

Lines From Linda

Coast to Coast

C O M M E N T S

by Linda Ayers Turner Knorr

Beardie folks dined with the “**Ghosts of the Vanderbilts**” at **Asheville Biltmore Estate** in the **Great Smoky Mountains**.

Across the country in **Sacramento**, **Donner Trail Kennel Club** fanciers were abuzz with talk of “**Kennedy Kin**” about to terminate the Governor of their state.

Thanks to the friendly skies and Delta, I enjoyed both events on opposite ends of the country.

For fun I posed a few questions to our readers attending **The Bearded Collie Club of America’s National Specialty** and **The Donner Trail Kennel Club’s All-Breed** weekend.

1. Winning Best in Show at what All-Breed event would have the most significance to you?
2. Your favorite show site is and why?
3. What dog show has the best hospitality and really is the most fun?
4. A great new President for AKC would be...
5. Who is your Mentor?
6. Where and how will you celebrate Thanksgiving?
7. What about Christmas?
8. Name subject or personalities you would enjoy reading about in the coming year.
9. What are you most thankful for as you celebrate the holidays in 2003?
10. Do you have a special greeting for our ShowSight readers around the world?





ADRIAN WOODFORK, Breeder/Judge
Sacramento, California

1. Westminster
2. Sir Francis Drake in Marin because the weather is usually good and the setting is beautiful with a lake as a backdrop.
3. The Donner Trail Kennel Club show where I am President. We try hard to make sure that everyone has a fun time.
4. Mari Beth O'Neil
5. Faye Strauss - Sherlock Dobermans
6. Home with Family - Sacramento
7. Home with Family - Sacramento
8. Raw Diet vs Conventional Dog Food
9. My wife and children's health and our brand new house.
10. Be positive!

JOHN GOOSEN, Onofrio Show Superintendent
Portland, Oregon

1. Reno Kennel club. I wouldn't lose my license and I'd have some fun too!
2. The Old Brush Prairie site. It has lots of room. The hospitality at the clubs.
3. All clubs have great hospitality. Having fun – Rogue Valley
4. God and then no one would be satisfied.
5. Darrell Contreras
6. Traveling and setting up Inland Empire Show
7. At home
8. Articles about show and show sites
9. My wife, Michele and son, Matthew
10. Smile

ELAINE CIRIMELE, Breeder/Handler
Orangevale, California

1. Eukanuba
2. Grass Valley (Gold Country Kennel Club). The setting and the club people.
3. Bakersfield Kennel Club
4. A question to ponder
5. An entire group of both present and past handlers in Northern California
6. With relatives between dog shows
7. Relatives and then a dog show the next weekend
8. Owner-Handlers
9. Our health and our friends and family
10. May we all show compassion and good Will towards everyone.

MARY LOU HARRIS, Breeder/Judge
Sky Valley, California

1. Westminster
2. Palm Springs Kennel Club. Beautiful grounds, great weather, well planned show
3. Above



4. Who knows?
5. Roger Pritchard, among many
6. With family at home
7. Same
8. Good news about the canine world
9. Blessed with good health for I have outlived most of my family
10. Enjoy what you do and do it as well as you are able

DANNY (DAN) J. MOORE, Judge
Greensboro, Georgia

1. AKC Classic – entry is based on the number of dogs defeated (rankings) not "if" your entry made it in first
2. Palm Springs, California. Climate, grounds and atmosphere
3. Brush Prairie, Washington. Irish harpist during lunch and meals to die for. Jim Moran's sense of humor.
4. Robin Stansell (fair and balanced)
5. My father who was my scout master and my church pastor
6. Bulldog Nationals
7. Down home in Eastern North Carolina with family
8. Judges thought process during judging and keeping priorities straight
9. My bride of nineteen years and my son (fourteen months old) Daniel Carter Moore
10. May your litter boxes be full of champions and continued health for you and your families



FRAN MCNAMEE, Breeder/Judge

Cartersville, Georgia

1. Ravena Kennel Club in Ohio
2. Palm Springs Kennel Club. The Show Committee, the grounds, the food.
3. Palm Springs Kennel club
4. Does it matter what I think?
5. Mrs. Ben Butler (Kimont Collies)
6. In Florida with my two daughters and granddaughter
7. In Georgia with brother and his wife and of course, my husband
8. handlers
9. My life with dogs and all the great things that have occurred because of them
10. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Good sportmanship.

CAROL S. BROWN, Show Superintendent

Myerstown, Pennsylvania

1. Westminster
2. Cleveland (December). Accessibility. No problems parking, set-up space, electricity.
3. Four shows at Virginia Beach each November
4. Annie Clark, Michele Billings, etc.
5. Jean Fournier, Michele Billings, Karen Wilson
6. Family and friends crammed around dog shows
7. Full family and friends (dog show people!) Visiting
8. Keke Kahn, too many shows, non-dog show personnel at AKC
9. Friends, family and being alive and walking as well as the ability to move ahead in a career in retirement age!
10. Love to all friends – old, new, and those I haven't met to date

ROBERT L. YOUNG, Breeder

West Palm Beach, Florida

1. American Spaniel Club Specialty (Pennsylvania)
2. Atlanta (Expo Center)
3. Close to Atlanta, entertainment, puppy matches and the

hospitality at the show wine and cheese for the groups

4. Bill Maxon (Sr. Business Manager for J.C. Penney, retired)
5. Carla Mathies/Bill Mathies - Elaine, Lamar Mathis - Bill Maxon, Jan Covey All have instilled that the breed, researching the pedigree and instilling that the breed meets or exceeds the standard. Have fun while showing, make it fun
6. With family in Georgia
7. With family in Georgia
8. The future and goals of AKC - inquiries about top handlers (Teddy Young, etc)
9. My family, friends
10. Let's all be one big AKC family, help each other, wish each other well. We only live once and we can all learn from each other.

CHRIS WALKOWICZ, Judge

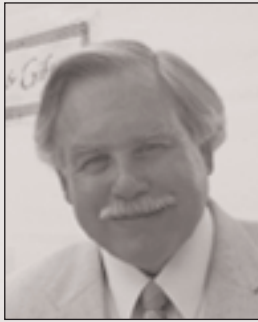
Sherrard, Illinois

1. Winning Best In Show at Westminster would be my dream win. (It's not going to happen since showing anymore????)
2. Anywhere in Hawaii, because it's warm and beautiful and so are the people
3. I've been to several shows that offer true southern hospitality, and they aren't all in the south. I would hate to pick any one as better than another. Frankly, I'm happy when I have a ride from the airport, and there's a restaurant nearby!
4. Anyone but me
5. Too numerous to mention. I learn from everyone I'm around, even the novice exhibitor.
6. We celebrate at our house, with two of our children and their families. We feast on normal holiday fare, turkey, dressing, pies and corn pudding, and naturally, we eat too much.
7. We celebrate Christmas Eve at our house, with all four kids and families here. Everyone brings their favorite snack foods, and we eat in between opening gifts and going to church for a late service. Most important we laugh a lot!
8. Open Health Registries, good fundraising ideas, what we can do to help struggling small shows
9. I am thankful for our family and our health and my almost sixteen year old Beardie girl owns me
10. A Merry Christmas surrounded by loved ones and a blessed, peaceful, healthy New Year!

RON JARAMILLO, Breeder

San Carlose, California

1. Westminster
2. (was) Pebble Beach (no longer held at The Lodge)
3. What can be more beautiful than the 18th hole at the lodge looking out at the Pacific
3. Once again I would have to say The Delmonte Kennel Club when it was held at The Lodge
4. Arnold Schwarzenegger
5. The late Robert Carder (when I first got into dogs twenty-one years ago)



6. At home with family and then off to the California Turkey Circuit
7. Once again at home with family and friends
8. Top Breeder/Owner/Handlers
9. Health, family and friends
10. Health, happiness and most of all peace around the world!

TAMARA RUTTEN, Breeder/Handler

Wilton, California

1. The Garden or Crufts
2. Ventura Summerfest Weekend. Cool, comfortable, nice facilities, good hospitality
3. Ventura Summerfest and Donner Trail in Roseville, California
4. Who would you pick?
5. Lois Thomas, Ai Kou Pekingese
6. At home, then on the road to shows
7. Recovering at home and catching up on chores not done on show weekends
8. More judges bios - Breeder/Owner/Handler
9. Managing to pay bills and still show dogs and successful rescue placements!
10. Best wishes and success in the New Year...life's too short, enjoy the dogs, don't sweat the show results.

LOIS THOMAS, Breeder/Handler

Wilton, California

1. The Garden
2. Ventura, The Summerfest. It's cool and right on the ocean.
3. Gold Country
4. Annie Clark
5. Merrit Olds, many years ago, now I am mentor to many
6. At home, cooking for my family
7. At home, cooking for my family
8. Great shows and show sights
9. My health, my dogs and good friends
10. Happy Holidays to you from the House of Ai Kou

CELESTE GONZALEZ, Breeder/Judge

Glenwood, Iowa

1. Westminster or AKC Invitational
2. Too many that I like. In Florida - Ocala, in Georgia - Savannah Kennel Club, in the Midwest - Des Moines Kennel Club at the fairgrounds
3. Longview - Kelso Kennel Club for hospitality, Savannah Kennel Club for lots of after show fun
4. Ron Menaker
5. Peg Walton
6. Judging at Savannah Kennel Club after spending Thursday in Tampa with family
7. In Florida with family - Marie Gonzalez (mom), Henry and



- Rose Gonzalez and their three children
8. Judges being allowed to explain placements in these classes
 9. 153 pound weight loss and much improved health
 10. Happy Holidays, Feliz Navidad, Joyeux Noel!

GLENN SNOW, Breeder

Fair Oaks, California

1. Westminster
2. Donner Trail in Roseville, California. It is not all spread out.
3. Santa Barbara Kennel Club
4. Arnold
5. He has passed on to his just reward
6. At home with family
7. Same
8. Who has time for reading?
9. Being alive
10. May the coming year bring you a red, white and blue rosette

CINDY WEINER-ROBINSON, Breeder/Handler

Sacto, California

1. Del Valle Kennel Club. I won it under Michele Billings in a Westminster line-up October 2002
2. Palm Springs. Love the grass and space
3. That would have to be the Kings Kennel Club, Hanford, California for hospitality! The Garden (Westminster) is the most fun.
4. Need to think about this one
5. My mother, Adria Weiner and Gary Zayac
6. I always celebrate Thanksgiving with my parents - my mom's favorite holiday!



7. Usually at home with the kids. Family comes to our house
8. Collie Breeder Judges
9. My children - that they are healthy
10. Love your family more! Be thankful for our great nation!
Continue the great traditions of our sport in 2004!

MARTIN GREGORY, Breeder/Handler

Chico, California

1. Westminster, of course
2. Palm Springs Kennel Club. Perfect weather.
3. Poodle Club of America National Specialty
4. Me, as a write-in
5. Art Montoya
6. On the way to a show - Turkey Circuit
7. Family and friends - but still poop scooping
8. Past top handlers that have become judges
9. Not hurting myself at the gym
10. Peace around the world so it's easier to fly

TERRY BERRIOS, Judge

Jacksonville, Florida

1. Westminster
2. Palm Springs - Beautiful grounds and view of the mountains
3. Oakland County Kennel Club
4. Arnold
5. Experience
6. Atlanta with mom
7. Since I am a nurse, I'll work so the other nurses with children can be home with them
8. How the past top breeders selected breeding stock and stud dogs

9. Health and happiness, ability to make a difference in the lives of the needy
10. Remember we work to keep our breeds strong and true. Teamwork in this end will bring strength and the best breeding stock.

EDWARD MCNAMEE, Breeder/Judge

Cartersville, Georgia

1. Chicago International
2. Palm Springs Kennel Club. Food and ambiance
3. Palm Springs
4. Dr. William Broken
5. Mrs. Ben Butler
6. With my daughter in Florida
7. In Georgia with brother-in-law and wife
8. Handlers
9. That our breeding program in strong and I am still feeling good and still loving my dogs
10. Please keep the standard in front of you and forget fads

ROBIN FISH, Breeder

Ocala, Florida

1. Winning my own Giant Schnauzer Club of America Specialty show would mean more to me than an All-Breed event
2. Atlanta Expo Center, Atlanta, Georgia. Southern Hospitality!
3. Atlanta (Expo Center) (Not Perry) because of location, entertainment, excellent food and wine and cheese at shows.
4. Great question!
5. Jean Bursey Biggins (my mother)
6. At home with family and friends
7. Hopefully in the mountain surrounded with snow
8. Judges experiences during their judging trips
9. For good health, prosperity and the unity of family and friends I am surrounded by
10. Best wishes for a blessed holiday season and a safe and prosperous New Year. May all of your show experiences be positive ones.

BETTY STITES, Judge

Grass Valley, California

1. Morris and Essex
2. Del Monte Kennel Club site in front of Del Monte Motor Lodge - forty years ago. The view in all different directions was fabulous. The Pacific Ocean, Pebble Beach Golf Course, The Lodge and the dogs, too!
3. Del Valle
4. Dennis Sprung
5. Kay Finch
6. Judging in Memphis
7. At home for a change
8. People/dogs who function - for example true herding dogs,



- sled dogs, hunting dogs, search and rescue dogs
- 9. That I'm still alive
- 10. Best wishes for the perfect win at the perfect show!

MICHELE GOOSEN, Show Superintendent

Portland, Oregon

- 1. Vancouver Kennel Club, close to home and lots of friends would be there to cheer me on
- 2. The "Old" Brush Prairie site. Because it had great panache and flair!
- 3. All of them. Each show is unique and special in different ways
- 4. ?? Someone who knows the sport!
- 5. Sue Onofrio
- 6. Spokane, Washington - setting up the Inland Empire shows
- 7. At home with family
- 8. Dog legislation, breed spotlights, more "people" articles
- 9. Good health, great family and friends
- 10. Show, Show, Show!

JOYCE HANSON, Breeder/Handler

Clearfield, Utah

- 1. Crufts in the United Kingdom
- 2. Santa Barbara, California. Well run, beautiful ring set up food stands are wonderful
- 3. Puerto Rico
- 4. "Arnold" or Eddy Boyes
- 5. Kay Finch
- 6. Probably at a dog show or with family
- 7. At home with family
- 8. Hilary Clinton
- 9. Good health
- 10. "Go to the Dogs!"

CHARLOTTE FIELDER, Breeder/Handler

Sacramento, California

- 1. Anyone because it would be my first and you always remember your first
- 2. Westminster. Being in New York is exciting and a far cry from rural California
- 3. Gridley. It's low keyed and all ages participate in the water fights
- 4. Anyone accustomed to verbal abuse
- 5. My mom, Martha Fielder, and Myrtle Klensch
- 6. Driving to San Mateo for a dog show
- 7. My parents
- 8. The up and coming juniors
- 9. That my mom, Martha has overcome breast cancer
- 10. Have a safe and Happy New Year

MAZIE BLANKS, Fan of Beardies

Alameda, California 94501

- 1. Bearded Collie Club of America
- 2. Monterey, California. The Ocean, Sunshine, lots to do in California
- 3. Bearded Collie Club of America
- 4. Ron Menaker
- 5. Gail Miller
- 6. San Francisco
- 7. San Francisco
- 8. Susan Lybrand
- 9. Life in fun!
- 10. Come join our shows in the USA

ROSEMARY SCHROEDER, Breeder/Handler

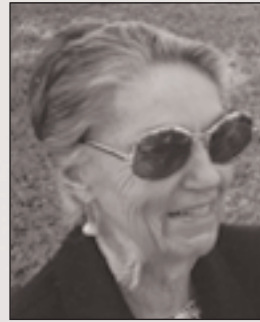
New Richmond, Ohio

- 1. Westminster, of course, but anywhere would suit me just fine!
- 2. Louisville, Kentucky. Facility - RV space - variety of events
- 3. Again, Louisville
- 4. Someone proactive in public education regarding breeding and buying puppies and training
- 5. Jerry and Nancy Schwartz, Cincinnati, Ohio
- 6. With family
- 7. With family
- 8. Various handlers - how they feel about the dogs they handle
- 9. Family, including my dogs
- 10. Hug your dog and play with him as often as you can

SUSAN B. LYBRAND, Breeder/Handler

Lucas, Texas

- 1. Westminster - it's the pinnacle of all dog shows to beat the best of the best
- 2. Houston and Crufts
- 3. The vendors!!!



3. Our National Specialties and our auction!
4. Ron Menaker
5. Pat McDonald, Chelsic Bearded Collies
6. At home with family
7. At home with family
8. Canine health, better breeding, and where dog shows are headed in the coming years. Also, most importantly, how to shut down the puppy mill operations!
9. My family, friends and my cherished dogs
10. Remember it's only a dog show. Have fun, enjoy and smile

EDY DYKSTRA-BLUM, Judge

Ocala, Florida

1. Westminster
2. Perry, Georgia. Atlanta Kennel Club in the Summer and Fall, Great RV site and great entertainment
3. Perry, Georgia
4. Gary Coleman
5. The late Jean Sear from New York
6. At home with my husband and our dogs
7. Same as Thanksgiving
8. Ken Falconi
9. Expecting new life in a litter
10. Celebrate everyday with your dogs

PATTE HEMPEL, Breeder

San Jose, California

1. Golden Gate
2. I don't have one
3. Donner Trail Kennel Club
4. Mrs. James Edward Clark
5. Jean Thomas then Lois Thomas
6. Marion County with family
7. Same as above
8. More judges comments
9. That I make it through the year
10. I hope everyone has a safe and prosperous new year

ROBIN REMONDI, Breeder/Owner/Handler
Martinez, California

1. Westminster Kennel Club
2. Coos Bay Kennel Club, Oregon. Because it is on the Oregon Coast and you can walk your dogs on the beach.
3. Ganilon Kennel Club with the welcome BBQ for exhibitors free to all
4. Mrs. James Edward Clark
5. My father John Remondi
6. On the Turkey Circuit
7. Home with family and friends
8. Iris Love and her memories and adventures
9. Health and family
10. Happy Holidays and see you at the Garden

MARY KELLY SMITH

Doyle, California

1. AKC Eukanuba Invitational
2. Gold Country Kennel Club show site. Beautiful
3. Gold Country, Roseberg, Oregon
4. Don't know
5. Hidaiko Strasburg
6. Family on the way to San Mateo
7. Home
8. Judges
9. That we have the peace in our land to continue our obsession and enjoy families and dogs
10. May the unconditional love we enjoy from our dogs become the standard for all humans. We could learn a lot.

Over the river and through the woods fourth and goal... strike three... easy layups... icing... It's that glorious time of year! Rejoice! ■