



# Wrinkle Time

February 2006

## Mark Your Calendars!

### Upcoming Gathering Dates:

Date: March 5th, 2006

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Pet Supplies Plus in Burnsville

Date: May 7th, 2006 our special Picnic in the Park gathering

Time: To be determined (around noon)

Location: Shakopee Memorial Park



Punkin, courtesy of Andy & Kathie Reihs



No Bull. Just fun



# Picnic in the Park

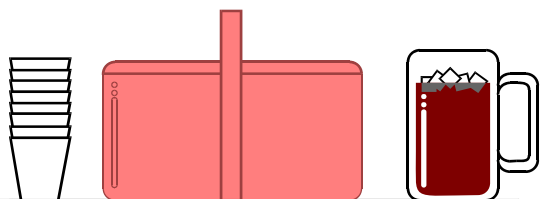
## What Do I Bring?

- ⌘ Your beverages
- ⌘ Lawn Chairs
- ⌘ A dish to pass
- ⌘ Your canine friends



The pavillion we rent at Shakopee Memorial Park Costs about \$40. We will also need to purchase paper plates, eating utensils, and napkins.

I'm hoping no one objects to doing a little fundraising for those expenses. We will have a raffle. You can help by bringing a raffle item and/or buying raffle tickets. If you don't want to donate or buy tickets we don't care! Come anyway! We'd rather have a great time with you!







# You Write The Caption!

You send me captions (as many as you'd like!) and I'll print them in the next newsletter. Please send at least 3 days before the last day of the month.

## Birthday Corner!

Feb. 9 - Dianne Huntington

Please submit your  
dog's birthdays,  
your birthdays,  
etc. for the month



# Braggs!

(you, your kids, your dogs, your family, etc.)  
NO COST!

Karen would like to brag that her parents, Ray  
and Linda, have been married 36 years on  
Feb. 14th!

# LOOK what I found!

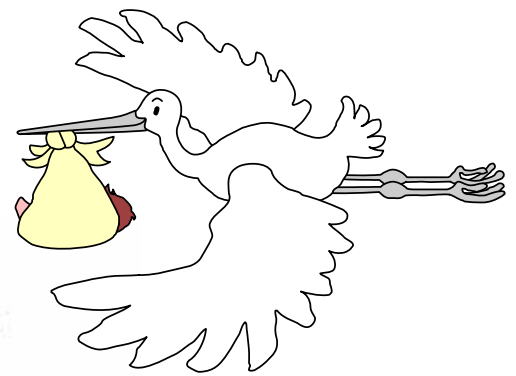
*This is a corner for cool dog items and where  
you can buy them*

### Orbee-Tuff Ball

The ball that put Planet Dog on the map. Rated Top Product of the Year by numerous magazines and called the "world's best dog ball" by industry experts - this hyper-durable ball bounces, floats and has a peppermint scent that dogs find irresistible (and you will be impressed, too!). It will become a playtime favorite. Satisfaction guaranteed. Orbee Tuff, non-toxic, recyclable, and FDA approved. Rinses clean. Comes in 3 sizes. Look in your favorite pet stores or online at [www.sitstay.com](http://www.sitstay.com) or [www.dog.com](http://www.dog.com) among others.



# The Stork



Eric Loe and Kate McFadden added a new bullie to their household on January 20th. Kona is welcomed home by her 16 year old Shiz-Tzu sister Princess.

## Actual ads from the New York Times

FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER. 8 YEARS OLD. HATEFUL LITTLE DOG. BITES.  
FREE PUPPIES: 1/2 COCKER SPANIEL, 1/2 SNEAKY NEIGHBOR'S DOG.  
FREE PUPPIES... PART GERMAN SHEPHERD, PART STUPID DOG.  
GERMAN SHEPHERD 85 lbs. NEUTERED. SPEAKS GERMAN. FREE.  
FOUND: DIRTY WHITE DOG. LOOKS LIKE A RAT ... BEEN OUT AWHILE ..BETTER BE A REWARD.  
SNOW BLOWER FOR SALE... ONLY USED ON SNOWY DAYS.  
NORDIC TRACK \$300 HARDLY USED, CALL CHUBBY.  
NICE PARACHUTE: NEVER OPENED - USED ONCE.  
JOINING NUDIST COLONY! MUST SELL WASHER & DRYER \$300.  
OPEN HOUSE: BODY SHAPERS TONING SALON. FREE COFFEE & DONUTS.  
FOR SALE: ONE MAN SIX WOMAN HOT TUB



Submit your health, behavior, etc. questions about bulldogs and we'll do our best to answer them or find the answers!

## Ask Ashley

Dear Ashley,

When I put petroleum jelly or vitamin E on my bully's nose she does everything in her power to rub it off, making her nose even more crusty and irritated. How can I stop her from rubbing it off. Her nose needs some hydration!

Sincerely,

Honey's Momma (send your suggestions for March's issue!)

[www.wrinkletime.org](http://www.wrinkletime.org) or [karen@pantheonbulldogs.com](mailto:karen@pantheonbulldogs.com) or 507.835.5660



# Good Deeds

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Love-a-Bull MN Bulldog Rescue thinks that Wrinkle Social Time is an absolutely wonderful addition to the arsenal of aids to help make sure your Bulldog never ends up in rescue. Would you like to know why?

Most Bulldogs who enter rescue are surrendered by owners who fully intended to keep that Bulldog for its entire life. So, what happened to these dogs along the way that made them fall from favor? Some Bulldogs are surrendered for financial reasons or health issues, but too many are surrendered simply because they no longer fit comfortably into their owners' lives. For many of these dogs, proper training and socializing would have prevented many of the problems that their owners now find themselves unable to cope with.

By the time most owners call a rescue group they have already given up and believe the only solution is to give up ownership of their dog. These people do care about their dogs, but they feel the situation is hopeless. They just weren't aware there were other options until it was too late. A good support group of other Bulldog owners could have given them some advice, as well as a sympathetic ear. They could have been directed to contact a professional for additional help. There are many good animal behaviorists that can educate dog owners and will give them training techniques to resolve behavioral issues with their dogs. Instead these owners give up hope along with ownership of their Bulldogs.

Getting together with other Bulldog owners can become a great resource for a novice Bulldog owner, but even long-time Bulldog owners can benefit from socializing with other Bulldog owners. None of us has ever "seen it all". Wrinkle Social Time is also an excellent way to socialize your Bullie in a relaxed, non-threatening atmosphere. The more situations a dog experiences and handles well, the better companion it will become.

Great dogs are not just born, they are created. People don't let children grow up without rules and boundaries and expect them to be model citizens. The same is true for dogs. A good dog can become a better one because its owner takes the time to become educated about how to best train and socialize their own dog. There are many resources out there to help us all become better Bulldog owners, but many of us aren't aware of all of them. Wrinkle Social Time is a valuable asset to Bulldogs owners in Minnesota. By taking advantage of the wonderful opportunity afforded to you by attending Wrinkle Social Time, you will be learning new things as well as your dog. In doing so, it will be far less likely that you will ever have to call our rescue group to surrender your Bulldog. And that is a very good thing for everybody!

If you would like to know more about Love-a-Bull MN Bulldog Rescue, please check out our brand new website at: [www.mnbulldogrescue.org](http://www.mnbulldogrescue.org)

# Only A Bulldog...

Submit your funny wrinkly friend stories! For example Karen has been locked out of her car by her bulldog, TWICE!

... now I should tell you about my fierce watchdog who woke me at 3 AM this morning and barked a remarkably stern warning to the noise in the other part of the house that this indeed was not a house to be messed with in the middle of the night! He sounded so huge and so fierce that I locked my bedroom door and went to the bathroom to contemplate just what I would do if I did go to the other part of the house and investigate the noise that I had not heard. I looked out the window and could see that the snow in the entry had not been disturbed, so I knew the intruder had not entered there. I looked at the bat behind the bedroom door and decided it could better be used against me than by me. Eventually I unlocked the bedroom door, peeked out and could see no light in the other rooms, flicked on the hallway light and advanced toward the kitchen.

When I arrived in the kitchen, the cordless phone bleeeped a high pitched warning that it had a LOW BATTERY, so I showed it to Andy, praised him for being a fierce watchdog, put the phone on the charger, and headed back to bed.

Anne

