

# Mid-Continent Kennel Club

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## AUGUST MEETING INFORMATION

**DATE:** August 11, 2009

**TIME:** 7:00 p.m.

**REFRESHMENTS:** Sherry Brisco

**LOCATION:** Therapeutics Service Dogs

9433 East 51st Street, Suite J

Just west of Mingo in Shannon Square

### MCKC Returns to the Tulsa Fairgrounds for 2010

#### MCKC Back-to-Back Shows: May 28<sup>th</sup>—31<sup>st</sup>

MCKC and Seminole Kennel Club will hold a four-day cluster Memorial Day weekend, 2010. This exciting new event will feature 4 all-breed shows, 4 obedience trials, 4 rally trials and 4 agility trials. The shows will be held at the QuikTrip center at Expo Square. ASFA coursing, hosted by Tulsa Sighthound Association, will be offered on Saturday and Sunday at Hale High School. We all expect that this will become Oklahoma's premier dog show.

This location and date should provide many advantages to both clubs. The QuikTrip venue has unlimited space for reserved and open grooming, excellent parking for cars and RVs, and is attractive to vendors and exhibitors alike. There is ample space for performance events as well. Exhibitors in the region are accustomed to this show date, and handlers should appreciate the return of a four-day show as they make their way through the OK-TX summer circuit.

MCKC will need the help of all its members to make this show a success. Please think about which committees can best utilize your talents and let Karen know that you are willing to assist. Committees are listed below.

#### MCKC Memorial Day Cluster Committees

Committee Name	Chairperson(s)
Building & Grounds	Karen Gibson
Specialty Clubs	Suzie Campbell (Seminole KC) & Lori Finlayson
Vendors	Jim Harber
RV Parking	Jim Harber
Reserved Grooming	Donna Bennett
Judges Hospitality	Fred Bassett
Children's Art Show	Lori Finlayson & Charles Simmons
Sponsorships	Lori Finlayson
Judge Selection	Suzie Campbell & Karen Gibson
Public Education	Pam Clifton
Exhibitor Hospitality	(Chairperson needed)
Catalog Advertising	(Chairperson needed)
Publicity	(Chairperson needed)

### Onofrio Show Closings for August

• **August 5<sup>th</sup>**

Lake Elmo, MN

Houston, TX \*

Kansas City, MO

Atlanta, GA

• **August 12<sup>th</sup>**

Lexington, KY

Monroe, LA

Amana, IA

Cheyenne, WY

Elk City, OK

• **August 19<sup>th</sup>**

Greeley, CO +

Des Moines, IA

Roswell, NM

Owensville, OH

• **August 26<sup>th</sup>**

Farmington, UT

Dallas, TX \*

Biloxi, MS

Chino Valley, AZ

Sullivan, MO

Salina, KS

East Ridge, TN

Rochester, MN

\* Toy dogs only

+ Terriers only

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# Minutes and Reports

## Minutes for the July Membership Meeting

July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 • Hardesty Library

Quorum Present

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Gibson at 7:04.

Guests were introduced – Cheryl Schuman, Jim Fehring and Shawnda and Jordan Courtney.

The minutes stand approved as published in the newsletter.

President Karen Gibson talked about longtime MCKC member Don Pfeifer that recently passed away. The club will make a donation in his memory.

Nancy Werhane, owner of Pooches was the guest speaker. Nancy told the membership about all the services that Pooches has to offer and about the upcoming move to the 41<sup>st</sup> and Yale area.

Karen talked about VP Lori Finlayson's recent AKC Community Award. Because of Lori receiving this prestigious award the club received a check for \$1,000.

Karen asked Mike and Donna Bennett to be in charge of keeping the membership updated on all animal related legislation.

September 20<sup>th</sup> will be the AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day in Enid. MCKC will be participating and needs volunteers. Karen will send around a sign-up sheet. September 19<sup>th</sup> is the AKC Breeder's Symposium. The fee is \$95.

Karen passed around AKC information about group realignment.

Therapeutics will host the August meeting and have a demo of their dogs.

We received nominations for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards. The nominees will be published in the newsletter.

Vice-President – Lori Finlayson reported on the success of the most recent Junior Handling classes.

Secretary – Deby Harber thanked Jennifer Block for taking over the monthly MCKC newsletter.

Treasurer – Linda Moore gave the treasurer's report.

Membership – Charles Simmons read a membership application from Alicia Davis McClaughlin as an associate member. She is the OSU vet student we presented a grooming table to at our Awards Dinner. Charles made a motion to accept Alicia as a member, seconded by Ruth Harris and passed by the membership.

At the December 2008 a motion was made and passed to move the MCKC show to the 35<sup>th</sup> weekend at the QuikTrip Center at the Tulsa Fairgrounds. Charles made an amendment to this motion to move the show to May 28-31, 2010 at the same location and to partner with the Seminole Kennel Club. Donna Bennett seconded the motion. Karen gave some background on amending the motion. The motion was passed by a vote of the membership.

The Tulsa Sighthound Association will have lure coursing at Hale High School. Donna Bennett volunteered to be in charge of reserved grooming for the 2010 show.

Meeting adjourned.

Deby Harber  
MCKC Secretary

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### President's Report

Just in case you haven't already read my announcement, the Seminole Kennel Club (Shawnee, OK) is coming in with us for shows beginning in 2010! In addition to 4 All Breed Conformation Shows we will hold 4 Obedience, Rally, and Agility Trials on Friday-Monday, May 28-31, 2010. Plans are for Onofrio and vendors to set-up on Wednesday, exhibitors may drive-in to unload Thursday morning, and then there will be Specialty Shows Thursday afternoon and evening. In addition, the Tulsa Sighthound Association will hold ASFA Lure Coursing Trials Saturday & Sunday at Hale High School about 1 mile away. Seminole KC has always had a successful Memorial Day cluster and now moving with us to one of the best show sites in the U.S. - the QuikTrip Center at Expo Square (former IPE/Exposition Building on the Tulsa State Fair Grounds) - things can only go up! This will be a 4-day event rather than just two kennel clubs putting on their 2-day shows the same weekend so MCKC members are needed to work all 4 days. Please volunteer to **HELP MAKE THIS ONE OF THE TOP EVENTS IN THE COUNTRY!**

Don't forget the Responsible Dog Ownership Day in Enid on Sunday, September 20th. MCKC will be helping with this event and in turn we will get credit towards the activities our club needs to hold in order to be able to have our conformation shows. We have agreed to help with the Conformation Handling Classes so please volunteer to lend a hand helping new exhibitors learn to show their dogs - they just may enter our shows next year! And you may want to consider attending the all-day Breeder's Symposium also in Enid on Saturday the 19th. The cost is \$95 but this includes breakfast & lunch and includes a copy of the ABC's of Breeding by Claudia Orlandi, PhD (a \$35 value). MCKC will buy one admission to this event and we will draw for the winner at the August Membership Meeting! Be there to WIN!

You may also want to attend the August Membership Meeting because it will be held at Ther-A-Petics (see address and directions elsewhere in the Newsletter). They will give us a tour and explain about their organization and how they train the dogs to assist people with various disabilities. It is truly a worthwhile organization.

Our condolences to Nancy Pfeifer on the death of her husband and longtime MCKC member Don Pfeifer. A breeder and exhibitor of Pugs, Don was also a highly respected Pediatrician. MCKC will make donations to the Humane Society of Tulsa and the Tulsa SPCA in Don's memory.

Karen Gibson, President

### AKC Lifetime Achievement Award Nominees Announced

Nominees for the 2010 Lifetime Achievement Awards have been selected. Member clubs have until September 14<sup>th</sup> to cast their ballots for nominees in the following categories:

#### **Conformation**

Sandra Goose Allen, of St. Petersburg, Florida  
Jean Fournier, of Calhoun, GA  
Helen Lee James, of Littleton, Colorado

#### **Companion Events**

Sharon Anderson, of White Bear Lake, Minnesota  
Shirley Indelicato, of Acton, California  
Jill K. Jones, of Brownsville, Oregon

#### **Performance**

Jo Ann Frier-Murza, of Crosswicks, New Jersey  
Jacquelyn (Jackie) Mertens, of Madison, Florida  
Wayne R. Price, of Navarre, Ohio

For more information about each nominee, please see: <http://www.akc.org/news/lifetime/2010/nominees.cfm>

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### Show Brags and Achievements

Dog	Owner	Breed	Show	Win	Pt
<b>On Their Way</b>					
Dalmino's Mata Hari	Lori Finlayson	Dalmatian	OKC, OK Dallas, TX	WB/BW/BOS WB/BW	3 2
Hillview Prairie Rose of Bonhaven	Bonnie Parker	Scottish Terrier	San Antonio, TX Dayton Specialty	WB Sweeps Div.	*
<b>New Champions</b>					
CH. Botar's Souther Charm	Janine Winings	Labrador Retriever	Sedalia, MO	WB/BOW	3
CH. Eggstream Singular Sensation of Ra-She	Sherry Brisco	Mini Bull Terrier	Sedalia, MO	WB	
CH. Morningstar Rebel Response	Bonnie Parker	Scottish Terrier	San Antonio, TX Gardner, KS	WD WD/BOW WD	1 5 4
<b>BOB/Group/BISS/BIS</b>					
BIS CH. Chaoyang Chick Magnet at Asia	Bonnie Berney & Helga Kamp	Chinese Shar Pei	Texarkana, TX MN  Dallas, TX	BOB, Group 1 BOB, Group 1 BOB, Group 2 BOB, Group 2	
BISS CH. Liberty's Walk Like A Man	Donna Bennett	Whippet	AWC Regional Specialty, OKC OKC, OK	BISS  BOB	

### State and National News

#### House Bill 1332 Defeated

The Oklahoma Legislature adjourned on Friday, May 29, without passing House Bill 1332. As introduced, this bill would have placed numerous restrictions on breeders and fanciers, including requiring breeders nationwide to obtain an annual Oklahoma "out-of-state dealer/breeder license" prior to bringing a dog into the state, with few exceptions.

The AKC and its state federation the Oklahoma Animal Interest Alliance (OAIA) succeeded in getting the bill amended to address many concerns. Some issues still remained, however, including the allowance for warrantless inspections at any time and the exclusion of breeder or OAIA representation on a new breeder advisory panel. The bill also continued to allow the state Board of Agriculture to develop standards of care with no public input or comment.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of OAIA and the many responsible breeders and dog owners in Oklahoma who continued to contact their legislators, the bill died in conference committee. The AKC assisted these efforts by issuing numerous alerts to Oklahoma breeders, fanciers, and AKC officials and sending letters, providing fact sheets, and communicating with key legislators. In addition we worked closely with OAIA to develop strategy and talking points for all responsible owners and breeders opposing this bill.

We congratulate OAIA and Oklahoma breeders on this significant victory.

This article courtesy of the AKC website. Article may be found at [http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=3861](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=3861)

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### Lori Finlayson Receives AKC Community Achievement Award

Lori Finlayson of the Mid-Continent Kennel Club and a resident of Jenks, Okla. has been named a recipient of the American Kennel Club® (AKC®) Community Achievement Award for combining her passion for teaching and purebred dogs into unique programs for children. Finlayson received one of three awards for the second quarter of 2009 (Penn Ridge Kennel Club and Bakersfield Obedience Training Club also received recognition).

The AKC Community Achievement Awards support and recognize outstanding public education and legislation efforts of AKC-affiliated clubs, AKC-recognized federations and their members. The AKC selects award recipients who promote purebred dogs and responsible dog ownership within their communities or who have successfully introduced, monitored and responded to legislative issues affecting dog ownership.

A teacher at the Jenks Middle School, Finlayson teaches an annual lesson in her class instructing her students how to do research to find a suitable dog for their family. Finlayson has guest speakers from the fancy visit the class with their dogs to further educate her students about breeds and students become skilled in how to take notes and document sources. The lesson culminates in a visit to the Tulsa Cluster of dog shows, where the students complete their research.

Finlayson founded the Children's Art Show at the Dog Show event held at the Mid-Continent Kennel Club show. This contest, in which kids are invited to depict their favorite dog or breed of dog, has become a popular part of the show, with over 500 pictures entered last year by young dog lovers. In addition, Finlayson launched a new set of junior handling classes with her fellow club members. The classes focus on canine anatomy, grooming, handling, and even how to dress for the show ring. "Students have responded with great enthusiasm and can't wait for the next set of classes to begin," Mid-Continent Kennel Club secretary Deby Harber said. "They all leave the class with more presence, confidence and desire to further pursue involvement in the world of purebred dogs."

"Ms. Finlayson does an excellent job of integrating her teaching skills with her knowledge of dogs in order to help children grow into responsible dog owners," said Ron Rella, AKC's Director, Project Administration. "We are proud to honor her with this AKC Community Achievement Award."

This article courtesy of the AKC website. Article may be found at [http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=3911](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=3911)

### Donald R. Pfeifer Remembered

Donald R. Pfeifer, a native Tulsan, was born to Richard and Cornelia Pfeifer in 1934. He died from complications of Multiple Myeloma on July 9, 2009. He was predeceased by his parents and his sister Regina Baker. Don was a graduate of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, and a board certified pediatrician who healed and cared for children for 32 years in Tulsa/Broken Arrow.

Don was an early and continuous supporter of LaLeche League in Tulsa. Don married his wife and best friend Nancy in 1956. He is survived by his wife and 4 children: Donna McDonald (Kevin) and John (Deborah) of Slidell, LA; Mark (Julie) of Rolla, MO; David (Diane) of Tulsa; 12 grandchildren; and his brother, Jerry (Carole) of Richmond, VA.

His last beloved animal companion was surprisingly not a Pug, but his adopted Greyhound, Porter. Don loved flowers, and gardening was his passion after retirement. However, caring for the living was the most important thing in his own life and he would ask that you contribute in his memory to the Parent Child Center of Tulsa or the animal rescue organization of your choice.

This article excerpted from the Tulsa World website. Complete obituary may be found at: [http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/article.aspx?no=subj&articleid=20090712\\_Ob\\_obsn6826201&rss\\_lnk=6](http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/article.aspx?no=subj&articleid=20090712_Ob_obsn6826201&rss_lnk=6)

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### Community News

#### AKC Canine Experience Needs You

Volunteers are needed to help with the 2009 Canine Experience. The event is scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the Garfield County Fairgrounds in Enid. The Canine Experience is a multifaceted event designed to introduce dog owners to AKC sponsored activities such as conformation, agility, field trials and therapy. Participation in the Canine Experience will count toward hosting a B Match and keep MCKC in good standing with the AKC, so your participation is very important.

A breeder's symposium will be held the day before. If you are planning to attend the breeder's symposium **and** volunteer the next day at the Canine Experience, MCKC can pay for your hotel room. Contact Karen to make arrangements.

MCKC will be hosting the Canine Experience in Tulsa next year, so volunteering this year is a great way to preview the organization and management of this event. For more information and a detailed schedule of events, please go to: <http://okcanine.org/>

#### OKCKC and Onofrio Sponsor 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Achievement Challenge

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Junior Achievement Challenge is scheduled for August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds in the Oklahoma Expo Hall. The JAC, sponsored by the Oklahoma City Kennel Club and Onofrio Dog Shows, gives junior handlers the chance to compete for a trip to the 2009 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship and a \$1000 scholarship. Scholarships are also awarded to the runners-up. A comprehensive program is offered for juniors which includes educational seminars, regular and top junior showmanship competitions and a clothing exchange. All activities for juniors are free of charge. This is an excellent opportunity for juniors to receive intensive training and practice in all areas of showmanship. Lunch and refreshments will be furnished at no cost to juniors.

The JAC also includes two days of back-to-back sanctioned matches in conformation, obedience and rally. The matches are being held in conjunction with OKCKC's Canine Experience. New classes have been added for best BBE puppy and adult, rare and miscellaneous breeds and best veteran. CGC testing will also be available. Complete information and match premium is available at: <http://www.onofrio.com/plist/jacokc2009.pdf>

#### MCKC Donates \$500 to Biscuit Acres Dog Park

MCKC has donated \$500 to Biscuit Acres Dog Park and will receive a plaque at the park in recognition of this donation. Biscuit Acres is located inside Hunter Park at 5804 East 91st Street, between Yale and Sheridan. The dog park offers nearly 2.5 acres of off-leash fun, with separate fenced areas for large and small dogs. Improvements at the park will continue, including the construction of permanent shade structures and poop collection stations.

This is Tulsa's second dog park. The first, Joe's Station Bark Park, opened in August of last year. Joe's Station is located in Newblock Park at 2279 Charles Paige Blvd. The Bark Park Task Force is working with Tulsa neighborhoods to secure a location for a third park.

Information and policies for Tulsa's dog parks can be found at <http://tulsabarkpark.com/>

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### MCKC Yahoo Group is Active

Thanks to Donna Bennett, we now have an easy way to stay informed about the activities of our club. For those of you unfamiliar with Yahoo Groups, this is a site exclusively for our members to post questions and announcements, share our brags and notify the group of important information and upcoming events.

If you have already joined, be sure to add a link to your web site so we can all keep up with your accomplishments.

To join, send an email to

[MCKCTulsa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:MCKCTulsa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)  
or [donna@libertyakitas.com](mailto:donna@libertyakitas.com)

**Need help figuring it out? Contact us!**

Donna Bennett: [donna@libertyakitas.com](mailto:donna@libertyakitas.com)

Jennifer Block: [jl.block@yahoo.com](mailto:jl.block@yahoo.com)

### Save the Date: Events in Oklahoma

<u>Month</u>	<u>Club/Sponsor</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>August</b>			
1-2	OKCKC/Onofrio	Match/Junior Achievement	OKC, OK
29-30	Bulldog Club of Great Tulsa	Specialty Show	Tulsa, OK
29-30	West Central Oklahoma KC	All Breed Show	Enid, OK
<b>September</b>			
4	Tulsa vs. Tulane	Football Game	at Tulane
5	OSU vs. Georgia	Football Game	Stillwater, OK
5	OU vs. Brigham Young	Football Game	Norman, OK
17	Bulldog Club of America	Specialty Show	OKC, OK
18	Texoma Bulldog Club	Specialty Show	OKC, OK
19	AKC Breeder's Symposium	Education	Enid, OK
20	AKC Canine Experience	Match/Public Education	Enid, OK
19-20	Oklahoma City Bulldog Club	Specialty Show	OKC, OK

### A Special Thank You to MCKC Members from Lori Finlayson

A big thank you to all the club members who have helped through the years for me to receive the AKC Community Achievement Award. Thanks to Barbara and Betty Jeleski for recognizing the value of the Art Show, to Charles and Phyllis for their continuing and unwavering support of the art show, to Carol Minden, Pat Ford, Darlene Davis, Sherry Brisco, Karen Gibson, and many more who shared their dogs with my students, and the enthusiastic help with the juniors from Bonnie Parker, Jennifer, Charles, Karen, Marc, Janine, Jim and ... it goes on and on with many working in all three areas.

Thanks to my husband Mac for his tireless support as well. Primarily though, I have to thank Deby Harber for always being there to help and offer a superior perspective, and this is truly her award too. Congrats to the kids who enjoyed the dogs and the dogs that changed people's lives. Congrats to all of you for becoming what a kennel club should be and looking forward to a bright new future. I feel fortunate to work with such dedicated members.

Lori Finlayson

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### 2009 Refreshment Schedule

**April:** Linda Moore  
**May:** Karen Gibson  
**June:** Deby Harber  
**July:** Lori Finlayson

**August:** Sherry Brisco  
**September:** Janine Winings  
**October:** Bonnie Berney  
**November:** Anna Vaughn

### Eating at the Meeting

Our refreshments have been outstanding, and have reflected the tropical tastes of summer. Try these recipes for Lori's coconut cake and Linda's banana bread.

### Hawaiian Banana Nut Bread

from C&H Sugar Favorite Recipes

Preheat oven to 350° F.  
Grease a 9x5x3 inch loaf pan and set aside.

#### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup C&H granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup pureed ripe bananas
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup coarsely chopped macadamia nuts, walnuts, or pecans, toasted
- 2 tbs finely chopped crystallized ginger (optional)

In a small bowl combine sour cream, baking soda, baking powder and salt; set aside.

With electric mixer beat butter and sugar. Add eggs and banana puree. Add 1 cup flour, sour cream mixture and then remaining flour; stir until just blended. Stir in nuts and ginger. Pour into greased 9x5x3 inch loaf pan. Bake 50 to 60 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. If bread starts to overbrown, cover with foil during last 15 minutes of baking. Remove from pan. Cool on rack.

Makes 1 loaf.

Notes: this is best when made with overly ripe bananas. When your bananas get too ripe, toss the entire banana into a bag and freeze. Once you have collected a few they can be defrosted, peeled, and mashed to make the banana puree. Crystallized ginger is strangely found in the Japanese food section of my regular grocery store but should normally be located with items related to baking.

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### Lori's Coconut Cake

(actually you could leave the coconut off for those that haven't acquired a taste for it)

Preheat oven to 350° F.

Grease and flour metal cake pan and set aside (use pan size recommended on cake mix box).

#### Ingredients:

- 1 box white cake mix ( I prefer Duncan Hines, and without the pudding)
- 1 can (8.5 oz.) Coco Lopez
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 cup low fat or nonfat vanilla yogurt
- 3 eggs (you can use 4 egg whites if you want a truly white cake)
- 1/2 tsp almond extract

Mix all ingredients together on medium speed. Pour into greased and floured, metal rectangular cake pan. Bake at 350° F. for 35 minutes or until middle is set. Cool cake completely.

#### Icing:

- 1 block of low fat cream cheese, softened
- 1 box of sugar
- 1 tsp of vanilla
- 2 tbs milk (or Coco Lopez, if you got the big can and didn't use it for a piña colada while you made the cake)

Whip ingredients together. Ice cake and trim with moist CANNED coconut, not the dry packaged kind that looks like package filling. Yucky, stiff stuff and no wonder people don't like it.

## The Last Word

Dalmino Dalmatians welcomed five puppies to the world on July 17th! Three girls (two liver, one black) and two boys (black) from a FROZEN semen litter. Thanks to Dr. Beattie in Brighton Colorado! Sire is Ch Satin's Clown 'n Around CG CDX, the incomparable sire of 87 champion dals and counting. The dam is our beautiful girl Ch. Dalmino's Whoopededo.

### MCKC Standing Committees Need You

If you would like to help in any of these areas, please contact the committee's chairperson(s):

**Membership** - Charles Simmons

**Legislative** - Donna & Mike Bennett

**Show** - Karen Gibson

**Public Education** - Pam Clifton

**Sunshine** - Bob & Peggy Tucker

**Children's Art Show** - Lori Finlayson & Charles Simmons

We NEED people for the following committees:

**Publicity** - to get MCKC's name out before the public in print, on radio & TV

**Program** - to arrange for educational programs at the monthly meetings