



## **OLD DOMINION KENNEL CLUB**

We are a service organization to the community, you the exhibitors, and the dog world. We thank you for your support by participating in our Training Classes, our late winter match and our Spring and Fall shows.

Money from the participation in canine related shows and programs has been distributed for many years. Contributions continue to be made to the Canine Health Foundation, a charitable organization that raises funds for health research to benefit all dogs, and to Take The Lead, a not-for-profit foundation dedicated to providing direct services, support and care for all qualified participants in the sport of dogs who suffer from the devastating realities of life-threatening or terminal illnesses. In addition ODKC has been an active supporter of the AKC Companion Animal Recovery (AKC CAR) Disaster Relief Program. The AKC CAR Canine Support and Relief Fund is a permanent charitable fund that provides resources, support and other assistance to not-for-profit animal shelters and similar not-for-profit organizations providing care for domestic animals orphaned or displaced as a result of natural or civil disasters. ODKC makes donations as needed to aid in rescue efforts such as the Katrina disaster, the California fires and the Iowa flooding.

Scholarships have been given over the years to Veterinary students at Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine at Virginia Tech and to the Dog Writer's Association. The Veterinary Technology Program at Northern Virginia Community College, Loudoun Campus received ODKC funding for purchasing needed equipment. We continue to support the Loudoun County Accelerant Dog Program with food and veterinary care for their dogs.

ODKC is a member of and contributes to the Virginia Federation of Dog Clubs & Breeders, whose continuous work with the General Assembly on animal legislation provided information and guidance to the proper people in the State Legislature. These educational contacts have worked wonderfully well, and we feel proud in contributing money and members to the Federation.

We also have worked with the Fairfax County Animal Shelter and the Animal Control Board, with money and services as needed.

Over the years members have worked with the Annandale 4-H group holding training classes and contributing money to their State Fair. Members continue to offer their services to 4-H groups by judging their Fit and Showing Conformation Junior Showmanship Competitions.

The Animal Rights Organizations are working overtime in many ways and down many avenues. It is up to **ALL OF US** to participate and keep our eyes and ears open as they are well trained in all areas. Their groups are well financed, and have worked their way into control of several well-meaning organizations to accomplish their mission.

**PARTICIPATE BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE  
KEEP YOUR EYES AND EARS OPEN  
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**GOOD LUCK AND THANK YOU!**

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