

Dear Dog Lover,

This is a **special edition newsletter** - giving you all the details for our

10th Anniversary Celebration
on
Saturday, September 8, at 10am-4pm!!!

You'll still find the upcoming class schedule below.

➤ **Sign up now!**

• **C.L.A.S.S. - B.A. Course September:**

Thursdays, 7:30-8:30pm, starts Sept 6. This is a fun way to practice manners, good behavior at home and in public, and improve your teaching skills as a handler. We practice using only one command (instead of Sit! Sit! Sit!), keeping the leash slack, go to mat, and play already games for the higher levels (M.A. and Ph.D.).

• **CGC-Test** offered on **Sunday, Sept 16th**, at our facility! This test is regulated by the AKC, is for all dogs (purebred and mixed breed) and no registration with AKC is required. You can pre-register online or sign up on Sept 16 at 10am.

• **Check our class listings below in a new easy overview format!**

➤ **2012 is BetCo's 10th Anniversary!**

Join us on Saturday, Sep 8th, 10am - 4pm to celebrate with us!

Enjoy free admission and parking, and friendly dogs are welcome!

- Meet-The-Breed: Show us your breed - ongoing all day!
- Vendors,
- Give-Aways,
- Door Prizes sponsored by BetCo, PetZoo and some of the vendors as well,
- Free hot dogs and soft drinks as long as supplies last
- Microchip your dog for only \$20 - by the Advocates for Dog and Puppy Wellness;
- Anniversary Drawing at 3:30pm:

We have put **every class sign-up since April 1st into a drawing**, taking place on our anniversary celebration day; Doggy Day on Saturday, Sep 8th, 2012. You'll be automatically entered, and we'll give you one ticket for each class or workshop you sign up for between now and Sep 8th. **First prize will be a full free class!** Don't forget to mark Sep 8th on your calendar to join our **celebration!** You don't have to be present to win, but we sure encourage you to come and join in the fun!

Schedule for Saturday, September 8th:

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| 10:00 | Opening |
| 10:30 | Treibball Demo - dogs herding gym balls into a soccer goal |
| 11:00 | Dog Bite Prevention - by the Advocates of Dog and Puppy Wellness |
| 11:30 | Search & Rescue Demo - four-legged heroes finding injured people in the woods |
| 12:00 | Emergency Preparedness - are you prepared to evacuate even multiple four-legged friends? Sponsored by the Willow Dog Musers Association. |
| 12:30 | Nose Work Demo - the pet dog detectives at work! |
| 1:00 | Dogs and Traps Seminar - by the Alaska Frontier Trapper Association |
| 1:30 | Dog Bite Prevention - by the Advocates of Dog and Puppy Wellness |
| 2:00 | Pet Talent Contest - Show your dog's best trick! |

- 2:30 **Clicker Demo** - how to train your dog from the lazy chair
 3:00 **Agility Demo** - by BetCo students
 3:30 Anniversary Drawing
 4:00 **Dog First Aid seminar** (reservation required, \$45) - learn how to help your injured or sick dog until you can see a veterinarian - a must for outdoors enthusiasts and anybody who takes other people's dogs in their care.

**Come and join the fun!!!
 See you on September 8th with your family,
 Claudia**

Upcoming Classes and Practices:

Listed are start dates. The classes will run once a week for 6 weeks unless otherwise specified. Click [here](#) to view the online calendar by month. To see who's instructing the class you're interested in, go to our online [calendar](#) and click on any week of that class to see the details. Click [here](#) to register for a class. Already registered? Click [here](#) to pay for a class. Or contact us by email or phone: info@bettercompanion.com, (907) 357-2521.

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>later</u>
<u>Behavior Classes</u>					
Puppy 1	Sun 9/16	Wed 10/10	Sun 11/4	Tue 12/4	
Foundation Class	Sun 9/16, Thu 9/6	Wed 10/10	Sun 11/4	Tue 12/4	
Puppy 2	Thu 9/6		Thu 11/1, Sun 11/4		Jan 2013
Elementary School			Thu 11/1		Jan 2013
High School					Mar 2013
CGC-test (one day)	Sun 9/16				
C.L.A.S.S. - BA	Thu 9/6			Wed 12/5	
C.L.A.S.S. Evaluation (1 day)		Wed 10/3			
Rally College					Jan 2013
Rally Practice	9/13, 1 day 5:30pm				
Tricks 'N Clicks			Thu 11/1		2013

	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>	<u>later</u>
<u>Sports Classes</u>					
Nose Work Beginner			Mon 11/5		2013
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Nose Work Practice	Until 9/24		Mon 11/5		
Treibball Beginner		Tue 10/9			2013
Treibball Intermediate		Tue 10/9		Wed 12/5	
Flyball Beginner					Summer 2013
Flyball Practice	9/13, 1 day, 7pm				
Agility Puppy/Beg	Sat 9/15		Sat, 11/10		Jan 2013
Agility Skills	Sat 9/15		Sat, 11/10		Jan 2013
Agility Sequencing	Sat 9/15		Sat, 11/10		Jan 2013
Agility Trialing	Sat 9/15		Sat, 11/10		Jan 2013

You can check our web page www.bettercompanion.com for info on classes, daycare, Open Play Times, facility, and schedule, read testimonies from other students, print out the registration form and more.

Or contact us by email or phone: info@bettercompanion.com, (907) 357-2521.

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