

# News at Oak Grove!

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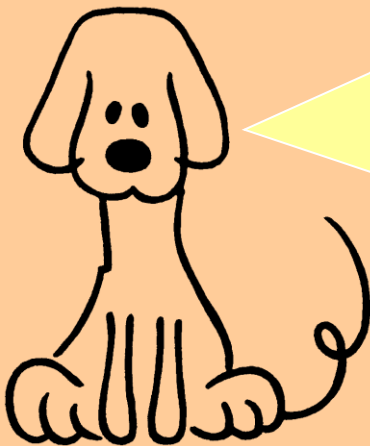


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**“A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.”**

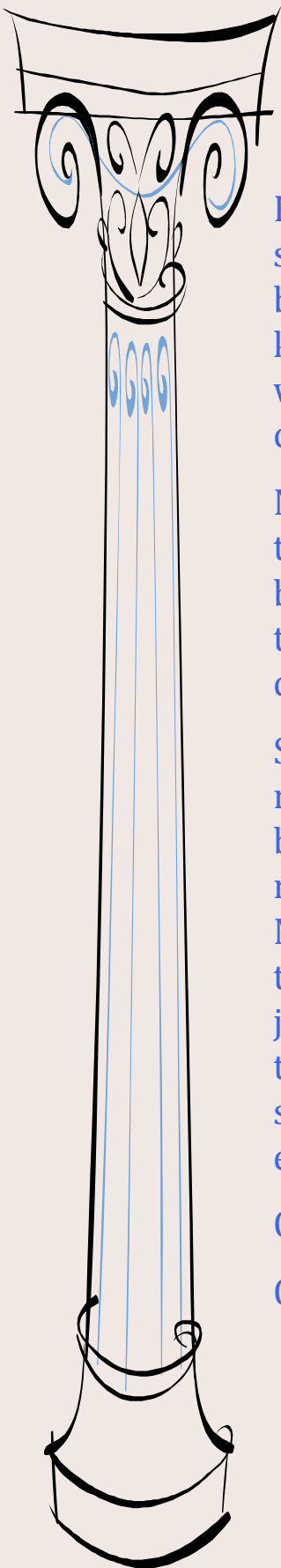
**~ John C. Maxwell**



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## Upcoming Events at Oak Grove!!

- Saturday Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Show N Go  
Golden Ret Club of North LA
- Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> Fundraiser  
Bossier City K9 Unit
- Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> CGC/ TDI testing



# Caesar's Column

Happy Dog Days of summer. It is so hot that my tongue seems to be able to touch the ground. My humans had a big party to celebrate something called marriage. All I know is there was a lot of food, drink, and laughter. I got watch from my box seat in the kennel but did not have a chance to sample the brisket or ham.

My second home – Oak Grove – is now even cooler with the addition of 20 new ceiling fans. There is a nice breeze wherever our 4 legged or 2 legged friends wish to stand. Even at 107 outside the training center is comfortable.

Since I was getting famous for my middle aged spread, my humans have put me on a diet. Turns out not to be as bad as it sounds. All that dry, artificial “kibble” has been replaced with real raw meat from a place called Bravo. My friend, Dax, is also on a diet but in his case he needs to put on a few pounds. I feel like a puppy again and take jumps in stride. I hope I can become a spokesdog for this product. Ask Susan or Ala about how you can get some for your best animal friend (dog or cat). Most everything is in stock at Oak Grove.

Come see us soon and bring RAIN!!

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# Oak Grove's Home Remedies

Here are some of our mom's favorite "Home Remedies" that she likes to give us:

- To help with yeast infections (for ears, etc): Add 2 tbs of plain yogurt daily to your dog's food. Not as nasty as it sounds; we love it! This helps not only yeast infections but also helps prevent upset stomachs.
- To help with insect bites and stings (Dax pay attention! We hear you like to chase bumblebees): Make a poultice of baking soda and vinegar for the wound site. This will help alleviate the pain and draw out the poison.
- To help with storms: Mom likes to wipe us down with a hypoallergenic dryer sheet. This decreases the sensitivity to the atmosphere (and we like the attention mom gives us; just don't tell her). You can also purchase "Thunderwear" to clothe us snugly, or a T-shirt tied to fit will work.

We hope you like our home remedies...  
See you in the show ring!  
Annie and Dixie

**Have a home remedy that works  
great for you and your pup?  
Share it in our newsletter.  
Send an email to  
[alaarends@yahoo.com](mailto:alaarends@yahoo.com)**



Dixie and Annie



## AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC)

AKC believe all dogs deserve training and a responsible owner and our goal is to reward responsible dog ownership. Responsibility should start the moment you decide to add a new dog or puppy to your family.

**Oak Grove Training Center is having a CGC class to teach your dog the CGC behaviors. Classes will start Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 and will be an 8 week course. On Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011, we will hold a CGC testing and will be administered by an AKC Approved CGC Evaluator. Testing will be administered to dogs over 6 months of age.**

### The CGC test consist of 10 skills. All are done on leash:

- Accepting a friendly stranger: allow a stranger to approach and speak to handler
- Sitting politely for petting: allow a stranger pet them
- Appearance and Grooming: welcomed being groomed and examined
- Out for a walk (on a loose lead): to see if dog is in control
- Walking through a crowd: move politely and in control within in pedestrian traffic
- Sit and down on command and staying in place: responds to commands
- Coming when called: this will be a recall 10 feet from the dog
- Reaction to another dog: demonstrate behaving properly with another dog while the two handlers approach and shake hands
- Reaction to distractions: confident when faced with common distractions
- Supervised separation: can be left with a trusted person and maintain good manners

Please contact Oak Grove Training Center for more information.

318-469-6375 [www.oakgrovetc.com](http://www.oakgrovetc.com)

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# What is... Novice?

Patty Ruzzo and Anne Hassett has said it best in Compete in Joy, “The Novice Class, said to be the birthplace of teamwork, is where we test obedience basics: heel, stay, come. You can set your dog up for success in Novice by being the best handler, coach, and partner possible.”

- Heel on leash
- Figure 8
- Heel free
- Recall
- Stay (1 min Sit/ 3 min Down)



“Team Dax”

Come and join our Novice Class on Tuesdays at 6:00. This class will help you and your dog to improve your basic skills while preparing you both for the AKC Companion Dog (CD) Obedience title.

“I’m not telling you it will be easy –  
I’m telling you it will be worth it.”  
~ Art Williams

# Show ~n~ Go

at Oak Grove Training Center

## Saturday Oct 29th, 2011

starting at 9 am

We will have Utility, Open, Novice,  
Beginner Novice, and Rally

We are also going to have:



CGC/ TDI testing  
Dog Costume Contest  
Raffle

Pet Photography

Benefiting the Bossier City Police K9 Unit

**Come join us for fun filled day!!**



# Pumpkin for Dogs

## Did You Know?

Pumpkin is packed with vitamins and minerals that will help your dog fight off disease. The potassium is good for blood pressure. Pumpkin also has lots of iron to help your pet have healthy blood. This also helps regulate your four legged friends bowels.

You can easily make some great fresh pumpkin treats. Just puree the pumpkin and freeze in ice cube trays. Or you can mix with yogurt for a nice creamy treat.

## Pumpkin Seeds

- A natural cure for parasites

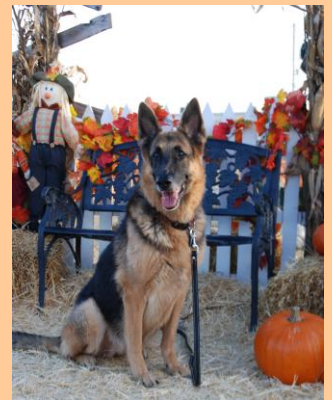
You can:

- Feed as a snack or grind the seeds and add the powder to your dogs food.

## Pumpkin Rind

Dogs will chew on a chunk of rind just like a bone. Leave some flesh attached to the rind for healthy treat.

But don't give your dog the stem or leaves as they contain tiny hairs that will irritate him.

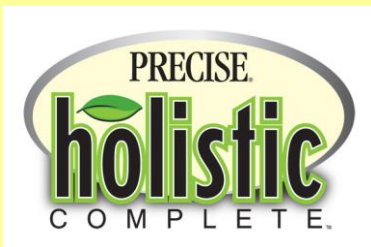


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## OGTC is proud to bring you **Bravo! Raw and Precise Holistic**



Bravo! is a raw diet pet food and all – natural treats, bones & chews that provide superior nutrition and promote good health for dogs and cats.



Precise is designed to promote health, happiness, and harmony for a lifetime. Compete, head to paw nutrition in a single dog food.

Check out our website for prices and selection.

**To find the nearest Dog Event,  
follow the AKC or UKC links**

<http://www.akc.org/events/search/>



<http://www.ukcdogs.com/WebSite.nsf/WebPages/DogFindingAShow>

# Northwest Louisiana Dog Obedience Club

**We welcome you to visit us anytime.  
Please view OGTC website for club  
meeting dates and times. We are  
the only dog obedience club that is  
licensed to hold UKC obedience trials  
in the state of Louisiana.**

Northwest Louisiana Dog Obedience Club's purpose:

- to provide a place for all dogs and handlers
- to have trials that is open for all dogs;  
including mixed breeds.



Club Meetings held at  
Oak Grove Training Center

Susan Knowles – President  
Vacant – Member at Large





# Congrats to all of our exhibitors at our 2 days/ 4 trials event May 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>!!

## Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> Trial 1:

### High in Trial:

- Lucie Hiser – Otto's Gustaf Von Hiser

### Utility B:

1. Patty Felli – Starfire Asti Spunkmate

### Utility A:

1. Janet Frick – Bridgeton's Steel Man Working

### Open B:

1. Lucie Hiser – Otto's Gustaf Von Hiser
2. Cheryl Haughton – Gloccomara Brinsley Belle

### Novice C:

1. Deborah Lafountain – Leilani's Southern Praline
2. Leann Wesrergaard – Annie Oakley

### Novice B:

1. Karla Landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
2. Trish Gauiter – Czar Sweet Vulcan
3. Kathy Davis – Nimitz Admiral "O" the White
4. Darlene Schermerhorn – Shone'e Graceful Winddance

### Novice A:

1. Horst Bungarz – Kaiser Von Bungarz

### High in Trial:

- Karen Shriver – Imminent I'll be Watching You

### Rally 3 B

1. Karen Shriver – Imminent I'll Be Watching You

### Rally 2 B:

1. Karen Shriver – Imminent I'll be Watching You
2. Ellie Allemand – Midge
3. Janet Frick – Bridgeton's Steel Man Working
4. Mim Aiken – Soldogs Life's a Journey

### Rally 2 A:

1. Ellisa Neerland – Ishi Isis Van Neerland
2. Ellisa Mitchell – Java Van Neerland
3. Darlene Schermehorn – M Possible Victory's Joyful Song

### Rally 1 B:

1. Karla landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
2. Deborah Lafountain – Cedar Hill belami Love of Grace
3. Ellie Allemand – Bellevue's Toby of Merrywoods

### Rally 1 A:

1. Horst Bungarz – Kaiser Von Bungarz

## Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> Trial 2:

### High in Trial:

- Susan Dyer – Mallard Brake Help Me Rhonda

### Utility B:

1. Peggy Phelps – Liswyn's Rough and Ready

### Utility A:

1. Janet Frick – Bridgeton's Steel Man Working

### Open B:

1. Susan Dyer – Mallard Brake Help Me Rhonda
2. Patty Felli – Starfire Asti Spunkmate
3. Lucie Hiser – Otto's Gustaf Von Hiser
4. Darlene Schermerhorn – Wildwind Bewitching in Black

### Open A:

1. Beth Gardner – Prizm's Summer Sizzle

### Novice C:

1. Leann Wesrergaard – Annie Oakley

### Novice B:

1. Trish Gauiter – Czar Sweet Vulcan
2. Karla Landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
3. Darlene Schermerhorn – Shone'e Graceful Winddance
4. Patricia Ingram – Manor's Morning Comes Too Early

### Novice A:

1. Horst Bungarz – Kaiser Von Bungarz

### High in Trial:

- Ellisa Mitchell – Java Van Neerland

### Rally 3 B

1. Mim Aiken – Little Texas Screamer
2. Karen Shriver – Imminent I'll Be Watching You

### Rally 2 B:

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2. Ellie Allemand – Midge
3. Janet Frick – Bridgeton's Steel Man Working
4. Mim Aiken – Soldogs Life's a Journey

### Rally 2 A:

1. Ellisa Mitchell – Java Van Neerland
2. Ellisa Neerland – Ishi Isis Van Neerland
3. Darlene Schermerhorn – M Possible Victory's Joyful Song

### Rally 1 B:

1. Susan Dyer – Lynbrook's Christmas Holly
2. Janet Frick – Bridgeton's Steelman Working
3. Deborah Lafountain – Cedar Hill Belami Love of Grace
4. Ellie Allemand – Bellevue's Toby of Merrywoods

### Rally 1 A:

1. Horst Bungarz – Kaiser Von Bungarz



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## Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup> Trial 1:

### High in Trial:

- Susan Dyer – Mallard Brake Help me Rhonda

### Open B:

1. Susan Dyer – Mallard Brake Help Me Rhonda
2. Patti Felli – Starfire Asti Spunkmate
3. Lucie Hiser – Otto's Gustaf Von Hiser
4. Sue Kelso – Naballs Her Grace the Heidi

### Novice C:

1. Leann Wesrergaard – Annie Oakley

### Novice B:

1. Trish Gauiter – Czar Sweet Vulcan
2. Karla Landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
3. Patricia Ingram – All This and Andy Rooney

### High in Trial:

- Karla's Red Jack of Hearts

### Rally 3 B

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2. Darlene Schermehorn – M Possible Victory's Joyful Song
3. Ellisa Mitchell – Java Van Neerland

### Rally 1 B:

1. Karla landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
2. Deborah Lafountain – Cedar Hill belami Love of Grace
3. Ellie Allemand – Lady Bree of Merrywoods

### Rally 1 A:

1. Horst Bungarz – Kaiser Von Bungarz

## Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup> Trial 2:

### High in Trial:

- Patti Felli – Starfire Asti Spunkmate

### Open B:

1. Patty Felli – Starfire Asti Spunkmate
2. Sue Kelso – Wildwind Bewitching in Black
3. Darlene Schermerhorn – Wildwind Bewitching in Black

### Novice C:

1. Leann Wesrergaard – Annie Oakley

### Novice B:

1. Karla Landals – Karla's Red Jack of Hearts
2. Trish Gauiter – Czar Sweet Vulcan
3. Deborah Lafountain – Cedar Hill Belami Love of Grace
4. Margaret Bird – Birdsong Chocolate Chip

### High in Trial:

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**Thank you again for coming out and joining us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> UKC Obedience Trial Event.**

**We look forward to seeing you next year!!**

# How to Clean a Toilet...

## from the dog's perspective.

1. Put both lids of the toilet seat up and add 1/8 cup of pet shampoo to the water in the bowl.
2. Pick up the cat and soothe him while you carry him towards the bathroom.
3. In one smooth moment, put the cat in the toilet and close the lid. You may need to stand on the lid.
4. The cat will self-agitate and make ample suds. Never mind the noises that come from the toilet, the cat is actually enjoying this.
5. Flush the toilet 3-4 times. This provides a 'power wash and rinse'.
6. Have someone open the front door of your home. Be sure that no one is between the bathroom and the front door.
7. Stand back from the toilet as far as you can, and quickly lift the lid.
8. The cat will rocket out of the toilet, streak through the bathroom, and run outside where he will dry himself off.
9. Both the commode and cat will be sparkling clean.

