



# Pawsitively Speaking

The great experiment in voting for the next Advanced Pawsitive Results class ... ended up in a tie! Unfortunately, there were not enough votes per class to hold either. So this next session, we will go ahead and hold Family Manners II. If you and your dog need to continue your education, sign up now!

In this issue you'll also find information on being safe around strays, news about the South Carolina state dog, a new canine cancer treatment and some good clean fun you can enjoy with your furry pal for a really good cause.

If you enjoy the newsletter, please consider passing it along to one of your fellow dog lovers. There's a convenient "Foreword e-mail" link included to make it easy!

Give your dogs cookies from me!

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## Class Schedule

### Lexington

Tuesday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m. - [Family Manners I](#) - **Now taking registration!**

### West Columbia

Thursday, July 23 at 7:30 p.m. - [Family Manners I](#) - **Now taking registration!**

Thursday, July 23 at 8:30 p.m. - [Family Manners II](#) - **Now taking registration!**

**Prerequisite:** Family Manners I.

## FDA Approves First Drug to Treat Cancer in Dogs

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has announced the approval of Palladia (toceranib phosphate), the first drug developed specifically for the treatment of cancer in dogs.

Palladia is approved to treat mast cell tumors, a type of cancer responsible for about one out of five cases of canine skin tumors. The drug is approved to treat the tumors with or without regional lymph node involvement.

All cancer drugs now used in veterinary medicine originally were developed for use in humans and are not approved for use in animals. Cancer treatments used in animals are used in an "extra-label" manner as allowed by the Animal Medicinal

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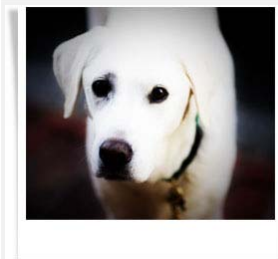
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### AKC Approves SC State Dog

Beginning December 2, 2009, the Boykin Spaniel will be eligible for full American Kennel Club (AKC) registration.

The Boykin Spaniel is a small hunting dog. It's the official dog of South Carolina.

### Is Fido Friendly?



Here in South Carolina, the kids are out of school. This means families will be taking to the outdoors to celebrate the summer. Unfortunately, not everyone confines their dogs like they should. There is a good chance you will encounter a stray dog during your time outdoors.

Do you know how to tell if a dog is friendly? Here are some common myths:

#### **If a dog wags his tail, he's feeling friendly.**

This is a common misperception. A wagging tail is NOT a sign of friendliness -- it's a sign that the dog is excited. Excitement isn't always a good thing! A dog could

Drug Use Clarification Act of 1994.

"This cancer drug approval for dogs is an important step forward for veterinary medicine," said Bernadette Dunham, D.V.M., Ph.D., director of FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. "Prior to this approval, veterinarians had to rely on human oncology drugs, without knowledge of how safe or effective they would be for dogs. Today's approval offers dog owners, in consultation with their veterinarian, an option for treatment of their dog's cancer."

While canine mast cell tumors often appear small and insignificant, they can be a very serious form of cancer in dogs. Some mast cell tumors are easily removed without the development of any further problems, while others can lead to life threatening disease.

The most common side effects associated with Palladia are diarrhea, decrease or loss of appetite, lameness, weight loss, and blood in the stool.



## Cleaning Up for a Great Cause

Greyhound Pets of America - South Carolina (GPA-SC) and Earth Fare are teaming up to offer a fun event for you and your dog in June. All breeds welcome!

**Saturday, June 27**  
**11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.**  
**Dog Wash**

For just \$7.00 per dog, GPA-SC volunteers will give your pup a refreshing bath using organic dog shampoo courtesy of Earth Fare.

Earth Fare is located at 3312 Devine Street in Columbia, SC. All proceeds from the events help more retired racing Greyhounds go from the track to loving homes. For more information, please visit the [GPA-SC Web site](#).

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be excited enough to attack.

**Some breeds of dogs are going to be more friendly than others.** Some of the most dangerous dogs I've ever worked with have been popular "family" breeds. I've known marshmallow Pit Bulls and mean Labradors. Remember, all dogs have teeth.

Play it safe this summer -- never pet a stray dog, no matter how cute he may be!

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### About Pawsitive Results, LLC

Pawsitive Results, LLC offers reward-based group dog training classes in Lexington and West Columbia, SC. Owner Teoti Anderson is a Certified Pet Dog Trainer (CPDT), author and public speaker.

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