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**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!*

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## What a Month!

### Bow Wow Brown Bag Bingo

This event was unbelievable!! Adella Houck and her dedicated committee pulled off the biggest single fundraiser in KPETS history! The event was held Sunday, September 2 at Circle M Campground on Rte 741 in Lancaster. Each Labor Day weekend they have a HUGE bingo game with TONS of prizes. Adella, Wendy McKelvy and Nancy Young solicited so much incredible stuff! Over 300 people attended to play Bingo! The room was decorated with KPETS colors. KPETS volunteers helped set up and staff the actual event. Adella Houck w/Cadbury, Wendy McKelvy /Lexi, Karen Gerth w/Podley, Debbie McGuinness, Lila Martin, Marilyn Hapke w/Gretchen, Mary & Ed Merrell, Fran & Tank Holt, Deb Russell w/Bailey, Gini Swartzell w/Tucker & Lorrie Snyder w/Ember. Volunteers were easy to spot in their yellow KPETS t-shirts and available to assist everyone in so many ways as our therapy dogs worked the crowd. But you know, I never knew there were so many different ways to play Bingo!! This event alone CLEARED over \$4700!!!

BUT THAT'S NOT ALL. Ever since Adella helped KPETS get a Bingo license this summer, she has been running weekly games at the campground of Friday nights, raising ADDITIONAL funds each week! The final evenings will be at the end of October for the Halloween holiday weekends, October 19 & 26. These evenings will include dress-up and a parade!!

THEN she'll start all over again in the Spring for the summer camping season! This is so great. These regular dollars will help so much. As we are continuing to grow, our expenses are rising too. Adella, you and your team - Bless you! Thank you so very much for your hard work, selfless efforts and ENTHUSIASM! It's contagious.

## An Incredible Success

### KPETS KANINE KARNIVAL TOO!

On Saturday September 8, KPETS held our fifth Karnival (formerly Bow Wow Luau). But this year we ventured away from Brethren Village and held it at the Overlook Dog Park. With getting such a late start and lack of volunteers to help out, we originally had planned to cancel it. But after sending notice out of cancellation, Manheim Township Community Days event coordinator said our event was already being advertised in their monthly publications. SO it was back on. Carol Johnston, Jenny Rule, Suzanne Solodky and Karen Gerth stepped up to the plate and plugged away at pulling it off. The day was 90+ degrees with little or no shade. It was a scorcher. But Beka Schiller; Kate Cox; Jolene Newcomer; Bruce and Marilyn Mackey; Shari Sellers, Karen's co-worker, Aaron Ruppert; Larry and Barbara Moir; and Karen's hubby - recovering from an emergency appendectomy - came out and helped staff the booths in that tremendous heat. Mimi Sigworth and Adella Houck exceeded the presentation. Our dancing group attempted to perform. But half way through our routine, one of our dancers, (we won't mention any names), when called from a sit-stay - instead of coming back to Mom took a detour and bee-lined over to the kiddie pool for a quick dip. At least the audience understood his plight and all was forgiven. They say laughter is the best medicine. We sure got a dose there!

There were a couple games for folks to play. We had Agility demos from Rock Creek Agility, Flyball Dogs Anonymous, Lancaster CART along with Nan Hanshaw-Roberts for Ask the Vet, Doggon Fancy vendors, Pet Guardians, CGC Testing with Bill Townsend and Mary Merrell, Leaps and

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## KPETS - Re-ca;

### Lebanon VA Medical Center Picnic

The VA picnic was a success for KPETS. There were five teams, and the veterans really loved having us there! There were about 30 veterans, most of them from WWII and confined to wheelchairs. We got to talk with everyone, and shared a picnic lunch with them. Several of the vets I talked with told me stories about dogs they had owned during their lives - it really meant a lot to them to be able to interact with the KPETS teams. Because of construction problems, the event was held indoors, but that didn't dampen anyone's spirit. The Craven Family Bluegrass Band performed some old classics and raised everyone's spirits with their upbeat tunes.

I was approached by two or three of the Ephrata Amvets who sponsor this event annually - they were really impressed with how the vets responded to the dogs. I would be surprised if we're not invited again next year!

- Mary Gottfried

*Note: A donation was received by mail from the Ephrata Amvets. That was very thoughtful of them!*

### Volunteer Round Table

Approximately a dozen KPETS volunteers got together at Moveable Feast in Mountville to enjoy some good food and lots of friendship. As always, faithful Carl Speros coordinated the event for us. Adella Houck was kind enough to lead the conversation topics so Karen could just sit back and enjoy! We discussed so many topics we were all interested in: from fundraising, to ideas for new places to visit, to sharing the very touching stories that we all know are the reasons KPETS exists. Mark your calendar to join us next time at 9 a.m. November 10, at Moveable Feast.

### The Dogs were "HOT" in Helping w/KPETS Hot Dog/Bake Sale

The day couldn't have been better. Great temperature, with a breeze, set up in a shady area at the main entrance of the Carlisle Wal-Mart and the smell of hot dogs and sausages in the air. In the background, the endless smiles and laughs of people getting "therapy" from the teams that brought their pooches along.

The day by any standards was a success for this kind of fundraiser -- raising \$553.00 for KPETS. Better yet, this kind of fundraising was so easy to put together. Ros Rhodes approached Wal-Mart about having a Hot Dog/Bake Sale and selected an available date. Gini Swartzell using her many charms solicited grocery stores and received over \$250.00 in gift card donations, which allowed us to purchase everything we needed without using KPETS existing funds. The only thing that was left was to get volunteers, and many turned out to help. Mary Fegley manned the grill, Vicki Bolinger took the food orders, and Ros Rhodes took the money and filled the drink orders. Even Lynne Sheridan and Lisa Pearl, who couldn't help out that day, contributed baked goods.

Others brought their pooches to draw in the people: Kelly Rogers with Nicholas, Lisa Deyo with Lilly, Frank Aponte with Milo and Dan Fegley with Little Joe. And did they draw in the people - from 11 a.m. until we sold our last hot dog at 2:30 p.m., there was only a total of about 10 minutes that we were not busy. Not only did people get "therapy" from interacting with our dogs, they were so impressed with what we do, that all of them bought something.

We had such a good day all the way around that we are going to do it again on September 30<sup>th</sup>!!

- Roslyn Rhodes

### LGH / Stroke Survivors Groups

KPETS has several teams visiting Lancaster General Hospital in their Dr. Paws program. Karen Gerth was invited to join Nicole Graybill, LGH therapist in charge of the program, to speak to clinical staff last month. This led to the Stroke Survivors group being interested in how pets can help them. Karen and Nicole did a program at LGH Health campus for the Lancaster Group on September 5 and will be doing it again for the Ephrata Group at Ephrata Community Hospital on September 19.

### Maple Farms Fair

KPETS was invited to attend the Maple Farms Fair on Saturday, September 15 from 1:30 - 3 p.m. It was a beautiful but windy day. There were quite a few KPETS teams mingling with the crowd outside in the presentation area. Elaine Dise, Rick & Jenifer Cammauf, and Lori Widders and their precious pups were the ones I noticed. Pam Martin, the Recreational Therapist, had invited me to bring my horses up too. They are not KPETS teams but they were specifically invited. So Bill and I rode Little Bit and Red up the road from home to met the folks.

Balloons were flapping in the wind. Which made the horses a little concerned. And then Cylo from the Barnstormers came to join in too. They still did pretty good but were a little nervous. Guess they need a bit more socialization. They left two deposits and d a r n , I forgot a poop bag! Just kidding. Bill so graciously tipped a trash can on its side and kicked that rich fertilizer right in the can.

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## KPETS Recap—Continued

The kids loved the horses but one elderly man was mesmerized with Little Bit.

I'm still dog person. They sure are a lot easier to handle in that type of situation.

Please know I took them there because they were invited and it was at my own risk. We were not representing KEPTS in any way. Our KPETS dog

### Karnival

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Hounds, Blessing of the Animals with Pastor Larry Moir.

We also held our Stroll & Roll Walk. The top three walkers with the most pledges won prizes donated by Gochenaur's Kennel, That Fish Place and Animal Nanny. We had our bingo board to win a solid oak golden retriever wooden bench which our own Dr Sloyer won!

Turn out was fairly good considering the heat, Penn State/Notre Dame Game, United Way Day of Caring, and all kinds of events going on that day. Funds were not as good as previous years, but with more time to plan and with additional volunteers to help in the process, I'm sure we can make it a huge success for next year. Those who did attend said it was really nice - except for the unbearable heat.

Thank you everyone who pitched in for this event, by raising pledges, staffing a station, or pulling things together! Thank you all!

*- Karen Gerth*

### A. Herr County Fair

It was a cool autumn day with gorgeous sunshine on Sunday, September 16. KPETS returned to A. Herr Park for the annual County Fair. The fair started at noon and KPETS teams did a half-hour presentation in the tennis courts to start the event. Our emcee Mimi Sigworth explained about

KPETS and introduced our newest dance team. Nancy Houston/Cashel, Heidi Herr/Lucky and Megan Herr/Chance preformed a routine to "Ain't No Mountain High Enough". This time all dogs were on cue and able to complete the whole song, unlike the attempt made at the Karnival - Sam!) During the presentation we played our usual games and the kids all got prizes.

The info booth was staffed throughout the afternoon by Carol & Bill Hopwood w/Maggie, Gini Swartzell/Tucker, Rick and Jenifer Cammauf/Mollie and Corkey, Marilyn Hapke/Gretchen. Various other KPETS teams showed up throughout the afternoon to show their support. Everyone loved the dogs and it was a great socialization event for the pups! Thanks, everyone!

### Pet Hug Fund

In May KPETS was connected with the Pet Hug Fund. There were many emails between their coordinator and KPETS through Jenny Rule and Karen Gerth. This special fund, with the backing of Purina and Build-a-Bear raised dollars to be distributed and \$1350 was sent to KPETS. Isn't it great to see that big companies recognize and appreciate the benefits of what we do for others with our special friends. Thank you, Pet Hug Fund!

## '08 KPETS Kalendar

Superwoman, Jenny Rule is starting to put the 2008 KPETS Kalendar together. Professional pictures of our teams have all been taken by Terry Rowe and are ready to be inserted into the project. Between software issues and now hardware issues with a pc, it's been a slow start. But, we will be getting this project out and ready for sale in time for the holiday season! Can you believe we're talking about that already? It will make a nice special gift for friends on your Christmas list this year. Watch for more details next month. Or if you'd like place an a order for a specific quantity, let Jenny know. This will help us figure out how many to have printed up when the time comes.

### Acadia luv's our pups!

Acadia in Lancaster has utilized many of our KPETS teams for their AAT program. The insert is from their most recent newsletter. They know we luv them too!

*Just an FYI, Andy and Linda Euclide will be on vacation from 9/19 through 10/1. Please be patient if there is a delay in getting you updated registration.*

*Teams already to go at the Bow Wow Brown Bag Bingo!*



Trey poses out front



Gini & Trey



Jon, Wendy, & Trey



### TREY, THE THERAPY DOG by the Acadia News Staff

Trey is a German Shepherd-Keeshond mix therapy dog who has a disability. He has only three legs. He lost his right front leg in a trap when he was 3-months old. He had two separate amputations. During the first amputation, his leg wasn't taken high enough, so he kept walking on it, which led to an infection. He then had to have a second amputation, removing the leg fully above the shoulder. A rescue got Trey between surgeries and placed him at PetsMart for adoption, when Gini met him. She wasn't looking for another dog, but she was afraid no one would want a 3-legged dog or worse yet, a dog fighter would take him for bait. After getting a clean bill of health from her vet on Trey, she adopted him.

After Trey gained weight and developed arthritis in his front knee, Gini ordered him a wheelchair from Doggon Wheels ([www.doggon.com/home.html](http://www.doggon.com/home.html)) to help him get around. She was able to help him lose weight, through diet and exercise and now he only uses it for traveling long distances, like when he has a long way to go for his animal therapy visits at nursing homes.

Gini and Trey visited us at Acadia on August 22 and everyone was impressed with his ability to get around with his wheelchair and without it. He's a very sweet dog with a big smile, who doesn't seem to notice that he has a disability. Gini says he loves to play with her other dogs, especially in the snow.



Derek, Bill, Ben, & Trey



JB, Lisa, & Trey



Shawn, Bill, & Trey

Excerpt from Acadia's  
monthly newsletter.  
Look at our stars!

## THE VIEW FROM THE FLOWER GARDEN .....

### “A Wonderful Day in the Life of a Pup”

By Digger Moir

My Pop, Larry Moir, taught me a new saying: “It’s a dog’s life!” (By the way, Pop doesn’t really like being called Digger’s Dad. That’s because he’s a self-proclaimed “Old Curmudgeon”, whatever that is. So I will call him Pop.) I am only eleven weeks old, so I am learning all sorts of new things.

Now, usually Pop says this when he finds me sleeping in my favorite spot - on top of the air conditioner floor vent in the kitchen. The thing is, sometimes I get quite bored around here. I mean besides playing with Pop and my Mom, Barbara, I only have, Karen, Andy, Sierra, Evan, Maddy, Trent, Jack and Deb, and the boys across the street, and Morgan who mows the lawn, and my new best friend Braddock, (he’s the huge Boxer who lives next door with Maddy and Trent); and, sometimes Tori and Brittany come over to say hi. Of course, last week I hosted my cousins Barkley and Griswold for a week and played with their dad, my big brother Scott.

Two weeks ago, I went swimming in the St. Lawrence River and played with Pop’s friend Doug, who is really cool! He loves dogs. You know what? The only difference between Doug and Dog is “U!” OH! Sometimes I tickle myself and make me laugh!

Today, however! Wow! I had a wonderful day! I met some great new friends at Acadia Services at Greenfield Center. Maggie who leads the group met us; there were two Shawn’s, two Bill’s one Jerry, a girl named Lynary, and a man named J.B.

It was so cool! Pop filled a small bag with treats and because I am soooooo cute, he gave me treats whenever I did something he asked me to do, like sit. I can sit really well.

Mom says that today I was “getting socialized.” Whatever “getting socialized” is, I like it because I get to meet and play with new people. One of the guys named Bill made funny noises with his mouth. It sounded like a loud popping kiss. The other Bill took my lead, and then Pop asked him to call me over to him and sit. First, I did not want to go to him. Then he gently tugged on my lead and said, “Digger, come!” He sounded so friendly I went to him. Then Bill said, “Digger, sit.” So, I sat. Then Bill gave me a treat. Funny how it tasted just like the ones from Pop’s treat bag. Pop told Bill he did a great thing. Bill taught me to come and then helped to remind me of the “sit” command. One of the men named Shawn played ball with me and let me play near his wheelchair after he locked the brakes. The other Shawn played ball with me also. He also called Larry “Pop.” That’s why I call Larry “Pop” now. Thanks Shawn!

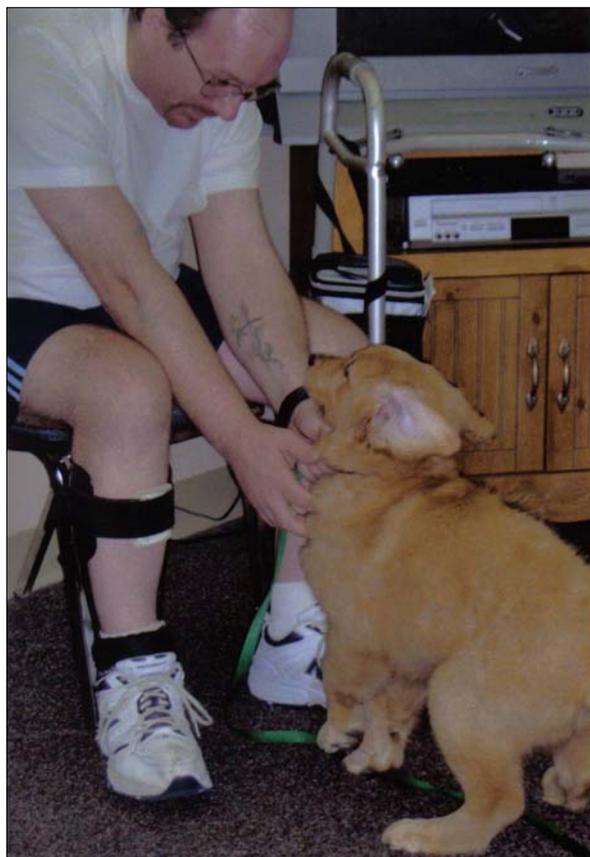
Jerry teased me. He called me over and told me to sit. So I sat. Then he laughed and said that he thought the treat was for him and he ate it! I whined and looked at him with my big, irresistible, brown, Golden Retriever eyes. Then he laughed again and said, “Fooled you!” and gave me the treat. I like Jerry. He is funny!

Lynary is soooo cute! She cuddled me, played ball with me, and laughed when I picked up the toy basket and carried it to her with one of my paws stuck inside. I was just being funny!

J.B. had all sorts of good questions for Pop and Mom. And yes, I am house trained (no accidents in three days!). Before I piddled on the floor, I let Pop know that I needed to go during the visit. So Pop is well trained too. He took me outside. And yes, I am a member of the great Golden Retriever clan! And I am going to be a very big dog according to my veterinarian.

Anyway, that is my wonderful day in the life of a pup! I was being “socialized,” but I was really having fun with people. And anyone who loves dogs is my kind of people.

Now, I am tired. It is time to go lie down across the air vent in the corner of the kitchen. Funny thing, I have been dreaming about chasing ducks in the water. I wonder what that means. I don’t even know what a duck is!



Digger & Bill B

## Why Animal Lives Are Shorter Than Humans

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife, Lisa and their little boy, Shane, were all very attached to Belker. They were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why."

Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life -- like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The six-year-old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

- Anonymous

## Palmyra Reading Program

Palmyra Public Library has just completed its first pet assisted reading program. Since Miss Amy, the children's librarian has had no experience with this type of program she decided to start on a small scale with just 4 children and 4 teams of dogs/handlers. She has declared it a success and is encouraging the reading teachers to include it for the children during the school year.

Holly and I had a little boy as our 'reader'. He started the first week as a rather shy, hesitant reader, but with Holly's help he was much more confident in the following weeks. If he got really stuck on a word, he would show it to Holly and she would whisper the word to me so that I could help him along. Our boy's mother said she had a real problem trying to get him to read at home, but he couldn't wait to come to the library on Monday nights to read to Holly. Palmyra Library does not have a large enough private room for the dogs and readers so we each found a quiet area of the main library. It seemed the more our boy enjoyed reading, the louder he read and I noticed quite a few of the library browsers wandering past us with a big smile on their face as they watched Holly and her boy snuggled up on a blanket with a copy of Green Eggs and Ham. Holly always ended her session by allowing a few minutes for her reader to blow bubbles for her to catch. Miss Amy reported that another of the children promptly went home and started reading to his dog.

Many thanks to Bonnie and Princess, Tammy and Mindy, Steph and Zeuss and Stacey and Haley and their help in making the program a success.

- Nancy Campbell and Holly

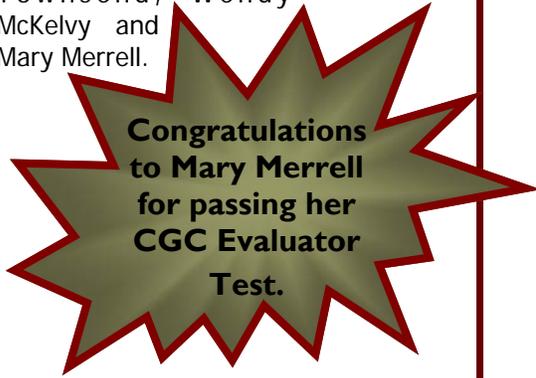
## '08 Registration Renewals Due Now

All KPETS volunteers should have received the renewal application for the '08 year running from September 15, 2007 - September 15, 2008.

Our dogs temperaments change as they age and some dogs can get over-worked (I speak from experience). KPETS needs to ensure that all our dogs are still appropriate and enjoying their 'jobs' serving others through KPETS. We have finally implemented the re-evaluation process we have been discussing for a long time.

The way it works is: If you have been a team with KPETS for two years, you will need to have your dog re-evaluated at by one of our pre-assessment evaluators by the start of your third year. This gives you a whole year to get this accomplished.

Our pre-assessment evaluators are all qualified Canine Good Citizen evaluators and included Laura Whitman, Bill Townsend, Wendy McKelvy and Mary Merrell.



**Congratulations  
to Mary Merrell  
for passing her  
CGC Evaluator  
Test.**

Re-evaluations may be done the second and fourth Tuesdays at Mennonite Home. Please contact Wendy at training@kpets.org or 717-285-9719 as space may be limited. OR you can do by appointment with Laura Whitman (lauraw@kpets.org or 717-368-9993) in the Palmyra and Harrisburg and west areas.

Remember, when the time comes, you do have a year to complete this process. Thank you for your dedication and understanding.

- Karen Gerth

## Visit Requests - Teams needed!

**Compassionate Care Hospice** - Contact Aubrey Smith at (717) 203-7104 or smith9900@comcast.net. Minimal one-hour orientation will be set up at your convenience - even before or after a visit.

**Lebanon Teams** Cedar Haven, Lebanon Valley Home, Manor Care, Hearthstone Nursing, and Stonebridge. Please contact Sylvia at 717-865-2385 or sylvia\_flinchbaugh@yahoo.com

**Evergreen Estates - Lancaster, PA:** 1st Saturday each month at 10 a.m. Contact Anita at gyan-wolfe@dejazzd.com or 717-627-0478.

**AseraCare Hospice** - Contact Pat Henry at 800-551-4466 or HAP12@aol.com Requires flexible 4 hour hospice training

**Wickersham Elementary** - Contact Jenny at vents@kpets.org Elementary School Reading to the dogs program during day time hours this fall!

**Lancaster Rec. Senior Center**, Lancaster (mornings once a month)

**Manor Care**, Lancaster (once a week or biweekly at 6:30 p.m.; OR between 1-4 Tues., Thurs. or Fri.)

**Garden Spot Village Memory Support Unit**, New Holland (once a week)

**Lancashire Hall** - Lancaster: Contact Kelly McIntyre, activities director at KMcIntyre10@comcast.net or call 569-3211 ext. 228

Contact Jenny Rule at 717-808-0143 or [events@kpets.org](mailto:events@kpets.org)

## What's Coming Up?

*Join the fun!*

*To sign up to help with any of these events or if you have any questions contact one of the following unless otherwise indicated. Jenny Rule at [events@kpets.org](mailto:events@kpets.org) or (717) 808-0143 or Ros at [RoslynR@kpets.org](mailto:RoslynR@kpets.org) or 717-418-1003*

- October 4—Senior Expo**, 9:00—12:00 at Masonic Homes
- October 6—SPCA Dog Walk**, 9:00—2:00, Looking for teams to help staff the info booth at the walk.
- October 7—Masonic Village Fun/Informational Presentation**, 2:30, Looking for several teams to participate in an hour long interactive presentation for the residents at Masonic Village.
- October 9—Solanco Senior Center Presentation**, 10:30, Looking for several teams to put on a fun hour long dog show/presentation for the Seniors at the center.
- October 10—Manheim Parade**, Join us for a fun time as KPETS marches in this parade. We've participated several years in the past and it is always a good time! We will be walking as a group to represent KPETS. If anyone would like to drive a car in the parade please contact [events@kpets.org](mailto:events@kpets.org)
- October 14—2007 Heart Walk**, 1:00 p.m. at Harrisburg Area Community College Campus. T-shirts for walkers and scarves for dogs will be provided. This is for a good cause and great exercise too! Please contact Cindy: [cwilson@rhoads-sinon.com](mailto:cwilson@rhoads-sinon.com).
- October 28—Furry Friends Mutt Mixer**, Furry Friends and Petsmart at Sumpf Field is hosting a Halloween event to benefit their organization. KPETS will have an info booth at the event and would love for a few teams to help. For more information contact [events@kpets.org](mailto:events@kpets.org)
- October 29 — Lititz Halloween Parade**, 7:00 p.m., This parade was a ton of fun last year! Be sure to represent KPETS with some really great costumes like we did last year, and impress the judges along the route. Parade registration is from 5:45 to 7:00 at McElroy's drug store on the corner of Main and Cedar streets in Lititz. Parade line up is at 7:00pm in front of Moravian Church on Broad street.

**Be sure to check [www.kpets.org](http://www.kpets.org) on the KPETS Kalendar page for additional updates!**

Note: Due to insurance purposes, events designated ® are only open to REGISTERED therapy teams (KPETS, Delta, TD Inc. etc.) OR teams who have taken KPETS Orientation and are working on evaluations.

# KPETS Key Konnectors

## Volunteer Roundtable Planner:

Carl Speros 717-397-7882 or [misskatiesdad@webtv.net](mailto:misskatiesdad@webtv.net)- 6:30 p.m. - Third Saturday of odd numbered months - Next on November 17 at 9 a.m. at Moveable Feast, Mountville.

## Phone Buddy Coordinator:

If you do not have email, contact Bobbie to get set up with a phone buddy to keep you informed between newsletters. Bobbie Sayer 717-733-0929 or [jsayer@dejazzd.com](mailto:jsayer@dejazzd.com)

## New Recruit Contact:

Guiding and helping potential volunteers get lined up with orientation by responding to questions via emails and phone calls. Bev Smith 717-350-6175 or [info@kpets.org](mailto:info@kpets.org) or Chris Bordner 717-567-3852 or [team.mytherappets@bluetie.com](mailto:team.mytherappets@bluetie.com)

## Orientation Follow-up Guide:

Guiding volunteers through the registration process once orientation has been completed. BJ Shollenberger 717-397-9384 or [bjshollen@juno.com](mailto:bjshollen@juno.com) or Gini Swartzell 717 732-5772 or [vpompoo@aol.com](mailto:vpompoo@aol.com)

## Volunteer Hours Tracking & Membership Files:

Please be sure to report your volunteer hours and travel time (as a separate amount) each month to Linda Euclide at 717-355-5232 or [volhours@kpets.org](mailto:volhours@kpets.org).

## Events Coordinators:

Coordinating and staffing KPETS events - Jenny Rule 717 808-0143 or [events@kpets.org](mailto:events@kpets.org).

For the Carlisle and East/West Shore - Roslyn Rhodes 717-418-1003 or [roslynr@kpets.org](mailto:roslynr@kpets.org)

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### KPETS Team Evaluators for On-Site Supervised Visits

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## Harrisburg / Carlisle Area Visits

Facility	Day of Week	Time	City	Team Leader
Bosler Library	Varies	6:30pm	Carlisle	Roslyn Rhodes
Bridges at Bent Creek	Alt Tuesdays* Saturday 2nd	10:00am 10:00am	Mechanisburg	Roslyn Rhodes
Church of God Home	Alt Tuesdays*	6:30pm	Carlisle	Roslyn Rhodes
Colonial Pines Golden Home	Alt Weekend	noon	Harrisburg	Roslyn Rhodes
Country Meadows	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm 11:00am	Mechanicsburg	Roslyn Rhodes
Frederickson Library	Mondays*	6:30pm	Camp Hill	Roslyn Rhodes
Messiah Village Special Care/ Asst Living	Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> / 2 <sup>nd</sup>	3:00 pm 6:30 pm	Mechanicsburg	Roslyn Rhodes
Perry Village	every Thursday	9:00 am	New Bloomfield	Roslyn Rhodes
Stonebridge Health & Rehab Cntr	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	6:15 pm	Duncannon	Roslyn Rhodes

## KPETS Schedule of Visits

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<i>Facility</i>	<i>Day of Week</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Facility Team Leader</i>
*Acadia	Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Lancaster	*Carol Hopwood
Adult Day Care	Tuesday 2nd & 4th	10:00 a.m.	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger
Audubon Villa	Wednesday 1st	6:30 p.m.	Lititz	Frank & Ginni Fossa
*Barnes Hall	Thursdays 1st & 3rd	7:00 p.m.	Lancaster	Mark Stoner
Berkshire Commons	Thursdays	11:00 a.m.	Wyomissing	Ann Palmer
Brethren Village	Tuesday 1st & 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Neffsville	Darlene Creighton & Leanne Spurlin
Cambridge Colonial Hall	Misc times	Misc times	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger
Colonial Lodge	Monday	2:30 p.m.	Denver	Bobbie Sayer
Conestoga View	Misc times	Misc times	Lancaster	Pat Wood
Country Meadows	Sunday Twice monthly	3:00 p.m.	Lancaster	Luann Rittenhouse (see website for dates)
Ephrata Manor	Wednesday 1st & 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Ephrata	Kim Michener
Ephrata Manor	Saturday 1st	10:30 a.m.	Ephrata	Marilyn Mackey
Evergreen Estates Village	Saturday 1st	10:00 a.m.	Lancaster	Anita Wolfe
Fairmont Homes	2nd & 4th Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Ephrata	Rick & Jenifer Cammauf
Garden Spot Village	Wednesday 3rd	day	New Holland	Ned Taylor
Hamilton Arms	Wednesday 2nd & 4th	6:30 p.m.	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger & Carl Speros
Harrison House	Friday 3rd	2:00 p.m.	Christiana	Serve Us Canines
Hearthstone	Monday 2nd & 4th	10:00 a.m.	Mount Joy	Connie McCarthy
Heartland Hospice	Various	Various	York	Fran Holt
LRMC Adult Day Care	Tuesdays	10:00 a.m.	Lancaster	BJ Shollenberger
Lebanon VA Hospital	Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Lebanon	Marilyn & Bruce Mackey
*Lititz Library - Paws to Read	Saturdays	Morning	Lititz	*Anita Wolfe
Luther Acres	Thursday 1st	1:30 p.m.	Lititz	Marilyn Mackey & Jolene Newcomer
Manor Care	Thursdays 1st & 3rd	Various	Elizabethtown	Mary Merrell or Fran Holt
Manor Care	Thursdays 1st & 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Elizabethtown	Mary Gottfried
Manor Care	Tuesday 2nd	1:30 p.m.	Elizabethtown	Marilyn Hapke
Masonic Village	Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Elizabethtown	Joyce Grix
Masonic Village	Friday	12:30 p.m.	Elizabethtown	Bobbie Sayer
Mennonite Home	Monday	6:30 p.m.	Lancaster	Joe & Crystal Hess
Moravian Manor	Wednesday 2nd	6:30 p.m.	Lititz	Frank & Ginni Fossa
Oak Leaf Manor	Monday 1st & 3rd	3:30 p.m.	Millersville	Shari Sellers
*Phil Haven	1st Monday	6:30 p.m.	Mt Gretna	Andy/Linda Euclide
*Phil Haven Group Home	Saturdays		Mt Gretna	*Bev Smith
Reidenbaugh Elementary	TBD		Lititz	June Wise
Rheems Nursing & Rehab Ctr	Wednesday 1st & 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Rheems	Wendy McKelvy
*Schreiber Pediatric	Times / days vary	varies.	Lancaster	*Karen Gerth
Select Specialty Hospital	Mondays	1:00 p.m.	York	Mary Merrell
Susquehanna Rehab & Nursing	Sunday every other		Columbia	Becki Lieberknecht
The Glen, Willow Valley	Friday every other	6:30 p.m.	Willow Street	Jody Rosser
Twin Oaks	Sunday		Campbelltown	Nan Roberts
United Zion	Wednesday 4th	6:30 p.m.	Lititz	Frank & Ginni Fossa
*Upper Bay Counseling	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.	Elkton, MD	*Linda Bunch
Village Vista	Wednesday 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Lancaster	Nancy Thomas
Ware Presbyterian Village	Wednesday 1st & 3rd	6:30 p.m.	Oxford	Bill Townsend
Westminster Ridge	Tuesdays	2:00 p.m.	Westminster, MD	Mary Merrill
York County Nursing Home	Thursdays 2nd & 4th	Various	York	Mary Merrell or Fran Holt



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