

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE DOG TALK ® ROUND TABLE DEBATE ON THE
MERITS OF CESAR MILLAN’S TRAINING METHODS
AS SEEN ON “THE DOG WHISPERER”**

MARTIN DEELEY, Dog Trainer (see more on FloridaDogTrainer.com)

Martin Deeley has been training dogs – primarily gun dogs in England (his birthplace) and the United States for 25 years. He is a co-founder of one of the premier organizations that accredits dog trainers, the International Association of Canine Professionals (IACP). He owns a facility in Florida called Florida Dog Training School and also has a course to teach those who want to become dog trainers called the International School for Dog Trainers.

He has co-produced over 48 Gundog Championship videos, which he presents and narrates, and 10 dog-training videos where he is featured. In addition, to his credit, he has had three books published. He writes for the leading hunting and dog journals in Britain and America, and has had articles published in Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Holland, and Japan. He is a regular contributor to the Shooting Gazette, Gun Dog, Off Lead and the American Kennel Club Gazette. He received the Dog Writers Association of America Special Award for the Best Dog Training Article of 2001.

Martin wrote the foreword for his friend Cesar Millan's Book – “Cesar's Way: The Dog Whisperer,” which he points out on his website was inscribed by Cesar Millan to him with "To a Man of Honor; From a Man Honored." Cesar refers many clients to Martin based on the strong relationship and common philosophy they share.

Martin appears with Cesar Millan in the latter’s Training DVD called *"Sit and Stay - The Cesar Millan Way"*

**DR LISA RADOSTA-HUNTLEY, BOARD CERTIFIED VETERINARY
BEHAVIORIST (See more on www.FLVetBehavior.com)**

Dr. Lisa Radosta-Huntley was first a dog trainer, later a veterinary behavior consultant and currently is a board certified veterinary behaviorist. She graduated from the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine in 2000. Following graduation, she completed a small animal medicine and surgery internship. She continued to practice in South Florida as a small animal veterinarian with a special interest in behavior cases for the next 2 ½ years. In 2006, she completed a three-year residency in Behavioral Medicine at the Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. She received multiple research awards during her residency.

Dr. Radosta-Huntley’s research interests include the effect of organic diseases (such as thyroid disease) on the behavior of domestic animals and the effect of doctor-client communication on the outcome of canine aggression cases. She has written numerous articles, has been interviewed for television and print, writes a weekly column for the Palm Beach Post and has lectured across the country and internationally. In 2005, she volunteered to work with animals rescued after hurricane Katrina in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Over the past 14 years, Lisa has been active with her own dogs in tracking, obedience, herding and therapy dog work.

DR. DAVID SPIEGEL (see more on www.PetPsych.com)

As an undergraduate at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia David Spiegel majored in the Biological Basis of Behavior. He became the clinical assistant Dr. Victoria Voith, the director of the Behavior Clinic at the Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, who had a PhD. in comparative psychology and was a founder of the field of clinical companion animal behavior. After earning his veterinary degree at the Veterinary School of the University of Pennsylvania he focused on behavioral therapy.

He opened a custom designed behavioral office in 2000, although most initial consults are scheduled as house calls so Dr. Spiegel can observe animals in their home environment. His cases come as referrals from over 50 veterinary hospitals in the region, from area shelters, obedience schools, and word of mouth.

DR. SOPHIA YIN (See more on her website at www.AskDrYin.com.)

Sophia Yin is the author of three books: *The Small Animal Veterinary Nerdbook®*, a best-selling textbook for veterinarians, *How to Behave So Your Dog Behaves* a book for the general public, and her newest textbook *Low Stress Handling, Restraint, and Behavior Modification of Cats and Dogs*. Her undergraduate degree was in biochemistry, she earned her Master's in Animal Science in 2001 from UC Davis, where she studied vocal communication in dogs and worked on behavior modification in horses, giraffes, ostriches, and chickens. During this time she was also the award-winning pet columnist for the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

After earning her doctorate, Dr. Yin focused on animal behavior, serving for five years as a lecturer in the UC Davis Animal Science Department. She taught three upper division undergraduate courses in domestic animal behavior and supervised students in various animal training and behavior research projects. She also developed the *MannersMinder* positive reinforcement dog training system which is sold by *Premier Pet*. Dr. Yin currently sees behavior house calls, works at *San Francisco Veterinary Specialists* (www.SFVS.net), writes for several veterinary and popular magazines, has consulted for several zoos including the Santa Barbara Zoo, lectures at U.S. national veterinary conferences and internationally on animal behavior, and serves as a behavior expert for shows such as *Dogs101* on *Animal Planet*. She is also on the executive board for the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior.

A SAMPLE FROM DR. YIN'S WEBSITE: *Back 20 years ago when I started training, dominance training was the type of advice I gave because it was all I knew. At that time, like everyone else, the choke chain and pinch collar and a well-timed correction formed the cornerstone of my methods. Combined with a strong ability to read aggressive dogs, a lack of fear of being bitten, and fervor for trying to master the techniques of whomever I could, these methods served me well. Since then, our understanding of dog behavior in relation to wolves, as well as our understanding of dominance and social hierarchies has advanced. Wolf biologists now rarely use the term alpha when referring to pack leaders in the wild and agree that dominant wolves do not force subordinates into an alpha roll.*