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Lucky dog academy plainfield il

Heather Haggerty ABCDT AKC EvaluatorHeather is the owner/operator of Lucky Dog Academy. She is a Certified Dog Trainer and mentor trainer graduated with honors from Animal Behavior College, an AKC Canine Good Citizen evaluator and a member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT). She has two Border Collies and has competed in UKI, USDA, CPE, AKC and NADAC agility, and also enjoys herding, nosework, obedience and trick training as well as therapy work.Heather has volunteered with dog rescue for over ten years. During this time she saw many nice dogs fail in their homes and end up in shelters or rescues because of lack of good training. This lead to her opening Lucky Dog, to try to help more dogs succeed in their homes and not end up in those types of situations.Heather has been a dog trainer for over 15 years. She uses positive reinforcement methods, her goal is to have your dog WANT to do what you want them to do. This makes a dog work happily for you, not fear you. The more dogs learn the easier it is to teach them and the more they want to learn. A well trained dog learns how to use their brain and is a happier dog. A bored dog will almost always get into trouble!Heather is also a big advocate of agility training. She believes dogs were bred to do a job and that has been taken away from most dogs. Many working breeds that don't have something they consider a "job" can become bored, neurotic or destructive. Agility gives these dogs a sense of working, even if it's all fun and games.Email Heather at : heather@whosaluckydog.com Danielle DavisDanielle has 15 plus years of agility experience. She has put MACHs, ADCHs, NATCHs, and UGRACHs on multiple dogs. Has qualified for AKC Nationals in 2010-2015, USDAA Nationals 2010-2014, and NADAC Championships 2010-2011. She has also gone to AKC World/International Team Tryouts in 2012-2014 and was a member of the AKC International team in 2013. She also actively competes in Obedience, Rally, Conformation and Herding and has titled dogs in those venues as well. She is owned by 7 Border Collies varying in ages from 2-13 1/2; Lizzy, Devlin, Lil, Remi, Desmond, Molly and Jones.Email Danielle at Danielle@whosaluckydog.com. Arlyn Sigethi CPDT-KA, CTDI, AKC Fit Dog Instructor, AKC Temperament Test Evaluator, AKC CGC Evaluator, Certified in Canine Cognition, and Pet NutritionArlyn has been training dogs since 1995, when she rescued her first Border Collie, Sadie. Arlyn has been training and competing in flyball, herding, obedience and agility since 1996. She has achieved four agility championships with her Tripawd Border Collie, Elvis, also a Herding Champion. She has been judging AKC agility for 20+ years, and is also a UKI judge. Arlyn believes that dogs are incredibly intelligent and through positive reinforcement training, they can become wonderful companions and achieve many things. Participation in dog sports, whether it is agility, tricks, nosework, obedience, builds confidence and helps a dog reach it's full potential. Over the years, Arlyn has worked with several rescue groups and has helped many rescue dogs find forever homes through humane and fear free training. She currently shares her home with Spud (BC wannabe), and Border Collies Elvis (Tripawd), Mick, Flick, and Groot(the baby). She formerly had an Australian Cattle Dog, a Giant Schnauzer, and a Norwegian Elkhound. And if that wasn't enough, she also has birds.In addition to training dogs, Arlyn was a Montessori Preschool teacher for 20 years.Email at Arlyn@whosaluckydog.com Lorree Bartlett ABCDT AKC EvaluatorLorree has been around animals all her life with dogs being the biggest part. With a degree from Penn State with a B.S. in Environmental Education with an emphasis on wildlife, she's worked in education for the National Park Service, INState Park Service and Brookfield Zoo. She holds certifications for dog trainingfrom Animal Behavior College (ABCDT certification) and Canine Massage Therapy certification from the Chicago School of Canine Massage (now CanisBodyworks) and is an AKC CGC/Tricks, AKC Farm Dog, AKC ATT evaluator, anAKC Fit Dog Trainer, an Active Dog Association Judge and a Pet PartnersAssociation (formally Delta Society) evaluator. She is also a Reiki practitionerand works with the Bach Flower Essences. Working with her dog, Bronwyn, theyhave received titles in agility and nosework. Bronwyn and Lorree are a retiredagility and TDI therapy dog team. Lorree's philosophy is that dogs are sensitive creatures and learn better with positive reinforcement and by shaping as this builds a thinking dog.Email Lorree at Lorree@whosaluckydog.com Corinne Batterman AKC EvaluatorCorinne started training agility when she was looking for a way to give her 1st Australian Shepherd, Auddi, a healthy outlet for her energy 10 years ago. Since then she has worked with her own dogs in agility, nosework, obedience, herding, dock diving, canine fitness, Canine Good Citizen, Canine Good Citizen Advance, Canine Good Citizen Urban, and is a Certified Therapy Dog Team with her dog Guss through Alliance of Therapy Dogs. While she participates in many activities with her dogs she currently competes in agility, nosework, and dock diving. Some of her favorite things to do with her dogs though is go for hikes, spend time on dog friendly patios, and try new classes/seminars! She has been able to take what she has learned by training her own dogs and applying those training techniques to the many foster dogs that have come into her home through different herding rescues. While she teaches as an agriculture teacher, she found her second passion when she began to assist in puppy, beginner obedience, and beginner agility classes. Corinne's second passion, other than teaching agriculture, is working with owners and their dogs. When she sees owners overcome a difficult task with their dogs, complete a course, or achieve a new goal she is proud to know that she helped others grow with their dogs. Corinne has 4 canine companions - Elli Mae and Guss Guss CGCA CGCU TKN who are Border Collie Mixes, Marni CGCA TKN an Australian Shepherd, and Rip CGCA CGCU TKN NN a Miniature American Shepherd who is blind. Email Corinne at corinne@whosaluckydog.com Desare Techmanski KPA CTP , AKC evaluatorDesare has been around dogs all her life while growing up. She currently lives with 9 dogs in her house! Her love for training really took off after taking classes here at Lucky Dog Academy with her Cane Corso, Cali. She has since received her certification from Karen Pryor Academy.Email Desare at Desare@whosaluckydog.com Fabio FestiA bit about myself: I started in agility in 2012 with my dog Guinness—it was love at first sight! I could never have imagined that this sport would take me to four IMCA World Championships.Guinness and I began competing in 2014, and in 2015, we were selected for the Italian Agility Team. We participated in the following worldwide championships: • 2015 in Traun (Austria) as a reserve for the Individual Team;• 2016 in Ostrava (Czech Republic), where we won the gold medal in Agility Individual;• 2017 in Tattendorf (Austria), where we won the gold medal in Jumping Individual;• 2018 in Huntingdon (England), where we earned a gold medal in Jumping Individual and placed fourth in Combined.In 2019, I retired Guinness. Since 2014, I had been training my second dog, Renji, an amazing Border Collie. Despite our efforts and training, Renji was diagnosed with a congenital disease, which forced us to stop competing for his health. Today, Renji enjoys life as a beloved pet and loves learning new tricks!Currently, I am preparing my Border Collie, Ava, under the guidance of my Italian coach, Omar Babini. This collaboration is helping Ava and me grow as a team and refine our skills for future competitions. My passion for agility extends beyond competition—I love sharing my knowledge and experience with others. My journey as an agility instructor includes:• 2015-2018: Dog Club Scaligero in Verona, Italy;• 2019-2021: Skipper Dog Club in Alba, Italy;• 2022-2023: For Your K9 in Chicago;• 2023-2024: K9 Sport and Activity Center in New Jersey.Agility has taught me so much about dog psychology. I firmly believe that the foundation of a great team is a strong relationship with your dog. That's why I emphasize basic training and continuously expand my knowledge. I also own Paw Agreement LLC, where I address dogs' behavioral issues to improve the quality of life for both dogs and their owners.After over 10 years in the canine world, my ultimate goal is clear: to help every team achieve the most possible relationship. My motto? Pull out the best from every team!Email Fabio at fabio@whosaluckydog.com Angie PawinskiI am a methodical trainer that loves to achieve a balance. I help to make a confident dog that has theknowledge to know when to be independent and also knows when to listen and be attentive to the handler. With help in recognizing timely cues, the goal is to strive to be the most efficient team you can be. Agility is a process and understanding that each piece of the puzzle should be in place first is key to reducing many mistakes when you begin trialing. We want your dog to have the confidence and skills to maintain that throughout the dog's agility career. With the help ofback chaining behaviors, your dog can be a happy, confident pup!Email Angie at angie@whosaluckydog.com Jennifer PanattoniJennifer received a Diploma in Canine Sciences and Technology from the Companion Animal Sciences Institute (CASI) and has been training and showing dogs in agility for over 15 years. Jennifer actively competes in several agility venues, including AKC, CPE, UKI and USDA and has won multiple National and International Championships with several of her dogs. She has taught classes in agility, obedience, and AKC STAR Puppy. She is currently a CPE and UKI Agility Judge and owns and operates her own in-home Canine Training company called Paws & Effect LLC, a company that assists with dog training in the home and works to remedy undesirable behaviors. Jennifer is skilled in the latest positive, cognitive-based training techniques and encourages play during training to build connection and drive between the handler and their dog. Agility classes taught by Jennifer prepare dog and handler teams for competition with a strong focus on foundation skills.email Jennifer at jennifer@whosaluckydog.com 2025:March 22-23July 12-13 Sept 13-14 Oct 18-19 Dog Training & Dog Sports All class info can be found on the class schedule.To register for a new class, please see registration info below. Lucky Dog Academy provides all levels of dog training: Puppy, Obedience, Agility, NoseWork, Rally, Canine Good Citizen, Therapy Dog and behavioral training. We do offer private sessions and in-home training, but whenever possible we recommend group classes as working with distractions and around other dogs is an important part of training.All training is positive and force-free, no correction collars or electric collars are permitted in the building.Our indoor training facility is located at 14903 Center Street, Unit 103, Plainfield, IL 60544. Located near downtown Plainfield just north east of Route 59 and Lockport St.Please check out our class schedule for class information. More questions? Call (815)302-8143 or send an email to heather@whosaluckydog.com. To view class schedule including times, dates and costs, please click on Class ScheduleTo register for classes- Please fill out the registration form HERE. If there is room in the class, we will send you an invoice to pay online. We limit class sizes, so classes do fill. If you are currently in a class and wish to sign up for a continuing class, you can do that with your instructor. Once you take a spot in a class, there are no refunds if you choose to withdraw. Pricing is for a full session unless otherwise specified. If you have any questions about registering, please contact your instructor, call us at (815)302-8143 or email heather@whosaluckydog.comThanks!Note- For STAR Puppy classes you must show proof of initial Parvo and Distemper vaccines and a negative fecal test at the first class CHECK OUT OUR EVENTS PAGE FOR TRIALS, SEMINARS, AND OTHER EVENTS! Purchase Lucky Dog Gift Cards To purchase Lucky Dog shirtsCLICK HERE Ring Rentals Agility ring rentals are available for trained agility dogs ONLY. Agility ring is 100x80 with professional sport turf. All contacts are rubberized. Cost is \$30 per hour or \$35 for 2 people. Package of 10 rentals for \$250. Please reserve ring rental times by emailing Heather at heather@whosaluckydog.com or calling or texting (815)302-8143. Obedience Ring Rentals The Obedience Ring is available for rental at \$20 per hour for 1 to 2 people. Please reserve rental times by emailing Heather at heather@whosaluckydog.com or calling (815)302-8143.Any questions please email heather@whosaluckydog.com Lucky Dog Academy is a premier dog training facility located in Plainfield, IL, catering to dogs of all ages and skill levels. Their classes range from basic obedience to specialized training for shy and fearful dogs, as well as fun activities like tricks and agility. In addition to group classes, Lucky Dog Academy offers private in-home training services for personalized attention. Starting June 1, 2011, they will also introduce a doggie day care program for owners seeking a safe and engaging environment for their furry companions. Generated from their available business information Cookies help us to deliver our services, provide you with a personalised experience on our websites. Room available for rental. Each hour is \$25.Room Includes Canine Treadmill and a variety of equipment for strength, core conditioning, and rehab work.Contact Heather for more info. Classes are held in our indoor training facility located at 14903 Center Street, Unit 103, Plainfield, IL 60544. Located near downtown Plainfield just north east of Route 59 and Lockport St. To register for classes, please click here. If there is room in the class, we will email you an invoice to pay onlineWe Understand that everyone has different goals for training their dog, so we offer two different tracks to choose from. Pet track classes are for everyone looking to have a well mannered pet dog. Performance Track classes are geared towards formal or competitive obedience or for those looking to do a little more work with their dogs.Classes available: S.T.A.R. Puppy - (Pet track)Puppies 5 months & under This AKC program addresses common puppy issues such as housebreaking, jumping and nipping, teaches all the basic cues such as sit, down, stay, recall and leash walking. Attend all 6 classes and pass all the test items and receive the S.T.A.R. Puppy certification. Must provide proof of initial parvo and distemper vaccine, and negative fecal before class. Pre-Sport Puppy - This fast paced puppy class is geared toward people who hope to take part in agility or other dog sports in the future. As well as all the basic puppy items this class works self control and building drive, body awareness, desensitizing to noises and movement and also works crate games. Please contact Heather for more info.Beginner Obedience (Dogs 5 months and up. We offer this class for both Pet and Performance Track- Please see schedule) - a basic beginner obedience class. Class will introduce all the basic cues (including sit, down, and stay), leash-walking, polite greeting, and recall. Intermediate Obedience (We offer this class for both Pet and Performance Track- Please see schedule) -Prerequisite is Puppy or Beginner Obedience class. Class will continue to build on skills from Beginner class as well as working with distractions. To do Performance track Intermediate Obedience, dogs must have done a Performance track Beginner Obedience)Advanced Obedience (Performance track)- Prerequisite is Performance track Intermediate Obedience class or Instructor approval. Class will build on skills from Intermediate Obedience class. Focus will be on refining heeling skills, recalls and stays. Class will prepare dog and handler for moving onto higher levels of obedience and rally.Canine Good Citizen Class - Prerequisite is Intermediate Obedience class. This class covers all the skills needed for the AKC Canine Good Citizen test including leash walking, stays, recalls, greeting a stranger and separation. For more info on the CGC program please see or contact Heather.Therapy Dog - Prerequisite is CGC. This class will help prepare you and your dog to earn Therapy Dog Certification. We work with wheelchairs and walkers, teach dogs to approach a person on cue, work on leaving food and other things included on Therapy Dog tests. Please contact Heather for more info.Beginner Agility 1- Dogs taking this class must have a solid stay and recall and have done a group class. Dogs must also be able to be crated for periods of time in all agility classes. This class introduces a solid agility foundation and is safe for young dogs who aren't physically ready to jump, weave or perform full contacts. Class includes shadow handling, acceleration and deceleration, front and rear crosses on the flat, 2 on 2 off contacts, solid start lines, body awareness and much more. Beginner Agility 2- This class takes all the skills learned in the Beginner Agility 1 class and starts sequencing on jumps.Beginner Agility 3- Prerequisite is Beginner Agility 2. In this class dogs learn all the agility equipment and continue working on sequencing. Novice Agility- Prerequisite is completion of Beginner Agility classes. In this class dogs will begin to piece together short courses.Intermediate Agility - Prerequisite is completion of Novice class. In this class dogs will work on longer courses and more complex handling skills.Advanced Agility - Prerequisite is completion of Intermediate class. In this class dogs will work on full courses and complex handling skills.Tricks Class - There are many benefits to teaching your dog to do tricks. It can build confidence for shy and cautious dogs, provide an outlet for active dogs, keep senior dogs mentally fit, help facilitate interactions for therapy dogs, you can earn titles, and it is fun for you and your dog!Tricks are a great way to build focus and strengthen your relationship while developing a better understanding of your dog's learning style.Rally Obedience- Prerequisite is Advanced Obedience class or instructor approval. Rally obedience is a fun sport that allows you and your dog to learn new skills. It goes beyond basic obedience so your dog should have a solid foundation of basic skills. The object of Rally is to complete a course with obedience signs. In this class, we will work with the various venues where you may compete - AKC, UKC, CWags and APDT. Rally is a fun sport for dogs of all ages!Nosework- Dogs have an amazing sense of smell and a natural desire to hunt. The sport of Nose Work is designed to develop your dog's natural scenting abilities by using their desire to hunt and their love of toys, food and exercise. It's a great way for your dog to have fun, build confidence, and burn lots of mental and physical energy. Requirements- Dogs must be 5 months of age or older. Dogs must also be able to be crated for periods of time in all Nosework classes.Shy/Fearful Dog Class- This class is designed to help build confidence in dogs that worry about environment, people, dogs, and more. Your dog will learn important skills that can help him learn how to cope with stressful situations. Dogs of all ages welcome Instructor approval is required. Reactive Dogs- For more information on getting help with a reactive dog, please email heather@whosaluckydog.com Leash Walking in the Real World - This class meets outside to work on leash walking with increasing distractions. Door Manners- Does your dog need help with self control when the doorbell rings or visitors come to your home?. Our Door Manners class can help!Please bring a flat mat a and a clicker to class. Sport Prep- This class works on skills needed before getting into dog sports. Focus with distractions, being calm in a crate, and stays and recalls with distractions are all included. Dogs must complete a basic obedience group class firstFor scheduling private sessions or for more information, please email: Heather@whosaluckydog.com.