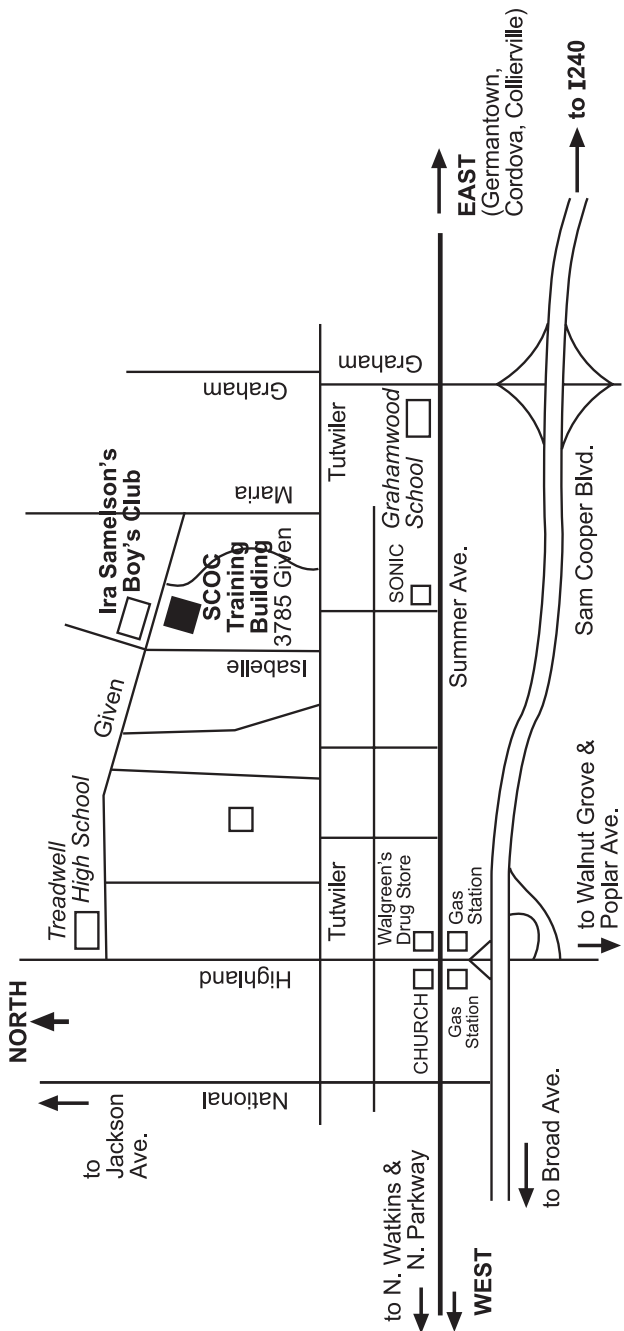


Shelby County Obedience Club



"We Aim To Praise"



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Thank you for your interest in Shelby County Obedience Club (SCOC). We offer classes at all levels of dog obedience, from Beginner Obedience to AKC Competition Obedience. In addition, training sessions for the Conformation and Agility dog are available.

Beginner Obedience Classes

The Beginner Pet Obedience Class is open to the general public at a nominal fee (\$100.00), payable in check or cash. A discount is offered to those dogs adopted from a shelter or rescue group and enrolled in class within six months of the adoption. Dogs must have current Rabies, DHLPP and Parvo vaccinations, and be licensed according to city/county regulations. We also recommend dogs be vaccinated for Bordetella and Corona.

During the six-week sessions (one hour per week), dog owners are taught the basics of training their dogs to heel on leash, sit, stand, lie down, stay and come when called. These classes have the added advantage of allowing socialization with other dogs and handlers in a group setting.

Registration for the Beginner Obedience Classes is held at the SCOC Training Building at 3785 Given Avenue (see map). Please be sure to bring your dog's shot records to Registration. Do **NOT** bring dogs to Registration. Classes are scheduled approximately every two months. Please check our website www.shelbycountyobedienceclub.com or call (901) 458-6556 for exact dates, and be sure to leave a phone number where you can be reached in the evening.

Each class can have 8 to 15 dog and handler teams and the spaces are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis at registration. We have found this limitation is necessary to ensure quality instruction and to have enough space for the movement required in learning the exercises.

All dogs must be on leash, preferably a 6-foot leash (not a chain), during class. Leashes and collars will be available, at cost, at the Obedience Classes. We will be glad to make recommendations on the appropriate collar and help with its proper fitting to maximize its effect.

Other Classes and Events

Advanced Beginner Classes are also available to the public. The sequel to the Beginner Class is not designed for competition, but prepares for the AKC CGC certification.

SCOC also holds Conformation Classes, open to the public, several times each year. Please call (901) 458-6556 and leave a message to inquire about the next Conformation series.

Other advanced instruction is offered to SCOC members only, at a minimal charge, and is designed to prepare dogs and handlers for the competition ring. These frequently scheduled classes include training for Obedience competition (Rally, Novice, Open and Utility) and Agility. Classes are held throughout the year in our air-conditioned and heated Training Building.

Fun Matches – practice shows – are held periodically. The Club also sponsors seminars and other educational programs.

Becoming a Member

To be eligible for club membership you first must have completed the Beginner Class offered by SCOC, completed a basic dog obedience course offered by an approved training club or instructor, or have experience in the Conformation ring or with other dog-related activities or professions.

Applicants attend a membership meeting or social event and submit an application endorsed by two SCOC members. A one-time application fee is required plus the pro-rated dues. Applications are presented to the membership for approval at the next monthly meeting. Applicants are then notified of membership status by mail.

The club accepts both individual and family memberships, entitling the members to unlimited training classes for a small fee, use of the club facilities, attendance at regular business meetings and club social functions. Nominal annual dues are assessed and payable June 1 of each year.

General Meetings

SCOC meets once a month on the first Wednesday of the first full week of the month. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm in our Training Building at 3785 Given Avenue.

For more information, please feel free to call us at (901) 458-6556 and leave a message, one of our club's phone committee volunteers will be happy to return your call. We look forward to meeting you and your dog(s).

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Please let me know about the next training class

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Dog's Breed _____

Dog's Age _____

Please mail this slip or telephone (901) 458-6556 or check our website www.shelbycountyobedienceclub.com for more information