



GREATER SPOKANE SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB IS PROUD TO PRESENT

CLICK & EASY: Unleashing the power of clicker training

A Two-Day Clicker Seminar Presented by Kathy Sdao, MA, CAAB (associate)

July 25 & 26, 2009

At Spokane Dog Training Club, Spokane Valley, WA

Seminar Format and Procedures:

Kathy, a Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, and her assistant Dorothy, a Certified Pet Dog Trainer, will balance lecture, demonstrations, student participation and dog training exercises for an exciting and integrated workshop. Learn the science of clicker training through lecture and discussion. Then practice the art of clicker training by working with both people & dogs. Kathy's website: www.kathysdao.com.

Overview of Workshop:

Saturday

- Introductions & overview
- Getting geared up: Preparing your equipment
- Practicing the "scales" of clicker training
- A moment of science: Learning theory for dog trainers
- Timing is everything
- How to "get" behavior - Introduction to shaping & setting criteria

Sunday

- More shaping
- Are you sure you should lure?
- Cues control
- Creating strong behavior chains

Fee: Working Spot - \$180 per person for a working dog slot for both days, limited to 20 handlers/dogs. Auditor Spot - \$80 per person for auditor slots for both days, limited to 60 dogs/handlers. Dogs and puppies at all levels of training are welcome. Auditors **will be** assisting a working participants with some of the training exercises by collecting data, positioning props or offering observations and insight. I-Clicks will be provided. Please bring a chair and something hard to write on. If you are bringing a dog, you should also bring a crate, a dog-mat, water, toys & **LOTS** of high-value food treats cut in small pieces. **Dogs must be dog and people friendly and able to tolerate dogs and people in close proximity. They also need to be able to wait quietly in their crates out of their owner's sight during lecture times.**

Seminar Hours: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM each day.

Registration: Limit of 80 handler/dogs, 20 with dogs and 60 observers. Registration will close when limit is reached. Spots are reserved with full payment and a completed registration form.

Mail enrollments to: Debbie Jensen, 9326 S Spotted Rd, Cheney, WA 99004

Make checks payable to: GSSSC (Greater Spokane Shetland Sheepdog Club)

Send questions to: Djharmony070399@aol.com

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____ E-mail address _____

Participant _____ Auditor _____ (Participant spots will be on a first-come first-serve basis.)

Dog name _____ Breed _____ Training Level _____

Requested partner (Optional)? _____ Are you a CPDT? _____

About Kathy Sdao:

Kathy Sdao is a [certified applied animal behaviorist](http://www.certifiedanimalbehaviorist.com/) (<http://www.certifiedanimalbehaviorist.com/>) who has spent the past 23 years as a full-time animal trainer, first with marine mammals and now with dogs and their people. As a graduate student at the University of Hawaii in the 1980's, she was part of a team that trained dolphins to solve complex cognitive puzzles. She received a master's degree in experimental psychology, and was then hired by the U.S. Navy (Department of Defense) to train dolphins for applied open-ocean tasks. Kathy next spent five years as a marine-mammal trainer at the Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium in Tacoma Washington. There she expanded her training skills by working with beluga whales, walrus, porpoises, sea lions, polar bears and otters. After leaving the zoo world, Kathy and a colleague created Tacoma's first dog-daycare facility, Puget Hound Daycare. This is where Kathy began teaching clicker-training classes for pet owners.

Since selling Puget Hound in 1999, Kathy has traveled across the U.S. and parts of Europe teaching students about the science of animal training. She enjoys sharing her passion for the incredible power of clicker training, which she has experienced while working with so many species. Kathy currently owns and manages Bright Spot Dog Training, whose services include consulting with families about their difficult dogs, teaching private lessons to dogs and their owners, and coaching novices and professionals to cross over to clicker training. In addition, she has trained animal actors, written for The Clicker Journal and www.dogcentral.msn.com, served as a subject-matter expert for the Delta Society's Service Dog Education System, instructed at Dogs of Course's Instructor Training Course, consulted with Guide Dogs for the Blind, and appeared as the "Way Cool Scientist" on an episode of *Bill Nye the Science Guy*. She is also proud to serve as a faculty member for Karen Pryor's ClickerExpos.

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About Dorothy Turley:

Dorothy Turley has been training dogs for 12 years. She crossed over to clicker training in 1997 after attending a Karen Pryor workshop. Seeking out a clicker trainer led her to Kathy Sdao. After taking classes with Kathy, she began assisting her with classes and eventually at seminars throughout the country. Dorothy is a Certified Pet Dog Trainer and owns Let's Talk Dogs, LLC. Her business caters to pet owners who are looking for a positive, common-sense approach to managing and training their pet. Dorothy teaches classes and private lessons in the Olympia, Washington area. She also volunteers in rescue work through her breed club and her local shelter. She shares her life with her husband and two dogs.

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