



# DOG TRAINING CLASSES

Class topics are rotated and specialty classes are not offered every term.

**Diamonds In-The-Ruff  
Dog Training**

**(517) 589-0477**

**www.Diamonds-In-The-Ruff.com**

**Email: bethspanski@diamonds-in-the-ruff.com**

## Classes are located at:

**Soldan's Pet Supplies  
1802 W. Grand River  
Okemos, MI**



**Minimum 3 dogs per class, so pre-registration is preferred before first night of class.**

### Second Location

**Outdoor Spring & Summer Classes offered in Leslie/Mason. Dates to be announced.**

**Private Lessons are available. Contact us for further information.**

## Class Schedule

### Household Manners Obedience Class

**Start dates: Monday**

**January 24, 2011 or April 4, 2011**

**6:30 pm-7:30 pm** Class meets once a week for 6 weeks.  
Cost: **\$95** Age limit, **12 weeks or older.**

First night is **Orientation without dogs.**

This is the entry level obedience class for all canines, designed for all breeds and all age groups of dogs. **Topics covered in class:** sit, down, stay, heel, off (no jumping), come when called, leave-it, loose lead walking (no pulling on leash), quiet, housebreaking, crate training, collars and other equipment options, basic canine care and husbandry, feeding and grooming.

### Accelerated Household Manners Class

**Start dates: Saturday January 8, 2011—10am-Noon**  
**or Tuesday February 8, 2011—6:30 pm-8:30 pm**  
**or Friday March 4, 2011 - 6:30 pm-8:30 pm**

Class meets once a week for 3 weeks. Limited to 6 dogs.

Cost: **\$95** Age limit, **16 weeks or older..**

The class covers everything in a regular class but is good for busy schedules, saves on gas and travel time. See Household Manners description for topics covered in class.

### Come When Called Class

**start date: Monday**

**April 4, 2011**

**7:45-8:45 PM** Class meets once a week for 5 weeks.  
Cost: **\$65** **No canine age limit.**

This class teaches your dog to come when called around distractions. Learn off-leash training techniques. We will show you the secrets that professional dog trainers use on their own dogs. **Requirement:** graduation from an entry level class or instructor's approval.

### Canine Good Citizen/Therapy Dog Class

**Start date: Monday**

**January 24, 2011**

**7:45 pm—8:45 pm** Class meets once a week for 6 weeks.  
Cost: **\$95** Age limit, **4 months or older.**

Pre-requisite: Graduation from an entry level obedience class or instructors approval. This class is designed to hone your dog's obedience commands: sit, stay, down, come, heel. Emphasis on practicing the exercises in the AKC's CGC test and Bright and Beautiful Therapy Dogs (B&BTD) test. Tests are offered separately.

Web sites: [www.golden-dogs.org](http://www.golden-dogs.org)  
[www.akc.org/events/cgc/](http://www.akc.org/events/cgc/)

### Puppy Socialization Class

**Start dates: Thursday**

**January 13, 2011 or February 10 or March 3**

**6:30 pm-7:30 pm** Class meets once a week for 3 weeks.  
Cost: **\$35** Age limit: **8 weeks—18 weeks.**

Focus on preventing behavioral problems.

### Fun with Fido

**Start date: Thursday April 28, 2011**

**7:45-8:45 pm** Class meets once a week for 5 weeks.  
Cost: **\$65** Age limit, **16 weeks or older.**

Learn how dogs are trained for the movies: clicker & trick training. Hone your obedience skills thru fun and games.

### Intro to Canine Sports

**Start date: Thursday**

**February 10, 2011**

**7:45-8:45 PM** Class meets once a week for 5 weeks.  
Cost: **\$65** Age limit, **5 months or older.**

Students will learn and work on exercises from Obedience, Rally and Agility. Other dog venues will also be discussed. This is a class designed to hone your dog's obedience skills as a springboard for competition. Introduction to non-impact agility obstacles so that any age dog may attend. Mixed breed dogs can compete.

# Diamonds In-The-Ruff Dog Training

## About Beth Spanski:

- ♦ Over 27 years experience instructing puppy classes, beginners and advanced classes through open and utility.
- ♦ Bachelor Degree in Psychology, certified in counseling.
- ♦ Certified Service Dog Trainer since 1995, working with service and hearing dogs for the physically challenged.
- ♦ Implemented Pet Therapy Programs.

- ♦ Trained chimpanzees at the Detroit Zoological Institute to accept arm injections, and worked three years as a zookeeper.
- ♦ Worked six years as a Veterinary Assistant.
- ♦ Since 1978, has competed in American and Canadian Kennel Club Obedience and Agility Trials. Beth has earned over 70 titles on 11 different breeds of dogs.



Continuing Education: Beth attends continuing animal training seminars on all aspects of training, health & diet, and husbandry. Beth has attended over 50 seminars featuring speakers from around the world. This keeps her updated with the current training styles from around the world.

### *Diamonds In-The-Ruff...*

Training Champions since 1978:

- Obedience Trial Champion, Tracking Dog: Gingerbread UDT ( Miniature Schnauzer )
- Obedience Trial Champion, Tracking Dog: Calli UDT ( Belgian Shepherd )
- Jazz CDX, C.G.C. Registered Therapy Dog ( Cairn Terrier )
- American & Can Champion: Amy AG2, UCD, HC, NJC ( Australian Cattle dog )
- Rescued dog: Agility Champion, U-AGII , U-CD, EJC, OAC, OA, OJP Jetti Knight RN, CD, OAP, OAJP, CD-H, Registered Therapy Dog (Labrador)
- Rescued dog: U-AG2 , OJC, OAC Colt (Terrier/Daschund Cross)
- Rescued dog: U-AG1 Spike (French Bulldog)
- Rescued dog: Awesome NAJ, NAC (German Shepherd Dog)
- Rescued dog: AG1 Madison NAC (Shetland Sheepdog)
- Rescued dog: AG1 Magic OAJ, TN-O, CL1-R, CL2-H, CL2-F, CGC, Service Dog, Registered Therapy Dog (German Shepherd Dog)
- Gary Spanski V.T.H. (Very Tolerant Husband)

### Our policy on corrections:

We all love our dogs and we want to do right by our pets. There is much confusion as to how, when & why we should correct our dogs. Some trainers are correction based while others use a 100% positive - "never correct" policy. Diamonds falls into neither category. Instead, we use a middle of the road, well-balanced & common sense approach. We never use harsh corrections or choke chains.

To start training your dog, we utilize food rewards to teach your dog how to focus. Your dog will enjoy training and your dog will enjoy coming to class. Then once a behavior is learned, we apply mild & humane corrections. This ensures that while our dogs enjoy training, they understand that certain behaviors are unacceptable. This also ensures that your dog can obey when no food rewards are around. THE RESULT will be a well adjusted, happy and obedient dog that you will be proud of.

While we utilize corrections, we realize that all dogs and breeds are unique in temperament. Our small class size and extensive experience allows us to tailor the training program for each dog and family. Shy dogs and rescues will be treated and handled differently than the more dominant dogs who may be experiencing those "teenage times."

Mail this portion with payment to: Beth Spanski, P.O. Box 285, Mason, MI 48854

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address : \_\_\_\_\_

Class Desired: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_

\*Owners must provide proof that the following vaccinations are current: Rabies (if over 4 months), Da2PPPL

\*\* Dogs with known aggression issues are not allowed in class. Please call to discuss alternative solutions.