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# THE SPOTTED DOG

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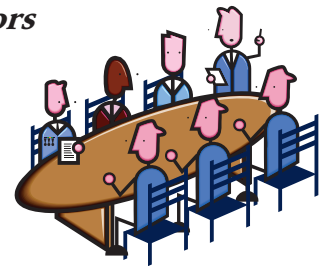
**Date:** Saturday, August 16, 2014

**Time:** TBD

**Location:** Topkea at the Captial City All Breed Dog Show – More information to follow

### Board of Directors

**President:** John Cramer  
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**Member-At-Large 1:** Colleen Ratcliff  
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**Membership Dues:** Membership dues were due April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

**HEARTLAND DALMATIAN CLUB OF  
GREATER KANSAS CITY  
MINUTES**

March 15, 2014

Members Present: John Cramer, Jennifer Cramer, Martie Welther, David Welther, Amber Miller and Carol Wells.

The meeting was called to order by President John Cramer at 10:00 a.m.

The minutes of the last general membership meeting were approved and accepted.

**Treasurer's report:** We took in no money but spent no money so our balance as if this time is \$1,775.91. Amber will have to contact the bank because she is not getting through with the online banking. If there is any difference regarding the balance, she will email corrected information for complete minutes.

**President's/Show Committee report:** We have to work on getting trophies filled out. We need anybody that can help with trophies. We will get – trophy pledges. April is when the show application goes in, so we will need trophy information then. John asked if he could have permission to just get anybody as Judge if Patrick Jones is not available. We are just offering \$3 dollars a dog, nothing else. We will be taking him to dinner, multiple times if he wants. We will list in the show application that we will have a raffle , but nothing specific. Jennifer said she will copy everything for Martie to

be show chair next year. We need a Trophy Chair and a raffle chair for 2015. John Cramer will get Martie a list of Judges for 2015.

**New Business:** The next meeting will be a summer picnic at Dave & Martie's house on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Let's try to come up with something fun to do. Carol will see if she can get the meat donated for just about 10-15 people.

Do we want to do any activity this summer? We need to come up with something for education compliance for the DCA .

Lawrence community library - have to see if something comes up. Dog days, anything to get our breed out there.

Carol Wells says she may have some things to donate for the October specialty from Diane Teeter.

Dues notices have to be sent out to the whole club as they are due April 1. Amber will get those sent out.

John suggested we email Sharon Rucksdassel to see if she would like to join back up and Martie will send the dues notice to Adolyn Bartell.

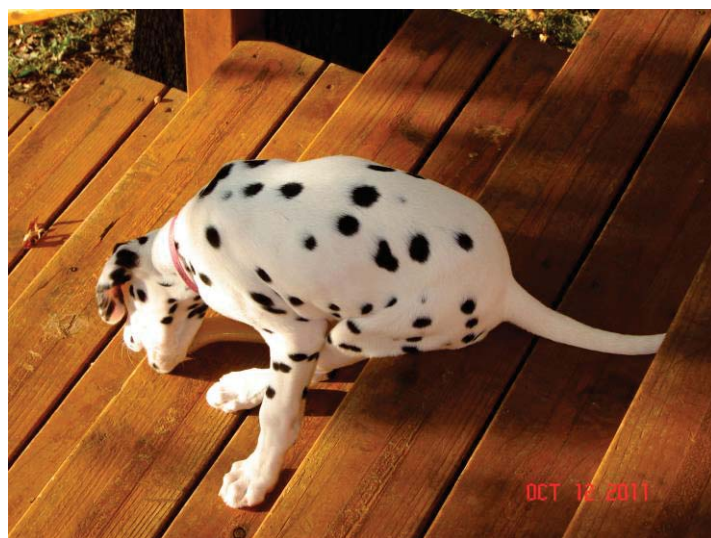
Nominating Committee. David will do the nominating committee along with Amber and Jennifer. We need to fill both members at large and the treasurer, although Amber said she would remain treasurer.

Jennifer Cramer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

**Editor's Corner:** Last time I wrote about dog's counter-surfing. True to his reputation, our first Dalmatian, Echo, got his paws on a bottle of Gorilla Glue. If you've never heard of Gorilla Glue, it's a superglue which expands 3-4 times into a hard, foam-like substance. In the instance when your dog chews off the bottom and licks it up, it turns into a hard, foam-like cast of his or her stomach, and can only be removed through expensive surgery (see picture at right). Thank goodness it's a type of surgery veterinary folk are all too familiar with. And yes, Echo is pretty much back to his normal self after a 3 week recovery, although his coat still hasn't quite grown back in from all the shaving...



## *Member Updates*



Pictures from: [http://www.katyiddals.com/Home\\_Page.html](http://www.katyiddals.com/Home_Page.html)

Don't we always seem to worry just a little bit about how our little ones are going to turn out? Maybe a lot a bit? It's no wonder when we watch them try to use siblings as chairs and almost fall over to grab that favorite toy. But not to worry, everything always turns out for the best, and the newest proof is that is newest champion in town: CH Killcreek Rock'n Pink Cadillac ("Pinkie") seen here below.





With one point left, Judge Tim Robbins awarded Pinkie the last point she needed for her championship at the St. Joe, Missouri shows. One would think that after such an achievement, you might think a small break is deserved, but some would say get going while the going is good. So David entered her in the Dalmatian Club of North Texas Specialty in Fort Worth and what do you think happened? The first time in the ring as a champion she was awarded a Major Select Bitch by Judge Rick Miller. Not ready to stop there, we moved on to the Wichita shows where she received her first Best of Opposite Sex under Judge Arley Hussin.

Looks like we are starting the year off pretty good! Let's hope we continue the run with Belle and Zoey and then bringing Rocker back out as a Veteran should top the year off nicely.

David & Martie Welther

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## ***Dalmatian Memes***

“Memes” (photos) from: <https://www.facebook.com/DalmatianMeme>. What is a meme? According to Merriam Webster’s online dictionary, a meme is “an idea, behavior, style, or usage that spreads from person to person within a culture” – in this case, funny pictures posted online – and now here for your enjoyment.



