without internet access, please mail completed forms to the KPETS address and we will enter them.

THANKS SO MUCH!

Reminders

All visit requests are now on line at: www.kpets.org. Click on the Connections tab and choose Facilities seeking Teams.

Get Connected with other KPETS teams at: <http://forum.kpets.org> You can use this cool tool to stay connected with each other!

Submit your **newsletter stories** to keynotes@kpets.org.

Please submit all your KPETS volunteer hours on-line at : www.kpets.org/volunteers.

Special Notices -

PRE-ASSESSMENT DATES

In the Net
798 Airport Road
Palmyra 17078
(717) 838-8706 www.inthenet.com
4th Monday: 7:00 pm

August, 24

September 28

Mennonite Home

Lancaster

7 pm Tues nites (except 5th Tues of the month.

Please sign up at:

Konnections@KPETS.org

We have had trouble with Jenny's email for quite a while now. We are changing her address to

Konnections@kpets.org.

Events@kpets.org is still working but we do want to eliminate it eventually. But just in case, be sure to check in your junk mail, and please make sure **kpets.org** is an approved domain in your safe-senders list!

Volunteer Roundtable Planner: Volunteer Round Tables are held every month. Times and locations listed with "What's Coming Up."

Carol Johnston 717-672-0166 or max1024@verizon.net.

Margie Smith margiesracking@earthlink.net. *York Volunteer Round Tables*

Phone Buddy Coordinator:

If you do not have email, contact **Patty Sarago** (717) 761-0396 to get set up with a phone buddy to keep you informed between newsletters.

New Recruits Assistant: Helping guide new inquiries for KPETS to Orientation. **Sue Schreffler** - bichon10@verizon.net or (717) 838-9672.

Orientation Follow-up Guide:

Guiding volunteers through the registration process once orientation has been completed. **Nicole Byers** - welcome@kpets.org and **Gini Swartzell** - ginis@kpets.org.

Membership: Now being done in KPETS office. Thanks **Michele Emenheiser** for all your hard work. * Membership@kpets.org is still the address for inquiries *

Facility/Events/Volunteer Coordinator:

Jenny Rule 888.685.7387 ext 2 or konnections@kpets.org along with many other volunteers who assist her!

Pre-assessment Testers: **Wendy McKelvy, Karen Sage, Laura Whitman, Bill Townsend, Margie Smith**

KPETS Keynotes Editor - Denise Gillin. If you staff an event or have any good therapy stories to share, please send them to keynotes@kpets.org.

Safety Assurance Leader - Wendy McKelvy. Any questionable pet behavior observed should be reported immediately to Wendy at training@kpets.org or (717) 285-9719

Development Coordination - To help out on this committee, please contact **Karen** at kareng@kpets.org or **Jenny** at konnections@kpets.org

ALL registered KPETS Teams are now registered on the forum. You should have gotten an email with your user name and pw. Thanks to Sue Schreffler!! We're trying to make it as easy as possible for you to stay Connected!

***** EVALUATORS Will ALWAYS Be Needed! *****

Rapid growth is making it difficult for our current evaluators to keep up with the demand of new teams needing their evaluations!

If you are interested in becoming an evaluator for us, please contact Laura at LauraW@kpets.org to discuss

*** EVALUATORS Always Needed!	Ephrata	Karen Sage	717-859-3044	or	ssdrsr@ptd.net
	Ephrata	Jolene newcomer	- in the works		
	Etown	Laura Whitman	717-368-9993	or	lauraw@kpets.org
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	Hanover	Margie Smith	717- 624-4742	or	margiesracking@earthlink.net
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	Palmyra	Tammy Sickles	717-228-7731	or	dogtrainingisfun@aol.com
	Palmyra	Sue Schreffler	- in the works		
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	Westminster	Donna Gomer	(717) 630-2362	or	littledogs@juno.com
	Westminster	Bev Hirt	(410) 803-9294	or	bdhirt@comcast.net

What's Coming Up?

Due to insurance purposes, events designated ® are only open to REGISTERED therapy teams (KPETS, Delta, TD Inc. etc.)

Aug 11	EVERY Tue	7:00p Pre-assessment - Lancaster	Mennonite Home, Lancaster Every Tues (except 5th Tues of the month - 9/29) Due to limited space, contact events@kpets.org to reserve your spot.
Aug 15	Sat	10:00a Volunteer Round Table - New Oxford	Even months - the 3rd Saturday of the month Rosie's Restaurant in New Oxford, PA <BR?RSVP Margie at margiesracking@earthlink.net
Aug 17	Mon	4:00p -5:00p Mountville Library's Reading Program	Contact Jenny at events@kpets.org if you'd like to become a reading team. The kids read to our dogs, it's a very rewarding program. If you are already a read team, contact Kate at coxfamily04@comcast.net.
Aug 18	Tue	10:30a -11:30a Lancaster Generations Adult Day Services Presentation	KPETS will be putting on a fun presentation for the clients at Lancaster Generations Adult Day Services in Lancaster off of New Holland Pike.
Sep 3	Thu	7:00p -8:00p Moravian Manor Talk	Karen will be speaking to the women of Lititz at the Moravian Manor
Sep 5	Sat	9:00a KPETS Orientation - Hanover	St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hanover crossroads of Middle Street and York Street
Sep 6	Sun	Circle m Campground Bow-Wow-Brown-Bag-Bingo	Lancaster, Pa KPETS BIGGEST fundraiser! Silent auction & Bingo
Sep 9	Wed	9:00a -10:00a Manhiem B.I.C. presentation	KPETS will be putting on a fun presentation for the kids at Manheim B.I.C. The kids range from preschool to 4th grade. This will be a fun presentation. To participate contact jenny at events@kpets.org
Sep 12	Sat	9:00a Volunteer Round Table Breakfast United Way-Day of Caring	Moveable Feast Mountville RSVP to Carol at max1024@verizon.net .We will be visiting Conestoga View. Please join us!
Sep 13	Sun	12:00p -5:00p Palmyra Dog Swim	Palmyra Community Swimming Pool Admission is \$5, proceeds are split between KPETS and the pool. The kiddie pool is available for the non- swimming dogs and people. The regular pool with cascading steps will be open for others. The slides and diving boards are off limits. There will be lifeguards on duty if you want to swim with your dog. Dogs must be up to date on shots, be dog friendly and on a 6 ft or shorter leash. NO flexis. Don't miss this fun event!!!!
Sep 18	Fri	10:30a -11:30a Fun Presentation at Lancaster Generations Adult Day Services	KPETS will be putting on a fun presentation for about 20 clients at the Lancaster Generations Adult Day services off of New Holland Pk. If you would like to participate in this presentation,
Sep 21	Mon	7:00p Pre-assessment - Hanover	Lutheran Retirement Village at Utz Terrace in Hanover
Sep 28	Mon	7:00p Pre-assessment - Palmyra	In The Net Sports Complex, 798 Airport Road, Palmyra Contact events@kpets.org to reserve your spot.

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York, a KPETS presentation at the Lutheran Home in Hanover; which has led to my visiting there in addition to Westminster Ridge; I applied to become and have now been approved to do evaluations for new teams in Maryland and York county. I recently decided to try my hand visiting with kids, and had a blast working with Margie Smith at the New Oxford Library as part of the writing workshop she held earlier in the summer. The kids wrote a new KPETS mystery which is really first rate.

As members of the Thursday agility group shared different things we were doing with other "agility people" we knew; interest in therapy work began to increase. We were able to get an additional 15 KPETS teams, including two more of my cavaliers, Rachel and Sailor, added to this area on June 11th! (Thanks to a long day put in by Margie, Harriet and Fran.) Each person has ideas about how to expand into Hanover Pa, Westminster, and Baltimore, Maryland. Because Bow Wow brown bag bingo will occur on a big agility competition weekend, every one of our group is working hard to get bingo and raffle prizes donated to help make this major KPETS fund raiser a big success. I now look at the calendar in the monthly KPETS newsletter to find new ways to participate and share my dogs with others. I finally had a weekend where I was not at an agility trial, and was able to attend one of the roundtable breakfasts to meet some of the Lancaster members. I am just beginning what I know will be a lifelong journey with KPETS, but it started with that first step, and is due to my friend Bev.

If you shop on the web, go to www.igive.com. Sign up, and choose KPETS as your cause. A percent of the cost of your order will be donated to KPETS. MANY stores to choose from!

EVERYTHING IS A CLICK AWAY

To find our Events Kalendar / Visit Kalendar
Go to: www.KPETS.org - Kalendar/Events tab. Choose the *Events or Visits Kalendar*

For the Facility Requests
Go to www.kpets.org - Go to the Konnections Tab and choose Facilities Seeking Visits.

Please, please! If you fulfill a facility's request, let Jenny know at konnections@kpets.org.

KPETS is a growing business that supplies our services free of charge to thousands! With nearly 200 volunteers teams, we're doing our best to keep up with the behind-the-scenes responsibilities.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to find our way in the business world!



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the mail soon!**



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