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Russian Dog Show

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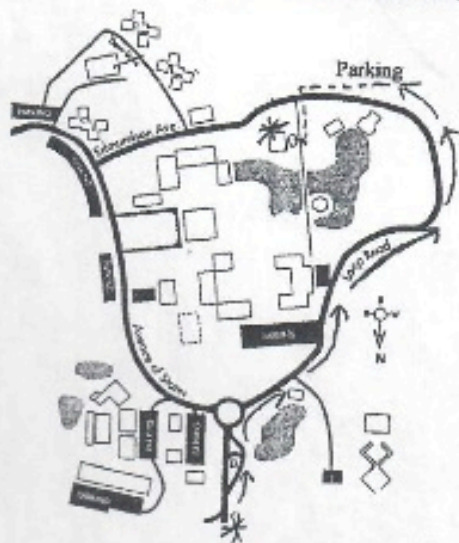
RUSSIAN BREEDS : RUSSIAN GOLD

Black Russian Terrier - Borzoi - Samoyed
Siberian Husky
Russian Blue Cat

Saturday
March 31, 2007
2:00PM
Roberts Hall Room 101
Eckerd College

The Samoyed dogs were featured at the SPIFFS Folk Fair. For further information, see pp. 3-4.

Directions to Roberts 101.
Follow the arrows and the signs.



Entrance to Eckerd College:
4200 54th Avenue South

Russian Heritage Picnic Saturday, April 21

Russian Heritage is planning a picnic on Saturday, April 21 at the home of Dr. Konstantin Artzibushev in Odessa, Florida. A cookout, featuring hamburgers, *sosiski*, and chicken will be served, along with soft drinks. Beer and wine will be available for \$2.

The picnic begins at 2:00 pm, and at 3:30 we will hear the first performance of the new Russian Male Quartet (Boldireff, Cheine, Khokhlov, and Markov). After the cookout we will continue our spring music theme with group singing led by members of the Quartet.

Tickets can be ordered in advance for \$10 at *Russian Heritage* events such as the Dog Show, or by sending a check to the Russian Heritage Post Office Box. At the gate:

Adults: \$15
Students: \$5
Children under 6: free.

Directions to the picnic: From I-275, go north VETERANS EXPY to HUTCHINSON RD (exit 12). Merge onto HUTCHINSON RD and drive 1.5 miles to Artzibushev's home at 16559 Hutchinson Rd.

We hope to see you all there!

*Annual Meeting & Elections
Sunday, May 6 at the St.
Petersburg Nights Restaurant.
Details to follow.*

A Dog's Eye View of SPIFFS

Hello. My name is Noah and I am a Samoyed dog member of the Samoyed Fanciers of Central Florida. I am a Russian dog and I always enjoy learning about Russian culture. Sometimes I even fool people into thinking that I understand Russian when I respond to ee-dee-syu-dah. And I certainly grin with delight when called an ha-no-shue mal chook. You can see me looking majestic here with the three Russian sisters Mary, Pat and Ellen.



No- that is not Russia. We were outside the Russian tent and that was a scene of "onion" domes which Mary had painted. But it looks real, doesn't it? And my special lady friends here looked very nice.

This year, our Russian booth chose to highlight Russian Breeds to get people ready for the Russian Heritage program about them on March 31. We Samoyeds are used to being show stoppers and we certainly raked in the crowds as you can see.



Zhanna Sidorenko was in charge of staffing the Russian tent with volunteers and did a beautiful job of providing hospitality to all who were there. Here she is greeting two of my friends.



As usual, Galina & Vladimir Malkin and their sons Roman and Vadim provided a beautiful display of Russian treasures and trinkets. Here are Galina and Vadim.



After we Samoyeds had people "hooked", then volunteers acquainted them with other aspects of Russian culture. The Parade of Nations on Saturday was a chance for some good friends like Tatiana and Leonid Beck to represent Mother Russia.



All in all, I think everyone had a great time - much enhanced by the good booscht and blintzes from Ilona and her crew from St. Petersburg Nights.

I hope that I and my friends brought to the event the type of joy seen in this last picture of a gleeful child hugging a Samoyed who is appropriately showing us "the end".



PURE-BRED DOGS OF RUSSIA

MATCH THE DOG ON THE RIGHT WITH ITS DESCRIPTION ON THE LEFT.

___A. I was used by the Russian nobility to hunt game. I am a sight hound like the Greyhound - very fast. My breed almost became extinct during the Russian Revolution when I was considered a symbol of the aristocracy.

БОРЗАЯ

___B. I was originally used as a fast sledding dog in Eastern Siberia south of the Bering Strait. I am the smallest and fastest of all the northern breed freighting dogs. I am known for my facial mask and occasional blue eyes.

СИБИРСКИЙ ХАСКИ

___C. I am one of the oldest dog breeds originating in the Russian Arctic Circle. I am known for my broad smile, glistening white coat and dark eyes. I was used to herd reindeer, pull sleds and to keep my family warm in their reindeer skin huts.

САМОЕДСКАЯ ЛАЙКА

___D. I am relatively new on the dog scene, having been bred by the Soviets in the mid 1930's in a suburb of Moscow to be a guard and working dog. I am robust, large and powerful, combining the characteristics of Giant Schnauzers, Airedales, Rottweilers, Newfoundlands and Great Danes.

ЧЁРНЫЙ ТЕРЬЕР

___E. I came from the Caucasus Mountains and my origin was the Stone Age. I am a huge Mastiff type dog, weighing between 70 and 160 lb. My nature, is protective, territorial, suspicious, trainable and willing to work. I am family oriented and good with children.

КАВКАЗСКАЯ ОВЧАРКА



1. SAMOYED
САМОЕДСКАЯ ЛАЙКА



2. BLACK RUSSIAN
TERRIER
ЧЁРНЫЙ ТЕРЬЕР



3. CAUCASIAN
OVCHARKA
КАВКАЗСКАЯ ОВЧАРКА



4. SIBERIAN
HUSKY
СИБИРСКИЙ ХАСКИ



5. BORZOI
БОРЗАЯ

RUSSIAN SAMOYEDS FEATURED AT THE *RUSSIAN HERITAGE* BOOTH AT SPIFFS FOLK FESTIVAL

Russian Heritage participated in its fifth SPIFFS Folk Festival on March 14-18, 2007, as one of 30 ethnic groups taking part in the program. This year we cooperated with the Samoyed Fanciers of Central Florida to feature Russian dogs as a part of our village. The Samoyeds were a great attraction (see Noah's article on page 2) and we thank Peggy, Jeannie and Lindsey, Father Bob, John and Julie, Stephanie and Roger, LaWayne and Georgann, and Debbie and their wonderful dogs.

Our booth once again included wonderful souvenirs and works of art provided by "Vladimir's Collection" and we thank Vladimir and Galina Malkin for being involved with our display. We also thank Ilona Sakovich and the "St. Petersburg's Nights" restaurant for providing tasty Russian foods. Finally, we thank Zhanna Sidorenko for helping to coordinate the many volunteers who worked in the booth, including Zhanna and Konstantin, Dagmar, Irene, Grace, Sofia, Alla, Natalia, Nadia and Violetta, Manuel, Leonid and Tatiana, Misha, Gene, Mary, Peggy, and Bill. The game prepared by Peggy Newton that we gave to interested visitors to our booth is shown on page 3. This also served as an advertisement for our program on the Russian breeds for March 31.

Annual Dues for 2007

It is now time to pay your dues for 2007. If you want to continue receiving this newsletter, please take action now. If your dues have been paid, it will be indicated on your mailing label.

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