

How do you handle a dog that wants to be boss of the household? We just recently bought a 4-month-old from the humane society. He seems to be a very dominant dog. This makes him sometimes very hard to handle. Help!

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... Whenever a puppy behaves the amount of the sun acceptable to the mether dog, she will go over to him, put her mouth over his head, and her paw on his back. When he's down and opossibly screaming as though he was being murdered, he will eventually rolax under her paw. When the puppy no longer resists, the mother will remove her paw and walk away. She may then play with the puppy. Hore is the dominance list: stalking, growling, snapping, biting, buring teeth to reveal incisors and canine teeth, assumes position with head over submissive dog's neck, pushing with shoulder or hip, walking around dog, stifflegged, head and tail held erect, stands on dog's back.

stands on dog's back. Submissive behaviors

Teach dog who's boss early on

Lowers front part of body, tail tucked under Allows dominant dog to place feet on its back . Raises forepaw Licks face area of dominant individual . Tail between legs, ears back, looks away from dominant dog Rolls on back and sometimes urinates . These behaviors are wavs in .

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These behaviors are ways in which dogs use their bodies in what we call body language.
In order for us to live in harmony with our down eahnuld become familiar with this body language and learn to use it.
Making your dog lie down on its side, with its head and hips touching the floor, is a great way of communicating to your dog what hip position is in the family. This exercise is called the dominance down.

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Next week, Part Two: Letting your dog know who are
head of the family.

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All she wants to do is dance, dance

■ 'Doctors told me I'd never dance again. That was like telling me not to breathe.' Krystle Richeson
-Miss Dance USA

first time I had been in high heels and I had to walk slowly to cover up my limp and pain. When my judging sheets came back, I had to laugh because I had the highest scores in the evening gown modeling due to my controlled, well-paced walk."

Krystle's foot is still dislocated, according to the MRIs done on her foot, but she dances through it. This year she was first runner-up in the Miss Dance of Michigan pageant sponsored by Dance Masters of Michigan in February and first runner-up to Miss Star Power held in May.

She won the Paula Abul Scholarship at the auditions held in March in Detroit, winning the right to compete in Star Performer of the Year in Orlande in July. She secred the highest for sole performance there and placed second in the Star Performer category. She auditioned for pop singer/dancer Paula Abdul and will appear in her net videa.

Watch her Sept. 28 on ESPN and ESPN2 in a performance taped with Abdul and Gus Giordano. Giordano, the world renowned "Godfather of Jazz," had spotted her at the Detroit scholarship audition and naked her to perform at his Jazz Dance World Congress to be held in Phoenix Aug. 7-11.

Currently Krystle is touring Orlande, Dallas and Las Vegas with 119 other dancers chosen from across the country in the

Krystle Richeson, a junior at North Farmington High, was crowned Miss Dance USA at the national competition held at the State Theatre in Sandusky, Ohio recently, She is the daughter of Biland Mary Ann Richeson of Farmington Hills.

She represented Michigan usA and won her title with her performance of "Univated" choreographed by Juliana Pipinelli. The Miss Dance USA competition is sponsored by the American Dance Teachers Association, headquartered in Las Vogas. Mark Marino is the competition's national director.

Krystle won just 15 months after she was told by three documents after she was told by three documents and in the same of the doctors told me I would never dance again. That was like telling me not to breathe. I was casted and on crutches for 10 weeks.

Faith in God and Dr. Thomas Bifulco, a Troy pediatrist, have seen her through the ordeal.

Two weeks after coming out of the cast, she danced at the National Starpower Competition in Ocean City, Md.

"During the pageant we were required to model an evening gown while being judged on poise and appearance. It was the

National Power Pak Tour where she is getting daily classes with top choreographers Glordano, Barry Lather, Pamela Bolling, Karen Hebert and others.

"The level of training I'm getting, including audition classes with the Disney people and the Rockettes is valuable beyond belief," she said.

She trains locally at Julianna's Academy of Dance in Clawson. She has moved frequently with her family and thus has exued including the Richmond (Virginia) Ballet the ODU Bellet, and the Anata Jazz Theatre.

"Miss willie in my mentor. We are someth alike in our artistic temperaments," she said. "She produced in the said she had will settle for nothing less than my beat."

Krystle is an honor roll student at North, a varsity cheerleader and active in service learning, Spanish Club and other school organizations.

She was student council president of her middle school in Portage, before moving to Farmington Hills in August 1996. She has performed in the last two musicals produced by Dean Cobb at North: in "Pippin" she was a player and in this year's "West Side Story," she was the lead anner Velma.

She aspires to go to college at Northwestern, Point Park or Oklahoma City where she wants the rapy.

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS



Dancer: Krystle Richeson as she appeared last year during the Dance Masters Competition.

Local club fetes gardeners with good neighbor awards

The Farmington Garden Club
announces winners of its 1998
Good Neighbor Garden contest.

First place in the best general
garden division went to Ray and
Kathy Johnson for the gardens
at their residence on Bycroft
Street in Farmington Hills. A
large variety of peronnials,
shrubs and annuals displaying
good design and color were cited
by the judges.

Richard and Tina Jenson, who
live on Shadowglen Drive in
Farmington Hills, won secondplace in the general garden category for their "very formal und,
understated in simplicity, which
adds to the charm," said Dorothy
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First place for English garden etyle was won by Peggy Muggid for her Foreathill Court residence in Farmington Hills. The front of the residence is "spectacular with color, the rear of the property well done."

Second place went to Carol Duffy, who lives on Oakland Street in downtown Farmington. The rear of her property features "a deep lot with a meandering

path through three sections of garden, enclosing a water garden and bridge," said Young.

In the water garden category, Natalie Lankin clinched first place for her Tall Timber residence in Farmington Hills. 'She looks down from her patio at her lovely water garden, serene, well planted with a waterfall. Very eye pleasing," said Young.

Best unique garden went to Christine Koski of Farmington Hills. "Her gardens are thematic from 'dogs little acro' to Dutch, Mexican and a water garden with an Oriental touch. They are all in thoir own spot," Young said.

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Second place in the unique category went to Chet and Laura DeFore who live on Buckingham in Farmington Hills. Their country landscape featuring nic flower beds and design was cited by the judges.

The Farmington Garden Club meets the first Monday of the month at the Longare House at noon. Everyone is invited. The September meeting will be Sept. 14 because of Labor Day. Call Dorothy Young at 616-3616 for information.

HORTON-MILLER
Mr. and Mrs. James Horton of
Farmington Hills announce the
engagement of their daughter
"Deborah Ann, to Bradley Scott
Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs.
Richard Miller of Brighton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Mercy High School and the University of Michigan — Dearborn with a BA in marketing and communications. She is currently attending Central Michigan University to earn an MSA in Health Services Administration and is employed as an account manager for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

The groom is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a BA in business communications. He is currently

with a BA in business communi-cations. He is currently employed as a sales consultant of automated barcole systems at

Ahearn and Soper.

A fall wedding is planned in



MARAFFINO-DINKELOO Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maraffine of Farmington Hills announce

the engagement of their daughter. Catherine, to Derek Dirkeloo, son of Valeric Derrick of Hilliard, Ohio and Carter Dirkeloo of Sandy Hook, Conn. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Harrington Institute with a bachelor of arts degree in interior design. She is currently employed with TMP Associates in Bloomfield Hills.

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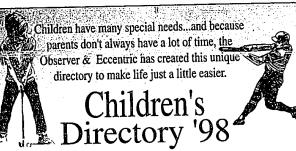
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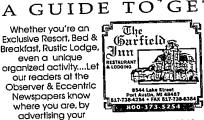
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