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Harold Marley

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Rassemblement catalogs	100.63	Rassemblement expenses	832.63
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Respectfully submitted by Jerry Cohen

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As of November 10, 1974 the B.C.A. had: 256 members  
90 applicants  
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199 Briards were registered between 9/1/73 and 8/31/74.

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO HAROLD MARLEY - Although few of us know of the extra time and effort required to print the DEW CLAW and other Club materials, we all enjoy the final product. I am sure all join me in giving a special vote of thanks to Harold Marley, not only for his efforts throughout the year, but also for the delightful cover he has created for the December DEW CLAW and printed in color at his own expense.

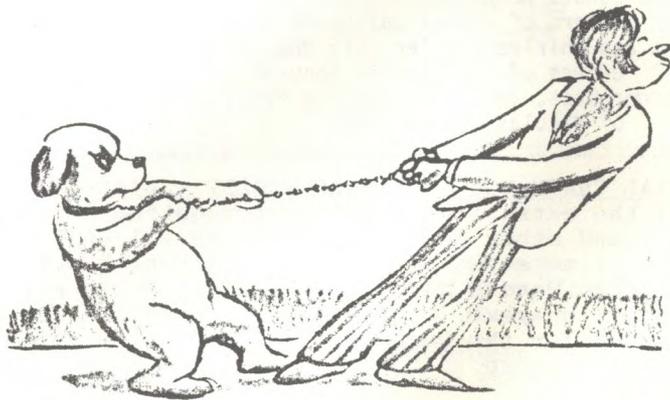
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Season's Greetings

from

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Season's Greetings



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## A BRIARD AND A HALF

BY ROBERT P. HOWARD

Were it not for Withrow's Garage, Beth and I would not have become the only central Illinois applicants for membership in the Briard Club of America. Wilbur Withrow, a competent and somewhat cantankerous mechanic, owned a garage several blocks from Springfield's business district. Beth's sister had her car serviced there. In time, so did Beth.

At the garage Beth discovered Claude, who was identified as a Briard. A black dog with personality, he had been abandoned by an itinerant couple in a nearby village. He sat watchfully on a chair while Mrs. Withrow did the bookkeeping and told of his great qualifications as a watchdog and companion.

Soon Beth was in love with Claude, and I agreed that he had a wonderful name for a French sheep dog. Briard photos in available books showed a resemblance, but the text said nothing about long hours being necessary to keep hairballs and burs from a Briard coat. When Briards were described as being slow to learn but having retentive memories, I knew that I had an affinity for the breed.

In her Philadelphia years Beth had owned a number of dogs, of varied breeds, but had decided there would be no more. Under Claude's influence, however, she wrote to the American Kennel Club for information. Letters to midwestern breeders failed to reveal impending litters. When the 1973-74 gasoline shortage became critical, I remarked that, if we weren't going to travel, perhaps a dog would be logical. Almost immediately Beth developed a long distance friendship with Cece Collins.

With considerable savoir-faire, Brie (officially Chateaubriard Jamboree) arrived at the St. Louis airport late on Washington's birthday. Our only regret was that he was tawny instead of black. That night he slept alone downstairs in the strange house and seemed to be housebroken in advance. Within a few days, Beth proudly took him to the garage, where Mrs. Withrow was now a widow.

"That's no Briard," she remarked as soon as she saw the puppy. There did seem to be physical differences, but Claude's owner was not interested in breed standards and bloodlines. To save her embarrassment, we left. Having traded two cars for one, we had no occasion to return to the garage.

In Brie's ninth month, Beth decided it was time for another comparison. Claude, who was on duty at the garage, greeted Brie like a kinsman. Brie, of course, was ecstatic at the sight of any dog that wasn't trying to invade his home territory: Mrs. Withrow was both curious and friendly.

Already Claude was smaller than Brie. The older dog's rather silky black coat had an excess of white but otherwise it had definite Briard characteristics. His eyes were visible, however, and his tail lacked a crochet. Claude also seemed rather scrawny and his hind quarters had not been inherited from Nanie de la Haute Tour. My guess was that he was half collie.

So we know that Springfield has one and a half Briards. Brie is the joy of our lives as he keeps two old people from realizing their age. Claude also has a permanent place in our affections. Had it not been for his Briard characteristics, we would not have the companionship of Brie.

## NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE MID-WEST

### New Champions

On 9/2/74 Pa'Chick's Impresario owned by Sue McCormick finished his Canadian championship by going W.D. and B.O.S. at the age of 10½ months at the Essex County Kennel Club under Mr. Tom Stevenson. Imp was handled to his Canadian championship by Sue and needs only a 3 pt. major to finish in the states. Since then he has acquired 4 more Best of Breeds with competition, in Canada.

My Am. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse, at the age of 6½ years, came out of retirement to go to the London Canine Association on 9/20/74 and picked up her final point to finish her Canadian championship under Mr. Henry Stoeker. She has finished both championships owner handled.

Also, Pa'Chick's Indian Summer owned by Charles and myself, finished her American championship at the Progressive Dog Club of Wayne County on 10/6/74 under Mrs. Nicholas Demidoff for her 4th major at the age of 11½ months. Indy now needs only 1 pt. to finish in Canada.

### Group Placements

The Katz's are proud to announce that Am. Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona took a Group 3 at the Sudbury & District Kennel Club show in Canada on July 28, 1974 under Jean Fletcher.

On 8/31/74 at Mattoon, Ill., Am. & Can. Ch. Phydeaux Quelques went up for a Group 1. He is owned by Charles Vetrone.

Congratulations to all!!

The Katz's wish to announce that there were 8 Briards entered for the Booster weekend of 3 shows - July 26, 27 & 28 in addition to 1 Briard for obedience. They wish to thank the Charbonneau's for a wonderful weekend. Many beautiful trophies were offered and special momentos were given to all for entering the 1st Briard Booster Show in Canada.

The Vetrone's announced that Charlie, Am. & Can. Ch. Phydeaux Quelques made his stage debut recently in Camelot at the Players Guild in Canton, Ohio. Quite an achievement for a Briard. We are also told Charlie has a stand-in.

### Show News

7/26/74-Sudbury & District Kennel Club (Canada). Judge Ed Dixon - W.D., B.W., B.O.B. 1 pt. Am. Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona owned by Jerry & Stephanie Katz, W.B., B.O.S.

1 pt. Am. Ch. Uziz Akshanit de Strathcona owned by Jerry & Stephanie Katz.

7/27/74-Sudbury & District Kennel Club (Canada). Judge Glen Stephens (Briard Booster Show) - BOB Can. Ch. Uther Bijou de Strathcona owned by Barbara Charbonneau, WD, BW, BOS 2 pts. Am. Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, WB 2 pts. O'Brikan Suzette Michelinne owned by Jan Charbonneau (finished her Canadian championship).

7/28/74-Sudbury & District Kennel Club (Canada). Judge Jean Fletcher - WD, BW, BOB 2 pts. Am. Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona (Gp. 3), BOS Can. Ch. Uther Bijou de Strathcona, WB 1 pt. Am. Ch. Uziz Akshanit de Strathcona.

9/20,21,22/74-London Canine Association. Judges - 20th Henry Stoeker, 21st Phil Marsh, 22nd Mrs. Evelyn Kenny. BOB all three days Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario owned by Sue McCormick, WB, BW, BOS 1 pt. on 20th was Am. Ch. Reine des Elfes de Malouse owned by Charles & Patricia A. Long, WB, BW, BOS on 21 & 22 for 1 pt. each day was Pa'Chick's Indian Summer owned by Charles & Patricia A. Long, WD all three days for 1 pt. each day was Jacque Chez Les Jamins owned by Ruth Brumwell.

10/5/74-Sarnia Kennel Club Inc. (Canada). Judge Peter Smith - entry 2-4-1 - BOB Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's Impresario, WD 1 pt. Calumet's Jatif J. owned by Frances Volkman, WB, BW, BOS 3 pts. Calumet's Jezra J. owned by Frances Volkman.

10/6/74-Progressive Dog Club of Wayne County. Judge Mrs. Nicholas Demidoff - entry 4-4-1 - BOB Ch. Umbi Chabiv de Strathcona, WD 3 pts. Pa'Chick's Jethro owned by Charles & Patricia A. Long, RWD Pa'Chick's Impresario, WB, BW, BOS 3 pts. Pa'Chick's Indian Summer, RWB Calumet's Joharah J. owned by Frances Volkman.

10/13/74-Mad River Kennel Club. Judge H. M. Creasap - entry 2-2-1 - BOB Ch. Use Tout de Charlemagne owned by Clydell Ulmer, WD, BW 1 pt. Jean Pierre de Charlemagne owned by Dr. & Mrs. E. R. McNeal, WB, BOS 1 pt. Calumet's Jabett J. owned by Frances Volkman.

10/20/74-Kokomo Kennel Club. Judge L. E. Piper - entry 3-1-0 - WD, BW, BOB 2 pts. Pa'Chick's Jethro, WB, BOS Pa'Chick's Jezebel owned by Susan McCormick & Charles Long.

10/20/74-Minneapolis Kennel Club. Judge Forest M. Hall - entry 1-3-1 - BOB Am. & Can. Ch. Underdog Berger du Nord owned by Phil & Jan Zingsheim, WD, BW 2 pts. Stonehill's I'm Henri owned by Robert & Gerry Adolphus, WB, BOS 2 pts. Les Blues du Chien de Sel owned by Sue Erickson.

10/26/74-Toledo Kennel Club. Judge H. Anthony Hodges - entry 2-3-1 - BOB Ch. Use Tout de Charlemagne, WD 1 pt. Jongleur Noir de Charlemagne owned by Tom & Sharon Cook, Jr., WB, BW, BOS 2 pts. Calumet's Jabett J.

10/27/74-Delaware, Ohio Kennel Club. Judge Rex Vandeventer - entry 2-2-1 - BOB Ch. Use Tout de Charlemagne, WD 1 pt. Jongleur Noir de Charlemagne, WB, BW, BOS 1 pt. Calumet's Jabett J.

Matt and Pat Morale (502 Nottingham, Richardson, TX 75080) write that anyone who is planning to show in the Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana Spring circuit should write or phone them. Their home will be open to anyone who comes down their way. Their phone number is (214) 231-5768.

Please send your news to me at 5890 Shea Rd., Marine City MI 48039. Any news sent directly to Diane has to be forwarded to me and this only delays it, missing the closing date. News for the February issue must be sent to Diane by the first of January, and it should reach me by December 26th or 27th.

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## Charlie

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## THE BRIARD IN HISTORY AND LEGEND

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The Briard, or Chien Berger de Brie, is an ancient working breed of France, dating back to the eighth century. Early tapestries depict these large shaggy dogs with the Emperor Charlemagne, and Napoleon was also reported to have owned Briards.

In early times the Briard was used to defend his charges against wolves and robbers, but with the dividing up of the land, after the French Revolution, this work gradually transformed into the more peaceful task of herding the flocks of sheep, keeping them within the unfenced fields of the French countryside.

The Briard has been the official dog of the French army and served as a munitions carrier, sentry at listening posts and was used by the medical corps to search for wounded soldiers. Reports stress the amazing ability of the Briard to lead the corpsmen to those men who still had a spark of life in their bodies. It was said that any man the Briard passed by was beyond assistance. Many Briards were lost during the world wars and the breed is still somewhat rare today.

Some books say that the "Berger de Brie" originated in the province of Brie, but the French Briard club, the Club des Amis du Briard, does not agree with this. They believe that the name "Chien Berger de Brie" (Shepherd Dog of Brie) is a distortion of the name "Chien d'Aubry". In the legend of Aubry of Montdidier, the principal role was played by a dog thought to be a Briard.



Le chien d'Aubry  
Aubry's dog and Macaire

According to one version of the legend, Aubry of Montdidier, a French gentleman, was murdered by Richard de Macaire in 1371. The only witness to the crime was Aubry's dog, who followed the murderer constantly with such howls and barking that Richard de Macaire came to be suspected of the murder. King Charles V, ordered that Richard de Macaire, armed only with a club, should fight the accusing dog. Aubry's dog avenged his master's death by killing the murderer.

In the 14th century, this story was famous and is mentioned by Gace de la Bigne in the Deduits de la Chasse, by Gaston Phoebus in the Livre de la Chasse, and in the Menagier de Paris. In the reign Charles VIII, the combat was represented on the mantel of one of

the fireplaces in the great hall of the Chateau de Montargis, and the scene is preserved in a drawing by Androuet du Cerceau (Les plus excellents bastiments de France, 1576, Vol I).

This same legend goes back even further in history and forms the principal episode of the poem Macaire or Queen Sibille, which dates from the end of the 12th century. In this version, a trial by combat was held between Macaire and the dog belonging to Aubry, a young gentleman

killed while defending Charlemagne's wife, who was being pursued by Macaire. Aubry de Trois-Fontaines, a French writer, mentions the same incident, giving the date as 770 and designates the murder victim as a knight of the town of Montdidier.

A beautiful head of a Briard was said to have been inscribed in the coat of arms over the door of the cathedral of Montdidier, in tribute to the dog of Aubry. Unfortunately, the old cathedral was destroyed during World War I and now, only the legend remains.

In 1897, the first official description of the Briard was given in the following standard. "A solid dog, well-constructed, with double dewclaws on the hind feet. Size: 55 cm. to 65 cm. Head covered with hair forming whiskers and eyebrows, leaving the eye uncovered or lightly veiled. Ears upright if they are cut, straight and bent in the middle if they are left natural. Body hair: long, wooly. Colors: slate grey, black sprinkled with some white hairs, tawny, iron grey, tawny grey. Tail: complete, forming a hook at the extremity. Faults to avoid: Head too burdened with hair, hiding the eyes entirely. Ears flat and falling against the cheeks. Curly hair. Single dewclaws on the hind feet. Tail straight with a plume (resembling that of a spaniel). Height below 55 centimeters. Too much length and weak loins.

Although the majority of Briards in France today are companion dogs, some are trained as herding dogs, tracking dogs, police or guard dogs and a few are even trained to hunt. Obedience training is expected for every conformation show champion.

The history of the Briard in America is obscure, but many credit the Marquis de Lafayette with the introduction of the breed into this country. A letter, written about 1825 by Lafayette to one of the Du Ponts requests that DuPont "bring back some more of the French sheepdog to tend my flocks". We believe that he referred to the Briard and that he already had Briards in America.

In 1922, the first litter of Briard puppies was registered with the American Kennel Club as being owned by Barbara Danielson of Gorton, Massachusetts. In 1928, the Briard Club of America was formed and recognized by the A.K.C. Probably the most active breeder at that time was Mrs. George W. Jacobs of Morrestown, Pennsylvania, who bred 26 litters of Briards from 1930 to 1940.

Since that time, the Briard has been bred, loved and protected by many ardent fanciers. Although today the breed has become primarily a companion dog, every effort has been made to preserve, and bring to perfection, the innumerable fine qualities which are the heritage of this noble French dog.

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Sources: Bulletin of the Club des Amis du Briard, No.112  
Encyclopedie du Dix-neuvieme Siecle  
La Grande Encyclopedie  
Le Berger de Brie, Chien de France by Sédir  
How to Raise and Train a Briard by Mary Lou Tingley  
Encyclopedia Americana  
The Complete Dog Book, publication of the A.K.C.

### 1975 BRIARD NAMES

For those who wish to name their puppies in the French manner, which identifies the year of the dog's birth, Briard born in the year 1975 should be given names beginning with the letter "L".

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## EAST SIDE STORY

Recently in New Jersey we heard of an unusual Briard problem. Apparently there was a bitch living on a farm near Clinton whose natural herding instincts were getting out of control. The report was that the Briard would have to find a new home, because she insisted on chasing sheep until they dropped from exhaustion--in fact, died of heart failure!

The plea for help reached other Briard owners at a time when we had three additional adult dogs in need of homes. I have always felt that a remarkable characteristic of Briarders is their devotion to the welfare of the breed, historically and from a breeding standpoint, but most importantly and impressively in terms of the health and happiness of individual dogs. This fall has only increased my admiration for our special breed of fanciers.

In the case of the unrestrained herder, rescue was accomplished by a friend of Mel and Diana DiGiacomo. Fred Eccleston had admired the DiGiacomo Briards and was delighted when approached with the prospect of a two-year-old tawny bitch of his own. But things weren't to be that easy. When Fred tried to put his new-found friend into the car, she simply refused. . . and refused. . . and refused. Seven tranquilizing pills and a muscle-relaxing shot later, Fred was undaunted and Tres Jolie, as he'd optimistically dubbed her, was at last bundled into the car and on her way home to Demarest in Bergen County.

Strangely enough cars seem to be Jolie's only phobia. At last report she was compatibly herding a cat named Jock, a Cocker Spaniel called McGuinness, two boys named Cavan and Donal and their sister Maryellen. Fred and wife Mary have been trying to teach their pet not to chase cars but to climb stairs, not to run free and someday hopefully to fo give the car.

Fred is an administrative principal of schools exclusively for the handicapped, which there seems to be no question has prepared him well for rehabilitating a Briard. He tells of taking Jolie on leash to a park ten minutes from home only a week after her arrival. To his surprise, when two Bouviers approached to sniff, she bolted across a bridge and disappeared. After calling, worrying and searching the park, Fred came dejectedly home. Ggrruff! There on the deck was his lovin' Briard. She's been back to the park since without a hitch.

Tres Jolie's kennel name is Heloise des Coteaux, sired by Romeo des Gasconnades out of Pacquaise Coronet des Coteaux. She was bred by Geraldine Michaud, and Fred intends to introduce her to the show ring --once she decides to get into the car. Since we've seen so few des Coteaux Briards in competition recently, this is a pleasure to be anticipated.

Fortunately, homes were also found for the three other Briards at large. Worthy of special mention is the year-old, natural-eared black (potentially a true gray) who was taken on by Dr. Leonard Koltnow and his wife Bert. The dog was found in a Yonkers, New York, pound with hookworm and no papers. There were indications she might have been in

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THROUGHOUT  
THE NEW YEAR

*Art & Mary Lou Tringley*



"If we wait here long enough, maybe  
Santa will share his milk and cookies!"

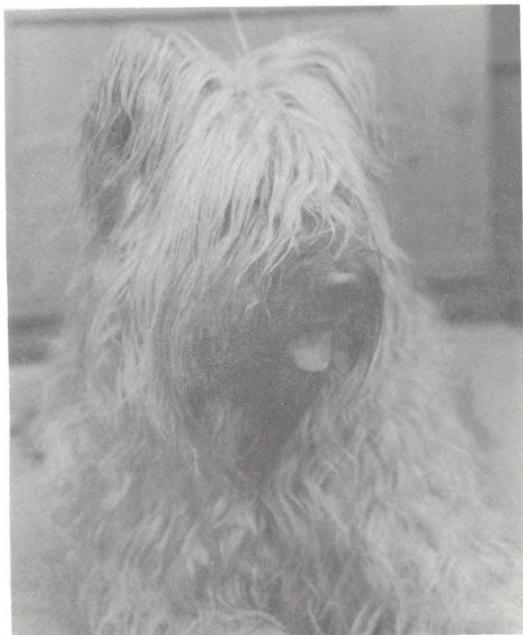
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BRIARDS



*Peace and Love to you  
in all seasons*

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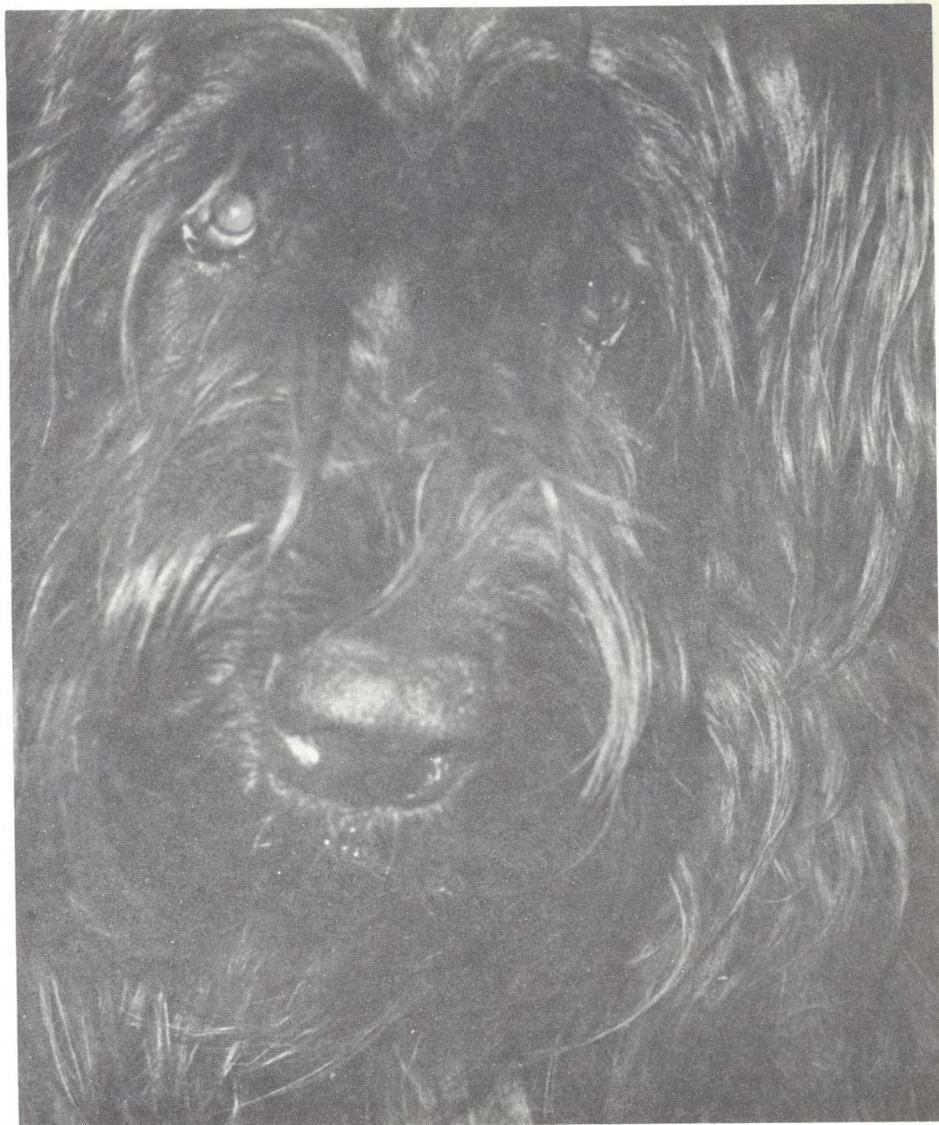
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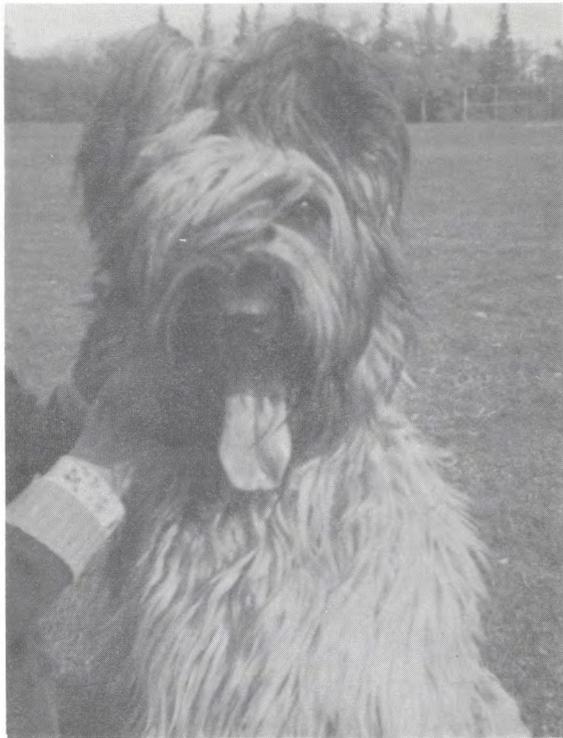
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Briards d' Escoffion

*Have a peaceful loving  
Christmas and New Year*



*Vivante "Monique" Des Bergers  
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Peace and Happiness

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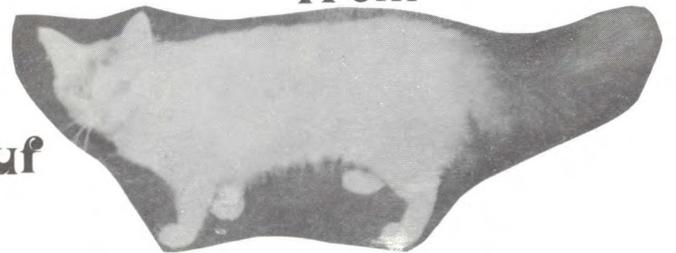
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Matt, Pat, Butch & Cindy Morale



"Animals are such agreeable  
friends. They ask no questions,  
they pass no criticisms."

Peace to all

Cabri, Tristan, Jayne & Steve Feller



Merry Christmas

Don + Nancy Mandeville

Cecily

Janie (above)

Coors

IF ONLY THERE HAD BEEN MORE TIME.....

BY VIRGINIA ENGLEHART

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From the moment of deplaning at L.A. International Airport to the departure for Carmel, the Janicots and their two interpreters, all Beautiful People, wove a web of enchantment for Southern Californians who were fortunate enough to be a small part of their "See America" tour.

In spite of the language barrier, it was surprising how much was understood with hand gestures and "eye talk", always supplemented by Nancy McLeroth's or Debbie Tyson's immediate support in translation.

The Janicots showed a deep interest in EVERYTHING--the flora and fauna (besides dogs), the food, the weather, the kitchen stove, the customs and life-style in California. Of course, they enjoyed the major tourist attractions -- everybody has to see these things at least once and they certainly drew top guides. We regretted that there wasn't one more day to show them some of the fine museums, galleries and theaters because we're very proud of our cultural advantages here. But most large cities have some of these and nowhere else in the world can you find the original Disneyland, etc.

The chronicle reads thusly:

I met them at the airport, showed them our magnificent Marina del Rey, then on home. The first evening was quiet with a mid-western dinner at our house (I can't shake the Hoosier background) and much small talk, with the atlas being brought out to show them where they had been and where they would be going. They took great pride in showing us their region in France and elaborating upon it.

Dick Englehart is an avid fisherman and quickly found that so is M. Janicot. Dick proposed that Monsieur skip the rest of the dog bit and go to Lake Cachuma with him to fish. M. Janicot smiled and sighed, and said, "Next trip".

Tuesday, Jennie Meggitt took them for a tour of Disneyland. When they returned, about 10 p.m., we enjoyed the California wine, a gift of the Meggitts, and then went to dinner at a local sea-side restaurant.

Wednesday, I put them all on super B vitamins and sent them packing with Joan Dugan to Universal Studios and other points of interest. Dinner, Mexican-style, was here that evening and the Janicots seemed to enjoy this typical food of this region. They were exceedingly relaxed by then and when Dick brought out his "Boom-Bass", a primitive rhythm instrument made from things like a tambourine, wood block, cymbal, held together with a screen-door spring and played with Roaring Twenties music, the Janicots were delighted. Madame Janicot donned an appropriate cloche, picked up the drum-stick (with which the funny thing is played) and proved that the French have great rhythm--even before Monsieur showed us his inimitable version of the Charleston.

Thursday was a beautiful day in Malibu and we started with a fantastic brunch at Dugan's, right on the beach, and the four guests had a good splash in the Pacific. Roland Taub took them shopping in the afternoon. They were amazed at the clothing bargains and bought several things that they said they would have paid 3 times as much for in France.

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If Only There Had Been More Time...

Then Roland took them out for dinner and on to a kennel in the Valley, where he had arranged a gathering of representatives of the other breeds that M. Janicot had expressed a keen desire to see. Many dog owners had extended themselves in going to the trouble to groom and bring their animals. Monsieur was extremely grateful, but it also was a tremendous opportunity for the owners to have a critique of their dogs from a European judge of such stature.

On Friday morning, Dick took them to the airport to fly to Monterey for the next leg of their trip. As I wrote earlier, "IF ONLY THERE HAD BEEN MORE TIME....."

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A DAY TO SIGHTSEE AND BROWSE

BY JOAN DUGAN

My day with the Janicots consisted of a trip to Universal Studios, the Farmers' Market and the Hollywood Chinese Theater. The theater is in the heart of Hollywood and is famous for the hand and foot prints of many stars. As we inspected the prints in the sidewalk, it was surprising how many the Janicots recognized by name.

From there, off to Farmers Market for lunch and browsing among all the goodies. This is an open air market where it is possible to find everything edible, anytime of the year. Everyone surveyed the choices and decided what to have. The Janicots had never seen watermelon before and I hope that they had some before returning home to France.

I believe we picked the busiest day of the year to go to Universal Studios. With over an hour's wait for the tour, we went to have caricatures done first. These were delightful portraying Madame riding in a jet, Monsieur pushing a baby carriage with a shaggy dog in it, Nancy with a large lollypop and Debbie with an icecream cone.

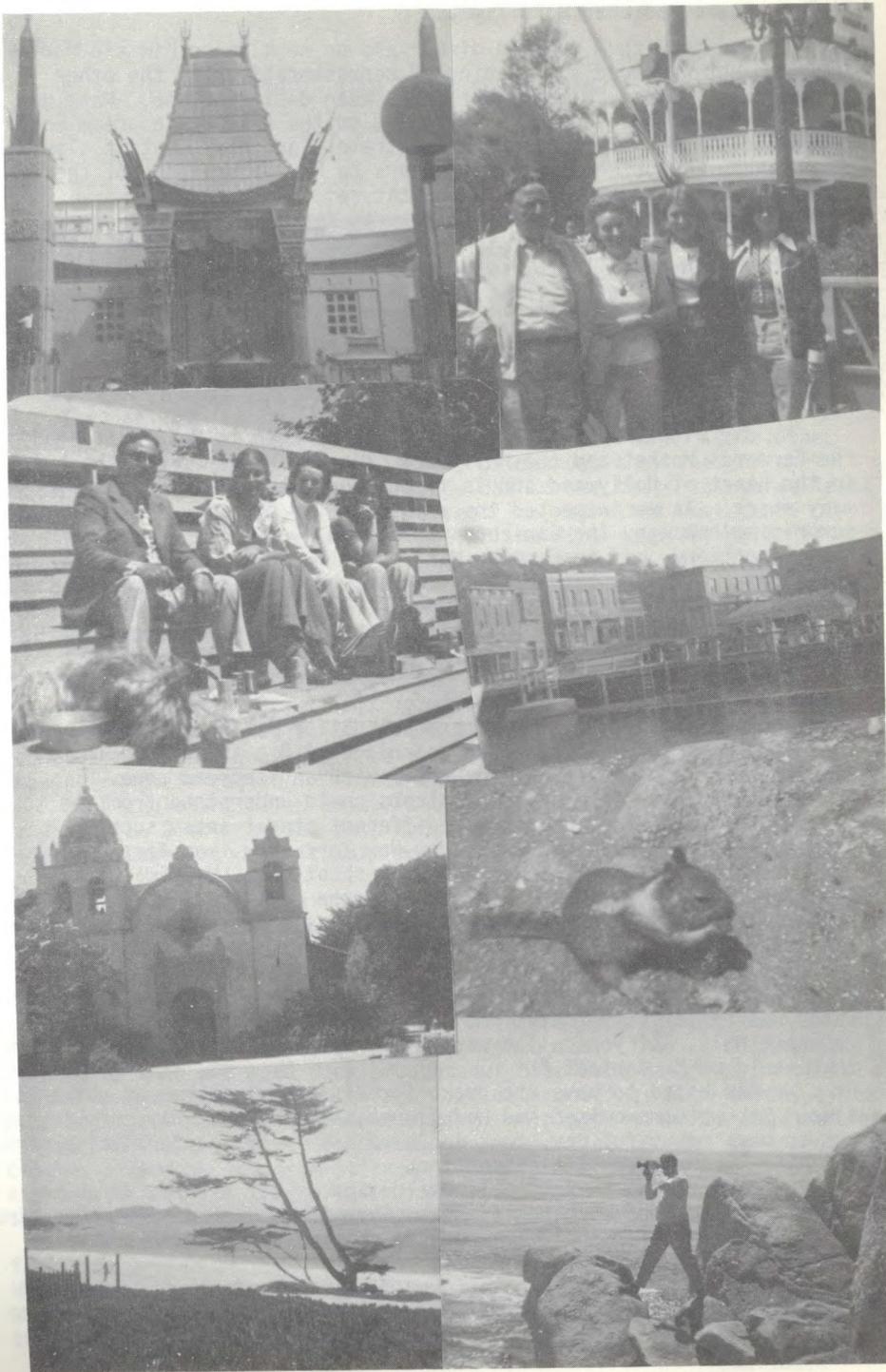
I don't know how much the Janicots could understand from the tour guide but just riding through the different street sets, such as Western, European, old New York, new New York, etc. was fascinating. At the end was a stunt man show - a cowboy shoot-out. We did not miss anything. What stamina the Janicots and the girls had, while my feet hurt. The girls did such a good job of translating and we all had such a good time.

The evening was climaxed by a delightful Mexican dinner at the Engleharts'. My husband, at that point was able to practice his French which was really very rusty. He has described Monsieur Janicot very interestingly, "If you called central casting and requested a Frenchman that would be M. Janicot."

We had hoped to have the group for dinner but there was not enough time. So, we compromised and had brunch the following day. It turned out to be a beautiful day, that included a swim in the Pacific, a stroll down the beach and a little sunshine.

We appreciated M. Janicot's evaluation of our Briard, which he certainly had a good chance to see. Even though I had spent some time grooming him earlier that morning, the dog was soaking wet. He also had had a quick dip in the Pacific!

Both my husband and I so enjoyed meeting the Janicots, Nancy and Debbie....and their stay was far to short to really see all we have to offer in southern California.



THE JANICOTS IN CARMEL

BY PATTI CURNOW

The "Good Weather Fairy" made an all out effort on behalf of the Rassemblement and the Janicot's visit to Carmel and San Francisco -- beautiful balmy sunny days from start to finish.

After numerous days of a hectic schedule taking them across the United States and through two Rassemblements, relaxation seemed to be the key issue. This included walks on the beach, a tour of the Carmel Mission and a walking tour of Carmel's many quaint shops and galleries.

An afternoon drive around the famous "17 Mile Drive" delighted the Janicots. We stopped to feed peanuts to the charming squirrel population living within the rocks along the beaches and the Janicots were amazed at the herd of deer that casually feed in the middle of the fairways of the many golf courses along the ocean.

San Francisco offered several "firsts" for the Janicots -- fighting for a place on a moving cable car -- a bed that could have accommodated at least four people in the lovely new Hyatt on Union Square -- a room service dinner for weary sightseers and street entertainers dancing, singing and playing their way to fame and fortune around every turn.

Mr. H. Muller, father of BCNC member, Ann Burns, kindly offered to give the Janicots a complete tour of the entire bay area. Mr. Muller speaks French, which made the day a double treat for the Janicots. This break in duty also allowed the interpreters, Nancy and Debbie a day to plunder the San Francisco shopping area.

Departure time arrived way too soon. It was a sheer delight to entertain the Janicots, who appeared to enjoy every aspect of their visit, big even or small. After a week of such togetherness, saying good bye was like parting with family, tears and all.

Those deserving credit for making the Janicot's stay in this area such a pleasing event are: Mrs. James J. Cordano, Sr., their hostess and gourmet chef in Carmel -- Carole Cruz, assistant tour guide -- and Mr. Muller, for the Janicot's tour of the San Francisco Bay area.

As for myself, if I had it all to do over again, I would -- with a great deal of pleasure!

ON THE FACING PAGE -

- Upper left - Hollywood's Chinese Theater
- right - The Janicots and interpreters at Disneyland
- Row 2, left - Rest and refreshments at the Santa Cruz all breed dog show. Their Briard companion is Monique, owned by their dog show guide, Carole Cruz.
- right - Universal Studios
- Row 3, left - Carmel Mission
- right - one of the entertainers on the 17 mile drive
- Row 4, left - a view from Mrs. Cordano's summer home in Carmel where the Janicots were welcomed guests.
- right - Monsieur arrives at the Pacific ocean on the 17 Mile Drive.

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WEEKEND IN CONNECTICUT

BY DOLORES ZACCARO

The Janicots arrived in Lyme, Connecticut about 10:00 Friday evening. They were tired and had already eaten twice, once between San Francisco and Chicago and again between Chicago and Hartford, but they managed to pull themselves together for a small plate of pasta!

Although they must have been travel weary, the Janicots seemed to be very relaxed and eager to see and do everything. Most fortunately they hadn't lost their appetites, so we ate ourselves through the better part of the weekend.

Madame Janicot's devilishness came out when we started a game of croquet on Sunday afternoon. She seemed hopelessly last when suddenly everything went right and she passed us all by to finish first. As the winner she delighted in hitting us all out of the game, one by one, reminding us of the story of the "Tortoise and the Hare". With lots of laughing and jumping about, I think our communication was at its peak.

On Monday we all left for New York City. The Janicots, Nancy and Debbie went to Bloomingdales, Jim went to work and I deposited dogs and the car. After lunch they all had the "cooks" (that's me) tour of Manhattan.

Apparently our guest enjoyed everything; M. Janicot gave our lunch restaurant three stars, and he was far more generous than the Guide Michelin's representative.

As with most Europeans, the panorama of New York was probably the highlight for the Janicots. We met Jim for drinks at the Copter Club, which is on top of the Pan Am building. Needless to say, the skyline is breathtaking, even to a native New Yorker.

The trip was completed in New York's "Little Italy". This was Madame's favorite, with the sidewalk cafes and shops jammed full of cheeses and sausages. It really does satisfy most all of the senses.

When we left the Janicots and the girls at the Kennedy Holiday Inn, they were holding their stomachs and threatening to starve themselves forever....or at least until the next Rassemblement!

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PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

I would like to thank all of you who submitted photographs for the Photography Contest. Many nice pictures were received and it was very difficult to determine the winners.

There were a number of delightful photos that were not selected for the calendar for varied reasons. Some were similar to others that had been selected - only a few perpendicular photos could be chosen - the reproduction of some would have been difficult and their quality and charm would have been lost.

Thank you all for supporting this contest. We hope you will enjoy the calendars and that you will keep next year's contest in mind when you are out with your Briards and your cameras.

Jayne Dubin  
Contest Chairman



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Best Wishes

Sue Erickson & Salty



Merry Xmas



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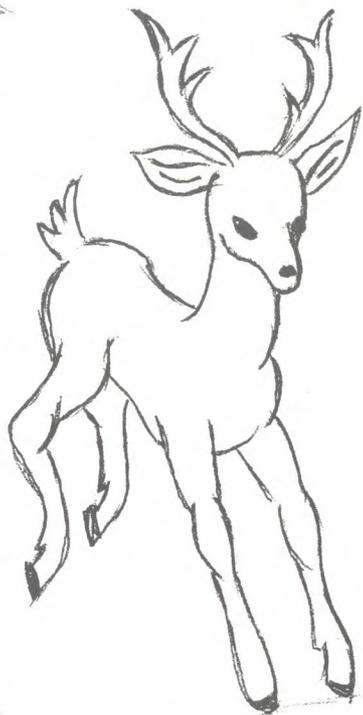
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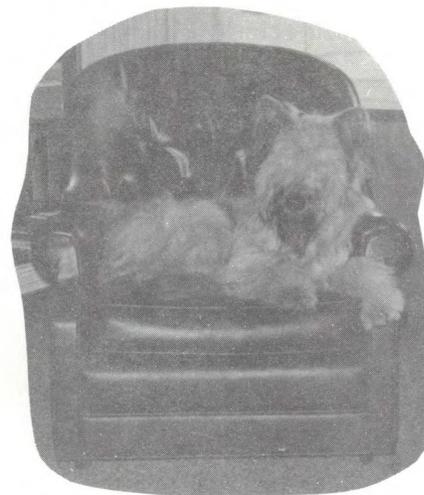
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*Happy  
Holidays*

*from Pa'chick Kennels*

Champion  
Van's Magdalene De Beaujolis  
Wishes All Briards  
★ A Merry Christmas ★



*Maggie waits for Santa!*



Magg List  
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THE OTHER RING

BY STEPHANIE KATZ

There are several exciting legs earned to report in this issue.

CH. TEDDY DU LAC DE BETHMALE C.D.X. earned his first leg toward his Utility degree on October 20, 1974 at the Minneapolis K.C. show with a score of 180. "Teddy" is owned by Mimé and Richard Long.

AM. & CAN. CH. ROCHELLE DE MARHA C.D.X. earned her second leg toward her Utility degree on October 14, 1974 at the Rochester Obedience Club show under judge Edie Muneke with a 186. "Angel" is owned by Jan and Phil Zingsheim

We are all very proud of having Teddy and Angel working in the Utility classes, representing the Briard in this advanced obedience competition. Our congratulations!

Also a special congratulations to Linda Wells Heller and STRATHCONA'S BLAC MAGIC WOMAN C.D. "Magic" finished her C.D. degree on September 7, 1974.

IMPERIAL SABRE DE L'ETAT D'OR owned by Andy and MargotPilara earned his first leg toward his C.D. on Sunday, Nov. 10, at the Mensona K.C. show in Santa Rosa, CA. Congratulations to this young dog and his owners. His score was 193.

Our favorite obedience publication Front & Finish is having a special offer none of us can afford to miss. They announced that beginning with the December issue, they will present the book, A B C s of Obedience Training, by Velma Janek with Barbara Goodman, in serial form. This long awaited book will be printed on the center pages of forthcoming issues so subscribers may remove this section to compile the ENTIRE book.

Both Mrs. Janek and Mrs. Goodman are well known in obedience circles as excellent teachers, exhibitors and obedience judges. For your own or a gift subscription write Front & Finish, P.O. Box 333, Galesburg, IL 61401. \$8 for 1 year, \$15 for 2 years.

Please send all show results and obedience news to  
Stephanie Katz, 1701 Strathcona Drive, Detroit, MI 48203.

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BRIARD CLUB SPECIALTY WEEKEND 1975

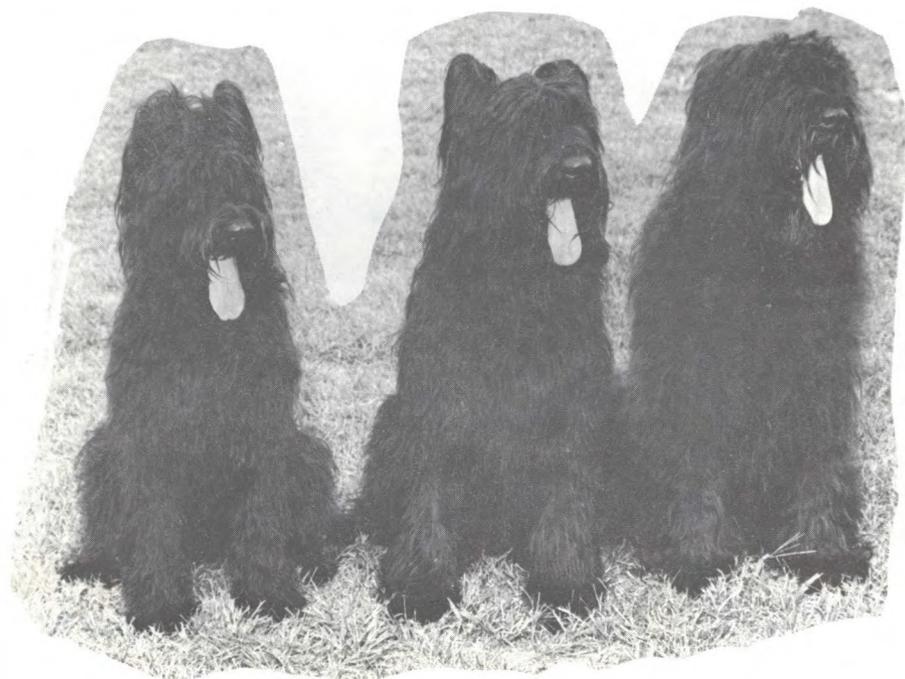
Very special programs are being planned for the Specialty weekend in August: workshops, seminars, films, discussions plus lots of other plain old fun. Activities beginning Thursday evening, Aug. 14 will run through breakfast on Monday, Aug. 18th. Plan now to attend!

It is not too late to fill out your questionnaire about the 1975 Specialty weekend (page 36 of the October DEW CLAW). If you don't want to cut it out of your magazine, copy it and send it right off. We want to offer an exciting weekend of activities that you select. Please help us program - send all ideas and comments to:

Ms. Stephanie Katz (1975 Specialty Chairwoman)  
1701 Strathcona Drive  
Detroit, MI 48203  
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# Seasons Greetings



*Jan and Phil McNeilis*

# SEASON'S Greetings



from Cactus Country.  
THE NEELYS: Steve,  
Linda, Kevin, Katy,  
Daisy & Jake.  
Tucson, Ariz.

## SEASONS GREETINGS

"G" watches by the gate while his mother



Ch. Chateaubriard Vinaigrette C.D. (OFA 33) learns  
herding for the New Year.

Warmest Wishes For One And All  
the Konraths



SEASONS GREETINGS  
 UNCAS Se-TRA KAR-MIU  
 TENA BEAUCOUP  
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de Charlemagne



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 Judge: Mrs. Sally Keyes  
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Mattoon Kennel Club  
 August 31, 1974  
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## THE FARRIERY

The following people are welcomed as members of the newly-formed BCA Medical Committee:

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Dallas Meggitt  
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Camarillo, California 93010

Please send them (or me) your questions and suggestions for areas of common concern. I expect to list a few additional members of our committee in the next issue.

Before too long we will be mailing you forms requesting the medical history of every Briard you have owned through the years. Please answer these as completely as you can. The fullest possible picture of our breed's longevity, most common diseases and disablements--and the Briard's medical strengths as well--will be indispensable to our other work. We understand that many owners have not kept detailed medical records on their dogs but trust that everyone will provide something of interest. At least this notice gives you plenty of warning!

Since we'll be covering medical questions from nutrition to pancreatic insufficiency, from definitions to rudimentary diagnosis, from the well researched to the barely recorded, it seems appropriate to begin here with something basic: body temperature.

While old wives' remedies occasionally turn out to be simple and appropriate solutions, folk medicine must be examined before it is relied upon. This is particularly true in the case of the rumor that a hot nose means a sick dog. In fact, dogs with serious fever can have very cold noses, just as healthy dogs now and then have warm ones.

An adult dog's temperature ranges from 101.5° to 101.6° Fahrenheit (38.61° to 38.66° Centigrade), and a healthy puppy may have a temperature as high as 101.8° Fahrenheit (38.77° Centigrade). 102°F indicates a slight fever; 105° F is very serious and 106° F generally points to near collapse. Likewise, an unusually low temperature (98° F) warns of serious problems; 96° F means death may be near, or can indicate a dog in shock. It is common for a bitch whelping to have a sub-normal temperature.

A dog's temperature should be taken rectally, using a rectal thermometer. Ask your vet to demonstrate how this is done. If for some reason you can't take the temperature rectally, try holding the thermometer between the warm folds of skin where the hind leg joins the abdomen, for three minutes at least. This may give you an indication of temperature change until you can get assistance and a true reading.

In other columns we'll discuss symptoms possibly indicated by abnormal temperature.

---Mercer Field, Chairman  
6 Rebel Road, Westport, CT 06880



*Season's Greetings  
and Best Wishes for the  
New Year!*

*The Pierce's  
Cvet - Jori - Warren - Carrie*

de Charlemagne

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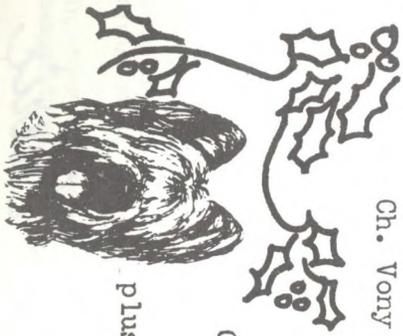


"VONY"

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canton, ohio 44703

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# MERRY Christmas

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Set behind that ever present curtain of hair.  
The dog's eyes follow every movement.  
Deepest brown. Mischievous. Quizzical.  
Loving.

Large. Black. Wet.  
The smells of Christmas reach his nostrils.  
Begging for a taste of the oven's yield.  
Savoring each burst of sweetness on his  
tongue.

Your inner joy transmitted thru some unseen  
communication.  
Love returned.  
A sloppy wet kiss.  
Undenied devotion.

Things are good.  
Happy.  
Days filled to overflow.  
Scurrying to meet the deadline.

The dog is always there.  
A stable partner among confusion.  
His deeds done without question.

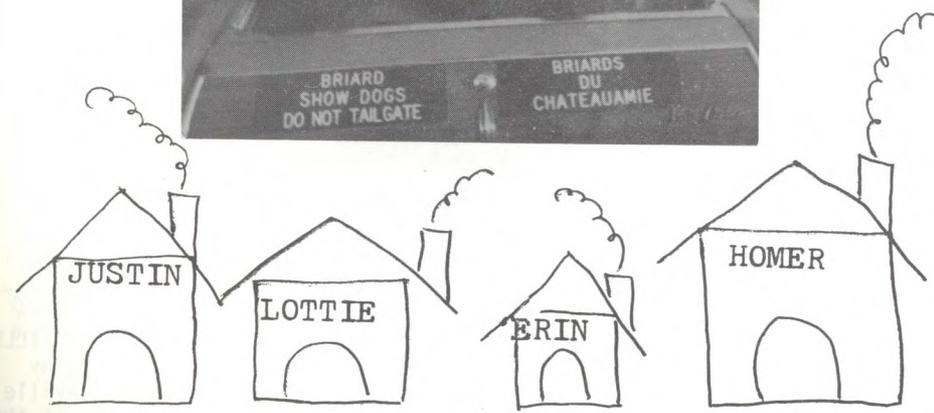
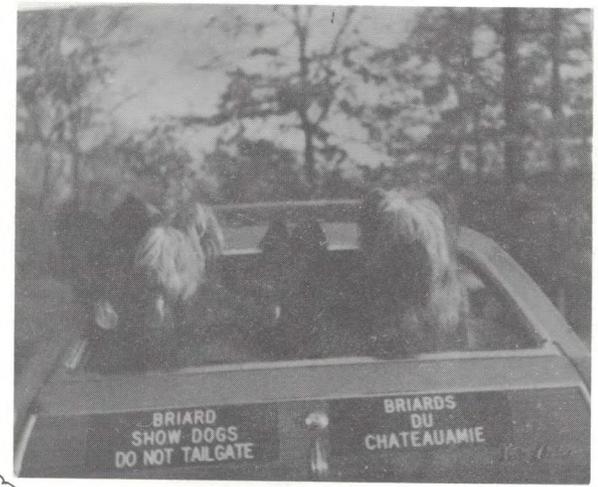
Santa's day at last.  
Children tear at hastily wrapped boxes.  
Christmas caroles blast from the stereo.  
The dog sniffing out each new toy.  
Stomach's bursting with the table's bounty.  
The dog leaping for every crumb which drops.

# Happy Chanukkah

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Quiet descends.  
Another Christmas forever gone.  
The hush of falling snowflakes reaches  
your ears.

Collapse in the overstuffed chair.  
The dog stretches at your feet.  
Shaggy. Tired. Content.  
Eyes filled with love.  
The dog has endured it all.  
Your never alone.  
The dog unafraid.  
With you till God calls him home.



John & Susan Alexander

## THE GOLDEN WEST NEWS & VIEWS

A FINE BRIARD, A CHAMPION, BUT MORE OF A FRIEND. "Duby", Ch. Jennifer of Northumberland recently toured Europe with owner Paul Harris. Then, soon after returning, while lying in what would have been thought a safe area, lost her life as she patiently watched and waited for her beloved owner. Our condolences to Paul. A cruel accident but let it be a caution to others.

WHERE HAVE ALL THE BRIARDS GONE? If not a surge then surely there has been an increase in Briard popularity, which interprets a growing recognition and tribute to what we know, a wonderful and magnificent breed. Here we are the proud inheritors and yet this perplexing, ever declining "show entry". The show ring -- it is here a Briard's worth is proven to all, for all to see, but more important it is one of the guides to future intelligent breeding. When not winning, make corrections, gain experience and improvement will come. Waiting and sitting it out till your Briard looks and acts like a winner without training really never works and after all, not everyone can win at the same time. As a breeder, if that be so, when placing a good show-type, follow up. If not "showing," "winning appeals to everyone. Give guidance and encouragement. If you have more or better ideas, do that too!

HAVING EATEN THE MERCEDES his breath had the pleasant scent of leather; little consolation or compensation for such rebellious behavior. The owner of both Briard and twice ravaged Mercedes surmised his precious one might require a "thumping" to go in balance with his affection. At a year old the difficulty could hardly be a teething but rather a craving, no less a demand for attention - not only on the even days of the month but also the odd when the master had important business matters or social commitments to consider. Not really born to destroy, as some might believe, but during the watches of those unattended hours a pleading cry, "pay attention, I love you" (everyday). Much can also be said for consistent loving discipline and extravagant praise for good behavior.

A HERDING BREED MATCH WITH A "BEST IN MATCH" BRIARD. The Belgian Tervuren Club of America's first "Herding Breed Match" was held in Pasadena on October 13th. A Briard went "Best In Match", my 9 month old puppy dog, "Cheval de Bataille de Beauxjolis". A real thrill, especially when seeing the beautiful trophy mounted on a wooden plaque,



a scene etched in metal depicting several of the herding dogs with a Briard in the forefront, thanks to artist, our (Briard owners) friend, Dale Gourlie, truly a champion of the Briard.

Photo at left: Best in Match, CHEVAL DE BATAILLE DE BEAUXJOLIS owned by Don and Nancy Mandeville was handled by Don at the Belgian Tervuren Club's Herding Dog Match on Oct. 13, 1974.

## THE GOLDEN WEST NEWS & VIEWS

### WESTERN SHOW REPORTS

MAGGIE'S BACK IN TOWN. Not shown since January, Ken Van Fleet's Ch. Van's Magdalene du Beauxjolis returned to the ring with a "Best of Breed" at San Fernando K.C., October 21st under Dr. Wessar from an entry of 3-3-2. BOS went to Ch. Desamee Aristotle (Cooper) owned by Don Normann. Cooper is an up and coming special with a great record as of late. Jennie Meggitt returned once again with Dingus, Uhlan de Grand Coeur, doing very well with a WD & Best of Winners for 2 points. Winners Bitch went to Bob Kessler's puppy Capucine de Beauxjolis for 1 point. To all, a job well done and congratulations.

K.C. of Pasadena, Oct. 6, judge Mr. James Bennett, entry: 3-3-1  
BOB: Ch. Esau de Saint Cherman, owners: Lee Erickson & Roland Taub.  
WD & BOW: Desamee Aristotle, owner: Don Normann - 2 points.

WB & BOS: Capucine de Beauxjolis, owner: Bob Kessler - 1 point.

Santa Ana Valley K.C.m Sept 22, judge Mrs. Helen Miller Fisher, entry: 3-3-2. (1d/1b)

BOB: Ch. Uri Berger du Nord, handler: Frank Housky, owners: Bill and Yvonne Wright.

WD & BOW: Desamee Aristotle, owner: Don Normann -- 2 points.

WB & BOS: Capucine de Beauxjolis, owner, Bob Kessler -- 1 point.

Silver Bay K.C. of San Diego, Aug. 25th, judge James Trullinger, entry 3-2-0.

BOB & BOW: Desamee Aristotle, owner, Don Normann - 2 points

WB & BOS: Hulin's Ju Ju Bee de Dam Martin, owner: Carol Ludwig - 1 pt.

The big one is January 5th. The Kennel Club of Beverly Hills at the Sports Arena. A great show for exhibitor and spectator alike. Always draws a crowd so do get that entry in now. Closing date 12/10/74.

Don Mandeville

### NEWS FROM THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

The Briard Club of Northern California held its second annual meeting in October. With 28 members present, new officers for the 1974-'75 year were elected. Carole Cruz is now at the helm with her Board made up of Maggie Thompson; Susan Hass, Secretary, 315 Gregory Lane, Pleasant Hill, CA; Frank Burkhart; and Patti Curnow.

I'm sure that I've remarked on the fantastic party giving in northern California. Daisy's litter of last year celebrated its first birthday on November 8. You can imagine my surprise when I opened a birthday party invitation to observe the event. When Maggie and I arrived to find 23 guests and 13 dogs, I was even more surprised. Margot Pilara made great cupcakes for the dogs -- meat, cheese, etc. -- I'm sure she'll share the recipe if you write! The dogs came dressed in ties and tails, and upon arriving a birthday party hat adorned each head -- Sort of like a unicorn in disguise.

Marilyn Ishii in Mercer Island, Washington, has a litter whelped October 29 out of her Berrybrow's Fifi by Pierrat de la Montagne. It is a litter of 8, equally divided in sex, with 5 blacks and 3 tawnies.

Don Thompson

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A STAR \* ON MY CRATE DOOR

BY CHARLIE VETRONE  
ALIAS, CH. PHYDEAUX QUELQUES

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With due apologies to my breeder...Mary Lou Tingley...  
stars are made, not born!

This Fall, when a different form of recreation presented itself and my human family was asked permission for me to appear on stage in Camelot, I became very excited. I felt that after years of bringing home the purple and gold ribbons from dog shows, I was now going to be robed in purple and gold and my great talents for acting were now going to be exposed for all the world to see, not just my family and girl admirers at home! For I was sure that the part would surely be that of King Arthur, or at least Sir Lancelot.

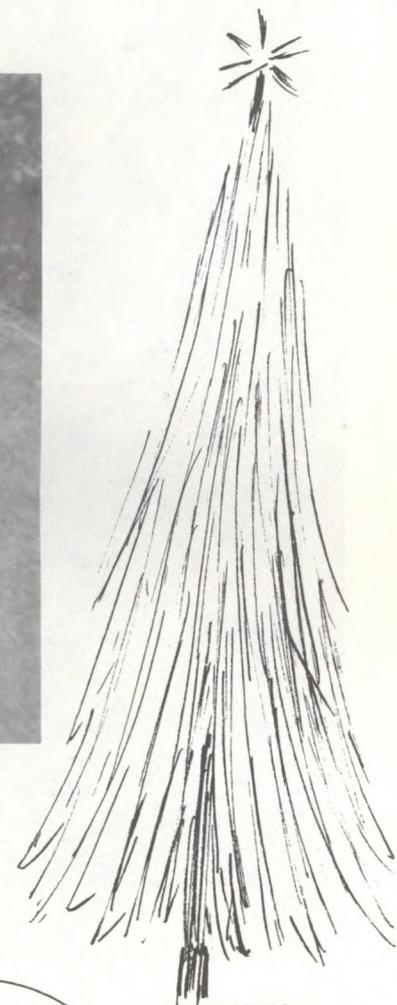
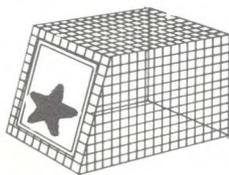
Unfortunately this was not the case and theater lovers in Canton, Ohio had to be content with seeing me in the part of Horrid, the canine companion of King Pellinore.

Since my part is definately classified as a "walk-on"; I had to spice up some rehearsals and a few performances by ad libs. (There are other uses for the May-Pole than dancing around it!) My fellow actors have also found out that if the audience is rather stiff, a whispered command from them to me to "speak" makes for much laughter and a more relaxed crowd.

Opening night found my encore present to be a gift of a hard rubber bone and a poster saying "Break a Leg, Charlie" instead of the usual bouquet of roses. This came from a fourth grade class that I had visited just previous to my opening.

My stand-in is my 'first wife' and house companion, Cheri, and wouldn't you know that she would be the one the newspapers took pictures of when I was fulfilling a previous engagement at the Evansville, Illinois Kennel Club dog show!

Just call me "Stage Door Charlie" as I am giving out my paw-prints following each nights performance at the Players Guild.



Peace on Earth  
Goodwill to men

"JACKIE"  
ERIC & RENEE GERRARD

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• Twill • Pepperidge • Duffel • Flannel •

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Mercer Field

• Les Bouffons de Brie •

Season's Greetings



"YOGI"

Chateaubriard Virtuoso

Betty Botka  
Janet & "Petie"

NEW COMPANION DOG



STRATHCONA'S BLAC MAGIC WOMAN, C.D.

Owner: Linda Wells Heller      Breeders: Jerome & Stephanie Katz

Obedience title: September 7, 1974

Whelped: June 30, 1971

Sire: Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie      Dam: G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, C.D.

(Ch. La Roux Chez Chien Velu X La Melissa Chez Chien Velu)      (Rouveau de la Gaillarde, C.D. X Bijou de la Patre)

Trainer: Owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION UV'CHOR KELEV DE STRATHCONA (dog)

Owner: Ray Katz

Breeders: Jerome & Stephanie Katz

Championship: May 18, 1974

Whelped: June 30, 1971

Sire: Ch. Tres Bien Chez Rogues de Brie      Dam: G'Veret Kahlbah de Strathcona, C.D.

(Ch. La Roux Chez Chien Velu X La Melissa Chez Chien Velu)      (Rouveau de la Gaillarde, C.D. X Bijou de la Patre)

Judge: Mr. Kenneth O. Peterson      Handler: Lee Gettings

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION BELLESPRIT FILLE VENDREDI (bitch)

Owners: Marie & Monroe Kokin Breeder: Gerald Dubin

Championship: September 1, 1974

Whelped: December 3, 1972

Sire: Ch. Pa Chick's Rebel Deux Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Tallulah, C.D.

(Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha X (Ch. Phydeaux Quoin de Cuivre  
Pa'Chick's Esmerelda) X Ch. Phydeaux Poupee de  
Marha)

Judge: Mrs. Peter C. Gunterman Handler: William Long

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION BERRY BROW'S BELLE (bitch)

Owners: Marie & Monroe Kokin Breeder: Frank C. Nicholas

Championship: September 2, 1974

Whelped: May 3, 1971

Sire: Athos d'Agincourt Dam: Berry Brow's Renee  
(Asurbanipal des Grand Pieds (Pierre of Ballinaboy X  
X Mandoline Chez Phydeau) Marie of Ballinaboy)

Judge: Mr. James Culp Handled by Monroe Kokin

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION UTO D'EL PASTRE (dog)

Owner: Andra Lee Fochios Breeder: Jacky Molinier

Championship: September 7, 1974

Whelped: November 7, 1971

Sire: Quycke de la Petite Suisse Dam: Sandra D'el Pastre du Nord

(Ch.B. Moustache de la Petite Suisse du Nord X Ninon de la Haute Tour) (Quino du Lac de Bethmale X Macina de la Chevrerie)

Judge: Gerhardt Plaga Handler: Richard McMullen

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



AM. & CAN. CH. REINE DES ELFES DE MALOUSE (bitch)

Owners: Charles and Patricia A. Long Breeder: Jeannine Mopty

Canadian Championship: September 20, 1974

Whelped: February 7, 1968

Sire: Odon-Desire des Elfes de Malouse Dam: Maia-Mopti des Elfes de Malouse

(Moustache de la Petite Suisse du Nord X Kichnotte de la Chevrerie) (Larron de Vasouy X Junon des Elfes de Malouse)

Judge: Mr. Henry Stoecker Handled by owner

NEW AM. & CAN. CHAMPION



AM. & CAN. CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S INDIAN SUMMER (bitch)

Owner: Charles & Patricia A. Long Breeder: Owner

A.K.C. Championship: October 6, 1974

Canadian Championship: November 10, 1974

Whelped: October 21, 1973

Sire: Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha  
(Ch. Nestor de Vasouy X  
Marha Magie de la Brie)

Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa'Chick's  
Unchained Melody  
(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de  
Malouse, C.D. X  
Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebecca)

Judge: Mrs. Nicholas Demidoff Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CAN. CHAMPION PA'CHICK'S IMPRESARIO (dog)

Owner: Susan C. McCormick Breeder: Charles & Patricia Long

Can. Championship: September 2, 1974

Whelped: October 21, 1973

Sire: Ch. Proud Rebel de Marha  
(Ch. Nestor de Vasouy X  
Marha Magie de la Brie)

Dam: Am. & Can. Ch. Pa/Chick's  
Unchained Melody  
(Ch. Ralph des Elfes de  
Malouse, C.D. X  
Ch. Pa'Chick's Rebecca)

Judge: Mr. Tom Stevenson Handled by owner

NEW BRIARD CHAMPION



CHAMPION STONEHILL'S I'M HENRI (dog)

Owners: Robert & Gerry Adolphus Breeder: Nancy & Robert Adolphus

Championship: October 20, 1974

Whelped: October 27, 1973

Sire: Uffin Berger du Nord

Dam: Flogan Variety Sho  
Stonehill

(Ch. Syre du Val de Reuil X  
Am. & Can. Ch. Rochelle de  
Marha, C.D.X.)

(Ch. Soliel d'Or de Marha X  
Ch. Flogan Phay de Marha)

Judge: Joseph Faigel

Handled by Bob Adolphus

Peace  
Be With You  
Jerry and Stephanie Katz

Kahlbah

Umbi

Zizi

Briards De Strathcona

# CHATEAUBRIARD

wishes All a Merry  
and a Happy!



Ken and Cece Collins  
and their Briards -  
Harriet, Hilda,  
O.J. and Heloise



MERRY CHRISTMAS  
FROM  
MINNESOTA'S  
WINTER WONDERLAND



UADER, ANGEL, SYRE



Gina, Gypsy

BERGER DU NORD  
Phil + Jan  
Zingsheim

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EULOGY ON THE DOG

BY SENATOR GEORGE G. VEST

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Gentlemen of the Jury: The best friend a man has in this world may turn against him and become his enemy. His son or his daughter, that he has reared with loving care, may prove ungrateful. Those who are nearest and dearest to us, those whom we trust with our happiness and our good name, may become traitors to their faith. The money a man has he may lose. It flies away from him, perhaps when he needs it most. A man's reputation may be sacrificed in a moment of ill-considered action. The people who are prone to fall on their knees to do us honor, when success is with us, may be the first to throw stones of malice when failure settles its cloud upon our heads.

The one absolutely unselfish friend that man can have in this selfish world, the one that never deserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is his dog. Gentlemen of the Jury: A man's dog stands by him in prosperity and in poverty, in health and in sickness. He will sleep on the cold ground, where the wintry winds blow and the snow drives fiercely, if only he may be near his master's side. He will kiss the hand that has no food to offer, he will lick the wounds and sores that come in encounter with the roughness of the world. He guards the sleep of his pauper master as if he were a prince. When all other friends desert, he remains. When riches take wings and reputation falls to pieces, he is constant in his love as the sun in its journey through the heavens. If fortune drives the master forth an outcast in the world, friendless, and homeless, the faithful dog asks no higher privilege than that of accompanying him to guard against danger, to fight against his enemies. And, when the last scene of all comes, and death takes the master in its embrace, and his body is laid away in the cold ground, no matter if all other friends pursue their way, there by his graveside will the noble dog be found, his head between his paws, his eyes sad but open in alert watchfulness, faithful and true even to death.

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STUD DOG COLUMN

CH. CHATEAUBRIARD VERMOUTH, C.D., tawny, 1/12/72. Sire: Ch. Pythias Chez Phydeau. Dam: Ch. Phydeaux Theda Bara. OFA #32 (certified 8/7/74) Owner: Susan Alexander, Rt. 6, Box 373C, Hartwood, VA 22471. Tel: (703) 752-2360. (10/75)

CH. PHYDEAUX QUOIN DE CUIVRE, tawny, 8/17/67. Sire: Ch. Ike de Vasouy. Dam: Ch. Nanie de la Haute Tour. Owner: Mary Lou Tingley, Yardley Rd., Mendham, NJ 07945. (10/75)

CH. TIR AU FLANC DE CHARLEMAGNE, tawny, 11-2-70. Sire: Ch. Boris d'Agincourt, C.D. Dam: Ch. Recherche de Charlemagne. Owner: Richard A. Schuman, 785 Overhill Ct. N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30328. (12/74)

CH. TOUSSAINT DE CHARLEMAGNE, black, 11/2/70. Sire: Ch. Boris d'Agincourt, C.D. Dam: Ch. Recherche de Charlemagne. Owners: Nancy and Bill Genari, Briards de Normandy, 1150 Princeton Dr., Monroeville, Pa. 15146. Tel: (412) 373-3538. (2/75)

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Greetings  
of the Season  
with Best Wishes  
for the New Year

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