I want to thank all of the North Central Illinois Pekingese Club members for giving me this wonderful opportunity to judge such a lovely group of Pekingese and well behaved group of puppies. I want to thank all the exhibitors for the lovely Pekingese sweepstake entries. All the entered Pekingese were impeccably groomed and superior quality. They should all be able to attain their championship.

**Best in Sweeps:** H.T. Nola owner Deborah Thompson (#20) was my choice for Best in Sweeps. She was compact, big chested, with a beautiful face and lovely expression. She had a fabulous tail set and wonderful movement around the ring. Her coat was well groomed and in beautiful condition. She was very well behaved for a young entry.

**Best of Opposite:** Diaquiris Distinctly Dior owner Barbara Streemke (#19) was my choice for Best of Opposite. He had a lovely expressive face and was well put together showing good movement around the ring. He had a black mask and fawn body colored coat. The dog was in great condition and expertly groomed. He was very well behaved.

All the exhibits were in great condition and pleasant to judge. Thanks to everyone at the show. I didn't think the self-service cleanup turned out to be a good idea. It seemed to distract the handlers and the dogs giving them a disadvantage.