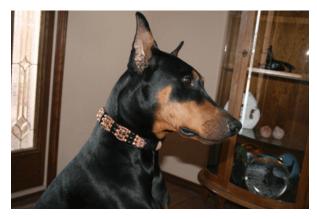


HIGH PLAINS KENNEL CLUB

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UKC CH Adobe's Gots'idi Go'she, CGC (Seven) proudly wearing his late daddy's "fancy" collar on his 3rd birthday. Owned by Neil & Sand Atkinson



Remember - our fallen heros.
They are the reason that we are free.

Memorial Day - Always in our hearts.

Meeting Notice

There will be no meeting in June because of our shows the weekend of June 6-8, 2014.

Self-preservation thought of the day . . .





Decoding Canine Behavior (Part 8, and final, of Series)

Mind Readers: Through several experiments, scientists have discovered that dogs can read human gestures and sounds far better than chimpanzees and wolves. Even young puppies are tuned in to human cues, suggesting that canine social skills are inherited, not learned. Scientists believe that these social skills evolved as humans domesticated dogs. Over time, humans bred dogs that were most able to understand directions and express their physical needs.

Did you know ?

33% of dog owners admit that they talk to their dogs on the phone or leave messages on an answering machine while away.

The common belief that dogs are color blind is false. Dogs can see color, but it is not as vivid a color scheme as we see. They distinguish between blue, yellow, and gray, but probably do not see red and green. This is much like our vision at twilight.

An estimated 1 million dogs in the United States have been named the primary beneficiary in their owner's will.

The dachshund is one of the oldest dog breeds in history (dating back to ancient Egypt.) The name comes from one of its earliest uses - hunting badgers. In German, Dachs means "badger," Hund is "hound."

Editorial

Petco and PetSmart vs. China

You may have all seen in the news the fact that both Petco and PetSmart have decided stop selling all dog and cat treats imported from China. Unfortunately, the companies are going to "phase out" the products by the end of the year, which, in layperson's terms, means they're going to continue to sell possibly deadly treats to avoid profit loss. I applaud these companies for at least acknowledging the issue, after seven years of evidence, but how many other pets will die during the phasing-out period? For years we have refused to buy ANY products, whether treats, toys or equipment, manufactured in China. In fact, our home rule is that nothing that touches the lips of either human or canine in this house can be made in China. If a product doesn't show the origin of manufacture, we pass it by. Please continue to be wary of products, as I know you are, because there's enough in this world to harm our beloved pets – how badly we would feel if they became sick over something we gave them. Be informed consumers.

For more information on this subject, please see (copy and paste into your web browser):

http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-petco-china-dog-cat-treats-20140520-story.html