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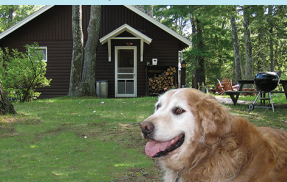


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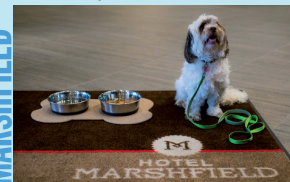
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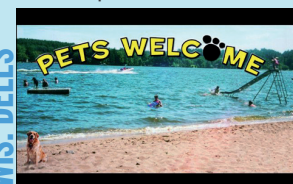


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Editor's Letter

Dear Fetch Readers:

My main thought while we were compiling this issue was that "Article after article is really appealing!" Informative, entertaining and just darn interesting are some of the words I would use to describe them.

The article on state dogs appeals to that slightly geeky part of me. The mental stimulation article sent me off to do some online shopping for educational dog toys. I used the dog park body language information at the dog park before this issue even went to print.

And the article on weddings made me think how I would have my wedding today versus how I did it 26 years ago. At first I thought that some of the ideas would have my very proper mother insisting that I change my mind, but then I thought about it some more. My mother was one of the sweetest persons around. I think that if I said back then that I wanted to include a dog in my wedding that she would initially have had her sense of propriety shaken. However, she was a fun loving woman with a sense of impishness. I know in the end she would have loved the idea and winked at me as I came down the aisle with a furry ringbearer.

May this issue spark some ideas and some adventures for you!

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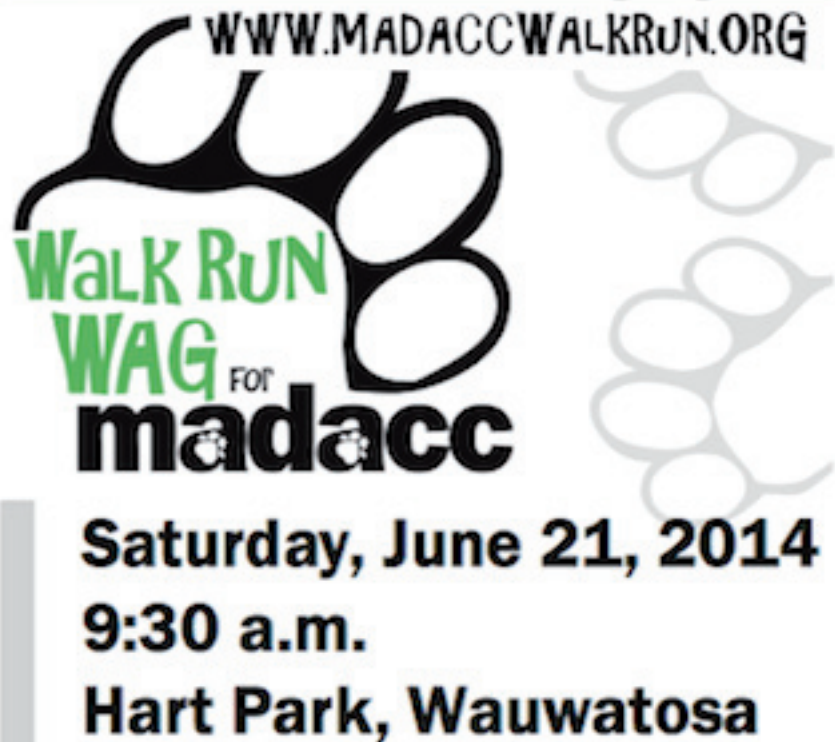
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ABOUT OUR COVER DOG

This summer's cover dog is Mini Moo, aka Mini Mushu—a name that came from his previous rescue mom's dog, Mushu, who was named after the red dragon in the Disney movie Mulan. According to his owners Nicole and Clint Ferrell, Mini Moo is energetic yet gentle with children, something not typical of this breed. Nicole says, "He has a very loving and easy going disposition and loves our 7-month-old son Colton." Mini Moo is also known to snuggle on your lap and has claimed his own blanket, she continues. But with his lion-like mane and warmer days approaching, Mini Moo might want to consider leaving his "blanky" behind. "He is extremely curious and loves to explore things," notes Nicole. So Mini Moo and all you other pooches out there, it is time to think parks, think basking in the sunlight, think summer and go explore!

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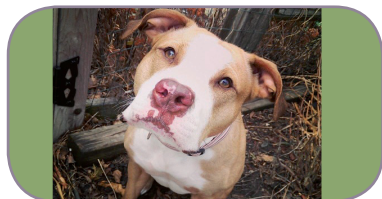
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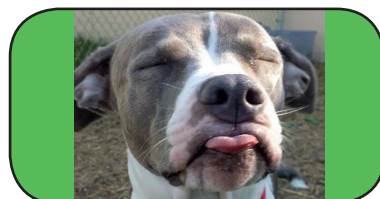
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Meet Ariel, a 1 year-old pitbull mix. She's a sweet, cuddly & playful girl who's loving & entertaining. She is well adjusted in her foster home where she lives with another dog. She has been great with children & other dogs & has been in doggy daycare. She is 100% housetrained & while she is not entirely comfortable in her crate yet, she's working on it. She sleeps happily in it at night. She is good on walks & loves runs with her foster mom. Ariel isn't picky about who she lives with, but she'd do best in a home where she's not left alone for long periods of time.



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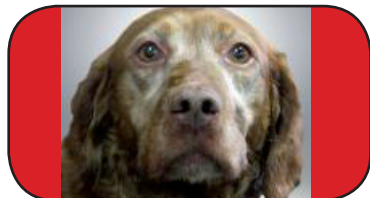
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Bridgette is a beautiful, smart 2-year-old female pit mix. She was in our shelter with her siblings & mom. Bridgette & her family were all adopted. She was just returned because she wasn't getting along with the other dog although she does get along with dogs & cats in general. We recently found out Bridgette has mouth cancer. She had her tumor removed but the form of the cancer can be aggressive. We don't know how long she has. It could be a long, nice life or not, but she deserves a chance because she is so very sweet & cuddly!



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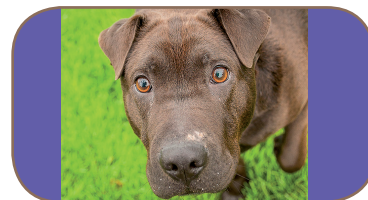
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Meet April! April is a 19-month-old pit bull mix. She is a very sweet and active girl who loves to play and romp with the other dogs in her foster home. She loves hugs and is the constant companion of her foster mom. This little gal is looking for fun, toys and a house full of love to make her life complete.



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Diesel is a four-year-old special needs Shar Pei. He is blind and needs a little extra help getting around but is a very smart boy and listens well to commands. If your household would be able to provide this guy with a safe and loving home, please stop in to meet him.

Here Comes the Bride...and Her Dog

Something old. Something new. Something borrowed. Something blue. Something canine? Absolutely! Having a furry member of the family in attendance at your wedding is a growing trend. It is a way to add creativity and uniqueness to your celebration while making memories with your dog. Here are some things to consider when your wedding goes to the dogs.

A walk down the aisle is not the same as a walk in the park. Consider consulting with a professional dog trainer to prepare your best friend to be the center of attention in a place buzzing with excitement. Andrea Rawski and Tim Yttri of Washington County will have their dog Louie serve as a pillow-topped ring bearer. They consulted certified professional dog trainer Holly Lewis of Cold Nose Canine for advice. She advised them to teach Louie how to pay attention to the maid of honor he will accompany. The bride will need to have treats readily available for guiding him down the aisle and will need to have a back-up plan in case he does not want to go.

A dog-friendly photographer who supports your choice to include your dog is a must. In the Madison area, Mandie Haberman of Amanda Red, Wedding Photographer, has helped dog-loving couples include their furry kids in both wedding and engagement photos—photos on the wedding day and in engagement photos, which is another great way to include your dog if he is unable to be there for the wedding itself. When a dog is included, she selects the appropriate photography equipment to accommodate fast-action shots. Together with her

assistant photographer, she has an eye to preserve the special memories created by the presence of a beloved dog, both predictable and spontaneous while still carefully

Kowalczyk of Milwaukee are planning a wedding for later this fall. Their dogs Bialy and Kava will join them as ring bearer and flower girl. Nicole's mother has crafted



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capturing those special moments a couple expects at their wedding.

Dress your dogs in the wedding spirit. Nicole Zellner and Jerry

wedding finery that includes a tux for Kava. Also, Nicole discovered great ideas on etsy.com. She recommends the website to other cou-

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Choose a venue for your ceremony and reception where dogs are permitted. Zellner chose Rail Hall in

the Walker's Point area of Milwaukee because it is dog-friendly. She also offered to have management meet her dogs ahead of time. The fact that Bialy is a Canine Good Citizen made a convincing statement. Before she narrowed down her final choice, Zellner searched theknot.com for ideas on dog-friendly venues and recommends that site as a good starting point.

Consider the experience your guests will have. Susan Ballard of Madison, Wisconsin was thrilled to enjoy her two four-legged "great nephews" as a part of her niece's beach wedding. She observed that the dogs seemed happy in the experience, which made most of the guests giggle, keeping the atmosphere light. It was a merging of families, and when it was all said and done, guests overheard the bride tell the two doggies, "You guys are brothers now!"

A wedding celebration is the result of many, many choices that appeal to the bride and groom. However, they are often made with the experience of the guest in mind as well. Consider the fact that not everyone is a dog lover. Some people may be afraid of dogs or even have allergies. Good manners that are practiced by a dog owner in public such as keeping the dog leashed or under reliable verbal control (i.e. not letting him jump on guests), will ensure a good experience for everyone and make a memorable day even more special.

Paula B. Maciolek

Paula is a lover of all things dog and volunteers for Remember Me Ranch and Badger Rescue Animal Transport Services (BRATS). After she brushes the fur off her clothes, she heads to work as a sign language interpreter and behind-the-scenes Fetch support staff. Madison is where she calls home with her husband Tim and their two dogs, Valkyrie and Jerry, and kitty cat Horatio.



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Animals with heat stroke may excessively pant, become very lethargic, vomit and collapse. Some animals may experience disorientation and even seizures.

If a situation occurs in which you think your animal has heat stroke, a rectal temperature should be taken to assess how high the temperature has gone. It is very important to have your pet evaluated by a veterinarian. Active cooling should be started immediately and can be started while on the way to the veterinarian for the safety of your pet. You should use cool water or cool wet towels on your entire animal. It is very important to NOT use ice or very cold water on your animal as this can cause further complications such as clotting and bleeding issues. Once the animal's temperature has come down to 102.5-103F, the cooling process can be stopped.

It is great if your animal has a normal temperature when you arrive

at the veterinarian clinic, but it does not ensure that internal organ damage has not been done. Veterinarians will assess your pet's overall health with a physical exam including a neurologic examination. Blood work will be done to see if your pet has complications such as clotting problems, low glucose, kidney or liver dysfunction or electrolyte imbalances. In critical cases, animals may require several days of hospitalization with intravenous fluids and multiple medications. The cost can range from a few hun-



dred dollars up to a few thousand dollars depending on the severity of the animal's condition.

So even though it might feel like a refreshing 75 degrees outside to us, keep in mind that a mile run or 5 minutes in the car may cause heat stroke in your furry friend.

Vehicular Trauma

Summer is the most common time of the year that our pets get into accidents with cars. It can be a devastating event for all parties involved. You can help prevent the situation from occurring in the first place but just in case there are guidelines for what to do if it happens to your animal.

Now there can always be that one time that the cat slips out before you close the door or your dog gets free from its collar. Accidents happen. However, even the most well-trained dog can run across the street if off-leash. There are many distractions in this world for dogs and cats. We as owners have to protect them from their instincts to chase that rabbit or to run up to the other dog across the street. If you are in a high traffic area or even a low traffic area, then all precautions should be taken to keep your dog on a leash to avoid critical accidents.

If your animal gets hit by a car it is absolutely necessary to have them evaluated by a veterinarian immediately. Care should be taken when transporting the animal as they may have broken bones, lacerations, head trauma and/or internal bleeding. Dogs and cats may try to bite if they are in pain. Be careful!

Once you arrive at a veterinary clinic, a physical exam can help assess potential fractures, shock and head trauma, but further diagnostics are often necessary. Anticipate that radiographs and blood work may need to be done. Fractures will have to be stabilized and often need surgical repair. Animals with internal injuries and head trauma will likely require hospitalization for management and monitoring.

With any vehicular trauma, injuries may not become fully apparent for up to 72 hours after the incident and animals should be watched closely during this time period. Your veterinarian should be con-

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Are You **Pekingese** At Me?

The Lion Dog

Imagine a dog small enough to carry with you wherever you go – even in your sleeve! In 8th century Peking, China, the Emperor's family could do exactly that with their Pekingese. The smallest dogs at a mere five pounds were perfect for lounging in the sleeves of elaborate robes. Originally, only royalty were allowed to own a Pekingese and stealing one would bring certain death! In the 1800s the British army invaded the royal palace in Peking and smuggled out some of the Pekingese dogs. Gradually, Pekingese became a breed for the average household across the continents. According to Natalie Seibert, the president of Pokes and You, Oklahoma, they are nicknamed The Lion Dog because they resemble the Chinese guardian lions.

Temperament

The Pekingese's long, fluffy coat, big eyes and small size might fool you into thinking it is a harmless lap dog. But Pokes, as they are often referred, are a feisty breed with

a bark bigger than their size! This also makes them a suitable watchdog. They will be forever loyal to their human family.

Trainability

Pekingese are very intelligent, which can be the bane of their owner's existence or a true joy. They are highly trainable and known for being housebroken and easily learning commands for "sit", "off", and "down". But, if you are not diligent with your training techniques, your cute little Peke will act like the Prince or Princess of its ancestors. Natalie says Pokes are not easy to train but it helps to use "high value treats and lots of positive reinforcement."

Family Dog?

The Pekingese appears to be a wonderful family dog. It's small, easy to tote around with you, and there is always room on a sofa for both you and your Peke, if they are fortunate enough to lounge on their human's furniture! Unfortunately, the Pekingese is not recommended as a pet in a household with children. Pekingese are not forgiving of tiny fingers wanting to see what hides behind all that gorgeous hair. And their eyes are invitations to touch out of curiosity or by accident. Pokes will not tolerate anything short of gentle caresses, and they are not afraid to show you who the boss is. If you already own a Pekingese and would like a second dog, it is best

to get another Pekingese because they prefer their own kind rather than living with another breed.



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Staying Healthy

According to Dogtime.com, a website based in San Francisco, Pekingese are generally a healthy breed. However, due to their unique physical traits, they have specific health issues that might discourage prospective owners. For example, the nature of their physical structure makes them prone to breathing difficulties. Also, their eyes are fragile and susceptible to corneal abrasions or dry eye. But, as with any breed, it is a matter of what you as a dog owner are willing to possibly take on in your dog's life.

An important trait of the Pekingese is their inability to tolerate high temperatures. According to TerrificPets.com, it is recommended that you have an air conditioned home to help your Peke survive the



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summer months or if the climate is warm year-round. Their bodies simply cannot tolerate the heat. A helpful tip is to keep an ice pack under your Peke's bedding to help it stay cool.

My friend Carole who lives in England has two Pekingese, Figaro and Mimi. Figaro and Mimi enjoy some exercise, but like most Pekingese, they are not fond of long walks. Luckily for them, Carole has a doggy pram or stroller so they can hitch a ride when their legs get tired, especially if Carole wants to continue walking.

As for humans, staying healthy with a Pekingese could be a challenge if you are prone to allergies. Pekingese shed quite a bit, and you might find yourself sneezing and sniffing more than on the average spring day.

Looking Good!

The Pekingese looks like the breed of luxury. However, with that comes intensive grooming and canine hygiene on a regular basis. Plan to dedicate a few times per week to brush your Peke's coat to prevent matting. It is also a good idea to trim the hair around the



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top edge of the nose so your Peke can have better visibility and not bump into objects that could cause your doggy to injure itself. Or use a "lion clip" to hold back the hair. If the grooming requirements are too labor intensive, it is acceptable to trim your Pekingese's coat to a short style. Figaro and Mimi have their coats cut every ten weeks.

It is also important to note the folds in their skin. These folds are prone to infections if not kept clean and dry.

Think athlete's foot - not pleasant for human or canine! Carole says Figaro and Mimi get a sponge bath with "warm water and a pinch of salt" to keep them looking and feeling like the royal pups they are.

You also want your Peke to be healthy on the inside. Dogtime.com recommends a diet of dry food twice a day. Pekes love to eat which makes weight gain easy. A good way to tell if your Peke is getting a little on the hefty side is to do the hand grip test. Hold your Peke with your thumbs along its spine. You should be able to feel its ribs with your fingers but not see them.

Here is one last fun fact that might be the winning answer to a trivia game. There were only three dogs that survived the sinking of the Titanic. One of those dogs was a Pekingese named Sun Yat-sen. His owners were the Harper family of Harper and Row publishing in New York City.

I've met a few Pekingese while walking in my neighborhood. I definitely saw "The Lion" in them. They were also quite friendly to my dogs and me. Pekes are beautiful, unique and worth the time and effort if they ultimately fit into your



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Around the *Water Bowl*



DOG WEDDING BENEFITS MODJESKA THEATRE AND WASH- INGTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCI- ETY

The Miramar Theatre, 2844 N. Oakland, will host a Dog Wedding on Sunday, June 22 beginning at 2:00 p.m. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 10 years and under. A buffet lunch is included.

The “wedding party” will be made up from dogs currently being sheltered by the Washington County Humane Society. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Society as well as the historic Modjeska Theatre on Mitchell Street.

“We’re going to be staging some of our bigger concerts at the Modjeska starting this fall,” said Miramar owner Bill Stace. “It makes sense to do a benefit like this to help get the theater open as soon as possible. Stace added that the dog wedding came about simply because everyone on the event committee is a dog lover. “This way, we can help

two organizations at once,” Stace said.

The Modjeska, 1134 West Mitchell, has been a pillar of the near south side community since 1925. Originally built as a motion picture venue, the Modjeska is being transformed into a multi-purpose entertainment center that will host concerts, stage plays, films and other events. The theatre will open on Saturday, October 25. “We’re very happy to be working with Bill Stace and the Miramar,” said Larry Widen, managing director for the Modjeska. “Bill’s shows will be an important part of our programming.”

Tickets for the Miramar’s Dog Wedding are available in advance at the theatre box office or at the door on the day of the show. Doors open one hour prior to showtime. Guests will have a chance to win a deluxe package from St. Moritz Salon as well as other prizes. Representatives from the Washington County Humane Society will have

information about the dog adoption process. For more information, visit Dog Wedding on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/events/757132967652244/>).

JUSTICE ALLIANCE FOR COURT CASE DOGS TO ATTEND TRIALS OF ALLEGED DOGFIGHTERS

Six dogs, ranging from puppies to adults, were seized by police on September 14, 2010 from 4825 N 26th St. Since then, they have been placed indefinitely on “investigative hold” pending the outcome of the court cases. Authorities seized another six dogs under similar circumstances at 4790 N 27th St. on June 10, 2011, and seven were seized on June 21, 2011 at 4825 N 26th Street. Two more were removed on July 6, 2011 from the same address. And recently, 22 additional dogs were seized on April 3, 2014 in a joint federal-state investigation of 12 Milwaukee residents charged with dogfighting. These dogs and others are being held at Milwaukee’s MADACC, while pending the trials and convictions of their alleged abusers.

The mission of Justice Alliance for Court Case Dogs is to establish a presence for the public to view the trial and help ensure these dogs’ safety if a guilty verdict is announced.

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Justice Alliance for Court Case Dogs will be dividing into two sections, those who wish to educate/inform the public outside the courthouse and those who will be going to view the proceedings. Visit Save Milwaukee's Court Case Dogs' Facebook page for updates and more information.

Justice Alliance for Court Case Dogs, Inc., headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., is an animal advocacy group fighting daily for the seized dogs impounded for long periods.

MEMORIAL DEDICATION FOR THE FOUR-LEGGED SOLDIERS OF WAR

A memorial honoring the various breeds of dogs that served in the military has finally become a reality with the dedication of a 6-foot granite monument. This celebration and tribute will be held on June 22 in Village Park in Menomonee Falls at 2 p.m.

The monument, with an etched picture of a soldier with his canine partner, along with a poem written by Roger J. Robicheau describing the bond between a dog and his handler, has been a dream of the War Dogs Group for several years.

The War Dogs Group, founded by Carol Singer, Karen Iding, Claudia Engel and Jerry Witt in 1999, recognizes the service and sacrifice that military dogs have provided throughout the years. The War Dogs are a familiar sight in parades and also at various presentations throughout the area promoting awareness of the importance of these special soldiers. They have also worked hard over the years to raise the money needed for the monument. Several fundraisers, along with generous donations from the public, have resulted in the dedication of this special me-

morial.

Dogs have been trained for combat as scouts, sentries and trackers, as well as for bomb detection. Their uses have been varied and continue to be indispensable in modern military usage.

So many veterans owe their lives to these dogs. This monument is a way to honor these four-legged soldiers who play an important role in the military. This memorial will remain a steadfast reminder of the lives saved due to the service of these dogs. The dedication will take place rain or shine. There will be several noteworthy speakers,

along with the color guard. The public is encouraged to come and participate in this event.

HAWS JOINS PROJECT BLUE COLLAR

HAWS, the Humane Animal Welfare Society of Waukesha County, has joined a national movement in support of the underdog, celebrating HAWS' adoptable dogs, alumni and rescue dogs in general with Project Blue Collar.

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You have probably heard of Bo and Sunny, the Portuguese Water Dog duo residing at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. As the U.S.A. prepares to celebrate another birthday, try testing your knowledge of some lesser-known trivia Americana by matching each state dog with its home turf. (Answers are at the end of this article.)

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| 1. Malamute | A. Texas |
| 2. Boston Terrier | B. Virginia |
| 3. Chinook | C. Alaska |
| 4. Catahoula | D. New Hampshire |
| 5. Blue Lacy | E. Massachusetts |
| 6. Plott Hound | F. Louisiana |
| 7. American Foxhound | G. North Carolina |

And now that you have answered the previous trivia, what about Wisconsin? Since 1986, the Badger State has also been the American Water Spaniel State.

The first time Lyle Brumm and his 8th grade social studies students tried to convince the Wisconsin Legislature to name the American Water Spaniel as state dog, the story goes that they were barked and howled at by lawmakers. This was in 1982. Shocked by such behavior, Governor Anthony Earl lent his support to the proposal and signed Wisconsin Act 295 into law a few years later. The American Water Spaniel took its place as an official Wisconsin symbol, joining a team that includes the honeybee, the robin and the muskellunge.

Previous to the school children's efforts, the UKC had registered the breed in 1920, and the AKC added the breed in 1940. According to Mary Kangas of the American Water Spaniel Club, the dogs look similar to and are likely related to the Boykin Spaniel (which happens to be the state dog of South Carolina)

and also the Murray River Retriever of Australia.

The breed's hunting skills are keen on both land and in the water, proving itself a consistent retriever. But if you are a non-hunter and want an active, intelligent pet, Kangas says American Water Spaniels make wonderful companions. "They are small enough to share the sofa or chair with you and very affectionate. They will also want to walk, run or go biking with you, and they love playing fly ball. After having American Water Spaniels, I am not



American Water Spaniel

interested in any other breed," says Kangas, who happens to live across the border in state dogless Minnesota.

Jean Matvey, Founder of Pennsylvania Great Dane Rescue, is equally smitten with her state dog. "I love the beauty, the sleekness of Great Danes. They have regal bodies and good temperaments." Since January 2013, Jean and her network of in-home fosterers have rescued 135 dogs. Her group shows no discrimination to dogs who got their start outside of the Keystone State. Some have come from Michigan, Florida and even Beirut, Lebanon.

As a breed, Great Danes got their start overseas in Germany where they were bred to chase and take down wild boar

during hunts. Given the large settlement of Germans in Pennsylvania, it is not surprising the breed garnered support to be named top dog and was the first state dog of the U.S. in 1965.

From the tall to the small, the Cairn Terrier was proposed by Kansas State Rep. Ed Trimmer as state dog in 2012. The breed is playful, active and inquisitive. Rescuers joke, "Cairns don't think; they scheme!" Cairns were a popular choice for the honor, but Trimmer's bill failed to pass the legislature.

Kaaren Jones of the Col. Potter Cairn Rescue Network, the nation's largest rescue organization for the breed says of the legislative decision, "I can see why it was a popular proposal. I would bill for it if I did not have the fear of more dogs to be (given up) that we would have to take care of." When a breed of dog gets lots of media attention, everyone suddenly wants one. Months later, the novelty wears off and families find they do not have the time, space or energy to care for the dog. "We have seen it happen with other breeds," says Jones, "the shelters get flooded." So for now, the American Bison will represent the Sunflower State without a Toto in tow.

It is too soon to match a canine mug with each of the 50 stars on Old Glory, but perhaps by the Tricentennial each state will have a breed decreed.

Answers: 1-C, 2-E, 3-D, 4-F, 5-A, 6-G, 7-B.

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WHEN THINGS GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT!

HELP FOR NOISE-SENSITIVE DOGS

You awoke startled! Your dog is barking uncontrollably. You get up and realize the wind knocked over the garbage can. You are ready to go back to sleep, but your dog will not stop barking. What gives?

While you took the time to investigate and rationalize the noise, your dog focused on protecting herself by escaping or chasing off the danger. Dogs will not take time to rationalize when danger is nearby. Physically, all their energy goes to the systems they need to fight or flee the danger – specifically, their heart, lungs and circulatory systems. And your dog may even freeze and shut down all together. If you try to give your dog a T-bone steak when she is aroused in fear, she will not eat it. Her digestive system is not essential at this point.

So how can you help your noise-sensitive dog? First, be calm yourself. Our family dog Brandy was not afraid of thunderstorms until my Grandmother, who was terrified of storms, moved in with us. It took only a couple storms for Brandy to join Grandma in her bedroom. She was praying the rosary and he was cowering under her bed. Because stressors impact the tolerance of triggers, Brandy could no longer handle storms with the added stress of Grandma's fearfulness.

Secondly, implement behavior modification techniques. Behavior modification can be used with dogs exhibiting a range of noise issues: gunshots, thunderstorms, sirens, construction noises, crowd noises, vacuum cleaners, and even sneezes.

Behavior modification requires a realistic goal. For example, if your son is learning to play drums, a reasonable goal would be for your dog to be calm while the drumming occurs. An unrealistic goal would be your dog lying next to the drum set.

The elements of behavior modification include:

* Counter-conditioning. This changes the way the dog feels about the scary thing (the trigger), by associating the trigger with a primary reinforcer like high-valued treats or play.

* Desensitization. This gradually gets the dog used to the trigger by using successive approximations (baby steps) like having her do tricks while the trigger is very gradually introduced. To help with sounds that are unpredictable or difficult to control, various sound-desensitizing CDs are available from Terry Ryan, Victoria Stillwell (in conjunction with Through a Dog's Ear) and My Dog's Tutor.

* Operant conditioning. This teaches the dog to do something else whenever the trigger happens. If a dog knows what to do in any given situation, the trigger becomes less scary.

According to Suzanne Clothier (author and owner of Relationship Centered Training™), successful behavior modification relies on distance from the trigger, intensity of the trigger and duration exposed. These elements should be adjusted so that when your dog is exposed to the noise she can remain calm.

You may not even hear the noise when you start the behavior modification, but you will know your dog is hearing it when you see her ear orient to it. If you decrease the distance to the sound, you decrease the intensity (volume) so she can remain calm. Remember, your dog cannot play or eat if she is too aroused by fear. You need to start the play and treat giving while she is calm. Then introduce the noise at a level

she can handle. Keep the sessions short. Our Miniature Australian Shepherd, KC, would viciously attack the vacuum cleaner. Set off by the sound, she would charge out of nowhere. After many "baby steps" of desensitizing and counterconditioning, KC has gone from the Tasmanian devil when the vacuum appears to having fun with the "find it" game. For this game, you toss treats/toys in the opposite direction from the trigger. This teaches the dog that when the scary thing/noise is present, "manna" falls from the sky.

Derby, a Chihuahua, used to scream whenever a siren went off. His foster Mom used a desensitizing CD. Now when he hears a siren, he races for his ball. To him, sirens mean play time! Helping your dog through her noise issues is achievable.

Not sure you are up to it on your own, contact a certified professional dog trainer or behaviorist.

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Kathy Klotz, executive director of Intermountain Therapy Animals, suggests individuals may be more motivated to engage in animal-assisted therapy compared to traditional therapy approaches. "One of its principal functions is to provide a catalyst and a motivating force that encourages people to participate in their essential therapies," says Kathy. "Almost everyone, no matter their age, is eager to par-

ticipate with dogs, working harder and longer than they otherwise might have. It is fun and engaging."

Intermountain Therapy Animals was founded in 1993 by three dog-loving women and has continued

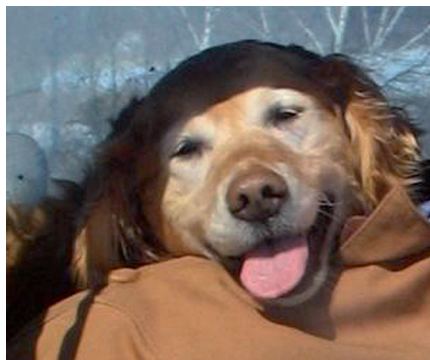


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to grow ever since. There are currently more than 350 Pet Partner (www.petpartners.org) teams and more than 4,000 therapy teams registered to participate in the R.E.A.D. program in the U.S. and in 12 foreign countries.

Kirsten Sessions contacted Intermountain Therapy Animals for

her 8-year-old daughter Hannah, who after a near-drowning accident benefitted significantly from animal-assisted therapy. Kirsten says, "When [Hannah] was at Primary Children's Medical Center for rehabilitation services and I saw Colonel the Golden Retriever with his owner Susan walking down the hall, I knew we had to have Colonel visit Hannah. I had no idea just how great my daughter's response would be. The first visit was special for us, but Hannah was not able to respond. She appeared to enjoy the visit but because of the severity of her injury, she could not speak or move and had no way to convey her happiness."

Kirsten continues, "On Colonel's second visit, he made our daughter laugh for the first time—by burping! The Occupational Therapist, Speech Therapist and Physical Therapist were all so amazed that we kept talking about it and Hannah kept smiling and laughing. We had hoped for weeks to hear Hannah's voice again and Colonel was the one who coaxed it out of her. I have never been so happy to see a smile in my entire life."

Becky Payne, speech therapist and director of Nature's Edge Therapy Center, has seen a dramatic increase in therapy goals since the recent construction of Diane's House—a fully-equipped living quarters that allows for around the clock therapy. Nature's Edge Therapy Center, located on a 65-acre lot in Rice Lake, Wisconsin, was founded in 2001 and is an affiliate of the Pet Partner program. In addition to animal-assisted therapy, Nature's Edge Therapy Center also special-



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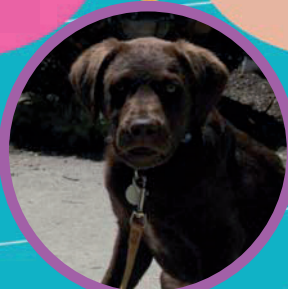
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Believing that every dog can and should live a happy, well-balanced life is the mindset of Carol Sumbry, a trainer with the Elmbrook Humane Society. In a past seminar, she educated pet guardians on three key pillars each dog requires: mental stimulation, physical exercise and rest and downtime. The following is an emphasis on the first pillar, mental stimulation.

If your dog has ever gone to the dog park or a doggie daycare for endless play, you have likely noticed how

tuckered out he or she is afterwards. Similarly, incorporating daily exercise and mental games into the day will ensure your dog stays busy and out of mischief. Carol equates it to raising children whose activities fill their lives which builds confidence and burns energy. But unlike kids, our dogs are left alone for hours and turn to mischievous or destructive behaviors. Even dogs that are quite active may lack mental exercise so introduce your pup to an interactive puzzle or a KONG to create a novel experience for you both. Also, encourage your dog's natural hunting instincts with mental sports.

Instead of feeding your dog twice a day from his dish, serve one of his meals in a treat ball. Offer a frozen KONG stuffed with goodies and let your dog work for food. "Not only is it not cruel to make your dog work for one meal a day, they love it," Carol says. Test it

out and take note of how the enrichment toys begin to benefit your pup's mental health and subsequently, his/her behavior.



Photo Courtesy of Carol Sumbry

Another plus: These pillars can be paired with any dog. At 16, one of Carol's dogs has physical limitations but still keeps his mind sharp with a KONG and treat ball each day. Young, active dogs and shelter pups benefit greatly too. At Elmbrook, Carol and staff work with the dogs by helping them flex their minds. Behavioral problems are the number one reason dogs are surrendered to shelters, she cites. "Our goal is to make training easy and fun and bring training tips to those that may not have the time, finances or resources."

Benefiting from the seminar are Clarice and her dog Snickers. Exhaustive outdoor exercise was limited this cold, long winter so the duo got to work inside. Snickers quickly aced finding tennis ball-covered treats hidden in muffin tins. The next enrichment toy, a Hol-ee Roller by JW Pet, in which "Snickers has to pull four old socks with treats in the toes from inside the ball" proved exciting. Searching for treats hidden around their home is also enjoyable.

"Dogs love to hunt, look for smelly things in the grass, work and play, and that is what this is all about,"

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Celebrity Paw Profile

Meet Your Local News Anchor

Christine Bellport, WMTV/NBC15, and Her Pets

Not everyone has the opportunity to watch their local news anchor each weekday morning, especially when they are on-air at the crack of dawn. Even if you do, it is still fun to learn more about them, and for Christine Bellport, her passion for dogs. Growing up in Lafayette, California, a small town east of Berkeley, Christine knew she wanted to work in journalism, particularly television news. It has become a fabulous vehicle for her to spend time with her dogs and at the same time help other dogs find homes.

A Love of Animals

In the late 70s, Christine adopted Heidi, a red Doberman, and donned her the family dog. It was with her that Heidi especially liked to play hide-and-go-seek. "That was our thing," she remembers.

Apparently word was out that Christine was the person to live with if you were a Doberman who had lost his way. One day while she was out running, Duke, a black Doberman, followed her home. His happiness was very apparent in the way he moved because "he

never walked, he always bounced and/or trotted."

During their time together, Duke was transformed from starved and abused, to fat, happy and very well-loved. One of Christine's fondest memories as a child with Heidi and Duke was the two of them joining the family in the brown paneled station wagon to cut down a Christmas tree.

Today Christine lives with her cat Diego, a grey tabby, which showed up at her doorstep 15 years ago while she was living in San Diego (hence the name). He was a stray who took two weeks to, "settle down and stay indoors." Christine says that was not a fun time but, "it was a lovely transition." In 2010, Halle, a Pit Bull-Vizsla, joined them. She was one of Christine's featured dogs on her Pet of the Week segment for The Morning Show. She remembers fondly the first time they met, "Our eyes connected and that was that."

She describes Halle as a "happy, very sweet dog" and neighbors say she has "a gentle soul." She also describes Halle as a leaner that likes to always have contact with her, especially when they turn in for the night. After Halle and Diego stake out their spots in bed, Christine is left with one fourth of the mattress space!

A Typical Day

After waking up at 2:00 a.m. to start the workday, it takes Halle a good 15 minutes to get moving and out the door to "take care of business," notes Christine. And then Halle waits for her to return from the news station for a mid-morning outing. Come noon, the rest of the day is theirs to enjoy together. Their favorite pastime is going on a hike or watching movies snuggled up on the couch.

Christine often gets to travel with Halle, and luckily for Halle, her owner likes to visit the many state parks in Wisconsin. Christine likes to fish in the great outdoors while Halle prefers to swim. Unfortunately, she and Halle cannot take every vacation together. In that case, Halle stays at Ruffin' It Resort in Madison, Wisconsin, where she gets to watch her favorite television shows, bask in the sun on her own patio and spend quality playtime with her pup friends.

Another characteristic worth noting is how Halle protects Christine. When a strange dog at the dog park approached her owner and started barking, Halle took a commanding stance between the dog and Christine. She seemingly said, "Not my mommy!" However, she says Halle can also be very loving, even to a cat. When Diego was very sick, "Halle never left his side."

Every Monday morning at 6:10, Christine hosts the Pet of the Week program on WMTV1 in Madison. Between five local humane societies there is one cat, dog or rabbit featured. Often they are adopted directly from the show just like Halle. If you are looking for a new four-legged friend, you might find your forever buddy on Pet of the Week. So stay tuned and be sure to say hello to Christine and Halle if you see them walking around town or on a hike!

Kathleen A. Hunter, MS

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I'm so happy to have been asked to contribute to Fetch's Dogs in the 'Hood because...well, we have a new dog in our 'hood, in our home, in fact.

Before Sky joined us, we had a tranquil household consisting of one very well-behaved and diligent Chesapeake Bay Retriever, True, and two semi-trained and randomly-behaved adult humans. We made it work, we really did, with True as our glue, our protector, our joy and our very Best Girl. However, as she approached her 8th birthday, we began to discuss adding a puppy to the family, to train under her example. It took a very long time and many conversations to come to this decision.

"Do you solemnly swear, on a stack of dog biscuits, to awake in the night at the merest squeak from the kennel and go dashing outside with little dog tucked under your arm like a football?" "Yes, I solemnly swear."

"Do YOU promise to not dither around at the end of your work day, finding just one more thing that needs to be done, but to high-tail it home to see to the needs of small, crated creature?" "Yes, I so promise."

"...and do WE vow to remind each other that the puppy days don't last forever...to call each other off the ledge when needed.....to be consistent and not break training rules.... to not spoil and sneak in contraband treats....to try to love this little one as we love our big girl?" We did vow

and in doing so, declared ourselves ready for a puppy.

In April, we traveled to Cur-San's Kennel in Neshkoro to pick out our puppy and bring her home. We had a choice between the three remaining females in the litter. It was im-



possible to make a bad choice. The puppies were all healthy, clean and full of life. In the end, we chose the one with the darkest coat and the white blaze on her chest, a typical 'Chessie' mark. She seemed a tad calmer than the other two and gave us hopes that we may get the tail end of the puppy cyclone about to enter our home.

We must have seen her in an 'off' moment because after only a day with us the full puppy emerged and we have been experiencing the joys and frustrations of puppyhood, as countless humans have before us. We have had the fun of

the first dip in the wading pool, the discovery of new toys and a view of the world that can only be seen through very new eyes.

We've also had the usual secret puddles on the hardwood floors, the over-confidence that only a 7-week-old, 10-pound creature can possibly have and the chewing and nipping and you know how it goes.

I give a big sigh as my toe connects with the latest liquid offering on the floor. I reach for a wad of paper towels and the antibacterial spray and prepare for the chore ahead. Then, I see that little brown face before me and my heart melts into every corner of my soul. In those clear, young eyes, I see the future. I see the dog that she will become, a strong field and waterfowl hunter, our protector, our comfort, our joy. I see the budding spirit that will someday be as big as her namesake, the sky.

We are willing to go the distance with this one. Each minute spent training her through the puppy stage will be repaid in countless minutes of devotion and love. I can't think of a better investment.

Ginny Theisen

Ginny lives with her husband, John and two Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, True and Sky. She loves writing, design and knitting.... oh....and anything having to do with dogs.

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LOST DOG! What SHOULD I Do?

Ahern and Danielle Dull were both away on business when they got the news that their 3-year-old female Boston Terrier, Harper, was lost. Unfortunately, this easily spooked little girl took off into the woods after a few firecrackers went off during a camping trip with Ahern's brother. Ahern and Danielle were distraught. "We do not have children," Danielle says. "She is our baby."



Losing your dog can be one of the most devastating experiences. Luckily, there are many steps you can take to recover your lost dog when this happens.

GET THE WORD OUT

The first thing to do when you lose your dog is call the authorities, animal control organizations and humane societies. According to Colleen Duero, a caseworker with Lost Dogs of Wisconsin, the dog may be picked up by someone in their car and across county lines, so it is important to call surrounding organizations and authorities as well.

Next, call Lost Dogs of Wisconsin. They will help generate a flyer and email it to you. It is recommended

that you put up flyers within three to five miles of where the dog was last seen. And do this immediately so you can get sightings right away, Duero says.

It was because of flyers that Ahern and Danielle got a phone call from a woman who saw Harper on her back porch. Other options for getting the word out include putting large signs out at intersections and putting an alert on Craigslist. Lost Dogs has volunteers that do this for you.

Laura Nigbur of the Milwaukee Area Domestic Control Commission also recommends using social media to your advantage. In addition to the Lost Dogs Facebook page and Craigslist, post information on your Facebook page and other social media sites. Another vital step is to put food, water and something with your scent (blanket, toy, clothing etc.) in the area the dog went missing.

And do not give up if you do not get sightings right away. Sue Johnson, a Rock County resident, is fostering a dog named Tux who took off in August 2013. After putting up flyers and making calls, Johnson got a few initial sightings, but then no one saw Tux for a month, so Johnson expanded her search. She eventually got phone calls from people who saw him in a cornfield a few miles away.

Nigbur said that with MADACC, dogs are only held for seven days before they are made available to their placement partners, so it is important to come and check



MADACC's shelter every six to seven days. Also, make sure you actually go to the shelter because looking at pictures online is not as reliable.

Angela Speed, director of communications at the Wisconsin Humane Society, encourages people to fill out the WHS L.O.S.T. (Locate Our Stray Today) informational profile at wihumane.org. It is sent to volunteers in your neighborhood to watch out for your lost animal. Also, to find out if the Department of Neighborhood Services picked up your animal in Milwaukee, call (414) 286-8282.

AFTER A SPOTTING

Once you receive word that your dog was spotted, put out food, water and familiar items at the place of the last sighting if you did not already.

It is also important not to call out their name because most dogs, especially shy ones, will get scared and take off again. “Sometimes they will come back to the area, shelter or home on their own if people are not calling out to them,” Duero says. Then, if the food is being taken, you have to make sure it is a dog. A good way to do this is to put soil, cornstarch or bed sheets on the ground – anything that leaves evidence of paw prints. You can also get a trail camera from a hunting store, Duero says, because it has a motion detector and takes pictures of animals that come by. Once you have confirmed it is your dog, go out to the location and sit there. Use only familiar words like “treat”, “walk” or “car ride.”

Once Danielle and Ahern got confirmation that it was their dog sighted at a woman’s cabin up north, Danielle went back up to the area in Wisconsin where Harper disappeared and started tracing it. After having no luck and feeling distraught, she called Lost Dogs. They told her to take a seat and wait. So with the homeowner’s permission, she waited by the cabin. When Harper ran past, Danielle called “treat” and he ran up to her.

With even shyer dogs, like Johnson’s Dex, sometimes putting out a live trap is necessary. Duero says before putting out a live trap, make sure you know all the rules about liability and have the property owner’s permission. Once Johnson got word that Dex was frequenting a cornfield, she got permission to put out a live trap and set up a camera. After a few failed attempts to catch him, they eventually moved the trap closer to the woods. And one night when checking on the trap with her son, she flashed her car lights on it and there was Dex!

SETTING UP A LIVE TRAP

- Know the rules.
- Get permission from property owner.
- First, just put trap near food.
- Eventually, put food in the trap, but don’t set it yet!
- Confirm your dog is going inside the trap (camera).
- Now, set the trap.



Photo Courtesy of Ahern & Danielle Dull

TAKING PRECAUTIONS

While the majority of dog owners who follow the Lost Dogs guidelines are reunited with their animals, the statistics are not so high everywhere. So always have an identification tag and current license on your dog, says Speed. If your dog is not micro-chipped already, get one and always update the contact information. “It is so frustrating when we have a dog that is micro-chipped and we still cannot get a hold of the owner,” Nigbur says.

Also, “sometimes people do not know what to do and they do not want to take [animals] to humane societies,” Duero says. “They may try to keep the dog; that is not okay. Try to find that owner. If the dog

is in bad condition, do not assume it was dumped. It may have just been lost for awhile.”

Shannon Venegas

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What is My Dog Saying... *at the Dog Park?*

Upon asking a friend if she was going back to work after having a child, she told me she would be an at-home Mom until her child was old enough to express how he felt about the day care he was attending. I always thought that sounded like a wise thing to do. Unfortunately, dogs do not have the ability to verbalize their likes and dislikes. So as a good dog owner, doggy parent or guardian, or whatever you call yourself, you need to understand their non-verbal communication. If all dog owners did this, just think how this knowledge would reduce the number of dog bites to people and to other dogs. Now with the growing number of dog parks, learning to read your dog's body language is important.

One of my clients said, "If you go to a dog park you have to be ready to leave". How true. Just because your dog likes some dogs, it does not mean he likes all dogs.

It is critical to know if your dog is enjoying the park, showing signs of stress or fear, or being a dog park bully. Your dog's body language gives you this information, and every owner needs to be able to recognize the signs. If your dog is enjoying the park experience you will see a loose, wiggly body mixed with play-bows and an open relaxed mouth. He will choose to stay engaged in play rather than running off.

What about the signs of stress? Fast-wagging low tail, ears flattened back, hiding behind people or objects, yawning, lip licking and whining or whimpering are often misinterpreted by owners. If your dog is playing with another dog and that dog runs away, will yours follow to reengage? If your dog does not, he probably was not enjoying the play or he has had enough. No one wants their dog to be a wimp at the dog park but sometimes, just like at a child's playground, there can be a bad group of dogs at the park. Although your dog might be very comfortable around most

dogs, there might be a group of hard playing dogs, intimidators or just plain bullies.

If your dog starts showing signs of fear such as trying to look small, tucking his tail, hunching over, urinating in submission to another dog or doing some defensive snapping, it is time to remove your dog from the park or go to a different area. Many pet owners minimize these fearful experiences, but they can damage a dog's outlook on other dogs for life.

Owners should be on the look out for red flags that play is escalating into something that requires intervention. When a dog excessively mounts, pins another dog down, runs fast and non-stop with a group, shows teeth, body slams another dog at full speed or engages in vertical play that lasts more than five seconds, it is time to step in. Hopefully, the owners of the other dogs will be there so everyone can leash up their dogs and let things calm down.



The old saying, "Two is company and three is a crowd" became cliché for a reason and this is true of canine friends as well. Two dogs may play very well together, but trouble may start when a third jumps in. Two of the dogs may join up and chase the third, or one may pin another down while the third gets in some cheap shots. It is very easy for a dog to feel outnumbered and become frantic.

Resources for this topic are becoming more popular. Sue Sternberg actually has an Apple app for dog park behavior and a DVD called, "Dog-Dog Engage



Photo Courtesy of Tim Kois

ments Between Unfamiliar Dogs". Nicole Wilde has a DVD titled, "Dissecting the Dynamics of Dog-Dog Play" and Carol Byrnes has a Power Point presentation that is very economical and titled, "What is My Dog Saying at the Dog Park?".

It is good to know that dog owners care enough to take their dog to the dog park for fun and exercise. However, in order to make the visit a safe one, owners need to know how to read their dogs non-verbal communication and recognize situations that could lead to trouble and be prepared to act.

Patti Muraczewski

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Mixed Breed

Fluffy Dog Rescue, www.fluffydog.net

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ANIMAL COMMUNICATION

REMEMBER DR. DOOLITTLE?

We all want our pets to be healthy and happy, but sometimes with our busy schedules and cluttered brains, we forget to slow down and really listen to them. Recently, I spoke with Stacy Krafczyk of All Spirit Healing, who was able to shed some light on Animal Communication and how we all can better communicate with our pets. Stacy said that communicating with animals always seemed normal and natural to her, but that through meditation, she became even better at it and eventually started her own business.

Identifying Your Pet's Problem

In her Animal Communication sessions with pets and pet owners, Stacy uses all five senses and a sixth sense, telepathy, to communicate. Stacy sees images of events or situations and hears different sounds. She may also taste and smell food, medications or other aromas. Stacy has communicated with dogs, cats, horses, birds, turtles and even insects.

She says that there are many reasons to have a communication session with your pet:

- illness
- emotional traumas or problems
- moving
- death or dying

- new addition to the family (either human or animal)
- behavioral issue(s)
- restore overall wellbeing

Stacy sees many dogs with behavioral problems and says that in these cases a need of some kind is not being met for them. When using discipline, it is important for us to replace negative words and images with positive supportive ones. Often we say "no" to our dogs with images of negative behaviors in mind. A more empowering approach would be to use positive images of good behaviors to guide them.

Stacy advises that before a communication session, the animal should be told that the appointment is coming up so that he or she can be prepared for it. Humans prepare for a session by compiling a list of questions. If the animal is not present, Stacy can use a photograph. She can also do consultations by phone. It is important to begin the session by asking for the animal's permission to proceed. Stacy repeats the animal's opening statement and then relates the human's response back to him. Often the animal will answer most of the questions on the list on his own!

Just like us, our pets have unique personalities and characteristics. They also have all of the same emotions and feelings that we do. After a session, pets are happier and more content. They are actually relieved that we chose to communicate with them and grateful that we wanted to understand them.

Afterlife Communication With Your Pet

Stacy also offers Afterlife Communication sessions. She communicates with those who have crossed over no matter how long it has been since they died. Because my dog Jasper died suddenly last year, I was anxious to communicate with him once more. Although I will never get over losing Jasper, I did find some peace and closure as he told me through Stacy that he was running in heaven; happy, safe and free.

Another Level Of Animal Communication

A Shamanic Journey—a way of finding answers through an ancient form of meditation—is another way to communicate with animals. It is a powerful tool for spiritual growth. It can also be used for spiritual, emotional and physical healing, obtaining information and working through psychological issues. These journeys are useful for animals with severe emotional or behavioral issues or for an animal that has not been helped by training or other animal communication experiences. Because animals can open up more easily than humans can, they can also better move through emotional blockages. An animal may require one or more sessions before healing occurs. A Shamanic Journey may also be taken when a pet is at the end of his life because it helps release unresolved issues.

We are all born with the natural ability to communicate with animals, but at around the age of five, without really being aware of it, we start to become more skeptical and our imagination dulls. We also learn to focus on the negative. The good news is that we can work to reawaken our natural abilities and become more in tune with our animals. We need to slow down, and with no agenda be receptive to what our animals want to say to us.

For more information on animal communication with Stacy Krafczyk, visit www.allspirithaling.com.

Pamela Stace

Pamela Stace is mom to one Afghan Hound, three cats and an Arabian horse. She is a Milwaukee-based actor and voice talent. Also, she and her husband, Bill, run The Miramar Theatre on Milwaukee's East Side.



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Backyard Quotables

Fetch Magazine loves listening to our readers chat about their canine companions. So don't be surprised if we admire your pooch, pull you aside and ask a question or two. This season, we asked Fetch readers to respond to the following question:

"What is on your dog's 'bucket list'?"

Max: "I'd really, really like to chase all of the chipmunks I can sniff out for a whole day."

Jayne Scotney
Hustisford, WI

Titan: "I'm always hungry. How about you let me eat all of the hamburgers and fish nuggets I can eat?"

Jayne Scotney
Hustisford, WI

Casey: "I want to hang out with 'mom' in the garden and hunt mice and moles ALL day."

Jen Chamblee
Allenton, WI

Tess Putz: "You remember that raw Ribeye steak, bone in, that I ate off the kitchen counter? Another please!"

Amy Alioto
Menomonee Falls, WI

Gracie Putz: "I didn't do it, really...I didn't! It was Tess, she did it!"

Amy Alioto
Menomonee Falls, WI



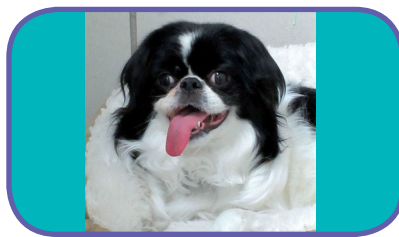
Sophya Guenther-Putz: "Solo quiero que ustedes dejar que un perro de la muchacha y cortar cuando tenemos lucha sin sacudir esa lata de miedo por mi! Ah, y unos tacos." Translation: "I just want you guys to let a girl dig and nip when we wrestle without you shaking that scary can at me! Oh, and some tacos."

James Guenther
Brown Deer, WI

Sonya Guenther: "Oh, what a joy it shall be, before I depart to the bridge by the pond, to eat a live bird, to roll in a turd, and to run free, barking at the unknown beyond."

James Guenther
Brown Deer, WI

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Mindy is a CUTIE! This 7-year-old Japanese Chin needs a dog-savvy owner. Mindy is happy and friendly and really loves people...but she's definitely bossy and not too good at following directions. Her new owner will need to be consistent and positive and help Mindy with her manners. Mindy is good with cats and other dogs, but will need dog-savvy kids, too!

RESCUES

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lars will be available for purchase for \$10 for those who already have a rescue dog as part of their family. HAWS has always been proud of our adoptable dogs – now every rescue dog owner can help underdogs become heroes and share their pride in their rescued best friend!

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HAWS, a non-profit organization established in 1965, assists over 6,000 animals each year and welcomes more than 31,000 human visitors to our shelter annually. As an open admissions and full service shelter, HAWS assures sanctuary for animals in need while offering educational programs and a myriad of services to promote responsible pet ownership and prevent animal abuse. The shelter is located at 701 Northview Road in Waukesha, Wis.

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MENTAL STIMULATION

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Carol stresses. One Lab/Border Collie mix she worked with needed a job, a chance to exercise mind and body. Using challenging toys and large kid-sized balls for herding, his life was enriched. “I am not sure who is happier – him or his guardian!”

With a bit of invested time and some basic training, your dog will have less stress and more happiness in her life just as Lynn and Dick Cherwenka’s dogs, Marley and Jessie, now have. Avoiding walks this winter, Jessie released pent-up energy when alone in her kennel by ripping up her mat. Now, KONGs and breakfasts served in Bob-A-Lots (another type of toy that has your dog work to get treats) fill the dogs with tail-wagging excitement. Mom and dad are quite happy too.

Carol Sumbry is a Certified Professional Dog Trainer (CPDT) who teaches classes and offers private lessons for shelter dogs and the general public. Contact Carol@ebhs.org for more information. Visit Elmbrook’s Facebook page and website for upcoming seminars.

Jessica Pairrett

Jessica Pairrett is a writer who has never known life without a dog. She and her husband, Paul, live in Waukesha, WI with their two fluffy boys, Buddy and Lucky.

ANIMAL THERAPY

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izes in horticulture therapy (gardening therapy) and hippotherapy (horse-assisted therapy), allowing for a full spectrum of treatment for children and adults.

Krys Robinson found Nature’s Edge Therapy Center in 2004 for her son Cody, who was in need of both speech and physical therapy. Krys explains, “When he first climbed out of our van and Buddy ran up to him, a smile came across his face and he laughed, something we had not seen in almost six years.”

Krys continues, “The therapists are great. You can see that they really truly care and connect with the kids. They are just as excited and encouraged as the children every time they meet a goal and make progress. The animals are so wonderful. They sense these kids need a type of unconditional love and kindness they can provide. Cody has formed bonds with these animals in a way no person will ever be able to do with him.”

In animal-assisted therapy, miracles come in the form of man’s best friend. The possibilities with animal-assisted therapy are endless, allowing children and adults the opportunity for physical and mental healing while strengthening the human-animal bond.

For more information, please visit www.therapyanimals.org and www.naturesedgetherapycenter.org.

Brenda Rynders

Brenda Rynders is a Client Service Representative for WVRC-Racine and lives in Oak Creek, WI. She is completing her degree in English and Psychology and has been a writer for Fetch Magazine since 2009.

MUTTS vs. Purebreds

What's in Your House?

In the theme song from the TV sitcom, *Diff'rent Strokes*, there is a line that says, "What might be right for you, may not be right for some." Therein lies the intrinsic difference between mutts, purebreds, mongrels, designer dogs and your garden variety canine. Get all the expert advice you want but when choosing a family member, listen to your heart.

I was surrounded by family members who insisted mutts were the only dogs worth having. With great-grandparents that were immigrants, mixed breeds seemed to fit in with the half European, half American heritage. Mongrels had the best dispositions, they would tell me. Not that I knew what a 'disposition' was at an early age. And there was prejudice against the "fru fru" dogs: the purebred Poodles, Cocker Spaniels, etc., that seemed to sit in the windows of the snooty neighbor's house! Heck, I was just happy to have dogs in my life. I did not care what make, model or shade they came in.

All grown up and ready for my first dog, I did my research to find the right dog for my situation. It was the beginning of my eye opening experience into the complicated world of ALL dogs. I had discussions with vets, breeders and trainers and finally got my first dog, a purebred Shetland Sheepdog. I chose a purebred (referred to from now on as PBs) at that time in my life based on my living space and lifestyle. I ventured into "fru fru" territory with the most non-fru fru dog in the neighborhood. My nickname for her was Killer Queen, because she ruled the world!

Since the queen came into (and sadly departed) my life, I have gotten into volunteering with rescues. I now have a mix of mutts and PBs; some my own, some fosters. A good friend I acquired while doing dog research enjoys all my dogs and will comment on how nice and well-mannered they are and how rescue is the way to go. But she has never gone that route. Agility is a big part of her life, and it is important for her to find specific traits in her agility stars. The sky is the limit when choosing her perfect PB dog. She knows what she wants and has specific needs when choosing her pets.

Paradoxically, some of the breed specific rescues I work with will gladly take in mixes, along with the PBs. One rescue owner feels you get the best traits of both (or more) breeds and the bad qualities are tamed. Another rescue owner always finds the mixes and the so-called "genetically challenged" dogs to be the happiest, heartiest and most loving dogs she encounters. By genetically challenged I mean PBs who do not meet the breed standards: too tall, too short, under/over bite, slight handicap or some other cosmetic wrinkle that means the dog is not perfect according to the standards. This rescue owner has a "genetically challenged" PB dog named Missy.

With a boundless love for people and animals, she happily welcomes all the dogs that come into rescue. Missy was diagnosed with cancer a few years ago, but she does not know it and it has not affected her one bit! By the way, my queen had the genetic challenge herself. She was a little too small and crooked of tooth to be in the show ring. My gain!

So who sees these dogs, show ring or not, more than anyone? A groomer! What's the buzz in the shop? Verdict - the mixes are more even-tempered, and if a dog does bite, it is usually a PB. But do bloodlines matter, really? It is all about the bond we have with our dogs. Whether it is a Briard flown in from France or an impish stray from the nearest pound, you know what works best for your life and heart. "Different strokes for different folks." -- Clarence Darrow (1857-1938)

Dawn Armstrong

Dawn Armstrong and her husband Paul have one sage, senior Sheltie male and a couple of female, ex-puppmill breeders they have rescued and rehabbed. As a volunteer with dog rescues in Wisconsin and Illinois, she also likes to write. Dawn refers to their home as Grandpappy Orbit's Home for Unwed Puppmommamas.

SUMMER DANGERS

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tacted with any abnormal behavior.

As the weather starts to change and we start to become more active outdoors, try to remember that our pets do not think like we do. We look both ways before crossing the street...they do not.

Kerri Wiedmeyer, DVM

Dr. Wiedmeyer works at WVRC and has a special interest in surgery. In her off time she enjoys playing with her two pups, Bozlie and Mama.

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