

NEWSLETTER



Happy Passover!
Happy Easter!
Celebrate Earth Day!

It's the Easter Toller, Charlie Brown! Actually, it's Cay, who allowed me to dress her up with Honey Bunny cookies as bribes! Our Honey Bunny cookies sold out very fast, but you can find another fresh, fabulous selection each week on the front counter at D Tails for only \$2!



April Classes

Monday

Beginner Obedience. **NEW CLASS** starts Monday, April 20, 2015, 6:00-7:00 PM. **You still have time to register for this class!**

Drop-in Obedience. Every Monday, 7:00-8:00 PM.

Doggie Fun Zone meeting, April 6, 6:00-7:00 PM.

Tuesday

Handling. 6:00-7:00 PM. Please see calendar at www.dtails.biz for instructors.

Please note, there is no class on April 28, 2015.

Advanced Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM.

Thursday

Beginner Obedience. April, 2, 9, 16, 6:00-7:00 PM.

Beginner Obedience. Every Thursday in April. 7:00-8:00 PM.

Is She or Isn't She???

In March, Donna drove Cay to spend a weekend in New Jersey, in hopes she will have another amazing litter of puppies. The sire is AKC GCH Dodger, his picture is below. He is quite the handsome guy. It is too soon to tell, but we are all hoping it was successful. As soon as Donna knows, she will announce the news and the expected due date. We plan on having another Puppy Pool, as a fundraiser for **Doggie Fun Zone** too.



Let's not forget about Cay's first litter, and son, Channel. Channel earned his Championship very quickly. Just last month, he earned a Five-Point Major towards his Grand Championship! Talk about an amazingly handsome dog!!!



April **DFZ** Fundraiser

Win a Portrait of your Dog

This month we will be holding our annual raffle for one of Diane Blasius' amazing custom portraits. The tickets will be available at D Tails for \$10.00 each. We will only sell 130 tickets. The drawing will be on May 11, 2015, and you do not need to be present to win. Diane is not limited to dogs, she does cats as well. So tell your friends! We use the proceeds to defray the cost of the actual Doggie Fun Zone and their operators. That way, we will have more funds to donate to our charity this year: The Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary. Portrait commission of one dog by Diane Blasius, Mungo Works (see www.mungoworks.com for more samples) done in watercolor underpainting with pigment pencils for all the detail, or you can have your custom portrait hand painted on a china plate or platter. You can choose a head portrait or full body pose with an increased cost. Diane will use your photo, or take one of her own.



More DFZ News

We will have a **DFZ meeting** on **Monday, April 6, 6:00-7:00 PM**. This meeting is open for anyone interested in attending. We would love for you to come!

We are planning on having Pet Psychic, Sharon Warner back on Saturday, June 6, 2015. Make sure you book your 15 minute time-slot in advance. Time-slots will book quickly. We will have more information soon or you can call Donna at D Tails at 860-388-1819.

Heads and Tails

Have you seen the viral video of a cake decorator, Elisa Strauss, creating a realistic cake of her father's Labradoodle? It is pretty amazing in skill and likeness, especially since it is a cake. Would you be able to eat a cake that replicates your pet? I've made animal cakes before, but they were generic, not specific. I'm sure the cake tasted as good as it looked, but I am not sure I could eat it. Check out the video here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOyibd6tDvo>

Generic sheepdog cake



Heads Up!

It appears as though cosmetic giants, Estee Lauder, Avon, and Mary Kay, have gone back to animal testing. A class-action suit has been filed. You can read more about it here:

<http://www.thedogfiles.com/2012/02/27/animal-testing-resumes-for-avon-mary-kay-and-estee-lauder/>

Earth Day is April 22, 2015. Remember, your dog depends on you, and we depend on the Earth. Leave no foot or paw print behind, when you walk or hike with your dog! Here is a favorite quote from animal and environmental activist, Jane Goodall. "What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."



Our new Heads and Tails page will feature miscellaneous information. We might have food recalls, book reviews, new products, or the latest celebrity dog videos and so on. We would like some **input from you** though. What would you like to see in our newsletter? Let us know, and we will try to include your idea. Email your input to mantha465@aol.com.