



December, 2012



Christmas Edition

Volume 3

Board of Directors:

President  
Don Lang

Vice President  
Mike Curtis

Treasurer  
Vicki Settle

Secretary  
Amy Mazzio

Membership Director  
Sharon Galema

Newsletter Editor  
Patricia Daugherty

Event Coordinator  
Sheridan Gilchrist

Merchandise Director  
Curtis Daugherty

Webmaster  
Ron King

Performance/Show Director  
Don Lang

Animal Welfare Advocate  
Dan Mazzio

Past President  
Rick Kimball

Newsletter Staff:

Editor  
Patricia Daugherty

Graphic Design  
Sharon Galema

Photographer  
Marshall Smith

## PRESENTING INDY DOG & DISC CLUB 2013 BOARD



**Top Row L-R:** Sharon Galema, Tim Hartsock, Robin Herman, Don Lang, Rick Kimball, Curtis Daugherty, Alice Lang, Virginia DeRolf, Patricia Daugherty, Greg Million, Amy King

**Bottom Row L-R:** Julie Rhea, Sheridan Gilchrist, Mary Jo Corso



**IDDC WISHES EVERYONE A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



## Indy Dog and Disc Club 2013 Board Elections

On December 16, 2012 Indy Dog & Disc Club convened to elect the board for the 2013 season. IDDC President, Don Lang, presided over the meeting. Board members Don Lang, Sharon Galema, Patricia Daugherty, Curtis Daugherty, Mary Jo Corso, Sheridan Gilchrist, Alice Lang, Robin Herman and Rick Kimball were in attendance along with club members Chip Hershey, Tim Hartsock, Bailey Hartsock, Greg Million, Virginia DeRolf, Julie Rhea, Christina Curtis and Amy King. Below is the roster for the 2013 IDDC Board. Congratulations to the 2013 IDDC Board.

Don Lang ..... President  
 Vice President ..... Ron & Amy King  
 Treasurer ..... Greg Million  
 Secretary ..... Sharon Galema  
 Membership Director ..... Patricia Daugherty  
 Event Director ..... Sheridan Gilchrist  
 Animal Welfare Advocate ..... Mary Jo Corso  
 Sponsorship Director ..... Vacant

Promotions Director ..... Vacant  
 Demo/Show Director ..... Tim Hartsock  
 Webmaster ..... Robin Herman  
 Newsletter Editor ..... Julie Rhea  
 Merchandising Director ..... Curtis Daugherty  
 Director At Large ..... Alice Lang  
 Director At Large ..... Virginia DeRolf

### 2013 IDDC COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Event	Location	Date	Format
Pupsicle	Alpha K9U 10201 Hague Rd. Fishers, IN	February 17, 2013	Freestyle & Toss & Catch (Pro, Intermediate and Novice) Overall in each division. Team Time Trial
Gretchen Invitational	Darrough Chapel Park Kokomo, IN	May 18-19, 2013	Day 1 – Quad Day 2 – UFO Local
Indiana Disc Dog Classic	Holland Park Fishers, IN	June 29-30, 2013	Day 1 – UFO Major Day 2 – AWI Qualifier
Skyhoundz NC Regional Qualifier and Hyperflite DiscDogathon Qualifier	New Castle, IN (Tentative)	July 20-21, 2013	Day 1 – Skyhoundz NC Regional Qualifier Day 2 – Skyoundz DiscDogathon World Qualifier

### JANUARY IDDC PLAYDATE SCHEDULE

Playdate	Alpha K9U 10201 Hague Rd. Fishers, IN	January 13, 2013	3:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Beginners 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Advanced
Playdate	Alpha K9U 10201 Hague Rd. Fishers, IN	January 27, 2013	3:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Beginners 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – Advanced

### DID YOU KNOW?

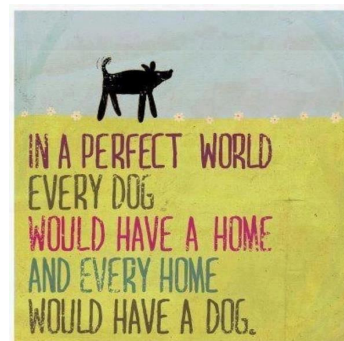
Grief Therapy Dogs were introduced to Newtown, CT. CNN conducted a mini poll with the townspeople on their value. The poll was unanimous on the dogs' positive contribution.

### Editor's Notes:

It wasn't that long ago, as Americans, when we opened our daily newspaper and read of all the unbearable pain and loss caused by true evilness in the world, we were reading about other countries...not America. It has been suggested by the powers that be that since the 1999 Columbine High School tragedy and the mounting events of that nature that the affable and peaceful culture in our great land is slowly changing. The why's, whereas and wherefores are for others to converse upon. In this venue, I will only speak about dog clubs and the goodness of its people....and I am very proud to do so. As dog lovers, most of us can say we supply much goodness, love and compassion in this land of ours. The disc dog community has rescued and shepherded hundreds of dogs into good homes for many years. A lot of these dogs, like their human counterparts, are victims of pain and suffering caused by evil doers. As I am writing this, many of us will be spending Christmas holidays with family, four legged rescued family members included. I trust and pray our nation will figure a way to reduce these tragedies and bring back peace in our land. In the meantime, we can carry on and do our part in making a difference for the animals we love and the culture we cherish. A few years ago I compiled a poem, "An Angel's Touch." It is about two special rescuers but it really represents and honors all animal rescuers everywhere. I like to call them the Archangels of the animal world. This poem is my way of honoring these very special people. This Christmas we need a reason for the season more than ever, so I am reprinting my poem. You will find it below.

Wishing All A Happy New Year!

Patricia Daugherty, Editor  
 Sharon Galema, Graphic Design  
 Indy Dog & Disc Club Newsletter





# An Angel's Touch

Christmas is in the air. Santa will soon be bringing me toys and yummy biscuits to eat.

Daddy grabs his car keys and my leash. I yelp in excitement!!

I love to ride in daddy's car. That always means a romp in the park.

As we pull up to our destination I don't see green grass and children playing.

A building looms before me and an eerie feeling trickles down my spine.

Daddy leads me thru a worn steel door. The area is gloomy and the odor of urine is overwhelming. I am assaulted with the sound of frantic barking. I panic! Where is the park?

I am anxious for dad's business to be concluded. I don't like this place

A young girl takes my leash and nonchalantly leads me to a cell that has little space

Daddy is gone without a word. Maybe he is going Christmas shopping for me?

It's been a week and no sign of my daddy. I am dirty and I smell. I have fleas.

My cell is soiled and no one has come to clean it for a long while. My spirits are in despair

I crouch down in a corner of my cell, the only clean spot. I can't stop shaking. The stores must be closed by now. Where is daddy?

I am confused. Can this be an actual growl erupting inside me? What is happening to me?

My instincts tell me I must not let these strangers hurt me. I have to defend myself until daddy comes back.

I hope it will be soon because Santa is on his way with my toys and biscuits. I feel so alone. I really don't like this place!

A man strolls up to my cell door and tacks a sign on it. What does it mean?

DOG VICIOUS – EUTHANIZE 12/24.

A petite lady flits by and abruptly stops at my cell. She backs up and gingerly enters.

She leans down and softly speaks. She smells of dogs. Do my eyes tell me true?

As I look up I see she is sporting wings.

My cautiousness mysteriously melts and I go with her. I feel this is a special lady who will surely guide me back to my daddy.

We pile into her van and a scent of many dogs hits my nose. She smiles back at me. Her wings, slightly chewed, are tucked neatly behind her.

A lady comes outside to asked, "Are you taking this one home Christina?" She replies, yes.

As we pull away the lady is standing in the parking lot, tears streaming down her cheeks. Why is she crying?

Home? Dad? Santa? Alas we pull up to a strange house and this lady with the wings and the name Christina takes me inside. Daddy is nowhere to be found

She goes right to work giving me three baths, a meal and a warm lap. Her touch makes me feel safe and loved. Feelings I never felt with daddy.

I have been here for a week and dad is becoming a fading memory. The effects of my house of horrors trauma are slowly dissipating. I am having fun.

My earth angel, Christina, tells me that I will have a mom soon. One who will love me unconditionally and never let me go.

It is Christmas Eve and Angel Christina takes me to my new home.

At the door a gentle lady leans down and gives me a friendly pat.

I feel all warm inside. This must be mom. She has Angel Christina's loving touch..

With a warm smile she says, "Welcome home Millie!" Millie? I like that name. Angel Christina and I step inside.

I am greeted by my new brothers, Randy and Cliffy. Funny but it seems I have smelled Cliffy's scent in Angel Christina's van.

The fireplace is lit and the room is aglow. Around the Christmas tree are presents with my new brothers names on them. WOW! I spy my name too.

My heart is beating fast as I near my gifts. The fragrant aroma of biscuits wafts pass my nose. Could there be toys inside too?

My new family settles down around me. I am home again. Maybe this time for good. Yes I think I am going to love this new life, my new family and my mommy.

It will be awhile though before I can trust that a reach for my leash won't betray me.

Angel Christina reassures me I have nothing to fear. But I am cautious just the same.

I look back to give my Earth Angel a thank you lick...Do my eyes tell me true?

Amazed, I see her travel quickly thru the closed front door. She blew me a loving kiss on the way and then fluttered gracefully to her "rescue van!"

Christina Curtis, my earth angel, my savior, exited my life almost as fast as she entered it. In her compassionate path she won me a rescued life.

It is late and I must sleep. For you see, Santa is coming in the morn with my biscuits and toys.

By Patricia Daugherty

## 2012 IDDC Howliday Party and Year End Awards

The Indy Dog & Disc Club 2012 season isn't quite over. We are starting the New Year with our 2012 Howliday Party. This is an IDDC annual celebration. The place to be on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. is the Marion County Fairgrounds, 7300 East Troy Ave, Indianapolis, IN (Please note this is not the Indiana State Fairgrounds on 38<sup>th</sup> Street). The Indy Dog & Disc Club will be hosting its annual festivities in the Family Arts building, which is the second building on the right after entering the fairgrounds. Festivities will include games with your dog, a celebration feast, and IDDC's Year End Awards. We ask those who bring their dogs to please keep them contained, especially at dinner time...bringing along a crate is a good idea. The club will furnish the ham, buns/bread and soft drinks. We are asking everyone to please bring a dish to share with others.

For those who aren't familiar with the IDDC Year End Awards, they are prestigious awards, as they are voted on by your peers. The awards will be handed out at the party so make sure you get your vote counted! Anyone who has attended an IDDC event can vote, but **only IDDC members are eligible to win**. To find out who is eligible, please see the IDDC members list below. To vote go to this link: <http://www.d-dog.com/YearEndAwards.htm> and fill out the form with your picks. You must put your name on the form, so we make sure no one gets to vote more than once. The voting will close on January 5, 2013, at midnight, so make sure your votes are counted before then! Have Fun!

---

### **Below are the categories for the Year End Awards**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| 1. Best Freestyle Team                                     | 9. Junior Handler of the Year                                    |
| 2. Best New Freestyle Team                                 | 10. Best New Move  |
| 3. Most Improved Freestyle Team                            | 11. Most Entertaining Team (to watch)                            |
| 4. Best Toss n Fetch Team                                  | 12. Keeping it Fun (the team that has the most fun on the field) |
| 5. Best New Toss n Fetch Team                              | 13. Most Embarrassing Moment                                     |
| 6. Most Improved Toss n Fetch Team                         | 14. Best Mental Attitude   |
| 7. Best Overall Team (Freestyle, Toss n Fetch, & Distance) | 15. Best IDDC Event  |
| 8. Best Overall Canine Competitor                          |  |
- 

### **IDDC Members**

Nate & Heather Bednar  
Jill Best  
Ann Briggs  
Mike Castor  
Mary Jo Corso  
Christina, Mike & Chandler Curtis  
Pat & Curt Daugherty  
Virginia DeRolf  
Sharon Galema  
Sheridan Gilchrist  
Mark Gose  
Lisa Hall  
Deneane Hart  
Bailey Hartsock

Tim Hartsock  
Carol Herbertz  
Robin Herman  
Chip Hershey  
Tony & Sarah Hoard  
Scott & Deanna Jones  
Richard Kimball  
Ron & Amy King  
Alice & Don Lang  
Doug Levy  
Bill Marion  
Dan, Amy & Rachel Mazzio  
Greg Million  
Diane Nicklas

Gia Nichols  
Diana & Sean O'Brien  
Kathleen O'Neill\*  
Angie & Bill Ogle  
Rhonda Pearson  
Julie, Lydia & Margaret Rhea  
Vicki Settle  
Stacey Simison  
Jennifer Smith  
Margaret & Marshall Smith  
Mandy Spady  
Mark Townsend



**That's  
All  
Folks!**

