



# The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the

**SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB**

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## OFFICERS

### President

> Ranee Randby

### Vice President

> Linda Howard

### Secretary

> Mari DeCuir

### Treasurer

> Ruth Ann Parker

### Board Members

> Vivian Ayers

> Grant Howard

> John Parker

## SMBC CHRISTMAS PARTY And meeting

The next meeting of the  
**SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB**  
will be Saturday December 4, 2004 at  
6:30 pm at the Rocky River Grill in  
Pigeon Forge.

We will have a brief business meeting to  
elect the new officers and then we will  
**PARTY!**

Please bring a wrapped (\$15.00 value)  
Bullie item for our gift exchange.

Invitations and directions  
are in the mail.

If you did not receive one, call Ranee at 986-1121

**Dues are due and payable  
Before  
Jan 1, 2004  
Individual \$15.00  
Couple or Family \$25.00  
Send you check to  
Ruth Ann Parker  
1590 Romary Rd.  
Dandridge, TN 37725**

Remember the  
*Nine O'clock Bark* 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 newsletter online.  
Just send Mari (mdecuir@utk.edu)  
your e-mail address.

## MEETING MINUTES

### Minutes of the regular meeting Nov.2, 2004

There being no program in November, the meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm by President Randby. There were 12 members present. Members introduced themselves in lieu of roll call. There was a clarification to the **October minutes** from President Randby. The meeting for December will be combined with the Christmas party. There will be no separate meeting. Linda Howard made the motion and John Parker seconded approval of the amended minutes.

**President's Report.** President Randby thanked everyone for their very hard work on the show. The club presented show chair, Mari DeCuir, with a Bulldog chef statue to thank her for her work on the show.

The **Treasure's Report** from October was approved as published in the newsletter.

**Secretary's Report.** There was no incoming correspondence and the outgoing was the quarterly report to *The Bulldogger*.

**Committee Reports.** Show. Preliminary accounting shows that the show may clear a small profit. Ruth Ann will have a final report ready for the board meeting later in the month.

Rescue. No new rescues in October. Mari still has Georgia and Flex.

Finance. John Parker reported the following:

SMBC Financial Statement	10/31/2004
Oakmark Eq & Income Fund	\$5,827.33
Dreyfus Money Mkt	\$3,649.11
Flex Saving Certificate	\$5,301.99
Cash	\$147.11
Total	\$14,925.54
Last report	\$14,757.70
Change	+ \$167.84

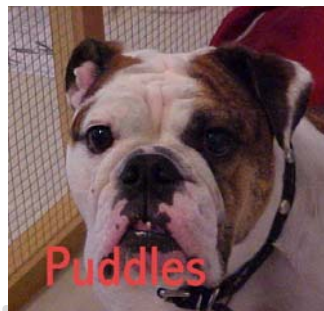
Programs. Ruth Ann made a motion that we not have a January meeting and combine the January meeting and board meeting into the February meeting. Motion seconded by Mari. Motion carried. Linda is lining up an acupuncturist for one of the spring meetings. Mari mentioned that she has the CD with the photos from the specialty and costume contest; showing it would make a good program for one of the meetings.

**Nominations.** President Randby called for nominations from the floor for the 2005 officers and board. There were no nominations from the floor. The slate stands as proposed by the nomination committee. Voting will be in December.

**Unfinished and New Business.** There was no unfinished or new business to discuss.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

**Puddles— a rescue story.** Puddles is a 3 year old spayed Bullie who came to rescue because she had behavior problems. Puddles was originally from Alabama where she was rescued from a frat house having been placed there by her first owners. Her Tennessee family discovered that she was very hostile toward their college age son (her behavior, no doubt a result of poor treatment by the fraternity brothers). Puddles was a loved dog at some point because she came with a "trousseau" of doggie beds, toys, bowls, blankets, medicine and food— enough to fill up the back of Mari's van! Because Mari's house already had two rescues, "a new home in a hurry" was the plan...this is where Vince and Lola Stormes entered the picture. The



Stormes had recently lost their first rescue, Havana (aka Rose) and were looking for an-

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# Treasurer's Report

Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club  
 October 31, 2004

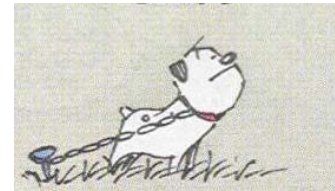
	<u>Main Account</u>	
<u>Beginning Balance</u>		<u>\$577.50</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Interest	1.39	
In memory-Gus	150.00	
Apple Festival	350.00	
Mugs	36.00	
Specialty	<u>3,705.46</u>	
Total	<u>4,242.85</u>	
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Zelda frames	29.50	
Mugs	283.93	
Show expenses*	<u>2,223.36</u>	
Total	<u>2,536.79</u>	
<b><u>Ending Balance</u></b>		<b><u>\$2,283.56</u></b>



<u>*Show Expenses</u>	(11-1-04)
Sweepstakes	117.00
Holiday Inn	592.00
Judges' Expenses	577.28
BCA ad	75.00
AKC fee	50.00
Plastic	390.08
Return seed money	250.00
AKC \$2 per dog	<u>172.00</u>
Total	<u>2,223.36</u>

<u>Show Income</u>	
Collected at site	3,705.46
Trophies*	<u>1,145.70</u>
*(Not yet received)	
Total:	4,851.16

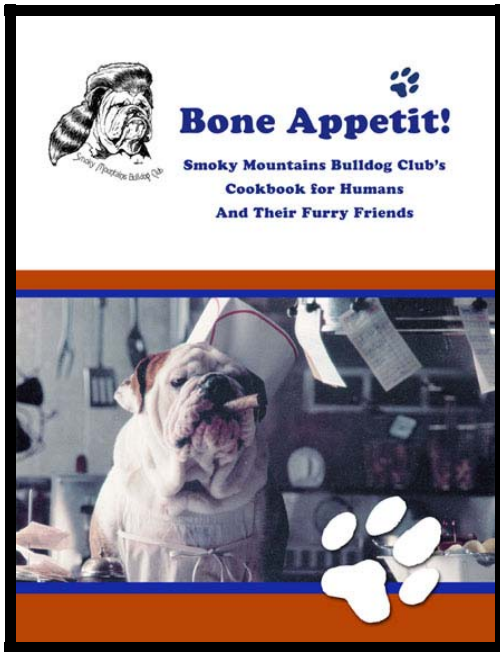
	<u>Rescue Account</u>	
<u>Beginning Balance</u>		<u>1,553.50</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Patton	100.00	
<u>No Disbursements</u>		
<u>Ending Balance</u>		<u>1,653.50</u>
<b><u>Total in SMBC Account</u></b>		<b><u>\$3,937.06</u></b>



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other Bullie to love. They were delighted with the prospect of fostering Puddles and since they did not have children of any age, their home would be a great place for her. Puddles arrived complete with all her "stuff", ran around the big fenced yard and settled in. Happy Ending.





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

Thanks to Ranee Randby who did all the typing and layout and a pot full of cooks who shared their favorite recipes, our cookbook is now a reality. 120 recipes including goodies for your dogs.  
Call Ranee at 986-1121

**SMBC Mugs  
Are now available  
to members for  
\$6.00  
Call Ranee at  
986-1121**



# A BIG THANK YOU

**From the Show Chairman**

First I want to thank all the club members who supported our Specialty in any way. Our shows are the biggest event of our year and they take an enormous amount of funds, work and planning. I am grateful that so many of you realize this and do so much to make it happen.

It is good to see so many members in the show ring, especially newcomers like Debi Broderick who came to the puppy match and stayed to bid in the Saturday auction. It was also good to see Linda and Michelle Sterner with their new litter showing them in the puppy match.

New members Robin Wilder and Linda Hatmaker came to help the regulars Grant and Linda, Ranee and Cary, John and Ruth Ann with the hard work of set-up and strike. Ruth Ann did a lovely job with the puppy match and the decorations for the banquet with Debi's help.

So many members contributed to the delicious bake sale. Special thanks to Leslie Archer, Vivian Ayers, Jerry and Hileah Corbin and Madison and Susan Jordan who also made the rescue poster. In addition I need to thank all the club members for presenting me with the great Bulldog chef statue. It was very gratifying to know that my work is appreciated. If you missed our shows, you missed a great time and good fellowship.

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## 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  
Vice President—Linda Howard  
Secretary—Mari DeCuir  
Treasurer—Ruth Ann Parker

Board Members:  
Grant Howard  
John Parker  
Linda Sterner

