



## Certified PROFESSIONAL Dog Trainer

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Dogs have been in my life for as long as I can remember. Many accompanied me, worldwide, in my career military travels. My love of dogs led me to become a Certified Professional Dog Trainer through the Council of Professional Dog Trainer's rigorous hands on training and testing program. Today, working with shelter dogs, training my own (mostly rescue) dogs, and studying in multiple levels of dog training academies, seminars, and symposiums, I have been humbled by the body of knowledge that exists, the research that has been and is being conducted and the dedication of trainers and dog owners to which this journey has introduced me. In the neighborhoods I grew up in dogs often were tethered under a shade tree in an unfenced yard or wandered the neighborhood in search of other dogs, mischief or both. Formal training of family dogs was little heard of. We were relieved when they finally stopped chewing up stuff and our "house breaking" methods were primitive, at best. In spite of the negative interaction, our dogs "loved" us, came home every night from their wanderings and survived on a combination of table scraps and pretty nasty smelling dog food. What I didn't know and regret, was the capacity, enthusiasm and excitement that dogs display for learning new things and how much richer our relationships with them can be. I want to help family owned dogs to become confident, comfortable in new situations, take part in family trips and activities, get along with other dogs and pets, and be lifelong companions. Let's discover, together, just what your dog can do.

**Karol Kennedy**

Got a diamond in the ruff?



*Would you like your dog to . . .*

- \* **Walk nicely on leash**
- \* **Greet people politely**
- \* **Bark when appropriate, stop when asked**
- \* **Respond to requests to Sit . . . Down . . . Wait . . . Stay**
- \* **Give up forbidden articles**
- \* **Travel and share in family outings**
- \* **Be comfortable when "home alone" and in new settings**
- \* **Enjoy training**

Then B PWSITV, and take a positive approach with training that is fun AND works!



# Be Pwsitive

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## Training Philosophy

Training creates a partnership between a dog and his human, based on a shared "language" presented verbally or through signals conveyed through body motions. It establishes mutually understood expectations (behaviors) and consequences (food, play, petting) and ensures a life together based on friendship, loyalty and respect.

### Want peace in your pack?

Basic Good Manners

Behavior Modification

Tricks & other fun "stuff"

Dog & Puppy Socialization

- Puppy Playdates
- Yappy Hour

Training "Tune-Up"

Pet Sitting & Walks for training clients



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## What We Offer

Private good manners training in your home.

Behavior modification training to address issues such as separation anxiety, house training, unwanted barking and other behavior issues which negatively affect the dog's relationship with his world and with his family.

Small puppy classes in a convenient, central Hagerstown location, as well as dog and puppy socialization hours in which orchestrated and supervised "play dates" among dogs/puppies of appropriate age, play style and size provide an opportunity for safe and positive interaction with other dogs.

Discounts available for rescues and shelter adoptions.

## Pleased Client Comments

What are people saying about us?

"We were first time dog owners, with children, jobs and busy lives. Karol showed us how to achieve behaviors we wanted to make Sadie a member of the family. She taught us to be Sadie's "personal trainers". It was fun for our dog and for us, too."

- Sarah G.  
Smithsburg, MD

"Thanks so much for a well-run, helpful program for my dog. I received a lot of good, helpful strategies... Max was a 62-pound, nervous and worried dog when I rescued him from the shelter. Today he weighs in at a sleek 80 pounds, sits and waits politely to get his food or come in from the yard. Thank you again. You are patient, persistent and perceptive."

- Emma T.  
Falling Waters, WV

"A "high five" to you for helping my humans to communicate better! They used SO many words and bounced around, waving their hands. I couldn't figure out what the heck they wanted. Now their cues are clear and I get treats and tummy rubs for doing the right thing every time!

- Rascal  
Hagerstown, MD

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