



KAREN'S *K9* CARE

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Dogs: Wolf, Myth, Hero, & Friend

**June 4th to September 5th
Academy of Natural Science**

The Academy of Natural Science invites all dog-lovers to experience their newest exhibition, Dogs: Wolf, Myth, Hero, & Friend. Running all summer long, visitors will enjoy exploring the history of dogs and their importance to society. Weekend programs at the museum include search and rescue demonstrations, fun crafts, informational lectures, and special appearances by McGruff, The Crime Dog, and Clifford, The Big Red Dog.

“Once visitors see this exhibition, they will understand dogs in a whole new way,” said Academy President and CEO D. James Baker. “The amazing diversity of dogs and their abilities have made them our companions for thousands of years.”

General Admission

\$9.00 – Adult

\$8.00 – Child (3-12)

Senior, military, and student discounts available

Hours

Monday - Friday: 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Saturday & Sunday: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM



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Mon - Fri: 6:15 am - 7:00 pm
Saturday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon
(No Daycare on Sundays)

We are closed on all major holidays, and hours the day before and after a holiday are subject to change.

10% OFF

Grooming Service

Bring this coupon to your appointment. First time dogs only.

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Summer Dogs

Photo Album

It was a great summer of fun and lazing about. Look to see if your dog made this season's cameos!



Breed All About It!

The German Shepherd

The German Shepherd Dog originated in Germany in the late 1800s. Today there are many acceptable shepherds in show rings all across the world. The shepherd, originally a long-haired war dog, proved to have utility due to their acute sense of smell, endurance, and stamina. Traditional shepherds have sloping back ends to facilitate their running style. Closely related to wolves, German Shepherds naturally muffle their footsteps to remain quiet.

After their tremendous use in World Wars I & II, domestic shepherds began to be accepted by society. America and France, however, had adverse feelings toward Germany after WW II. As a result, the name "German Shepherd" began to change to "Alsatian" on an international level. Alsatia is a region between France & Germany which has been a dispute among the French and German people. Since then, the name has reverted back to "German Shepherd," gaining popularity in the 60's and 70's.

Health problems arose as the popularity of the breed skyrocketed. The most prominent health problem in shepherds is hip dysplasia and, as with most breeds, obesity is also a problem. Recent attempts have been made to correct these shortcomings. German Shepherd breeders hold a firm position on who owns and breeds their pups. Bloodlines have been modified to help reduce dysplasia and weak joints. Along with growth-controlled kibble, joint supplements are also available.

Black German Shepherds, a semi-recent evolution and only recently recognized by the AKC, have fewer tendencies for dysplasia and do not shed as much as a typical Shepherd. White German Shepherds, while not recognized by the AKC, are strikingly beautiful and make loyal pets.

THE GERMAN SHEPHERD

Origin: Germany, late 1800s

Weight: 75-95 pounds

Height: 22-26 inches

Coat: Moderately short, with dense undercoat

Color: Black/Tan, Sable, All Black

Temperment: Protective, service-oriented, talkative, loyal

Trainability: Quick studies, often with a mind of their own



Did you know?

In WWI, 48,000 German Shepherd Dogs were "enlisted" in the German Army.

Karen's K-9 German Shepherds:

Bear Nolan, Missy Pergament, Phoebe Destefano, Misty & Crystal Callaghan, Kaya Kane, Chester Gerrish, Brodie McKeown, Maya Bois, Greta Bell, Mika Smyth, Mia Paugh, and Duke Lauer.

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Our German Shepherds



HOW MANY DOGS DOES IT TAKE TO CHANGE A LIGHT BULB?

1. Golden Retriever: The sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us, and you're inside worrying about a stupid burned out bulb?

2. Border Collie: Just one. And then I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.

3. Dachshund: You know I can't reach that stupid lamp!

4. Rottweiler: Make me.

5. Boxer: Who cares? I can still play with my squeaky toys in the dark.

6. Lab: Oh, me, me!! Pleeeeeze let me change the light bulb! Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh?

7. German Shepherd: I'll change it as

soon as I've led these people from the dark, check to make sure I haven't missed any, and make just one more perimeter patrol to see that no one has tried to take advantage of the situation.

8. Jack Russell Terrier: I'll just pop it in while I'm bouncing off the walls and furniture.

9. Old English Sheepdog: Light Bulb? I'm sorry, but I don't see a light bulb?

10. Cocker Spaniel: Why change it? I can still pee on the carpet in the dark.

11. Chihuahua: Yo quiero Taco Bulb.

12. Pointer: I see it, there it is, there it is, right there.

13. Greyhound: It isn't moving. Who cares?

14. Australian Shepherd: First, I'll put all the light bulbs in a circle....

15. Poodle: I'll just blow in the Border Collie's ear and he'll do it. By the time he finishes rewiring the house, my nails will be dry.

The Cat's Answer: "Dogs do not change light bulbs. People change light bulbs. So the real question is: How long will it be before I can expect some light, some dinner, and a massage?"

ALL OF WHICH PROVES, ONCE AGAIN, THAT WHILE DOGS HAVE MASTERS, CATS HAVE STAFF.

Happy Birthday!

July

Mattie Zubritzky, Snickers Fittz, Abby Mollure, Chico Roman, Boomer Bigelow, Cole Beyer, Crystal Callaghan, Dave Dennin, Foster Mansson, Echo Baiocco, Liberty Wurman, Scout Isayeff, Molly Lutzker, Samantha Moran, Bosco Dori, Scooter-Pie Betts, Mac Flynn, Tanner Gibson, Kiki Wildman, Kendall Thompson, Keynes Johnson, Lady Kelly, Shakers Ottersen, Marshall Wegemann, Striper Talbot, Tyson Cellucci, Jabba McGowan, Spencer Warren, Teagan Wright, Dylan Elko, Max Ciccarelli, Abby Standring, Belle Regn, Preston Hankin, Sammi Johnson, Scotch Pyle, Ginger Hanish, Shayla Evangelista, Molly Steinberg, Ellie Rockefeller, Jack Hayes, Sofie Thomas, Sam Reale, Harlee Handel, Gunthor Saracino.

August

Dakota Difelice, Jack Ruthkosky, Chibi Galik, Coby Stellato, Daisy Donofrio, Fritz Rueger, Darby Campbell, Tippy Shive, Griffin Cornell, Vinny Palladino, Scout Firor, Allie Donnelly, Sami Gerrish, Mackenzie Hamer, Anni Ricci, Rosie Zawacki, Jerome Sabo, Czar Stulak, Otis Wetten, Molly Selmer, Ferrous Marr, Haley Lawson, Chyna Rice, Rikka Mathis, Sparky Macauley, Gusto Schifano, Maxie Montana, Riley Crunkleton.

September

Elvis Cunningham, Bogey Renner, Agro & Ollie Mirkil, Arnie Cockshaw, Gabby Moran, Sydney Slagle, Tucker Lavin, Jack Dempsey, Magnum Gonzalez, Trejo Boyer, Peanut Cardamone, Bella Rodgers, Ruby Jung, Tug Adams, Gizmo Voss, Amelia Steenland, Jesse Atterbury, Max Lisi, Milo Kersh, Mikey Burke, Patton Blanchette, Ponce Cohen, Selene Koenig, Vinny Houk, Hunter Donohue, Addy Boux, Bacon Murphy, Colby Rice, Katie Miller, Gus & Rex Rubenstein.

If your dog's name is missing, please let us know when his/her birthday is.

DON'T FORGET!

2005 DOG LICENSE

All dogs must have a current dog license (PA state law). We sell Montgomery and Chester County dog licenses.

ID TAGS

Please have a current license and an ID tag on your dog's collar at all times.

VACCINATIONS

We don't want any sick pups, so make sure you get your dog vaccinated and bring us a copy of the records!