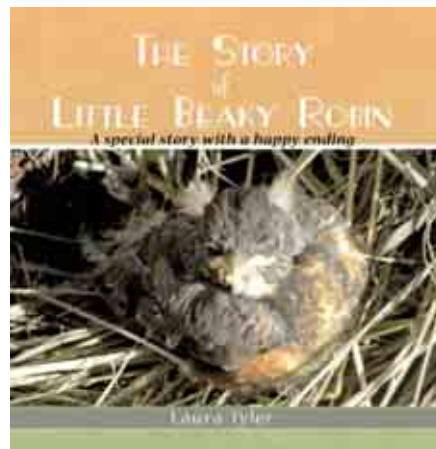


February Calendar of Events

February 5th - Book Signing - Steamboat Springs

You're invited!

On Friday evening, February 5th from 6 to 7:30 pm the Epilogue Book Store at 837 Lincoln Street in Steamboat Springs will host a book signing for my new children's book titled *The Story of Little Beaky Robin*. While you are enjoying a beautiful evening on the Art Walk, please stop in and say HI!



February 24th - What the Heck is Clicker Training?

Advanced Dog Training Seminar - 10 am to 2 pm at RK Pet Ranch

Total Teamwork Training and RK Pet Ranch will host a dog training seminar at RK Pet Ranch on Hwy 131 between Steamboat and Oak Creek. We have limited space and just 2 openings left for this one day seminar. It's titled **What the Heck is Clicker Training?**

Clicker training has been around for years! Sea Life Park, Wild Animal Parks and zoos use this safe and humane training method to teach the wildest most dangerous captive animals to participate in their own care. It incorporates an acoustic marker – the click – to deliver information to the animal that what he is doing at that moment is correct. And he is then rewarded for it. It's a completely hands off approach to animal training. It incorporates a high level of positive reinforcement and a step by step system to teach an amazing array of training skills. Dogs, horses, cats and even fish can be trained using this method of operant conditioning. If you have a well-mannered and sociable dog and would like to broaden your communication and relationship, then call Laura at 629-1507 to register. *Proceeds will be donated to the Routt County Search and Rescue.*



You've got mail!



Head Start Puppy classes have started in Craig and Steamboat. Oh, do we ever have some cute little guys! We love teaching puppy classes! With young dogs we have a unique opportunity to help them develop responsive social communication skills with other young dogs and people. We love providing these young puppies with the opportunity to play in a safe and controlled environment. By the time they reach 5 months of age that opportunity for sociable and well adjusted play skills is

beginning to close. That's the time when adolescence begins to take over and adult attitudes and size can begin to cause some dogs to be isolated because they can't play well with other dogs. We have to maintain a strict age limit for enrollment in this class. Even though an 8 or 9 month old dog still acts like a puppy, their physical size and attitude can overwhelm and intimidate the younger ones. If we could have one wish granted, it would be that every puppy has a chance to go to a Head Start Puppy class before they are 5 months old! Statistics show that dogs and families participating in a well rounded training class are less likely to give up on a dog and send them to a shelter. Remember, shelter dogs are made not born!

Family Dog Training - If you just couldn't make the puppy class schedule, you can still sign up for our Family Dog Training. This class is for dogs of all ages. We can't allow the same off leash social play that we have in puppy class, so we add more foundation training to include additional structured activities, some agility obstacles and tricks training.

February 24th Family Dog Training class in Craig
February 27th Family Dog Training class in Meeker

Classes are filling up fast, so if you are interested please contact Laura at 629-1507 or Sandra at 824-4189

As always, we are available to come to you for in home training and behavior consultations.

You can reach Laura Tyler CPDT-KA at 629-1507
Sandra Kruczek CPDT-KA at 824-4189
Arlene Estes in Meeker at 878-5655

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Happy Valentine's Day!