



PRESENTS

**A Two-Day
Seminar
with
CHERYL
SMITH**

April 21 & 22, 2012



CANINE CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Topics covered are: Balance (physical, mental and emotional); The Four S's of Survival; Body Language: Identifying and interpreting the Shifting Signals; Arousal vs Aggression; Setting Goals and Establishing Training Protocols and Conflict Resolution (Demonstration Dogs -Two dogs may be selected for dog/human issues and two to three dogs for issues relating solely to other dogs).

Advance Registration - \$280.00

At the Door - \$300.00

VISA / MASTERCARD accepted.

Venue: Fernridge Hall, 2389 - 200 Street, Langley, BC **9:00AM to 5:00PM**

Seminar Includes: Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Refreshments all day, AM/PM snacks, Seminar Notes, Personalized Certificates of Attendance, Door Prize.

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Cheryl Smith - A Dog Trainer Guru

Cheryl Smith, a born communicator and educator, started her career as an elementary school teacher dealing with inner city and disadvantaged children. After five years, she made the transition to a Human Resources Specialist in the field recruitment, training and employee counseling.

In 1972, Cheryl began instructing dog obedience classes on a part-time basis and, in 1989, opened "The Good Dog Training School" in Toronto. She then moved to Ottawa in 1994 and launched Urika Consultants, a private consultation service specializing in canine behavior, and Forever Friends Dog Training School, a training facility offering a variety of classes using positive training techniques. Over the years, she has guided both to successful businesses, earning a solid reputation as an exceptionally gifted behaviorist and trainer.

Cheryl's credentials are impressive. Throughout her career, she has attended numerous training seminars by Job Michael Evans, Carol Lee Benjamin, Jack and Wendy Volhard, Dr. Ian Dunbar and the University of Guelph's Behavioral Science Department.

A charter member of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (A.P.D.T.), Cheryl has spoken at conferences in Memphis, Houston, St. Louis and Chicago. And, she has conducted highly acclaimed workshops and seminars around the Globe. As an internationally recognized behaviorist and trainer, Cheryl was chosen to participate on the American Humane Society and Delta Society sponsored committee tasked with the development of ethics and practices from humane dog training.

Cheryl developed the concept of "Growl Classes", using humane behavior modification techniques to retain dogs that display aggressive behavior towards humans and/or other dogs. These classes are in such high demand that she is often requested to take the classes on the road to other locations. She is also the author of "Biting, Barking, Lunging, Growling" (Retraining an anxious fearful dog without intimidation).

Through her extensive work as a canine behavior specialist, Cheryl is recognized as an expert witness by Canadian courts on dog aggression and is often called upon to testify. When not teaching, lecturing or testifying, Cheryl is active in the community, donating her time and talent to people and animals in need. And, on an ongoing basis, she generously volunteers her expertise to numerous rescues, assisting in temperament assessments and training for dogs that are looking for their forever homes.

Cheryl continues to live and work in Ottawa where she shares her home with three dogs, Chica, Aryanna and Drago, and five cats, Laylah, Moon Shadow, Sundancer, Doodad and Clyde Spiritwalker.

Dr. Ian Dunbar calls Cheryl, "one of the top trainers" but to many of her students, canine and human, she is a compassionate, gentle friend who is a dedicated and talented dog trainer guru.

Vancouver Seminar 2012

Will include a Power point presentation with video excerpts on the following:

Canine Conflict Resolution

Practical and Effective Solutions for Inappropriate Aggressive Behaviour in Canis Familiaris

Topics:

Balance (physical, mental and emotional) is the 'B' of Behavior

- › The effect of the physical, mental and emotional development on behaviour
- › Achieving appropriate balance for a stable and well-behaved pet
- › Information will reflect the current scientific understanding of canine cognitive development and behavior

The Four S's of Survival

- › how structure ensures survival in social mammals
- › wolf pack structure vs free-ranging dogs vs companion dogs
- › stability diminishes conflict
- › effective ways to achieve stability and promote harmony

Body Language: Identifying and Interpreting the Shifting Signals

- › There will be supporting visual stills or video here.

Arousal vs Aggression

- › misinterpretation or identification of arousal may escalate behaviour
- › when and how to effectively defuse, redirect or replace arousal
- › There will be supporting visual stills or video here.

Setting Goals and Establishing Training Protocols

- › unrealistic expectations lead to conflict
- › appropriate goals honour and acknowledge both human and dog
- › owners must effect a change in their own behaviour in order to effect a change in their dog's behaviour
- › identify and demonstrate a variety of effective, humane and respectful training techniques for the owner and dog
- › individual techniques will be described, demonstrated and where possible, the owner will have the opportunity to practice the specific exercise.
- › alternative therapies that support training goals

Conflict Resolution (Demonstration Dogs)

- › Two dogs may be selected for dog/human issues and two to three dogs for issues relating solely to other dogs. These dogs will be used throughout the two day seminar to clarify training techniques and other information presented in the seminar. Dogs will be selected according to the issues identified in a questionnaire that will be submitted prior to the seminar. Cut off date for receipt of submission will be determined by K9 Connections and Cheryl Smith
- › All participants will have room in their handout to follow the questionnaire and take notes from the power point as the individual issues are identified and a training protocol determined. The exercises will be demonstrated with each dog and where practical the owner will attempt the foundation exercises.
- › Usually those who wish their dog to be used in the demonstrations pay an additional fee and will receive a training protocol to assist them continue with their training after the seminar.

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM



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Name of Attendee or Organization: _____

Name of Attendee (For Certificate of Attendance). Please print name in upper & lower case.

Address: _____

Phone: () _____ Bus. Phone () _____

Email: _____

Payment by Cheque / Money Order:

Mail your cheque/money order and this form to:

K9 Connections
2682—204 Street, Langley
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Make Cheques / Money Orders payable to K9 Connections

Payment by Credit Card:

Register on-line at www.goto-enter.com

Goto-enter.com accepts Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Diners Club, Discover, Virtual Cheque or Interac (Internet or Telephone banking payments). Service charges apply.

Payments are non-refundable.

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Do you have a dog that has Dog/Dog issues? If So, did you want to register him/her for the seminar?

Please email Ona with a brief description of your dog at k9ona@shaw.ca

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