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Photo By Stephanie Bartz

Fall is a busy time of year. Students are going back to school and smaller kids are playing more in day care settings. But what about our dogs? Where is their time being spent? Most of our 4-legged companions are back to waiting at home for us to return from our long day's schedule. Therefore, planning some additional time for your pooch to play with you or possibly with other dogs may be well received. As a dog-friendly community the options are endless. Whether it be just attending a one time event with your dog or going to play dates/groups regularly. And if your dog is extra well-behaved, parks can be a great place to go as well.

So feel free to leisurely maneuver your way from page to page in our fall issue and perhaps something may peak your interest. Fall's themes are work & play.

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In the Summer 15' issue, in the K9 Marketplace section, PetU's listing had the wrong address.

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Meet Kathleen!

Five years ago I never would have guessed I'd be writing for a dog magazine much less own two large dogs. I grew up afraid of dogs; the catalyst being a German Shepherd that chased me all the way home from school when I was 6 years old. It wasn't until twenty years later, after I met my husband who grew up with large dogs, that I slowly learned how to be with dogs. As soon as we had a house with a fenced-in yard we brought home my first dog, a 7-week-old Rhodesian Ridgeback. We named her Tsavo after the region formerly known as Rhodesia, Africa. From that first day on I knew I was smitten for life for wet, slobbery dog kisses and that comforting smell of dog hair that is so unique to dogs - no two are alike. The overwhelming unconditional love Tsavo immediately gave me was beyond what I ever imagined from a canine. I had a steep learning curve to build my confidence and knowledge of dog behavior and training, but I loved every minute of the process. Before too long I let my husband know I was ready for another puppy. That's when we rescued Abby, a 2-year-old Great Dane/English Pointer Mix. I call Abby my barnacle pup. She follows me around the house all day, never more than a few feet from my side.

Prior to my writing career I worked for a major production company in Hollywood, I was a paralegal for prominent law firms in Seattle, and I was a classroom teacher and private tutor. I have a Bachelor's Degree in Radio-Television-Broadcasting from California State University, Northridge and a Master of Science in Language and Literacy/Teacher of Reading from Wheelock College in Boston. I've been writing for FETCH Magazine for nearly two years now. I love broadening my knowledge base about all things dogs. Sharing what I learn with like-minded individuals is the cookie treat on top. I have also written for the International Literacy Association, Creative Teaching and Learning, Keen Readers, and I have two blogs for children, SleepyBearWrites@blogspot.com and MooseyMooseWrites@blogspot.com. I'm also busy writing my first young readers' chapter book and a young adult novel.

In my non-writing time I volunteer at the Seattle Humane Society as a team lead in the Dog Behavior and Socialization program and as a Behavior Program Assistant. I train the rambunctious, shy, timid and mouthy dogs until they are either in fulltime foster care or adopted. When I'm not writing or training dogs I enjoy spending time with my husband, traveling, reading and watching movies. I love to play tennis, bake, sew, paint and spend time with my two young granddaughters.

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Dear FETCH Friends:

Who wants to work when you can play? I've become quite a workaholic these days with juggling single parenting, my part-time management job & this wonderful magazine! I almost forgot what it was like to just be me & play with my kids or my dog. To let the wind hit my face as we take a walk around the neighborhood. There is such simplicity & serenity in it, one that can help settle the mind & ground the body. Without moments like these in my life I would be a far more neurotic individual. We all need to take time out for ourselves & those we treasure most. Whether it be taking a stroll, playing with blocks on the floor, throwing a ball etc. As dog lovers & people actively involved in the rescue community, we find ourselves stressed out throughout the day as we work to help others. But in order to help others, we must first help ourselves. We are no good to anyone if we are zombies. So find the time this season if possible to enjoy an event or game or two. And if we must work, work alongside your four-legged companion(s). They are oh so good for the mind, body & soul.

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Community Equips K-9 Officers With Vests

Four years ago Marla Lichtenberger, DVM, DACVECC, started The Milwaukee Emergency Center for Animals Foundation with the goal of providing bullet resistant and stab proof vests to all the K-9 officers in Wisconsin. As the founder of MECA, Lichtenberger has been providing medical care for police dogs for the past 15 years as well as offering CPR classes to K-9 officers for their dogs. Often times the dog is the first responder which means the dog will enter a building or approach a criminal first, thereby putting himself at risk for being shot or stabbed first. Lichtenberger says she "realized that the need for the dogs to wear vests was so great" based on their injuries and the risks they are exposed to.

Before a dog receives his vest, exact measurements are taken to ensure a perfect fit. No longer is it one-size fits all. Also, the vests weigh only ten pounds, are manufactured in the U.S. and take approximately 6 weeks to make and cost \$950 per vest. The goal is to have a vest that is comfortable for the dog to wear for their entire work shift. Officer Wicklund and his K-9 partner, George, are the latest recipients of a vest. Wicklund is very excited to have a vest for George to wear. Since November, he and George have been deployed to over 160 building searches where a vest would have been beneficial. Wicklund says having a vest for George to wear will give him peace of mind and "give [George] every chance he's got to come out of a situation safely."

In addition to providing K-9 vests, The MECA Foundation also provides funding for the following:



- Purchasing the K-9 dogs from Europe including the initial training
- The officer's car that is specifically designed to transport a K-9
- Continued care for the dog during its time on the force

Lichtenberger says MECA is able to acquire two dogs and 3-4 vests per year for the Wisconsin police forces. However, there is a request for 6-7 dogs per year and 10-20 that need vests.

Each July The MECA Foundation hosts a MECA Vest A K-9 FEST in order to help fund the costs for the vests. In December John Paul's GMC dealership holds a fundraising event where you can have a pet photo with Santa. The Milwaukee police also host an event in May to raise awareness for the Milwaukee Police Department. Volunteers are always needed at these events helping with raffle tickets, taking photos and assisting at the various booths.

If you would like to volunteer at an upcoming event or are interested in hosting a fundraising event to benefit The MECA Foundation, please contact Debra Lopez at 262-989-0604, dlopez7@sbcglobal.net. If you would like to make a monetary donation you may do so at MECAFoundation.org.

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Today HAWS accommodates 8,000 animals and welcomes 35,000 human visitors each year. As an open admissions shelter, HAWS accepts animals regardless of age, health, temperament or breed. As a full service humane society, HAWS offers programs and services that promote responsible pet ownership and prevent animal abuse and neglect – in our community and beyond.

The Humane Animal Welfare Society strives towards Building a Society that's Humane. Building on our strong foundation, HAWS' expansions and renovations ensure our facility will continue to meet the needs of our community. In 2015, with 100 percent support from our Board of Directors – both verbal and financial, HAWS again embarks on a facility expansion campaign, reflecting the growth in our area and ever-evolving nature of our work to make life better for our community's pets and their people. HAWS key growth areas are the result of the popularity of HAWS' education programs, the demand for Spay-Neuter services, the need for dog training classes and 1:1 consultations for both dogs and cats, an increasingly high volume of Animal Rescue calls and the improvements in sheltering accommodations. HAWS will meet the needs of our community and continue to be the #1 resource for pets and their people!

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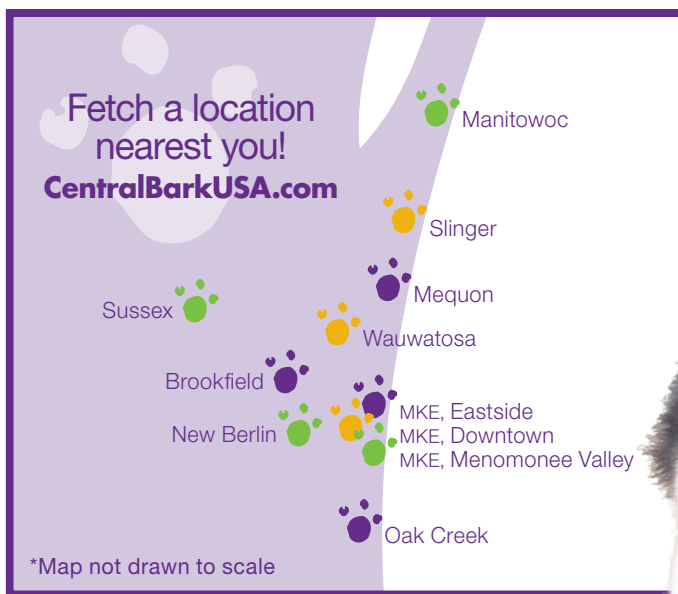
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Your Favorite Couch Potato: The English Bulldog

BY SHANNON VENEGAS, FREELANCE WRITER

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He'll jump on the couch, curl up next to your lap and wait for the movie to start. Then during the previews, he'll probably look up at you with one paw resting on your leg and ask, "Where's the popcorn?" This is typical behavior from English Bulldogs. They're people-oriented couch potatoes with a bit of clown in them.

"They absolutely love to be with their people," says Laura Wesseln, director of Adopt-a-Bull English Bulldog Rescue. "They're OK with having another buddy, but they really, really want to be with you, their owner. They want to know what you're doing, follow you around the house and keep an eye on you from their comfortable couch."

According to breeder Mike Hedrick, English Bulldogs are "like no other dog." "They're more like humans than they are dogs," he says. "I would honestly say they are probably the canine clowns. They're

goofy. They kick back and have fun. They can be athletic, but in short bursts. I have some that love to play tether ball. I have some that like to go on the toboggan or tubing behind the boat. Anything that has anything to do with people."

Originally from the British Isles, English bulldogs were bred for bull baiting. Nowadays, though, as the fourth-most popular breed (according to the American Kennel Club), they much rather prefer their job to be as companions — and treat inhalers.

"They will do anything for treats," Hedrick says. "They're very food motivated, and their weakness is their stomach." And English bulldogs know just how to finagle those treats out of their owners.

"They're smart but in a way that people don't quite expect," Wesseln says. "So a German Shepherd or a lab can do tricks, but a bulldog will do it once or twice but then ask

what's in it for me? They're good at manipulating me. Mine have me trained to give them treats when they came in from going outside. Sometimes they want to go out just to come in and get a treat."

Their stomach is not their only weakness, though. Like any other dog, some poor breeding has caused English Bulldogs to have their fair share of medical problems. Most common, according to Hedrick and Wesseln, are ACL and knee issues. They also have a tendency toward elongated palates and cherry eyes.

I want one

When looking to purchase an English Bulldog, it's crucial to have their personality in mind.

"Research, research, research," says English Bulldog breeder Jennifer Guinn. "I can't stress that enough. Is this the dog that fits

your lifestyle? Bulldogs are very attached to their humans so they need lots of human attention.”

Because English Bulldogs are such a popular breed, potential buyers have to research the breeders they are interested in. Wesseln says it is important to find a breeder who belongs to the Bulldog Club of America, has champions he or she breeds and is involved with local breed clubs. These are the breeders who have quality dogs and are active in the industry, according to her.

According to Hedrick, English Bulldogs are expensive and hard to find, so the price can be an initial tip-off as to whether it is a quality English Bulldog.

“If it’s only \$800 to \$1,000, it’s not a bulldog,” he says.

The starting price for a well-bred English Bulldog is from \$2,000 to \$2,500. With the chocolate, blue and lilac colors, the sky’s the limit, Hedrick says.

When you do find a reputable breeder, Guinn says to ask them if they health test and what type of health testing they do. Also, don’t be afraid to ask for puppy and vet references, as well as ask to see the parents of the puppies.

Once you have one

One of the great things about English Bulldogs is that they don’t require 20 acres of running space. They work just fine for a dog owner who lives in an apartment because they are fairly low energy. They will go out and play for 15 minutes, and then it’s time for another nap, Wesseln says, so they can be a poor match for someone who wants to go out and run 5 miles in the summertime.

Hedrick says he does have some who have some energy and like to play, but only for short periods of time.

“They want to be Jack Russell terriers for 10 minutes, and then they remember they’re bulldogs,” he says.

They are best kept as indoor pets with a person or family in a loving environment because they are always happiest with people around, Guinn adds.

If you do have them in an apartment, though, make sure there is air conditioning. Another common issue with English Bulldogs is that they are prone to heat stroke. Any exercise in the summer has to be done in short spurts whether they like it or not to prevent any serious exhaustion.

Also important, make sure if you decide to get an English Bulldog that you don’t mind doing a little bit of daily cleaning. Wesseln



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says that when the rescue gets dogs, they have to wipe out their ears and wrinkles early every day. Bulldogs are also very short bodied, so you have to clean their back ends if needed, particularly if they have an inverted tail pocket.

Full of love

Once you have made the decision that the English Bulldog is the right dog for you, you will never go back. Hedrick quotes the AKC, saying “Once you have a bulldog, there is an 85 percent chance you will have a bulldog for life.”

Their kind, docile and brave character is enough to make anyone fall in love.

“Their clownish antics every day, you can’t help but laugh,” Guinn says. “When I walk in the door, they rush to the door to greet me. One plays dead constantly to get your attention to rub his belly while the other is waving her paw to get your attention away from the other one.”

Not only do English Bulldogs love to get attention, but they will return the favor.

“They just give so much love back,” Wesseln says. “They are really responsible—if you don’t feel well, they are very clingy and sit with you and give love to you.”



Homeland: British Isles

Size: 45-55 pounds

Appearance: Medium sized with a smooth coat; heavy-set bodies set lower to the ground with wide shoulders; short-faced head; shuffling gait; 10 colors including brindle and white and fawn and white

Job: Bull baiting (originally); companionship

Temperament: Kind and strong; people-oriented; couch potatoes with a touch of clown

Grooming: Regular cleaning of back-end area, as well as their ears and wrinkles

Average life span: 8-10 yrs

HELP WANTED: DOGS FOR HIRE

Employment Listings For Dogs - Past & Present

BY KATHLEEN HUNTER, MS,
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Today, when we think of working dogs the first careers that might come to mind are therapy dogs, K-9 dogs working with police units or search and rescue dogs. These are all very important jobs for our canine companions, but the range of occupations goes well beyond these, as does the history of working dogs. Take a look at the following examples of canine careers:

Military Working Dogs

Dogs have been in the workforce for centuries. According to Military History Now, the leading online destination for fascinating facts about military history (militaryhistorynow.com), some of the earliest working dogs are depicted in hieroglyphics from more than 15,000 years ago. Dogs often fought in battles alongside their human counterparts. The ruler of the Kingdom of Lydia "had his soldiers turn packs of dogs loose on Cimmerian troops in a battle around 600 BCE." That was just the beginning. Dogs have fought for Roman Emperors, Spanish conquistadores in the New World and for many countries during World War I. Dogs were often used as messengers because they could traverse the unstable terrain more easily. They were also used as stretcher bearers and sentries; they helped place telegraph wires, transported supplies and helped locate injured soldiers. Two military dogs that need special mention are Stubby, a mixed breed mutt who was part of the 26th Infantry Division in France in 1917. Stubby was a mascot and a detection dog. By the end of his military tenure, he had earned the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Stubby died in 1926. The most decorated military pooch was Chips, a German Shepherd/Collie Mix who was a member of the U.S. Army. Chips was inte-

gral in the capture of many enemy troops. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star and the Purple Heart. Unfortunately, the military has a regulation that prohibits non-humans from receiving awards. Consequently, Chip's medals were ultimately revoked. Another well-known dog in military history was a St. Bernard named Bamse. However, his role was not on the battlefield but rather to herd crewmembers that were out well past curfew. He certainly had a nose for the popular pubs! Bamse died of natural causes in 1944. There is a statue of Bamse in Montrose, Scotland and also a book, *Sea Dog Bamse*.

Military dogs are still deployed today with their handlers to remote regions of unrest. These canines are highly trained in nose work to sniff out explosives, enemy militants and as cadaver dogs.

Firehouse Dogs

Back in the day when "fire engines" were a horse and wagon, there was also a firehouse dog that served not only as the mascot but also as a guard dog and companion. As soon as an alarm would sound, the firehouse dog would run to the street outside the station and bark, alerting the public that the fire wagon was about to leave the station. As the horses raced to the fire, the firehouse dog would run alongside the horses to act as a distraction to the horses, helping to keep them calm. Once at the destination, the dog then acted as a guard dog, protecting the horses and the firemen's tools and personal belongings. Back then, their tools were made of brass and therefore quite expensive to replace. (livescience.com) The Dalmatians were first selected because they are a "... physical breed, with a strong, mus-

cular body and able to run great distances without tiring," according to local1259iaff.org. Today, most fire stations no longer have a firehouse dog. According to Sgt. Lintonen of the Milwaukee Fire Department, there is the liability issue of having a dog in a public service position. Plus, today with the volume of calls a typical fire engine might respond to, it's not practical to have a dog ride along in a fire truck. However, you will find a firehouse dog here and there across the country.

Police Dogs

Similar to the military working dogs are the K-9 Units of the police force. One early account was in England when dogs were assigned to sniff out Jack the Ripper. Although the K-9s did not track down Jack the Ripper, they were integral to the investigation. Today, K-9 units are more and more popular especially in the greater metropolitan areas. Generally, the K-9 dogs are German Shepherds or Belgian Malinois, but depending on their job description, other nose work dogs might also be employed. These dogs are categorized as being either a multipurpose dog - meaning they are a patrol dog and a narcotics detection dog - or only a patrol dog. (gbpolice.org) It is possible a dog might only be trained in one specific area of detection for example strictly as a cadaver dog sniffing out human remains from a homicide or natural disaster.

Search & Rescue

Search and rescue dogs are just that; they search for a missing person and are then able to assist them to safety. The olfactory nerves in a dog are 1,000 times more sensitive than a human's. (aces.edu) This is the key reason why dogs are invaluable when

searching for a lost individual either from a natural disaster, abduction or illness, such as a person suffering from Alzheimer's. They can detect a scent well before any human. There are training organizations across the county if you are interested in becoming a search and rescue handler, either with your own dog or if you would like to be paired up with a dog.

Service Dogs, Therapy & Emotional Dogs

According to usdogregistry.org, service dogs "help with performing a function for a person that is limited by a disability" such as blindness, deafness and PTSD to name just a few. Adam Householder is a former military soldier who was deployed to Iraq for two years when he was 20 years old. His dog Ally is a dual-purpose dog. He is trained to be his service dog for PTSD, and together they also visit nursing homes and hospitals acting as a therapy dog. Householder says, "Ally has been such an incredible impact in my life that I wanted to share him with others who would benefit from his unique companionship and personality..." He goes on to say that Ally gave him back his life when he returned home.

On a historical note, the first seeing eye dogs were at the Pottsdam School in Germany where German Shepherds were trained as seeing eye dogs for wounded war veterans from World War I. Meanwhile, in Switzerland an American by the name of Dorothy Harrison Eustis was also training German Shepherds but as herding dogs. When she learned of the school in Pottsdam she changed her focus of training. Her first seeing eye dog was for a gentleman by the name of Morris Frank who had lost his sight in both eyes. On January 29, 1929 the first dog guide school in America was formed called The Seeing Eye. (muhlenberg.edu/studorgs/companion/ccfaqhistory.html)

Emotional dogs provide comfort and support to an individual suffering from depression, anxiety, panic attacks and other similar emotional-type conditions. Therapy dogs provide comfort and companionship to individuals who are homebound or in nursing homes or hospice care. According to the U.S. Dog Registry, there are no restrictions on the breed that may apply.

Turnspit Dogs Or The Vernepator Cur

In medieval times, the turnspit dog was as common in the kitchen as it is to see a stove today. The turnspit dog or "... the kitchen dog, the cooking dog or the vernepator cur" as they were commonly called, was trained to run inside a wheel that was mounted on the wall near the fireplace. The dog would start running which would then cause the pulley system to turn a roasting spit. The kitchen dog was not a particularly attractive pooch with its low-to-the-ground body, short legs and droopy ears. The first mention of the turnspit dog was in 1576 in the first book on British dogs ever written. According to npr.org and Sally Davis, longtime custodian at the Albergavenny Museum, "Whiskey is the last surviving specimen of a turnspit dog, albeit stuffed." Turnspit dogs



soon became popular in the U.S., in particular the Statehouse Inn in Philadelphia and in major hotels in Manhattan. However, in the 1850s the founder of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals noted this less than optimal treatment of dogs. And thus, began the founding of the SPCA.

Draught Dogs

One of the many definitions of draught is to pull or push. Add to this a dog and a cart and you have a draught dog. Draught dogs have been around for centuries pulling everything from supplies during wartime, transporting mail, milk, butter, vegetables and other household and culinary supplies. If you owned a draught dog it was a sign of your low economic position in that you could not afford horses or oxen to transport your supplies. Draught dogs also served as guard dogs, particularly the Rottweiler. The

Rottweiler's original name was "Rottweiler Metzgerhund" meaning "Rottweil butcher's dog" because these large and powerful dogs were used by butchers to pull carts of meat and other products to market, thus guarding the merchandise. (messybeast.com) Although draught dogs are not the necessity they once were, people still enjoy the sport of dog carting. This is especially popular at renaissance faires.

From the earliest days of civilization dogs have been and continue to be a fascinating species. Whether fighting in some of the world's greatest battles, locating the wounded and dead, keeping our streets safe, acting as culinary technicians or as forms of transportation. But at the end of the day, dogs are simply and truly our best friends no matter what they were bred for or what vocation they perform daily.

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Working Like A DOG

BY PAMELA STACE, FREELANCE WRITER

The Benefits Of Dogs In The Workplace

Every year, on the Friday after Father's Day, Take Your Dog To Work Day is celebrated. This year, June 26 was the official day for workers in the U.S. and elsewhere to head to their jobs with their best friends in tow. For many workers however every day is Take Your Dog To Work Day. There are lots of great reasons to do so including improving morale, increasing camaraderie, sharpening focus, lessening depression and reducing stress and absenteeism. Moreover, dogs at work can foster a sense of community and connection and set a positive tone for the workplace. A national poll taken in 2008 by the American Pet Products Manufacturers Association found that 17 percent of working Americans said that pets were allowed at their workplaces. Some businesses such as pet stores and groomers are naturally appropriate for dogs, but many non-petcentric businesses also welcome canine companions. Major companies that allow dogs at work include Amazon, Ben and Jerrys, Etsy, the Huffington Post, Purina, and in Milwaukee, the Pabst Theater Group.

boro, N.C., who brought their dogs to work with them produced lower levels of the stress hormone cortisol and higher levels of serotonin. As the day went on, stress level scores fell about 11 percent for workers with dogs while workers without dogs had stress level scores that increased dramatically during the workday. Attending to their dogs' needs throughout the day, forced "brain breaks" for workers, chances to refresh and recharge that most likely would not have been taken in order to keep working.

Special Considerations

Of course it is always important to remember both dog and human health and safety. It's also important to be aware of any office policies that would prohibit dogs at work, as well as co-worker allergies or fear issues. Some businesses such as Etsy maintain a dog database. Dogs that are allowed to come to work are pre-approved and registered. Employees may be asked to sign a waiver for insurance reasons, but often this will not be necessary as regular business insurance offers its own protection. Of course common sense is always a good idea. According to Ann Brenoff, a senior writer at the Huffington Post, "There is an understanding that everyone keeps their teeth to themselves and remembers where the fire hydrant is."

Dogs Helping Employees & Artists

At the Pabst Theater, the Riverside Theater and Turner Hall Ballroom in Milwaukee, being dog friendly helped change the old, somewhat stuffy image of the Pabst into a vibrant and revitalized new one. It helped signify that the Pabst had become an entirely new organization. According to Gary Witt, executive director of the Pabst Theater Group, having dogs at work is an indication that the theater is a special workplace. Employees sometimes put in long hours at work and having their dogs by their sides helps make them feel comfortable and at home.

Artists who perform at the Pabst/Riverside/Turner are often dog lovers and often have to be away from their pets for long periods of time. Dogs make artists as well as employees feel at home here. According to Witt, these short-term relationships are much appreciated. He says "Dogs make barriers break down quickly." Sam the Pitbull (one of Gary's four dogs) has even appeared on stage!

It is important that when we work, we do so efficiently and productively, but it is equally important that we don't lose sight of our humanity. Dogs are our natural companions and can help us always remember that. "They balance us out," says Witt.

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BY COLLEEN TERRY, FREELANCE WRITER

Think back to your childhood school days. If the first thing that comes to mind is multiplication tables and endless pop quizzes, you haven't experienced the joy of learning from man's best friend. For those days when children prefer recess to arithmetic, there is an out-of-the-box solution that some educators are adding to their classroom curriculum.

Enter "Driver" Miller. Affectionately named after one of the owner's favorite Green Bay Packers, this curly-haired Goldendoodle is one-half teacher's aide, one-half student comrade.

Owners Andrew and Melissa Miller are both teachers in the Wisconsin Rapids public school system. They use Driver to enhance their students' learning experience, and to assist them when the challenges of academia bring out less than straight A behavior. "His duty in my room is to be a lov-

ing presence which students feel safe going to no matter what," says Andrew. "I've had students who hate to write and are on the verge of a blow-up. When I offer Driver to them to sit, or if Driver just walks over by them with no prompting and plops down on the floor, the student becomes calmer and they work on their assignment." Other students have been in their lockers refusing to listen to an adult, and when Andrew walks Driver to them, offering the dog's leash to them, they grab it. Miraculously Driver walks to Andrew's room with them following suit. Students are also excited to fill his water dish and take him on walks.

How does Driver seem to like his role? "Driver is doing very well at his job. He is excited to go to work with us every day. The excitement the kids have for him is awesome. We walk into school in the morning, and all the kids greet him, and very seldom me or Mrs. Miller," says Andrew.

Not only does Driver support the students, but he also greets staff. After school, Driver often walks to other classrooms with Andrew and says hello to the staff's faces. After a particularly "ruff" day, he helps put a smile on their faces.

Khris Erickson, educator for Humane Animal Welfare Society, facilitates a variety of classroom programs involving our four-legged friends. "HAWs gets a lot of requests from schools all over Waukesha County for visits, and we try to honor all requests if possible." The one that she enjoys most is the Dog Safety program. Erickson shares a series of photos, each depicting a different scenario of a dog and a human. After she shows the photo and reads the short story, she asks the children if the situation is safe or unsafe and then talks about which answer is correct and why. Some of it is situational and some of it is based on the dog's body language.

"It's amazing to see how children can pick up on canine body language after this presentation," says Erickson. She also warns that some schools have restrictions on having animals in the school because of liability concerns or because of student allergies. She also asks how many children will be present during a program and their ages allowing her to know ahead of time what to expect.

Erickson typically takes her dog Mystic if the classroom visit is a one-time outing. Like Driver, Mystic is extensively socialized to classroom settings and children of all ages. "Mystic has a very stable temperament, a confident personality and really truly loves children. I think it's very important to have a dog that has the proper temperament if you're going to take them into a classroom since it can be very stressful and the children are sometimes unpredictable," says Erickson.

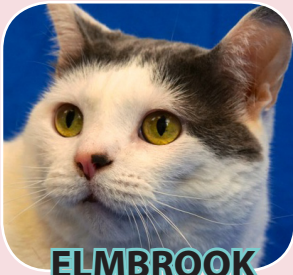
If the idea of bringing a dog to your classroom sounds like an intriguing one, know that there is a little homework of your own you'll have to do. The Advocates for Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools through the Incourage Community Foundation provided funding for Driver's training, as well as the duplicate materials for home and school (kennel, dog bed, water bowl etc.). Driver is also certified through Therapy Dogs International (tdi-dog.org). It is important to have the backing of your administration before taking any further steps. Andrew also says that the liability coverage offered by TDI only covers owners if they are using the dog on a volunteer basis. Because Andrew uses Driver for his job as an educator, he needed to secure his own extra liability insurance.



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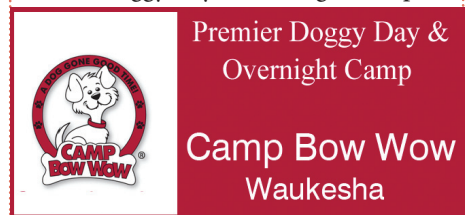
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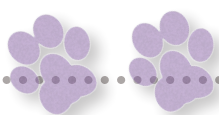
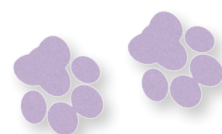
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When Every Day Is ... *Take Your Dog To Work Day*

BY DR. MEGAN TREMELLING, LVS

Some dogs love to go to the veterinarian's office. Some hate it. For Alexa, Finley and Abby, it's all in a day's work. All of them belong to veterinary technicians, and all of them frequently accompany their owners to the clinic. Every dog helps out, in ways big or small.

Alexa is a 6-year-old Chihuahua. Her official job title is supervisor because she doesn't miss a thing! Alexa spends most of her time at work sleeping, with the occasional break to go outside or to visit the other staff. Once in a while, though, she is called upon for a very important role as client counselor. Occasionally, when talking to clients, we have to bring up the option of amputating a leg due to a pet's illness or injury. Some clients are repulsed by the very idea of amputation and say that they would rather euthanize a pet than amputate a limb. But, for many dogs, amputation is no big deal, and that's where Alexa comes in. She has had one hind leg amputated due to complications from a bone fracture.

She gets around on three legs very well and doesn't let her medical history prevent her from running, playing and bossing around bigger dogs. After meeting Alexa, clients are able to see that an amputation isn't the end of the world.

Abby is a 2-year-old Setter. Abby's contribution to the workplace comes mostly in the form of moral support, because she is a very affectionate dog who is always ready to supply tail wags, kisses and whole-body hugs to any staff member in need of a little fuzz therapy. But Abby has another job as well. Since her owner is a senior technician who is responsible for training many new staff, Abby is occasionally asked to be a practice patient. She has had her blood pressure measured many, many times. She has had abdominal ultrasounds performed, nails trimmed, ears cleaned and blood drawn. Since these things don't happen too frequently and are always accompanied by treats and lots of attention, Abby doesn't seem bothered. In fact, if her owner doesn't

bring her along to work, Abby feels left out and disappointed!

Finley is the real hero of the group. He is a 6-year-old Greyhound, retired from the racetrack. He is also a blood donor. For the past four years, Finley has been saving the lives of patients: sometimes when he happens to be at work anyway, sometimes when his owner is called in the middle of the night for an emergency. When it's time for him to donate, he tranquilly rests on a tabletop while his owner, a certified veterinary technician, draws blood. He gets treats afterward to thank him for his courage. For patients who are anemic or who need a plasma transfusion, Finley and blood donors like him may make the difference between life and death.

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It's All Fun Until Someone Get's Hurt

Most Common Injuries When **DOGS PLAY 'RUFF'**

BY LINDSEY FOSTER, DVM, MECA

It's nice to get out of the house on a warm sunny day with Fido by your side. And whether frolicking with your dog, or letting your dog go frolick with other dogs, playing is a great way to burn off some excess energy and get some much needed exercise. The downside is that once in a while you may hear a yelp or your 4-legged friend may come limping out of the dog park only using 3 legs. Unfortunately, play can be a little more "ruff" than we would like at times and result in one of the following injuries.

Dog Bites:


Bringing your dog to the dog park or even out for a walk they are likely to come across other dogs. And even if your dog is friendly and loves other dogs, the one they are meeting for the first time might not be causing a tussle to ensue. Just remember to stay calm and do not get in between two dogs when they are fighting; the best thing to do (if one or both are not on a leash) is to put something in between them, splash water on them or try anything distracting to get their mind off the other dog. Then make sure that both dogs were vaccinated for rabies. This might require calling the veterinary office first thing in the morning. If there are any bite wounds they should be examined by a veterinarian. These battle wounds are a wonderful place for the bacteria from a dog's mouth to explode. One night you have what you think is just a puncture wound and three days later you see the wound is infected and much larger than just a puncture. Many of these injuries require a dog to be sedated so the vet can make sure there is not a large pocket where the skin has pulled away from the muscle layer. If there is a pocket, it may require a drain and sutures to prevent infection and prevent it from becoming a very large painful wound later.

Cranial Cruciate Ligament (CCL) Rupture:

The cranial cruciate ligament in dogs is comparable to the ACL in people. Most people know at least one person who has torn their ACL. Well, a ruptured CCL is very common among dogs, especially overweight or very active dogs. One will typically hear their dog yelp in pain and come over limping or not putting weight on one of the hind limbs. Dogs are known to take a turn wrong or even step wrong and rupture their CCL as people can with their ACL. When you take your dog to the veterinarian to make sure the leg is not

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broken, radiographs will show signs that the ligament has ruptured. The most appropriate treatment for a CCL rupture is to have it surgically repaired. There are several different ways a cruciate ligament in dogs can be fixed. This depends on the weight of your dog and the experience of your vet. The 3 most commonly preformed surgical procedures are a lateral tie where a thick suture is used to act like a false ligament until it breaks down and the body has enough time to heal around it; a Tibial Plateau Leveling Osteotomy (TPLO) where a plate is used and the tibia is cut and rotated to stabilize the knee; and finally a Tibial Tuberosity Advancement (TTA) where a small portion of the tibia is cut and a metal basket is placed to secure the knee joint.

These surgeries do require a significant amount of time and care for recovery. A CCL rupture does not have to be repaired surgically (as in people), but the damage to that knee will continue to cause pain to your wonderful dog for the rest of their life due to arthritis and chronic inflammation.

Strains/Sprains:

Dogs can get strains and sprains just like we can, (soft tissue injuries) but there is no way to know this for sure without having your dog checked out by your vet and having radiographs taken to make sure the limb is not broken or dislocated. If radiographs are done and there are no breaks, fractures or dislocations noted by your veterinarian, your dog may be classified as having a soft tissue injury that will require pain medication and rest. Whew!

Other injuries: Sticks

When playing fetch with your dog remember sticks are a wonderful, costfree thing to throw and have your dog retrieve. But be careful! Throwing these to your dog can cause an injury because when your dog jumps up, mouth wide open to get it, the stick could go down into their throat. The same thing can happen when the stick lands and sticks into the ground (end up) and your dogs leaps onto the stick in order to pick it up. There have

been several cases of dogs coming into the emergency room with a stick hanging out of their mouth (the owners not knowing the stick buries deep into the back of their throat as well). If this happens to your dog or a dog around you at the park, do not pull the stick out, leave it in until you get to the veterinary office where it can be safely removed.

Rocks: Some dogs like to chew on rocks or bring them over to play fetch with. Awe! It is cute to see them playing with the rocks, but it is not cute when they are chewing on a larger rock (and swallowing it). That could get caught in their small intestine and cause a blockage.

Lacerations: The most common place for a dog running around to cut themselves is on a paw pad/foot or to tear off a nail. This is one of the worst places to be cut because it will continue to bleed until the body sends enough platelets to that area so it can clot. This can take up to several minutes because the blood flow to the feet/paw pads there tends to be a very large amount of blood with these injuries. If you are able to stop the bleeding by applying a small amount of pressure, that's wonderful, but even that small laceration could open back up and start bleeding again at any time. These small cuts should be seen right away. Sometimes sutures are required to close the wound and antibiotics to ensure the wound does not get infected (the feet are not areas easily kept clean). Lacerations can happen anywhere on the body and as with any wound a laceration should be examined by a vet to make sure the wound does not need to be surgically repaired.

There are many fun things to do with your dog outside or in. These are just a few of the most common injuries that can happen while playing. And please do not let this list discourage you from playing with your dog everyday. Just because bad things can happen does not mean they will, and if they do, you will be prepared.



Play Dates 4 Dogs Gettin' Your Play Bow On!

Stephanie Bartz Photography

BY PAULA MACIOLEK, FREELANCE WRITER

You've had a blast teaching your dog to sit, stay, wait, come, shake paws and walk nicely on a leash without pulling you down the street. And you've even taught him how to be a gentleman and leave four on the floor when meeting new people because manners are important. You also want your dog to display a certain etiquette and show proper behavior with other dogs. Consider dog play groups, both formal and informal, as one more fun activity you can do with your dog and add to his training resume.

other dogs' behavior to know when she doesn't want to play and to find out what kinds of behavior is acceptable in a group. Even as a dog gets older, she needs to continue socializing so the norms of group behavior are not forgotten and she can continue to safely play with other dogs.

Play groups range from being a formal part of a day care or training facility's programming to something informal that rises from a group of connected dog parents making plans to meet somewhere with their dogs. Formal groups led by facilities tend to have requirements that include documentation of vaccinations and no visible signs of fleas and almost always require a fee to participate. They will have clean, safe play areas, often with toys and equipment, as well as

a staff member experienced in supervising groups of varied dogs interacting together. Giene Keyes, CPDT-KA owner and founder of Dog Face Training offers plenty of ideas consider when choosing a play group. Think about whether your dog is a good candidate for group play. She says these dogs tend to be "happy-go-lucky and well-socialized to begin with." You can watch your dogs as they meet others when out for a walk. If your dog sees another dog on the sidewalk and engages him for play right there, Keyes believes it's a good possibility your dog will do well in an organized group.

Some dogs aren't ideal matches initially and may need a little instruction before getting in on the fun. Keyes says, "If you take a fearful or reactive dog into a playgroup, it will probably be too overwhelming for them." But if your dog is not currently a good match for a group, all hope is not lost as she suggests contacting a reputable trainer for guidance on evaluating and preparing your dog.

Play groups are not the same as doggy day care as you don't just drop off your dog and return later to pick him up. You are there as a supervisor to keep the dogs safe and also to make sure they're having fun. Keyes' experience in dog play groups includes seeing the more experienced human group members who had been coming for a while show the new ones how to handle group play and learn from each other. Networking among dog caregivers and enthusiasts is a great way to learn more about dogs in general, how to solve common behavior challenges and about dog group behavior.

According to Keyes, the person leading the group doesn't necessarily need to be a credentialed animal behaviorist, but members should expect the leader to have had experience with groups and be knowledgeable about reading dog body language. "This way they will learn to prevent a fight from starting, redirect puppies when they get too amped up and know which personalities will play best with others." Equally important, she says, is good people skills because leaders also "need to effectively teach you how to do the same!"

When you've determined your dog is indeed a candidate to play with other dogs, do some research on the web for play groups near you. They can be difficult to find as they are frequently starting up and then stopping. Contact doggy day cares and training organizations for their programming for instance or talk with staff for leads on other local options. Ask other dog parents where they take their dogs for fun. A helpful website is meetup.com where people can organize their own groups or find existing play groups. You can often find groups there that have likeminded people focusing on specific breeds.

Here are just a few playgroups in Southern Wisconsin:

Milwaukee Area:

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Bestpawforward.net/socials.html

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LET'S PLAY ... BALL?

7 Fun Ways to Engage With Your Dogs At Home

BY HOLLY LEWIS, CPDT-KA

Stephanie Bartz Photography

Play. The word brings great images to our minds. Fun, relaxation, release, enjoyment, amusement or light hearted pleasure all can be used to describe play. It is something we often associate with children, smiles and laughter. But how about with our dogs? Dogs love to play, too! And play can greatly enhance and strengthen our relationship with our dogs.

Play is powerful for dogs of all personalities, ages and sizes, and can help open up the mind of a shy or "aggressive" dog. It's hard to be fearful when one is playing. Play releases happy chemicals for both people and dogs! A dog that will initiate play is in a mental state that is open and accepting, even if just for that moment. Many trainers and owners use play as a reward as it is so powerful!

I have two shy dogs. With each dog, when they let themselves go, even momentarily, they enjoy playing. It brings me such joy to see a dog play. Play allows all of us to forget our worries, relax and be free. Seeing my shy dogs play lets me know they are learning to accept us as their family and are getting more comfortable in the environment.

Dogs may initiate play with the classic play bow. You may also see a dog turn or push their bottom towards another dog. Play can be chase or keep away or the classic good-hearted wrestling.

Whether with dogs or people, I strongly suggest setting boundaries to games. Play can teach impulse control, but without boundaries, it can become a "free for all" or teach rude behavior. Play should also include natural pauses and breaks, loose body language and turn tak-

ing. Play burns our dog's brain energy, which is just as important, if not more, than their physical energy. Think of it especially on busy days or during bad weather.

Here are a few ideas for play with your dog: (Note: Play with food is an easy way to start your dog playing if they are not initiating on their own.)

Feeding. I recommend to many clients to feed their dog by scattering kibble on the floor or in the grass or snow. This is a simple way to utilize our dog's natural skills of sniffing and searching to find their dinner. You will be amazed at the simplicity of the game and the energy it burns.

Find It. A great game allowing your dog to use their senses to find a toy or piece of food. Toss a tiny piece of food about 5 feet (or less) away from you. Be sure to wave the food right by your dog's nose before you throw it so they become interested in the food. Your dog will follow the food and go eat the morsel. Very likely, after eating the morsel, your dog will look at you. When they do, drop a tiny piece of food by your foot. As soon as your dog comes to get the food by your foot, toss another out 5 feet, and repeat. We are teaching our dogs it is ok to go away from us as well as return to us.

Tug. This gets a bad rap by many, especially in the hunting dog crowd. However, tug is a great game of impulse control for a dog and sort of an arm chair game for a human. As long as there are boundaries established with tug, it can be a great way to burn your dog's energy. (See article on Tug.)

Agility Course-At Home. How about gathering your creativity to develop an agility

course in your living room or backyard? Simple obstacles can be set up to create a different course each time. Set a broom between two chair legs for a jump, a couch cushion can be a hurdle or a stay spot, a blanket over two chairs can double as a tunnel, soccer cones can double as weave poles, your imagination is the limit! The at home agility course is a nice way to involve the family in the set up, practice and take down. You could even "race" your dog by having someone time each of you going through the course.

Food Dispensing Toys. These are all the rage and cover all price brackets. Two of my favorites are the Kong Wobbler and the IQ ball. Both are easy to load and clean and easy for the dog to engage. I also really appreciate homemade toys. Using less expensive options allows us to save a few dollars and rotate options as well. I like to take plastic containers, such as cottage cheese containers or coffee containers and cut holes in the top of the item. The holes should be large enough for the food to fall out. Place some of your dog's food or treats in the container and put the top on. You may need to show your dog how to roll it around a bit. Once your dog catches on, they will roll it around to get the food out. This is a great way to feed your dog every day! Even if your dog figures out how to get the top off and eat the food, she is still burning more mental steam than eating out of a bowl.

I also like using food grade PVC pipe as a food toy. Drill holes large enough for the treats to come out. Put end caps on each end. Allow your dog to roll the tub around to get the food out. This option costs about \$2 to make one toy. Very economical.

Hide N Seek. This is a fun game involving you and your dog. Start by asking your dog to stay. Briefly move out of their view (around the corner or behind a door is fine.) Using a really excited and fun voice, call your dog to you. When your dog gets to you, offer them a few fabulous treats, praise and pets. Start with small distances and build slowly. This will also help build your recall cue.

Tricks. Fun training games that teach skills but are still light hearted. Many local training options offer tricks classes. Online, check out Kyra Sundance for many trick options.

Interested in learning more? There are many books written about canine play. Check one out to explore even more information.

- "Play Together, Stay Together" by Patricia McConnell and Karen London
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The War on Tug of War

BY PATTI MURACZEWSKI, APDT, FREELANCE WRITER



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To tug or not to tug seems to be the question for dog trainers and dog owners. Historically, tugging has been discouraged because it was feared that it led to aggression. However, as we gain more insight into dog behavior and the power of play, it has now become a very popular way of rewarding and motivating dogs. This is especially true in agility and flyball, but tugging is also used in nosework and treibball.

The main point stressed about teaching tug is to have rules and control over the game. This means you don't start to play because the dog keeps dropping the tug in your lap, but because you decide to play with the dog. This also means a "drop it" needs to be taught. The owner should control the beginning and the end of tugging.

My husband, Ed, had a big, beautiful Belgian Tervuren by the name of Navy, and he loved to demonstrate the game of tug and how it can be used to strengthen a dog's impulse control if you play it right. He would first put Navy in a sit stay as he waved the tug around him. Navy could only grab when given the command to

"tug". Another exercise would be for Ed to command "leave it" as Navy approached to grab the tug. Navy was impressive in how he would stop in mid tug when he was told to "drop it".

The Trick To Tugging (Responsibly)

I like to teach the "drop it" command to young pups. It is a very important exercise to teach dogs that have resource guarding behavior. I teach this by giving a pup a toy he likes to play with and offering a treat as the pup is told to "drop it". The treat should be extremely aromatic and kept under the pup's nose until he drops the toy. When the dog drops the toy he gets the treat. For the first week I don't even pick up the toy as I don't want the command to have negative feel to it. I eventually repeat the process with a taboo item such as a sock or shoe that the pup needs to trade for a treat. Finally, I move to rewarding the "drop it" behavior randomly.

Melissa Manley, owner of the High Fives flyball club, is a strong promoter of the use of tugging for various reasons. Manley says, "I think the value in tugging is that it creates more drive on the recall. Many ball-driven dogs run down the lane at high speed because they want that ball, but what is to drive them to run back to their owner after they retrieve the ball out of the box?" She further states, "For dogs that chase tennis balls, it's also a safety issue for themselves or for someone else. As when the dog returns to the owner, often balls can be rolling in this run back area so having them tug is ideal as it keeps the dog attached to the owner which will prevent them from chasing balls in the other lane." Manley mentions that tugging has a flip side. She warns, "Many dogs have too much tug drive and they might spit out the ball early! However, this among other problems can be corrected through training."

Sue Kulinski, an agility instructor and competitor, uses tugging to reward her dog in agility. Kulinski believes tugging benefits a dog that is not excited about doing agility. "Tugging can be a big motivator," Sue remarks, "and for some dogs it helps get them focused on the handler. However, she cautions that there are al-

ways dogs where tugging makes them way too high over the top, and in these cases a different reward should be used.

Caution: Know The Rules

There are more rules that apply to tugging. Be sure the tugging toy is long enough so the dog doesn't mistakenly grab or make contact with the person on the other end of the tug. If the dog tries to move up the tug toy with his teeth to nip the handler, then stop the game.

The dog will eventually realize this behavior ends the game. If he doesn't, then this isn't the game for him.

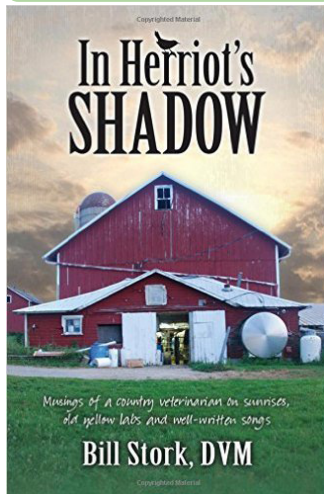
Note: When a dog catches prey it will shake it from side to side, so shaking it in the same manner is the safest way to play tug with a dog.

So what if the dog growls during the game of tug? Dogs often growl in harmless play, so if the dog is not showing other signs of aggression I would accept it as such. Therefore, to answer the question to tug or not to tug ... tug on!

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ROCKY LOCAL DOGS AROUND TOWN



SMELL THIS!



Title: In Herriot's SHADOW
Written by Bill Stork, DVM

"In Herriot's SHADOW" is a country veterinarian's engaging collection of musings. Elegant in its honesty, humanity and humor, it is written straight from the heart. A cross between "Chicken Soup for the Soul" and James Herriot's, "All Creatures Great and Small", it will leave you touched and entertained. With short chapters, this is a book that's easy to pick up but impossible to put down. You truly will laugh, cry and marvel at its humanity and wisdom.

Set in Rural, Wis., Dr. Stork is an Illinois transplant who embraces all things Wisconsin including the Green Bay Packers and polar vortexes! He appreciates kindness and a strong work ethic. He is dedicated to the protection of the human-animal bond. Aside from deftly describing his rural surroundings, neighbors and their animals and pets, he offers wonderful tributes to his mother, veterans and farmers. You will meet humans, Mrs. Haynes, Uncle Con, and animals, Abby, Pumpkin, Jenny, Sallie, Tricks and Minnie, among others. Each has an amazing story

and an important lesson to share.

I highly recommend "In Herriot's SHADOW". Dr. Stork, you need not stand in anyone's shadow. I believe the renowned James Herriot, himself, would proudly offer you a tip of the hat and a hearty "well done." **Book Review by Doris Greenberg**

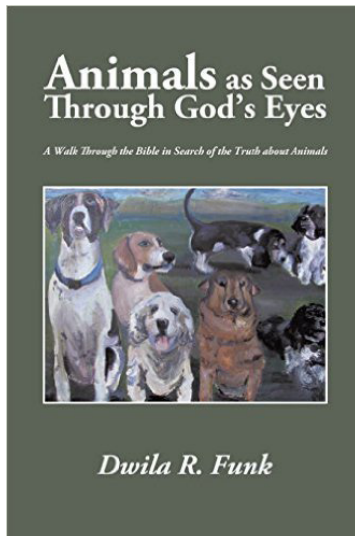


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Title: Animals as Seen Through God's Eyes
A Walk Through the Bible in Search of the Truth about Animals
Written by Dwila R. Funk

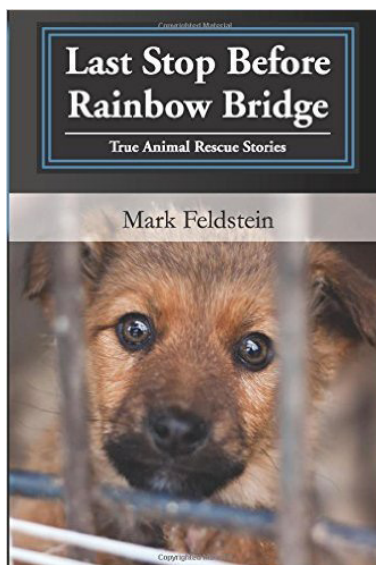
The New York Times headline read, "Dogs in Heaven? Pope Francis Leaves Pearly Gates Open." In December 2014, the Pope suggested that animals may be found in heaven. His statement delighted many pet lovers despite their religious affiliation. Why? Many have struggled with early religious teachings that said no pets would be allowed in heaven!

Dwila R. Funk, author of Animals as Seen through God's Eyes, is an avid animal advocate. Her religious upbringing left her conflicted between her love of animals and her love of God. This book is her journey to understand if animals have souls, ultimately bringing peace to her life.

Funk effectively mixes Bible verses with her analysis and includes poignant stories of her experiences with her own pets. She reveals how animals interacted with Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham, Jonah and St. Francis of Assisi. Funk cites biblical proof that God breathed life into animals; hence proof that they have souls.

Reading Bible verses can be challenging if you are not accustomed to doing so, therefore Funk's explanations clarify the biblical text. Her analysis is thorough and convincing. Her inclusion of favorites such as the "Rainbow Bridge" and the "Peaceable Kingdom" bring her point home that, yes, animals belong in heaven.

Book Review by Jean M. Jahnke, CPDT-KA



Title: Last Stop Before Rainbow Bridge
True Animal Rescue Stories
Written by Mark Feldstein

Last Stop Before Rainbow Bridge is a compilation of more than 70 heart-warming, often gut-wrenching, tales of real life animal rescue stories. Readers of every age will find this book fast paced with the perfect blend of suspense and humor, not to mention the tears and raw emotions it evokes in those who care about every living creature. Mark Feldstein's research and artfully written stories take you behind the scenes of incredible no-kill, non-profit animal sanctuaries and shelters from around the country. These unbelievable yet real life stories of rescue and hopeful survival cause you to question how some humans can treat animals with such cruelty. Why can't people be more like animals?

You'll meet a little girl named Sarah, an abused child ultimately saved by a rescued horse named Wakia, and Ajax, a puppy tossed from the window of a car traveling on a highway in Farmington, Mo. You'll discover other loving animals from large bears to talking parrots, each with an amazing gift to share. And you'll learn first-hand why so many inspiring individuals sacrifice their careers and free-time to try and save the more than 2.5 million animals being tortured, abused and abandoned each year. As stated on the book's back cover, don't be surprised if, after reading this book, you find yourself volunteering or adopting at your nearest animal shelter.

If you love animals, this wonderfully written book is a must read! Not only does it offer insight on how to better help those who cannot help themselves, but there's a bonus: 10 percent of the profit from each sale of this book is donated to animal rescues. This dog lover gives it two paws up! **Book Review by Pandre' Shandley**

My Name is Honey And I'm a Pit Bull



Lisa Dellwo

Title: My Name is Honey And I'm a Pit Bull
Written by Lisa Dellwo

This is the story of how Honey - a Pit Bull - was rescued from a fighting ring and transferred to the animal shelter where Dellwo was a volunteer. Eventually, Honey is adopted by Dellwo's boyfriend at the time and so begins the journey of Honey's new life of love, understanding and happiness. The author writes from Honey's point of view about her new life with a loving and caring family. Although this book is noted as "kids club eligible" on the Barnes and Noble website, as a Literacy Specialist, I caution children reading this book on their own without an adult to guide a discussion. The first nine pages are very graphic about how fighting dogs are handled and what happens to dogs in a kill-shelter. I commend Ms. Dellwo for her dedication to rescuing Honey and for providing a loving home for her. But more importantly, for sharing with the public that

Pit Bulls, with the proper training, love and affection, are no worse for wear than the average dog. **Book Review by Kathleen Hunter**

He Kicks Like a Bull

He stands still as a small statue,
but the eyes keep rolling,
looking for movement...

Any sign at all that someone's there in his territory
is a big NO and will not be tolerated,
no way, no how, no reason for it.

It always happens, something moves or someone,
some wrong thing that must be told right away:
"You are not wanted here."

His hind end quivers all over,
growls come from deep down in his throat,
his eyes light up with fires damped until now,
and he starts his familiar dance.

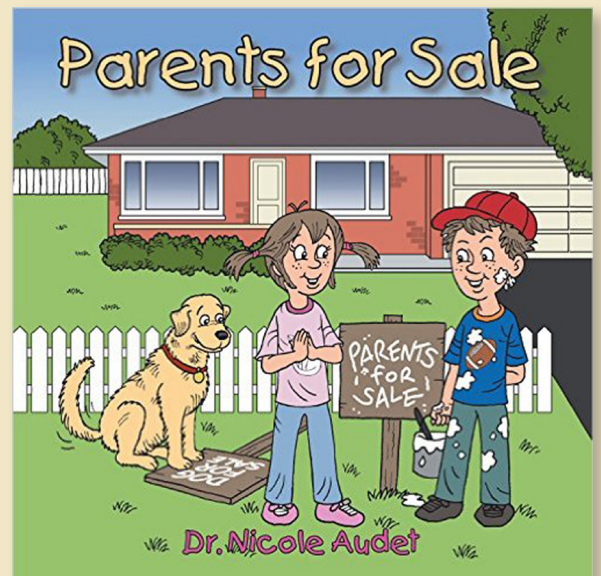
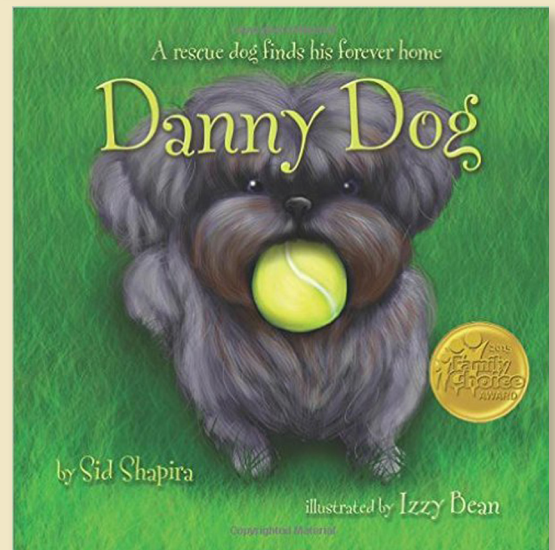
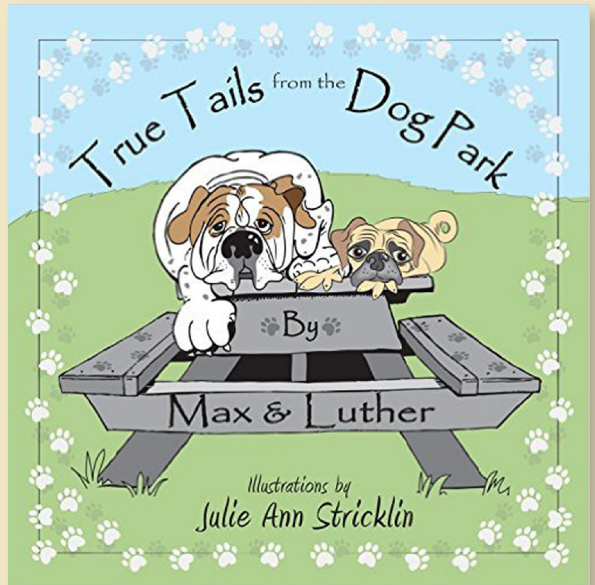
His leg stretches out in back
and points like a ballerina at barre.
Then the other leg vibrates.

It's all over with,
both legs kick in rhythm,
clumps of grass are lifted and fly backwards.

His front feet paw the ground in frenzy.
His head lowers and raises as he snorts and sneezes -
completely lost in it now,
he has not thought of me or looked.

But now he stops, his look so clear:
"It's really something, isn't it?"

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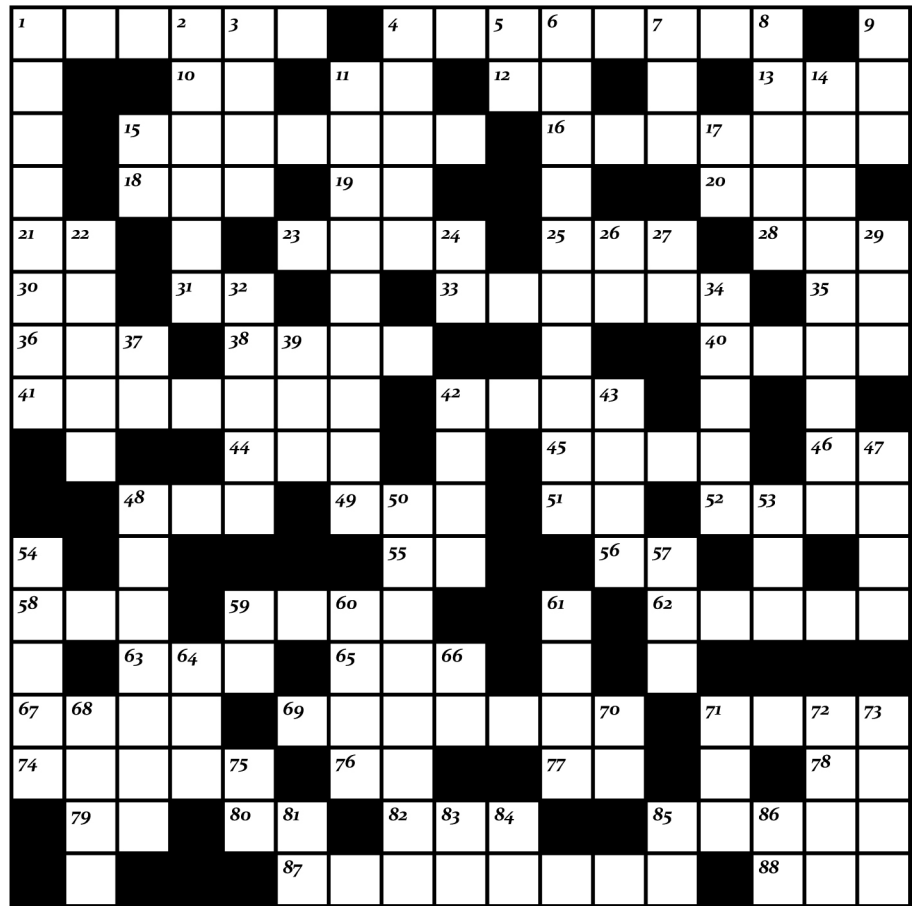


WORK & PLAY

A Custom Crossword by Gail Marie Beckman
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ACROSS

1. Some dogs work in the field of Search and _____
4. Certain treats
10. Already entered
11. Either partner
12. Don't do it!
13. Coffee alternative
15. Flying disc that's great for the park
16. Dogs that visit _____ homes bring smiles to the residents
18. There are many dogs who _____ in movies and on TV
19. Electrical engineer, shortened
20. Harvest mo.
21. RN associate
23. Brings to the table
25. Knock
28. Opening device
30. Short for equal opportunity
31. Librarian's utterance, perhaps
33. Follows the scent of
35. Between do and mi
36. Night before
38. Roll follower
40. Felines
41. Regulated manner of living
42. Play _____
44. And so on (abbr)
45. Star that becomes incredibly bright
46. Dog tag, for ex.
48. Greyhound, for one
49. Airport initials
51. Perform
52. Some dogs are trained to sniff out a land _____
55. Radio frequency, shortened
56. About (abbr)
58. Pet me; _____ my belly
59. Comes before boy
62. Service animals can assist those who are wheelchair _____
63. Think outside the _____
65. Throw out; get _____ of
67. Follows tennis or rubber
69. Going after birds or small game
71. Something to sink your teeth into: _____ toy
74. Several breeds were born to pull carts or _____
76. What neighbor and weigh have in common
77. Hair style
78. Associate of Arts, for short
79. End of letter initials
80. Physical education, shortened
82. Hoop gp.
85. There are dogs trained to _____ your castle
87. Back and forth with a rope toy (3 wds)
88. Utilize



DOWN

1. Dogs can herd cattle, sheep, and even _____
2. Some dogs travel from place to place doing _____ tricks
3. Apartment, for one
4. Lineage; stock
5. Tin symbol
6. Police dogs are taught to sniff out fugitives and _____
7. More than suffix
8. Something to fetch
9. Leftovers container; doggie _____
11. Submissive compliance
14. Participate in a show, perhaps
15. Between mi and sol
17. Extremely
22. Generic dog name
24. Ave. cousin
26. Cooling syst.
27. Personal knowledge, for short
29. Word of agreement
32. They can protect _____ as well as workplaces
34. Shoo!
37. For example, for short
39. Shots doc
42. Service dogs are there for the blind and the _____
43. Path from inside to outside: doggie _____
47. Expired, as a battery
48. Suds
50. Showing how
53. After the ER, sometimes
54. Takes hurriedly
57. Not neap
59. Hatchett
60. Tried and _____
61. Locate, as a runaway
64. Up there in years
66. Delirium tremens, for short
68. High mountains
70. Get up and _____
71. Central processing unit, for short
72. Things to perk up?
73. Walk in the water
75. Short for special or spelling
81. UFO pilot
83. Back order or box office, shortened
84. Mil. service
85. Dog warning, often
86. Gold symbol



WORDS OF WISDOM

From the Dog House

Hi Doggy Friends,

I got more mail! My first letter is from Dalton from Waukesha, WI:

Hi Bowser, I like to chew on my mom's glasses. And the remote control. And her cell phone. She keeps them on a desk or a table, but I find them anyway and reach and chew! Another issue I have is pure fear from storms, rain and fire-works. My mom puts on my shirt and she says calm things to me, but I still go wild! I bite cables, knock down pictures, I bark and bark, and I take anything that is on the table or desk. I don't know what to do. Bowser, please help.

Dalton, thank you for barking to me about being afraid of big noises. We have a lot in common. Not the part about chewing on glasses and cell phones. I have not done that since I was a pup. But the part about thunder storms and fireworks, I'm afraid of those. But don't tell anyone because I'm 'barrassed about it because I'm not supposed to be afraid of anything. I was born to hunt lions after all. And I wasn't always afraid. Just now since I turned two-twos-and-one-more years old. Anyway, your mom does all the right things to help you feel less my mommy knows loud noises are coming, plays games with me like fetch. That helps are really loud and I'm still feeling very my doctor. That's when I hide in the closet Oh, my mommy says I like the closet be-She says the metal helps me when there is a closet or a bathroom. It will help keep you mom's toys. Let me know how you are doing together.

Friends, I feel a little sad. Do you know why? That means my long days of lying in the hot means but I heard my mom say it one time. else? Okay. I'll tell you. My mommy is saying told me we would go for a w-a-l-k in "our squirrels on my neck. But I wouldn't mind to chase it very far. In fact, I wouldn't have to "leave it". And another thing, I don't have inside my neck, and sometimes I can make fancy treats and says things like "make safe" then I have bark on the outside of my mouth, too. One time I made bark come out when I saw one of my friends that smelled funny. She was super surprised! I even surprised myself.



Okay. I'll tell you. Summertime is over! sunshine are caput! I don't know what that It sounds funny. Do you want to know what strange things. Stranger than "caput". She neck of the woods". I don't have trees and a squirrel on my neck then I wouldn't have to chase it at all! And she wouldn't tell me bark on my neck, either. I think I have bark it come out, like when Mommy feeds me

My Mom said something else strange on our w-a-l-k. She said, "Bowser, fall is in the air." Does that mean I'm sniffing fall on the ground when we go for walks? I sniffed A LOT of fall this morning. How come I don't feel fall hitting me before it lands on the ground? Can I catch fall? Is that like catching a cold? My head hurts.

I can't wait to read more mail from my friends. Your letters will help me feel less sad about my dog days of summer being ... gone. Time to nap so I can daydream about chasing squirrels.

Woof Woof,

Bowser

BowserBarks@BowserBarksALot.com

LIFE THROUGH THE EYES OF A DOG, TRANSLATED BY KATHLEEN HUNTER, MS



FUN IN THE KITCHEN

with Chef Patti

"Gobble Them Up" Recipe

As we approach the holiday season what better treats than the "Gobble Them Up" Treats. These are easy treats to make and they freeze well too. Turkey is pretty tasty and is a nutritious snack for dogs. Often pet owners are afraid of feeding garlic because it contains thiosulphate, the substance responsible for causing 'Heinz Factor' anemia in dogs and cats. But according to all the canine nutritional sources, the amount of thiosulphate found in garlic is barely traceable. On the hand, the health benefits garlic offers to dogs is enormous.

Garlic is a powerful, natural broad-spectrum antibiotic. Garlic is also an antioxidant, anti-allergen, antibacterial, anti-fungal, anti-protozoan, anti-viral and anti-carcinogen. Garlic contains germanium, an anti-cancer agent and an anti-protozoan. Many use it for a natural insect repellent as it contains sulfur.

When I use garlic in any canine treat I use it in powder form or the real thing not the salt as it will add unneeded sodium. Every time I make this recipe I change it up a bit by adding other healthy herbs for the dog. I suggest making your own version of this.

"Gobble Them Up" Treats

- One Pound Ground Turkey
- One Cup Bread Crumbs
- Two Tablespoons Grated Parmesan Cheese
- A Couple of Sprinkles of Garlic Powder
- Roll into 4 large cigars.
- Bake on a cookie sheet at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Cool and slice.
- Freeze and use as needed.

Enjoy!

Chef Patti



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CELEBRITY PAW PROFILE



MOLLY THE MOTORCYCLE DOG

BY MANETTE KOHLER, DVM

Summer is not complete in Milwaukee until you've run into Molly and her faithful, personal chauffeur, Jim. How will you know it is her? She'll be the brown-haired, brown-eyed, beauty sporting pink goggles and proudly sitting atop a motorcycle, enjoying the wind blowing in her face. Oh, and she's a dog!

She's a 5-year-old German Shepherd to be more precise and she's been riding a motorcycle since the very day Jim brought her home from the breeder at 9 weeks of age. Once the weather is warm and festivals, parades, bike nights

and other festivities are in full swing, Jim and Molly can be seen making the rounds around Milwaukee with the sole mission of putting smiles on people's faces.

Molly's special human, Jim Tremmel, has been training dogs to ride on his bike with him for 20+ years. Lady, a Sable Shepherd, was his first dog to learn how to ride. It all started when he saw a man from Iowa riding his long-haired sheep dog on the back of his motorcycle. "It was the funniest thing I had ever seen," says Jim.

I caught up with Jim, recently, at the Milwaukee Emergency Center for Animal's 4th annual "Vest-A-K9 Fest" - a fundraising event raising money to provide Wisconsin Police dogs with bullet-proof vests - where eager fans lined up to get their picture taken with Molly and Jim. Jim and Molly clearly love interacting with the public and making them laugh. Molly's always eager to share her talents with adoring fans ... giving "high-fives" and kisses and saying, "I love you!" All she asks for in return is a treat and an ear scratch.

There's no shortage of smiles whenever Jim and Molly are around. "I wish I had a nickel for every time someone said that Molly made their day!" says Jim.

Jim clearly has Molly's comfort and health in mind when it comes to riding on the bike. To make the ride comfort-



able for Molly, Jim puts a thick pad on top of the tank and when it gets a bit warmer, he places a cold gel-pack on top of the pad to keep her cool. There is also a chin pad up near the mirror and a dog dish filled with ice behind the windshield so that she'll have cold water to drink.

Molly continues to give to the community even after motorcycle season is over. Year-round, Jim and Molly visit nursing homes at least once or twice a week and in the winter, Molly is a bell-ringer for the Salvation Army and has been doing so every year since she was a puppy.

Molly has ample opportunities to just be a dog, too, and some of her favorite things to do on her days off include going for walks in the park, playing with the hose or playing in the snow. "Maybe I'll get her a snowmobile this winter," says Jim. I have no doubt she'll love that too.

So, if you're heading out to a charity bike ride or church festival, keep an eye out for Jim and Molly. They'd love to have the opportunity to make your day!



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WISCONSIN VEST-A-DOG'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY

WI Vest-A-Dog, Inc. has provided over 300 bullet and stab proof vests since its creation in 2005. Donna Morgan, current president, started the organization after she witnessed footage that was taken live of a police dog getting shot and killed by a felon. Had the K9 been wearing a protective vest he would have lived. Last year, 17 K9s died in the line of duty. The majority died due to gunshot or stabbing.

WVAD is a 501(c)3 non-profit, ALL VOLUNTEER organization with the mission to provide protective vests for all law enforcement K9s in the state of Wis. They have also provided some departments with vehicle heat sensory systems to ensure that K9s don't die from the heat in their squad car.

How many volunteers are there currently?

13 ... we just haven't had more people volunteer. All volunteers spend time in our booth on weekends at pet events educating people on the lack of vests for K9s and also on the need to raise money to provide more vests throughout the state. Some speak at public events as well to get the word out.

Do you need volunteers and how do people get involved?

Yes, please!!!! We need volunteers to help us in the booths so that we can attend more events. We also need people in additional areas as well like board members. You can email us at vestadogwisconsin@yahoo.com or call (608) 752-3539.

People can also help by lobbying their local County Boards or City Councils to provide funds in their budgets to provide vests for these brave K9s! It's a good financial investment even if they aren't fond of the Police Dogs. It costs approximately \$18,000 to purchase the K9 and train the handler & K9. Then to purchase the K9 squad car

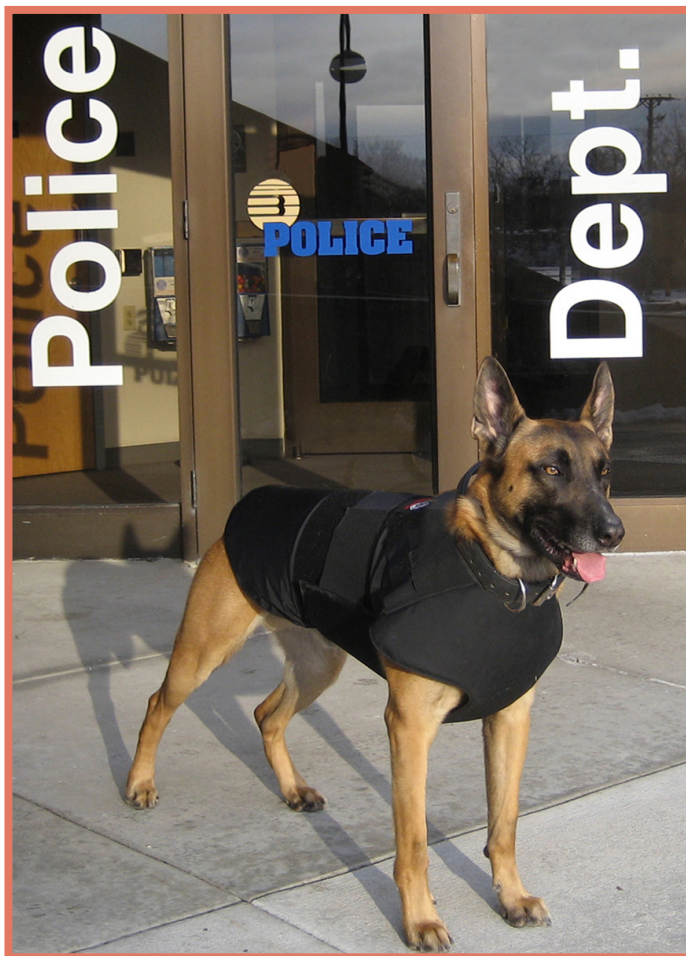
and outfit it for the K9 is about \$36,000. So you have an investment already of over \$50,000. Why would you not spend another \$1,000 to provide a vest as an insurance policy on your investment?

What are these vests made out of and what does it cost for one?

We require that all vests that we purchased be N.I.J. certified and be a minimum Level II Ballistic w/ Spike Package (Stab and Shank Resistant). The outer carrier is made from a 1,000 denier nylon. The inner ballistic portion is a Level II made from a Kevlar type material, which is manufactured at a ballistics company. They are manufactured in the U.S. These vests are so densely made that you can't even penetrate them with an ice pick, a shank, a 357 mag or a 9mm handgun. Currently, the cost for a vest runs between \$1,000 and \$1,500. We have each handler pick out which vest he/she wants for their dog. Different K9s have different duties and only the handler knows which vest will work best for their dog.

Which police departments/organizations have you supplied vests to? What are your long-term goals?

We have given at least one vest to every law enforcement agency that has a K9 Unit in the State Of Wisconsin. We have vested K9s covering all 72 counties. We have dreamed of being able to do this on a national level. But, Wisconsin K9s are and always would be our priority. We would love to have so many volunteers that WI Vest-A-Dog would be such a well oiled machine that we could be at



several events every weekend so that we would always have enough money to be able to provide every new K9 handler a bullet and stab proof vest even before they and their K9 partner ever hit the streets for the first time. And also be able to provide a new vest for a handler on the exact day that the warranty on their K9 vest expires. The warranty on each vest is good for 5 years.

In addition, we would also like to have the money to supply every K9 handler with First Aid Field Kits and K9 Body Cooling vests. The First Aid Field Kits would enable the handlers to provide lifesaving treatment to injured K9s at the point of the injury until veterinary care is available. The K9 Body Cooling Vests reduce the negative effects associated with heat stress.

If that was in place, then we would love to send Donna Morgan to each state to help start a Vest-A-Dog program. However, since we are an all-volunteer, non-profit group we all have our regular jobs to do along with our volunteer work. So, we'll have to wait until Donna retires from her current profession to send her off to the other states.



Stay Calm & Pet Lila

Not all volunteers walk on two legs. In fact, one in Ozaukee County walks on four – except when she’s doing a “rise” – lifting and gently placing her front legs across a lady’s lap who uses a wheelchair or along a bedridden child’s side. Lila is a Lutheran Church Charities’ K-9 Comfort Dog. This group of Golden Retrievers first gained attention following the Newtown, CT, school shootings, when they were invited to “just be there” as the devastated community tried to manage their collective grief. The dogs and their handlers expected to stay for a week; they ended up staying for a month. And as a result one dog was permanently placed with the school when classes resumed in another location.

Lila’s own story begins with her birth on August 31, 2012. Two months later, she and her puppy siblings were taken to the Dwight Correctional Center - an Illinois Department of Corrections maximum-security prison for adult females located south of Joliet. There, working with the inmates, the pups received their “basic training.” They also received their unique vests embroidered with the motto: “PLEASE PET ME”

Next, Lila lived with a variety of specially selected families, all in preparation for her future assignment to a church or school. It was important for her to develop a close bond with multiple personalities since she would eventually be following orders from several different handlers. Learning to adapt and be comfortable in new situations is a key concept for LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs.

During her year of developmental training, Lila was “deployed” to several disaster sites. In April 2013, she worked with the first responders and survivors of the fertilizer factory explosion in West, Texas. In May 2013, Lila and her team responded to the tornadoes that devastated Moore, Oklahoma, and the surrounding communities. While there, the team visited victims in the pediatric and adult floors of the Oklahoma University Medical Center. They were interviewed for a fea-

ture on CNN’s Anderson Cooper’s AC 360. Cooper found the K-9 Comfort Dogs “so amazing” that he said if he ever gets fired, “I want that job.”

In November 2013, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (Mequon, Wis.) held a special “Passing of the Leash” ceremony. Lila, along with her handlers, received her “commission”: To be a “friend who brings a calming influence, allowing people to open up their hearts and receive help in times of need.” That’s when Lila’s “real” job began.

Since that time, Lila serves on many missions, visits countless people and has many adventures. Locally, she regularly visits schools, senior residences, nursing homes, and hospitals. Her gentle demeanor and friendly nature is welcomed wherever she goes. Change is never easy. Older people who move from their homes into senior facilities sometimes have a hard time adjusting. But Lila can be a real mood-changer. People who seem withdrawn often begin to tell stories - and more stories - of their family pets once Lila pays a visit. She also attends community meetings and special events to spread her message. Some of her most special visits are to “just be there” for victims of tragedies. It’s amazing how people silent with grief gradually start to open up once they begin to stroke her thick, warm fur and gaze into her deep brown eyes.

Last December, Lila and other members of her K-9 Comfort Dogs “pack” were invited by United Airlines to serve as “comfort ambassadors” during the hectic holiday travel season at O’Hare International Airport. The days of December 20th thru the 23rd are generally the busiest of the entire year and the airline anticipated that long lines and flight delays would test the travelers’ patience. United knew that hugs from a gentle Golden Retriever would likely soothe the frazzled nerves of stressed-out holiday travelers and they were right!

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2nd Wed. each month: 7:00pm-8:00pm
Waukesha 262-542-8851
HAWS, hawspets.org

Training Help with Frank Allison III, APDT

Every Thursday evening: 6:30pm-7:30pm
Every Sunday: 11:00am-12:00pm
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262-679-6776
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Basic Manners & More

Tuesdays: 6:00pm
Petlicious Dog Bakery
262-548-0923
poochped@juno.com

Jump Start Puppy Classes

Weekdays & Saturdays
262-782-9261
elmbrookhs@ebhs.org

Barn Hunt Classes

Mondays: 7:40pm - 8:40pm
For Pet's Sake
Mukwonago
262-363-4529

Impulse Control/Focus Classes

Tuesdays: 6:00pm
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TTellington Touch

Delafield Public Library
RSVP to Marcy Gibbons 262-719-1119
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Come, Fido!

Sept. 2: 6:15pm - 7:15pm
WHS, Milwaukee
414-264-6257
wihumane.org

Pet Loss Support Seminar

Sept. 3: 7:00pm-8:00pm
WHS, Milwaukee
414-264-6257
wihumane.org

Positive Pitties Lectures

Sept. 23, Nov. 4: 6:30pm-8:00pm
Dane County Humane Society, Madison
608-838-0413
Giveshelter.org

Essential Oil Use & Animals (Scratch 'n Sniff)

Sept. 28: 6:15pm
WHS, Milwaukee
414-264-6257
wihumane.org

Guide To Living With & Training A Fearful Dog Seminar

Oct. 17
coldnosecanine.com

First Aid for Pets

Oct. 24: 1:00pm-4:00pm
HAWS, Waukesha
262-542-8851
hawspets.org

Fundraisers/Gatherings

Shelter from the Storm Adoption Event

Every Saturday, 10:00am-2:00pm
PetSmart Madison East

Greyhound Meet 'n' Greet

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

Dog with CJ (dog-friendly hatha yoga)

4th Saturday of the month: 2:15pm - 3:15pm
Astor Street Studios
1228 North Astor Street, Milwaukee
astorstreetsdance.com

Friends of IPAW Social Fundraiser

Horny Goat
More info. TBA

Paws in the Park

Sept. 12: 9:00am - 2:00pm
Jackson
262-677-4388
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15th Annual Boxer Bash

Sept. 12: 10:00am - 3:00pm
Fireman's Park
Columbus
608-561-7377
info@greenacresboxerrescue.com

Wagfest

Sept. 12: 11:00am - 5:00pm
Mitchell Park, Brookfield
ebhs.org

7th Annual Wisconsin Week for the Animals

Sept. 12 to Sept. 20: 8:00am - 8:00pm
Appleton
901-791-2455
michellebuckalew@comcast.net

Fall Aire Frolic

Sept. 12: 11:00am - 4:00pm
Oconomowoc
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3rd Annual Lucypawlooza

Sept. 25: 5:00pm - 12:00am
Infusino's Banquet Hall
Racine
wihumane.org

Poker Run for EBHS

Sept. 26: 9:00am - 11:00pm
Multiple locations
Milwaukee
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14th Annual Pet Parade

Oct. 4: 11:00am - 3:00pm
Brady Street, Milwaukee
bradystreet.org
Contact Steph Salvia for volunteer opportunities at: bradystbid@gmail.com

Oktoberfest Beertasting

Oct. 10: 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Washington County Humane Society, Slinger
wchspets.org

Move Your Mutt 5k/10k Walk/Run

Oct. 10: 9:00am, 9:05am & 10:30am
Genesee Lake Road Park, Oconomowoc
silvercirclesportsevents.com

Brews & Ciders, Critters & Spiders

Oct. 23: 6:00pm - 10:00pm
Marriott West, Waukesha
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2015 Paws and Claws Gala

Oct. 24: 5:30pm
Pfister Hotel., Milwaukee
WHS, 414-264-6257
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Halloween Howl

Oct. 29: 7:00pm
WHS, Milwaukee
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wihumane.org

Wisconsin Dog Fair

Nov. 1: 10:00am - 4:00pm
Alliant Energy Center and Exhibition Hall
Madison

Friends of HAWS' Holiday Bazaar

Nov. 7: 9:00am - 4:00pm
HAWS, Waukesha
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Holiday Pet Photos

Nov. 14 & 15
Pre-registration required
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Services 4 Dogs

Vaccine Clinic

Sept. 1, 15 & 29: 9:30am-11:30am
WHS, Milwaukee, 414-264-6257
Sept. 3 & 17: 10:00am-12:00pm
WHS, Racine
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Nail Trims

Every Sunday 12:00pm-4:00pm
Every Wednesday 4:00pm-7:00pm
Every Saturday 1:00pm-3:00pm
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Low-Cost Spay/Neuter

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

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services offered in Milwaukee
the 3rd Wed of each month
spayme.com/Milwaukee_clinic

Veterinary Wellness Services (based on income)

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

Pet Parties/Play Groups

Playtime at the Playground

Saturdays: 9:00am-Noon
Oak Creek 414-764-PUPS
Puppy Playground
puppyplaygroundwi.com

Puppy Small Dog Party

Sundays: 11:30am-12:30pm
Large Adult Dog Play Party
Saturdays 11:30am-12:30pm
For Pet's Sake, Mukwonago
800-581-9070
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Puppy Social

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

Puppy Parties

Sundays: 4:45pm-5:15pm
Waukesha 262-542-8851
HAWS, hawspets.org

Pooch Playtime

Sept. 20: 1:30pm
WHS, Milwaukee
414-264-6257
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Sporting Activities

Agility Run Thrus

3rd Friday of the Month, 6:30-7:30 pm
Obedience Run Thrus
2nd Friday of the Month, 6:30-8:00 pm
Cudahy Kennel Club, St. Francis
414-769-0758
cudahykennelclub.org

WWSDA Sheepdog Competition

Sept. 4 to Sept. 7: 8:00am - 5:00pm
Badlands Sno-Park
Hudson

Cudahy Kennel Club Agility Trial

Sept. 6 & 7
CKC building
St. Francis

Lure Coursing

Sept. 26: 8:00am - 11:00am
Jefferson County Dog Park
Jefferson
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American Brittany Rescue

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708-567-2587, nbran.org,
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Little Orphan's Animal Rescue

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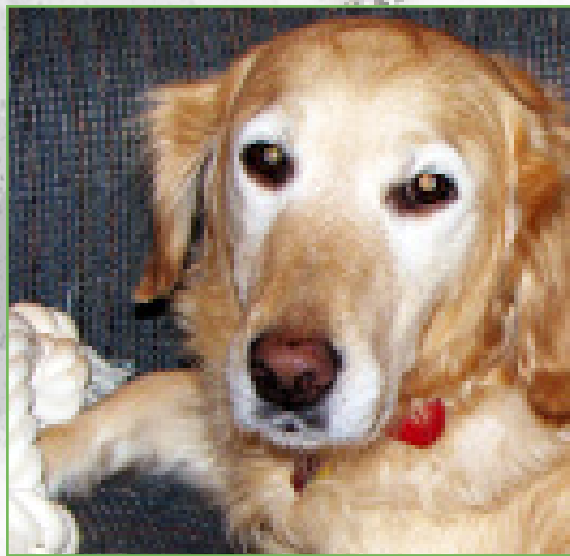
ALL DOGS GO TO HEAVEN



Unconditional love is nothing to chuckle at. I have loved lots and loved hard and when the love was "conditional", I have left broken-hearted. But those few and far between loves that are freely and consistently given are from my children and my 4-legged companions. One in particular that comes to mind is my Gracie who passed nearly a year ago. This page is dedicated to her and to all of you who have loved and lost a furever friend. Gracie was a MADACC survivor. She was found wandering the streets with no home to call her own until she met Tess, my one true love. Tess saved her. With a few rounds of sniffing one another, Gracie met her soulmate and jumped into my lap letting me know she had found her home. Unfortunately, like all good, beautiful things in this world, Gracie's light was taken too soon and a piece of my

heart went with her. It's the inevitable pain we must all endure from time to time. So treat them like the gifts from God that they are and you can expect nothing less in return. I miss you so much Gracie!

Honey was one of a kind! We had been volunteers with Wisconsin Adopt A Golden Retriever (WAAGR) for about two months when we brought her into our home as a foster (and we adopted her not too long after). A former puppy mill dog, she learned what being a dog was truly about thanks to WAAGR and its kind volunteers. A few of her favorite things: Trips to the cottage, walks, homemade pancakes or waffles (no syrup of course), playing with her Golden brother Sully, and belly rubs. She was a great representative for WAAGR at events, and even appeared on TV a few times. She was part of our family for 7 years before she crossed the rainbow bridge in May 2013. We miss her every day, and her red collar and leash still hang by our backdoor as a reminder of all the wonderful memories she provided us. (Amy)



This is a tribute to my dog Digby, who died April 21st 2015 at the age of thirteen years, 52 days. Digger was a red Afghan Hound, and the Summer 2010 Fetch cover boy. Even though he hated dog shows and other means of attracting attention to himself, Digby was selected (over his two brothers) to epitomize the Afghan Hound for Fetch. Digby was a strong survivor who fought severe heart disease for over 15 months. He was no sissy, and when necessary could defend himself bravely. He was devoted to me and I to him, and even in his old age was absolutely gorgeous! His gentle, loving heart and the unconditional love and trust he gave to us every day will never be forgotten. (Pam)

Riley & Seamus Kilbourne:

Two brothers who came into this life left it only four months apart, almost to the day. We lost Seamus on March 31st, 2015 and Riley, just recently went to join his brother on the other side of the bridge, on July 29, 2015. Both leave behind their loving mom, many beloved family members, and dedicated dog sitters. Both boys lived a fun-loving, globe-trotting life of true happiness. Each brother with his own unique personality; Riley the gentle observer and Seamus the playful friend, will both be sorely missed. Having spent almost fifteen golden years here with us, there's too much one could say about the life and legacy of these amazing boys. May Riley and Seamus both rest in peace and may we have the honor of seeing them again one day. (Nina)



If you have a memorial you would like possibly printed in a future issue, please send to info@fetchmag.com.

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BRODIE has been with us for quite some time through no fault of his own & has made big strides coming out of his lonely shell & is revealing that he is a fun, loving boy. His perfect forever family will be able to provide him with a relaxed & peaceful environment. Brodie is a super smart & sweet boy & an able student taking on challenges in our training class with his BFF for quite some time! He also loves his car rides, long walks, hikes around the lake, an occasional plain burger, games, agility & some quiet cuddles.



Lakeland Animal Shelter

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CRAGEN is making a Special Plea for a Special Family for a very Special Dog - our longest resident & shelter favorite! This 4 year old boy may be a little picky about choosing his canine friends, but he is a people dog through & through! Craggie has so much love - he loves kids, car rides to McDonald's for a plain burger, hiking, wading in water, agility, clicker & obedience work, toys, treats, hugs, kisses & life in general! What he would love most of all is an active and patient family of his own to give him the love, structure, & training reinforcement that he needs to be all he can be.



Lakeland Animal Shelter

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ROCKY was first surrendered to us awhile back due to his owner moving, but he was adopted into a loving family, then sadly returned last spring due to landlord issues. It was very hard on him! Rocky is an awesome, active 6-year-old boy who has been in our training class with his BFF before & after his return. He is very smart, playful, loving, energetic & good with other dogs! After all he has been through, Rocky would love a real, forever home with an active family who can help him develop to his full potential & give him the stability that he needs!



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GINGER is an adventure seeker! This 6-year-old Red Bone Coonhound Mix is looking for an active owner & a yard with lots of space to play. She will do best in a household familiar with the characteristics of her hound nature. Ginger is working with HAWS' Mod Squad on her basic commands like sit, stay & come!



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ONYX is a 2-year-old, Mini Rex Rabbit with a gorgeous, velvety coat who just recently celebrated her 1 year anniversary living at HAWS! She is quiet and reserved and will need a very special human companion to help her overcome her shyness. All rabbits adopted from HAWS come with an owner's manual - the "House Rabbit Handbook!"

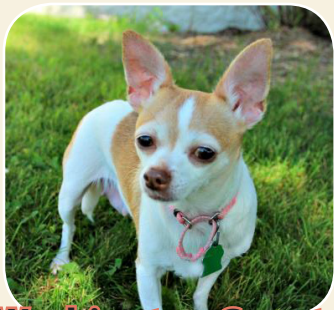


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HELEN is an 8.5 years young Spaniel mix - a happy-go-lucky girl who loves to take walks & explore. Her tail is ALWAYS wagging! Helen is super-smart & enjoys learning new things, but she may prefer to be an only dog & live with teenage children & older.

Adopt Me



Washington County Humane Society

262-677-4388

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MOCA

Moca is a sweet girl who is a constant companion in the household. Moca & her sister Loca must be adopted together as they have a strong bond with each other. Moca is good with cats that don't challenge her as she thinks she is queen of her castle. If you make friends with Moca & Loca, you will have friends for life!



ELMBROOK

262-782-9261 • ebhs.org

BROOK enjoys going on walks, meeting new people & being outside. She sometimes prefers her human friends over her canine friends - all depends on the energy level of the other dog - laid back & respectful is her style. Brook is looking for a family who will give her all the love, exercise & attention she deserves!



Brew City Bully Club
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RED is our gentle, loving, deserving boy available for adoption! Red enjoys the simple things in life - long naps, de-stuffing toys, snuggling & sunbathing! Red loves to spend time outside relaxing with his family & enjoying the breeze! Red would prefer a home with another dog so he can get his play time in! He loves playing with other dogs & will even play with the cat, too! Red is a gentle boy & would do well in almost any home! Red walks well on a leash, is fully crate-trained & knows his basic commands.



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PAISLEY is a sweet, adorable girl is approximately 8 months old & full of life. She's guaranteed to make you smile. Paisley loves chasing balls & cuddling with her foster siblings. He gets her weekly dog paddle on at a pool to strengthen her front legs. When it's outside time, she rings a bell so his people know to let her out. She knows sit & will wait patiently at feeding time. Crating is as easy as telling her "kennel up", & she likes playing with toys in there.

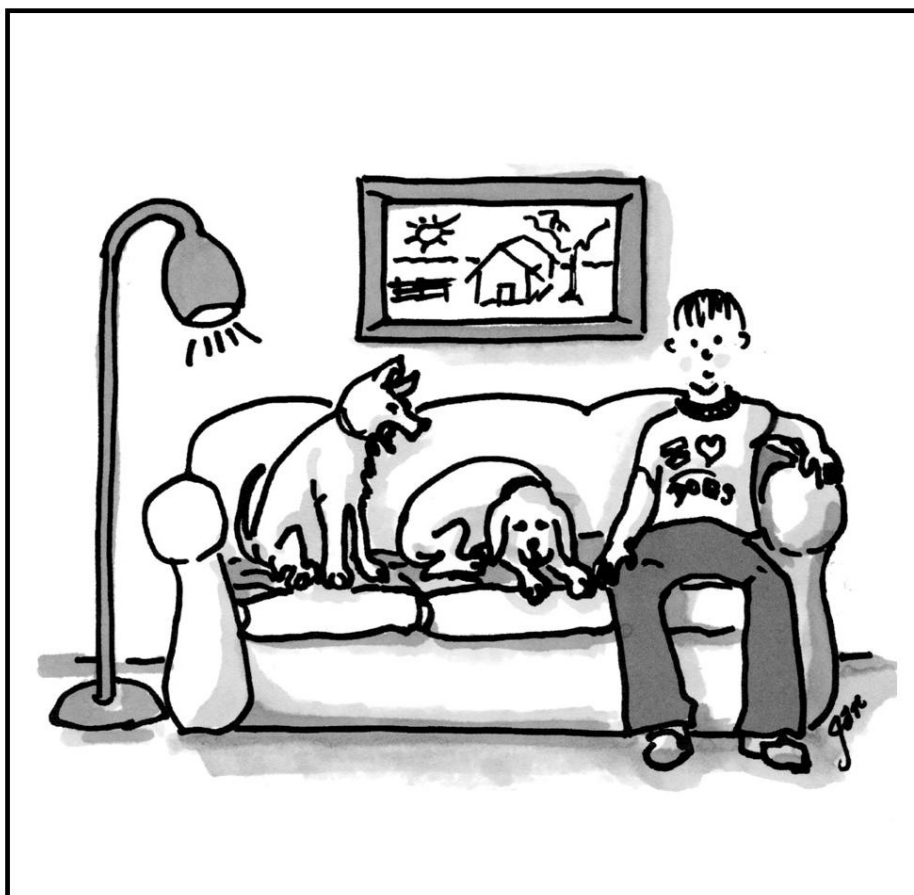


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SILAS is a handsome guy is 3 years old & in foster care with two other dogs. He loves snuggling up to his humans, fetch, Kongs, quiet neighborhood walks & sunlight basking. He knows sit and down and his foster family remarks he has a cute trot about the house. The perfect home would be low to medium in energy & offer daily walks & lay time. Silas is truly a gem—a sweet, happy and amazing guy.

Gotta Luv 'Em

By Janice Biniok



It's getting a little crowded... Maybe you should ask him to move...

Your pet can save lives just like Flynn!

After Stella was diagnosed with Pancytopenia (severe decrease of red and white blood cells and platelets), she needed a blood transfusion. Stella received Flynn's blood, along with lots of TLC, and recovered beautifully.



Dr. Tim Johnson and Flynn

Dear Dr. Balog, Dr. Johnson, Andy,
& all of the staff that took care
of Stella and of course Flynn,

Our sincere gratitude to all of
you for the constant tender care
you gave our dear Stella while she
was with you. You gave us peace
knowing Stella was being cared
for 24/7. You not only comforted
Stella, you comforted us with the
hugs, phone calls, and simply
listening and understanding our
pain and concerns. You truly are
exceptional people with
extraordinary care!

With gratitude,
Stella's Family

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