

SMARTEST PET IN QUEENS CONTEST WINNERS

The Queens Chronicle held a "Smartest Pet In Queens" contest. Our grand prize winner is Lola, a 2-year-old Yorkshire terrier. Second place went to Princess a mixed breed and our third place winner is Phyllis a half Siamese. Our grand prize winner will receive \$125 and second place

winner \$75 in pet services at any of Central Vet's locations. Third place winner will receive \$25 for any pet service or product at Grand Avenue Pet Center in Maspeth.

We would like to thank all of the pets and their owners who participated in our contest. Here is what makes these three pets so unique and the winners of our contest. 📌



FIRST PLACE: LOLA

Lola is a 2-year-old Yorkshire terrier. We don't know if Lola is the smartest pet in Queens but she is pretty amusing and very cute. She can do many

tricks, such as sit, paw down, and up. She knows to "go home" when we're at the park, "go upstairs" to my parents house, find specific toys by names (but not all of them ... yet). The most amusing so far is that Lola likes to fly.

It was first noticed that she could fly about six months ago when she was playing with my husband and myself. Since then, it has become a big joke in our family, so much so that we went out to purchase a superman shirt. She flies by putting her two paws forward and crossing them anytime she is in the air.

Lola also loves being rocked and sung to like a baby, she goes to sleep in your arms. The thing that makes her the most unique is that she loves to get dressed and take pictures. We think she's pretty amazing and wanted to share this with you. She is our "Super Dog."

—Submitted by Nicole & William Moore,
Howard Beach



SECOND PLACE: PRINCESS

My dog is named Princess and she is the greatest dog in the world. She can make you laugh when you are depressed and whenever you are

happy she makes you even happier.

What my dog does is that she can have a ball in her mouth and then she will pick the ball up with her two front paws.

Also, when she is lying on her back on the ground she prays without the ball. Since my mom got a new bed, I was depressed about something and to make me laugh she tried to get up on top of the queen size bed and could not get up so my father had to help my dog up.

Whenever I watch the game show called "Jeopardy" she barks out the answer. Whenever I read a book, my dog reads with me and I put my Mom's glasses on her. When my family is upstairs with me, I ask my dog to bring up the newspaper and she brings it up to us. She is the greatest and most beautiful dog in the world to me. If that is not the funniest and smartest dog, tell me what is!

—Submitted by Matthew Muller
Age 12,
Woodhaven



THIRD PLACE: PHYLLIS

My name is Phyllis. I was born and raised in Sunnyville, Calif. I am half Siamese. I was adopted and handed

over to Scott, my friend, my care giver and protector. We moved to the East Coast and landed in Delaware and Pennsylvania. We lived here for two to three years until we moved to Port Washington on L.I. Currently, I am living in Elmhurst and met another care giver. His name is Jojo. We are now settled in this area.

Scott has juvenile (type 1) diabetes. I was told that during episodes of hypoglycemia, I would alert Scott to check his blood sugar or even take a glucose tablet if he is capable. During night time, I would jump over his bed, make noises and extend my nostrils to this face to "purr" so he can recognize that I am around and wake him up.

I sprint along the hallway to draw attention. I go in and out of Scott's bedroom to check him. I would even go to the bathroom, sit on top of the toilet seat and watch over him just to be sure that he is fine. I thrive to protect him. My owners love me and I know I have a special gift to share.

—Submitted by Joseph Balatbat and
Scott Strumello,
Elmhurst

HONORABLE MENTION



Shadow



Diamond



Princess Danca



Justin



Smokey



Trinity



Regis & Cookie



Buddy