

Secretary's Report 4th Quarter 2017

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AKC Correspondence:

- Humane Fund information and request for donations
- Weekly Communicates newsletter
- National Championship advertisement
- New Obedience Exercises Approved Effective May 1, 2018 A link to the approved obedience regulation changes may be found on the AKC Obedience webpage under [News and Updates](#).
- Announcement of Oct 24, 2017 educational webinar: What's Feeding Those Seizures? An Update On Refractory Canine Epilepsy And The Potential Link to Gastrointestinal Health
- Announcement of Dec 6, 2017 educational webinar: A Clinical Genetics Approach to Understanding Genetic, Multiplex and Health Testing
- Event Operations announcement of changes to;
 - Grand Championship Points Calculations,
 - Adding Trick Dog to Special Attractions,
 - Junior Showmanship Regulations,
 - Concurrent Events Policy,
 - Trophies Offered in Honor Of Living Persons,
 - Reducing Sanctioned Match Requirements for Specialty Clubs
- Announcement of the nominees annual Lifetime Achievement Awards.
- Announcement by the Public Education Department of the new Public Education Award available to Clubs.
- Announcement of "Shop for a Cause"
- Humane Fund information regarding Funds donated to help animal organizations with disaster relief efforts
- Registration reminder for Meet the Breeds at Meet & Compete in New York
- Dog Registration statistical information
- Purina Buy One Get One advertisement
- Happy Holidays email

AKC Canine Health Foundation Correspondence:

- Matching gift challenge
- News Release regarding 2018 AKC Canine Health Foundation Clinician-Scientist Fellows
- Happy Holidays email
- Request for donations

Other Correspondence:

- Thank you from National Animal Interest Alliance for our \$100 donation
- National Animal Interest Alliance summary of activities in 2017
- 7th annual Canines & Cocktails Gala announcement indicating awards to:
 - Ann Viklund for the 2017 President's Award
 - Portuguese Water Dog Foundation, the Westie Foundation of America, the Scottish Terrier Club of America and the Scottish Terrier Club of America Health Trust Fund for the Distinguished Research Partner Award
- Link AKC notice of Black Friday sale
- Announcement of ticket sales for 2018 Westminster Week
- Take The Lead October & December 2017 Newsletters
- Leesburg Canine Country Club announcement of rental venue
- The New Yorker, A Wyndham Hotel, advertisement for special room rates during Westminster Week

Corrections:

- GPCA Annual Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2017 Spelling of Terry Denney-Combs was incorrect.
- GPCA Annual Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2017 were mistakenly titled GPCA Annual Meeting Agenda of April 14, 2017
- GPCA Board Meeting Minutes Oct 10, 2017 motion 20171010.06 should include "Passed Unanimously"

