

Train your pet to be doggone good

BY **LISA HOBBS**
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(McMinnville, Tennessee)

Bringing a puppy home can be an exciting time.

However, without proper training, delight could be replaced by doggone unhappiness.

Patty Allen is a certified dog trainer who has a desire to make sure your puppy grows into your best friend.

"I tell my students that dogs are born perfect in their world," said Allen. "But the problem is we are bringing them into our world. If we don't show them what we want of them, they will exhibit their natural behaviors and that drives us nuts."

The Puppy Training Course is offered Saturdays for six weeks from Feb. 10 through March 17. It is intended for puppies 6 months old or younger, but an exception may be made for a very small dog. There are two sessions: Puppies 9 pounds and under from 10 to 11 a.m., and 10 pounds and over from 12 to 1 p.m.

Allen says the course is designed to instill effective training techniques to help puppy owners circumvent behaviors that come naturally to dogs but humans don't appreciate, such as barking, jumping, nipping, pulling on the leash, etc.

"Usually, by the age of 6 months, the cute puppy is gone and they enter what I call the terrible teenage stage," said Allen. "At that time, people run out of patience. It's not a cute puppy anymore. Some people automatically assume dogs know what they're supposed to do. They don't. Your puppy needs you to show it. I train my students how to do that."

Potty training and teaching the puppy to respond to commands will be included within the six-week course. Homework is given and "the dog ate mine" will not be an acceptable excuse.

"There will be homework," said Allen. "One hour per week is not enough to train a puppy. After each

class, you will be given homework to do during the week. If you don't do the homework, everyone will know it the following Saturday."

Allen, among her numerous credentials, is an AKC Approved CGC Evaluator. Puppies who complete her puppy training class are eligible for the AKC STAR Puppy Program which is open to all dogs, purebred and mix bred.

After successful completion of the course, Allen can administer the required test that puppies must pass before they apply.

There are course requirements. Puppies must be up to date on all vaccinations based on their veterinarian's recommendations. Owners must bring current shot record, a collar, a leash, and dog treats to class.

Cost for the course is \$100. Registration can be made at McMinnville Civic Center.

Sessions are offered at Rocket Park's club house on Cope Street.



Lisa Hobbs photo

Certified dog trainer Patty Allen will be offering a Puppy Training Course at Rocket Park beginning Feb. 10.

Pilot Flying J testimony continues

CHATTANOOGA (AP) — A former sales executive for the truck stop chain Pilot Flying J has testified that he told the company's former president colleagues had cheated a trucking company.

The Knoxville News Sentinel reports Dan Peyton said he told former Pilot Flying J president Mark Hazelwood a customer had been cheated and Hazelwood responded by saying he would take care of it.

The testimony is part of a fraud trial for four former executives including Hazelwood who are accused

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in a scheme to shortchange trucking customers on diesel rebates.

Pilot Flying J is controlled by the family of Cleveland Browns owner Jimmy Haslam and Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam.

The Haslams haven't been charged with any wrongdoing and the governor hasn't been involved with the company's business activities in recent years.

NASHVILLE (AP) — Airbnb will now be able to collect and pay sales

tax on behalf of its renters in Tennessee.

The Tennessee reports Airbnb announced an agreement with the Tennessee Department of Revenue that will allow the company to automatically deliver sales tax revenue to the state starting March 1.

The agreement comes as Nashville is considering banning short-term rentals in residential neighborhoods.

The new process will apply to collections from the 7 percent state sales tax and any local sales tax. Airbnb says the process will ensure all sales tax revenue is collected.

CHATTANOOGA (AP) — Aircraft maintenance venture West Star Aviation has signed a deal with a key jet-maker that will bring more business to Chattanooga.

The Chattanooga Times Free Press reports the deal will support the company's \$20 million expansion in the Tennessee city.

OBITUARIES

Robert G. Bradford Sr., 69

Robert G. Bradford Sr., 69, of McMinnville died on Tuesday, Jan. 16, at his residence in McMinnville.

Robert was born Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1949 in Harvey, Illinois to his late parents, J.B. and Ada (Kelley) Bradford.

He is survived by sons Michael and wife Alfreda Bradford of Rock Island, Wesley and wife Kathie Bradford of Saint Charles, Mo., Robert Bradford Jr. of McMinnville, four sisters, Doris and husband, Bidge Smith of Kentucky, Sybil and husband Mike Golden of Winchester, Sarah Armstrong of Manchester, Sandy and husband, Ron Okresik of Illinois, several nieces, nephews, cousins, and six grandchildren, Brittany, Crosby, Trace, Aaron, Megan, and Gunny.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Jay Bradford.

The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 20, at Gardens of Memory Funeral Home with the funeral service to follow at 2 p.m. with Danny Barnes officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations can be given to Meals on Wheels. Online condolences may be made to the family at gardensofmemoryfuneral-home.com.

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James Lewis McCormick, 79

James Lewis McCormick, 79, of McMinnville, died Friday, Jan. 19, at Saint Thomas River Park Hospital in McMinnville.

He was born April 3, 1938, in Warren County, served his country with the U.S. Army and the U.S. Navy, and was preceded in death by parents, Lester and Pauline Bouldin McCormick, wife, Violet Christine McCormick, and a brother, Donnie Ray McCormick.

Survivors include sisters, Patsy Holt and Sharon (David) Holcomb, brothers Billy, Jerry, and Terry McCormick, and several nieces, nephews, family members, and friends.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at McMinnville Funeral Home Chapel. Bro. Bobby Pennington will officiate. Interment will follow at Mt. View Cemetery. Military grave rites will be conducted by American Legion Post 173 and the VFW Post 5064. The McCormick family will receive friends Sunday from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the parlors of McMinnville Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.mcminnvillefuneralhome.com.

McMinnville Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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Hill threatens jailers with toothbrush

BY **DUANE SHERRILL**
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A Warren County Jail inmate faces felony assault charges after he brawled with correction officers as they tried to disarm him of a jail-made weapon.

The inmate, Jacob Lee Hill, 27, was being held at the jail on aggravated

assault charges for allegedly stabbing a man in the neck last year.

He now faces more felony assault charges for his attack on jailers.

Correction officers say they found Hill's cell door was not locked and discovered it was being held open by some plastic.

"He got belligerent with officers, yelling that he was

not going to let them lock the door," revealed correction officer Jonathan Jones, noting he told him to "stand down" and entered the cell.

"He turned and a piece of metal hit the floor."

Hill was again ordered to stand down but instead turned toward the officers with a weapon in his hand. "He had a toothbrush in his hand that had a blade at the end," the officer said, noting they were able to talk the inmate into dropping the crude weapon but he was still ready to fight. "He rushed at us, hitting and kicking."

Jones said one of his fel-

low officers was hit in the face and suffered a hurt hand while another was kicked in the jaw and ribs.

"Officers had to tase him to get him to calm down," Jones said, adding another jailhouse weapon was found on his person once he was brought under control. "He had a piece of metal in the shape of a knife in his hand."

A subsequent shakedown of his cell netted other pieces of metal. Hill seemed unmoved by the incident.

"I guess I got another felony charge today," the inmate reportedly said after the brawl with officers.



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