



Sunshine Obedience School

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Dear Obedience/Rally/Agility/Nosework Enthusiast:

I am pleased to announce that I will again offer obedience, rally, nosework and agility classes this spring. Day classes will start on Monday and Tuesday, February 24-25, and Night classes will start on Monday night, March 23rd.

Day classes are four weeks long, and the night classes are six weeks long, running in continuous sessions until mid-November. We do take a four week break in July over the hottest part of the summer. There are also no classes during Memorial Day and Labor Day week.

The day classes will be just advanced nosework and obedience/rally until the second four week session begins in March, when the Monday morning agility class will resume (March 23). Advanced Nosework class will be at 10:30 AM starting Monday, February 24th.

The Tuesday morning obedience/rally classes will begin on February 25th. This year there will be a special half an hour rally class on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM, with obedience class to follow at 10:15 AM. The rally class will progress through all of the advanced, excellent, and master exercises. Obedience class this year will be a combined Novice/Open class, and we will also be working our way through many of the utility exercises this year. There will be a set of novice stays at 10:15 AM, at the end of rally class and the beginning of obedience class.

Night classes will begin on March 23rd. The two classes on Monday night will be a Novice/Intro to Open Obedience Class at 6 PM, followed by an advanced nosework class at 7 PM.

Cost of the four week day time classes are \$75 for the first class, \$65 for the second class, same dog/family. The cost for one dog in any of the evening classes will be \$95 per six week session; the second dog/class from the same family will be \$85 per six week session. If there is space for drop ins, that will be \$22 per class, \$18 for the second dog. Please call or e-mail to see if there is space.

Aggressive dogs will not be allowed in any class. Obedience and nosework classes will be in the obedience building, which is matted, heated, and air conditioned. Agility classes will be held in my unheated dirt-floor building, and you will also be working outside as soon as the weather conditions permit. All of the classes will start and end on time, so promptness is important! The exercise area for the dogs is south of the driveway (on your left as you drive in), do NOT let your dog eliminate north of the driveway or around any of the agility equipment. Please pick up after your dog, baggies will be provided. With so many dogs in the various classes, you **must** pick up after your dog, no exceptions, even in the dark, so you might want to bring a little flashlight early in the year when it could be dark after class. Be sure and park completely on the pavement and not on any of the grassy areas, especially this winter/spring when it will be so muddy. Please park close together to conserve parking space for those coming later. And if you're doing both obedience/nosework and agility on the same day/night, bring a separate pair of shoes, it gets ugly in the obedience room if you do agility and then walk through the snow and mud to do obedience or nosework inside. :-)

And, my very biggest "thing", do NOT drive up the driveway a hundred miles an hour. We have a lot of dogs, cats, and people that could be in the driveway at any given moment. And do be careful driving out, stop and look both ways, and then look again before you pull out of the driveway.

If there are any questions as to whether class will be held due to inclement weather, check your e-mail as I will be sending out a general announcement by 3 PM at the latest for evening classes and by 8 AM for morning classes. Except in **very** extreme heat (It's true, it IS cooler in the country!), class will most likely be held unless driving conditions are dangerous, and since the obedience building is air conditioned, heat will not be a criteria for canceling obedience, rally, or nosework class. Bad weather, of course, will be!

Class size is limited. Don't assume you've got a spot in class just because you have been in a previous class or told me at some point you wanted to do it, get your registration in ASAP. If you wish to enroll in obedience, rally, agility and/or nosework class, please return the attached registration form, release form, and class fee. Private lessons are always available and are \$50 an hour, \$30 for half an hour. The agility and obedience buildings are also available for rent for training, \$10 for either building, per person per hour.

I am looking forward to another great year of classes! If you have any

questions, don't hesitate to e-mail or call me at (712) 526-2252.

thanks, Gerianne

Directions to Sunshine Obedience School:

Take I-80 to I-29 South. Take the Iowa School For The Deaf/Highway 92 exit. Turn right from the exit and go to the stoplight. This is the intersection of Highways 92 and 275. Turn right (south) on Highway 275 (also called Wabash Ave.) for 2.2 miles. Turn left onto the Pioneer Trail (also called G-66, which is a paved road.) Go four miles. Turn right onto 240th Street (gravel road). We are the fourth place on the right, the number is 11092. We are on top of the hill after the bike trail, and there is a large Basset Hound mailbox.

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Telephone(home/cell/work): _____

Dog's name, age, and breed: _____

DAY TIME CLASSES - Four weeks, \$75 for first dog, \$65 for second dog/class

Agility Class (Monday, 9 AM, starting 3/23):

Advanced Nosework Class (Monday, 10:30 AM, starting 2/24):

Rally Class (Tuesday, 9:30 AM, starting 2/25)

Novice/Open/Beginning Utility (Tuesday, 10:15 AM, starting 2/25)

NIGHT TIME CLASSES - Six weeks, \$95 for first dog, \$85 for second dog/class

Novice/Beginning Open (Monday, 6 PM, starting 3/23):

Advanced Nosework Class (Monday, 7 PM, starting 3/23):

Please return registration form, release form and class fee before the start of classes to:

**Gerianne Darnell
11092 240th St.
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Release Form for 2020 Agility, Obedience, Rally, Herding, and Tracking Classes

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the 2020 Sunshine Obedience School agility, obedience, tracking, and/or herding classes I agree to hold Sunshine Obedience School, Sunshine Veterinary Clinic, Gerianne Darnell, George Darnell, and Jim Hogsett harmless from cause directly or indirectly to a person or thing by the act of my dog while in or upon the session premises or near entrance thereto, and I personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of my dog(s) by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury, being caused or alleged to be caused by the theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury, being caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, including myself or of my participation in class, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their agents, or any other persons. If my dog causes the death of a sheep or duck, I agree that I will pay \$175 for sheep replacement and \$35 for duck replacement.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Student Name _____ Dog(s) Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____