

## Dear Friend,

Here's an update for July!

- I've added a second Family Manners I class at the West Columbia location, due to demand.
- If you're interested in volunteering with your pet, I'll be teaching a Delta Society Pet Partner Team Training course in September. Read on for details.
- Fleas and ticks seem to be particularly nasty this year. I recently found a tick on me! Ugh, talk about the heebie jeebies. I think he hitched a ride in the house on my fluffy Papillon. Luckily, I wrote about tick removal in my last book so I remembered how to get the thing off me safely. I've included an excerpt here in case you run into one of the nasty critters this summer.

Hope you're keeping cool, and please give your dogs cookies from me!

*Teoti Anderson, CPDT*



## Pet Partner Team Training Course

Do you want to learn how to volunteer with your pet? Consider joining the Delta Society Pet Partner program!

If you've taken a Pawsitive Results class, you've probably heard us talk about Prescription Paws -- that's the local Delta Society Pet Partner affiliate group that serves the South Carolina Midlands area. Prescription Paws visits a variety of facilities, including Children's Hospital, the Lexington Medical Center ER, the Rice Home and more.

Prescription Paws will be hosting a Team Training workshop in Columbia Saturday, September 6 and Saturday, September 20 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. both days. This is a two-day workshop, for people only. Animals must already be well trained. Screenings will be held September 21 and November 8.

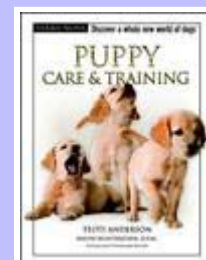
For details, please visit [www.prescriptionpaws.org](http://www.prescriptionpaws.org).



## EEK! A Tick!

Here is an excerpt from (Terra-Nova) [Puppy Care and Training](#) on how to safely remove a tick. The technique applies for both dogs and people!

If you find a tick and it's attached, "... use a pair of fine-tipped tweezers or a special tick-removal tool, which helps you remove the tick without squeezing the body. This is important, because you don't want to crush the tick and force disease-carrying saliva or fluids into your puppy's bloodstream. You also don't want to use your fingers, because if you crush the tick while you're touching it, it can also infect you with disease. Don't use petroleum jelly, fingernail polish, or a hot match to try to get the tick to back out. These may cause it to inject more saliva into your



puppy's wound, which can transmit more disease."

"Grab the tick by the head or mouth parts right where they enter the skin. Do not grab it by the body. You want to be sure to get the entire tick and not leave the mouth attached to your puppy. Pull outwards firmly and steadily. Don't twist the tick while you are pulling.

"When you've removed the tick, don't flush it down the toilet -- this won't kill it. Don't squeeze it, either, because the blood from a tick can infect you with disease. Instead, drop it in a jar of rubbing alcohol to kill it."

## Upcoming Classes

Learn [how to register](#).

### **West Columbia - Tri-City Leisure Center**

Thursday, July 31, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. - [Family Manners I](#) - FULL

Thursday, July 31, 2008 at 8:30 p.m. -- [Family Manners I](#) - **Now taking registration!**

### **Lexington - Lexington Leisure Center**

Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. - [Family Manners I](#) - FULL

Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at 8:30 p.m. - [Family Manners I](#) - **Now taking registration!**

If I have enough students at this location I will hold a second class.



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