



Sunshine Obedience School

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Dear Obedience/Agility/Nosework Enthusiast:

I am pleased to announce that I will again offer obedience, nosework and agility classes this spring. There are some changes to the schedule this year, so please read this carefully. Day and night classes will BOTH now be four week, continuous classes, running on the same schedule. Both day and night classes will start on Monday and Tuesday, March 1-2, with the exception of the Monday morning agility class, which due to the cold and snow will not start until the next session on March 29th.

Day and night classes will run in continuous four week sessions through October. We will be taking a break in July over the hottest part of the summer. There are also no classes during Memorial Day and Labor Day week. The classes offered will be advanced agility and advanced nosework on Monday mornings, advanced obedience and advanced nosework on Monday nights, and advanced obedience on Tuesday mornings.

Until the Monday morning agility classes start on March 29th, the Monday morning nosework class will be on TUESDAYS, right before the Tuesday morning obedience class. So, advanced nosework will begin the year on Tuesday morning, March 2nd, at 9 AM. The Tuesday morning obedience class will follow at 10:15. The Tuesday morning Obedience class this year will again be a combined Novice/Open class, and we will continue with some Utility exercises as well. The class will begin each week with a set of novice stays at 10:15 AM.

Night classes will also begin on Monday, March 1st. The two classes on Monday night will be a Novice/Open/Beginning Utility Obedience Class at 6 PM, followed by an advanced nosework class at 7 PM.

Cost of the four week classes will remain the same as last year, \$75 for the first class, \$65 for the second class, same dog/family. Drop in fee will be \$22, 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 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, agility and/or nosework class, please return the attached registration form and release form, and then please bring cash to the first class. 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, 9:30 AM, starting 3/29):

Advanced Nosework Class (Tuesday, 9 AM, starting 3/2):

Novice/Open/Beginning Utility (Tuesday, 10:15 AM, starting 3/2):

NIGHT TIME CLASSES – Four weeks, \$75 for first dog, \$65 for second dog/class

Novice/ Open /Beginning Utility (Monday, 6 PM, starting 3/1):

Advanced Nosework Class (Monday, 7 PM, starting 3/1):

Please return registration form and release form by mail and then bring class fee in cash to the first class to:

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Release Form for 2021 Agility, Obedience, Rally, Herding, and Tracking Classes

AGREEMENT

In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the 2021 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 _____ Dog(s) _____

Name_____ Name_____

Address_____

Phone (Day)_____ (Evening)_____