

CLANCY'S CLICHES

The Three Amigos, aka, the Three Stooges: By now most of you have discovered there's another member on the St. Leo staff. A cocker spaniel on splayed stilts, Jake is rambunctious, to say the least. With his pink eyes and brown mouth he looks like he's been in a box of Coco-Puffs. He chews on my ears and legs like a spaniel and dances on his back legs like the prancing poodle he is. Just looking at him you crack up laughing!



Many have asked so here's the scoop: Jake will occasionally have a column in the Newsletter. However, the puff has been so busy—crazily checking out the various offices of his new home and his new family of folks who come and go—he hasn't done his homework. Like a good brother, I've ghost-written his column (p.5) this time. Ice creamed seemed a good start for the little mop. Get it—scoop...ice cream...



Speaking of which, remember when it was really fun to bite the bottom of an ice cream cone and suck the melted ice cream out, catch raindrops on your tongue, walk under archways because they were there, and roll around in the sand at the beach? They're just plain old fun and carefree!

In this month's Poochie Pointers, I'm featuring and strongly N-dorse these disciplines to N-joy the "Natural" surroundings—anywhere and everywhere:



Nap—settle in under the shade of a tree or bush, looking out at the life in front of you, even if it is just the grass growing, get drowsy, get ...zzzzzzzzzz. Oops, where was I?



Network—go barefoot and make some new contacts! Ha!



N-terrelationships—as in, co-exist. The grass, trees, flowers, bugs, lizards, and all of nature all seem to get along just fine. The interdependence and kinship is a great taste to life as one big happy family.



Noise pollution—listen to the birds, the sounds of leaves dancing in the wind, the babbling of the water sprinkler or a fountain, the ice cream truck that always tells you it's summer outside.



Nose pollution-savor the smells of mowed grass, white lilac trees, and even the barbeque grill-out!
N-terpretation—glance up at the clouds and see more than white billows. Aren't those cats and dogs, lizards and swans, cupcakes and ice cream cones you see up there? Imagine that!



Notice things—really see things. While looking at a pretty weed in the yard, I found right next to it a four-leaf clover! You honor others and our Creator when you pay attention.



N-kindle, N-liven and N-body all of nature and creation! ...and ...N-joy!

Howlin' is hootn'; Growlin's not gooten! –



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CLANCY'S CACKLES

Knock, knock! Who's there? Ohio. Ohio Who? Ohi-o Silver!!

1. Did you hear the joke about the Liberty Bell? **Yes, it cracked me up!**
2. What do you get when crossing a Patriot with a curly-haired dog? **A Yankee-Doodle!**
3. Why did the duck say "Bang"? **It thought it was a fire quacker!**
4. What dog warned that the British were coming? **Paw Reverse!**
5. Which colonists told the most jokes? **PUNsylvanians!**
6. What did the bread do on vacation? **It loafed around!**

