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NEWSLETTER

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### **SHOP AT K9 MANNERS & MORE**

Have you looked at the Christmas display at K9 Manners? We have specialty items available that you might not find just anywhere! BC Threads & Design (Larry Simpson) has custom embroidery and digital printing. Some of the items he has available are:

- Pet ID Tags
- Dog Tags
- Luggage Tags
- Tins
- License Plates
- Mugs
- Coasters
- Jewelry Boxes
- Embroidery: t-shirts, jackets, hats, bags, sweatshirts, etc. (how about some K9 Manners logo-wear???)

In addition, we have a few dog toys, beaded necklaces, Santa hats and antlers!

Have you noticed the shabby-chic antique windows by our door? Did you know that they are for sale? These one-of-a-kind windows are hand painted by Tawnie Larson.

HOW ABOUT GIVING THE GIFT OF A WELL-MANNERED PET?  
*Consider a **Gift Certificate** to K9 Manners & More*



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## What's New for the New Year

The response to the Levels program we introduced for Family Manners in 2007 has been terrific! We are always looking to improve our programs to offer the services that our clients (that's you all!) are requesting. We appreciate your input. We listen to your suggestions and take try to take criticism as a way for us to improve.

For 2008, we are continuing the Levels program but implementing some changes. Instead of 4 levels, we will have 3. Level 1 will be more of a combination of the current Level 1 & Level 2. With Level 1 and Level 4 being the smallest classes so far, consolidating to three Levels will even out the classes more.

In addition, we are going to offer several fun and informational classes that will cover lots of things out of the scope of Family Manners. These will be short sessions that you will be able to attend for no additional charge on your current training pass. Some of the subjects we will offer are:

- Tricks
- Pet First Aid
- Fetch!
- Really Reliable Recall
- Clicker 101
- Dog Language; Can We Talk
- Therapy Dogs
- Intro to Rally
- Intro to Competition Obedience
- Walk in the park

If you have suggestions for the Levels training, or any special classes you would like to see, please let us know! Email Mary at:  
[mgreen@k9-manners.com](mailto:mgreen@k9-manners.com)

## NEED A TRAINING TUNE-UP?????

Sometimes dog training just doesn't fit into your weekly schedule...life can get in the way! You and your pet have enjoyed building the training relationship. He looks forward to going to class and seeing friends...and eating the treats. If you don't keep up with the skills, you could fall into the USE-IT-OR-LOSE-IT trap.

If your training pass has expired, you can drop in and attend any Levels class you are qualified for and just pay \$10.

## TRAINING CENTER CLOSED DAYS

The Training Center will be CLOSED from December 21<sup>st</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup>. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## BAD WEATHER POLICY

If the Broken Arrow Public Schools are closed due to snow or ice, K9 Manners & More will be closed, too. If in doubt, call the training center at 451-8446. Don't place yourself in jeopardy if the roads are not safe to travel! If class is cancelled due to adverse weather, we will schedule a class make up session, and Training passes will be extended accordingly.

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## BUY BROKEN ARROW TICKETS

If you are collecting the Buy Broken Arrow tickets, consider donating your tickets to Therapeutics Service Dogs of Oklahoma. The ticket jar is in the training center.



## SPIRIT OF GIVING

You can help two organizations that are near and dear to our hearts this Holiday season by picking up an extra item or two when you are shopping. Little things often mean a lot to these groups and there are lots of little things needed. Can you help? If you would like to make any donations to Therapeutics Service Dogs of Oklahoma or the Tulsa Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Tulsa SPCA), please drop it by the training center and we will be happy to deliver for you.

The partial Wish Lists are:

Therapeutics	Tulsa SPCA
Batteries AA & AAA	Office supplies: copy paper 8 ½" x 11" (white and colored), staplers & standard sized staples, tape, Post-It notes, Legal pads, pencils & pens, binder clips, etc.

Stamps	Stamps
Ink HP56 & 57	Large flashlights (with handles)
Toys – Kongs, Hartz Tumble Along, Premier Busy Buddies	Toys: squeaky rubber type to be used outdoors, chew toys, heavy rope toys, Nylabones, Kongs
Treats: Canine Caryouts, Easy Cheese, other small easy-to-eat treats	Training Treats and biscuits, Hot dogs
Cleaning Supplies: bathroom cleaners, Windex, paper towels, toilet paper (the good stuff, please)	Cleaning Supplies: commercial sized brooms, air freshener sprays or solids, paper towels, toilet paper, facial tissue
Trash Bags: 45 gallon heavy duty & small office wastepaper basket sizes	Large storage containers with tight-closing lids, 5 gallon or larger
Gift Cards: Wal-Mart, Lowe's, Home Depot, Staples, etc.	Gift cards: Wal-Mart, Lowe's, Home Depot, Staples, etc.

Both groups have lots of other items on their wish lists. If you, your family, church or civic organization would like to sponsor a special gift, contact the organizations directly or visit their website for their complete Wish List.

Therapeutics: [www.therapeutics.org](http://www.therapeutics.org)

SPCA: [www.tulsaspc.org](http://www.tulsaspc.org)



### **Yahoo Group: K9 Manners & More**

We have established an email list for K9 Manners & More clients and friends. This is a “closed” group, so you won’t receive a ton of emails. This group is a way for us to all share information about events, classes, brags, stuff “in the news”, etc. This is a free group. To join, click on the link below and follow the instructions to “join”. You can use an existing email address (doesn’t have to be a yahoo address) or you can get a Yahoo email address for free. It’s fun! It’s free! If you don’t like it you just sign off.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/K9Mannersonline>

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

We know that you have an interest in dogs...or you wouldn’t be getting this letter! There are several opportunities to further your education and experience in dogs, and maybe help a worthy cause.

**Tulsa SPCA** Volunteers help in many ways. Here are some examples.

- Grooming and walking dogs
- Playing games and petting kitties

- Showing pets at scheduled off-site events such as parades, festivals, and more
- Working with pets and meeting people during outings aboard MAC (mobile adoption center)
- Providing educational information at booth displays for community fairs and other events
- Helping with fundraising projects
- Learn through special workshops/trainings such as emergency first aid for pets, training techniques, disaster planning, and more
- Participating in shelter improvement and cleanup activity
- Joining the pet therapy teams visiting residents in area nursing homes through our PAL – Pets Are Love – program

**Therapeutics** is always looking for great folks to get involved! Puppy raisers and advanced trainers are greatly needed, as well as folks to help with fundraising events from time to time.

**K9 Manners & More** can use volunteers as helpers in Puppy Kindergarten and Levels classes. Speak to any of your instructors if you would like to know more about what this entails!

*Happy Holidays from all of us at K9 Manners & More*

(Younghaven's T'ewe Hot at Bordertown, A.K.A. Kellen) photo by Sonja

