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Spring's Look

It's raining CATS & DOGS this spring season. Maybe not literally outside your door, but in your local shelter most definitely. This issue was inspired by the many FETCH fans that just wanted to see more cats in an issue. So given the renewal energy that spring brings, we decided to examine the relationship between these two species. Oh, and we just wanted to say that we have room in our hearts for cats too! Check it out!

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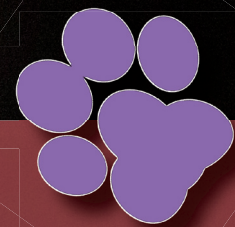
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I started writing for FETCH Magazine in the Spring 2013 issue. I saw it as a great opportunity to combine my love for writing with my passion for dog training.

Writing for FETCH allows me to share what I've learned in working with my own dogs. For instance, I've written about traveling with our dogs, competing in agility, working with fearful, reactive dogs, dealing with sound issues and even how my own emotions can impact my dogs. I do this not because "it's about me," but because I know there are people out there dealing with the same issues I am. Of course, I also like to use my Journalism degree to dig into subjects such as Chinese remedies and supplements for senior dogs.

Additionally, as a certified professional dog trainer, I am constantly using FETCH Magazine as a reference for my students. I am proud to be a contributor to this quality resource.

My writing inspirations include our Miniature Australian Shepherds, KC and Theo. But it was our 12-year-old German Shepherd



Meet JEAN!

Rudy who inspired me to focus on dogs with issues. Rudy was genetically shy, yet travelled with us from the East to West coasts.

He will always be remembered as the loving boy who taught us how to help him shine through his fear.

In 2017, we will be adding a puppy to the family. So expect some puppy experiences to be shared in upcoming FETCH issues!

Jean Jahnke, CPDT-KA

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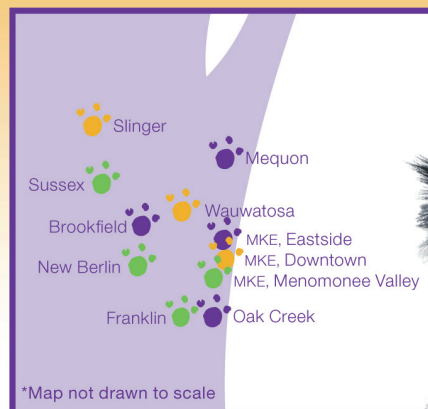
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Dear FETCH Friends:

Friendship comes in all shapes and sizes. And even those who appear to be our friends sometimes turn out to have hidden agendas. People have a tendency to be selfish, but dogs and cats think of their friends first. Why is that? Why do these four-legged, furry creatures know what it means to love another soul unconditionally? We seem to have missed that in our Being Human 101 class. Yikes! Let's take a real close look at the strange friendships our dogs can make with other animals, especially cats. Cats can be a real hit or miss for a dog, but some mixed species friendships can last forever.

Do you want to get rid of artificial relationships? Do you want to make your real friendships last forever? Try this! In the words of a local pastor, *create margin*. Margin is the space we allow ourselves to truly live a fulfilling life. According to local author Richard Swenson, it's the space that once existed between ourselves and our limits. For example:

- 1.) Know your limits and accept them.
- 2.) Don't take on more than you can handle or overfill your cup, leave room for the cream and sugar.
- 3.) Power - Load = Margin
(What you can give - energetically, physically, financially etc. - minus what you choose to do will leave you with margin).
- 4.) Rest.

We have too many commitments going on at once and way too many choices. Try to simplify your life and breathe. Get up earlier, go to bed earlier, take on less projects, spend money more wisely and most of all, make time for those who matter most in your life!

To Creating Margin & Befriending
Others Unconditionally,

N. Putz 

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- Douglas Malloch



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AROUND THE WATER BOWL

THE RETREAT

IT TAKES A VILLAGE

Sometimes it only takes one dog to ignite that fire inside of you, that endless burning deep within that never extinguishes. For the Brew City Bully Club it was Capone. For you, a different (yet equally important) dog. **WE ALL HAVE THAT ONE DOG!** Ultimately, that's why it takes a village—a group of individuals with a common interest—to make real changes in a community. Together, we can move mountains of dogs. We must all work together to create a world that punishes the deed and not the breed! **VOLUNTEER. EDUCATE. RESCUE.**

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-Michelle Serocki



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BREED PROFILE

the french bulldog: a peculiar little pinched-nose lap warmer

BY PAMELA STACE, FREELANCE WRITER

When I walked into my meeting with Babs (Babette) the French Bulldog and her owners Bill and Carol Gehl, I expected to find an adorable, docile little lapdog; cuddly and affectionate with a laid-back, unassuming demeanor. Well, Babs is certainly adorable, lap-sized and cuddly, but like all French Bulldogs (Frenchies) she is also agile, alert and active. As Bill put it, Babs is not a “precious” dog. She has a mind of her own, and she likes to be the boss!

History

French Bulldogs originated in England in the early 19th century, as the result of a cross between a smaller, lighter English Bulldog and probably a Pug and a Terrier. These dogs became popular companions to British textile workers, particularly lace makers. When the Industrial Revolution forever changed the British textile industry, many artisans' shops were forced to close. Lace makers and others took their crafts to Northern France along with their dogs. The dogs' popularity soon spread south where they became companions to many working class Parisians. The little dogs were the favorites of Parisian prostitutes and pictured in paintings and drawings by Toulouse Lautrec. English breeders found a ready market for their Bulldogs in France where they became known as “Bouledogues Français”. Unpopular in England during this time, the dogs were refined as a breed by the French who guarded and championed them through the end of the 19th century. It was around this time that Americans traveling to France discovered Frenchies. They fell in love with them and began taking them back to the U.S., where the AKC recognized them as a breed in 1898.

But after the Depression and just before the start of World War II, Frenchies were considered rare, and only 100 were registered with the AKC in 1940. Starting in the 1980s, the Frenchie's popularity started to soar, and today the French Bulldog is the AKC's sixth-most registered breed.

Small Dog/Big Personality

Frenchies are small, muscular and smooth-coated. They have a heavy bone structure and are rather top-heavy. Poor swimmers, they can easily drown due to their large heads and front-heavy builds. Bill had to rescue Babs when she fell into the Gehl's pool and sank like a stone! However, Frenchies are quite athletic and have excellent balance. The Gehl's have observed Babs climbing onto tables and walking confidently on their outside window sills! All Frenchies have distinctive, upright “bat” ears which 19th century Americans loved and made part of the breed standard. Previous to their recognition by the AKC, Frenchies could have either folded “rose” ears like English Bulldogs or “bat” ears.

Frenchies are tenacious and can be stubborn, but with patience, persistence and good motivation, they will accept training. They are notoriously difficult to house train, and they shed (regular brushing helps). But they are good watchdogs and are not excessive barkers.

BREED PROFILE CONTINUED ON PG. 29



homeland
England, then France

size
11" to 13"
not over 28lbs

coat colors
fawn, black, white, brindle or a
combination

original job
companion
ratter

grooming
occasional bathing,
brushing & nail trimming
ear cleaning & cleaning of facial folds
tooth brushing
checking anal sacs

exercise
minimal with an occasional good romp

life span
11-13 years

CAT PROFILE

LARGE AND LOVING, WILD BUT MILD: MEET THE DOG IN DISGUISE, THE PIXIE-BOB

BY LUCIE WINBORNE, FREELANCE WRITER

It's a curious cat with a curious name: Pixie-Bob. Large and muscular yet extremely quiet, intelligent and loyal—and in some ways so unlike a typical feline that it's frequently referred to as a “dog in disguise.”

But what about that name? Is this unusual kitty really descended from a bobcat?

As the story goes, in 1985 a Coastal Red Bobcat was seen fighting with a short-tailed polydactyl barn cat, and while the owners rushed to save their pet, a litter of kittens later made their debut under “suspicious” circumstances. Enter Carol Ann Brewer of Stone Island Cattery in Bellingham, Washington, who purchased a male polydactyl and, intrigued by her new boy's appearance and behavior, set about doing a little research. She soon discovered others believed they had a cat with some wild (i.e., bobcat) heritage and that such liaisons between domestic and wild felines weren't considered unusual.

Within a year, Brewer acquired a second cat that seemed of similar heritage. Their size, appearance and bobbed tails led her to start a new breeding program, and with the help of a neighbor's pet, a female named Pixie entered the world with a spotted reddish coat and face reminiscent of a bobcat. Pixie not only started the dame line for most of the program's females but also became the new breed's namesake.

While DNA testing has failed to yield evidence that her forebears sprang from a bobcat-barn cat union, a natural genetic mutation is likely to blame instead, and there's no question that the Pixie-Bob has a rather wild look. It has an inverted pear-shape head, downward-growing facial hair similar to “muttonchop” sideburns, heavy brows, a thick double coat that may be short or long (unusual in a single breed), and, on occasion, lynx-tipped ears. Its tail ranges from two inches to hock length on average, though some are born with no tails at all, and its large shoulders give it a rolling gait.

Then there are those feet. While many Pixie-Bobs have a straight foot, or normal number of toes (five in the front and four in the back), the Pixie-Bob is unique in that polydactyly (having more than the usual number of toes) is so common to the breed that it is the only one accepted for show with that characteristic. Another somewhat unusual trait is the Pixie-Bob's method of communication. Like the Siamese, he enjoys chatting with his family, but typically in chirps and chortles rather than meows; in fact, some do not meow at all.

Dogs in Disguise

Cats in general are famous for their aloof attitudes, but Pixie-Bobs are often affectionately referred to as “dogs in disguise” due to their devotion to their family as well as a few other unusual (for felines) traits. Excellent with children, other cats and cat-friendly dogs, they're known to follow their people from room to room and their intelligent, energetic nature makes them enjoy being at the center of activity. Pixie-Bobs also easily adapt to walking on a leash, learn tricks, play enthusiastic games of fetch, steal and collect small items (especially shiny ones), hide their uneaten food and even enjoy playing in the water.

BREED PROFILE CONTINUED ON PG. 29



homeland
United States

size
males: 12-17lbs
females: 8-12lbs

coat
long or short
brown spotted tabby
ranging from tawny to reddish brown

original job
companion

personality
doglike, loyal, laid-back

life span
13+ years

CATS VS. DOGS: FRIENDS OR FOES?

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Domestication Leads to Cross-Species Friendships

BY CHERESE COBB, FREELANCE WRITER

Before the gun slinging between the Grahams and Tewksburys, before Captain Ahab pursued the leg-chewing, white-whale Moby Dick, before the Prohibition-era gangsters Scarface and Bugs tug-warred over Chicago's underground, the blood-feud between dogs and cats had been brewing for eons.

Sure, everybody knows the time-worn tale of mankind's two best friends: the ancient fray for warm laps and table scraps. It's a squabble so old that folklore from around the world has tried to pinpoint its origins. (Spoiler: in this first game of thrones, that darn cat tricks the

dog by dangling milk bones, stealing her master's praise and lap space.)

It's also immortalized in pop culture from Cinderella's dopey Bruno and spoiled Lucifer to spider-squashing Garfield and his "kick-offable", frenemy Odie. And yet, what do we really know about the age-old spat between these species? Is it a cartoon fantasy or a hard-wired non-fiction?

Call of the Wild

The answer: it's complicated. In the wild, canines and felines are meat-eaters or carnivores. It's a dog eat cat world and vice-versa—meaning that sometimes the king of the jungle snacks on a hyena or a coyote snags an alley cat.

Forget about love or hate, the name of this game is survival.

But, the tables turn when we plop our pets down in the living room and push them to interact. "People don't know that cats and dogs can have a loving relationship," says Roxanne McBryde, Los Angeles' top dog care specialist. "They automatically assume when they're watching their dog and it's trying to chase [a cat] that's always going to be the case."

McBryde, the granddaughter of the owner and trainer of Cheetah the Chimp, Tarzan's sidekick ape during the 1950s, has raised more than 50 animals, including a bullfrog that lived in her pond. "As a child, I always felt lucky because my mother allowed me to follow my intuition and rescue every lizard, bird, frog, cat and dog that I felt needed extra love and attention," she remembers. "It didn't take me long to figure out that I have a passion for both rescuing and caring for all types of animals, especially cats and dogs." With more than two decades of caretaking experience under her belt and hundreds of repeat clients, McBryde has an innate ability, a gift for introducing cats and dogs.

"Ninety-five percent of the dogs that I bring in haven't been around cats," she says. "I only bring in dogs that I instinctively know will get along with cats. They might try once or maybe twice to chase [them, but] I don't allow it." Her secret weapon? Training chains—they're scattered all over her house, so when a dog feels the call of the wild, that itch to engage in a game of tag that looks like a cartoon scuffle cloud, she throws the chain down, which creates a booming noise, and firmly says, "No."

Training is only one-half of the friendship equation, says McBryde. The other half is personality. Dogs and cats explore their environments in completely different ways. Dogs typically scurry up to new people or animals. On the other paw, cats hang back and assess the situation. That doesn't mean that cats are antisocial or mean, though. From an evolutionary standpoint, cats are descended from the mostly solitary Middle Eastern wildcat while dogs are related to the

family-oriented gray wolf. So, basically, each species is simply practicing what's helped it survive for millennia.

But confident cats can prevent biological wires from getting crossed. "I can have up to five dogs at one time, not including Fred, [my 13-year-old Weimaraner], and the thing is that they are all so curious my [three] cats will walk right by them," McBryde says. "They're like, 'I belong here. Get over it.' They go straight up to the dogs and sniff them." The result? A cross-species bond, where dogs and cats pick up each other's traits, that lasts a lifetime.

A Shade of Periwinkle

Case-in-point: McBryde's 5-year-old Siamese, Perrywinkle. "[Five years ago,] an illegal breeder had filled this two-story apartment with [hundreds of] dogs and cats. The conditions were really bad, so animal control had to be called. Two volunteers [from Purrfect Solutions Feline Rescue] took Perrywinkle and another cat and stuck them in their pockets."

When McBryde donated supplies, the head of the organization, Pat, urged her to "come in and see this kitten," but Pat refused to let her adopt him without also taking a dog named Bolt. "I had five cats and three dogs at the time, and I was not in a place where I wanted to adopt another animal," she says. However, for two months, she continued to visit Perrywinkle daily. Then after one of her dogs ended up crossing the rainbow bridge, the director felt for her and finally let her take him home.

"Perrywinkle thinks he's a dog," McBryde laughs. He throws dog toys into the air and tries to catch them." Even though he isn't allowed to go outside of the laundry room, the moment he hears, "Let's go outside," he's at the back door wagging his tail along with the dogs. He can even open the door. "Just two weeks ago, I let the dogs out. Ten minutes went by [and] ... I opened the door and there he is [playing] in the middle of all those dogs. He came prancing in. His tail straight like 'I'm as good as them,'" she says.



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The Big, Bad Bear

Then there's McBryde's 10-year-old Balinese, Trina and her 140-pound St. Bernard-Shepherd Mix, Bear. "Bear had four owners before he was ten months. He had bitten 11 people," she says. Three different behaviorists tried to work with him. When they couldn't help him, McBryde received a call that they were going to put him down so she scooped him up.

Bear's salvation came in the form of a 4-month-old kitten running in front of cars on a busy street. "I tried for an hour to catch her," she says. "She must have seen me walk my dogs so many times because two weeks later she was on my front porch." Also a biter, she was isolated in the laundry room until she received all of her shots. Bear would sneak into the room and sleep with her.

Sadly, Bear passed away in 2008. "He was the sweetest, nicest, most loving dog to small animals," McBryde says. "To this day, I bring a large dog in and Trina goes right up to it. I think it's because of him, you know." Trina's newest canine comrade is an orange and white Border Collie. McBryde has been his dog sitter since he was just 8 weeks old. "His total introduction to cats has been at my house," McBryde says.

"They're best buddies." Grooming usually only comes into play when dogs and cats grow up together. The Border Collie loves licking Trina's face and she returns the favor with kitty kisses, proving that friendships and roles defy species.

FUN FACT: Are Cats As Smart As Dogs?

According to a new study by Japanese scientists, cats have an episodic memory just as humans and dogs do. An episodic memory is the recollection of a unique memory that occurs from a specific event. For example, a cat can recall a good memory of eating a particular food.

In this study, 49 domestic cats were observed and tested on their memory of which food bowl they had eaten out of and which they had left untouched.

Cats also matched dogs on other mental tests that included recognizing human gestures, facial expressions and emotions.

Practical Application: To better understand cat-human relationships.

Study published in the journal Behavioural Processes.

TOP 5 FELINES FOR FIDO

Looking for Your Duo's Dynamite?



BY CHERESE COBB, FREELANCE WRITER

Move over Batman & Robin; Sherlock & Watson; Han Solo & Chewbacca. There's a new dynamic duo in town—the cat & the dog. Sure, they fuss. Sometimes they fight just like the siblings in any family. But most of the time, you'll find them bathing each other, catching z's together at bedtime & putting their brains & paws together to steal snacks.

If you are considering letting a dog-loving feline rule your multi-pet kingdom, here's a look at five canine-compatible cats ...

1. American Shorthairs

Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: Male 14-16 pounds, female 8-12 pounds
Height: 10-14 inches
Best Suited For: First-time cat owners, singles, seniors & families with children &/or pets
Lap Cat: Yes
Coat: Dense, short, hard, straight & shiny
Colors: White, blue, black, cream, red, silver, golden, brown, cameo, bluecream, tortoiseshell & chinchilla
Patterns: Solid, bicolor, tortoiseshell, calico, tabby, smoke & shaded
Shedding: Moderate
Grooming: Little to none
Vocal: No

Personality: Mellow, affectionate, independent, loyal, athletic & confident.

Breed History: Beautiful & sturdy, these “mouser extraordinaires” kneaded their ways into the hearts of the New World’s pilgrims, sailors & adventurers. Arriving on the Mayflower—with one in three pounces resulting in a catch—American Shorthairs became the pest control specialist of choice, ridding ships, homes, farms & businesses of rodents & other small vermin. By 1949’s Gold Rush, treasure-seekers were dishing out several weeks pay to get their hands on the eighth most popular cat breed.

Living with One: American Shorthairs are easygoing & tolerant, taking life as it comes—preferably perched in a sun-soaked windowsill watching birds or snoozing on their owner’s lap with their tongues slightly stuck out. While they enjoy the company of children & other animals, particularly cat-friendly canines, they also enjoy quiet time, disappearing several times throughout the day to get it. When they’re in the mood to play, they’ll gift their owners a toy or get their attention with a soft “Hey, look at me!” love bite. Spoil them with their favorite games: hunting lures at the end of fishing-poles toys, batting mice mid-air & releasing snacks from puzzle feeders.



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Lap Cat: Yes
Coat: Semi-long, silky & soft
Colors: Lilac, frost, blue, chocolate, seal, red, cream, cinnamon & fawn
Patterns: Points & mitted
Shedding: Moderate
Grooming: Low
Vocal: Yes

Personality: Sweet-natured, patient, outgoing, playful & adaptable

Breed History: Dubbed the “sacred cat of Burma”, the Birman is an ancient breed. It’s true origin is shrouded in mystery. One legend claims that the goddess Tsun-Kyan-Kse turned all of Mount Lugh’s white cats into Birman—with sapphire eyes, an earthly coat & pure white paws—because they gave their life force to a monk named Mun-Ha. The more scientific origin can be traced back to 1919 when two Westerners snuck a Birman couple, Sita & Madalpour, into France. Unfortunately, Madalpour died, but a very pregnant Sita became the matriarch of the Birman breed in Europe which almost went extinct during WWII.

Living with One: These former temple idols love to bask in adoration. Confident, sweet & outgoing, they don’t like to be the only pet. In fact, Birman make fast friends with kids, dogs & other animals. Not intrusive, the breed will keep tabs on their owners, following them from room to room. Using soft, pretty voices, they’ll also alert their owners when it’s time for head scratches, belly rubs or a quick game of tag.

3. Ragdoll

Lifespan: 12-17 years
Weight Range: Male 15-20 pounds, female 10-15 pounds
Height: 9-11 inches
Best Suited For: Singles, seniors & families with children
Lap Cat: Yes
Coat: Medium, plush, silky, sleek & soft
Colors: Frost, blue, chocolate, seal, red, lilac, blue cream & cream
Patterns: Bicolor, points van & mitted
Shedding: Moderate
Grooming: Low
Vocal: Yes

Personality: Highly intelligent, gentle, calm, overly trusting, people-oriented & comical

Breed History: These gentle giants were created by Californian breeder Ann Baker. Josephine, the foundation cat, was a white Persian-Angora Mix. Baker rescued her after she was run

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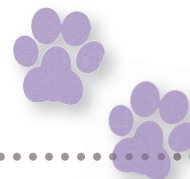
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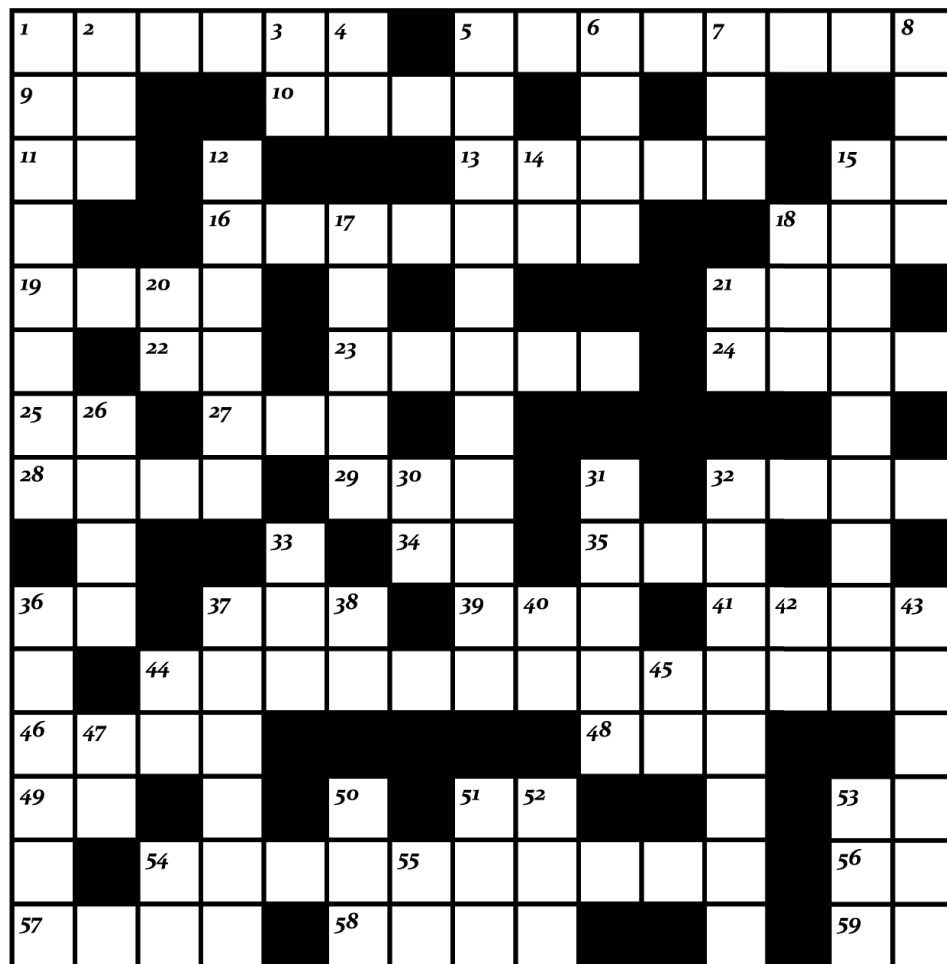
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1. Adrenaline reaction: fight or _____
5. Inborn tendency
9. Certain suffix
10. (see 16 across)
11. General Practitioner, shortened
13. You can't _____ cats and dogs to be buddies
15. Dog collar size, perhaps (abbr)
16. (with 10 across) It has been said that _____ beliefs included: cats could make it _____ and dogs controlled the wind
18. Friend or _____?
19. Natural animosity between the two species can make one _____ on the other
21. American Foxhound Club, for short
22. II plus IV
23. Repetition; over and over _____
24. A wagging _____ means very different things between a dog and cat
25. Link between ankle and trinket
27. Numbers, shortened
28. It's _____ and take
29. Share food, for example
32. Friends
34. Artificial intelligence, shortened
35. ET transport
36. Cool _____ a cucumber
37. Enjoyment
39. Fish _____ is great for their coats
41. It's interesting to watch them _____ each other up when the first meet
44. Some dogs and cats have similar _____, making a good match
46. The _____ of the Wild
48. _____ never know which animals will like each other
49. Short for high definition
51. Bachelor of Arts, shortened
53. Radium symbol
54. Irritate; irk
56. Some dogs and cats rub _____ against each other to show their affection
57. Enjoy kibble
58. Engage in tug-of-war or wrestling
59. Exist



down

1. _____ like cats and dogs
2. It only appears when you sit
3. Time increment (abbr)
4. Symbol for tantalum
5. Synergy of togetherness
6. Quick tussle
7. Hotel
8. Some are _____ enough to travel with one another, as in The Incredible Journey
12. Dog-like
14. ER worker, for instance
15. Consort; hang around with
17. Some dogs just HAVE to _____ cats
18. Future Farmers of America, for short
20. Travel behemoth (abbr)
21. Already there
26. Give a lick
30. Author's alteration, for short
31. Intimidate; be rude to
32. One of a cat's defense _____ is turning sideways with a 36 down
33. "... there was _____ flying everywhere!"
36. _____ back
37. Cat-like
38. Short for no smoking
40. Des Moines state (abbr)
42. Roman two
43. A cat will often know its _____ route if needed
44. Ave. cousin
45. Falls between AE and U
47. Paid notice
50. Type of bark
51. Feather follower
52. Whichever
53. Often, they don't both love it when you _____ their bellies
54. What clan and banana have in common
55. Short for glass or gloss

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THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS & DOGS

What's the Difference Between Cats & Dogs?

It's kind of fun to read what the interwebs have to say on the subject. My favorite: "Dogs have owners. Cats have staff." It's true that the average *Canis lupus familiaris* and the stereotypical *Felis catus* have their differences. Evolutionarily, the two groups diverged about 55 million years ago. As a veterinarian, I deal with a lot of differences that go far beyond their personalities.

As veterinary students, we learn a lot about dogs and then learn the differences found in other species. It's tempting to assume that what's true of a dog must also be true of a cat, but you can get into big trouble that way. It starts with the fact that, while some dogs look to us for help when things are amiss, most cats actively hide the fact that they are not well. Outdoor cats, being conveniently-sized Scooby Snacks for a variety of predators, run a lifelong risk of being eaten, while your average Labrador is too big for all but the biggest and hungriest wild things to tackle. Somewhere deep in their subconscious, cats know this, and they avoid looking like easy prey. Although they are capable of some truly impressive vocalizations, cats rarely cry out when in pain. It has to be a sudden or a very severe pain to overwhelm their need to look like they're okay. It isn't about trying to be cool; it's about trying to survive. Contrast this with the Bichon with the broken nail who limps dramatically and shrieks if you try to look at the boo-boo. For every tough dog who shrugs off an injury, there's

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another one who's overly dramatic about it.

But let's say that you have puzzled out that your feline friend needs some medical attention. The list of possible diagnoses depends on the species of the patient. Many of the diseases dogs and cats get are strictly species-specific. While some viruses can cross species, dogs don't seem to be affected by feline leukemia virus (FeLV), feline infectious peritonitis (FIP) or feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV); meanwhile, domestic cats don't seem to show clinical signs from canine distemper virus. Some dogs have an underactive thyroid, but cats only seem to get overactive ones. Dogs' diabetes bears a strong resemblance to human type I (juvenile) diabetes, while the version cats get is closer to human's type II (the kind your great-aunt has). Looking for fleas on your pet? If it's a dog, they're likely to live on the rump, but on a cat your best bet is to search the head and neck. Bone cancer is unfortunately very common in dogs but rare in cats. Dogs with heart failure frequently cough; cats with heart failure almost never do.

Once you have made a list of possible diagnoses, you may need to run some tests. Interpreting your testing requires constant awareness that cats are not small dogs. The normal ranges on their labwork are different. They have most of the same body structures, but they look different on x-ray and ultrasound. For example, a cat's heart takes up less of its chest cavity than a dog's does, so a heart that might look normal if it were in a dog would be dramatically abnormal in a cat.

Now, suppose that, in spite of the cat's best efforts, you have managed to achieve a diagnosis. Be careful with your medications! While there are many situations in which it is appropriate for dogs to be

treated with NSAIDs like carprofen, their use is much more limited in the cat. Lidocaine, which is injected to treat certain kinds of heart arrhythmias, can be freely given to dogs in doses that would kill an equal-sized cat. Kidney transplantation, while limited to a very few specialty centers, occurs not uncommonly in cats, while the logistics of transplant medicine have prevented this from being a big success in dogs.

Fortunately for our purposes as pet owners, many of these differences are of importance only to veterinarians and their staff. After all, you should not be choosing medications for your pet; that is a veterinarian's job. Our role as pet owners is to love them madly, and for that, species isn't really all that important. Once you have learned to love a creature not of your own species, does it really matter what species they are?

The truth about cats and dogs is this: Whatever their species, our animal companions are not just substitutes for human company. They fill a special need in our lives, and when the right one comes along, we never want to let them go.



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Potty Problems: Is Your Cat Blocked?



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There is one very important thing to always watch for if you have a male cat: how much and how often he is urinating. Why you ask? Everyone needs to urinate. If there is something causing a blockage in any part of the urinary system, it becomes impossible for them to urinate and quickly becomes life threatening. Male cats are over-represented, at least in the emergency room, for this problem.

Often, an owner will come into the emergency clinic with their cat stating that he is going in and out of the litter-box, sitting in the box for long periods of time, vomiting or just seeming painful in his abdomen. These are all very classic signs of a cat being “blocked”.

Male cats tend to get “plugged up” with crystals, white blood cells from a bad urinary tract infection, bladder stones or just mucus. This causes urine to build up in their bladder until their bladder is so large that they start to get very sick because they cannot eliminate toxins from their system. A cat can get sick enough and potentially die within 24-48 hours without aggressive treatment.

A veterinarian should see any animal that cannot urinate right away. In the case of a blocked cat, he will need to be sedated so the blockage can be relieved. This requires him to have a urinary catheter in place for 24-48 hours and

stay in the clinic on intravenous fluids. A urinalysis will be done to check for a urinary tract infection or crystals in the urine. X-rays may be taken to make sure there is not a bladder stone blocking the urethra, and bloodwork will be done to make sure the kidneys are not damaged and electrolytes are normal.

There are some basic things that can be done to help the urinary system stay healthy but do not necessarily prevent a cat from becoming obstructed. Having free access to water at all times is a must. Some cats like to drink out of a water fountain. Water fountains are wonderful and encourage many cats to drink more than they would if water is in a bowl. If your cat does not want to drink out of a fountain and you are not sure if he is drinking an appropriate amount of water, giving wet food is an option. Wet food has a large amount of water in it, and is a great way to keep your cat hydrated. There are over the counter urinary health diets that do a very good job of keeping crystals from forming.

If a cat has a urinalysis done and crystals are found in the urine, there are several prescription urinary diets that can be used to dissolve these crystals. Many veterinarians recommend keeping a cat that has had crystals in their urine on a prescription diet for the rest of his life. Although this prevents crystals from forming, it does not change the fact that he can become obstructed due to another cause. These diets give

owner’s peace of mind that one major contributing factor of a urethral obstruction (crystals) will not be the reason their cat cannot urinate.

If you notice any abnormalities with the way your male cat is acting or a change in urinary habits, it is best to get him checked out by your veterinarian right away. A simple urinary tract infection can lead to a urinary obstruction at any time. Quick treatment could prevent a large amount of pain, anxiety and expenses for both you and your feline friend.

Cats are wonderful in so many ways, but being able to leave them for a day alone without supervision makes them wonderful pets. If you have a male cat and you are going to be away for more than a day, arrangements need to be made to at least have someone check up on him.

Becoming blocked is a serious problem. When getting a male cat, people need to be aware this is something that can happen. A lot of people do not know this is a life threatening issue and need to be aware that a male cat should not be left alone for an extended period of time.

Your friends and family may not want to hear how many times a day your cat urinates at first, but once they know it means he’s healthy, they will be asking you about his pee all the time.

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As a veterinarian and pet owner, Tracie Baker, DVM, PhD knows keeping pets safe is a top priority. However, these important companions are at risk for health effects from common homeowner pesticide use on lawns and gardens as well as inside the house.

Did you know that both indoor and outdoor pesticides including weed killers, insecticides, fungicides and rodenticides affect our pets?

“There are actually quite a few studies linking lawn chemicals to an increased risk of cancer in dogs,” Dr. Baker points out. For example, dogs have twice the risk of lymphoma if regularly exposed to 2,4-D, a common weed killer. Scottish Terriers have been shown to be at 4-7 times greater risk for bladder cancer with exposure to lawn and garden herbicides.

Cats are more sensitive to some insecticides, especially organophosphates and permethrin, which are used in lawn and garden products, ant and roach products and bedbug sprays. Rose and flower care products can contain an insecticide called disulfoton, which can be fatal to dogs.

Indoors, a number of mouse and rat poisons are harmful for your pet, causing a variety of effects from bleeding, kidney failure, seizures and stomach problems, depending on the poison.

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- Cats may absorb more chemicals than dogs due to grooming behaviors.

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- Keep your pets off treated lawns and golf courses. Beware of lawns with pesticide signs, granules or weed-free lawns (although these do not always indicate pesticides). The pesticide residue persists even after the signs are down.
- Find alternatives for weed and pest con-

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- Use non-toxic methods such as diatomaceous earth (pyrethrin-free) for ants. Wear a mask to apply it and keep pets away.
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French Bulldogs may not be good with very small children, cats or other dogs. It all depends on the individual dog's personality and experience, and whether its Terrier or Bulldog heritage is more dominant. A more Terrier-like Frenchie might exhibit a stronger prey drive than a dog with more pronounced Bulldog traits. Again it all depends on the individual.

Health Concerns

French Bulldogs are brachycephalic or short-faced. With that anatomy, there are a number of health issues. The short face can make breathing difficult (Brachycephalic Syndrome). Frenchies snore and snort, which most people find very cute, but they can also have a hard time breathing when over-heated, after strenuous exercise or while under a lot of stress. A Frenchie could have pinched nostrils or an elongated soft palette. Anesthesia can be dangerous. And because of its head shape and size, Frenchies are all whelped by cesarean section. Because they are a stocky breed, Frenchies may also have back problems such as abnormal vertebrae or premature degeneration of intervertebral discs. They may suffer from orthopedic conditions such as hip dysplasia or luxating patellas. And some Frenchies have allergies. Both Carol and Bill told me that they have been fortunate in that Babs has always been extremely healthy!

At Home & Out & About

Incredibly popular, French Bulldogs are highly adaptable, eager to please and not timid. Because of this, they are particularly well-suited for city and suburban life. And because they were bred to be companions, they like to be wherever you are and part of whatever you do!



Courtesy of Lynn Moritz

In the Market for a Pixie-Bob?

As the Pixie-Bob is still an uncommon breed, you're more likely to find one through listings such as Petfinder.com or the Fanciers Breeder Referral List than in a shelter or through a rescue group, though it doesn't hurt to try those avenues. Prices will vary according to traits including tail length, polydactyly, color and markings, but on average you can expect to pay between \$500 and \$1,500. These kitties tend to favor wood and sisal surfaces for scratching over carpet, so you shouldn't have to invest much in expensive cat trees, and they can be easily trained not to harm drapes and furniture with the use of a squirt bottle or hearty "No!" And of course, whether you acquire a kitten or adult, visit your veterinarian soon afterwards to spot any problems and set up a healthy regimen.

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WHEN PIGS FLY

A Dog-Lovin' Pig?

BY HOLLY LEWIS, CPDT

Oink! Oink! Is that what a pig really sounds like? What about a Julianna/potbelly pig that is about 25 pounds?

Howie is this amazing little guy I had the pleasure of meeting and working with recently. I first met him at an event where he came by and started playing with the games I had set up for the dogs. Howie had a blast playing the dog games. And he was really good at them, too!

Fast forward a few weeks and Howie's grandpa invited me to their house to learn more about the little guy and do a little training. I had a great time and learned so much. Interestingly enough, Howie is a lot like a dog (and actually lives with two small dogs) but has different needs.

Howie is a Julianna (90 percent) Potbelly (10 percent) pig that is two and a half years old. He is male and yes, he is neutered. I learned that non-neutered/spayed pigs smell a lot more than fixed ones. Howie had very little scent to him and was quite clean.

He goes outside on a leash and harness to enjoy walks and of course, some bathroom time. Howie splits his "duties" between the indoors and the outdoors. He loves to take walks and explore the outside.



What does a pig eat? Howie is on a strict diet so he doesn't over do it. He eats pellets that are specially formulated for a pig and gets a few salads a day. The salads are chopped small and varied so he does not get bored. He always has access to fresh water but really likes water that has been "spiked" with a teaspoon of apple juice. It turns out that pigs love sweets and really like just about anything else. I understand where the saying "eat like a pig" came from. Howie recently had an impaction that required surgery due to not drinking enough water (this is common in pigs). Monitoring his water and food intake is an important part of his health.

Can pigs learn? How do you train a pig? Here's the beauty. All beings learn in the same manner. We learn by what is reinforced. I was able to take the principles used in dog training and adjust them to be species-appropriate to train Howie. And he learned so quickly. What a smart boy! In one brief meeting, Howie learned a few new tricks.

I had to learn a bit about pig body language to be able to understand Howie. One example is that when a dog's hackles rise, it means emotional arousal. That arousal can sometimes lead to over arousal and possibly aggression. Howie's hackles also rise when he is aroused, but it happens whether he is happy or concerned. His hair is a few inches long and when he is happy, you can really tell.

What else did I learn about Howie? He sleeps in a crate or sometimes in bed with his family. When the family is home, he has full run of the house and enjoys cuddling. He enjoys the attention of his family and friends. When you scratch just the right spot, he stands on the tiptoes of his hooves.

Howie generally sees a vet at UW Madison vet school but also has a local vet for immediate care. It is important to have a vet that specializes in pigs (not every vet is able to handle them.) He has tusks that need to be handled every 2 years or so. Additionally, he has two dewclaws on each foot that need regular trimming, along with his hooves. There is no available rabies vaccine for pigs, so his family has to be mindful about where he goes and what he is exposed to.

What is the downside of indoor pigs? When buying a pig, there is no guarantee what size they will grow up to be. Esther the Wonder Pig (check her out on Facebook) was expected to weigh 25-30 pounds, but weighs in at a strong 650 pounds! Her family loves her no matter what, and she lives in the house. If not fixed, the pig will have a strong scent that may not be pleasant.

Just like dogs, pigs that are not handled and socialized well can be aggressive and not enjoy contact and family time. Additionally, some municipalities do not allow pigs or other exotic species. It's important to check local ordinances.

I am very grateful for the opportunity to meet and work with Howie. I am learning so much from him and his family and can't wait to visit again. I can't say I want a pig in my house but am grateful for Howie's friendship.

MIXIN' SPECIES

Meow & Woof: How to Mix Species

BY HOLLY LEWIS, CPDT

Cats and dogs. We always hear they mix like oil and water, but we love them both. So different, but many can't live with both of them. So what is the best way to integrate cats and dogs?

I get this question a lot. My clients love both their dogs and cats and also want a peaceful household. Some animals naturally do well with other species. There is no rulebook and if there was, not every animal reads it. How is this accomplished? Read on to learn.

The safety of all involved is of utmost importance. Plan on integrating slowly and be sure to respect the needs and responses of both species. The use of gates, crates and doors are critical during the initial stages. Be sure everyone has a safe place to escape and relax. Give your dog some time in a kennel with a stuffed Kong to allow your cats the option to roam freely. High perches are great for cats to escape to safety.

Once the gates and safety measures are set up, it is time to bring in your new cat/dog and begin.

Classical conditioning is a great option for this scenario. This means creating a positive experience for your dog/cat when the other species is around. I'll use conditioning a dog to a cat as an example. The focus is that each time the dog sees the cat; he learns that something really good happens. It might be treats, toys or something else that the dog loves! As soon as the cat is gone, the good things (treats) stop.

Distance is an important component of this scenario. Your dog and cat need to be a far enough distance away from each other where the dog can continue to think and is not over aroused. If either animal is over stimulated, they cannot learn. For a while, your dog needs to be able to predict that when the cat appears, good things will happen. Remember

your dog gets to decide what is good. A cat can be highly stimulating, so a "kryptonite" good thing might be needed.

Once the animal has become comfortable at the initial distance, you can move a tiny bit closer for your next session. If the dog is over aroused, or the cat feels unsafe, move back a little bit. Each session when you start, start cautiously and add a bit of distance. For example, at the last practice, the dog and cat were able to be 40 feet apart. At the next session start at 50 or 45 feet apart as a warm up. You will likely be able to cover the repeat distance quickly and hopefully move closer.

Concerned about the excitement of either animal? Don't underestimate the power of a fake or stuffed animal. Trainers frequently use the brand Melissa and Doug because they make very realistic dogs and cats.

Over many, many repetitions, your dog will learn the cat is a positive thing.

Sometimes we do not have the luxury of time and space. In that case, allowing separate time for each species to explore

the home can be helpful. Be especially mindful of safety protocols mentioned above and still working to create positive experiences.

Some animals are strongly prey driven and living with another species can be dangerous. If you are unsure or need a second opinion, contact a member of Force Free Trainers of WI for additional assistance. This group of professionals can help you honestly assess the safety and feasibility of the situation.

Time and patience are critical to this process. Good luck!



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over by a car. She bred Josephine with her son, Daddy Warbucks, as well as other unknown Birman males. An interesting sidenote: Baker believed that Josephine's loving, gentle personality was the result of a secret government experiment performed on her by the University of California's Davis School of Veterinary Medicine.

Living with One: Nicknamed "pup-pycats", Ragdolls enjoy playing fetch & leash-walking. These love bugs go limp when they're picked up. Unlike many cats who prefer being up high, Ragdolls want to be at their owners' side on the sofa, balled up in their laps or snuggling by their feet on the floor. Ragdolls will follow their owners anywhere they go, even the shower isn't off limits. This makes them great travel companions. They also love to wear clothes & be pushed around in baby buggies. However, because they're overly gentle & trusting, Ragdolls shouldn't be allowed outside without human supervision.

4. Turkish Angora

Lifespan: 12-18 years
Weight Range: Male >12 pounds, female 8-12 pounds
Height: 8-10 inches
Best Suited For: Singles with other pets & families with children &/or other pets
Lap Cat: No
Coat: Long, silky, sleek, straight & soft
Colors: White, red, cream, black, blue, silver, tortoiseshell, calico, dilute calico & blue cream

Patterns: Solid, tortoiseshell, bicolor, calico, tabby & smoke

Shedding: Low

Grooming: Low

Vocal: Yes

Personality: Affectionate, playful, devoted, highly-intelligent, inquisitive & talkative

Breed History: Turkish Angoras are most likely descended from Pallas' cat, a near-threatened, wild feline native to the steppe regions of Central Asia. During the 20th century, these ballerina-like cats were endangered because they were heavily used in Persian breeding programs. Considered national treasures, the Ankara Zoo saved them by launching its own cat husbandry program. In the 1960s, the zoo reluctantly gave a pair, an odd-eyed male & amber-eyed female, to Colonel Walter Grant & his wife. The pair became the United States' foundation cats.

Living with One: Turkish Angoras like to be smack dab in the middle of whatever is going on. Active, agile & assertive, they take charge from day one. While they love dogs & other animals, they'll rule them with an iron paw, letting them know who's the boss. If they're bored, these humorous & witty cats will get themselves—and their canine comrades & kiddos—into trouble, turning on faucets, sneaking snacks from high cabinets & opening the front door. Excellent swimmers, Turkish Angoras will plunge into the shower, bath or pool with their owners.

5. Manx

Lifespan: 8-14 years

Weight Range: Male 8-12 pounds, female 8-12 pounds

Height: 7-9 inches

Best Suited For: Families with children & pets

Lap Cat: Yes

Coat: Short or long, dense, silky, soft & straight

Colors: White, blue, black, red, cream, silver, tortoiseshell, blue cream & brown

Patterns: Solid, tortoiseshell, bicolor, calico, tabby, ticking, smoke & shaded

Shedding: Constant

Grooming: Little to none

Vocal: Yes

Personality: Playful, easy going, intelligent, loyal & social

Breed History: They're a number of myths surrounding the origin of the Manx. One says that Noah accidentally slammed the breed's tail in the ark. Another claims that Mama Manxs would bite their kittens' tails off because Viking raiders would steal them for good luck. In actuality, the Manx comes from the Isle of Man, located in the British Isles. However, not all Manx are tailless. Some are: rumpies. But others have three vertebrae tails (rump risers), five vertebrae tails (stumpys) & tails that are longer than a stump but shorter than an average cat's tail (longys).

Living with One: Manx are often called "dog cats" because of their strong desire to be with their one special human. Known for playing fetch & carrying catnip toys everywhere they go, Manx have a possessive, protective streak. They'll growl at unusual noises or animals, & they prefer a quiet, calm home. They'll willingly takedown insects or rodents that get near their humans. With a sense of humor, they'll pull pranks on their owners. Manxs are also known for tearing off into rapid runs, zooming across the floor like little cars.

The International Cat Association recognizes 55 cat breeds. The American Shorthair, Birman, Ragdoll, Turkish Angora & Manx are just five examples of the canine-crazy cats out there—not counting the thousands of adoptable moggies.



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HOARDING

When a Pet Lover Becomes a Hoarder

BY PATTI MURACZEWSKI,
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Ambulance workers respond to a call of an elderly woman who has fallen. As the emergency medical technicians enter the house, they see shadows of dozens of animals scurrying about. The smell of the house and the empty cans of cat food quickly tell the worker that this is the home of a cat hoarder. Now that the situation has become known, a number of other agencies will need to become involved. This usually is a sad situation for all involved but mostly for the animals that have suffered under the hoarding conditions.

According to the Humane Society of the United States, 250,000 animals fall victim to animal hoarding in the United States each year. Since the television show "Hoarders: Buried Alive" came out, more people have a better understanding of hoarders and the underlying causes of a hoarding disorder. Animal hoarding is defined as "having more than the typical number of companion animals; an inability to provide even minimal standards of nutrition, sanitation, shelter and veterinary care, with this neglect often resulting in starvation, illness and death for companion animals; and the denial of both the inability to provide this minimum care and the impact of that failure on the animals, the household and the human occupants of the home".

Gary Patronek, DVM, who is part of a research committee studying animal hoarders, puts these people into

three groups. According to Patronek, overwhelmed caregivers make up 40 percent of people with this disorder, 20 percent are animal rescuers who have taken in more than they can care for and the remaining 40 percent are animal exploiters such as commercial breeders, circuses and pet stores.

Having been the director of the Elmhurst Humane Society for 15 years, I have seen a few cases. The problem with an animal hoarder, as opposed to just a hoarder of non-living items, is far more complex. These animals can suffer greatly from the lack of care and may die. Executive Director Karen Sparapani of Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission states, "MADACC does not see many cases, but the ones we do see are incredibly horrific for the animals involved".

Legal issues are another problem in dealing with animal hoarders that don't pertain to other types of hoarders. Animal hoarders can be prosecuted under animal cruelty laws that require owners of companion animals to provide proper care for their animals. This can be a lengthy process with the animals in question being housed at a facility for long periods of time. This is very hard on the animals and costly for the hold facility if they can't recoup their expenses. Often an agreement is met where the hoarder releases the animals to animal control or the humane society rather than going to court. This is just a temporary fix on the situation as recidivism is 60 to 100 percent for a hoarder; a plea bargain, fine and jail time won't re-

solve the psychological causes behind the problem.

All of the reputable rescuers, like me, hate it when a rescuer turns into a hoarder. Animals get hurt, and it gives us all a bad name. A number of years ago, a rescue was exposed for housing dogs under very inadequate conditions. MADACC personnel did random visits to their rescue partners to view their facilities. Even though it was one visit, it gave them some valuable information about each rescue and confidence in partnering with the group. Licensed rescues are visited at least once every other year, or more if someone complains, by a state inspector and all rescues adopting over 25 dogs per year are required to be licensed.

If you think someone you know is struggling with animal hoarding, get in touch with your local humane officer. Your local humane society may have a humane officer or could put you in touch with one. If you think a rescue group or humane society is hoarding, go to the following link and file a complaint (https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/DogBreedersSellersLaw.aspx).

Cases of animal hoarding are heart breaking for all. Hopefully, in time, this disorder will not be such a mystery, and we will be able to reduce or eliminate this problem through better intervention methods.

TABLE SCRAPS

with Chef Patti



Fowl Treats

- 1 and ¼ cup cooked chicken that has been processed in a food processor
- Add 2 eggs
- 1 TBSP peanut butter
- 2 TBSP parmesan cheese (use grated powdered cheese in a jar)
- 1 TBSP of garlic powder

Mix all the ingredients together.

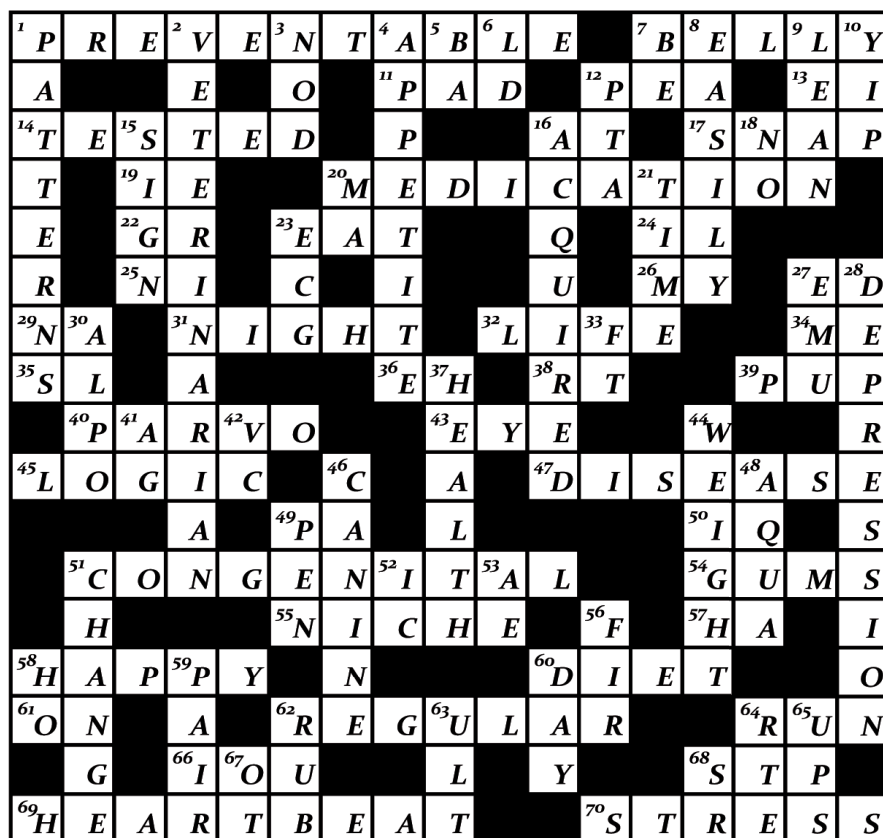
Add 1 cup of Tapioca flour.

Mixture will be stiff. Roll out or pat into pan or on a cookie sheet so it is ¼ to ½ inch thick. Spray pan with some spray.

Bake 350 for 20-30 minutes, it will be rubbery. Take it off of the pan and cut it with a pizza cutter while warm. A knife does not work as well.

Tapioca is a good choice in that it is non-toxic, gluten & lectin free. Tapioca will help thicken and bind. But you also can substitute all-purpose flour at an equal exchange or rice flour at the rate of 1 TBSP rice flour to 2 TBSP tapioca flour.

Remember, chicken is the most common allergy-causing protein so feel free to substitute beef or tuna as your protein.



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Wyatt: The Evaluator

BY MANETTE KOHLER, DVM

We all know dogs that serve many roles ... faithful family member, athletic competitor, trusted therapy dog. Many of my friends have awesome dogs like this. Now, meet Wyatt. He takes multi-tasking and versatility to a whole new level. He is truly the dog with many hats.

There is no denying that Wyatt, an almost 9-year-old, 103-pound, male Rhodesian Ridgeback is a regal and handsome dog. Bred to be a grand champion

show dog, he did just that, earning his championship from puppy classes and his Grand Championship not long after. As I write this he is getting ready for his 6th trip to the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, where his mother, Willow, won Best of Opposite Sex in her breed in 2007.

Wyatt's owner, Janice Wolfe, is the founder and director of Merlin's Kids, a non-profit organization that rescues and rehabilitates shelter dogs, transforming them into service dogs for children with autism and other special needs as well as veterans. Wyatt has a very important role with Merlin's Kids, that of "Evaluator". "He interacts with the special-needs child and by studying their interaction, I determine whether the child would be a good candidate for a service dog or not," says Wolfe. "He understands children so well and is very gentle," she adds. At the age of two, Wyatt was the youngest dog to win the AKC Humane Fund Award for Canine Excellence (ACE), and the only one to win the award for working with hundreds of kids.

Wyatt follows in his mother's footsteps as a service dog to Wolfe, herself, alerting her to changes in her blood sugar levels as well as other medical issues. Wolfe knew early on, when Wyatt was just a few weeks old, that he was unique and talented. Whenever his mother, Willow, would alert, Wyatt would alert. "It was very obvious that I had a very special puppy on my hands," says Wolfe. Not only can he detect changes in blood glucose, he is also trained to detect cortisol, seizures and cancer. Wyatt found a cancer in Wolfe, which she would not have known about until it was too late. "Wyatt truly saved my life," shares Wolfe. Told by a doctor that there was nothing there to worry about, Wolfe ended up insisting that the doctor remove the tiny spot that Wyatt kept alerting on for three weeks straight. Lo and behold he found an aggressive cancer, and when he called with the biopsy results, he apologized for not believing her dog.

With their extremely impressive and powerful sense of smell, dogs are proving themselves effective for cancer screening, and there are many worldwide ongoing studies looking at this ability. Most importantly, it appears that dogs are able to detect early stage cancers, with significant accuracy, before traditional medicine might discover the cancer, thus allowing potentially, earlier and more effective treatment. Wyatt is involved with studies at three universities, including Rutgers and Cornell. One of the studies is looking at using dogs to detect cancer in other dogs.

Wolfe is also founder and CEO of United K9 Professionals, and it is through this organization that Wyatt does cortisol and disease detection, including cancer screenings. He has done a lot of work with the International Firefighter Cancer Foundation (IFFCF), screening firefighters and first responders for cancer. According to IFFCF, firefighter and first responder cancer risk can be double that of others due to exposure to toxic chemicals.

"Many dogs are trained to detect cancer," says Wolfe. "But Wyatt is the first to do it on a large scale through his work with IFFCF." One touching story that stands out in Wolfe's memory occurred when they were in Syracuse, New York and Wyatt was screening firefighters for cancer. "One man had metastatic cancer that had literally invaded his whole body," says Wolfe. "Wyatt reacts emotionally when he finds disease in a person," she adds. "He smelled the man from across the room and knew he had a very serious issue." Roughly 40 to 50 onlookers watched as Wyatt approached the man, smelled him and stared at him with the most human look Wolfe has ever seen. "He literally stared at him with a look of concern and love and complete understanding that this man was, in fact, very seriously ill," Wolfe explains. There was not a dry eye in the room as Wyatt turned around and put his back up against the man as if to comfort him and protect him.

Janice and Wyatt have logged over 300,000 airline miles helping children for Merlin's Kids and screening firefighters and first responders for cancer. This jetsetter has also been to the Golden Globes to support his good friend and autism expert, Temple Grandin, Ph.D., when her movie was nominated in 2011 (Claire Danes won a Golden Globe for "Best Actress" for her portrayal of Grandin).

When not working, Wyatt loves spending time on Wolfe's ranch in Missouri. His favorite game involves hard-boiled eggs, believe it or not. He'll throw the egg, tossing it into the air 50-60 times until it breaks, and then he eats it. Perhaps some of his offspring will someday step up and fill Daddy's big shoes, or "Hats", and carry on his important work.

For more information, please visit www.MerlinsKids.org & www.United-K9Professionals.com.



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ALL SPIRIT HEELING



BY STACY KRAFCYZK,
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Animals are very sentient beings, like little psychic sponges, they are very sensitive and in tune with their environment and their people. It is very common for animals to pick up and take on their human's emotions, the energy of their environment and begin to take on physical ailments that are not their own, whether intentional or unintentional.

A lot of times people will contact me because their animal companion is acting out or acting strange and they want to figure out what's going on. While I am communicating with the animals, they quickly turn it back to their human companion and help guide them to what's going on within or around them that is the true issue or cause of the animal's behavior.

For example imagine they are like a child. Negative attention to them is attention, and they need it for the next step of their growth and healing (so do the humans in the house).

If their human companion has health issues, their animals can "mirror" that. If the owner gets cancer, the animal gets cancer. If the owner has diabetes, the cat gets diabetes. Their human friend has an injury; the animal has an injury similar to their owner. Sometimes the human and animal have the same disease, but the animal eventually succumbs to it whereas the owner lives. The animal took on its human's illness to save them so their human companion can live out their purpose. "Mirroring" the energy or emotion of the human or environment is how the animal communicates what needs attention and

this happens very frequently in the animal communication sessions.

Witnessing this as an animal communicator, it's very common that the dog will mirror emotional issues such as fear, abandonment issues, distrust, anxiety, worry and other common negative emotions. Animals are brought into our life for healing and teaching us as much as we are for them. So they are capable of highlighting an issue and mirroring back to us what needs to be healed. As their humans, it's important it begin to correct and heal that pattern. Sometimes we need professional help to change that pattern or just need to become more mindful of it while beginning to make necessary changes.

It's not a reflection of us being "bad humans or companions" to the animal but more of an awakening that the animal is able to give us, whereas if another human brought it up to our attention it's less likely to make as big of an impact on us. We've all come to this planet to help each other heal, grow and evolve. Animals tend to reach places in our heart and soul that we would not allow other some people access to. They're helping us to wake up and point out what is not working right now. It may be a little uncomfortable to hear at first, but then after that it becomes a very empowering experience and deepens our bond to our animal friend.

Another important note is that therapy dogs are very in tune and sensitive to the people and the environment they will be visiting, including in-home therapy dogs. Whether it's for hospice care, veterans, any type of rehab, visiting children, all that energy adds up and takes a toll. Over time it can weigh on them physically and energetically almost like they're depressed. The glint in their eyes disappears, and they no longer want to jump in the car to go. They dig their paws into the ground as if you can only drag or carry them into the facility, or they hide under desks.

If we can learn to clear their energy field before and after the therapy session, the dogs keep their energy clear and light and then are able to be a dog and let their work go.

One client's therapy dog said it no longer wanted to work in hospice and now wanted to work with children. The dog said it's happier energy and lighter and the dog felt more in alignment on its purpose. Death and dying was too hard for the dog. It was too heavy and sad.

How we process and release energy is by going for a walk, a drive, calling a friend, yelling, crying, screaming, breaking things, etc. Animals don't have as many options. They'll process and release their energy or frustration by being destructive,

excessively licking, chewing, running and eating things they normally don't. With animals it tends to build and build until they ultimately do something very destructive or have a health crisis. That's why it's important to clear your own energy, the animal's energy field, their environment and your vehicle (if they go to work with you).

This comes up a lot in animal communication sessions on a regular basis. Your cars, home and work environment all need to be energetically kept clean so that your animal friend doesn't have to take that on, whether it's by choice or not. You should communicate to the animal exactly what is going on because they know but would like details.

Examples of When to Clear

After doggy day care, the dog park, the vet, a death in the house, a dog fight, a job change, a move, a divorce, adding on to the human or animal family, health crisis and the list goes on. Anything that feels like there is a lot of negative energy or chaos needs to be cleared. A chaotic environment can make for a chaotic animal.

How to Clear & Shield the Animal's Energy Field

There are many ways, but here are a few tips. You can use a spray bottle with an essential oil to mist over and around them, in the car and at home. Some animals don't like the mists so you can spray it on your hands, rub your palms together and gently stroke down their body with the intention of clearing their energy field. Play a cleansing CD at home and in the car by Mitchell Gibson from iTunes or Amazon.

Play soft and soothing music for your animals and visualize a protective bubble of light around them from nose to tail, from tips of ears to the bottom of their paws. State the intent, "only love and light may penetrate this bubble" and use prayer while burning sage.

Cleansing all of those on regular basis is very important for a healthy and balanced animal. Depending on what's going on for the human or animals it may be needed more frequently until things begin to calm down. It may seem silly, but clearing energy for the animals will make a big difference. It helps both the humans and animals.

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Presented By Carol Sumbry

Camp Critter Spring Break

Apr. 12: 9:00am-3:00pm
WHS, Ozaukee, 262-377-7580

Four on the Floor

Apr. 22: 10:00am-1:00pm
Humane Society of Jefferson County
920-674-2048

Cat Behavior Seminar

May 17: 6-8:00pm
WHS, Ozaukee, 262-377-7580

Fundraisers/Gatherings

St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 11: Noon-3:00pm
Milwaukee

Spring Gala for EBHS

March 11: 5:00pm
Waukesha, Marriot West

Pints for Pups

March 19: Noon-5:00pm
Camp Bar Tosa
Friends of MADACC

Paint Your Pet with Dane Co HS

March 20: 6:30pm
Coliseum Bar, Madison
Giveshelter.org

Let's Go for a Walk

March 24: 3-6:00pm
Humane Society of Jefferson County
920-674-2048

WBAY-TV Pet Expo

March 24-26
Friday: 3-8:00pm, Saturday: 10:00am-6:00pm,

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Sunday: 10:00am-4:00pm
Shopko Hall, Green Bay
PetExpoGB.com

Dog Day at the Milwaukee Admirals

March 26: 3:00pm
UWM Panther Arena
HAWS, hawspets.org
414-227-0567

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Apr. 5: 7:30pm
Hamburger Mary's, Milwaukee
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Ebhs.org

Bunny Day!

Apr. 9: Noon-4:00pm
HAWS, hawspets.org, 262-542-8851

1st Annual Barkin Beer Fest

Apr.: 22 1-5:00pm
Badger State Brewing, Green Bay
Bay Area Humane Society Benefit
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Steps to Make a Difference Walk

Apr.: 29
University of WI, Green Bay Campus
Bay Area Humane Society Benefit
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Romp N Rally

May 6: 10:00am-3:00pm
Sussex Village Park
HAWS, hawspets.org, 262-542-8851

2017 Furry Friends 5k

May 20: 9:00am-Noon
Jefferson County Fair Park

Adoption Events

Shelter from the Storm

Every Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm
PetSmart Madison East
Sftsrescue.org, 608-284-7447

Greyhound Meet 'n' Greet

4th Saturday of each month 1:00-3:00pm
HAWS, hawspet.org, 262-542-8851

Meet the Dogs of AdoptMe Rescue

Sundays: 10:00am-2:00pm
PetSmart West, Madison
Adoptmeforever.org

Meet the Dogs of Woof Gang Rescue

March 5: 11:00am- 1:00pm
Bentley's Pet Stuff, New Berlin
Woofgangrescue.com

Services 4 Dogs

Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic

Every Thursday
Baraboo, 608-356-2520
Sauk County Humane Society,
Saukhumane.org

Low-Cost Spay/Neuter

MADACC, Milwaukee
madacc.org/services, 414-649-8640

Low-Cost Spay/Neuter

Spay Me Clinic, Madison
spayme.com, 608-224-1400

Spay Me Clinic

Services offered in Milwaukee
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spayme.com/Milwaukee_clinic

Spring Rabies Vaccination Clinic

March 25: 1:00pm-4:00pm
Jefferson, 920-674-2048
County Fair Park
Hsjc-wis.com

Nail Trims & Microchips

4th Sunday of the month, 11:00am-3:00pm
Spayme Clinic, Madison
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Low-Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic

Call for information
Kenosha, 262-694-4047
Safe Harbor Humane Society, Safehar-
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Elmbrook Humane Society & Companion
Animal Hospital, 262-789-1954

Pet Parties/Play Groups

Saturday A.M. Recess (HAWS)

March 4, 11, 18, 25: 10:00AM to 12:00PM
Central Bark Doggy Day Care, Sussex
centralbarkusa.com/sussex/, 262-246-8100

Puppy & Small Dog Party

Saturdays 11:30am-12:30pm
For Pet's Sake, Mukwonago
800-581-9070, forpetsake.cc

Puppy Social

Sundays: 5:15-5:45pm, Hartland
Half-pint Social
1st & 3rd Fridays: 6:30-7:30pm,
Pewaukee 262-369-3935
Best Paw Forward, bestpawforward.net

Puppy Parties (HAWS)

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WINSTON'S WISHES: BUILDING A 5+ ACRE DOG RESCUE COMPOUND

We need your help to save our local homeless dogs in need! Winston's Wishes is a charitable organization that contributes funds to non-profit animal rescues within the state of Wisconsin through annual events. The foundation was started after rescuing Winston who was left out on the freezing streets of Milwaukee as a puppy. We realized how crucial it is to save the thousands of dogs that need our assistance. We have put together three annual events raising thousands of dollars for our local rescues while bringing awareness to the issues at hand. It is now our time to do even more.

We are expanding in 2017 and need your help to reach our goals! The biggest is to purchase a piece of land that is 5+ acres to build our rescue. The rescue will include weatherized buildings that have indoor/outdoor access for all dogs, very large outdoor play areas, areas where dogs can have alone time if they don't get along with other dogs and much more! We have made so many great connections through our foundation and are extremely excited to bring everyone together to save the dogs who need our help!

Overall Goals

- Rescuing abused, neglected & abandoned dogs.
- Ending puppy mills.
- Ending dog fighting.
- Closing in on the breeding issue by educating the inner city & providing assistance & education for spaying & neutering.
- Assisting other rescues & shelters by having an overflow area where we can comfortably foster dogs if they need help due to not having room.
- And so much more!

This is our passion and our life goal. Please help Winston & his rescue sister, Sophie, give back to our local homeless dogs. Please join the fight.



Everyone meet Sweetums! His name precedes him....sorta. He is very affectionate but on his own terms. He is not a huge fan of other cats, meaning he wants to spend all of his time with his human friends. Sweetums would prefer to spend the rest of his days with a forever family that will love his every quirk. Though he is FIV+, he can still live a long healthy life with the right care and love.

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OFF-THE-LEASH

Blue Ivy Portraiture

Happy Endings, Darlene Rager

As VP/Media Relations person for Happy Endings, Darlene Rager found her passion in helping local cats find homes. "They are extremely loyal and have nothing to hide—they are who they are," she quips. And after a decade, Rager is who she is today because of her ability to network and her desire to pursue these snuggling furry balls of happiness. MEOW!

What Should FETCH Readers Know?

People often think that cats and dogs can't cohabitate or be friends. We send more and more cats to "dog" homes every year. If introduced properly, they cannot only live peacefully together but they can become best friends and become inseparable. Nine times out of ten it is in the introduction. It must be done slowly, and the process should not be rushed.

How has the Organization Evolved from When You Began?

It has changed immensely in the ten years I have been involved. Adoptions have significantly increased to around 200 cats per year, and the fundraisers are now non-stop. Happy Endings is the oldest no-kill rescue in the city of Milwaukee, and this is our 23rd year. As an all-volunteer and all-donation-run organization, it is always

a challenge to cover our costs. Medical expenses alone can reach over \$80,000, and that's based on discounted rates from vets. Awareness of Happy Endings has also significantly increased since we are out and about in the community all the time.

What Changes are Coming Up for Happy Endings?

This year we will be holding an Iron Chef Competition Fundraiser on June 18 at Discovery World in downtown Milwaukee. This will be a huge community event, and we are very excited about it. We are currently accepting sponsorships, and any chef interested in participating should contact us. Hopefully a little further down the road we will be able to buy our own building. We currently rent and outgrew the space years ago. Unfortunately, funds are prohibitive currently, but in the near future we hope that will change.

Explain the Plight for Local Cats in Milwaukee

The average lifespan of an outdoor cat is 8-10 years versus the age of an indoor cat who can live 15-20 years. Sadly people either don't understand or don't care how important it is to spay and neuter. A single pair of cats and their kittens can produce as many as 420,000 kittens in just 7 years. Additionally, every heat the cat endures raises

the risk of uterine and mammary cancer. This is also true for dogs.

Urban areas are often overrun by countless feral and stray cats. Since they are generally not fixed, overpopulation is a huge issue.

Last year alone Milwaukee's animal control facility, MADACC, euthanized over 1100 cats. Most people are not aware that there are local groups that will come into the neighborhood, trap the cats and then have them fixed. This greatly reduces the numbers over time and has a huge impact in the neighborhoods.



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Underdog Pet Rescue of Wisconsin
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414-758-6626, yellowbrickroadrescue.com,
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262-347-8823, bbrescue.org
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Little Orphan's Animal Rescue
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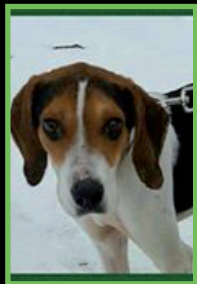
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ALVIN



2 YEARS

HOUD MIX

Alvin is a 2-year-old Hound Mix. He's an active guy that enjoys playing with other dogs and going to day care. He's picking up quickly on inside manners and potty training. His adoption fee is \$200 and covers all age appropriate vaccinations at the time of adoption, microchip, and health certificate.

2 YEARS

GRACIE



CATAHOULA MIX

Gracie is a 2-year-old female Catahoula Mix. She loves playing with other dogs, going for car rides and cuddles/loving from everyone. Her adoption fee is \$200 (with a separate \$100 check for spay deposit that will be shredded once proof of spay is provided to HFAH 30 days after adoption) and covers all age appropriate vaccinations at time of adoption, microchip, and health certificate.

VINCENT
PLOTT HOUND MIX



4 MONTHS

Vincent is a 4-month-old male Plott Hound Mix. He is very sweet and loves to cuddle and play with toys. Vincent gets along well with other dogs, cats and other animals. His adoption fee is \$250 and covers all age appropriate shots at time of adoption, microchip and health certificate.

SWEET CHOPPO

EAGER



Choppo is a very sweet young fella. He knows his sit, down and watch commands well and is very eager to work for treats! Choppo may seem shy around strangers at first, but a good walk with him outside and a squeaky toy can help him come out of his shell. Just give him a few minutes to warm up to you and watch this young man shine! If his face doesn't capture your heart, then his sweet personality will.

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JOAN

SPUNKY & SASSY



My name is Joan, and I am as fancy as Joan Rivers. I'm a dash of spunky, a pinch of sassy and a gallon of sweet! Attention is great for a while, but when I'm done I will let you know with a swat. I love to chase toys and play rough. Some of MY staff think I could be a dog in a cat's body. Alas, look no further! My burst of personality is just what you are looking for!

MAGGIE



My name is Maggie, and I am an extreme social butterfly. I still think that I am a tiny puppy, but I am getting to be a big girl now. I am a very sweet girl, and I LOVE to be affectionate and playful. If you are looking for an active and social dog to have as a running partner, I am your girl!

LAKELAND ANIMAL SHELTER lakelandanimalshelter.org



Charger is an almost two-year-old handsome pit mix. He would LOVE for his forever home to have another canine friend or two to hang out with and keep him company! It can take Charger a while to warm up to new people so you may need to come and meet him a few times, but the loving bond will be worth the wait. Bring some treats, and you may steal his heart very quickly!



Abbie came to the shelter from Texas when she was just a puppy. She was adopted but sadly returned and is now hoping to find her forever home! Abbie likes other dogs but sometimes is unsure of how to behave appropriately so advance meetings are a must. She would prefer a home with stability and structure in addition to lots of playtime, exercise and basic obedience reinforcement. Come meet this beautiful girl today!



Any lover of the Husky or an active dog would surely fall for this very handsome 2-year-old fella! Just one look at those eyes and that expression and you know that Ash may have a little bit of mischievousness in his personality, but that's what makes him interesting and fun. Ash would do great in an active home where he could get plenty of mental and physical exercise along with love and structure, and a few toys and treats wouldn't hurt either! Stop by and say hi!

SAUK CO. HUMANE SOCIETY saukhumane.org



Chloe, a Border Collie/Hound Mix, is a very energetic, sweet wisp of a girl who has come a long way since she arrived at the shelter. She now walks on a leash very well and enjoys walks. She is learning commands and has been working on returning a toy. As a girl who likes to snuggly, she tends to stay close to you for lots of attention. Chloe cannot share a home with cats and could possibly be okay with the right dog if they can deal with her energy level. She is spayed and up to date on shots.



Edgar and Agnes are a senior, bonded pair. Agnes is quite outgoing and has done some nursing home visits. Edgar is a reserved gentleman who might like his space but can certainly be a snuggle bug and likes his belly rubs. They both enjoy a walk, but might prefer to find themselves one snuggled on each side of you! Both get along ok with other dogs, and cats and would be great, if they are low-key companions. They are spayed, neutered and up to date on shots.



Phillip is a Pug/Pit Mix and loads of fun. Coming in as a stray, he has learned to walk on a leash and is working on commands and to return a toy. He has also learned to take his treats nicely. This is an energetic guy and would do best in an active family that will continue his training. Phillip cannot share his home with cats, but the right dog might be ok. He has done some events out of the shelter and did well at a Mounds event in a crowd with lots of dogs around. His cute face is almost too much to resist!

WOOF GANG

woofgangrescue.com

BOOMER



ENERGETIC

FUN

Meet Boomer! He is a 2 year-old-German Short Hair Pointer/American Bulldog Mix. This guy is an energetic, fun loving goof ball. He is not a fan of cats but would love to play with older kids that mirror is energy level. He prefers to be an only fur baby.



HIPPA



KIND

Meet Hippa. She is a 5-year-old Bull Terrier Mix that loves to do whatever you are doing. She loves to be outside, go for car rides, lounge with you and even loves kids. She is a "to herself" kind of gal when it comes to other pets. If you are looking to add a dog to your family, Hippa is the perfect choice.

KAIN

LUCKY



Meet Kain. He is a 4-year-old, purebred American Bulldog. Kain is a very happy go lucky guy who had a rough past. He loves car rides, to be outside, is a great running partner and would be perfect in a home with older kids.

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HONEY



3 YEARS

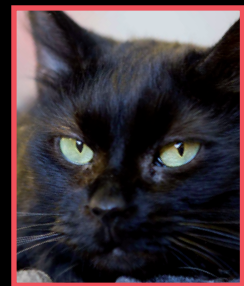
Honey is about 3 years old & is the softest, friendliest pup around! This girl loves people of all ages, a long game of fetch, lots of petting & always rolls on her back for a nice belly rub! Honey is a go-getter that would do well in an active home!

DOLLY



Dolly is a solo artist seeking a full-time gig! She hasn't quite learned to share the stage. Dolly prefers to be the one and only and guarantees to provide her family with endless entertainment and devotion. So bring on the adoring humans!

SHEEBA



Sheeba is a 10-year-old cat with a jet black coat and dazzling eyes. She was found as a stray and wasn't sure if she trusted people at first but came around quickly once she realized how great it felt to be loved. Like all cats over 1 year of age, you get to name your own adoption fee for Sheeba. Plus she's already been spayed, microchipped, & vaccinated!

WHS OZAUKEE
wihumane.org

REMEMBER ME RANCH
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Two-year-old Leia just moved here from Pennsylvania and is looking for her forever family. She is a sweetheart of a girl who takes a while to warm up to people, but if you give her a toy to play tug of war with, you will have a new best friend.



Keely is a sassy senior lady at 16 years old. She loves to snuggle with humans, but she would do best at a home without other cats. Keely would be the perfect mellow lap cat for any home. Do you have room in your heart to give this senior lady a comfy home?

SAFE HARBOR
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When Carrie first came to Safe Harbor, she was timid around people and other dogs. Through a lot of TLC, Carrie has come out of her shell and is such a sweetheart. She loves other dogs and all people. Her perfect home would have a large backyard to run around in all day. Give this happy girl a chance.

DODGE CO. HUMANE SOCIETY
dchs-wi.org



There is no friend as loyal as a dog, and Keith is the epitome of a man's best friend. This handsome boy is just over a year old and wants nothing more than to find his forever home. Keith needs some work on his manners, but he is one smart cookie and very eager to please!



Sadie and Jazz are happy go lucky gals who enjoy the company of people as well as well each other. This spirited and energetic 4-year-old bonded pair would make a great addition to any active family. A hunting dog by nature, Sadie would do best in a home without cats.



The mighty Zeus has arrived! A handsome heartbreaker, love will strike your heart like a bolt of lightning the moment you meet him. Zeus is very energetic and hyperactive. He would do fantastic in a home with high-energy people who have lots of space and time to train him. If you are willing to offer your time and home to a playful pooch, Zeus will give you as much doggie affection and kisses as possible!

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SAFE HARBOR
safeharborhumanesociety.org



Raphael is a 2-year-old Pit Bull Mix, and he is one of the happiest dogs you will ever meet. He LOVES every person he meets. Raphael loves to play and go on long walks. Currently Raphael does not get along with other dogs, but he is staying with a foster family who is working hard on this. Come meet him today!



Allegra is a 2-year-old Lhasa Apso who weighs 13 pounds. Allegra enjoys cuddling, going for walks and playing with other dogs. Allegra will be most successful in a home with a daily routine. She needs a strong pack leader to take charge. She is a sweet girl but is recommended for families without young kids (15+).

WHS OZAUKEE
wihumane.org



Jethro is a handsome 3-year-old with an awful past; he was found alone in the woods and had been shot which shattered his jaw. Luckily he was brought to WHS where he received the care and treatment he needed to fully recover. Now he's looking for a forever home in a rural setting where he has plenty of room to romp. Jethro's adoption fee is just \$25; come meet him today!



Barney is a 3-year-old Chihuahua mix who weighs 13 pounds. Barney is a playful guy who enjoys romping around with other dogs, playing fetch and snuggling with his people. He would be a great family dog. Barney came to the rescue with an old injury to his back right leg. Sometimes when he runs fast, he doesn't use that leg. The vet said it's not painful, and he doesn't mind it.



Meet Rico, a sweet 10-year-old dog with a substantial amount of health conditions, ranging from eye issues to luxating patellas and a heart murmur. He doesn't let any of it slow him down and we're so excited to find him a guardian who'll love him unconditionally and provide the necessary care he needs as he ages. His positive attitude is a testament to his resilience; he's one exceptional dog!



Sophia is a 2-year-old Chihuahua who weighs only 6 pounds. Sophia came to the rescue afraid of everyone and everything as she had never been socialized. It took months of patience and kindness to have come as far as she has. Sophia is doing very well in her foster home. She gets along with other dogs and cats, but takes time to warm up to people. Once you earn her trust she will love you forever.

SHELTER FROM THE STORM
sftsrescue.org



Veterinary Dentistry



Meet Miky, a German Shepherd with the Canine Unit of the Kenosha Police Department.

The health of Miky's mouth is part of his job, and WVRC's board certified veterinary dentist, Dr. Schamberger, performed periodontal surgery and two root canals, and placed two metal crowns. Miky is still hard at work, and his crowns and teeth are holding up nicely!

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