



# ITCA

THE IRISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Anyone who breeds dogs undertakes certain moral obligations. One of those obligations is to assure that he places his puppies with responsible owners-- people who will cherish and properly care for their puppies. He must carefully appraise prospective buyers and screen out the undesirables. Edna Sillavan recently had an experience that demonstrates the importance of caution in selling a puppy. Edna writes:

"I had an enquiry from a man in New Orleans about buying one of my puppies. He said he wanted a female puppy for obedience. The longer we talked the more I realized that he knew nothing about obedience. I was beginning to get angry for I was trying so hard to tell him about obedience and the Irish Terrier, in-fact, I was recommending a different breed, but he just would not listen.

"Finally it came out. He let slip about all the Pit Bull Terriers he had trained to submission. Then I began to see the light. This man was in the dog fighting business. What he must have wanted to do was buy an Irish Terrier bitch to cross with the heavier and slower Pit Bull, hoping to gain speed and spirit from the Irish.

"I quickly hung up the phone, thankful that he did not have my street address. I wrote to Mary Roberts warning her, in her puppy referral duties, not to recommend this man to any ITCA member."

If any of you have had similar experiences, I should be interested to hear about them.



George Kidd

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

I hope every ITCA member and all families have had a lovely Christmas and are happily looking forward to a healthful and very successful 1981!

An addendum to the minutes of the October Annual Meeting: The figures for Puppy Referral Service Coordinator Mary Roberts' report are: from 10-1-79 to 10-1-80, 133 letters of inquiry received, 46 litters or single dogs carried in the litter basket, 20 Breed Books sent out. Of course as Secretary I frequently receive letters and telephone calls from prospective Irish Terrier customers and I give them as much help and information as possible. I do keep records, but have not tabulated figures. On Christmas Eve I received a call from Mrs. Jeanne Presada who was visiting her family in the U.S. for the Holidays and who hopes to return home to Brazil early in January with a replacement pup for an Irish Terrier she had recently lost. She had gotten an Irish in the past from Ed O'Keefe and also from someone in New Jersey whose name she could not recall. I am certainly hoping that one of the leads I gave her was successful and that some one of the ITCA members has been able to supply Mrs. Presada with a puppy now!

SECRETARY'S REPORT, continued

There is a large supply of the 1970 Centennial Edition ITCA Breed Books on hand, and in order to encourage effective distribution the Board has voted to offer them at the price of one dollar each. The Board also voted to offer a copy of the Breed Book to local libraries free of charge. Anyone who wishes to donate a Breed Book to a local library should request a copy from the Secretary.

A new printing of the Irish Terrier Excerpts folder is now available and single copies are available on request from the Secretary. Please send \$1.00 for half a dozen--the folders cost 27¢ apiece to print.

A reminder: The new ITCA note card stationery is available by mail from the Secretary (Nancy L. Hetzel, 4876 Keithdale Lane, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013) at \$4.50 for a package of one dozen, as described in the November 1980 Newsletter.

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NEW ITCA MEMBERS

The ITCA welcomes the following new members into our club:

Mr. John B. Kelly  
2020 Spring Garden St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19130  
? -597-2502 (work)

Mr. & Mrs. Nigel E. Rafferty (Bruce W.)  
1012 Seventh St.  
New Orleans, La. 70115  
504-891-4564

Mr. Frank Loccke  
423 Walton Dr.  
Cheektowaga, NY 14225  
716-834-4684

Mrs. Holly J. Welsh  
Rt. 1, Box 269  
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Mr. Lloyd O'Bannon  
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Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33535

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Dr. and Mrs. Gary S. Johnson  
Rt. 2, Box 347  
Ashland, MO 65010

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Magar  
2956 Courville Dr.  
Bloomfield Hills, Mi 48013

Mr. Robert F. Wynne  
40 Bogart Ave.  
Pearl River, NY 10965  
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CORRECTIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER OF NOVEMBER 1980

Nominating Committee should be: Gary Hammer, Chm., Jean Hall & James Reed.  
Alternates: Mary Roberts and Ed Chojnowski

Trophy Committee: Charles Ritter, Chm., Mary Gately, Jeanene  
MacDonald and John Best

Results of the ITCA Specialty: Veteran Bitch #48 was 2nd and #8 was 3rd  
Best of Winners was #18

Address Change Florence Sargent not Gargent

Please accept the apologies of your editor.

ANNUAL TROPHY FUND

At its October, 1980 meeting the Board of Governors approved a proposal to conduct an annual trophy fund solicitation, rather than the three solicitations which are now held. Furthermore, the Board established a committee to purchase uniform trophies at wholesale for the specialty shows. The committee consists of Charles Ritter, John Best, Mary Gately, and Jeanene MacDonald.

Reducing the frequency of the solicitations means that we need an increase in the one-time trophy contribution and we need an increase in the number of persons who contribute to the trophy fund.

The solicitation will be coming in the spring of 1981; please have your contributions ready!

Charles Ritter, CHM.

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Ideas that this committee are considering are: (quoted from a letter of John Best)

"As to types of trophies, I think the best bargains today and widest selection might be in engraved glass. These trophies can be had with a breed silhouette on it, and also the club letters.

"I also have the catalog of Ellington Collection, listing some very attractive trophies, consisting of sculptured heads, painted tiles, and figurines, etc. Available in Irish Terriers are the Irish Terrier tiles at \$9.00 each, Irish Terrier plates 8-1/2" in diameter at \$35.00, bells at \$17.50 and sets of four coasters at \$24.00.

"Other items to consider are neckties, silver and pewter."

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Pauline P. Puryear, a member of the Irish Terrier Club of America since 1967, died on Wednesday, November 12, 1980 at the Towson Convalescent Home In Towson, Maryland. Polly began breeding Irish in the early 1960's when she acquired her first bitch, Pat Herman. She bred Ch. Patti's Martha Riley, now owned by Bob Peters. Patti was recently shown in the Veteran Bitch Class at the 1980 Irish Terrier Specialty at Montgomery County--she was 14 years old. Polly bred a number of other champions, among them Ch. Riley's Cocksure Laoch and Ch. Riley's Tara of Glenworth, both now owned by Phyllis Kendrick; Ch. Song of Riley owned (at last report) by Klee and Ann Dobra; Ch. Riley's Mavourneen, owned formerly by Laureen and Charles Ritter; Ch. Riley's Meggin O'Shay, Ch. Riley's Maureen O'Shay, and Ch. Riley's Irish Mist, owned by Isabelle O'Connor and Susan Young. Polly's breedings have had a significant influence on several lines in the breed.

Polly had a stroke in 1972 when returning from a dog show to her Ruxton, Maryland home. She spent her last years in the Towson Convalescent Home. She was cremated; her remains are at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Ruxton, Maryland.

Prepared by: Charles Ritter and Phyllis Kendrick

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FREE GIFT OFFERED BY GAINES

The gift is the "Gaines 1981 Planning Diary", and you can get this helpful book by writing to Gaines Planning Diary, P. O. Box 1007, Kankakee, IL 60901.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I recently received a letter from Bette Sherman requesting poems, short stories, vignettes, art work and cartoons on the Irish Terrier that she could use in a book which she is in the process of writing. The working title of the book is "Noseprints" and any work that she uses, full credit and acknowledgement will be given to the author. If anyone wishes to submit his original works for this publication, he can contact Bette Sherman by writing her at Rt. 1, Box 334, Hedgesville, WV.

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I also received a letter from Viola McClain, Rt. 1, Box 160, Jane Lew, WV 26378, who is interested in meeting some breeders from that area. She would like to see some examples of the breed.

Several of our membership have been sending in to me their changes of address. This is fine, but please send this information to our Secretary, Nancy Hetzel, 4876 Keithdale Lane, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48013, also as she needs to keep her address file up to date for all the club's mailing. Nancy is the one who makes the address labels up for our Newsletter.

Did everyone notice that puppy's picture in the November Gazette? A letter from Marion Honey identified the puppy as her Ch. Rockledge Annie-Climax, taken over 17 years ago.

KEEP THOSE LETTERS COMING-----

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A REMINDER FROM OUR TREASURER

Dear I.T.C.A. Member(s):

Dues are now due. Right after the ecstasy of Montgomery, we have the agony of dues. The dues are \$12.00 per year per person, \$5.00 a Junior Membership.

The ITCA Constitution states Section 2:

"....payable on or before the first of January of each year. During the month of November, the Treasurer shall send to each member a statement of his dues for the ensuing year."

Also Section 4b:

"A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 60 days after the first day of the fiscal year, (March 2); however, the board may grant an addition of 30 days of grace to such delinquent members at its discretion. In no case may a person be entitled to vote at any Club meeting whose dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting."

Please send your check to:

R. James Wilson, Treasurer  
1965 Davison Lake Road  
Oxford, Michigan 48051

Sincerely,

  
R. James Wilson

Please fill in the section below and mail with your remittance.

NAME (S) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_



RICHARDSON TROPHY TO SUNDHEIMER

The D. G. Richardson Trophy, which has been in competition for Best of Opposite Sex at the Fall Specialty for 19 years, has finally been retired. Ch. Sunny's Pretty Queen won permanent possession of the handsome engraved sterling silver bowl for her owner, ITCA member Stephen Sundheimer, last October by winning BOS for the third time. Mrs. Rune Runberg, the former Nancy Parkes, offered the trophy in 1961 in memory of Mr. Richardson. Mrs. Richardson is still a member of the ITCA.

Following is a list of the annual winners of the Richardson Trophy:

1961	Ch. Dundalk's Brewer's Gold	John A. Humphrey
1962	Kellmar Hunter's Dawn	John A. Humphrey
1963	Ch. Dundalk's Spitfire	Teresa M. Irving
1964	Ch. Ahtram Legacy	Martha Hall
1965	Ch. Blazer's Ginny	Michael Gately
1966	Glannagalt Perfection	Robert Schnitzer
1967	Ch. Patti's Martha Riley	Pauline Puryear
1968	Ch. Dungarvin's Celtic Queen	J. F. McIntyre
1969	Ch. Patti's Martha Riley	Pauline Puryear
1970	Ch. Blazer's Jim Casey	Michael Gately
1971	Ch. Denbryl's Tina of Lynphen	Dennis Barnes
1972	Glenworth's Erin	Ed & Karen Worth
1973	Cashel Moonrise	Joan L. John J. Elliott, Jr.
1974	Ch. Rockledge's Siobhan O'Goss	Linda Honey
1975	Ch. Sarsfield Spaceman	Carlotta Howard
1976	Ch. Mullaghboy Bad N' Beautiful	Pat Casey
1977	Ch. Fiona Greenbriar Carlbeth	Sue Griffiths
1978	Sunny's Pretty Queen	Stephen Sundheimer
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FEBRUARY 8, 1981

The Irish Terrier Club of America  
Judge, David C. Merriam

This Specialty is held in connection with the Associated Terrier Clubs of New York and the show building is the State Armory (102 Engineers Battalion) at 217 Fort Washington Ave., New York, NY which is near 168th St. and Broadway.

Show Chairman, Father Dennis Fernandes, tells us that plans for the February Specialty (Sunday, February 8, 1981) are well underway. The trophy table is full (with the accent on ceramics) thanks to the efforts of Fran Maginn, Sandy Neider and Chris Accurso. Bob Wynne (ad Chairman) sends a hearty "thank you" to those who placed ads. Our judge will be the Honorable David C. Merriam and the stewards, Richard Diamond and Patrick Ryan.

A special reminder to all those who will be coming into New York for the show:

Through the kindness and hospitality of Stephen Sundheimer, we are invited to his apartment to share his hospitality on Saturday night at 7PM. His place is on 300 East 56th St. off 2nd Ave. If you want to get together for good food, good conversation and a good time, send your name and where you will be staying to Hospitality Chairperson, Linda Manahan, 81 N. 15th St. Hawthorne, N.J. 07506, so that Steve can make adequate preparations. A sincere "thank you" in advance to Steve Sundheimer!

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GOOD NIGHT AND PLEASANT DREAMS! by John D. Weiss, via Front & Finish

Police detectives in a large metropolitan area of Illinois were busy investigating a rash of early morning burglaries. They were puzzled to find that 85% of the homes burglaried had one or more dogs. Yet, not once did the victims report being roused by their dog's barking. It seemed strange that these dogs did not bark. These same dogs had all barked when detectives came to the homes to investigate the burglaries. Why had the dogs failed to bark at the robbers?

An experiment was conducted. Theories as to what had happened were tried out. A silent dog whistle caused the dogs to bark. Questions were pondered. Did the robbers "bait" the dogs with a concealed tranquilizer when the dog was let out before the victims retired for the night? Robberies at five homes were re-enacted. Again the dogs did not bark - even at the sound of breaking glass! The "robber" was even more surprised when he returned to his own home at 4:30AM. He decided to test his own dogs by banging on a window and making noise at the sliding doors. Not one of his four dogs (including a Sheltie) barked! Why? The answer aroused by the "robber" is logical and shocking!

"Here is what I believe 90% of the dog owners are inadvertently doing. Put yourself in this scene. It is a quiet night, but windy. A branch of a tree is knocking against the house or some other noise is occurring due to the wind. Your new, young dog hears these sounds and he barks. But you knowing it is only the wind, shout at the dog to be quiet. Or a neighbor comes home late at night and the sound of the car in the driveway causes your dog to bark. Again, you tell him to shut up and so on, and on it goes. Your dog barks at a new noise in the night and you, knowing the source of the noise, proceed to quiet the dog. In time, due to repetitious training procedures, you will probably end up teaching your dog not to bark at noises in the night.

It is important for you to realize that a dog is a pack animal by nature, and he will instinctively comply with the wishes of the pack leader. If you have the proper rapport with your dog, you should hold the distinction of being the leader. I call it being a controlling force. What happens, then, is this. Every night, 365 days a year, approximately 8 hours a day, one third of the dog's life: you are teaching him to rely on you. You are teaching him that you are in

charge and that you are the controlling force. As a result, at night when you are sleeping, you become the motivation: the controlling force that insists and commands a "no bark" rule. Now, if you are out for the evening and the dog is home alone, then he would probably bark at various noises in the night. The pack leader is gone, the controlling force has been removed and the dog, responding to standard survival instincts, will act accordingly.

"Let me see if I can point out an example or two. To those of you that have traveled with your dog and have stayed in a motel; can you remember that first couple of times? Your dog is quiet at night at home, but you get very upset in the motel because he barks at new, unfamiliar noises that he hears. You immediately tell the dog to shut up. In a very short time, you will become successful once again, at teaching the dog to rely on you to sound the alarm. Once again, you have taught your dog not to bark at sounds in the night. You reaffirm the fact that you are in charge. Yes, you are the controlling force. A dog is a creature of habit. They will do what they have done before, when placed in the same situation.

"The scary part of all this, is that you are probably just like me. You have heard or noticed as I have, that your dog or dogs are doing a fine job of guarding your home when you aren't there. But you have not realized that you are commanding your dog to accept the fact that when you climb into bed at night, that you are now in charge. You sleep soundly feeling secure that if there is trouble; your dog will let you know. Yet, not realizing it, your dog is doing exactly the same thing. He is sleeping soundly content that you, the controlling force, will sound the alarm.

"We have trained, and programmed our dogs to behave in this manner. We have spent more time teaching this response than any other thing. Every night, over and over we teach "don't bark!", "be quiet!", "I'm in charge!"

I'm sure your're curious as to how your dog would respond. So I suggest that you try the test yourself. Remember in order to get the proper results you must totally recreate the scene. You and all of your family must be in bed as usual. - Because of different stages of sleep, I suggest the hours between 2 and 5 am.

GOOD NIGHT AND PLEASANT DREAMS, continued

Also, you should not be aware of what night the test is going to take place. For if you did know, you wouldn't sleep as sound as normal. You would not drift into the normal stages of sleep yourself and, as a result, your dog may not act normally. This of course is an inconvenient test to make, but I think you will find the results surprising.

As it turns out, for what it's worth. It is safer to break into an occupied house, than it would be to break into a house where the owners are out for the evening.

"GOOD NIGHT AND PLEASANT DREAMS. ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ"

editor's note-----I read this article several months back and filed it away for some future use. A couple of things reminded me of it and these I would like to share with you.

THE PROWLER by Edna Sillavan

The night was still and I lay sleeping. What was that? I strained to hear-- Who's growling? Oh, it's only that crazy puppy, Stone. I listen again, yes, it's only Stone, Buster is quiet and the confidence returns to my resting body. I lie back down to sleep again when a maze of sounds thunder about me. A limb breaking from a tree, a thud hitting the ground, a voice yells out, "you move and I'll shoot you dead", Buster now raging behind the closed door of my daughter's bedroom. My God, what is happening? All sleep leaves my body as my one single purpose is to get to Buster. Leaping from the bed, I race down the hall for my daughter's room, throwing the door open, I command the raging dog, who is now joined with Rockie and Stone, "Go Get-um" and in deadly unison the trio hurl through the house through the doggy door and with a dreadful roar hit the fence. They are not in my yard but the neighbor's. Who's out there?, What are you doing?, I call out. If you don't leave, I'll turn loose the dogs. Don't do that, Miss, we are the police, and with the answer he turned on his flash light. Sure enough, it was two policemen holding the captured prowler between them.

"Hey, Buster, it's OK, come on Rockie-baby, Stone, you such a good boy--It is OK now."

As the police leave with their prisoner, I looked about the neighborhood, no other lights are on---no other dog barked. It is now 2 AM.

The next morning, I checked about the yard. Yes, there's the side gate open where he came into my yard and on the ground beneath the tree lay the limb he broke while climbing up out of Stone's reach. It wasn't just a dream.

IS THE IRISH TERRIER A GOOD WATCH DOG? AND HOW DO YOU TRAIN THEM TO PROTECT YOU? are now frequent questions asked by people interested in buying one. My standard answer to this is, "yes, they are terrific watch dogs" and all you have to do is encourage their natural instinct. "And no, you do not want to train an Irish Terrier for protection." I don't believe an amateur should own a trained attack dog of any breed and certainly not an Irish Terrier, for once the Irish is launched into attack, nothing can deter this animal's assault other than physical restraint or death. I'm sure there are a few exceptions to this such as my own Buster, but you must consider the years of hard training I have done with him.

His training started as a joke with my children teasing him and, in self-defense, I picked up and completed. Anyone out there with a house of noisy kids and one Irish Terrier puppy all racing to the door first must know how it all got started. Pretty soon that puppy associates the quiet steps with the ring of the door bell and will start the race first. For this, encourage and praise your puppy. At the start of his alertness, show a lot of excitement yourself by jumping about and crying, "OH, OH, LISTEN, WHO'S THERE" Your children will love to help you by playing the prowler.

As your dog grows older, never discourage his alert barking---if it is only the wind or your neighbor, quietly tell him so, "Good boy, it is ok." If you are sure of the noise yourself, walk out side with him and encourage him to find it. If it turns out to be a cat, laugh with him and pet him, but tell him gently, "NO it is OK."

IS THE IRISH TERRIER A GOOD WATCH DOG?, continued

One thing to remember with the training is, that once the person is invited into your house, you must show your dog how much you like this person. For the inexperienced dog, a leash by the door is handy to control him with. Use the same words to the person as you would use to praise your dog. Lighten up your voice and smile. In this manner, your dog will quickly learn to accept your guests.

I have tried to condense what many people have written books on, in just a few words. I do hope some of you will try these simple techniques with your own dogs. The rewards are worth it. My confidence and faith in Buster and now Stone are unshakeable

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OBEDIENCE NEWS

From the News Bulletin of Gaines Dog Research Center, the selection of the four American cities where the Gaines United States Dog Obedience competitions will be held in 1981 has been announced.

The Eastern Regional will be in West Springfield, Massachusetts on May 23 and 24. It will be followed by the Western Regional in Salt Lake City, Utah on July 4 and 5, and the Central Regional in Rock Island, Illinois on August 29 and 30.

Top winners in the three regionals will qualify to compete in the Gaines Obedience Classic scheduled for November 21 and 22, in Dallas, Texas. Should you miss the Regionals, you still can compete in the Classic if your dog has earned an average score from three different trials of 195 or better.

According to Walter N. Chime1, Director, Gaines Dog Research Center, the competitions are presented to help stimulate interest in dog obedience training by presenting many of the top obedience trained dogs in the U.S. on public view. "It is our hope that owners of purebreds and mixed breeds will come and see the advantages and benefits of obedience training and learn how such training can contribute to responsible ownership and care and increased enjoyment of the dog," he stated.



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Dog obedience enthusiasts would really enjoy visiting the zoo in Brookfield, Illinois, declares the Gaines Dog Research Center.

That's because "Lassie" stars in the zoo's "Animals In Action" show by performing dog obedience actions such as retrieving a dumbbell, leaping over a barrier and sitting in the heel position.

What's so unusual about that? Nothing, really, except that "Lassie" is a pig!

editor's note...Now really, if they can get a pig to this, surely we can get our Irish to.

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#### NEW CHAMPIONS

Ch. Biry's Lord of Trackways, owners, Karen Ford and Cory Klemperer

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#### IN THE RIBBONS

Ch. Inisheer's Irish Eyes

GR 3, Danville Kennel Club, 9-20-1980, Judge, David Doane

GR 4, Lynchburg Kennel Club, 9-21-1980, Judge, Ann Rogers Clark



IN THE RIBBONS, continued

Ch. Biry's Lord of Trackways, Karen Ford & Cory Klemperer  
GR 4, IEKA Kennel Club  
GR 4, Whidbey Island Kennel Club  
GR 2, Wlectric City Kennel Club  
Gr. 2 & GR 3 in Canada

Please send in these wins to me in catalog form with the dates and judges.  
thanks-----

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SOMETHING OF INTEREST

Award of Canine Distinction from Dog World:

- Show Honors,
1. Two or more Best in Show wins at All Breed point shows
  2. Won the Championship title without defeat in its sex in regular classes including Best of Winners at all shows and never winning less than BW towards the title.
  3. Won the title in three successive shows either in All Breeds or Specialty shows, namely three successive 5-point shows
  4. A Champion in two or more countries, either in conformation or field work.
- Obedience,
1. In not more than three consecutive trials with a score of not less than 195 at each of the trials.
  2. Won all three Obedience degrees, C.D., C.D.X., and U.D. within a period of nine months, either in Canada or America
- Breeding Field,
1. Male is the Sire of four or more Champions
  2. Bitch is the Dam of two or more Champions

Outstanding  
Service

This Award is issued to those hard-working Club members. If a Club wishes to honor a member, the applications must be on Club stationery, stating the member's name and the reasons for the Club's choice. These must be selected by unanimous vote of the Club members and these applications must be signed by two officers of the Club.

For either of these Awards, address request to the Secretary, Dog World Committee of Awards, 10060 W. Roosevelt Rd., Westchester, Illinois 60153.

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THE TURKISH TRENCH DOG, Geoffrey Dearmer, via The Daredevil Messenger

Night held me as I crawled and scrambled near  
The Turkish lines. Above the mocking stars  
silvered the curving parapet, and clear  
cloud-latticed beams o'erflecked the land  
with bars; I crouching, lay between  
Tense-listening armies, peering through the night,  
Twin giants bound by tentacles unseen.  
Here in dim-shadowed light  
I saw him as a sudden movement turned  
His eyes towards me, glowing eyes that burned  
A moment ere his snuffing muzzle found  
My trail; and then as serpents mesmerise  
He chained me with those unrelenting eyes,  
That muscle-limbed symmetry, those perfect jaws,  
And soft approaching pitter-patter paws  
Nearer and nearer like a wolf he crept-  
That moment had my swift revolver leapt  
But terror seized me, terror born of shame  
Brought flooding revelation, For he came  
As one who offers comradeship deserved,  
An open ally of the human race,  
And sniffing at my prostrate form unnerved  
He licked my face!

LITTER BASKET

Mary Roberts, our puppy co-ordinator, request that you send in the news of your litter each month, letting her know what puppies you have left. Your information should cover: your name, address, telephone number, the sire and dam of the litter, the date of their birth and the sex you have for sale. Send this information to: Mary Roberts, 10503 Cheddar St., Norwalk, CA 90650.

Miss Phyllis J. Kendrick 73 Stokesland Ave. Danville, VA 24541	Shantytown Paddy Murphy ex Ch. Greencastle's Babdof Renvyle	1M 10-28-80
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Mrs. Madelaine Alexson- Johnson Rt. 1, Box 71 East Lynn, W. VA 25512 304 849-3405	Ch. Rockledge's Miles Dylan ex Tjallmoras Yvette	2M, 5F 8-13-80
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Laura M. Lie Nielsen 487 W. Meadow Road Rockland, ME 04841 207 594-9341	Ch. Glenworth's Minute Man ex Glenworth's Happy Sassy	1M, 4F 7-6-80

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ex  
Taglitos De Ka Vu

Ch. Camogie Conman  
ex  
Ch. Irish Showstopper

Ch. Irish Rebellion  
ex  
Cotteryne Patroit's Pride

Ch. Sheehan's Irish Hellion  
ex  
Leprechaun Lady Brenna

Ch. Blackacre Barrister  
ex  
Trackways Mist of Bara

Ch. Telstarr Ya Gotta Believe  
ex  
Kennedy's Erin

2M, 1F  
9-18-80

4M, 4F  
10-20-80

3M, 3F  
10-20-80

2M, 1F  
10-29-80

3M, 1F  
8-12-80

4M, 1F  
11-25-80

5M, 3F  
11-29-80

CONGRATULATION to ITCA member, Robert C. Peters. Bob recently was elected to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Foundation, Inc., of North Carolina State University in Rairielgh, NC.

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MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY, submitted by George Kidd

The following article on "medical terminology for pet owners" was written by Robert L. Stear, D.V.M., manager of veterinary services at Norden Laboratories. It was published in a local newspaper in Dr. Stear's syndicated column. I believe that readers, particularly new ITCA members, will find it useful.

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An informed pet owner is a better pet owner, and understanding some basic medical terms can help you to stay informed. Here is a sampling of terms that could prove useful in reading about your pet and discussing his health with your veterinarian.

The Term "clinical diagnosis" is one based on outward, recognizable signs. Changes in a pet's behavior, loss of appetite, fever or paralysis are, for example, clinical signs of disease. A "laboratory diagnosis" on the other hand, is one that is based on an evaluation of tissue or material taken from the animal, such as blood or urine samples.

Disease and conditions that attack your pet may be "acute" or "chronic". Acute symptoms are severe and immediately noticeable. Chronic problems may or many not be clinically apparent, but they recur frequently and continue for a long period of time.

Your veterinarian may use terms to describe your pet's condition which have endings such as "itis" or "osis". "Itis" usually means inflammation. "Otitis" is an ear inflammation. "Osis", on the other hand, refers to a disease condition that will usually get worse without treatment. A dog with parasitosis is infected with parasites such as worms, for example.

Your veterinarian may indicate that your pet's disease is "infectious", which means that germs or viruses causing the disease can be transferred from one pet to another. An "organic" disease, on the other hand, is not caused by germs or viruses, but originates within the animal itself and may be inherited. Canine distemper is an infectious disease that is caused by a virus. Canine hip dysplasia is a hereditary organic condition that involves improper development of the ball-and-socket joint of the hip.

I think you'll find these common medical terms helpful in discussing your pet's problems with your veterinarian. Feel free to ask him about other terms you may not understand, because he appreciates an informed client. Your veterinarian will explain the situation in terms you can understand, helping you to be a better informed pet owner.

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A REMINDER FROM YOUR EDITOR

The schedule for our Newsletter for 1981 is:

JANUARY, MARCH, MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER, and NOVEMBER

Should you wish to have an article printed in a certain month, please submit your material at least 15 days in advance of that month's issue. I usually type up your articles as I receive them and then coordinate and copy the Newsletter on the first weekend of the month.

I also would like to thank everyone who this past year has contributed news items, letters and articles for our Newsletter. My file for future articles is just about depleted, so please look through yours and send in to me anything that you wish to share with others.

Here's hoping that each and everyone of you have a very successful 1981.

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