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Updates and current activities

Can be found at

- [www.cornbeltkennelclub.org](http://www.cornbeltkennelclub.org)

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2009**

**Meeting Place:**

**Holiday meeting:**

**Medici Restaurant and Bakery**

120 West North Street

Normal, IL 61761

(309) 452-6334

Orders will be taken promptly at 7:00PM

Meeting at 8:00PM.

All meetings **except Feb.**

are held the second

Tuesday in the months of

April, June, August,

October and December

**Deadline for *Sentinel* articles:**

**The last week of the month  
prior to the Club meeting**

**Disclaimer:**

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**Editor, Karan Kilgus**

General Meeting – October 13, 2009

Meeting called to order at 8:00 with 10 members present. Guests Martin and Ann Belcke introduced.

Minutes from August 11, 2009 read. Joel Haefner moved to approved as read. Kathy Karl seconded, motion approved.

President's Report – President absent. No report.

Martin Belcke informed members that Lois Kistner had a stroke last week and is in Bromenn Hospital. Will be moved in a few days to Manor Care for rehab. She is expected to recover. Penny will send a planter.

Secretary's Report – Correspondence passed.

Treasurer's Report – Details were reported. A debit card has been procured for transactions with AKC. Rod Vance moved to approve the report as read. Carrie Cowles seconded, motion approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Cluster - As reported in The Pantagraph, the main building at the Interstate Center and portions around it have been sold. The Committee is working on options and pursuing leads. Looks like some rearranging will work for 2010. Committee will report back as more information becomes available.

Nominating Committee – Will be meeting tonight.

Show Committee – Will be filing with AKC electronically. Judges selection will be mailing 2010 contracts in the next few days. Trophies – Pledge forms have been distributed and the committee is working on selecting trophies. Need to get a calendar of deadlines from Onofrio.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Joel Haefner recapped some recent legislative happenings.

Standing rule #11 currently reads:

A minimum scholarship certificate of \$500 will be offered annually at our Monday show for Best Junior Handler, in accordance with AKC regulations.

Penny Duffee moves to amend Standing rule #11 to read:

A Scholarship certificate will be offered annually at any of our Shows for Best Junior Handler, in accordance with AKC regulations.

Kathy Karl seconded, motion approved.

First Reading of Membership application for Martin Belcke .

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Burge, Secretary





## November Board Report

Show Apps have been filed electronically with AKC. Rod Vance is working on entering Judge's Panel. Next task to do is Premium List.

Cluster – Meeting at Interstate November 11, 2009. Main topic to be on the site (due to sale of IC). Also to be discussed:

- Corn Belt to raise entry fees \$2.00 across the board.
- Corn Belt's desire to establish bi-monthly meetings of the Cluster Committee.

Investment Committee – Has met with the Financial Advisor and is proceeding according to the established plan.

Corn Belt will continue to sponsor the Town & Country Kennel Club's Star Puppy Program.



*-The difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits- Albert Einstein*





## Legislation – Kay Richardson

November 5, 2009

### AKC

#### Update: New Orleans MSN Proposal Withdrawn

On November 4th, the mandatory spay/neuter proposal that was to be presented on November 5th was withdrawn by the sponsor, Councilwoman Cynthia Morrell.

Responsible dog breeders and owners voiced strong opposition to this proposal. AKC congratulates the dedicated fanciers and enthusiasts who spent countless hours educating the Council and staff about the unreasonableness and unenforceability of mandatory spay/neuter laws.

October 29th, 2009

### AKC

#### Update: Wisconsin Breeder Bills Advance

The Wisconsin State Assembly unanimously passed Assembly Bill 250 on Tuesday, October 27th. This bill has been significantly amended to require **reasonable standards of care for all who sell over 25 dogs per year, as well as animal rescues and shelters.** AKC appreciates the significant effort made to protect the health of dogs, as well as ensuring both hobby and commercial breeders are included in the regulatory process.

-Animal shelters, animal control facilities, dog breeders, dog breeding facilities, dog dealers, and out-of-state dog dealers to be licensed. "Dog breeder" is defined as anyone who breeds, raises, and sells 25 or more dogs a year.

-Inspection of facilities prior to licensure, and once every two years thereafter. Inspections may occur any time during normal business hours.

-Licensees to adhere to prescribed standards of care, including sufficient food and water, providing veterinary care, and providing proper enclosures for dogs.

-Licensees to keep detailed records regarding each dog kept on licenses premises-The Department of Agriculture to establish an advisory committee to assist in writing rules made pursuant to the bills. This advisory committee will be comprised of a variety of members, including small and large-volume breeders and a representative of a dog-sporting association.

October 6, 2009

### AKC

#### Victory for Louisville KC in Suit against City

The US District court Judge, Charles Simpson, III, of the Western District of Kentucky issued his decision in the case of the Louisville Kennel Club, Inc. v. Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government. This is a significant victory for the Louisville club. There are two key rulings that may also prove to be of great importance for dog owners nationwide.

First, Judge Simpson held that there was no rational basis why owners of unaltered dogs should be treated differently than the owners of altered dogs. This declared the part of the ordinance that required written approval for those dogs' enclosures (owners of altered dogs did not have such a requirement) as an unconstitutional violation of Equal Protection and Substantive Due Process.

Reiterating another court's earlier decision that recognized that dogs are personal property, the judge further held Louisville's seizure bond requirement as an unconstitutional violation of procedural due process rules. This requirement, which required anyone **accused** of animal cruelty to post bond for the care of their seized animals, would have resulted in the forfeiture of animals if they were not able to pay for the bond regardless of whether or not they were later determined to be innocent.

*"Thank you for your CONTINUED support of the Kentuckiana Cluster AND the Louisville Kennel Club", Louisville KC President (and Canine Legislative Chairman) Donna Herzig and Dianne O'Regan, National/Regional/Local Specialty Coordinator,  
Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows*



A Reminder to fill out your "input" form sent to you from Penny Duffee.

**You** have an opportunity to voice your choice of judges for our upcoming shows. You may submit your form to Penny at the Holiday meeting, December 8 – Medici Restaurant – Uptown Normal



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Vote at the Holiday meeting

In the big playground of life....you can't swing alone – *Ziggy*





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