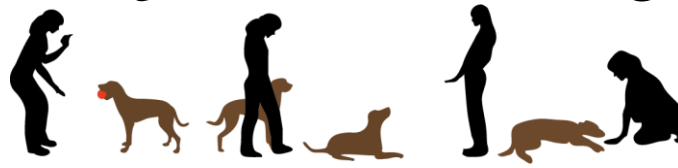


# *Tenaflly Veterinary Center*

## *Highlights of the Ideal Dog Seminar*



- ✓ Training should begin at 10 weeks of age or older
- ✓ **Never** repeat a command. Say it once; loud and clear
- ✓ **Never** say your pet's name and the word "no" together. This is not their last name. Your pet's name is for positive reinforcement, not negative
- ✓ Use high pitched tones for positive reinforcement
- ✓ Use low pitched tones for negative reinforcement
- ✓ Ideally, use positive reinforcement 2/3 of the time and negative reinforcement 1/3 of the time
- ✓ "Punish" means low pitched verbal reinforcement, never physical punishment
- ✓ Dogs forget within 5 seconds, so there is little point to reinforcement after that period of time
- ✓ Frequent short walks are ideal at regular intervals, and then return the pup to his/her crate (if using the crate training method)
- ✓ The crate should be big enough for your pup to turn around while inside, but not to poop at the far end
- ✓ **A helpful equation:**  
Puppies can hold their bladder (in hours), their age in months +1  
i.e.: 3 months +1 = 4 hours