



# The Highlander

## President's Message



On a serious note, I need to let you all know that two long time members passed away last month. Don May passed on Jan 7 and Jo May passed on Jan 26. They will be missed by all of us. They were a bright light at our club meetings and functions.

Hope everyone had a nice Holiday Season with friends and family.

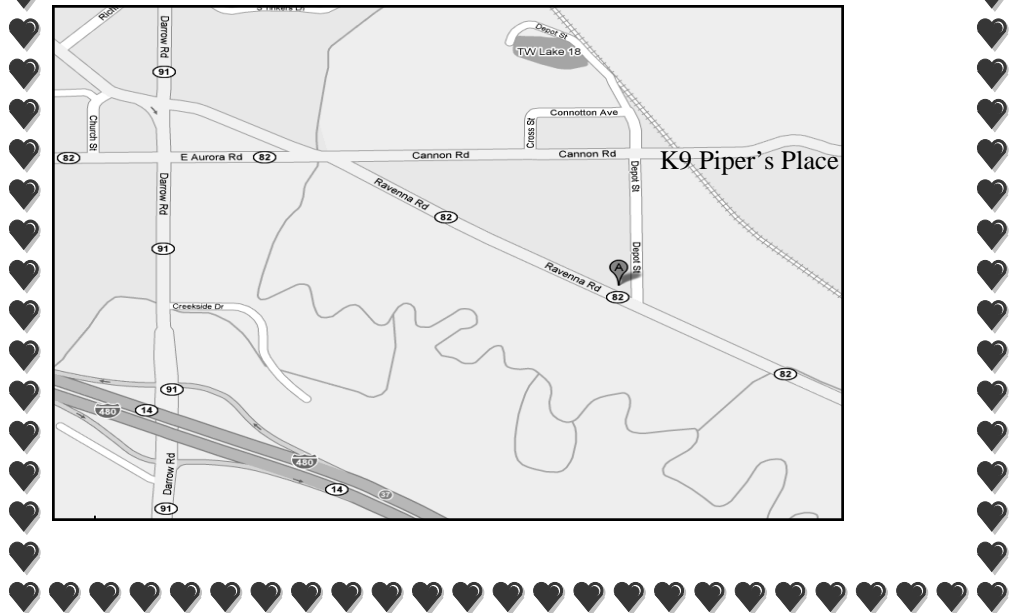
We have entered a new year and it is time to work toward our Specialty in August. If you are willing to help, please contact either Randy or me.

Our last meeting was our Holiday Party at Blue Canyon Tavern and Grill. We had about 25 in attendance. The meals were very good. After dinner we had a gift exchange. There were some really nice gifts again this year.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, February 12 at 7:00 PM. We will be meeting at the K9 Piper Place. The address is 9453 Ravenna Road, Twinsburg. There phone number 330-425-3647 if you need directions. Your well behaved dogs are welcome with you. As always visitors are welcome. Hope to see you at the meeting.



Gary



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Chris Schriber — Chairperson, Vice President

**RESCUE REPORT 11/17/2009**

Faye and Nellie had vet appointments today. They were judged to be no older than 3. Faye is the easy one, just needs groomed, better nutrition, and the ear wound to heal.

She is heartworm negative and can begin preventative. She's not scheduled yet for spaying until she adjusts better to being here. Don't want too much trauma at once. She's been inoculated for everything now.

Nellie brought tears to the eyes of the first vet and when the second vet entered the room, he staggered backwards for a step.

Her exam revealed no heart or lung problems, and no orthopedic issues. They cut a good 3/4 inch from her nails and we think she will learn to walk normally quickly. We're going to address the nutrition and skin issues first to get her healthy enough to have surgery for spaying and what is believed to be a hernia. Neither vet thought it a tumor as I was afraid. She endured three painful skin scrapings to eliminate a diagnosis of mange. And she's clear of that. Of course ears are inflamed as a side effect of the overall skin condition. She has fur on probably only 30% of her body, the remainder is black, thick, bleeding, oozy, smelly. We also did full blood panel, and her thyroid, kidneys and liver are good. Again, no heartworm. She continued to be very docile during all this, and even gave kisses.

She got a cortisone shot to help her comfort level and we're beginning antibiotics and medicated baths. These dogs are well worth saving. I believe they know their lives are starting to change for the better. No more puppies, no more wire cages, no more minimal food and care.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support for our club's rescue efforts.



January 13, 2010

Faye was spayed, housetrained, and put on some weight before being adopted just before Christmas. She is living with an older male westie now and helping with his weight loss program by regular play times and backyard chasing.

Nellie has come a long way with her socialization and housetraining. She has even adopted some toys as her own. After getting her skin problems under control she was spayed, a growth removed from her ear, and that horrible hernia repaired. Her intestine and some of her uterus were caught up there and you could see how much better she felt when all that was fixed. The medicated baths continue, but she may be done with the oral antibiotics for awhile. Her skin is pink now instead of bare, greasy, smelly black. And there is a light growth of white fuzz. She's comfortable now with the pack here and knows she doesn't have to fight for food and affection. This girl deserves a special home. Please keep her in mind when you talk with people.

In the beginning of December we also helped to find new homes for a young stray female in the Toledo area, and a 10 year old female whose owner had passed away. Thanks for thinking of the rescue fund with your donations.

Chris Schriber





## WESTIE SPECIALTY

### TROPHY LETTER FOR OUR SPECIALTY IN AUGUST

Hello! Think summer. We are already getting ready for our Specialty in August. The show information needs to be submitted six months in advance. Our specialty weekend is usually the best and largest of all the regional clubs. It's because of our prizes and hospitality. Your donations help us keep that distinction.

We will again use items from the inventory of left over prizes from past years for Thursday's supported entry, and we already have some donated items for the Saturday sweepstakes and supported prizes, so we will spend only a limited amount on a few new things for those days. Another way we are saving money is by sending this to you electronically. Those stamps, copies, and envelopes mount up.

We do need to get nice prizes for all the placements for our Sunday specialty. There is really quite a list, including puppy sweepstakes, veteran sweepstakes, regular classes, and the "big ones" (Best of Breed, etc).

Prizes range from \$15 to \$50. We have used that budget for several years now, and with the current national economic situation, hope to keep it that way. Any amount you can donate will help. If there is a particular prize or class you'd like to support, please let me know. Otherwise I will allocate amounts with what is needed. Please indicate how you would like your name or names to be listed in the show catalogue. Make your check payable to the club, WHWTCNO, and send to my address: Chris Schriber, 4939 Suzette Ave NW, Massillon, OH 44647. I'll even send you an envelope if you let me know you need one. Many of you have voiced a concern in the past about these checks not being cashed in a timely manner, so we will make every effort for that not to happen.

I would like to have your reply by mid February. If you have any questions, please call me at 330-833-5434. Also, let me know if you have any items for the decorating theme this year, "We love Westies". I'm thinking mostly Valentines and cupids. Buy up cheaply after the holiday, and at garage sales. That's another unique thing about our show. One year we didn't decorate and there was a lot of disappointment.

As always, WHWTCNO members help to make this a wonderful weekend with a number of events to enjoy. I wish you would all come out and take part in the fun. If you don't come to see the dogs, come to see the motor homes. Again, I would like to thank everyone for all your donations in the past and I hope to see you at Canfield.

Sincerely,  
Chris Schriber

### FEBRUARY MEETING NOTICE!!

**When:** Friday, February 12th at 7 PM.

**Where:** K9 Piper's Place — 9453 Ravenna Road, Twinsburg, Ohio

**\*\*\*Please remember to bring your Westie and invite guests!!**

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



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

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