



Brooklyn turned six months old October 11th. She now has quite a reliable "drop it" and "give," and most of the time she does not jump on the counter (unless something very yummy, like steak, has been left unattended). She hardly ever pulls the tablecloth off the table anymore. I can leave her on her own in the house when I go out to the barn to feed the cat. Unfortunately she still has to be on a lead at the park. It is looking like it will be at least another month, if not more, before we can let her run free. She has become very good about not running up to everyone to say hello but when she sees dogs, she MUST visit and if we were to let her, she would go home with them.



She has now been entered into two conformation shows and each time we have brought home ribbons. Our next conformation show will be here in Napa on November 12th. Showing a dog is really a different experience for me. I had no idea how much there was to showing a dog. I am taking classes in Benicia and have found a mentor here in Napa. I have learned a lot but after watching other handlers, I can see there is so much more to learn, not just in handling but in scoring and titling.



Pictured above are Aubrey and Sierra in costume. This is what they wore for the musical production of "Schoolhouse Rock" put on by Sonoma's Broadway Bound Kids. They sang and rocked through five performances! We enjoyed seeing them perform October 15th!



A day at Stanley Lane Pumpkin Patch

Parent teacher conferences at Rylan, Aubrey, and Sierra's school this week gave us an extra afternoon with the kids so we took them to one of their most favorite places here in Napa this time of year. After running through the maze, sliding down the tunnel in the hay bale pyramid, climbing tractors, saying hello to the pigs and goats, they each picked out three itty, bitty pumpkins to take home.



LOOKING GOOD!



My Mom turned 88 in September.

My largest drawing yet. Commissioned by a lady in Texas as a birthday present for her husband, she sent four individual photos for me to blend together into a 24 inch wide drawing. Her husband LOVED it!

