NEWSLETTER



Happy Holidays from Donna and the D Tails staff.

Please note that D Tails will be closed December 25, 26, and January 1. December 31 hours will be determined shortly. Look for updates at the shop and on FB.

December Classes

Mondays:

Indoor Dog Park, 6:00-7:00 PM, \$6.00 Drop-In Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM \$7.00

There are no classes on Monday, December 15.

Tuesdays:

Handling, 6:00-7:00 PM \$12.00, December 2 & 9.
Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM, December 2, 9, & 16.

Kid and Dog Party, 6:00-7:30 PM, December 30.

Wednesdays:

Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 PM, December 3, 10, & 17.

Kid and Dog Party

Do your child and your dog need something fun to do over winter break? We have the perfect solution! On Tuesday, December 30, 6:00-7:30, we will be having a party for your human and furry kids! This will be a fun night of activities for both. We will have a balloon artist, face painting, paw-print imprints, crafts, and games that your child and dog can play together! Please join us for this exciting event! Preregistration is required. \$20 for one child with dog, ½ off second child. Parents need to attend. Please call Donna at D Tails to reserve your spot at 860-388-1819.

Upcoming in 2015

Now is the time to sign up for January classes. We'd like to know: what would you like to take? We have classes ranging from beginner obedience to drop-in, from beginner agility to agility fun. We've also taught rally obedience, tricks, and nose work. What other classes would like to see and attend? Let us know, and if we get a class together using your idea, you will win a \$50.00 gift certificate to the pet supply store of your choice!

Doggie Fun Zone will be on September 5 2015. That means we have more time to fundraise to cover the cost of Lee and his course. We will have monthly meetings and we welcome all input! Meetings will be on the calendar and announced on FB. We do know that in spring, D Tails will be hosting a pet psychic! Proceeds for DFZ 2015 will go to the Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary. In her short life, Catherine Violet Hubbard was a friend to all animals. After her death at Sandy Hook, her parents started a foundation to fund what they feel, is a true legacy to the spirit of their daughter.

http://cvhfoundation.org/about/cvhanimal-sanctuary/





We would still like to host a CPR/first aid class for dogs, but we only have 3 people who have confirmed that they are interested. We need at least 6 for the class. You can either call D Tails or email your interest at:

mantha465@aol.com

DOG-LOVERS GIFT GUIDE

There are so many choices for the dog-lover in your family. After all, the pet industry is expected to gross close to 60 billion dollars this year! How do you choose? Here are some suggestions for your dog-lover and their dog!

Available at D Tails:

Gift certificates for classes, day school or merchandise! We have toys, leashes, and a new batch of holiday Truman collars that just came in. See picture below!



For Dogs:

Acadia Antlers: Great, naturally-shed moose antlers from Maine. If you have a heavy-duty chewer, these are for you! They also have treats and they fundraise for different animal charities.

http://acadiaantlers.com/

Bark Box: A monthly treat for your dog. You tell them the size of your dog, and they pick 4 items just for them. The items can range from treats, toys, or new products just entering the market. You can also choose, one, three, or twelve month plan. 10% of all profits go to animals in need.

https://barkbox.com/

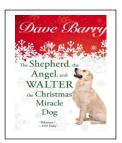
For Dog People

The Whole Dog Journal: An online and in the mail newsletter with so much good information about everything dog! A natural approach to nutrition, health, and training. http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/

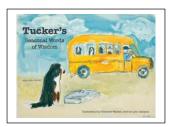
Modern Dog Magazine: Also an on-line or in the mail magazine all about dogs. This magazine often features rescues and their stories. You could even get your dog to be a cover dog. They have fun contests all the time. http://moderndogmagazine.com/

Cru Vin Dogs Wine: Legal adults only! Cru Vin Dogs is a winery with a love for dogs and art! They partner with small family wineries who want to help their charitable causes....dogs of course! They have a wine club, and each dog on their label has a story to tell. http://www.cruvindogs.com/

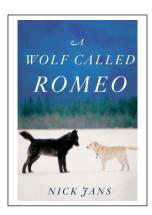
Noteworthy Books



The Shepherd, the Angel, and Walter, the Christmas Miracle Dog by Dave Barry. A humorous and nostalgic look a teen's Christmas in 1960. If you enjoyed "A Christmas Story," you will enjoy this one too. Chaos reigns in the school Christmas play and at home too, but it's Christmastime, and miracles can happen. Very heartwarming!



<u>Tucker and his Seasonal Words of Wisdom</u> by Lynn Campion and beautifully illustrated by renowned artist, Theodore Waddell. Simply a lovely picture book. Tucker is a Bernese Mountain Dog who enjoys his life with his human and Berner pals. The reader gets to experience the seasons in the Northern Rockies, and enjoy dog wisdom.



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<u>Wolf A Called Romeo</u> by Nick Jans. A true account of a wolf that lived on the fringes of Juneau, Alaska, who interacted with the domesticated animals and residents for six years. An amazing story that taught the people about wolves. The book is filled with actual photographs of Romeo.



Harlow & Sage (and Indiana) A True Story of Best Friends by Brittni Vega. This is a true story and photographic journey of Harlow, a Weimaraner, Sage, a mini Dachshund, and Indiana, a mini Dachshund as well. The relationship between Harlow and Sage, then Harlow and Indiana is amazing and their expressions are priceless!

A Huge Thank You to Everyone Who Participated in the Puppy Up/2 Million Dogs walk at Hammonasset on November 9! The Shoreline walk exceeded its \$30,000.00 goal by \$5,860.00!!! Now that's a way to make a difference ©









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D Tails has a Job Opening:

Part-time M-W-F 2-5:30/6:00.

Applicant must love dogs and have an understanding of the language of dogs. Attention to detail, ability to work independently, ability to lift at least 30 lbs., and people skills are all needed for this position. Please email Donna at ddtails@cs.com for more information.

Congratulations to Channel who is well on his way to Champion! He has 10 points, 8 from two majors! He only needs 15! There might be a "Grand" in his future! Here are pictures of Channel and Donna at the show two weeks ago where he won a 3 point major! Thanks to Beth Sullivan for the photos[©]



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