

**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING  
September 18, 2019**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie.

**Minutes**

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on August 14, 2019. No corrections or additions were noted. Terry Papineau moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Rose Mitman and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report**

President Achenzie presented the Treasurer's Report (see attached).

No corrections or additions were noted. Cris Courduff moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Donna Barto and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Correspondence**

Edie Rysdyk reported she received correspondence about the upcoming Barktoberfest to be held at Upper Macungie Park on October 12, 2019 (see attached).

**Federation**

Edie Rysdyk reported that she recently attended the Federation's annual banquet. She discussed an organization known as Dog T.A.G.S. which stands for "Train, Assist, Guide, Serve" and provided a brochure to include with the minutes (see attached).

## **Membership Report**

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report (see attached).

There were two first readings:

Sally St. George, French Bulldog (Present)  
Carol Knipe, Golden Retriever (Present)

There were two second readings:

Jim Blatnik, Black Labrador  
Alanna Gerhardt, German Shepherd

Phyllis Broderick moved to accept Jim Blatnik and Alanna Gerhardt as members. Cris Courduff seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **Training Director's Report**

Phyllis Broderick presented her Training Director's Report (see attached).

## **Committees**

### **Website**

Lois Linker is working to get all the Awards Banquet photos on the website.

### **Publicity**

Dusty Springer reported on club publicity (see attached).

### **Newsletter**

Jacqui Hartranft reported the deadline for the October newsletter will be the end of September. The deadline for submitting a name for the club newsletter is October 16, 2019. The Board of Directors will vote for the winner at the October Board Meeting. Jacqui stated she would like to see some photos from the recent shows for the newsletter. Also, the newsletter is not limited to obedience. Accomplishments by club members in other dog sports are welcome to be spotlighted in the newsletter.

### **By-Laws**

Edie Rysdyk reported the committee had a meeting and that the amendments were being prepared to go before the Board of Directors.

### Sunshine

President Achenzie reported that a get well card was sent to Joanne Summers. She was involved in an automobile accident about 3 weeks ago and suffered head and neck injuries. She was treated and released from the hospital.

### Point Show

Lois Linker stated that the judging panel for the club's May obedience trial has been finalized. Also, a new chief steward is needed. Lois stated that anybody interested in filling this position should contact her. Also, Edie Rysdyk, the former chief steward, will help the new chief steward.

### Match Show

Lois Linker reported there were 45 entries at the match show held at her facility. The profit to the club is around \$400.00. The only expense was for the purchase of lunch for the club members who stewarded and judged. A friend of Lois donated all the pastries that were available for those club members working the show.

### Old Business

President Achenzie announced the club still needs a volunteer or volunteers to be the chairperson for the annual Awards Banquet. Anyone interested in volunteering for this position should either see Chuck or email him. Donna Barto, former chairperson for the Awards Banquet, is willing to help the new chairperson.

### New Business

Bill Springer announced that the holiday party will be held on December 11, 2019, in the training building at Macungie Park. The menu may be changing this year. Spouses are all welcome to come to this nice get-together before the holidays.

### General Business

The next board meeting will be held on September 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at Wegmans on Stoke Park Road in Bethlehem and is open to the membership. The next general meeting will be held on October 9, 2019, at 7:30 p.m. inside the training building at Macungie Park.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

**Brag**

Several members stepped forward to announce their latest brags.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before the general membership, Lois Linker moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by John Landis and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy  
Recording Secretary

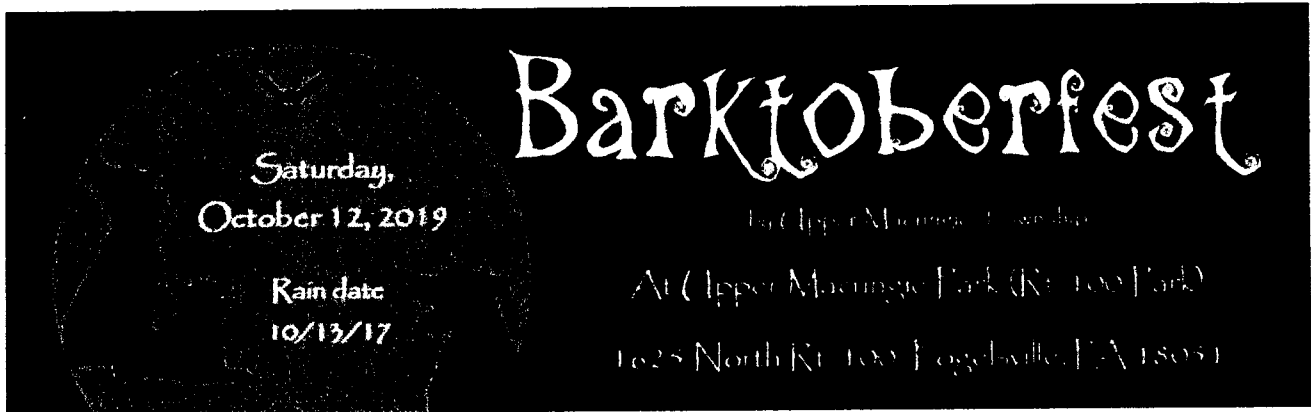
TREASURER'S  
REPORT

## August 2019 Treasurer's Report (Sept. Meeting)

<b>Income</b>	
Training - Rally Advanced/Excellent	\$640.00
Training - Beginner class	\$971.00
Training - Star Puppy	\$660.00
Training - Open - Anna's class	\$160.00
Training - Utility - Anna's class	\$120.00
Training - Club Open and Utility	\$214.00
Training - Club	\$705.00
Training - Club Rally	\$104.00
Training - Club am	\$80.00
Dues	\$100.00
Rule Books	\$250.00
Training - Club am - 2017	\$35.00
Interest	\$0.18
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$4,039.18</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Verizon	\$32.02
Carol McCarthy - trainer - beginner class	\$210.00
Phyllis Broderick - trainer - club open/utility, beg, stamps	\$316.00
PA Federation of Dog Clubs - dues	\$50.00
Debra Petrusjanz - trainer rally	\$120.00
Jodi Delabar - trainer - Star Puppy	\$90.00
Phyllis Broderick - copies and postage	\$31.20
Anna Guglielmo - trainer - open and utility and seminar	\$390.00
East Penn Self Storage	\$171.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,410.22</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance as of July 31, 2019</b>	<b>\$19,325.05</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2019</b>	<b>\$21,420.05</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
<b>Key Bank Checking Account</b>	<b>\$21,420.05</b>
<b>Vanguard Money Market</b>	<b>\$42,209.31</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$63,629.36</b>

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**REPORT**



**Have fun while you promote your business!  
Be a Sponsor or Vendor at UMT's Barktoberfest!**

As a **Sponsor** giving a **TAX DEDUCTIBLE** donation, your logo will be on all marketing materials (flyers, Rt. 100 banner, website etc.) and your company would have a vendor spot to promote your business and hand out giveaways at the event!

As a **Vendor**, for only a \$20 fee you can sell your services or products while promoting your company or pet friendly business to new clientele! Make sure to have plenty of giveaways! (see page 3)

**Event Details:** [www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest/](http://www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest/)

- **October 12 2019 from 11am-3pm, (Rain Date October 13th)**
- Upper Macungie Park (Rt. 100 Park)- 1625 North Rt. 100, Fogelsville, PA 18051
- Pet Costume Parade and Costume Contest with prizes, UMTPD K9 Demonstration, Food, Music, vendors with giveaways, and so much more!

**Sponsorship Levels: Tax Deductible** (Friends of UMT Parks & Recreation donates all proceeds to the maintenance and betterment of UMT Parks and Recreational Programming. See next page.

**\$1,100 Presenting Sponsor-** One sponsorship available

**\$850 Platinum Sponsor**

**\$600 Gold Sponsor**

**\$300 Silver Sponsor**

**OR Donation of Prizes for Costume Winners:** Prize Baskets, Gift Certificates...etc.

**OR Donation of Goods:** Mums, Hay Bales & Shocks, Pumpkins, Gourds (decorations), and Water are all appreciated!

**Please make your Tax Deductible gift Payable to:**

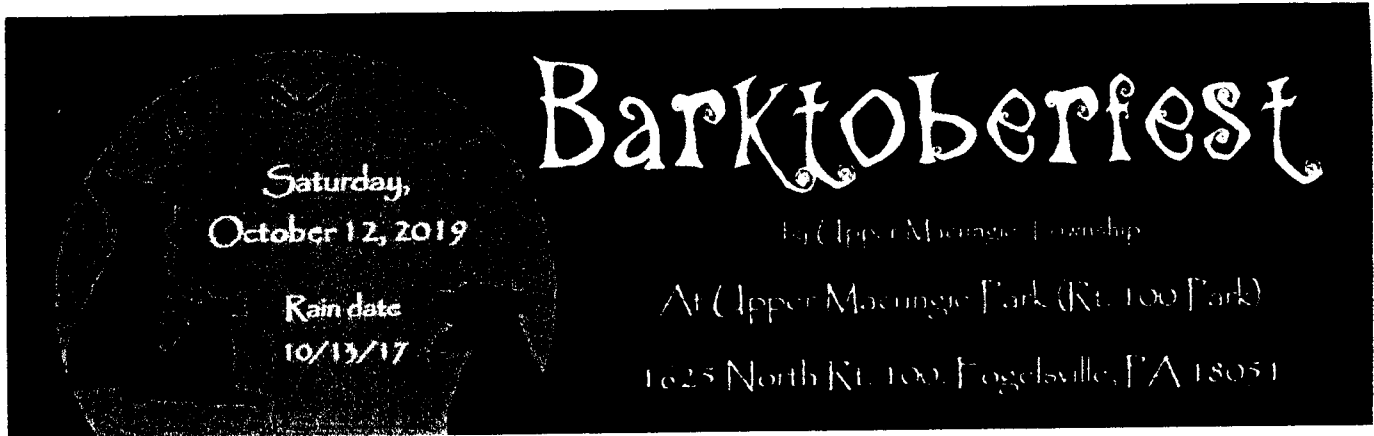
Friends of Upper Macungie Township Parks & Recreation, Inc.

Attn: Lynn Matula, Recreation & Events Coordinator

8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, Pa 18031

Phone 610-395-4892 ~ Fax 610-395-9355 ~ [recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org)





**SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:**

**Event Sponsor - \$1,100 (One only)**

- Company Logo sign at entrance of event (provided by your company) marked as Event Sponsor
- Recognition by DJ at event (can submit a prepared 2 sentence ad)
- Recognition of sponsorship with logo on our Rt. 100 banner, marketing materials and social media
- Recognition of sponsorship with logo/link on UMT website before and after event
- Option to include a flyer (half sheet) on event schedule handout (400 needed)
- Option to setup vendor booth to distribute promotional material and/or sell products
- Right to use Barktoberfest event Logo
- Have a company representative be a volunteer or judge the costume contest

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- Recognition of sponsorship on UMT website before and after event
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- Recognition of sponsorship in event publications/flyers
- Recognition by DJ at event

**Please include this form with your Donation, Payable to "Friends of Upper Macungie Township Parks & Recreation, Inc."**

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERATION  
REPORT

# Dog T.A.G.S.

## A Non-Profit Service Dog Program for Veterans

YES, I would like to help support this service dog training program for Veterans!

Enclosed is my donation of:

\$500    \$250    \$100    \$50    \$25    \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please make my donations In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make my donation In Honor Of: \_\_\_\_\_

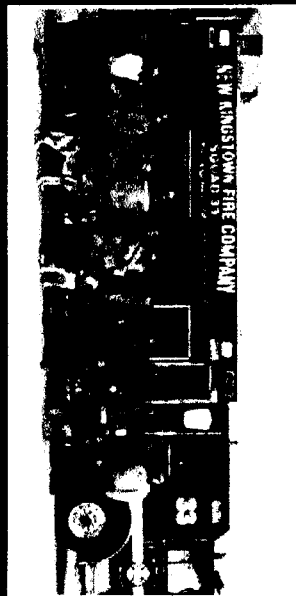
Donations are tax deductible. An acknowledgement letter will be sent to you for your records.

Checks should be made payable to: **Dog TAGS**

Mail to: **Dog TAGS, 1 Souder Ct., Mechanicsburg, PA 17050**

*Thank you for your support!*

Participating Veterans commit a significant amount of time to learning and training their dogs. Training and support sessions are held at the OTCH Dog Training Club, conveniently located off I-81 at PA Rt. 114 and PA Rt. 944.



**Dog T.A.G.S.**

1 Souder Court

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

717-810-7532

and

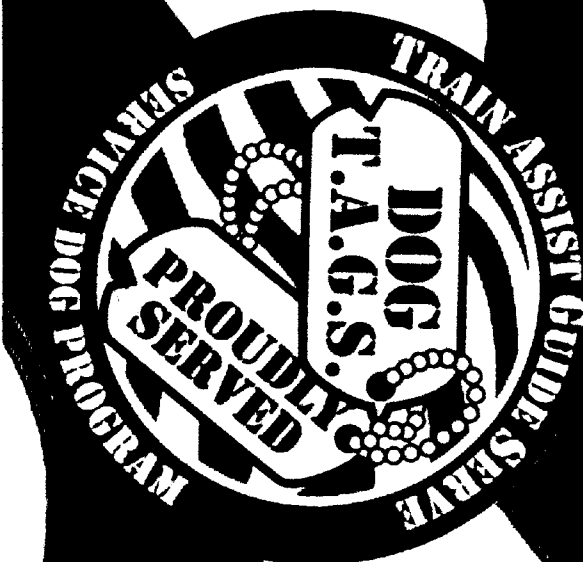
The Lehigh Valley

7671 Beth Bath Pike (Rt. 512)

Bath, PA 18014

484-357-7215

*Healing the  
Invisible Wounds  
of Military Conflict*



[www.dogtagsprogram.org](http://www.dogtagsprogram.org)

[dogtagsprogram@gmail.com](mailto:dogtagsprogram@gmail.com)

[facebook.com/dogtagsprogram](https://facebook.com/dogtagsprogram)



**Dog T.A.G.S.** is staffed by unpaid volunteers. Our trainers are experienced in various types of dog training with multiple breeds of dogs, which adds a unique perspective when assisting the Veteran and the dog.



### Who We Are

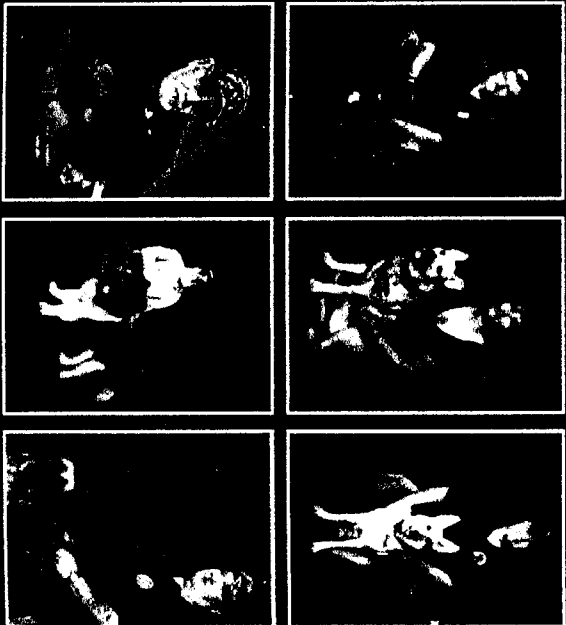
Dog T.A.G.S. (Train, Assist, Guide, Serve) is a non-profit 501(c)3, service dog owner training program. We work with all Veterans who have been diagnosed by the Veterans Administration with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) or Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).

### Strong Foundation

Dog T.A.G.S. was founded in August 2012 by Veterans who were suffering from PTSD. They knew there was a need for a program such as this.

### Owner-Based Training

Dog T.A.G.S. trainers assist Veterans with the training of their own dogs. If the Veteran does not have a dog, we will assist in finding a suitable dog. Our Veterans are provided with the tools and support needed for their dog to become a service dog. This owner-based



training helps develop a bond between the Veteran and the dog and requires an extensive time commitment from the Veteran.

### Meeting Goals and Objectives

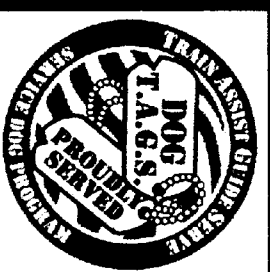
Veterans work with qualified trainers to learn basic instruction and specific training tasks to meet their specific goals and objectives.

### Additional Support

In addition to our one-hour training session, a support group is available for Veterans to share their experiences with each other and with volunteer social workers.

### A No Cost Service

Donations to Dog T.A.G.S. are used solely for necessary training equipment, the training facility, and administrative costs. There is no cost for the Veteran as all training equipment is provided.



**Train**  
**Assist**  
**Guide**  
**Serve**

**MEMBERSHIP**

**REPORT**

The following Membership information will be presented at the General Meeting on 9/18/19

**First Readings...** *Please mark present or not present for the minutes.*

Sally St. George  
5636 Tavern Circle  
Macungie, PA 18062  
Cell 610-730-8585  
[sstg4him@aol.com](mailto:sstg4him@aol.com)  
French Bulldog

Carol Knipe  
2711 W. Columbia Street  
Allentown, PA 18104  
Cell 610-349-5005  
[memekipe@gmail.com](mailto:memekipe@gmail.com)  
Golden Retriever

**Second Readings....** *Vote into membership*

Jim Blatnik  
1923 12<sup>th</sup>. Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18020  
H 610-419-4590  
C 610-969-6192  
[JAMESBLATNIK@gmail.com](mailto:JAMESBLATNIK@gmail.com)  
Black Lab

Alanna Gerhardt  
3195 Forest Street  
Royerstown, PA 19468  
C 484-792-1165  
[Alannafesta@gmail.com](mailto:Alannafesta@gmail.com)  
German Shepherd

TRAINING  
DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT

# ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB

## Training Director Report 9/18/19

We survived outdoor training and happy to be training indoors once again.

All of the obedience public classes are finished.  
Linda is in the middle of her Masters session.

There have been a few changes in the indoor schedule.

There will be 2 Novice classes instead of 3.

First Novice class is being taught by Carol McCarthy. This class is for advanced beginner and individuals and dogs new to novice and that need to improve their understanding of the novice exercises. All the beginner novice exercises will be covered. This class runs from 5:45 to 6:45pm.

Show Ready Novice – Taught by Phyllis .

This class is for teams that have a full knowledge of all the novice exercises and that are preparing to show their dogs. The goal is to perfect these exercises so that exhibitors can go into the Novice ring with a full understanding of each exercise. This class runs from 6:45 to 7:45pm.

Open – Taught by Phyllis

Open to members that wish to learn the open exercises and for members who wish to show in open. All the open exercises will be covered. Class runs from 7:45 to 8:45pm

Utility – Taught by Phyllis

During the summer there was poor attendance for the utility class. If I find there is little or no interest in the utility class, this class will be discontinued and replaced by another class.

THURSDAY:

Novice – Taught by Dusty Springer – 10:30 to 11:30am.

Utility - Taught by Anna Guglielmo – 9:30 to 10:30am.

Open - Taught by Anna Guglielmo – 10:45 to 11:45am

RALLY: Taught by Linda Krasley

This Thursday there is a rally match, starting at 5:30pm with Masters followed by Excellent, Advanced, Intermediate, Novice. To date, there have been very little responses, only 5 members have signed up for the match. \*Excellent/Advanced Starting Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> 6 to 7pm ~~Masters~~ is being taught. At the conclusion of this session, there will be a rally run thru for the following week followed by a 6 week session of Linda's choice.

The weekly rally run thru is being discontinued due to poor attendance.



Puppy KPT – I have had no responses to the applications sent to individuals, so this class has been postponed until there are at least 5 applications.

Beginner Class starts Thursday, Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 7:30 to 8:30pm. Dusty Springer and Terry Papineau are the instructors.

Respectfully submitted,

*Phyllis Broderick*

PUBLICITY

REPORT

## Publicity Report for September 2019

Members of ADTC have two opportunities to participate in club promotional activities in September and October. On Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> the club will have a table at the Macungie Farmers' Market. Set up begins at about 3:30. The market is active between 4 and 7 p.m. ADTC Handlers and their dogs are invited to spend a little time meeting and greeting the dog owners and dog lovers who visit our table.

In October, we have again been invited to march in the Macungie Halloween Parade. The parade will be held on Saturday, October 26 in the evening. A request has gone out to club members to please inform Dusty if they intend to walk in the parade or if they wish to help with goodie bag packing.

Yours for better barkers,

Sara Schrum, Publicity Committee Co-Chair

Dusty Springer, Publicity Committee Co-Chair