

# LET'S TALK DO You have questions?, We have answers

## **TOPICS INCLUDE:**

### Canine Body Language: A visual Encyclopedia Good Intentions and Bad Results: Where did it all go wrong? Day of the Puppy **Back to Basics**

(For more detail see the Registration Form)

Location: Algonquin College, 1385 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa On K2G-1V8 Dates: September 17 & 18, 2011 Times: 9am-5pm both days

## **SEMINAR FEES**

\$200 HST included (which also includes lunch both days)



### **REGISTRATION FORMS CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT** WWW.THETRAININGHALL.COM

Continuing Education Units:

- 1.) The International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants (1AABC) approved for 21 CEUs
- 2.) Certified Professional Dog Trainer (CPDT) approved for 8 CEUs
- 3.) Certified Behavior Consultant Canine (CBCC) approved for 8 CEUs
- 4.) Ontario Association of Veterinary Technicians (OAVT) approval pending



**B.A./CDBC/CPDT-KA** 

Sarah Kalnajs is a Certified Dog Behavior Consultant (International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants) and Certified Pet Dog Trainer (Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers) with over ten years' experience working in canine behavior, training, and research. She is the owner of Blue Dog Training & Behavior in Madison, Wisconsin.

Sarah is a professional member of the ABMA (Animal Behavior Management Alliance), APDT (Association of Pet Dog Trainers), IAABC (International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants), and the IIACAB (International Institute for Applied Companion Animal Behavior). She is one of the editors of the peer---reviewed Journal of Applied Companion Animal Behavior and is a member of the advisory board and faculty of the Companion Animal Sciences Institute. Sarah is also an instructor of courses on dog--- related topics for the Humane Society of the United States.

Sarah is an honors graduate of the University of Wisconsin --- Madison and has completed post---graduate work at Edgewood College and through the Kewalo Basin Marine Mammal Research Lab at the University of Hawaii. She is one of the first international students to complete the Canine Behavior Program conducted through the Etologisk Institute under the mentorship of Dr. Roger Abrantes in Denmark.

Sarah is the producer of the popular and highly praised DVD series, "Language of Dogs" and "Am I Safe".

In addition to her private practice, Ms. Kalnajs is president of Wisconsin American Eskimo Rescue and political liaison for the Wisconsin Dog Rescue Coalition as well as an Executive Committee Member of AAFMED (Arf's Angel Fund for Medical Assistance), which provides financial aid to rescued pets in need of medical help.

A popular speaker and freelance writer, Sarah presents seminars worldwide on topics relating to dog training and behavior. She has been interviewed by BBC radio, NBC television, Wisconsin Public Radio, Women's Health & Fitness magazine, and Honolulu magazine, and has written articles for APDT Chronicle of the Dog, Madison magazine, Allpets, and other publications.

She has extensive experience as an expert witness in both civil and criminal litigation relating to dog aggression.

Sarah serves as a consultant to a number of humane societies in Southern Wisconsin, training staff and implementing evaluation protocols and training and behavior programs. She is well known for her evaluation protocol (the Blue Dog Behavior Evaluation) as well as the Dog---Safe Hands---Free Leash used by shelters and dog owners working with reactive, fearful, or aggressive dogs.

In addition to her work with dogs, Sarah has participated extensively in dolphin and humpback whale research.

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A SEMINAR WITH SARAH KALNAJS B.A./CDBC/CPDT-KA September 17 - 18, 2011, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Algonquin College, 1385 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa On K2G-1V8

#### Canine Body Language: A visual Encyclopedia

Dogs tell us most of what we need to know by displaying a variety of signals, some subtle and sore overt, that we all too often misread or fail to recognize. It is critical that people who live, work, or interact with dogs learn how to correctly recognize, understand, and interpret these body language cues in a variety of contexts. We will look at body language as it is used by dogs in both dog-human and dog-dog interactions. Since these cues most commonly occur in clusters and often appear differently in different contexts, behaviour sequences and mini-case studies will be shown using video clips and discussions, including common scenarios such as proper and improper greetings. Not only will you learn how to improve your everyday interactions with dogs, but also how modifying your body language can often reduce the severity of many common behaviour problems. Understanding canine body language is an essential part of any behaviour modification program.

#### Good Intentions and Bad Results: Where did it all go wrong?

In this section of the seminar, we will take an in-depth look at how dogs think, learn and see the world around them and use this as the foundation for understanding the behaviour modification techniques that we should be using to create happier and behaviourally happier pets. There are a number of widespread but incorrect beliefs about canine behaviour and social structure that when put into practice will often make behaviour problems worse and in some cases can actually put the pet owner or caregiver in danger. What is dominance for example? Is your dog "alpha"? Is your dog behaving out of anger or spite? Does he understand when he has done something wrong? Is it bad for him to walk ahead of you, eat before you, or sleep on the bed? Included in this section will be an in-depth look at the most common causative factors of problem behaviours and aggression in dogs.

#### Day of the Puppy

This part of the seminar covers puppies from birth through neonatal and primary socialization periods, the "super puppy" program and other socialization programs, a discussion of Sarah's research on puppy selection and development of serious aggression in puppies and its prognosis, and problem prevention and behaviour modification techniques for puppies. This presentation will provide an overview of Sarah's Canine Risk Assessment Protocol, using video case studies specific to puppies under 6 months of age, to give an objective tool for measuring behaviour problems and developing a realistic prognosis. These video case studies will look at resource guarding, social "bullies", aggression to humans and problems caused by under-socialization.

#### **Back to Basics**

This section of the seminar will present five key foundation behaviours and training methods that are the building blocks of the "perfect" family dog. Too often, reinforcement is confused with bribery, leading to poorly trained dogs outside the classroom or ring and behaviours that have no real utility i.e. parlor trick syndrome. Sarah explains why specific cues and activities are crucial for dog owners and dog professionals to include in their repertoire, how to train them and how to use them to modify behaviour issues as well as a preventative measure.

While these topics have been separated for the description purposes, the seminar is interactive and will blend topics rather than to present them as stand-alone sections of the seminar.

# **REGISTRATION FORM**



Please include this from along with your cheque made payable to Frances Holmes. Mail your completed form and payment to F. M. Holmes, 112 Grey Stone Drive, Carp, Ontario K0A 1L0.

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## **Event Attendance Certificate**

Attendee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Event Name: "LET'S TALK DOG" Speaker (s): Sarah Kalnajs B.A./CDBC/CPDT-KA Sponsor(s): Paws for Thought & A Day with Dogs Venue: Algonquin College Start Date: 2011-09-17 End Date: 2011-09-17 Observation Attendance Hours: 13 Hands-On Attendance Hours: 6 CEUs Awarded: 21 CEU Code: EGGJR (all letters, no numbers)

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