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ost of the people competing at a grooming show are fairly local to the show. They compete at one or two shows a year. I think this is great in that I believe there is so much that can be learned in the competition ring and it is the best way to get to know other groomers. However, there is a completely different set of competitors that compete at numerous shows all over the country.

I recently had a chance to sit down and talk with several of those competitors to find out what drives them to compete. Most of them travel long distances with their dogs, or spend a large amount of money to "rent" a dog for a competition (it's common for a good rental dog to cost \$200). Competitors often get up very early in the morning to prep the dogs, and then spend the day competing, often without anything more than a snack for meals. I wanted to hear what was behind their motivation.

The group was a good mix of experience level. Everyone from a groomer that just started competing to a Groom Team USA gold medal winner were present. The most obvious thing that stuck out to me was the friendliness among the competitors. All of them were adamant that one of the best things about competing is the bonds of friendship that develop in the ring. Everyone is quick to help each other and offer advice when needed. In fact, it's not uncommon for one expert competitor to provide a dog for another expert for the same class that they are competing against each other. Furthermore, experienced competitors are always quick to help the novice competitors.

This camaraderie was consistent among all of the people I talked to, but the other reasons for competing were unique to each individual person. One experienced competitor told us she spends \$15,000 - \$20,000 per year in an attempt to reach her goal of being one of the top groomers in the world. After that, she plans to retire from competitive grooming to pursue a career in the industry based on the great reputation she made for herself.

A second competitor reported that she does it simply for the wealth of information that she gets from the ring. The tips from the other, more experienced groomers and the input from the judges is what she sees as most important. She went on to say that she doesn't necessarily want to move up to the intermediate class because she loves competing against the friends she made in the novice class.

Another groomer stated she competes simply because "it's in her blood." Her mother was a grooming competitor, so she grew up around it. She knew from an early age that she would compete.

My favorite reason for competing was voiced by a groomer that won her class a few hours before our impromptu meeting. That win moved her from intermediate to expert level. Her reason for competing is for the thrill of competition. Much like an athlete in a big game, she loves the adrenaline rush that comes from being in the ring.

There may be many different motivations for competing, but it seems that the reasons that are consistent for everyone (the friendships developed and the knowledge gained) are very good reasons for anyone to try their hand in the competition ring. Are you ready to give it a shot?

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I asked her husband Matt to tell us about Audrey. As in most things in life, Matt and Audrey were a team. He hopes to continue writing in *Groomer to Groomer*."

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Audrey's husband, / M deeply moved to hear of your plans to memorialize my wife. I would love to give you some more insight to who she was, outside of her writing and speaking. Though, I must admit that I have been struggling with writing about her all week. There doesn't seem to be enough ink in my pen, or breath in my body, to describe the vibrancy that was Audrey. Yet, all seems lost in flat lines of "loving mother, devoted..."

From Matt Ulrich,

I met my wife just after she turned twenty. So young, still in that not a teen, but not an adult phase that lasts about ten seconds. We worked together at her second job that she took, so she could afford to stay at her first job which she loved. Not surprisingly, her first job was in vet medicine. She rose to the top in that field in a few years.

Soon after, we opened the Barking Lot, again rising to the top in our area in a few years. She approached her hobbies the same way. She participated in dog sports with our dog, Calvin, that she is pictured with in her bio shot. Last time I checked, he is still #7 Vizsla in Rally-O, posthumously.

We enjoyed travel and nature. The first time we met you (Sally) was in Hershey. It was our first time to a big show. Audrey was fascinated by the idea of dog dancing in the program. On the night of the contest she volunteered to be one of the judges. After speaking for the volunteers, someone at our table asked, "Why werean't you afraid to speak in front of so many people?" and, "How old are you anyway, honey?"

Someone always asked how old Audrey was at every one of her speaking engagements. She was forever youthful, though she wondered if people thought she was a pregnant teenager when she first spoke for Barkleigh.

As passionate as she was about her career and hobbies, she was even more dedicated to motherhood. She delighted in the day-to-day tasks of being a Mom. Juggling writing and public activism, with being a business owner, and running back and forth to play dates was just enough to keep her life full.

She had boundless energy, she rarely missed an opportunity, and she saw the universe as filled with limitless possibilities. If she could dream it, she could do it.

Here is a chronological list of events in her life: Audrey was born July 18th, 1975 We were married in 1997 We opened our business in 1999 Our first son, Raphael, was born August 9, 2007 Our second son, Xavier, was born June 14, 2009 Audrey passed away October 25, 2009 Audrey was the kind of person who "hit the ground running" and had a depth of enthusiasm for the industry that was contagious. Always willing to share her successes, she became a wealth of information for groomers, and a very popular speaker.

But that wasn't all. She had a thirst for new ideas which drove her to become a great writer as well, bringing the popular Paws-atively Posh series of articles to Groomer to Groomer.

When we would need a last minute speaker to fill in, Audrey could do it! And could usually be found in the audience gleaning nuggets of wisdom from other speakers. She would quickly trade hats, and help where needed. A rare ability.

Audrey will be missed. Not only by her family, who were a great support to her, but by those who knew her in the industry. We didn't have her long enough. She had so much more to give.

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Canine Influenza An Emerging Threat

by Dr. Boyd Harrell

here are many strains of influenza that may affect either animals or people and sometimes both. Dogs have been relatively safe from influenza, at least until recently.

In 2004, an influenza type A strain H3N8 virus was discovered in a Florida greyhound track where the disease rapidly spread among the greyhound community popping up in several states where dog racing was allowed. Since then the virus has been confirmed in at least 30 states and has affected primarily race tracks, shelters and boarding facilities.

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The virus is thought to have made the jump from horses to dogs and since this is a new canine viral threat; most dogs regardless of age, breed or sex are susceptible, allowing the disease to spread rapidly through shelters, pet stores, boarding kennels, veterinary clinics and anywhere a group of dogs might be housed. The virus is spread by aerosol, direct contact and fomites like contaminated clothing. The CDC says there is no evidence of spread from dogs to people.

Typical signs include a cough which may last for two to three weeks. The cough is often productive, unlike the dry unproductive honking cough of kennel cough; though this difference is not diagnostic by itself. A mucoid nasal discharge, sneezing and eye discharge are other common signs. About 80% of exposed dogs show signs within Good cleaning, disinfecting and attention to air exchange should be everyday measures to prevent potential spread of this and any other disease from one dog to another.

two to four days of exposure with the other 20% remaining free of any symptoms. Up to 10% of dogs with signs may develop a secondary pneumonia which can be fatal.

Treatment is not specific and mostly supportive, including antibiotics. Anti-cough medications seem to have little effect.

Outbreaks have caused at least one shelter and one veterinary/ boarding facility to shut down and depopulate (remove all dogs from the premises) in order to eliminate the virus from the facility and break the contagious cycle. This can obviously be very costly and devastating to a shelter or business.

Intervet/Schering-Plough Animal Health recently announced the availability of the first vaccine against canine influenza virus (CIV) for use by veterinarians in the United States. Like most vaccines, two doses given at least two weeks apart are necessary for protection. The risk factors for canine influenza and kennel cough are nearly the same. They include any dog being

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boarded, in a shelter, dog parks, a grooming salon or anywhere multiple dogs are brought together in close proximity.

The really important take away here for the grooming community is to be aware of this new virus and how it is transmitted. Be very vigilant of any coughing dogs. Good cleaning, disinfecting and attention to air exchange should be everyday measures to prevent potential spread of this and any other disease from one dog to another.

Should canine influenza vaccination be a requirement for your facility just like kennel cough (Bordatella and Para-Influenza) is today?

That is a tough question and one that should be discussed with your local veterinarian. There are many states that have not confirmed any cases yet and then there are hot spots or pockets of

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outbreaks in other states. Some areas of the northeast have had a concentration of cases and the state of Florida is now considered endemic; meaning that spread of the disease cannot be controlled solely by quarantine, the disease is well enough established throughout the dog population to perpetuate the illness. Other states will likely join the endemic status.



Dr. Harrell is a former multi-veterinary practice owner, a current business coach to the pet industry, pet health advisor for Oxyfresh Worldwide and team educator and coordinator for SPCA Florida Animal Medical Center. He has been speaking internationally and coaching others to succeed in business for over twelve years. He is formally trained in life, leadership, health and business coaching and helps people to understand themselves, how others tend to perceive them and how personalities affect team building, performance and harmony in the workplace. He also coaches all types of business in the Strategic Mindset process, helping owners develop entrepreneurial habits. He can be reached at Boyd@PetProsBusinessCoaching.com or by calling 863-248-4257.





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BY KATHY HOSLER



Pou've got to get up pretty early in the morning to get a jump on Frank Rowe. This energetic go-getter is usually in his shop and working by four a.m. every day.

Frank is the founder of *Frank Rowe* & *Son* in Hershey, PA. The main focus of this family run business is sharpening clipper blades and scissors and repairing clippers, but has expanded to include a full line of professional pet grooming supplies. Frank was led to the pet industry by an interesting series of events...

In 1958, Frank went into the Army. "I was in the Armored Division," said Frank. "During basic training at Fort Hood, Texas, Elvis Presley was in my outfit and he lived in the barracks next to me. Girls would come by the busloads and truckloads just to see Elvis. They were everywhere. It was amazing! And, Elvis and I were on the same ship when we were sent to Germany. Elvis was a great guy, and pretty tough too." (The next time you see Frank; ask him about the 'touch football' game that Elvis played in.)

Frank remained in the military for twenty years. While he was in the service, Frank tried his hand at several businesses. He was a chimney sweep, harvested and sold firewood, sold mushroom soil, repaired lawn mowers, and sharpened everything from ice skates and knives to chain saws and mower blades.

The last five years of his military career were spent at *Fort Indiantown Gap* in Pennsylvania. Frank loved the area and decided that it would be a great place to retire. But even before he retired, Frank was planning and preparing for his next career...

"I knew that I wanted to do something where I could set my own hours," said Frank. Soon he found the perfect choice. Several people who had Frank work on their lawnmowers were pet groomers. They asked Frank if he could sharpen their clipper blades.

Frank looked into it and discovered that there were very few people who knew how to sharpen clipper blades for the pet industry. He also found out that those who did know sharpening, were not interested in sharing their knowledge.

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machines to sharpen. "I spent 3 or 4 years perfecting my system," said Frank. "Although there have been some refinements over the years, the basic technique that I developed is still what we use today."

The sharpening business grew. Frank began to go to trade shows. "The first booth I set up consisted of two card tables, two folding chairs, an assortment of rebuilt clippers, a few brushes, and some grooming products," said Frank. "I started out with about six products, now we have over one thousand products and are growing every day."

Frank is a regular exhibitor at Groom Expo and many other trade shows around the country. He always has a big smile on his face, and can often be seen wearing his red, white, and blue suspenders, and a flashing bow tie.

This gregarious guy has friends all over the world. Even vendors who are in direct competition with Frank love him. He is friendly and generous to everyone.

He will often visit the other vendor's booths to chat with them and lend a hand if they need it. They will come to his booth if they need a tool or are looking for change. "In fact," says Gwen Shelly, "he has become known as 'Franko Banko' by many people because he is the one everyone can count on to have change."

"Frank Rowe is and has always been a wonderful friend and fellow vendor," says Marlene Romani, of Clipper Vac Inc. "He's quite a comedian and full of all kinds of jokes. One time we were at a busy seminar and we asked Frank how he was doing. With a grin, he pulled out a hundred dollar bill and wiped his forehead with it!"

When the phrase 'practical joker' was coined, they must have had Frank Rowe in mind. Frank and his granddaughter, Sophie, are always trying to outdo each other. Frank delights in putting plastic snakes, frogs,



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Sophie returns the favor by putting bubble wrap under Frank's rugs (which makes a great popping noise when you step on it), and by putting Bang Snaps under his car tires. More than once he has backed up and thought he had hit something or blew out a tire.

Frank's grandson, Scot, recently enlisted in the Marines. When his family sent him a 'care package' from home, Frank secretly slipped a fuzzy pink teddy bear into it. It seems that Scot's drill instructor had great fun with that.

Frank's son, Dan, has been part of the business since he was twelve years old. "One of the most important things I learned from my dad was integrity," said Dan. "Say what you are going to do, and then do it. That goes along with customer service. That's one of the reasons we have been in this business for so long – We place the customer first and do everything in our power to satisfy them."

Dan has just retired from the Air Force and is now assuming a greater role in the everyday operations of the business.

"My son will take over the business soon, but I will continue to work with him," says Frank. Then he adds, "I don't plan to ever retire. Other than obstetrics and gynecology, where else could I have a job totally surrounded by beautiful women?"

Perhaps that smaller workload will give Frank the opportunity to

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pursue some of his other interests.

Frank loves to travel. "I've been to 43 countries, most of them after I was out of the military," said Frank. "I want to visit all the far away countries first. I'll tour the United States when I get older; after all, I'm only 74 now."

Frank also loves to dance - especially square dancing and ballroom dancing. OH, and ladies...Frank is single!

Frank likes to explore flea markets in search of treasures. And, whenever the opportunity presents itself, Fisherman Frank is ready to drop in a line and reel in the 'big one'.

Everyone who has the privilege of knowing this special man agrees with the comment made by Marlene Romani who says, "Frank Rowe – You've got to love him...We sure do!"

Sally on Frank Rowe...

Depending on your age and gender, Frank can be a friend, a father, a brother, a mentor or a flirt.

I came to know Frank as a young groomer, clad in the groomer garments of the late 70's, (a sweatshirt and cut off jeans). I remember so well a wiry Frank, stopping at my home grooming salon to pick up or deliver blades and shears. I had started a little publication, called the GroomOgram and it had blossomed with a 4 page companion newsletter, called Groomer to Groomer (GTG).

I needed a sharpener to expand my company offerings. GTG carried no ads at that time, and groomers were looking for a sharpener. I cast a discerning eye at Frank and saw dollar bills.

"Can I advertise your services, under my name, get the sharpening in here, you take it and bring it back... and I will ship it out?" I tried to coerce. Always the inveterate business person, I was frustrated by this sharpener who couldn't see the big picture.

"No, don't want to do that," he would say. I didn't know Frank except for these short frustrating exchanges every few months when he would drop off blades. A few years past, and I had grown to the point of traveling to shows. Gwen and I went to Chicago for the All American Midwest Grooming Show. Frank apparently had the same idea.

We arrived in a downpour. Puddles glistened all over O'Hare field. When we left the plane, the terminal was swamped with stranded passengers. "Thank heaven's we have a hotel room nearby", I said to Gwen as

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Frank (R) and son Dan (L), the next generation.

we practically stepped over stranded passengers.

At the hotel phone, I was assured the shuttle would be there soon. Frank Rowe, always the problem solver, had a different message. These passengers were not stuck because they couldn't get a flight. They could not get out of O'Hare. It was an island surrounded by water! Fear gripped me. Get me out of here, I inwardly screamed. Nothing appeals less to me than sleeping on a floor.

"Hurry," said Frank. I found a stair case at the Hilton across the street (on airport property). "We can all sleep under it tonight and get out tomorrow." Well... I just found that thing that appealed less! I really didn't know Frank well enough to sleep under his stair case. As luck would have it, the L (elevated train) opened up and Gwen and I were able to make it to downtown Chicago at midnight. A lovely welcome at the famous Palmer House became our accommodation, and Frank was left alone under the staircase at O'Hare.

Years later, Frank took at trip to Guatemala with Gwen, Don and Barb Kassebaum and others to see the Gifts of Love ministry in action. By then, Frank's charms had begun to grow on me. Though still not a visionary, he certainly was a salesman as he toted a suitcase nearly his size.

Inside were tiny drawers and cubby holes filled with all the necessities known to man. He had a diagram to get to every one of those treasures. And if you wanted something, he would sell it at a fair price. "Tampons were mentioned," in an effort to prove he didn't have everything.

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"I don't carry them anymore," said Frank seriously. "They just don't move fast enough." Every day he would give us a sampling of his wares that were not moving. I remember vividly the day we all got a plastic pipe tie. Believe it or not, we all appreciated this little favor from the U.S. In Guatemala, our biggest prob-



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lem was cash, specifically Dollar bills into Guatemalan Quetzales. Franco Banco (as we began to call him) was our answer. He was always able to make change.

Frank was never long without a girlfriend. And he had some lovely "keepers" over the years that we all became fond of. But little by little, they would fade from memory and a new girl would come along. He always pressed them into service in his grooming booth.

We always wondered what Frank's charm was. Could it be his short military hair cut? His beady eyes? The Frank Purdue nose? The plaid shirts? His short stature? No, it was his dancin' feet. He was a ladies' man on Saturday night... when he became country music's dance hall's answer to John Travolta. Lots of women went to these dances in hopes of finding a "dancin' man." Frank had found his niche.

From my perspective, you can't find a nicer guy. He is always ready to help and he never wears out his welcome. He stops in the office to say Hi and before you know it, he is out the door again. He says he is slowing down, but you can't tell it by me. The only thing he doesn't do now is drive clear across the country for a grooming show, but he still hits the local auctions and honkytonks. He is one remarkable, likable fellow, that Frank. And he lives up to the name pin he wears. "Frank Rowe... an extra nice guy!"



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Curly Coats – Part 2

Trim Styles

You see a variety of trim style categories with these two coat types for the show ring. For the pet trim typically it is a shorter version, however anything goes, especially on the Poodles. Some breeds are very stylized, such as the Poodle in the Continental and the English Saddle Trim Style.

These trim styles certainly make a statement. They say, look at me! I have been pampered, clippered, scissored and styled to the max and there is no doubt about it! You also see a very stylized trim style on the Bichon Frise, however, this trim style could fool the average pet owner into thinking that it grows that way naturally. Then, of course, you have the unique and exotic Lion Trim Style and the Full Coated Jacket Trim Style on the Portuguese Water Dog. The Kerry Blue Terrier and the Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier exhibit the Long Legged Terrier Trim Style and we can't forget the unique trim style of the Bedlington Terrier.

We also have the Havanese in the Long & Flowing and the Komondor and Puli in the Corded Trim Style. Of course the "exceptions to the rule" breeds with these two coat types are the Curly Coated Retriever and the American Water Spaniel. These two breeds receive the Body Contour Trim Style due to their determined hair growth. *Poodle 1a*, Side View; Portuguese Water Dog 2a, Side View; Bichon Frise 3a, Side View; Bedlington Terrier 4a, Side View; Portuguese Water Dog 5a, Side View; Irish Water Spaniel 6a, Side View; Soft Coated Wheaten 7a, Side View; Kerry Blue Terrier 8a, Side View; Komondor 10a, Side View; Havanese 11a, Side View

Head Styles

You see more variations of head styles on the Curly Coat Types than any other due to the undetermined coat growth and the fact that the coat grows all over the head and ears with no particular coat growth

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Bichon Frise 3b, Head View



Bedlington Terrier 4b, Head View



Portuguese Water Dog 5b, Head View



rish Water Spaniel 6b, Head View

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pattern. This type of coat growth allows you to create whatever style you want on most breeds with these coat types when creating pet trims.

For example, creating a Bedlington Terrier or a Bichon Frise head style on a Poodle is fun and exciting and most families love the overall unique look and expression. Being creative with breeds with this coat type is also acceptable in the grooming competition ring in a free style class. However, for the conformation show ring, the standard trim styles must be adhered to. Poodle 1b, Head View; Portuguese Water Dog 2b, Head View; Bichon Frise 3b, Head View; Bedlington Terrier 4b, *Head View; Portuguese Water Dog* 5b, Head View; Irish Water Spaniel 6b, Head View; Soft Coated Wheaten 7b, Head View; Kerry Blue Terrier 8b, Head View; Komondor 10b, Head View; Havanese 11b, Head View

Ear Styles

The ears are trimmed to appear full coated, short coated, tasseled and corded for the show ring with this coat type. However, for the pet trim, being creative is often times a necessity due to the matting that is frequently seen on the breeds with these coat types.

Matting is caused by lack of brushing between styling sessions and/or ear infections due to lack of ventilation. Trimming the coat from the underside of the ear and leaving coat on the topside creates excellent ventilation. Any ear style where the top portion of the ear leather is trimmed short and coat left on the bottom is an excellent style for the active pet, pets prone to ear infections and the senior pet. It promotes healthy ears because it not only allows for excellent ventilation but it also prevents the need to brush the coat on a set schedule to prevent

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The speaker had made the audience aware of possible federal legislation. Only two pets would be allowed pet family. The lady had five dogs.

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Recently, in Miami, Florida, a class action suit was filed against several major pet food manufacturing companies. The suit alleges that these companies frequently advertised that their food was healthy and safe. In fact, these companies were using euthanized dogs and cats, waste products, restaurant grease fat, hair, hooves, road kill, toxic chemicals and additives. (Reference Pet Products Industry Magazine, July 2007.) Solid Gold was not involved.

Some dog food companies use peanut hulls as a cheap filler. Many hulls contain a fungus that causes ear infections. If this happens, spend 69¢ at the market for apple cider vinegar. Put it on a cotton ball, squeeze out the excess and clean out the ear. A fungus is an alkali, apple cider vinegar is an acid. If there is a cut, dilute the vinegar so it won't sting. Then, put in two squirts of Solid Gold Ear Care with Comfrey. Comfrey works in a strange way. It causes the cells to multiply, with such rapidity that the cells actually implode upon themselves and kill themselves. It also works on fungus infection between the toes. But use vinegar first.

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Suddenly, Goldie stopped and listened. A child's voice could be heard screaming. Farmer Fleming ran toward the river. A boy about 10 years old was being swept downstream. The boy grabbed an overhanging tree. Fleming told Goldie to "go get him", but the boy wouldn't let go of the branch. Fleming uncoiled his rope that he had been carrying and put in the Goldie's mouth and commanded Goldie again. This time, the boy wrapped the rope around his waist and let go. Fleming pulled from the front and Goldie pushed from the rear. They landed on shore. Then, the boy went home.

The next day, a coach and four horses pulled up to Fleming's house. The gentlemen wanted to give Fleming a reward. But Fleming declined. Then, the rich man proposed that he would pay the tuition of Fleming's son for the same private school as his son went to, so he could get a good education. Fleming gladly accepted.

Eventually, the farmer's son went to St. Mary's Medical School and became Dr. Fleming who developed penicillin. Many years later, the rich man's son became very ill with a deadly infection. It was the penicillin that saved his life.

You know the river boy who eventually became famous. His name is Winston Churchill. There are no coincidences.

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Soft Coated Wheaten 7b, Head View



Kerry Blue Terrier 8b, Head View



Komondor 10b, Head View



Havanese 11b, Head View

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matting. Poodle 1b, Head View; Kerry Blue Terrier 8b, Head View; Bedlington Terrier 4b, Head View; Komondor 10b, Head View

Tail Styles

Tail styles are definitely unique with these coat types. You see the Pom Pon on the Poodle, the unique rat tail on the Bedlington Terrier, the exotic lion tail on the Portuguese Water Dog and the one and only signature carrot tail for the terriers. The Havanese shows off a long and flowing tail and to create an overall appearance; the Komondor exhibits a corded tail trim style. For the pet trim, anything goes and in many cases due to severe matting on the tail area, your imagination can mean a satisfied or dissatisfied client. Poodle 1a, Side View: Portuguese Water Dog 2a, Side View; Bichon Frise 3a, Side View; Bedlington Terrier 4a, Side View; Portuguese Water Dog 5a, Side View; Soft Coated Wheaten 7a, Side View; Komondor 10a, Side View; Havanese 11a, Side View

Foot Styles

Foot styles are much more limited with these coat types. Most trim styles require a beveled trim style, even if the coat is corded, to accommodate the massive amount of coat except for the shaved foot on the Poodle and the Portuguese Water Dog in a Lion Trim Style.

For the pet trim, more and more pet families choose the beveled foot rather than the shaved. For senior pets or the dog that hates to have the feet shaved, the best choice is a short beveled foot trim style with a perfect paw print to create good traction for senior pets. No matter the trim style, the hair between the pads and around the edges of the foot must be trimmed on a regular schedule.

Sanitary

Breeds with a Loose Curly, the same as the Tight Curly Coat Type, require a sanitary clippering to remove this continuous coat growth. The only technique to use to remove this coat is a clippering technique, whether you are preparing the dog for the show ring or for a pet. A #10 or #15 blade should remove the coat without irritating the skin on most

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coats and would be the choice especially on a pet.

If the area under the tail and around the rectal area is clippered, including the stomach and groin area, the new hair growth can feel like little pins causing the dog to lick and chew, especially if it is the first time the sanitary has been clippered. Each time the dog moves, the new hair growth pricks the skin in these friction areas, causing the dog to constantly lick and bite if he attempts to walk or move his/her tail. This constant chewing and licking can cause severe skin irritations, causing the dog to have to be monitored for days until this area heals.

The dog often times scoots on the floor to get relief, causing additional skin irritation. If the dog scoots on carpet, it can result in a severe rug burn, taking additional days and constant monitoring for the skin irritation to heal. To prevent this ordeal for the pet, apply a skin treatment immediately after clippering if there are any signs of redness and make it a habit for first timers.

Overall Before the Styling Begins

Styling Begins As seasoned professionals, with these coat types, we know the evaluation with the client during check in procedures determines the type of trim style due to possible matting with this coat type. The evaluation before the styling begins and during the finishing phase is to determine how much coat you can leave to create a cute expression and a trim style with good balance and symmetry.

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of the dog. Evaluate the length of coat on the ears and topknot. Next, go to the amount of coat on the tail. Basic rule of thumb is more volume or more length on the head than the tail and typically the head is higher than the tip of the tail. Next, go to the front legs and then to the back legs to determine the length if you are creating a column style leg. The coat on all four legs should be about the same to create your overall balance.

Finishing Phase

To begin your styling in the finishing phase, after the sanitary procedures and the pads are trimmed, stack your dog so that you are able to achieve the ultimate in balance and profile, especially if you are creating a full coated trim style.

Typically, with the Curly Coat Types, you begin at the rear to establish your correct topline and proper length for the body type. For example, most of the breeds with this coat type have a square or a rectangle body type with a normal front and backhand. You will continue your styling on the rear legs to create the proper rear angulation and/or backhand.

Next, go to the front to finalize the length of body and to establish the correct forehand and/or proper front angulation for the body type. Complete the front legs making sure you have achieved a good balance with symmetry on the rear legs.

Now you must bring the front and rear together. Evaluate the overall silhouette and start by creating the depth of chest using the elbow as a guide. Next create the tuck up and utilize this area to enhance or hide a body that is too long or if the tuck up is too severe. Go to the rear and complete the tail and then to the head. After you have finished the head, you must create a smooth transition from the head to the body using the neck as the connector.

After you have completed these

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procedures, you must first evaluate the expression. Is it correct? Can you enhance it? Next, evaluate the overall profile from the front and the rear for balance and symmetry. Check the profile from the side for balance and symmetry and to insure the front and rear appear as though they belong to the same dog. The biggest challenge for even the most seasoned professionals is to bring it all together. If you draw an imaginary line down the middle of the dog and visually separate the front and rear portion of the dog and then bring the two back together and they fit like two puzzle pieces, you have mastered this challenge!

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I thought you would like to know a little more about one of the girls you chose for the As Christine's boss and friend, I am so pleased that her first Groom Expo experience was Dear Sally, so much fun. I have gone to Groom Expo every year, but this was the first year that Christine makeover at Groom Expo.

has been a groomer (previously she was our salon manager). It was great to see everything She has been with me for over eight years and is always the first to volunteer when needed. When we ran out of funds to finish our third expansion, Christine stayed after work to through her eyes.

help sheet rock, paint, and even move into our new retail area. We foster and work with our local shelter and dog wardens. When a dog is in need, Christine is always on board. Our fosters are a lot of extra work, but she is always there to back

Christine was an excellent Manager. I always knew when I left her in charge it was in good hands. She organized and helped other employees learn their jobs. So when she asked me up.

to groom, I knew I was going to lose a great manager and gain a caring groomer. She is all that Sometimes, the most exceptional people do not see themselves as we do. I must admit, I tend to forget to tell my staff how truly great they are. Without the help of a group of caring, and more. A natural talent.

giving workers a business can not run. Thank you so much for showing how much Christine means to all of us and for making her feel like the special person she truly is.

Marjorie Wentworth Paws & Effect Inc., Oswego, NY



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Our Christine is in need of a makeover. She works very hard and gets a bit confused with her own grooming needs. We all feel she is need of help to relearn how to groom herself. We hope you can help her with this and will pick her for the groomer makeover!



Thank You!! Margie and staff @ Paws & Effect Inc. (Christine too, she knows she needs help!)

Dear Sally.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to write about my experience at Groom Expo and my makeover.

I was prompted to enter the Groom Expo makeover by co-workers. When we saw the competition, they all asked if I was interested. One of the other groomers, and my boss, did my hair and our pet photographer took pictures with one of our foster dogs.

I was excited about my first trip to Groom Expo and since it had been a hard year for me personally, I knew it was sure to be a great pick me up. Upon receiving the e-mail that I had been chosen, we all knew that this year would be memorable!

I started working at Paws & Effect Inc. about eight years ago. Before I

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became a groomer, I took on many roles. I worked in the kennel and helped to brush and bathe. When we expanded and added a big retail store, I was asked to become the manager. I have always had an interest in grooming. I love to work hands-on with the dogs and enjoy watching how happy both the dog and the owner are after the grooming. I told my boss about my interest and how I wanted to be part of that.

We are located in a rural area of upstate New York and most of our business is word of mouth. When I approached my boss with my interest, she was excited for me. I felt very special because she is so particular about quality of work. She taught me how to groom the dogs that we foster. I entered an on-line course to do the

"Everyone... friends, family and even customers... love my new look."

book work and sent in the pictures of the dogs I had groomed to earn a certificate.

Groom Expo was a wonderful experience for me. I could try out all the equipment and supplies. I was able to find new things that I enjoy using. The seminars were helpful and I learned new techniques to improve my grooming skills.

The makeover was very exciting. I must say I was a little nervous about not having any input, but that was part of the fun! I felt very comfortable with Lisa doing my hair. And Kim was very good at keeping us at ease. They both made us feel like a group of friends just enjoying girl time.

I guess it is hard to see yourself look different in the mirror. I have always had light hair, so at first it took a bit of getting used to the change. Everyone... friends, family and even customers... love my new look. One of our regulars even calls me the "new girl". I do have more confidence now. I have always felt that I should look my best when greeting customers. If I care about my appearance, I feel they will know I will do my best to make their pet look good too.

I would not change a thing about my experience! It was fun and exciting! Thank you all for making my first *Groom Expo* so memorable. *Christine Couse*

Lisa's Comments (Makeover Hairstylist)...

Christine was a great candidate for the Groomer Makeover. She was

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nominated by her fun-loving co-workers and was eagerly willing to have a style change. The key was



redirecting the focus of her style to compliment her best features... her bright eyes and great smile. A warm velvet brown semi-permanent hair color was used to neutralize Christine's dated highlighted hair. "Magma" powder color was woven thru the top of her hair creating intense gold/red strands becoming more noticeable towards the front.

Christine has a beautiful smile. Her hair was cut with a razor and texturizing was done throughout the strands to lighten and lift the ends into an upward motion lifting her face and accentuating her smile. As with Christine finishing style... it does not

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by Kathy Hosler

"Focus on the positive!" encourages Joe Zuccarello, during his seminar *Up-selling Made Easy.* "People spend their money where their priorities are – and for many people, their pets come first!"

Mr. Zuccarello's sound advice, and the knowledge and wisdom that was shared by many other speakers at the 2009 *Groom Expo*, gave attendees the tools they need to take their careers and businesses to the top.

Whether you are brand new to the industry, or a veteran groomer with years of experience, *Groom Expo* offered help for every facet of your business.

More than 4,300 pet care professionals gathered at the spectacular *Hershey Lodge and Convention Center*, located in beautiful Hershey, Pa. for a weekend filled with fun, fellowship, and learning.

As lines formed at the Expo registration check-in area, Mr. Frankie Brown warmly welcomed eager attendees who planned to 'do it all' and helped direct them to their destinations. Beside him was a mammoth fountain filled with all kinds of *Hershey* candies that everyone could munch on as they passed by on their way to seminars, contests, or the trade show.

The Expo's activities got underway Thursday morning. A day of relaxation, fun, and shopping awaited attendees of the *Amish Fling* as they boarded their tour bus – first stop...*Hershey's Chocolate World!*

Others opted for the day-long seminars. In his *Grooming Secrets of the Pros* seminar, Eric Salas shared stories from the show ring and the salon. His presentation was peppered with humor and packed with a wealth of information.

He covered varied topics from how dogs react to your body language, to signs of hair damage (Did you know that hydrated hair is 300 times stronger than dry hair?), to tools and products that make your life and job easier – and then he demonstrated how to use them properly.

Martin Deeley, trainer, speaker, and author, conducted several seminars on animal behavior topics. In his *Aggression, Stress, and Anxieties in Dogs* seminar,

Mr. Deeley said, "There are 58 million dogs in the USA and every year dogs bite 4.7 million people." Then he explained some causes of aggression and suggested ways to deal with these behaviors in our salons.

On Friday, *Groom Expo* turned into a beehive of activity.

Celebrating its tenth year at *Groom Expo, The WCFO (World Canine Freestyle Organization)* began its *Off Lead Disco Doggie Dance Meet.* Lively music accompanied by enthusiastic cheering and clapping filled the arena as each beautifully costumed team performed their flashy moves in choreographed dance routines.

The *Gifts of Love Silent Auction* has always been a special project of Gwen Shelly, co-organizer of the show – and a real favorite of expo attendees. This year the auction was so large that it was held in the Cocoa Ballroom. Row after row of tables were filled with everything from adorable Poodle purses to specialty grooming equipment to oneof-a-kind collector items. The good natured bidding got pretty intense at times, but it was all in fun and for a very good cause. With big smiles, the winning bidders triumphantly claimed their treasures.

The *PETSMART GroomOlympics* began its two day tournament in the grooming contest area. One of the greatest things about this and all the grooming contests at *Groom Expo* is that the audience can see everything. It's a real education in itself to watch these top notch stylist's expert skills from the moment they turn on their clippers, to the final snip of their scissors.

The seminars on Friday and throughout the weekend were geared toward helping each attendee achieve success. The economy and how it affects business is a hot topic for everyone these days.

"Dare to dream – then take action!" says Bob Harris, of Nature's Specialties, in his *Recession, What Recession?* seminar. "When it comes to selling retail products to your customers, step into the role of educator, not the role of salesperson. Show them what they need then explain to them why they need it and how to use it."





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Mr. Harris's hour long presentation was filled with insightful tips for great customer service and business success. "The best time to implement a price increase is in July, not January when everyone else is raising theirs," says Mr. Harris. He explained why, "because in July, the weather is great, the sun shines till 9 PM, people go on vacations and are happy and in a good mood. When you tell them that you have had a price increase, they say "Oh, OK. No problem."

There was non-stop action all throughout *Groom Expo*. From business building seminars, to instructional grooming demonstrations, animal behavior, mobile grooming, cat grooming, day care, and more; there was no way to do and see it all. Fortunately, many of the *Groom Expo* seminars were available on DVD.

The Trade Show opened bigger and better than ever with 174 booths filled with anything and everything a groomer could ever want. Excited shoppers poured through its doors with their wish lists in hand, and in search of great bargains. The show exhibitors pulled out all the stops this year as they introduced new products and demonstrated the latest equipment. Many of the manufacturers were giving out samples and others were offering fantastic *Expo* deals. One attendee (who prefers to remain anonymous) relays this story....

I called home to check on things and as we were talking, my husband said to me 'You must be getting a lot of bargains there.'

Puzzled, I said, 'Yes, I am. But, how could you know that?'

He laughed and replied that our credit card company had called to check on an unusual amount of activity on the card.

Throughout the weekend, stars from *Animal Planet's*, *Groomer Has It* hit television show made appearances at various booths – and *Charmin*, the beautiful Sealyham Terrier who won the 2009 Crufts Dog Show, was also a special guest.

Saturday hosted the first ever Show Ring Seminars. Attendee Kim Geidel, owner of Barking Beauties in Ellwood City, Pa. states, "I loved it! It was everything I had hoped for – and more. The seminar was aimed at people like me, breeder/owner/handlers. I learned what to do from the moment I enter the show ring in order to present my dog in the best possible way. My dog and I will definitely be competing in the conformation ring soon.

The meal events at *Groom Expo* give groomers the chance to 'talk shop' with old friends and new while enjoying fabulous food and entertainment.

Judy Bremer-Taxman hosts these events and sets the tone for the festivities as she welcomes each person as they enter the door. But wait; was there a new greeter this year? Well, yes and no. It was Judy, but she was an amazing eighty-five pounds lighter than last year. Way to go, Judy!

At the *Groomers Got Talent* Luncheon, it became evident that groomers have skills that extend



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well beyond the grooming salon and competition ring. Singers, dancers, and comedians had the opportunity to showcase their hidden talents. The winner, selected by audience applause, was Danielle German who wrote her own lyrics (grooming related, of course) to the song she performed.

On Sunday, the first *Top Groomer Super Model Competition* was held. Several of the contestants/models designed and made their own outfits – right down to the water-resistant bathing aprons, coordinating hair masks, and paw print accessories.

Another *Groom Expo* first was a *Groomer Makeover* contest. Three lucky groomers were selected to have complete makeovers. They were treated to new hairstyles, makeup, and adorable grooming outfits. Their 'before' pictures were shown on the 'big screen' as they modeled their new look for the Expo attendees.

At both luncheons prizes of jewelry were generously donated by Judy Bremer-Taxman's husband, Paul. As the winner's names were called, each got to come to the stage and select their own piece of jewelry.

Charlene Hibbs, owner of *A Gentle Touch Pet Care Services*, was one of the winners. "I was thrilled when they called my name!" said Charlene with a huge smile. "I got a beautiful bracelet." She quickly added, "I love every minute of *Groom Expo*. It has absolutely helped my business by keeping me up to date with everything and it gives me that little 'boost' every year!"

The Saturday evening banquet opened with the *Best In Show Awards Reception* to crown the 2009 *PETSMART GroomOlympics World Champion.* It had taken two days of stiff competition to determine the winners of the four tournaments.

The four top class winners in each division – the *Governor Terrier Tournament, LAMBERT KAY Sporting Breeds Tournament, TROPI-CLEAN Salon/Freestyle Tournament,* and *ANDIS Poodle Tournament* entered the ballroom.

The crowd roared their approval as each superbly groomed dog

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was presented. Cheers and thunderous applause erupted when Deb Davis was pronounced the Level One winner, and once again when Bridget Stewart became victorious in Level Two.

The culmination of this incredible event would be to crown the winner of Level Three as the *World Champion.*

The room grew silent and all eyes were on the judges as they made their final selection. The gleaming 2009 *GroomOlympic World Champion Trophy* was lifted from its place of honor and presented to a thrilled Julie Pantages and her sensational rescue Poodle, *Maxwell.*

After a fabulous banquet, the eagerly awaited *Off-Lead Dancing With Dogs Invitational* competition began. It took two days of intense competition to select the dogs and their human partners that would participate in this highly anticipated event.

Team after team in full costume delighted the audience as they danced their way to stardom. Toes were tapping and hands were clapping as the competitors of this exciting new dog sport put on amazing performances. The audience joined in the fun, doing the *Chicken Dance, Macarena*, and the *CanCan*.

One of the most highly anticipated events at *Groom Expo* is the *Groomer To Groomer Creative Styling Competition* that is held on Sunday afternoon.

The sky's the limit as the contestants unleash their creativity. Many of them plan their groom months in advance, along with designing their costumes, props, and preparing their presentation.

This unique competition has drawn worldwide interest. Tim Flach, the world famous photographer for *National Geographic*, was taking before and after photographs of all the *Creative* entries to include in his newest book about dogs and man's relationship to them.

Just as exciting is the news that one of the biggest cable TV networks is looking into the possibility of doing a pilot episode, and perhaps a series, of creative grooming competitions.

The competition began and ten amazing stylists went to work. As they snipped and clipped, incredible transformations started to occur.

Excited whispers rippled through the crowd..."Look, she's turning that dog into a skeleton! And...his leg, it's a giant crayon! Oh my gosh, is that an udder on that dog?"

As the competition progressed, the room filled to capacity with curious onlookers eager to see the final grooms and the



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presentations.

For many entering the competition, their greatest desire is to win the coveted *People's Choice* award. That winner is determined by the applause and cheers of the audience and gets to be on the cover of *Groomer To Groomer* magazine.

The fabulous colors, the spectacular scissoring skills, and the astounding creations... how could the audience choose just one? Every entry was truly outstanding and showed great creativity. As the judging for the *People's Choice Award* began, everyone cheered and clapped mightily for their favorite contestants. With overwhelming approval, the winning entry was chosen. The people had spoken....

The *People's Choice Award*, and also First Place honors, went to Lori Craig and her spectacular entry *The Lion King*.

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Lori had transformed a Standard Poodle into the king of the beasts and it roared to life on that stage. In addition, Lori placed an intricately carved zebra on one of his hips, and a fabulous giraffe on the other. What an amazing feat!

After the exhilarating climax of the Creative Competition, everyone realized that *Groom Expo* was almost over.

Many scurried to make one last visit to the trade show for their 'must have' items, and others headed to pick up seminar DVDs to take home.

As final good-byes and hugs were exchanged, the recharged, de-stressed, shopped-out attendees were already planning to meet at the next expo – and do it all again.

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Perspective

Getting Down to BUSINESS BY TERI DIMARINO



am writing this from 33,000 feet, looking over the beauty of the seemingly infinite desert landscape on my way to the northeast for a quick visit with my family in New York and finishing up with an assignment at the NEP-GP show in Rhode Island. Looking out the window of an airplane has always mesmerized me. How fascinating that we can actually fly. How different things look from up here.

Perspective can sometimes be deceiving. Things that are looming and large on terra firma are but specks at this altitude. So many things get lost in the vastness of it all. It puts good, visual perspective on how small and insignificant we really are in the scope of things. It is a good reminder of our "humanness". I like taking time out to see the whole picture and always enjoy a nice clear day in the skies.

All too often we go about our lives with blinders on; seeing just what is in front of us, selectively blocking out the whole picture. We see what is important to us at the time and say we will get to the rest at a later date.

Time, or lack of it, causes many of us to hurry through life, making us unwitting members of the "woulda, coulda, shoulda club". "I should have called you yesterday, last week, last month." While I really try hard in this area, I am still a card carrying member with a respectable list of people to get in touch with. Sometimes we need, and occasionally get, a rude wake-up call that changes our viewpoint on things.

This past week an e-mail, a phone call and a knock on my door from three corners of the country became my personal perspective changers.

The grooming industry lost a young rising star. The lives of Washington based *Barkleigh* author, Audrey Ulrich and her two year old son were tragically whisked away in a car accident.

I had just finished reading her newly published interview/article

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in the October GTG when I got the news. I felt pain for her family at the sudden loss. She was a groomer like most of us, raising her children, loving her job and family and enjoying her newfound niche in the industry. While I did not know her well, I am sure we would have connected on



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the road and swapped stories. She was going about life like nothing like this was ever going to happen. But it did.

Then came the phone call.

It was the son of the person who bought my salon in South Florida. He sadly informed me that his mother, Cherie Kester, passed away,

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very suddenly, that very morning.

I had known Cherie since the early 1980's when we both showed dogs. Needing dog show money, Cherie came to work for me as a bather/brusher and was by my side for over fifteen years. When it came time for me to sell the salon, some ten years ago, Cherie stepped up and made it hers. Loyal and hard working, sweet Cherie thought more of the people and pets around her than she did of herself and it was this fateful self neglect that contributed to her untimely passing.

We had stayed in touch, albeit sporadically, through e-mail, trading family stories and recent happenings. She had just totally redecorated her home and purchased a new Belgian Tervuren puppy, as her older Terv, *Alf*, was getting fragile. She was going about life like nothing like this was ever going to happen. But it did.

Then came the knock. The son of a new neighbor, a young man who was doing some work for us around the house, had lost his father in a tragic accident the night before. Obviously, he was not going to be able to keep his appointed time with us, but he insisted on stopping by to tell us in person.

He and his dad were reestablishing a relationship they had never had when he was younger and life was looking up. Now wracked with guilt, they had played "phone tag" for the entire previous week thinking they would catch up eventually. I did not know his father, but the agony on this man's face said it all. He had been going about life like nothing like this was ever going to happen. But it did!

I found myself rather deeply affected by these heartbreaking stories. The people left in the wake of all three of these tragedies now have to deal not only with living without

a loved one, but the unfortunate business of having to continue life without them. I pray for them, their friends and their families and have an aching feeling in my heart for these people.

Audrey left a husband, Matthew, a five month old son and her mother (all survivors of the crash that took her life) and countless friends, extended family and business associates. Cherie's passing left not only a family who loved her dearly, but a salon full of faithful employees who are as devastated as one can only imagine. In the vernacular of the dog world, the pack has lost the alpha. And a young man now has to struggle with phone calls and lifelong questions left unanswered.

As I mentioned. I did not know Audrey well and I never knew the young man's father, but Cherie and I were good friends. I told of the misfortunes of these families to several people and they asked if I knew

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of any plans for Cherie's business. I guess it's a common question to ask when someone is snatched from us so quickly. I think people ask questions like this because they don't quite know what else to say. It fills air space and helps ease uncomfortable feelings. I can only guess that Cherie had things "in order", as she was always good at obtaining efficient business advice. Time will tell, but all I know is that her salon will never be the same without her.

We hear of the people who pass without trusts, wills or wishes and I wonder how many of us are walking around in the same situation. While I have all the big things "in order", I thought of what I don't have "in order". I'm sure Howard Hughes may have thought he was going to live forever and had a good handle on his stuff, but look at what happened there. That estate will never be settled, at least in my lifetime.

The house and other possessions are all in trusts with everything spelled out, but I started asking myself questions like "Who will take my dog?" "What will happen to my cats?" Then some stupid ones crop up like "My plants will need water." But understand that these are things that are important to me and my husband, so why shouldn't I take care of getting these things "in order"? These may be small in the scope of things, but they are very legitimate concerns. Small stuff puts the big stuff in perspective. The big picture is nothing but a lot of small stuff.

Years ago I used to have a small, handwritten note regarding the care and placement of my pets in the event of my premature departure from this world and I kept it updated as the number of pets I had fluctuated with time.

Then one day I realized that I was the only one who knew where the note was! How foolish! Perhaps it would have been found eventually, but it would have been well past the point of helping my beloved pets and there would be no telling where they would have ended up.

I have had customers give me notes regarding their pet's care after they passed, but they really needed to get these jottings in the hands of someone other than me. They needed to be "legalized" into something that will be recognizable as a document covering the care and dispersal of their pets. Microchip

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Proverbial Wisdom

Good news from far away is like cold water to the thirsty.

Proverbs 25:25 The Living Bible Perspective Continued from page 50

identification should be included in these documents to assure a proper match up in the event of multiple pets.

Yes, I realize that this is a strange subject for this column, but I am compelled to do this for myself, my husband, my family and my pets. At a time where I am having a bit of difficulty finding solace in these sudden close losses of my contemporaries, I feel it is the least I can do to help assure that I have made the day after a tragedy go a little easier for those left in the wake.

Life is so short and nobody's getting out alive. Live to the fullest, laugh till it hurts and love as much as you can. And remember, don't sweat the small stuff, but don't forget it either. It's all part of the big picture.



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The Pasadena Convention Center in beautiful California will again be home to this spectacular event. Last year *Groom* & *Kennel Expo* welcomed nearly 2,600 attendees and featured more than 70 exhibitor booths. By expanding and including the West Coast Pet Industry Trade Show, additional pet industry companies will be on site to present retailing opportunities; which means even a larger event is anticipated this year!

Groom & Kennel Expo 2010 will also feature all the educational seminars you have grown to appreciate. Leading industry experts will present a wide variety of topics to help you advance your business and enhance your pet professional skills!

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