



SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB
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The next meeting of the **SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB** will be **Tuesday November 2, 2004** At 7 pm at **Ramsey's restaurant** (see page 4 for directions)

The November Program

Share Your Stories

This month **November 2004**

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We all love to talk about our dogs and hear about everyone else's Bullies. Bring your pictures and favorite stories about your Bulldogs—living or gone to the Rainbow Bridge. Tell us about your Champions and your almost Champions and the points "that got away", tell us about your "heart" dogs and the funny, noble and important things that your dogs do that add so much to your life. We will be all "Ears!"

Nomination Committee Report

Nominations committee chair **Ruth Ann Parker** and members **Rick Minge** and **Mark Cecil** submitted the following nominations for **2005 SMBC Officers and Board**

President—Ranee Randby	Board Members:
Vice President—Linda Howard	Grant Howard
Secretary—Mari DeCuir	John Parker
Treasurer—Ruth Ann Parker	Linda Sterner

10.4.1 The committee shall nominate one (1) candidate for each office and position on the Board, and after securing the consent of each person so nominated, shall immediately report their nominations to the Secretary in writing.

Nomination from the floor are taken at the November meeting

10.4.3 Additional nominations may be made at the November meeting by any member in attendance provided that the person so nominated does not decline when their name is proposed, and provided further that if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at this meeting, the proposer shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate. No person may be a candidate for more than one position.

OFFICERS

- President**
- > **Ranee Randby**
- Vice President**
- > **Linda Howard**
- Secretary**
- > **Mari DeCuir**
- Treasurer**
- > **Ruth Ann Parker**
- Board Members**
- > **Vivian Ayers**
- > **Grant Howard**
- > **John Parker**

MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting Oct 5 2004

There being no program preceding the meeting, the meeting was called to order by President Randby at 7:05 pm. There were 19 members present. Members introduced themselves in lieu of roll call.

The **Treasurer's Report** and the **Minutes of the September meeting** were approved as published in the *BullScoop* with Linda making the motion and Celissa seconding.

President's Report. President Pandby reminded members that in April of 2003 the club voted on three memorials for L.J. DeCuir: a memorial trophy which was awarded for the first time at our 2003 specialty, the rescue fund donations and a cookbook dedicated to L.J. to honor two of his loves, Bulldogs and cooking. The cookbook is now a reality. It is available for sale at \$10.00 each (see picture on page 4). Raneer also reported on the Apple Festival in Erwin, October 1 and 2. SMBC had a fund-raising booth and sold apple fritters. Raneer presented a check to the treasurer that represented proceeds from the booth. (See picture and story on page 4).

Secretary's Report. Correspondence. Thank you acknowledgement from Vivian Ayers for the flowers sent for her mother's funeral. Letter from the Rat Terrier club. Outgoing: a thank card to Zelda Wisdom signed by the members present thanking her for the posters for our auction.

Committee Reports. Show. Show Secretary Grant Howard received a packet from AKC concerning regulations for the specialty. Vivian Ayers, Trophy chair reported that we had \$1145.00 in donations. We discussed final plans for the show. We will have a bucket raffle of items donated by members and a live auction after the dinner. Cary Zimmeman agreed to be the auctioneer.

Rescue. Currently we have two rescue being fostered by Mari DeCuir. Giorgia was featured last month in *The BullScoop*. We also have Flex, a 78 pound Bullie who was turned in by the owner to be euthanized because he was not getting along with a new puppy in the household.

Finance: John Parker reported the following:

SMBC Financial Statement	9/30/04
Oakmark Eq & Income Fund	5,778.85
Dreyfus Money Mkt	3625.29
Flex Saving Certificate	5291.85
Cash	147.05
Total	14,843.12
<u>Last report</u>	<u>14,757.70</u>
	+ 85.42

Programs. November program will be a session of sharing pictures and stories of our dogs.

December meeting will be our Christmas party at Rocky River Grill in Pigeon Forge. Members decided that the best date would be December 4th at 6 pm. Members are to bring a \$15.00 value Bulldog-related item for the gift exchange. Up-to-date rosters will be distributed at the party. Invitations and directions will be sent out in November.

Report of the Nominations Committee. The Nominations committee chaired by Ruth Ann Parker and members Rick Minge and Mark Cecil submitted the following slate of officers for 2005:

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Vice President—Linda Howard	Grant Howard
Secretary—Mari DeCuir	John Parker
Treasurer—Ruth Ann Parker	Linda Sterner

At the November meeting nomination may be taken from the floor.

There were no applications from new members and there being no unfinished or new business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

**Remember the
BullScoop is now online at
<Http://www.kornet.org/smbc/index.htm>**

**If you have Internet access you can
help the club save postage and printing
costs by receiving the BullScoop online.
Just send Mari (mdecuir@utk.edu)
your e-mail address.**

Treasurer's Report

Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club

September 30, 2004

Main Account

Beginning Balance \$517.51

Income

Village Vet Booth 39.00

Mugs 12.00

Dues 7.50

Interest 1.49

Total 59.99

Disbursements 0

Ending Balance \$577.50

Rescue Account

Beginning Balance \$1,608.50

Income 0

Disbursements

Albert 55.00

(neuter & meds)

Ending Balance \$1,553.50

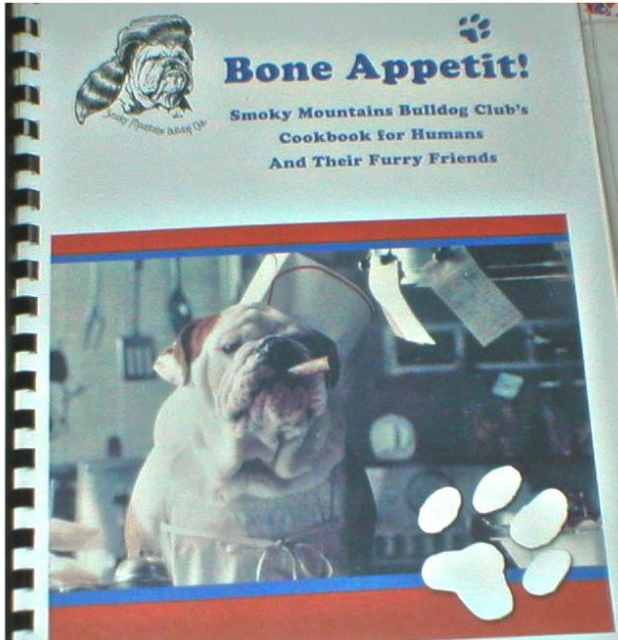
Total in SMBC Account \$2,131.00



FLEX– a rescue story

Flex came to rescue due to the compassion of Dr. Fells at the Veterinary Medical Center on Clinton Hwy. A client had brought Flex in to be euthanized because he was behaving aggressively toward a new puppy in the household. Dr. Fells was hesitant to put down a perfectly healthy animal so she called SMBC rescue. Linda and Grant went to the office and reported back to rescue that Flex was a 78 pound, 6 year old neutered male. He was boarded at the clinic over the weekend until Mari could pick him up. Flex is an exuberant, curious and active dog who loves a good romp in the yard. Because of his size he is not easy to handle and will need a family who is willing to do some obedience work with him. However, he is eager to please and learns very quickly. He loves peanut butter dog cookies and will dutifully return to his crate without objecting or needing to be lead. Because Flex was reported to be aggressive towards other animals he has been kept isolated from Mari's other Bullies and he agreeably stays in his crate for long periods of time without protest. He gets along well with the cat, Slick and with proper introduction and training will most likely





**SMBC COOKBOOKS !!!
PRICE \$10.00**

Thanks to Raneé Randby who did all the typing and layout and a pot full of cooks who shared their favorite recipes, our cookbook is not a reality. 120 recipes including goodies for your dogs. Copies will be available at the November meeting and at the Specialty.

SMBC Mugs
Are now available
to members for
\$6.00
Get yours at the
November meeting



APPLE FESTIVAL IN ERWIN



Official SMBC "Greeters" at the Apple Fritter Booth.

Club member, Cary Zimmerman, chef and entrepreneur extraordinaire, came up with a fundraising idea for SMBC for the Apple Festival in Erwin, Tennessee, (home of Unforgettabul Bulldogs). He proposed that we have a booth at the festival and sell apple fritters. He developed a recipe (it's in our cookbook, by the way), rented equipment and recruited his wife Raneé and other members to help. Included in the helpers were Celissa Peters, Madison and Susan Jordan, official Bullie greeters and Vivian and Larry Ayers who provided hospitality for the out-of-town workers. Despite a brief rain shower on Saturday a good time was had by all. Raneé and Cary presented a check to the club that represented proceeds from the booth. Thanks to all who helped to make the booth a success, especially to Ruth Ann and John whose tent kept us dry during the rain!

Direction to Ramsey's
Ramsey's does not charge us for the room but they would like all of us to eat our dinners there.

Directions to Ramsey's coming from the east
Take I-640 W to the I-75 exit. Stay in the near right lane and take the very next exit, **Merchant's Rd.** At the light turn right onto Merchant's Rd and get in the left turn lane. Turn onto Central Ave. Ramsey's is in the Days Inn. We have a meeting room reserved for Smoky Mountain Bulldog Club.

Directions to Ramsey's coming from west Knoxville
Take I-640 towards Lexington. At the split take the I-75/Lexington exit. Stay in the near right lane and take the very next exit, **Merchant's Rd.** At the light turn right onto Merchant's Rd and get in the left turn lane. Turn onto Central Ave. Ramsey's is in the Days Inn. We have a meeting room reserved for Smoky Mountain Bulldog Club.