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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year! I hope Santa was good to one and all. I am sure that all our Scotties were on the "Nice List" and received many toys and treats.

I want to thank the members who made our Christmas party on December 3, 2017 so successful. I cannot thank Eleanor Goss enough for taking such beautiful pictures of our Scots with Santa. Barb Sciarra and Eleanor worked together to put together an amazing party; including procuring a very patient Santa willing to work with so many squirming Scotties. I also want to thank the Hospitality Committee; Pat Pochocki, Bob and Sue Grant, for putting out such a great assortment of goodies for us to eat. I also want to express my gratitude to Barb Wicks for throwing a raffle together so quickly. It was very successful; we made \$91.00 from the raffle. We will be doing more fund raising activities at our meetings.

STCC is growing and changing. We had 3 visitors at the December meeting. As Membership Chair, my goal for new members for this year is 10. That is a very reasonable goal and one that we are on track to achieving. We now have a Facebook presence thanks to Michele Bronsky. Between the Website, Plaid Piper, and Facebook, we are increasing our ability to reach out to potential members. I have had 3 more people contact me within the last 2 weeks who are interested in attending the March meeting. With new members will come new ideas and different perspectives for making our Club better and more diverse. From my point of view, nothing but positive things will come from this.

If you are making New Year's resolutions, have one of them to become more active in your Club. Look at our different committees and see where you can best use your talents and abilities. Scottie owners are a great group of people. We are much like our Scots; smart, stubborn, willful, resourceful, but most of all, loving. Join us and make STCC an even better Club.

*Thank you,
Kathy Hufnagle,
President, STCC*



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MEMBER RECOGNITION



Michael Bishop, and STCC members Michele Geiger-Bronsky and Marcia Dawson were proud to serve on the STCA ad hoc Strategic Planning Committee that developed, conducted, and analyzed data from 1,514 respondents and presented a summary of the data with recommendations to the STCA membership in October. Barbara A Gibson, Michael Bishop, Michele Geiger-Bronsky, Lisa Ferry Hills, Marcia Dawson, Lori Kelly and Karen Prokopetz. Missing from committee photo are Lisa Kincheloe and Whitney Shafer. STCA President, Lori Kelly is 2nd from the right.

Congratulations



On behalf of the STCA Health Trust Fund Chair, Marcia Dawson presented Michele Geiger-Bronsky with the Antonella Visconti de Modrone Health Advocate Award at the STCA Annual Banquet. The award was presented with special honor to Michele, Tom Bronsky, and the Door County Scottie Rally, Inc. for 17 years of Scottish Terrier health advocacy, education, and celebration.



The Woburn's (Steve & Debi Russell) receiving the STCA Alchemy Bred by Exhibitor Award at the STCA Annual Banquet.

WELCOME TO THE "NEW" *Plaid Piper*!!

The Plaid Piper has been rebranded fresh and new! We have adopted the official 1930's club logo, and, the newsletter has gone Scottie plaid!! Michele Geiger-Bronsky and I hope you enjoy this revamped presentation of our clubs news and updates. We have enjoyed bringing it to you. And, as always, your editors, myself and Mindy Smouse, look forward to your submissions and pictures. (That's a hint! Can you tell??)

Respectfully,
Marilyn Flanagan, Glendale Hts., IL

EXTRA! EXTRA! READ THE NEWS!

SCOTTIE GANG CLAIMS HYDE PARK

A recent rash of tagging has popped up in the Hyde Park neighborhood on Chicago's South Side. What does this mean and should the residents be concerned? To date there have been no incidents reported involving an insolent group of the notoriously noisy and "in your face" dogs wandering the streets.

One resident, who wished to remain anonymous over concerns for her own welfare, noted "I've known several Scotties over the years, but they were always by themselves and seemed like such nice dogs, but when they get together in a group, well I just can't image what ruckus they can cause?" Asked if she had seen the local tags in the neighborhood she responded, "I just thought it was cute, but now that they are everywhere, I'm not sure what to think."

Another resident commented that he hoped that they had been brought in as part of the City of Chicago's efforts to fight the rat populations. "I heard they were considering cats, but most people don't understand that the terriers job was to keep the rat populations down, so I hope the mayor can get this right and use the Scotties natural instincts."

But why the tagging? Sociologists often claim that the taggers want to mark their turf to warn off possible intruders. But whom would a gang of Scotties want to warn? Cats? Rats? SQUIRRELS? But pack mentality is typically different from the lone wolf.

One Hyde Parker noted that quite a while back she had seen a man walking multiple Scotties through the neighborhood to the lakefront park, but hadn't seen him recently. "Maybe he's back with his dogs?" she wondered.

To date, no definitive information has surfaced as to why the tags have appeared, or if the Scotties are in fact hunting rats for the City, or simply marauding through the neighborhood in hopes of "terrierizing" innocent residents.

*Richard Bumstead
(STCC Hometown Reporter Extraordinaire!)*



SOCIAL MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT !!

SCOTTISH TERRIER CLUB OF CHICAGO LAUNCHES FACEBOOK PAGE



If you are like most of us, myself included, the thought of joining a social media trend, such as Facebook, seemed ridiculous when email seemed to work perfectly fine! Its been more than a decade since Facebook took the world by storm and changed the manner in which many of us stay connected and learn information in a relatively timely manner. This is particularly true when organizations, such as STCC, are limited by publication timing or costs involved with major website changes. Because social media has become a source of staying connected to those groups and organizations that are of importance to us, Kathy Hufnagle, on behalf of the Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago Board of Directors, wants everyone to know that,

“We are ecstatic, that under the guidance of new member, Michele Geiger-Bronsky, the Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago has a Facebook page and you can find the link at <https://www.facebook.com/ScottishTerrierChicago/>”

I, and all of us a part of this new initiative for STCC, encourage you to **LIKE the page** as opposed to liking or commenting on a post. In selecting LIKE on any page, that increases your chances of it showing up in your Facebook Newsfeed; and if you desire, you can choose the page to become the top post in your Newsfeed. If you have qualms about being on Facebook remember that you can engage at *whatever level you wish*. You can keep your profile page completely private and never make a post or comment and **still LIKE and FOLLOW the STCC page!** The realities are that social media has united Scottish Terrier aficionados across the globe and made the world feel quite a bit smaller most of the time. In the Scottish Terrier world, Facebook has provided us with the opportunity to:

- Establish relationships with fellow Scottish Terrier families,
- Find additional breeders who might be a potential source of a new or retired Scottish Terrier,
- Find new sources for Scottish Terrier vintage and collectible items,
- Locate potential clients for the placement of Scottish Terrier(s),
- View live streaming of conformation and performance events being done regardless of geographic location,
- Facilitate intercontinental travel to dog shows and companion events, and
- Promote the benefits and dispel the myths associated with the Scottish Terrier breed and contribute to the maintenance and/or increased popularity of the Scottish Terrier breed.

We look forward to your engagement with STCC on our Facebook page as a viewer, poster, and hopefully, you will cross post or share information amongst Scottie people in your circle(s) of influence!

*Michele Geiger-Bronsky,
Baileys Harbor, WI*

SCOTTIES ACROSS THE YEARS: The Conversation Continues

The November/December issue of *The Plaid Piper* highlighted the Scottie dogs themselves in our Specialty photographs across the years. On the next pages, is an article discussing those favorite body parts of our Scotties. From waddle butts - to bellies made for petting - to the struts, swaggers, and Ah roos we love so well read on as to why each part is so vitally important. And, how, together, they combine to create this breed we love so well and want cuddled by our side. Enjoy! Many thoughts to digest....

Form Follows Function

By: Richard C. Bumstead

To those of us who admire the Scottish Terrier, the breed's beauty is obvious. But to the uninitiated eye, the Scottie can appear to be an odd assemblage of parts from a wide variety of breeds. Like most terriers, the Scottish Terrier was bred to undertake a job, and by the early 20th Century, the Scottie's appearance reflected the job for which it was developed: a short legged terrier capable of hunting both above and below ground, with powerful jaws to dispatch quarry, a harsh broken coat to ward off the weather, and an independent spirit that allowed it to work both individually and as part of a pack.

As is often the case in human nature, we tend to tinker with that which we have created, and the Scottie was not immune from attempts to "improve upon" the original intent. Early photographs of dogs from the turn of the 19th Century show a dog that reflects only vague similarities to the dog we now see in the show ring. The Scottie is not alone in this fate, as many dog breeds have gone through similar transformations, and the primary reason is one of aesthetics – we've selectively bred a dog to conform to an idealized image. This image was probably idealized due to the popularity of the Scottie as a design motif in the early part of the 20th Century. Yet when I hear breeders, exhibitors, and judges talk about assessing the dog on its ability to "do its job", my eyebrow rises – as I wonder if many of these people have ever seen their dog hunt, work a field, or go to ground. Over the past eight years, I have attended earthdog trials throughout the Midwest and have also successfully field-hunted my Scottish Terriers. During these events, I've watched and studied the movement of my dogs in the performance of these tasks. Thus, I thought it would be a useful exercise to look back at the development of the breed to do its job, the various characteristics that were selectively bred into the dog to enable it to perform that job, how they appeared in the early half of the 20th century, and what is now being bred and exhibited. I encourage readers to look at the photographs in this issue and then find old images of the breed and make their own comparison.

To organize the analysis, various parts of the Scottish Terrier will be examined, assessing why that particular characteristic was both important and useful in fulfilling its duties, but then looking at how aesthetic decisions have changed the dog and its ability to do its job. For this discussion, I have spent many hours examining photographs of Scottish Terriers from a wide collection of books about the breed that span the last 100 years, and have focused on the following parts: head, tail, back and loin, feet, back legs, front legs, chest, and coat. There are many other aspects of the Scottish Terrier's anatomy that cannot be analyzed in this manner (things that are only felt with the hand, not seen), and thus will not be discussed.

The Head

Function – The head and skull house the most important defensive and offensive weapon the Scottish Terrier possess – their teeth. When compared to dogs of similar size, the Scottie's jawbone and teeth are enormous. This was intentional so that it could be prepared for whatever quarry was encountered during the hunt. The nose was also intentionally large to pick up the scent of quarry above and below ground – a Scottie is typically cautious about entering a tunnel or burrow and spends a great deal of time sniffing around the entrance assessing what it will find. The ears were also important, allowing the Scottie to ascertain movement of the quarry out of sight, and direct its movement during the hunt, again somewhat large for the overall size of the dog, but then again they provided vital information during the hunt.

Form – When compared to the other short-legged terriers, the Scottie's head appears longer, especially from nose to stop, indicating the larger jaws. The scissor bite of the front teeth allowed the dog to bite down and through whatever it needed to – a level bite or an underbite did not allow this to occur. The ears tended to be large and set off the top of the head, providing better opportunity to hear the minutest bit of sound during the hunt (think of an ear trumpet – bigger and wider is better). The eyes were set well under

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the brow, in the most protected location on the head. The larger size of the skull was also important, allowing the Scottie to bite with ferocity when needed during the hunt. Today, the ear size has been reduced, and the ear set keeps moving higher and higher on the head to where high set small ears are highly prized – negating some of their functionality. Presently, discussions about the eyes tend to focus mostly on shape and color and their contribution to the dog’s “varmity” expression, which have little to do with the Scottie’s hunting prowess as they have never been known to scare their quarry to death with a fierce glare (and is in fact not considered working in earthdog trials).



Dapper, 5 months,
Bob and Sue Grant

The Tail

Function – In adapting the Scottish Terrier to assist its human companions, the purpose of their tail evolved primarily as an aid to their human owners. The tail was a useful handle that could assist the owner in pulling the terrier from a den or away from an encounter with quarry – or possibly another dog. The short thick nature of the tail prevented it from having to be docked like many of the other terrier breeds.

Form – When looking at early photographs of these working terriers, the tail was normally carried slightly below perpendicular, often at a 45 degree angle above the horizon and marked the end of the dog. This position allowed the tail to be easily grabbed when needed by its owner. This tail set is now heavily frowned upon by breeders, and often viewed as a fault when assessing puppies. Many dogs now exhibit a “gay tail” where the tail is carried over the back, considered a fault in the standard, but now becoming common. While the tail accounts for only 5 percent of the overall score for the dog, it is often the make or break issue when assessing an individual dog, and there is a general feeling that a gay tail is preferable in the show ring to the original tail set.

The Back and Loin

Function – With most four legged mammals, the back and loin, depending upon the length and its relationship to the chest cavity, provided the animal flexibility in movement, speed during pursuit or escape, and in the female, the capacity and ability to whelp future generations on her own. When ratting, this elasticity was essential as the rat can quickly turn and change direction, and the dog needed to be able to react. In the Scottish Terrier, as in any terrier that goes to ground, the flexibility afforded by the loin allowed the dog to maneuver underground. While running, the loin provides flexibility in order to produce speed – the ultimate canine example is the Greyhound.

Form – The Scottish Terrier of the first part of the last Century was a longer backed dog than what is favored today, as this allowed the dog to perform its designated duties of hunting both above and below ground. The muscles between the rib cage and the hip bones were critical in whelping litters, being able to fully contract without the restrictions of the skeleton. Today there is an ongoing debate about length of back in the breed – proponents of shorter backs and those who feel the Scottie should retain its traditional proportions.

The Feet

Function – The front and back feet of the Scottish Terrier are intentionally unequal in size. The front feet were meant for digging after quarry, and were developed to be much larger than the back feet, with good-sized nails used for quickly loosening and moving soil. The pads of the feet needed to be thick and durable for movement over a wide variety of terrain – rocky outcroppings, open fields, and in various forms of soil. The rear feet provided traction and drive during movement.

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Form – Rarely are feet examined when the modern Scottish Terrier is placed on the table during a conformation show. There is little to indicate whether or not this trait continues with its original intent, or has been relegated to the list of irrelevant issues as it is combined with the legs in the judging tabulation, accounting for only 10 percent of the dogs overall score.

The Back Legs

Function - The back legs of the Scottie are used for locomotion – the driving force during any movement. While the short legs were useful for movement underground, they somewhat impeded the movement above ground. In order for the dog to maneuver quickly, the back legs needed to be able to reach under the dog and drive back – producing both power and movement. The thigh muscles, the most important muscle group in providing movement needed to be thick and well toned in order to produce speed and maneuverability.

Form – The back legs of the early Scottish Terrier were set well under the hip bones, with very little expressed angulation. This trait was seen well into the 1960s, but since then the back legs have been selectively bred to where the back foot is no longer under the hip bone, and the angulation has become exaggerated and clearly evident. The tail is no longer the end of the dog – the rear legs are. The theory is that this provided the appearance of power and drive, but in reality it provides neither. This favored profile limits the dog's ability to reach cleanly under the body and drive itself forward with its back legs. As a result, in order to balance itself, the dog's legs often turn in or out, and the clean movement of driving back is lost, often resulting in a movement that can best be described as a waddle.

The Front Legs

Function – The front legs of the Scottie provide the reach, or give direction, to the dog's movement. Again, with the shortness of the legs, the appropriate alignment and ease of movement of the front legs were important in order to get the most out of the effort. The front legs were also important components of the dog's ability to dig after quarry. The front legs needed to be powerful enough to easily loosen and move soil, rocks, or roots out of its way.

Form - This trait seems to have been the least manipulated of those under review. The Scottish Terrier's front legs, short and well boned, remain well tucked into the sides of the dog, displaying no outward protrusion and placed under the shoulder to easily balance the weight of the head and chest.

The Chest

Function – Skeletally, the chest provides protection to most of the vital internal organs. The heart shaped cross section of the chest, allowed the front legs to move easily. Muscularly, the chest provides the power needed for the movement of the front legs – in both locomotion and in digging.

Form - While the chest exudes a certain image of power when viewed from both above the dog and in profile, the photographs of Scottish Terriers from the past never displayed an exaggerated chest, though they appear well let down between the front legs. While there was a period when the Scottish Terrier was being bred with smaller fronts, it appears that the pendulum has swung to the other extreme, and the chest are getting excessive, often losing the heart shape. This provides no added ability to do its job, and in fact can become a liability in the tunnel, limiting the dog's ability to maneuver and adding to the potential of getting wedged into locations from which it can't escape.



Bugsy, playtime, sent by Michele Bronsky

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The Coat

Function – The double coat of the Scottish Terrier provides weather protection for the dog while working. The harsh outer coat shed water and any accumulated dirt, as well as provided some amount of protection from the burrs and bristles encountered in the field. The softer undercoat created a layer of insulation keeping the dog warm during inclement weather. The presence of the thick coat, especially around the mouth, eyes, muzzle, and the belly did provide some level of protection during the hunt - if the quarry were to bite at the dog, it would more than likely end up with a mouthful of hair.

Form – This is the hardest characteristic to assess based upon photographs as the coat is most often judged on its texture. The most obvious difference is the profuse furnishings with which we show our Scottish Terriers in the conformation ring and the finesse with which we sculpt and prepare the coat and furnishings. These profuse furnishings would, of course, be hindrance in hunting either above or below ground. In most early photographs of the Scottish Terrier, the legs are clearly unmistakable, the beard neatly trimmed, the eyebrows just evident.

There is a saying (for which I cannot find a source):

“If some is good, and more is better, too much must be just right.”

I often think about that when I see some dogs, and hear breeders and exhibitors laud the characteristics of their current dog as “what the breed needs”, because it does seem we are attracted to the extremes. While I don’t advocate a return to the Scottish Terrier of the early part of the last century, I do strongly feel that we, as a breed fancy, need to be fully aware of what the breed was developed to do, and respect that set of breed characteristics when we breed dogs. The sport of purebred dogs has become one with too much emphasis on pure aesthetics, and less so on function – especially in dogs that were developed for a specific task. The dogs function after all, was at the heart of showing dogs – selecting the best specimens for breeding and improving the future generation’s ability to serve. In the end, some, might just be good enough.

The author would like to express thanks to Roger S. Bumstead, Certified Wildlife Biologist, for his assistance with canine anatomy and physiology.

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HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES OF THE SCOTTISH TERRIER STANDARD

The photos and commentary on this page have been provided by Kathy Hufnagle. These were first shared as part of a PowerPoint presentation she gave to the club, "The Scottish Terrier. A Study of the Standard."



"No breed can hope to improve unless breeders are dissatisfied with anything short of perfection. Self-satisfaction is stultifying. A breeder should live in a state of dissatisfaction and abounding hope." *W.L. McCandlish*



"The standard is not a set of arbitrary requirements formulated to satisfy the whims of any particular group or to fit the changing mode of fashion. Rather, it was written, and has been maintained to preserve and perfect a particular type of dog, bred for a very definite purpose: namely, to go to earth. There are definite reasons for every line of the standard." *Edwin Megargee*

"With his short legs and low build, the freedom of action depends upon his body formation, and it is well to keep in view the fact that bodies can be bred too short to be compatible with the fine, free, long-striding gait so typical of the breed."

Dorothy Caspersz



"The Scot must retain his size in order to maintain type, and pray let us keep Scottish Terrier type as our main consideration."

Winnie Barber



Tickle 'Em Jock
Best In Show,
Westminster, 1911

Eng. Ch. Ems Cosmetic
Considered the ideal Scottie
in the first decade of
the 20th century.



From the first
Scottish Terrier
Stud Book, 1887



Ch. Tiree
The first American
Scottish Terrier Champion



**Eng. Ch. Albourne
Barty**

SPECIALTY: Trophy Announcement

The AKC supports challenge trophies, and at the December board meeting, it was decided that the Lochnell Memorial Bred-By Exhibitor Bitch and Bred-By Exhibitor Dog permanent awards will now reflect the AKC challenge award guidelines.

The Lochnell Bred-By Exhibitor Dog award remains in play - the challenge has not yet been met! The stained glass will remain a fixture on our Specialty trophy table for the time being.

However, STCC is pleased to announce that the Lochnell Memorial Bred-By Exhibitor Bitch trophy has been won four times by Anstamm and will be presented to former STCC member, Cindy Cooke.

2007 - Anstamm Maryscot Rock Candy
 2009 - Anstamm Maryscot Oh No You Didn't
 2016 - Anstamm Baby I'm Worth It
 2017 - Anstamm Tansy Takes Off

The painting associated with this win is not in good shape and the board voted to retire its use. An alternative piece will be acquired and presented to Cindy, along with the plaque. Our congratulations to Anstamm Kennels on this achievement.

It is time that we create another challenge trophy!!



SPECIALTY: Trophy Donations

Although the "official" deadline has passed ... the need for trophy donations continues. We have raised about \$800 - thank you! We need at least \$200 more. Can you help? Please make your check out to: STCC (Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago). Mail your check to: Alice Kurtz, 2246 Jessica Lane, Coralville, IA 52241. Thank you so very much for supporting our future champions and our annual Specialty. *Marilyn Flanagan, Specialty Chair*

(Donations are not tax deductible, but, highly appreciated.
 All donations will remain allocated to trophies, per your request.)

We ought to
 be in pictures...

Wait ...

We are !!!!



If one is good,
 and two is better?
 four must be "just right!"
 (Peanut and her pack!)



STCC Remembers

We recently received an email from Caryl Alten regarding the death of a dedicated member of the club. A former Board member and a member of the club until his death. We want to honor his life and his love of Scotties by sharing his obituary.

Franklin F. Walker, age 76 of Freeport, IL, passed away Thursday, July 27, 2017 at Manor Court in Freeport. He was born June 4, 1941; the son of the late Floyd and Marian (Robbe) Walker. He graduated from Freeport High School and Highland Community College with an Associate of Arts degree.

He then went on to Western Illinois University where he received his Bachelor's Degree. Franklin married Geraldine LaBudde on May 11, 1974; she passed on November 17, 2014. He had served in the United States Airforce from 1966-1970 in the American Forces Radio & Television Service. He was stationed in Thailand from 1968-1969.

He had been a Secretary of State Policeman for 20 years, retiring in 1991. Franklin was a life member of the VFW, AMVETS, Masonic Lodge 170, and Scottish Rite Valley of Freeport High 12. His memberships also include Trinity UMC the Elks Lodge, Tabala Shrine Temple, Illinois Community College Trustee Association, Association of Community College Trustees and the Fraternal Order of Police. He also served on the board of the Freeport Housing Authority and on the Board of Trustees of Highland Community College from 1978 2004. Franklin enjoyed playing golf and traveling, especially with his wife and his Air Force pals.

He is survived by his niece, Kimberly (Shane) Gipe of Pearl City, IL nephew, Patrick (Angie) LaBudde; great nieces & nephews, Austin (Bailey), Wyatt, Zoie, Jason and Paige; aunt, Bethel Walker; brother-in-law, Duane (Viola) LaBudde; and many cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Geraldine. A graveside service will be held Tuesday, August 1st at 10:30 am at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Freeport with A Masonic Service and Military Rites. A memorial service will follow at 11:30 am at Trinity United Methodist Church in Freeport. A memorial fund has been established in his name.

MEETINGS 2018

DATE: March 25, 2018
 EVENT: Club meeting and Program
**What Do You Expect From Your Dog,
 and What Does Your Dog Expect From You?**
 Presented By: Barbara Sciarra
 TIME: 1 pm to 4 pm
 LOCATION: Arlington Feeds and Needs
 401 W. Golf Road
 Arlington Heights, IL 60005
 (847) 437-4738
www.animalfeedsandneeds.com

DATE: April 22, 2018
 EVENT: Club meeting and Program
**Understanding a Conformation Show:
 Rules, Rosettes, and Regalia**
 Presented By: Richard C. Bumstead
 TIME: 1 pm to 4 pm
 LOCATION: Arlington Feeds and Needs
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REMINDERS: Scotties are enthusiastically invited!
 Please: No Flex leashes
 Bring your own chairs!

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Future Meetings: June 16, 2018 - Specialty
 August 19, 2018 - Annual Luncheon
 October 21, 2018 - Club Meeting and Program

STCC MEETING NOTES: December 3, 2017

(These notes are provided as an overview of the business conducted during both the board and general meetings. Please read the official minutes for full details. The Editor.)

Board Meeting
(12:05pm to 1:05pm)

President: (Kathy Hufnagle) Board busy to ensure club legally and financially sound. A slow change. Each time we move forward, we encounter problems.
Vice President: (Marilyn Flanagan) She is uncovering issues that need solutions; will keep the board updated.
Secretary: (Barbara Wicks) She notified Jacki Forkel for 2018 and Lisa Hills for 2019 to judge the Sweeps.
Treasurer: (Michele Harland) It was decided all expenses need to be budgeted.

Committee Reports:

Specialty: (Marilyn Flanagan, Chair) Application to the AKC submitted. Trophy donations still needed. We have \$800; need approximately \$200 more.
Membership: (Kathy Hufnagle, Chair) The Joseph's have met criteria for membership in March.
Education: (Barbara Sciarra, Chair) A suggestion that we invite non-Scottie owners to attend out of general interest. Discussion of payment for guest speakers.
Hospitality: (Open, Chair)
Fundraising: (Barbara Wicks, Chair) Two cookie jars, biscuit maker and memo board for raffle today.
Communication: Website: Written report submitted re: website/recommendations for receiving info. Cost of website was discussed/questioned. Plaid Piper: Two requests for emailing. Good feedback re: the Specialty photos and depth of information provided. Social Media: Michel Geiger-Bronsky set up Facebook page for club. Pictures are requested.
Ad Hoc Bylaws: Committee expects suggested changes to be presented to membership in March.
STCA Delegate: Steve highlighted we could get free advertising and banners for our Specialty.
Breeder Referral: There is interest, but no Scottie puppies available.

New Business:

Marilyn Flanagan updated on our 501(c)7 request and application. She and Michele Harland will coordinate our EIN number change with the bank, etc. She also suggests a formal name change to Club of "Chicago" rather than Club of "Chicago, Illinois."

Logo Cathy Wright designed for Plaid Piper is now retired; to be replaced with the club logo of the 1930's.

Club Meeting
(1:25pm to 2:15pm)

President: (Kathy Hufnagle) Guest introductions were Matt and Roseanne Lubeck (Scots, Jacques and Taylor) and Laurie Keenan. Stephanie Ward dropped by, too. Busy time with issues needing resolving.
Vice President: (Marilyn Flanagan) See areas below.
Secretary: (Barbara Wicks) Sweeps judges for 2018 and 2019 have accepted our invitation.
Treasurer: (Michele Harland) Club has \$6,378.08.

Committee Reports:

Specialty: (Marilyn Flanagan, Chair) Per member input, the decision was made to give \$10 cash rather than pet store card.
Membership: (Kathy Hufnagle, Chair) Two potential members are in attendance at this meeting.
Education: (Barbara Sciarra, Chair) Announced the program in March will be either nutrition or caring for an aged dog. In April, the subject will be dog shows. "Understanding a Conformation Show: Rules, Rosettes, and Regalia."
Hospitality: (Open, Chair)
Fundraising: (Barbara Wicks, Chair) Today's raffle donations made by Laurie Keenan and Joy Walberg.
Communication: Website: Gave summary of most asked questions re: website. Plaid Piper: Piper will still be mailed, per membership input. Social Media: Club Facebook has been launched by Michele Geiger-Bronsky.

Breeder Referral: Richard Bumstead reported there are not enough Scotties bred to fill the demand. This is not a local problem. Kathy Hufnagle offered to mentor anyone interested in breeding Scotties.

New Business:

Marilyn Flanagan reported that she wants to be sure club and rescue are separate. And, that club is current with filings with the state, IRS and other agencies. There are issues, but they are being resolved slowly.

Kathy Hufnagle discussed our club logo from 1930 and Plaid Piper logo. Cathy Wright has given restrictions on the use of her design, so the board decided to use the original logo on all correspondence and publications.

INTRODUCING MEMBERSHIP APPLICANTS

Matt and Rosanne Lubeck

Matt "The Moose" Lubeck hails from Detroit, MI, and after 15 years of living and working in Miami as a chef and in technology for language learning, moved back to the Midwest to become the Business Manager for the University of Illinois Foundation Investment Office in Chicago. Rosanne "The Rose" Lubeck grew up in Ft. Meyers, FL, and spent 13 years in Washington D.C. attending George Washington University for undergrad, and working her way through grad school at the University of Maryland while studying urban planning. They met at a wedding shortly after Matt's move to Chicago in the fall of 2013, and Rosanne joined him after finishing her Master's degree in January of 2015. Throughout this time, Matt was slowly, steadily, and stealthily convincing Rosanne that Scottish Terrier life is the only one worth living.



They picked up their first Scottie, Jacques, from Kari Endvick in WI (Talisman Kennel) in the fall of 2016. While attending the Grayslake, IL dog show in the summer of 2017, they heard word that Kari was looking for a home to place Taylor, Jacques' father. Matt said pretty please, Rosanne said of course, and their Scottie family is complete... for now! Jacques and Taylor have completely opposite personalities, yet get along fabulously. Taylor is more serious, pensive, and possessive of "all the things," while Jacques is... well, a goofball, who is happy to play, scamper, and share. (They are, essentially, George and Lennie from Of Mice & Men.) All four members of the Lubeck clan are happy to be part of the STCC family!

2017 - 2018 COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

Committees:

Education:

Barbara Sciarra (Chair)

Fundraising:

Barbara Wicks (Chair)

Communication:

Website:

Kim Woods, Alice Kurtz

Plaid Piper:

Mindy Smouse, Marilyn Flanagan

Social Media (FaceBook):

Michele Geiger-Bronsky

Specialty:

Marilyn Flanagan (Show Chair),
Alice Kurtz, Renee Jasnoch

Membership:

Kathy Hufnagle (Chair),
Tom and Michele Bronsky

Hospitality:

Carol Mallquist, Pat Pochocki,
Bob and Susan Grant

Appointments:

Legal Liaison:

Michele Harland

Breeder Referral:

Richard Bumstead

STCA Delegate:

Steve Russell

Bagpiper

Correspondent:

Richard Bumstead



Roxy with Santa!!

Sent by Kathy Hufnagle; Photographed by Eleanor Goss
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The Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago

The Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago was founded in 1930 by T.E. Weible and Mrs. M.F. Hills. On September 17, 1979, we were formally incorporated as a Not For Profit in the State of Illinois.

Our club is the 2nd oldest Scottish Terrier club in the nation. (California being the oldest club.) It is interesting to note that in 1959 there were still only eleven regional clubs. However, today, STCC is proud to be one of twenty Scottish Terrier regional clubs recognized by the Scottish Terrier Club of America.

STCC held its first Specialty show in November, 1930. Today, our Specialty shows are held annually the third Saturday of June at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake, IL.

Across the years our club has changed leadership and direction, as has every regional club. The allure of the Scottish Terrier has dwindled, and nationally there is a strong conversation as to how to rebuild the breed, and our clubs. At our height we had almost 80 members. We struggled down to a level half that amount. Our current initiative is to expand our clubs footprint, and we are reaching out full force to add new members and, thus, new energy and ideas. Today we boast 57 members and counting.

Most of our tenured members have served this club in a leadership capacity - at least once. And, there is a strong knowledge base across our club, focused on our mission. Breeders, exhibitors, and those with companion Scotties have come together with determination to improve the lives and futures of our Scotties.

In recent years, successes have been made for our breed. A test is available for Cushings Syndrome through Dr. Zimmerman and UTenn. Studies at Purdue University focused on learning more about bladder cancer. And, there is now a home kit available to test for this awful diagnosis, made possible by Dr. Breen.

If this is the first (or 100th) time you are reading *The Plaid Piper*, you may have a strong, personal interest in our breed you would like to share. If so, consider joining as a member of STCC. Thank you.