

# Wrinkle Time

May 2008

## Upcoming Gathering Date:

Date: TBD

Most likely at Pet Supplies Plus

We are working on dates for the rest of the year. Please be patient and I'll email them as soon as I can.

got pictures?

If you took pictures at Picnic in the Park and are willing to share, please email them to [karen@pantheonbulldogs.com](mailto:karen@pantheonbulldogs.com) If you send them, we'll put them on the website to share with everyone.

We had over 60 people and 35 dogs in attendance!



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No Bull. Just fun

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pearl and winnie

Okay, you pull there at the bottom, and I will pull here at the top.

Get your paws off of this! Its mine I tell you.

Now if you look here, I stick my head in this large opening here.

No fair! You ate all the popcorn!

Mine

They lost again... I'll show them fan loyalty!

I'm taking donations for tickets to the play-offs!

You may be bigger than me, but it doesn't mean I am any less of a Twins fan.

We know we have a million toys but we like to share.

Tastes like chicken.

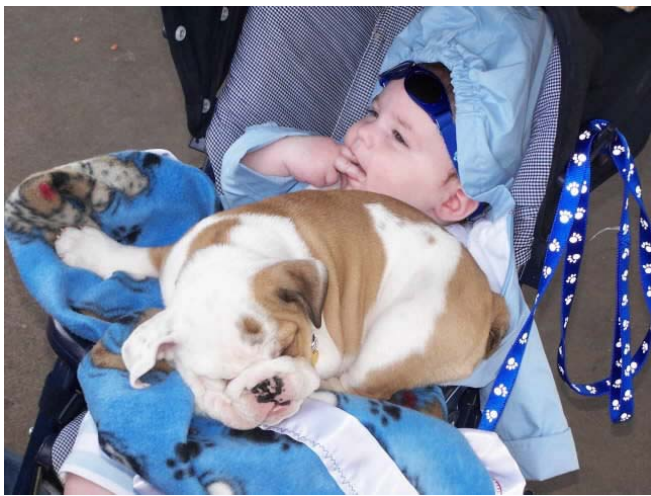
I liked the Vikings bucket better.



# picnic in the park

Despite questionable weather and sky high gas prices we had a great turn out. Over 60 people and over 35 dogs attended. See pictures at [http://www.wrinkletime.org/Meetings/May\\_2008\\_Picnic/May\\_2008\\_Picnic.htm](http://www.wrinkletime.org/Meetings/May_2008_Picnic/May_2008_Picnic.htm)

If you have photos from the event email them to us and we will add them to the web page.



*"Dogs are our link to paradise. They don't know evil or jealousy or discontent. To sit with a dog on a hillside on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden, where doing nothing was not boring-- it was peace."  
~ Milan Kundera*



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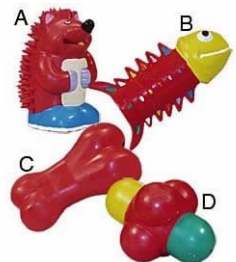
# look what we found

I bought a new dog toy recently that looks to be pretty durable that the puppies seem to really like. I think I paid \$8 for it. I bought the larger one, it think it also comes in a smaller size, but I might be wrong about that, as none of the ads online listed two sizes. --Rita

## Booda Quirkies Spike Rubber Dog Toy

Classic rubber construction toys in exciting new designs that your dog is guaranteed to love.

Give your big dog or tough chewer a toy he can really sink his teeth into. They're made from durable natural rubber for a good chewing workout. Plus, they make a fun gurgling sound when you shake them. Your dog will love it!  
Choose from several colorful styles, each sold separately.



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# good deeds

The Love-a-Bull MN Bulldog Rescue group has been busy this past month. We were invited by the Chuck & Don's Pet Food Outlet store in Mahtomedi to share some info with area residents about the Bulldog breed and about Bulldog rescue. One of the store employees, Sheryll Max owns Bulldogs and she contacted us on the stores behalf. We were happy to attend as we thought this was a great way to publicize breed rescue at no cost to us.



Sheryll brought her Bulldogs, Olivia and Elvira and I brought Kate as "ambassadors for the breed" since we had no rescue dogs that we could bring. We had flyers available about breed rescue with links to the National breed club and our own SPMBC's websites. We received a few more applications for rescue Bulldogs because of that event in addition to educating the casual visitor to the store what a Bulldog is like. So we considered the day to be a success.

Love-a-Bull has recently rehomed two Bullies. Six year old Daisy had been surrendered to a local shelter when her elderly owner died and the surviving family members didn't want to be bothered with caring for her. The shelter manager fostered Daisy for awhile and called our rescue group because she wanted to make sure that Daisy found a home with someone that was aware of the special care a Bulldog requires. We were happy to help out and we think we found Daisy a great home. She is doing very well now at her new home and Bulldog, Matilda has been very good about sharing her mom & dad with a new big "sister".



This is what Brent & Nicole had to say about Daisy:  
"This is Daisy and she is 6 years old. (Matilda is on the left) She came home to us on April 7. Brent and I had been talking about getting a second dog for awhile, we knew we wanted it to be a Shelter dog or a rescue of some sorts. Rita contacted us regarding Daisy and we set up a meeting. We knew when we saw her sweet face that she would be coming home with us. Daisy adjusted very quickly and bonded with her "humans" right away, I think she knows that we're good people and will take care of her, unlike her previous owners. She's been a wonderful addition to our family and we are so happy to be helping out a dog in need."

Emmy Lou came to rescue because her former owner had to travel a lot for her job and had to gone for weeks



at a time. When her son moved away from the area, this made things more difficult for her to give Emmy the attention she deserved. Since we knew Emmy was great with little kids, we decided that Emmy Lou would probably thrive in a home where there was someone home most of the time. Emmy loves her new family and they are very happy with her as well.

On Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup> Wrinkle Time had its annual picnic in the park, and once again our rescue group had a silent auction fundraiser at the event. We'd like to thank all who participated. We had many wonderful items donated by Wrinkle Time attendees. A big "thank you" goes out to them for without donations, they'd be no items for people to bid on. Thanks also to all who bid at the silent auction and also to those who donated money for rescue Bulldogs...hope you enjoy your crate pads! Our fundraiser was a big success and approximately \$400 in all was donated by Wrinkle Time participants. Thank you all so very much. Your contributions ensure that all Bulldogs who can be rehabilitated are able to have the care they need because the funds are there to help them.

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# taking a poll

**Do you think your dog can read your mind? What are some stories of when you think he/she has done that?**

It sure feels like Kate can read my mind when it is time to clean her nose wrinkle. I try to vary the time and place so that she doesn't get a chance to run and hide, but she almost always knows that I've decided it needs cleaning and this is before I go to get the cleaning supplies that she runs away. All I can figure out is that I must look a little too intently at her face and that is how she knows what I am thinking. Kind of scary though...and "they" say Bulldogs are stupid. Obviously, those "experts" never lived with one.

Yes, he definitely does. Just the other week, Chris was in the kitchen and even before getting his keys/wallet or his coat Sherman was running to the door for a car ride. All it took was Chris taking one step back after we finished talking (and he didn't even mention the C-A-R word in the conversation). Sherman could "sense" that Chris was going to go somewhere and wanted to be sure he could go along. He seems to know what we are thinking even before we do it.

Most of my dogs have at least some ESP. But the one that seemed to have the most was my late German Shorthair Pointer, Keaton. Even when I wasn't talking about something, he knew. He knew when we were going to go outside. He knew when I was upset. And I think he knew when it was his time to leave our earth, too. All our dogs know when we are going to a dog show before we even start bringing out backpacks and luggage. I don't know how, but they know!

Yes. Last week, I decided to put Andy's food into his bowl. He was outside. The windows and doors were closed. Just when I was finished, I heard a bark and he was at the door to come back inside. When I let him in, he was in a hurry to get somewhere, and ran past me and straight into the kitchen directly to his bowls... (I normally feed him while he's watching me. This was on a weekend when we really don't have a set time to feed him, which I do twice a day on the weekends, which is different than during the week. He normally stops on the porch and follows me into the living room, and normally doesn't RUN into the house.)

Andy HATES when I take a shower. You'd swear he thinks I'm going to die in there. So, I try very hard to sneak through any preparations for taking a shower (closing the shower curtain, getting towels, comb, shampoo, clothes ready) and leave the light off in the bathroom until the last possible moment. I get ready while he's outside in the winter. (I take a shower when he's outside in the summer.) I try very hard to NOT think about what I'm planning to do. But invariably, at some moment, he somehow KNOWS what I'm planning, and he comes running from wherever he is, and GLUES himself to my leg, standing between me and the shower, barking his warning to NOT get in there.

Not my mind as much as my actions. Chester knew when the blanket unfolded it was nap time and he shared my pillow as long as it took. Petunia would drop to the floor when she thought you would clean her ears or she wanted them cleaned. Aggie on the other hand figured out medication and you'd find her hiding in the corner of the living room. Adele knew she going to the the Wrinkle Time picnic and sat by the door waiting to leave but I know it was the ice cooler that tipped her off.



# bdays n brags

Karen brags it seems like its been a long time since she won at a dog show, but Rubi won a point in Marshalltown Iowa Sunday April 27th.

Rachel got selected from out of all the fifth graders in Minnesota to read her essay on "What Minnesota means to Me" on May 11 at the Capital, For Minnesota's 150 Anniversary Celebration! She's excited, but very nervous to stand up there with all of the dignitaries, but she'll do fine. --Melissa



Baby Blake and Wrinkles. This photo won a prize on a bulldog site recently. Heather was nice enough to share with us!

# show me!

If you care to see an upcoming dog show here are the upcoming events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
May 16-18	St. Paul Minneapolis Bulldog Club Specialty, Best Western Kelly Inn 161 Saint Anthony Ave. St Paul, MN
May 24-25	St. Peter, MN
June 7-8	Jordan, MN
June 19-22	Cambridge, MN

[www.onofrio.com](http://www.onofrio.com)

If you are having trouble navigating the site or finnding the ring times, etc. let me know and I'll help if I can.



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# preventable

**American Kennel Club Cautions Owners: Pet Theft on the Rise** Date of Article: April 08, 2008  
-- Dog Owners and Breeders Advised to Keep Dogs Safe at Home and on the Road --

Protect your dog with microchip identification, enrollment and 24-hour recovery service. Visit [www.akccar.org](http://www.akccar.org) to learn more .

The American Kennel Club is warning pet owners and breeders about an alarming rise in dog thefts in recent months. From parking lots to pet stores and even backyards, more dogs are disappearing. In the first three months of 2008, the AKC has tracked more than 30 thefts from news and customer reports, versus only ten for all twelve months of 2007.

Media reports have chronicled the escalation of these "dog-nappings" from all around the country. Incidents have included armed robbers entering a breeder's home, tiny puppies being stuffed into purses at pet stores and most recently, purebred pets being snatched from cars in parking lots and even shelters.

"The value of pets in people's lives has been on the rise for a long time and now we are seeing thieves trying to capitalize on this. Whether they seek to resell the dog, collect a ransom or breed the dogs and sell their offspring, thieves seem to be attuned to the increased financial and emotional value pets have in our lives," said AKC spokesperson Lisa Peterson. "Losing a treasured family pet is devastating to the owner."

"Criminals look for weaknesses and exploit them. They know pets can't protect themselves, so that means owners need to be alert," said Lt. John Kerwick, a law enforcement K-9 handler and the President of the U.S. Police Canine Association, Region 7. "Be wary of anyone who approaches you and asks too many questions about your dog or where you live. This is a red flag that they may be out to snatch your pet."

Peterson added that "These 'dog-nappers' are misguided and naive. They're stealing living beings, not jewelry that can be pawned. Plus, it's unlikely that they can sell the dogs for high prices without proper registration papers, and these inept criminals are not realistically going to collect a ransom. Caring for a dog -- and especially breeding -- is a time consuming endeavor that requires a lot of knowledge. Thieves will find themselves with a frightened and confused animal that needs a lot of care."

The AKC offers the following advice to prevent your "best friend" from being a target of a crime:

## **At Home**

.. Don't let your dog off-leash — Keeping your dog close to you reduces the likelihood it will wander off and catch the attention of thieves. A Saint Bernard that had wandered away from his owner in Nebraska was snatched up right off the road.

.. Don't leave your dog unattended in your yard — Dogs left outdoors when no one is home for long periods of time can be potential targets, especially if you live in a rural area and the fenced-in yard or dog runs are visible from the street.

.. Keep purchase price to yourself — If strangers approach you to admire your dog during walks, don't answer questions about how much the dog cost or give details about where you live.

.. Breeders need to be aware of home visits by potential puppy buyers — Criminals posing as would be "puppy buyers" have visited breeder homes to snatch dogs, while other homes have been burglarized when the owner was away. From Yorkies in Los Angeles to Bulldogs in Connecticut, thieves have targeted young puppies of these highly coveted breeds.

## **On the Road**

.. Never leave your dog in an unattended car, even if it's locked — Even if you are gone for only a moment, an unlocked car is an invitation for trouble. Also leaving expensive items in the car such as a GPS unit or laptop will only invite thieves to break and possibly allow the dog to escape.

.. Don't tie your dog outside a store — This popular practice among city dwelling dog owners can be a recipe for disaster. Reports have surfaced of such thefts in Manhattan. If you need to go shopping, patronize only dog-friendly retailers or leave the dog at home.

.. Be vigilant when entering or leaving establishments or venues catering to dogs such as grooming salons, veterinarians, doggie day care or hotels — Be aware of your surroundings, such as slow moving vehicles, or people watching you and your dog. Carry pepper spray as a precaution and, if possible, don't walk alone late at night or stay in a well lit area.

## **Recovery**

.. Protect your dog with microchip identification — Collars and tags can be removed so make sure you have permanent ID with a microchip. Keep contact information current with your recovery service provider. Several pets have been recovered because of alert people scanning and discovering microchips. For more information and to enroll your pet in a 24 hour recovery service visit [www.akccar.org](http://www.akccar.org).

.. If you suspect your dog has been stolen — Immediately call the police / animal control in the area your pet was last seen.

.. Have fliers with a recent photo ready to go if your dog goes missing — Keep a photo of your dog in your wallet or on an easily accessible web account so that you can distribute immediately if your pet goes missing.

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