## SCRATCHINGS

2023 PA PACK FALL GROWL HEADQUARTERS-FT. INDIANTOWN GAP OCTOBER 20, 2023

Worthy Pack Leader PDD Mastriania called the 2023 Fall Growl to order at 1925 hrs and the opening ceremonies were conducted as per PA Pack By-laws, until Worthy Dog Trainer PDD Jim Casella brought it to the Worthy Police Dog PDD Chris Shaw's attention that one of the members in attendance, according to Scratchings from Grand Growl 2021, is no longer amongst the living. A resurrection ceremony was held, and thankfully with Worthy Dog Trainer's noteworthy experience Honorable Charity Dog PDD Barabara Vanner was able to be risen from the dead. It was a remarkable event! Worthy Pack Leader then fined 1 Big Bone to all who had not attended her funeral. The charter was then draped. Opening ceremonies were finally concluded.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: All Elected and Appointed Officers were present and properly groomed, except for the WJVPL, WMD & WWD who were excused.

ROLL CALL OF POUNDS: 7 Pounds were present.

DOGNITARIES: JVCDD Joe Deangelo, Jr., HCD Barbara Vanner (Once Risen) AKODS Mike Mastriania, Jim Casella, and Ed Erb

PAST PACK LEADERS: PDD Eugene Irvin

PACK DOGS OF THE YEAR: PDD Ed Erb PDD Barbara Vanner PDD Joseph Deangelo, Jr. (New Jersey)

SCRATCHINGS: PPL PDD Gene Irvin made a motion to accept the written as written, with corrections as needed. Motion was seconded, passed with resounding woofs.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Worthy Dog Trainer read off the names of the departed dogs. Worthy Dog Trainer also reminded the dogs to get their NOD's turned in.

SICK AND/OR DISTRESS: Worthy Smart Dog Dean Van Zanardi was born stressed. Worthy Jr. Vice Pack Leader Diana Henry was distressed due to travels. Some airlines are run by cats.

## officer reports:

PACK LEADER: Thanked all the dogs who voted for him. Gave updates on Pack moving forward with recruitment and advertising. Mentioned about moving Pups to Devil Dogs if requested at quarterly Growls. Presented PDD Ed Erb with his PA Pack Dog of The Year Award. A grand speech from the baboon followed.

SR. VICE PACK LEADER: Written & Submitted.

JR. VICE PACK LEADER: Absent.

DOG ROBBER: Written & Submitted.

SMART DOG: Written & Submitted.

DOG TRAINER: Written & Submitted

POLICE DOG: Roaming and collecting bones as needed.

MAD DOG: Absent

WATCH DOG: 21 Mangy Dogs present. 72 Big Bones collected.

JR. PAST PACK LEADER: Has accomplished everything that was asked of him.

INITIATIONS: None

GAME: A break was taken to play a game. Dogs were blindfolded and had to dodge multiple objects of varying weight being swung at them. It was hilarious. Worthy Dog Robber DD Jacob Bertin won a 10 Big Bones gift card for being the most agile dog and being hit the least.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Worthy SVPK PDD Ed Erb barked about forming a committee to set up a possible Gathering of the Dogs in PA or NJ. Timeframe TBD. At the most recent Gathering 5000 Big Bones were raised for the Children's Hospital. JVCDD Joe Deangelo, Jr. also spoke on the matter. Stating this is Day 1 of the planning phase.

MODD Pound 38 Poundkeeper PDD Ed Erb and fellow dogs from Pound presented PDD Gene Irvin with his Certificate of the Golden Toilet for his unwavering support of Pound 38 Keystone Northeast. Clapping of the paws ensued.

GAME: Another game was played. This was the smell test. With dogs having 15,000 receptors in their noses, you would think it would be easy, it was not. Worthy Police Dog PDD Chris Shaw & JVCDD Joe Deangelo, Jr. took on the challenge. After a fierce competition, there had to be a tiebreaker. They ended up tied. Both received a gift card.

The costume contest was then judged. We had eight contestants. The Party Pooper aka PDD Bob Sundling won. The runner up was Worthy Police Dog Chris Shaw.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: PDD's Bonnie & Chris Shaw Anniversary. Food is downstairs. It is the 75th Anniversary of the PA Pack, polo shirts/t-shirts/coins commiserating the event are available for purchase. Contact Worthy Barking Dog Greg Schlegel gregmarine102383@gmail.com for more information.

CLOSING: There being no further business, WPL Mike Mastriania closed the Fall Growl at 2000 hrs with the proper ceremonies and a final pound of the bone.

Next Growl will be held at Department HQ on January 19, 2024 @ 1900 hr. SEMPER WOOF!

Respectfully submitted,

DD Jacob Bertin 22-093

Worthy Dog Robber PA Pack

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