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**“A good trainer is  
a great observer,  
a great problem-solver,  
and a great communicator  
to both dogs and people.”**  
- Christy Paxton

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Think your schedule is too crazy to accommodate a group dog training class? Think again! With **flexible, modular group classes**, *you* are the one in charge of the schedule!

Choose from among five teaching locations, evening and weekend sessions, and a large selection of self-contained

modules that can be taken in any order.

Work *when* you want, *where* you want and on *what* you want. It's all up to you!

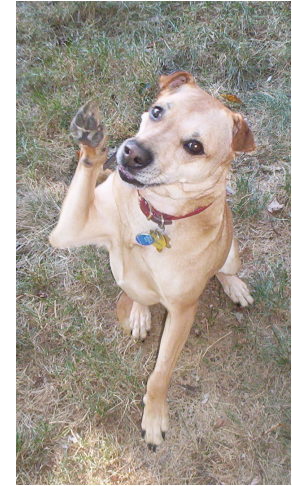
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## Christy Paxton's Hand in Paw

Real World Training  
for You and Your Dog



# What is a flexible, modular group class?

(Hint: You'll never miss a class again!)



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## Create your class with any number of modules, locations

**Decide how many class modules you want:** 6, 8, 10, or 12; single classes also are available to repeat students. Take up to one year to use them.

Next, use our **online calendar** to sign up for the class modules you need. (*Not sure? See "Suggested Tracks" on the Web site.*) Take them in any order, and attend each module as many times as you like until you reach the skill level you desire.

Mix and match locations, days, and times. If you miss a class at one location, make it up at another location. **Prefer to take a "normal"**

**Classes are small, and everyone gets personal attention!**

**class?** That's easy too -- just sign up for the class modules at one location on the same day and same time each week. *It's all up to you!*

Current modules are:

- **Lecture/Orientation (REQUIRED for all new students).** This is your introduction to all the great things you will learn. Training principles are shared, and homework is given to students so they are ready for the rest of the modules.

- **Puppy.** For dogs 15 weeks and younger. The first 16 weeks of a dog's life are so important developmentally. These modules give your

pup critical socialization, exposure to many different environments, and a start on a few basic commands.

- **Manners.** Good at the front door, polite greetings, stop barking when asked, step aside, stay out of the way, and more!

- **Walking/Leash Skills.** Start your dog off right and/or work to get that great loose-leash walk you've always wanted.

- **Basics Trio.** Want your standard commands (sit, down, come, stay, watch, touch)? These modules cover them.

- **Problem Prevention/Fixing.** One module addresses handling (can't pick up? brush? clip nails? etc.), and the other "house manners" problems like guarding, stealing your possessions, begging, counter surfing, etc. If your dog is less than two years old, you need to prevent these problems by doing these exercises!

- **No-dogs Seminars.** Come, listen, discuss and learn more about a specific topic, such as fear, reactivity, housetraining, and canine body language.

- **Clicks & Tricks.** Learn what's fabulous about clicker training and how you can use it for fun and behavior modification. We will get you started and teach your dog some basic tricks. If you know clicker already, come in with your own projects



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that we can explore or choose from our verrrry long list of tricks. Or learn how to impact behavior, for example, how to calm your dog using clicker.

- **Reactive Dog.** For those dogs that have trouble being around other dogs. Take this module to develop the skills necessary to work your dog into a group class so he can become a more social, better behaved pup. **\*Call/e-mail to sign up for this one.\***

- **Specials.** This group of modules changes with your feedback. Current modules are CGC prep/testing, problem-solving workshops, and mini private consultations.

## Ready to get started?

It's easy: Go to **www.cp-hipdogs.com** and click on Services/Group classes. There you will find suggestions on what modules to take based on your needs, frequently asked questions and how to register.

*Not computer-savvy?* Just call 440-263-2314.

### Teaching locations:

- **Big Creek Pet Hospital (Mid. Hts., Olmsted Twshp.)**
- **Cleveland APL (Tremont)**
- **Paws & Effect Grooming (Rocky River)**