



# The Highlander

## President's Message



Happy Spring to all of our Club Members!!

Our last meeting was held at The Sleepy Hollow Golf Club House. We had a great presentation by a Master Gardener who discussed planting for your dogs. She also answered questions from members about gardening in general.

It is time for us to nominate Officers and Board members for the coming year. If you would like to run for a position, please contact me so that I can inform the Nominating Committee. At the next Club meeting, we will be looking for members who are willing to serve on the committee.

Our next meeting will be an evening of socialization and an auction of Westie items, which have been donated. If you have items that you would like to donate or if you would like to make a purchase, plan on attending our April 13th meeting at 7:00pm at the Club House of the Sleepy Hollow Golf Club, Brecksville Metro Park (9445 Brecksville Road in Brecksville). The parking lot for the Club House is located about 2.5 miles north of the off ramp from Interstate 77 North and Brecksville Road. This should be a fun evening!! Club members please remember to bring snack foods and invite any of your friends who might be interested.

Hope to see you there,  
Gary



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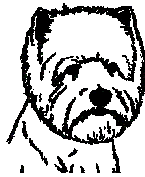
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I have just a couple feel good rescue placements to report at this time. In the Columbus area a young male westie named Willie was looking for a new home when his original family was moving to Las Vegas because of a family member who needed full time care. He is now matched with a couple in the same area whose large breed dog had passed away. This couple drove from Columbus to Akron in January to see westies at the Rubber City dog show and met a lot of us who were there, but could not afford to purchase a good quality puppy. They were very taken with the breed, even after seeing so many others at the show. After staying in touch with me I was happy to match them with Willie when I was contacted by his owner later that same month. They sent an email which we'll pass along to you all.



We have another westie in foster which is very likely to turn into a permanent adoption. My mother's westie passed away two years ago and I found her a miniature wire haired dachshund as she thought it would be too hard to get another westie. She went with me on the home visit in February when Divot was about to be surrendered and it was love at first sight. Divot is a one year old female who was owned by a serious golfer. Her birthday is the day before St. Patrick's Day, so we've changed her name to the "sound alike" Bridget. She's pretty high energy as any young westie is, and is helping to run off some extra weight on the dachshund. We've switched her to a higher quality food, and she is beginning to remember some of the obedience commands she supposedly learned earlier in life. There IS the problem of the corner being chewed off the sofa table, but she makes up for it by being a good lap sitter during television time. Puppies will be puppies. — Chris Schriber

*Chris,  
I just wanted to update you on Willie's adoption. It's been almost two weeks and he just seems to be settling in more and more. We absolutely love him! He is great fun. He still is not too interested in dog food but will give in and eat once a day. He loves to go on walks and rides in the car. He is still trying to catch the cat but seems less intense in his interest and the cat is more and more comfortable coming out around him. Thank you so much for helping us find him. He seems a perfect match for us. — Nancy*



**Westie Umbrellas for Sale!!  
\$12.00 each**

**These automatic umbrellas will be for sale at the next two meetings and can be purchased also on our website, [www.ohiowestie.com](http://www.ohiowestie.com) or call Chris Schriber at 330.833.5434.**

Colors available: navy blue/white, light blue/white, purple/white, pink/white.

**Important Note:** Would you prefer to receive your club newsletter via email rather than snail mail "print" format? If so, please visit our sign-up page at [www.ohiowestie.com](http://www.ohiowestie.com) and go to the newsletter page under the CLUB section.

**On the web site**

Our club web site gets a lot of visitors each month. For March, we had more than 721 unique visitors! And they're not just from Ohio. We have had people visit the site from Australia, Great Britain, South Korea, Czech Republic and Sweden this month.

Our rescue page was the most viewed page by web-visitors followed by our breeders page. PLEASE!! If you are a breeder and would like your information posted on our club's site, please let us know by sending an email to [woof@ohiowestie.com](mailto:woof@ohiowestie.com). The Internet has become a very convenient place for prospective future Westie owners to search for puppies. There are many illegitimate breeders that are taking much of the business. Why not post your information to help educate the public on responsible breeding???



**Major Pet Food Recall Announced**

A major pet food recall was announced on March 16, 2007 affecting 46 brands of dog food and 37 brands of cat food. These foods were sold in many stores including WalMart, Kroger and Safeway. For more details, please visit [www.menufoods.com/recall](http://www.menufoods.com/recall) or call 1-866-895-2708.

## Bring and Buy — Friday April 13, 2007

*It's our annual auction meeting where members and guests are asked to bring an item to donate for the silent auction. This is an action packed evening fundraiser with hot competition for Westie collectibles. Bring something you have two of, bring something you bought on eBay that was disappointing, bring something you don't want to dust any longer, bring a Westie clothing item that inexplicably no longer fits! Someone might want it, and the proceeds go to our club treasury.*

*If you have nothing to donate, please come and bid. And remember, bids start at under a dollar for most items, so you won't go broke!*

*This event is at the same location as last year, Sleepy Hollow Golf Club, part of the Cleveland Metro Parks. It's very easy to find, centrally located in Brecksville, at 9445 Brecksville Rd, Route 21, close to the intersection of 77 and the turnpike.*

*Members are also asked to bring a "finger food", snack or dessert. Beverages will be provided.*

*On another page in this issue is a meeting flyer that we are asking you to copy and post at your vet, your groomer, or your local pet food store. Keep a copy in your car to hand out to someone walking their Westie! Everyone knows someone with a Westie who is not in the club. Invite them! New faces are very welcome.*



## Please Support the WHWTCA Centennial Celebration!!

100 Years of Westies: 1909-2009

The work of the Centennial Committee of the West Highland White Terrier Club of America is well underway. The committee is busy making plans for the celebration in 2009. The week of events and activities will be in September 2009 at The Lancaster Host Resort in Lancaster, PA.

Please visit: [www.westiecentennial.com](http://www.westiecentennial.com) often since it will be continually updated with information about the various events for Westies and their owners, including a detailed schedule, location and hotel information, links to the Centennial fundraising items, information about activities in the area etc... People will be invited to contact the committee if they would like to volunteer to help in any.



## IS YOUR DOG AFRAID OF STORMS?

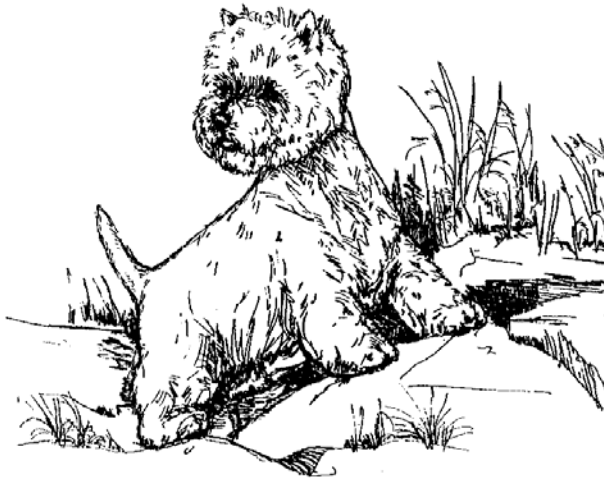
Dogs can become agitated and anxious before a thunderstorm. Some storm phobic dogs even panic, causing stress for you and your pet.

Research shows that dogs sense the static charge buildup before a thunderstorm. This same charge, if it gets big enough, produces lightning. Knowing that, it makes sense for dogs to be afraid and seek shelter.

A Storm Defender Cape claims to be the solution to reduce your dog's anxiety. The cape has a special metallic lining that discharges a dog's fur and shields him from the static charge buildup reducing his sensitivity to the charge. The dog gets relief, and after a few storms begins to learn that the secondary triggers like rain, wind, thunder, barometric pressure and smells are no longer to be feared. With the cape on, the dog feels as though he has found a safe place. — Storm Defender Advertisement

To find out more about this product and ordering details visit: [www.StormDefender.com](http://www.StormDefender.com)

*Information submitted by club member, Rose Carpenter with Kenlake Westies.*



Next meeting of the  
Westie Club of  
Northern Ohio is  
Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

**There will be an auction of Westie collectible items.  
Time: 7:00 PM**

***Location:  
Sleepy Hollow Golf Club  
9445 Brecksville Rd. (Route 21)  
Brecksville, OH***



This meeting is just for people who love Westies, but the June 8th meeting will be an outdoor picnic, and the dogs are invited then.

For more information contact:  
Chris Schriber 330-833-5434  
fairislewestie@cs.com



To: Nominators for the Westie Foundation's Westie Docs Program

On behalf of the officers and directors of the Westie Foundation of America, I would like to thank you for taking the time to nominate a veterinarian for our Westie Docs Program. We need a little more of your time to fulfill some privacy requirements before we can proceed. Specifically, we need your nominated vet(s) to sign the attached form giving us permission to list their name and contact information on our web site. It certainly wouldn't be appropriate, and might even represent a legal problem, if we posted that information on our web site without their signed authorization.

So, if we could ask one more favor from you, we would like you to give the attached letter and the authorization form to the vet(s) you nominated, and have them sign the form, and then mail it back to us at:

WFA, c/o Tom Barrie, 1 Janna Way, Lucas, TX 75002

As an incentive to complete this additional request, we'll put your name into a raffle pool for a \$500 prize. We'll draw the winning name in January, 2007.

Thanks for all of your help on this very important program.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Wayne Kompare".

Wayne Kompare  
President, Westie Foundation of America, Inc.


Westie Docs Program

The purposes of this program are threefold:

- 1) Be a source of useful information for first-time Westie owners or owners who have recently relocated to hopefully find a vet in their area who has experience in diagnosing and treating Westie health concerns.
- 2) Enable the Westie Foundation to provide information to vets and Westie owners on medical research for Westie health concerns that we are funding, as well as Westie health information we provide through our seminars, newsletters and website (<http://www.westiefoundation.org>).
- 3) Finally, we could ask the vets to assist in obtaining Westie DNA/blood samples or cases for some of our research projects that have need of them, but ONLY with the explicit permission of their Westie clients. Information about the owner or their Westie is ONLY available to the veterinary researchers and to no one else.

Procedure: As the nominator, fill out your information on the left side of the form, then take it to your vet and have them fill out the rest of the form, and sign it at the bottom. The vet can either return it to you to mail to us or send it directly to: **Tom Barrie, 1 Janna Way, Lucas, TX 75002.**

Thanks very much for your help in making this program a success!

<b>Submitting Person</b>	
Name _____	
Address _____	
City/Zip _____	
Phone _____	
	Veterinarian Clinic/Hospital _____ Specialty _____ Name _____ Address _____ City/Zip _____ Phone _____ Email _____ Fax _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I agree to have my name listed by the Westie Foundation of America in their directory of "Westie Docs" on their website: <a href="http://www.westiefoundation.org">http://www.westiefoundation.org</a> I understand this listing is as a service to owners of West Highland White Terriers residing in my area. <input type="checkbox"/> I prefer to not be listed in the directory, but would like to receive information from the Westie Foundation of America. Veterinarian's Signature _____ Date _____

**Please contact Club Member, Nora Hackathorn – WFA Liaison at 330.837.3337 or via email, [dannyboys@sssnet.com](mailto:dannyboys@sssnet.com) if you have questions or need additional information.**

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Show</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Westie Judge</u>
Mar 31	Western PA Kennel Assoc.	Pittsburgh, PA	P. Beisel-McIlwaine
Apr 1	Western PA Kennel Assoc.	Pittsburgh, PA	Mrs. J. Alexander
Apr 20	Columbia Terrier Assoc./ Greater Wash. Specialty	West Friendship, MD	Breed - J. Engers Sweeps - Kathleen Latz
Apr 22	Central Ohio KC	Columbus, OH	Mrs. P. Hartinger
Apr 23	Licking River KC	Columbus, OH	D. J. Murphy
Apr 28	WHWTC of SE Michigan Specialty	Whitmore Lake, MI	Breed –A.J. Ferruggiaro Sweeps – J. Glodek
Apr 28	Beckley KC	Lewisburg, WV	Mrs. P. Trotter
Apr 29	Fort St. Clair KC	Eaton, OH	Mrs. A. Watkins
Apr 29	Beckley KC	Lewisburg, WV	Dr. Greathouse
May 5	Crawford County KC	Bucyrus, OH	Mrs. J. Doniere
May 6	Crawford County KC	Bucyrus, OH	W. Villeneuve
May 12	Ravenna KC	Tallmadge, OH	C. M. Harris
May 13	Ravenna KC	Tallmadge, OH	Mrs. G. Wanner
May 19	St. Clairsville KC	St. Clairsville, OH	R. L. Bauer
May 20	St. Clairsville KC	St. Clairsville, OH	R. Chashoudian
May 24	Trumbull County KC	New Castle, PA	R. J. Whitney
May 25	New Castle KC	New Castle, PA	D. J. Kirkland
May 26	Butler County KC	New Castle, PA	Pending
May 27	Trumbull County KC	New Castle, PA	K. Edh
May 27	Cincinnati K. C.	Hamilton, OH	Mrs. C. Vogels
May 28	New Castle KC	New Castle, PA	Dr. M. Umana
May 28	Cincinnati K.C.	Hamilton, OH	B. Stenmark



**Important Note:** Deadline for Articles and Information for the June issue will be **May 15th!!**

## Officers & Board

President	Gary Hahn
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Board Member - 2007	Donna Harris
Board Member - 2007	M. Hackenberg
Board Member - 2007	Betty Miller
Board Member - 2009	Randy Schriber



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*The West Highland White Terrier Club of Northern Ohio was founded in the early sixties by a group of dedicated Westie breeders and owners. The club and its approximately 100 members are dedicated to the betterment of our breed. Club meetings are generally held the second Friday of even numbered months, the meeting location varies. Details about the next meeting can be found in this newsletter.*

*Our annual Specialty Show is held each year in August at the Canfield, Ohio Fairgrounds.*

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**First Class**



**Next Meeting: April 13, 2007 @ 7pm in Brecksville, Ohio — Westie Auction!!!**