

Great Dane Club of the Mid-South, Inc.

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Newsletter for December, 2007

[Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 9th, 8pm at Georgia Tech \(Directions on the club website\)](#)

[There **WILL** be a board meeting at 7:30 AM, it's time to go over the Policies \(copies will be distributed at the meeting\).](#)

Dear Members and Friends,

What a GREAT Holiday party at the December meeting! I think everyone had a fun time! There was delicious food, lotsa laughs, a brief meeting, a fun gift exchange ...What a fantastic group of people we have in this club!

NOTICE to MEMBERS: Time for dues to be paid! Please remit \$15/member to: Chuck Crawford, 122 Deerwood Trail, Sharpsburg, GA 30277.

Also, don't forget to get your Awards Request Form (in the last newsletter and available online with the last newsletter) to Willie. The Spring Memorial Form is included in this newsletter (last page) – due February 1st to Darcy.

Congratulations to our new slate of officers:

President: Connie Adams

Vice President: Angela Stillwell

Treasurer: Chuck Crawford

Secretary: Noël Clarke

Delegate: Chuck Quinlan

Board Members:

2008: Carol Hunerwadel, Darcy Quinlan

2008-2009: Jenn Carr, Rose Madej

2008-2010: Sandra Melton, Trish Thurow

Now a drumroll our Constitution/Bylaws have been APPROVED!!!!!!!!!!!!

Connie Adams
President

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Minutes, General Meeting

December 12, 2007

The meeting was called to order by President, Connie Adams at 8:20 pm.

Guests in Attendance: Jason Richardson, Hannah Fick, Heather Weed, Kim & Shannon Soafer were all welcomed.

Members in Attendance: Connie Adams, Marnie Baker, Tina Brandt, Jenn Carr, Noël Clarke, Heather Fick, Gabrielle Kostiuk, GT Melton, Sandra Melton, Chuck Quinlan, Darcy Quinlan, Susanne Roberts-Phillips, Glen Soafer, Cindy Southall, Angela Stillwell, Christi Stranz, Yvonne Weed

President's Report: Guests were welcomed. Talked about what a positive year our club has had.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were approved as received. Noël read a letter from Jackie Dilworth, thanking the club for the beautiful poinsettia sent to her in memory of her Mother. (*We were all very sorry to hear about your Mom, Jackie*)

Treasurer's Report: No report this month (*Chuck we hope you're getting better every day.*) **NOTICE to MEMBERS: Time for dues to be paid! Please remit \$15/member to: Chuck Crawford, 122 Deerwood Trail, Sharpsburg, GA 30277.**

According to our Bylaws: "New membership dues received after September 30 shall cover membership for the following year" – so Gabi, Christi, Yvonne – your dues are already paid!

GDCA: A motion was passed/seconded to pay the Membership Dues for 2008. Invoice & updated membership roster were sent to Chuck Crawford to submit with a check in the amount of \$150.

Awards: Award forms were available again at this meeting, to fill out and return to Willie. They were also attached to last months' newsletter and are available on the website. Willie needs to have these back by February 1st.

Combined/Prestige: another check from the Prestige Specialty Clubs of Atlanta will be coming soon.

Education: No report

Hospitality: Anyone who would like to help out, please email Noël tristinodanes@charter.net

Rescue: Follows

SE Division: No report

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Trophies: Susanne passed around a plate, that is an example of the Spring trophy and submitted an invoice to be mailed to Chuck C..

Ways & Means: Start collecting those items for the Spring raffle/auction.

Website: Fall Specialty pics will be up in the near future. Connie will send out an email when they are up and ready for your viewing pleasure! Christmas party pictures may already be on the website – if not, they'll be there in the very near future – go take a look!

Old Business:

Constitute/Bylaws have been approved! HOOOOOOOOOOORAY!

New Business:

Slates of officers was voted upon and passed with flying colors!

President: Connie Adams

Vice President: Angela Stillwell

Secretary: Noël Clarke

Treasurer: Chuck Crawford

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Board Positions: Trish Thurow and Sandra Melton

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned at 8:35 pm and Brags were held.

Respectfully submitted,

Noël Clarke, Interim Secretary

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Rescue Report:

Rescue Report for the Month of November

(Reported at the December meeting)

Adopted off our list in November: **11**

Danes needing new homes (as of today 12/12): **3**

(So far in December **2** have been adopted)

Rescue paid to have 2 females spayed and 2 males neutered in December. A grant request will be submitted to the GDCA.

Connie Adams
Rescue Secretary

Braggs

From Dana Sikes:

CH Ashton's Blonde Ambition CD, RE, CGC earned the third leg of her RAE title at the Greater Monroe Kennel Club trial with scores of 95 and 96. Ashton is bred, owned, and handled by Dana Sikes.

CH Paquestone's Miss Madison CD, RE, CGC earned the third leg of her RAE title at the Greater Monroe Kennel Club trial with scores of 91 and 95. Madison also earned the fourth leg of her RAE title at the Forsyth Kennel Club trial with scores of 97 in both Rally Excellent and Rally Advanced. She also earned 4th place in Rally Excellent. Madison is owned and handled by Dana Sikes.

CH Paquestones Master Of Suspense RA, CGC obtained his RA title at the Greater Monroe Kennel Club trial. Spencer also earned an extra Rally Advanced leg with a score of 93 and 3rd place at the Forsyth Kennel Club trial. Spencer is owned and handled by Dana Sikes.

From Glen Soafer:

Legacy's Gladiator, "Lance", won Best BBE Great Dane and an Award of Excellence at the 2007 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in Long Beach, Ca in December. Handled by his owner/breeder, Shannon Soafer, you can see a streaming video of their BBE Working Group performance on the AKC website (akc.org). Congrats to both Lance & Shannon!

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From Noel Clarke & Walter Jung:

Tristino Lord Of The Rings (Maximus) took Winners dog on November 23rd (No points) and on November 24th took Best of Winners & Opposite Sex for that last point to gain his Championship in Montgomery, AL. All points and Majors from Bred By. Handled by Noel Clarke and owned by Noel Clarke & Walter Jung.

Tristino Violetta (Violet) took Reserve Winners bitch November 23rd & 24th also in Montgomery, AL. Handled by Noel Clarke and owned by Noel Clarke & Walter Jung.

From Yvonne Weed:

Chance in NC Winston-Salem Show both Sat. and Sun took first place in his class 6-9 Month.

From Angela Stillwell:

Lobato's Southern Storm (Rain), owned by Angela Stillwell and Joy Lobato, handled by Angela, took 2nd place in the 5-7 month class at the GDCA National Futurity under judge Doug Toomey.

Rain's littermate, Lobato's Fire for Effect (Caisson), owned by Jessica Allen and Joy Lobato, handled by Jessica, took Best in Futurity under judges Marie Somershoe and Doug Toomey!!! (Rain was VERY proud of her brother!)

Ch. Lobato's Lock 'N Load (Stryker), owned by Joy Lobato and Angela Stillwell, handled by Earl Shore, took Reserve Junior at the GDCA National Futurity under judge Marie Somershoe. (Rain is VERY proud of this brother too!)

BIS, BISS Am/Intl Ch. Lobato's Thr Can Be Only One (Duncan), owned by Joy Lobato, Karrie Franks and Angela Stillwell, handled by Earl Shore, competed in the Top 20 event. Duncan is now retired and happy to be home relaxing and working on his TDI title. (Bo is VERY proud of his brother!)

Ch. Lobato's You Don't Know Diddly (Bo), owned and handled by Angela Stillwell, competed in BOB event at the GDCA National and made it through to the third cut under judge Lowell K. Davis.

Ch. Lobato's Hot Target, AOM (Velocity), owned by Joy Lobato and handled at the National by Erin Brandon, competed in BOB at the National and won an Award of Merit under judge Lowell K. Davis. (Rain is VERY proud of her sister!)

Lobato's Southern Storm (Rain), owned by Angela Stillwell and Joy Lobato, handled by Angela, took RWB at the Savannah Kennel Club show under judge John P. Wade, on Sunday, December 2, 2007.

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Some cute pet quotes:

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

-Anonymous

There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face.

-Ben Williams

A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself.

-Josh Billings

The average dog is a nicer person than the average person.

-Andy Rooney

Anybody who doesn't know what soap tastes like never washed a dog.

-Franklin P.. Jones

Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole.

-Roger Caras

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SPRING CATALOG MEMORIAL PAGE

We voted to have an annual Memorial Page in the Catalog for our Spring Specialty that will be dedicated to our dogs that were lost in this year (January through December).

Please fill in the following information and return by February 1st.

**Darcy Quinlan
5494 Franklin Goldmine Road
Cumming GA 30040**

Name of dog/bitch (call name in Parenthesis)

Owner(s) Name(s)

Date Whelped _____

Date of Loss _____

Thank you!