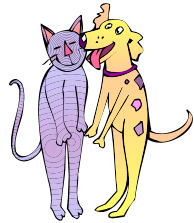


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# An Evening For Pet Lovers

*- Admission Free -*



**Saturday, April 12, 2008**

**7 PM**

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## SPECIAL GUEST

### Gina Spadafori



**Gina Spadafori** is executive editor and award-winning columnist of the weekly pet-care feature, the **"Pet Connection,"** appearing in *The Daily Triplicate* and syndicated to newspapers, magazines and Web sites throughout the U.S. and Canada by Universal Press Syndicate

([www.petconnection.com](http://www.petconnection.com)). She has been connecting with pet owners since launching her **"Pet Connection"** column at the *Sacramento Bee* in 1983. Gregory Favre, former executive editor of the *Bee*, explains its appeal: "Gina's 'Pet Connection' column comes from the mind of a journalist who knows pets and from the heart of a pet owner who loves them. And the readers benefit greatly."

She is the 2007 recipient of the annual Excellence in Pet Industry Journalism Award and co-author of the *New York Times* best seller, ***Why Do Dogs Drink Out of the Toilet?*** along with "America's Favorite Veterinarian," Dr. Marty Becker. She will speak on issues of current concern to pet owners, take questions, and read a touching short story from her forthcoming ***Ultimate Pet Lover*** series.

Spadafori will read excerpts from and discuss her two new books— charming, illustrated collections of tips, trivia and little-known facts: ***MEOW WOW: Curiously Compelling Facts, True Tales and Trivia Even Your Cat Won't Know*** and ***BOW WOW: Curiously Compelling Facts, True Tales and Trivia Even Your Dog Won't Know.***

## EVENING HIGHLIGHTS

### MEET THE AUTHOR

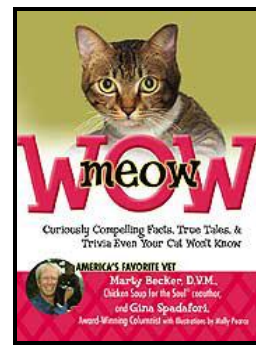
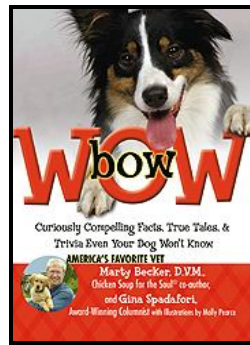
#### Gina Spadafori

We are very much honored that Gina Spadafori is making this rare appearance on the North Coast!

Spadafori has been blessed with the opportunity to combine two of her dearest loves—animals and words—into a 25-year career writing about animals. Her brilliance, delightful humor, warmth and amazing knowledge of pets of all kinds will guarantee a fun and informative evening for anyone.

Her well-mannered flat-coated retrievers will capture your hearts; veteran Heather, cute McKenzie and young Woody will be along for your enjoyment.

Spadafori's two new books below will be available for sale and may be personally autographed that evening.



### DEL NORTE COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

There is excitement at the shelter! In just a few months since assuming his new position, Ken Smith, Director of DNC Animal Control, has made tremendous progress in improving and updating the operations of the County shelter. You will hear about significant new procedures and protocols now in place, including a key volunteer program in progress, and how this Shelter's reform assures humane animal care and proper health, and furthers the goal of finding every adoptable pet a new, safe and loving home.

### HUMANE SOCIETY OF DEL NORTE

Celebrating their new partnering agreement with the County, they will tell of recent notable accomplishments, their launch of a community volunteer program, and future plans for rescue.

### THE JEFFERSON STATE BOONDOCK BAND

Always a joy, they make merry in the State of Jefferson!

## SPECIAL GUEST

### Christie Keith



Joining Spadafori in unique and engaging dialogue is **Christie Keith**, editor and director of community services for [www.PetHobbist.com](http://www.PetHobbist.com) and contributor to the **"Your Whole Pet"** column for [www.SFGate.com](http://www.SFGate.com), the Web site of the *San Francisco Chronicle*. She is contributing editor for Universal Press Syndicate's **"Pet Connection,"** and past director of America Online's "Pet Care Forum." Keith has written for ***Bark Magazine*** and is the founding editor of [www.VeterinaryPartner.com](http://www.VeterinaryPartner.com). As a member of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, she has served two terms on its board of directors and is a member of the Dog Writers Association of America.

An exceptional author, you will be captivated by Keith's original writing from which she will read.

### EVENT SCHEDULE

7:00 Meet & Greet -- Music  
7:30 Presentations - Readings – Reception

### INFORMATION

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