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COVER DOG

Forget cover "boy", this is a gentleman! Manford T. Mannington III, to be precise. While his lineage is somewhat questionable, we think this rescued Norfolk Terrier indeed lives up to his rather extravagant name. "Manny" is under the shared ownership of Lisa Terry (who wrote our breed profile for this issue) and her parents, Sonja and Ray, of Waukesha. Don't be surprised if you see more photos of Manny in this issue. After all, who can resist a little canine royalty? Snuggle up to the fire and enjoy this Winter issue of Fetch Magazine.

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Editor's Letter

Dear Fetch Readers:

Let's celebrate as this is the first issue of the 10th year of Fetch Magazine! Ten years! There are many things that don't last that long but Fetch continues on due to several reasons. Great articles, cute dog pictures, fun things to do, great events to attend, adoptable dogs (and cats), rescues, learning about your neighbor, learning about the business down the street and learning something about yourself; all of these things are part of Fetch.

Fetch is successful because of many people. First and foremost, Joe and Jennifer Kojis who had the vision 10 years ago of a great dog magazine. Without their hard work and creativity for the first six years, Fetch would not be what it is today.

Fetch exists because of our advertisers. Visit them often and constantly tell them that you see them in Fetch. And then there are our readers who love the articles. What would we do without our great writers? And then all of the people who help because they believe in the magazine. They include people who design ads, proof, update social media, answer the phone, create the newsletter and do all so much more. Thank you seems inadequate.

I feel honored to go on this journey with you. It can be as crazy some days as going down the rabbit hole in Alice in Wonderland. But as someone once said, not everyone gets a rabbit hole. I am one lucky dog lover.

Thank you all!

Marie



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Check out this Fancy girl! Fancy is a Catahoula Leopard dog mix looking for her forever home. It doesn't have to be anything fancy, just one ready to give her lots of exercise and training and that has older children. Fancy loves to run and play and will need a very active family. We believe she is only about one year old and weighs 36 lbs. She was found as a stray so we do not know her background.



Elmbrook Humane Society 262-782-9261 www.ebhs.org

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Washington Co. Humane Society 262-677-4388 www.washingtoncountyhumane. org

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Humane Animal Welfare Society 262-542-8851 www.hawspets.org

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Lakeland Animal Shelter 262-723-1000

www.lakelandanimalshelter.org I'm Roo (Kangaroo), a very playful, bundle of energy who loves people & other dogs. I love hugs, kisses, car rides, long walks, swimming, agility, hiking, treats & toys. Toys should be durable and "Roo-proof" so I don't eat them! The perfect home would be with someone who really loves me & can give me exercise & structure.



Sheboygan Co. Humane Society 920-458-2012 www.myschs.com

Hi, my name is Cactus. I have been waiting for you! I am a 2-year-old white and brown Pit Bull with a great disposition. I enjoy going for walks so I can smell everything. I like to keep busy so I will need an active family. Please come meet me, but beware, I will shower you with kisses!

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Abbey Rose is a quiet, soulful girl, about 3 years old, seeking a forever home with a loving, patient family where she can blossom and bond with her people. No cats or small children please as Abbey Rose was not raised with little ones, and this may overwhelm her.



Lucky's Petfinder profile drew me in immediately. There was something about the shy dog that captured my heart. After applying to be Lucky's new family, we met him and his foster, Mary. On the day he came home, I thanked Mary for taking care of him, noting she must have a big heart to foster a dog, then let go, again and again. Her joy came from seeing the dogs go to good homes, she said.

After living with Lucky awhile, I wondered what the fostering life was like, and just how to get involved. I uncovered the mystery from a couple of foster experts.

Like me, Tracie Winter hadn't really heard about rescues until she adopted a dog from one. A couple years later, she came across Fluffy Dog Rescue and became a foster. She's loved the experience so much that she's been taking in dogs for four years.

volunteers However. foster for a number of reasons. Joel Gollhardt wanted to volunteer for an organization and, thanks to a friend who fostered, saw an opportunity with Furry Bottoms Rescue. This came naturally because Joel always loved working with dogs, had a multiple-dog home and had space to spare. But fostering can be a good way to find out if you're ready for a dog, or a great way to use your experience training or raising dogs.

"The common thread that links them [fosters] all together is the shared love for dogs and the appreciation for what they bring to our lives," says Joel, now the president of Furry Bottoms.

To get in the game, find a well-run, well-known rescue, advises Tracie. Done right, the person who runs the group can connect you to other fosters so you can ask questions and learn what to expect. Then apply, says Joel. Similar to adopting, the group will meet with you to ensure your home is foster-ready and also to uncover the dogs best suited for your household.



While all rescues ask that you love and protect your foster, different rescues have varied expectations.

Furry Bottoms offers training classes. Basic commands are taught by Tracie and other dogs. Her dogs, both family and foster, "learn the ropes from each other. It's amazing what they pick up from the pack." Vetting is a part of foster care that is coordinated between the home and rescue, which may directly pay for services or may reimburse you.

You may be asked to provide food or the rescue may distribute it. Tracie chooses to feed all the dogs in her home the same food and treats, which she purchases. Joel notes that while his rescue has crates, leashes, collars, beds and toys available, many homes provide these items. But there are unex-

> pected costs, Tracie says, such as when one of her foster dogs chewed a library DVD. While her home is dog-proof, "some dogs can be creative in getting what they want I spent a lot of time learning from situations. But then a new dog comes along and I learn yet something else" such as when they reach a goody no one else has yet found.

Something else you may encounter: becoming a permanent dog parent. When you end up adopting one of your fos-

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in Joel's experience, you have just fallen so hard in love.

For Tracie, "It's a small price to pay for all the good it does. When one goes home, you have the opportunity to save another dog." What's worth the sadness when they leave, Joel says, is when you "see the moment they make the choice to become a part of their adoptive family."

And that feeling is just one reward, the giving of hope to another being, as Joel puts it. Tracie finds it amazing to receive a dog that looks shell-shocked, then bond with him, teach him people are good, and to feel safe, maybe for the first time in his life. "They are like a flower that suddenly blooms," she says. Dogs bring us such joy and display such gratitude, which their grateful adoptive families reflect. There's just something special about seeing your foster dog stretched out, safe and sound asleep, knowing you had a hand in his sweet dreams.

Jessica Pairrett

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



Ozaukee Humane Society 262-377-7580 www.ozaukeehumane.org

Meet Velvet, a 2-year-old female Domestic Shorthair mix cat. Velvet is a very outgoing little girl with anyone she meets. Don't forget the fun and games with her favorite cat charmer or glitter balls! At the end of a busy day, this social girl is ready to cuddle on your lap in front of the fire as you stroke her beautiful black coat.



A Tale of Two Maggies....

Maggie's most striking feature is her amazing coat full of shiny, gray curls. Looking at her Schnoodle coat makes you want to pet her. But sometimes Maggie's curls are a handful for Maggie's Mom, Sharon Butzen of Colgate. Maggie was due for a haircut and Sharon thought she could handle the task at hand. Well, the results weren't exactly what Sharon was hoping for. Someone said that Maggie's new hairdo made her look like a sheep. Maggie is now a regular at the groomers.

Seven year old Maggie was born



Another Maggie...



Just look at those silky ears and soulful eyes! The Humane Society of Jefferson County would like to introduce you to the magnificent Maggie Mae. You're "bound to love this hound" because she's so friendly and affectionate, and when she gets to talkin' she entertains everyone with her distinctive hound sound! on Cinco de Mayo and she spends her days hanging out with her siblings, Samantha and Christopher. Her nights rotate between her sibling's bedrooms. Maggie takes turns sleeping with either Samantha or Christopher in their individual beds. The kids are great at reminding Sharon whose night it is to sleep with Maggie.



While Maggie's all-time favorite toy is her tennis ball, she has many

Maggie has proven to be an amazing example of the Redbone Coonhound breed. These hounds originated in the south and love to be with their people. Although relatively inactive indoors, they do require regular exercise and a fenced yard will keep Maggie safe from her natural instinct to hunt. This big, goofy girl loves kids, but they should be in their teens so that they're evenly matched as playmates!

Maggie Mae is about four years old and the HSJC staff will tell you there's nothing better than walking in to her welcoming personality in the morning! She knows that there's a proper place for potty time and when she enters the outdoor play yard, her long lanky strides make you ways to have fun. If you point your finger and go "bang" she falls over on her back and plays dead. Maggie always wants to play with her best friend and neighbor dog, Zoey. They chase each other around the yard and the game usually ends with one of them tackling the other.

Maggie LOVES to play in the snow.

It is her all-time favorite thing to do. She'll play in the snow all day and then come into the house with little snowballs hanging off her fur. But do NOT ask Maggie to go out in the rain or even go outside if the ground is wet from an earlier rain. Miss Maggie does not like to be wet.

Sharon says, "We love having Maggie as part of our family. Nothing is better than coming

home from work and school and being greeted by a happy-to-see-you, where-have-you-been Maggie. We can't imagine life without her."



stand back and admire the beauty of her breed. Maggie loves to ride along in the car and will never refuse a trip to the drive-through, minding her manners while hoping for a few nibbles.

Maggie has lived with another dog but her previous owner reported that she played too roughly. She has done splendidly with a play pal at the shelter under the watchful eye of our staff, but ideally she would be your "one and only!" As for cats. . .well, they look a lot like raccoons to Maggie, and that isn't necessarily a good thing for the cats!

This sweet girl truly deserves a wonderful home. Please come visit her at the HSJC but be prepared to fall in love!



We've all heard the expression, "Good things come in small packages," but Liz Winowski has known this her whole life. "As terriers go, Norfolks are smaller than most. 11 pounds or so, but what they lack in size they make up for as companions." Liz, a 49-year-old native of Burlington, Wisconsin has two Norfolk Terriers of her own, Sally and Izzy. Norfolk Terriers have always been a part of Liz's life. "My mother came here from England when she married my dad and her family had Norfolk Terriers. I think the breed reminded her of home so we always had a Norfolk when I was growing up. I suppose you could say then I'll never grow up because I couldn't imagine not having a Norfolk Terrier around. They are just great dogs."

Originating in eastern England, the Norfolk Terrier shares its origins with the Norwich Terrier. "They were hybrids to begin with back in



the late 19th century," notes Sue Ely, a New Jersey breeder and owner of Pinchbeck Norfolk Ter-



riers. "They're not an old breed. They come from any of the barnyard terriers - the Cairns, the (Jack) Russells, Irish Terriers. They showed up in hunting kennels because they were game and went to ground." A 'type' began to develop that served as the formation of a natural breed – a small, sturdy wire-haired terrier that tended to be a shade of red, wheaten or black and tan. Within the Norwich Terrier breed itself, dogs were identified as either prick or drop ear. By 1964, The Kennel Club (England) recognized the drop ear as its own separate breed, the Norfolk Terrier, and the American Kennel Club (AKC) followed suit in 1979.

A versatile breed, Norfolk Terriers are adaptable enough to succeed at a variety of jobs. Amid the 35 - 40 Norfolk Terriers Sue Ely has owned over the last half century, most have been conformation

champions, numerous have been obedience champions, and 9 have received their Master Earthdogs titles. This is a title bestowed by the AKC upon those dogs that succeed at the top level of a competition designed to test the instincts of dogs bred to hunt quarry in underground dens. Sue even had one dog, Harry, who also obtained his tracking title, and she is working on training another dog to track. "They are fabulous at tracking. They have great noses. I had two pieces of Beneful in the pocket of a jacket that hung on a hook in the hall. And this dog managed to push a chair over and get up on his hind legs and start chewing on the bottom of the pocket. I figure he's got to have a good nose. He needs be a tracking dog."

Liz Winowski has found yet other avenues for her dogs. "Sally is a therapy dog. I take her to hospitals and nursing homes, and she works her charm. Not every dog's personality lends itself to being a therapy dog, but I find the Norfolk Terrier to be a great choice as a breed. They are intelligent, entertaining, and they don't intimidate patients like some of the large breeds can. Even the simple act of bending down to pet a small dog can be good physical therapy for someone in a wheelchair or a hospital bed. Everyone seems automatically to be drawn to them, and Norfolk Terriers enjoy being around people."

Even though Norfolks are generally regarded as having better 'people skills' in comparison to their terrier counterparts, let there be no mistaking the fact that they are terriers. Sue manages to put that in perspective. "People ask me,



'Will they sit on your lap?' And I tell them, yes...if you have a lamb chop on your plate, or a good view out the window. They've figured out that we are essentially boring." Bred to hunt underground without relationship to people, terriers retain that independent streak. "I've trained with Izzy in agility, and more than once I've had him remind me that he is his own man," Liz recalls. "I can't tell you how many times I've weaved right and Izzy has decided to take 'the road less traveled' and weaved left. If you are going to own a terrier vou had better admire independence. And a sense of humor helps too."

However, if you are on the lookout for a Norfolk Terrier, with their distinctive dropped ears and docked tail, you may have your work cut out for you. Small litter sizes mean that only about 300 puppies are born each year in the United States, and these precious pups can demand upwards of \$2500 from a reputable breeder. But this can also work to the breed's advantage.

A small, close network of dedicated breeders can monitor animal shelters and Petfinder to help make

sure wayward Norfolks are rescued and find homes. Sue Elv heads the re-home and rescue efforts for the Norfolk Terrier Club. "I've been at it for a very, very long time. I probably get 15 - 25 dogs a year. But mostly it is like a dating game. I have people that contact me from all over the country looking for a dog, and then on the other end I have people on the rescue committee from all over the country too. I make it very clear to the national club every year that if I call you about a rescue, you help me. If you are a member of the club, you are a member of the rescue committee. Wherever you are, you are responsible for the welfare of whatever Norfolk."

So, in a world dominated by Labs, German Shepherds and Great Danes don't forget to look down. Because if you are very, very lucky and deemed very, very worthy, you might just find an adorable little drop-eared face looking up at you wanting to know where you put that lamb chop, or where did you hide that squirrel? Small package – big personality.

Photos courtesy of Lisa Terry.

Lisa Terry

Lisa Terry lives in Milwaukee and works in human resources. When not at work, Lisa is typically shadowed by Manford T Mannington III., a Norfolk Terrier.



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Davita is a 14 lb mixed breed about 2 years old. She would do best in an active adult home or one with older, respectful children. She would benefit from lots of physical & mental exercise.



Around the Water Bowl

FUNDRAISING FOR DOG EXER-CISE AREA IN MUKWONAGO PARK UNDER WAY

Thanks to grassroots efforts of local citizens and the Waukesha County Park System, an official Dog Exercise Area is on the horizon at Waukesha County's Mukwonago Park, County Hwy LO, in Mukwonago.

The Waukesha County Department of Parks and Land Use has \$50,000 in the 2013 parks operational budget for this project but needs an additional \$25,000 from privatefundraising to contribute to development of the Dog Exercise Area. Based upon previous experience in the building of Dog Exercise Areas, costs have ranged from \$50,000 to \$100,000, depending upon necessary changes needed in the park. However, the proposed project area takes advantage of an existing, under-utilized picnic area, park roadway, parking area, gentle slopes, and shade trees, thereby minimizing development costs. Once the \$25,000 is raised work on the area can begin.

This past September, the community and their four-legged friends, were invited to attend a "Meet & Greet" at Mukwonago Park. Attendees got to see the proposed maps, ask questions, and bring suggestions to the county. County Executive, Dan Vrakas, highlighted the benefits of having a place for dogs and their people to meet. He talked about the success of the county's other two dog exercise ar-**14** eas located inside Minooka Park and Nashotah Park. "Our current parks' dog exercise areas provide

our residents, visitors, and their canine companions with another wonderful recreational opportunitv." stated Vrakas.

The September "Meet and Greet" was also the official kick-off of the fundraising efforts. Fundraising volunteers are working with businesses to set up events to spread the word and raise funds. Everyone is welcome, and encouraged to help with fundraising efforts. Flyers can be obtained by messaging the "Dog Exercise Area at Mukwonago Park" Facebook page, and maps of the proposed exercise area can be seen at End of the Leash and at the PyraMax Bank, both in Mukwonago.



Photo courtesy of Waukesha Co Park System

The Facebook page is the best place to catch up on the latest fundraising efforts and events. The most recent fundraising event was Mukwonago's Annual Midnight Magic Event on Saturday, December 1st. Clifford the Big Red Dog helped promote fundraising by walking in the parade and there was an information table set up at End of the Leash where volunteers answered questions and accepted donations.

Donation recognitions will be dis-



played on park signage within the Dog Exercise Area, based on the following tiers: Bronze - \$250, Silver - \$500. Gold - \$750 and Platinum \$1000.

You can drop off or send your do-405nation to: PyraMax Bank: River Crest Court, Mukwonago, WI 53149, (262)363-3021, or either End of the Leash locations at either 214C South Rochester Street in Mukwonago or their newest location at 115 West Wisconsin Avenue in Pewaukee.

For more information about Minooka Park and Nashotah Park Dog Exercise Areas, please visit the website at www.waukesha-Submitted by countyparks.com. Michele Tegen, Human Fundraising Helper and Ginny Bocek, Park Program Specialist, Waukesha County Park System.

VETERINARIAN PROMOTES ANIMAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

There is an important health concern for our pets. Although this is not a new concern, it is one that is often overlooked by pet owners, humane shelters, groomers and veterinarians. The concern is about breast cancer in dogs and cats.

We don't have mammograms, radiation and chemotherapy, but breast cancer is the number one cancer we see in dogs. It is the third type of cancer in cats. Most pet owners are unaware of this. In dogs, 50% are malignant, but over 90% are malignant and rapidly fatal in cats. We need to know more about this disease – research is essential.

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I want our veterinary technicians and groomers to know how to teach clients to do monthly exams for breast cancer (too often called mammary tumors to the confusion of pet owners). This early detection is key to saving lives.

I have a goal of increasing national public awareness of the benefits (and risks) of spaying and neutering. We know that spaying dogs under the age of two not only prevents pregnancy but also can significantly reduce the development of breast cancer. I also want to educate clients about early detection. As a result, I have started a grass roots campaign to educate clients about the benefits of spaying and early detection of breast cancer.

At our practice in Lomira, one hour north of Milwaukee, the following took place during October, which is breast cancer awareness month for humans:

1. Each female dog and each secure male dog who visited our practice received a breast cancer bandana.

2. Visitors received a string of 12 pink breast cancer stickers to put on their calendar, along with their stickers for flea and heartworm medication reminders. This is a way to remember to feel for the lumps –for themselves and for and their dogs and cats. Early detection is essential.

3. We discussed the benefits of spaying with clients regarding the prevention of breast cancer. Clients learned how to feel for lumps along the mammary chain and heard about the benefits of spaying regarding the prevention of breast cancer.

4. Provided a free breast exam by a doctor to each dog who visited us in October – for 6 months – to help clients distinguish between mammary tumors (breast cancer) and other less serious lumps.

6. Staff members wore pink breast cancer awareness t-shirts instead of their usual scrubs.



Please feel free to contact me or visit us if you would like more information. I would love for this to become a national campaign for the health of our pets.

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George & Buster - Part 3

Editor's Note: This is part three of a three part article. The writer will share a story of a man and a dog as they go through the seasons of life together.

People from all over the country make a trip to Wisconsin in the fall, when our treasured trees begin the process of going to sleep for the winter. On the Nagawicka golf course, the leaves change into such amazing colors: Blazing Red, Transparent Orange, Subtle Yellow. Like a symphony, each tree changes and drops its leaves at the right time, a time the Ancient of Days determined millennia ago.

It was my usual Wednesday and time to give George and Buster a hard time. Walking into the pro shop, I greeted the pro and asked where "the old man and a spoiled Springer Spaniel" were. "Check the 18th green. I think I saw Buster by the bench," Sam revealed. The 18th hole was a bit of a walk. The final hole, it had the most challenging green. From a distance I spotted Buster sitting on the bench next to a big grocery bag. But someone besides George was with him.

"Hi Buster!" I shouted as I approached. Buster barked. All dogs bark. Some are friendly, some bark a warning, some seem to want to share a sorrow. "You must be Garbo." A tall, 50-something fellow extended his hand. "Yes, I am," I said, slightly confused.

"I'm Ed. George's son," he said and began to choke his next words out, "my dad had a stroke three days ago and left us..." For once I had no retort, no funny line, nothing. I just stared first at Ed. then Buster. "I don't know what to say. I am glad to meet you, but I am sorry for your loss," I said. Our conversation continued for a few moments. The usual "he had a full life," "he is in a better place" — words that quench a void, a sadness for a while, **16** only to return a few hours later. These are our God moments.

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"Garbo, George always spoke about his good times with you and had a final request," Ed said with a smile while petting Buster's head. His Springer Spaniel tail began to swish out a beat. "Old Buster needs a new home."

"You mean this old Spaniel - the one who likes to sit on the bench and



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watch putters miss their putts?" I choked out as I petted his head. "Does he eat much and need special attention?" Buster barked and jumped off the bench. He began to ruffle through

the bag that rested on the ground. Out came a rope with a ball on the end. Ed watched while Buster pushed it into my hand only to pull it out and shake it. I grabbed it and gave him a good game of tug-of-war. Taking Buster by the leash, I asked Ed if he was free to watch the golfers next Wednesday at 4:00 with Buster and I. "Sounds good," answered Ed.

"See you next week," I waved, "come on Buster, I need a guard dog and you have to earn your keep." Buster and I left, crunching through the beautiful fall leaves.

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As dog owners, it is our duty to ensure

the proper training of our canine companions. We want our fourlegged friends to be accepted. Humans love crates and they're a great management tool, but if they're not introduced properly, dogs quickly learn the crate is NOT the best place in the house. Think of it like this: if your boss took away your big spacious office and moved you to a little cubicle, it wouldn't be much fun. But, if you got a \$30,000 bonus for the move, you would learn to like it a little bit better. For dogs, food, treats and chewies are like money. We're using them as a bonus to make the crate more enjovable.

Crates can be a very positive, important tool in housetraining and overall training. Crating is not cruel. Dogs are den animals, and should have their own "room," a space they can feel safe in and retreat to when they feel stressed or tired. If a dog has never been crated before, you must introduce it slowly, putting food just inside the crate and eventually moving it to the back of the crate. The goal is to eventually close the door.

Ideally, crates should be used for no longer than four-hour intervals. A dog should not be crated while an owner works all day. Think about it. You use the bathroom at work. So why would you expect your dog to hold it all day? It's a lot to ask. Also, small dogs/puppies = small bladders. A crate should be large enough for a dog to lie down and turn around. A crate that is too large will give a dog the opportunity to mess in one area and lie in another.

Teach the dog the command "kennel" before he enters his crate.

Always make the crate a "great" place to be for your dog. Feed at least one meal a day in the crate, and also have special treats that you only give in the crate. Feeding in the crate makes crating a part of your dog's daily routine. Feeding in the crate forces us humans



to be consistent and crate even if we have a three-day weekend or a week off work, so the crate becomes a habit and daily routine. Feeding meals in the crate makes the

crate a positive place where wonderful

things happen every day of a dog's life. REMEMBER: If you only crate your dog when you are gone, your dog will quickly learn to associate his crate with being alone. Ask yourself: What does crating mean to my dog?

If the dog is resistant to a crate initially, give ALL meals and treats in the crate. Then, place the dog in the crate, but do not leave the room. Allow the dog to remain in the crate for just minutes, gradually increasing the time and eventually leaving the room and then the house for short intervals. The goal is to condition the animal to see the crate as positive and short-term and to assure him that you are returning.

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Why Your Vet Wants You to Microchip Your Pet

It's one of the stories that gives pet owners a shiver deep down inside: There was a rabbit. She slipped her collar. I called her, but she was so excited I don't think she even heard me. Where on earth could she be?

Microchipping your pet is a little like making out your last will and testament. We all know we should do it, but it involves thinking about things we'd rather not think about, and some of us prefer to pretend it all doesn't exist. We like to think, my pet would never run off. My dog could never slip out of the fence or dart through an open door. That's something that only happens to other people!

Unfortunately, pets can and do find ways to get lost. Although you probably have some system in place to keep your dog close to home, no system is failproof. If the gate didn't latch tightly, or if your dog is excited enough to jump through the screen door, you may have seen the last of him for a while. That is why all dogs need to have identification on them at all times.

A collar with an up-to-date ID tag is a good start, but collars can break or come off, and there are circumstances when it isn't safe to leave a collar on. Microchips. however, are very reliable. Placing the microchip is a quick procedure that usually doesn't require any sedation, and once placed, the chip is permanent and quite safe. While it is possible for a chip to stop working, or to migrate to a portion of the dog's anatomy where it can't be scanned, these occurrences are rare. Your veterinarian's staff can scan your pet's chip now and again to make sure it is working properly.

An identification microchip is about the size of a grain of rice. It does not have a power source and does not broadcast any radio waves. However, when a scanner



device emits radio waves in the vicinity, the microchip bounces back a radio signal with a unique identification code. Whoever is running the scanner then uses that code to obtain the owner's contact information from an online database.

Every animal shelter in the country uses scanners on pets that are brought in as strays. When a microchip is found that information can be used to quickly reunite pet and owner. It's a faster system than your other alternatives, such as calling every shelter in the area or posting "Lost Dog" notices. This means that your pet spends less time sitting in a shelter kennel. It means less time that you spend worrying about your missing furkid. And those minutes, hours or days could be critical if your pet is injured, since most animal shelters have a limited budget for veterinarv care for homeless animals and may not be able to authorize the same level of care that you would.

The only down side to microchips is that it is up to you to keep the registration current. Unfortunately, there have been several occasions

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DOGS AROUND TOWN





What's New in Dog Surgery?

Your dog needs surgery.

For dog owners who have been in these shoes, there are many questions as you decide the next steps for your beloved family member: What procedures are offered? Who will do the surgery? What is the best course of treatment for my dog?

Depending on the course of action, pet owners have many options today between their family veterinarians and referral centers in the area. Additionally, there are new approaches to treatment available that might not have been an option just a few years ago.

Dr. John Hallett, of Hallett Veterinary Hospital in Oconomowoc, offers some minimally invasive options that are not commonly available. One of the procedures they have done over the past four years is laparoscopic surgery. He said this is nice for older patients that need biopsies of abdominal organs or abdominal exploratory. "It also significantly reduces pain for spay surgery." Dr. Hallett said. "We use a five millimeter diameter telescope and five millimeter working instruments, so there are very small incisions. For large dogs, we offer laparoscopic spay with laparoscopic assisted gastropexy to tack the stomach to the body wall to prevent the stomach from twisting in bloat (gastric dilatation and volvulus syndrome)."

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Ultrasound can help with a patient's pre-surgery workups. "Ultrasound can also help us examine internal organs prior to surgery," he said. "Sometimes, we can collect needle aspirates or needle biopsies using ultrasound guidance, making surgery unnecessary."

If surgery is necessary, many pet owners may wonder: How will my dog feel post-surgery? Dr. Hallett said that pain management is an important consideration. "Pain management has come a long way in the last 10-15 years in most veterinary practices," he said. "We routinely use combinations of pain medications before, during and after surgery to help our patients recover quickly and comfortably."

Some surgeries require a specialist. Wisconsin Veterinary Referral Center (WVRC) is one option in the area with locations in Waukesha and Grafton. Dr. Jeff Meinen, a surgeon at WVRC,



has experience in all areas of soft tissue, neurologic and orthopedic surgery but has a special interest in orthopedic diseases, especially canine hip dysplasia and cranial cruciate injuries (injury to the dog's knee). Dr. Meinen said while hip replacements have been around for many decades, replacements for the stifles (knees) and elbows (partial and complete) have become available in the last several years. "Patients who would be candidates for these procedures are generally those that have advanced or end stage osteoarthritis of the joint, and medical management is no longer effective in relieving their pain and discomfort," he said.

Dr. Meinen said other new approaches to surgery include minimally invasive procedures such as:

• Arthroscopy (joints): Evaluating and treating joint conditions.

• Thoracoscopy (chest): Lung biopsies and pericardectomy.

• Laparoscopy (abdomen): Liver biopsies, gastropexy, ovariohysterectomy, etc.

• Cystoscopy (bladder): Used for bladder evaluation or bladder biopsies.

A new piece of equipment used in surgery called a Ligasure is a blood vessel sealing system that can be used to seal up to a seven millimeter diameter vessel. "There are hand pieces for this device that can be used during laparotomy or laparoscopy," Dr. Meinen said.

Asking questions is the best first step when it comes to any surgical needs a beloved dog may have. "Ask your veterinarian questions: What are the risks and benefits? What are the options available (both surgical and nonsurgical)? What types of monitoring is used? What is the pain management protocol (before, during and after surgery)? Who will be doing the surgery?" Dr. Hallett said. "When clients ask me these questions, it tells me they are concerned and want to be educated." Hallet explains, "I can't make the risks go away, but I can anticipate and work to minimize them prior to surgery. Pet owners need to be comfortable with the answers to these questions before proceeding with surgery."

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Whoosh! Ski Patrol Dogs Save the Day



Ski patrol dogs are a unique way to go! Many ski resorts employ these heroic rescue dogs as an added safety measure. These dogs are trained to save lives in the event of an avalanche.

Sean Macedonio, President of Eastside K-9 Avalanche Dog Rescue in Mammoth Lakes California, is head of the Avalanche Rescue Dog program. Eastside K-9 is a not for profit 501(c) 3 organization. They help to educate the public on avalanche awareness and the safety of traveling in avalanche terrain. "We at Mammoth train to the standards of the C.A.R.D.A. (Canadian Avalanche Rescue Dog Association). The training is intense and a commitment for the life of the dog's avalanche career," says Sean. Training runs for as long as eight to nine years, depending on the health of the ski patrol dog. "The dog handlers also need to be aware of the things that they expose their dogs to. We don't want to end their career by making bad decisions for them. The dogs trust us unconditionally." he says. Some ski patrol dogs do not make it through the training program due to being too aggressive or too submissive. They need to be people-friendly and must also enjoy the game of hide-andseek as this is the basis of training an avalanche dog. Do these brave canines take the summer off? "Some dogs in the off season do other search and rescue work such as

urban disaster work looking for lost hikers." Sean says.

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Golden Retrievers and Labrador E Retrievers are some of the most popular breeds fit to do the job of a ski patrol dog, with German Shepherds and Border Collies following closely behind. The more experienced handler can adopt a shelter dog and train him or her to become a ski patrol dog.

The time it takes to find someone buried depends on the depth of the person and how long it takes for the scent to rise through the snow. It depends on the temperature of the snow and the temperature of the outside air. This is called scent rise. Then it takes the shovelers to remove a ton of snow for someone buried at a depth of three to four feet.

Sean and King have been on an average of one search per season. There have been no complete burials, but whenever there are reports of buried persons, King and Sean respond. "We have to go through the process of searching the slide path to make sure that no one is buried. The effectiveness of one avalanche rescue dog is the equivalent of 30 human rescuers on an avalanche slide path. The dog can search and clear a path that's 100 meters by 100 meters in about 20 minutes. Searching a path of the same size without a ski patrol rescue dog would take about four hours," says Sean.

It takes about a year and a half to two years for the handler and the ski patrol rescue dog to become validated as an avalanche rescue dog team. For Retrievers, this proves to be an easy job because they are already driven to retrieve or fetch. Ski patrol dogs just need to make the transition from fetching toys to fetching people. The same concept applies with herding dogs, except these dogs are now herding buried people instead of sheep. A ski patrol dog's drive is not created; just harnessed in a different way.



Photo provided by Sean Macedonio and Claudia Bensimoun

Claudia Bensimoun

Claudia Bensimoun is a freelance writer in West Palm Beach, Florida.



SHEWERS:

7. False. Purebred dogs do get spayed/neutered.
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7. Frue. Larger dogs need more food/nutrients than smaller dogs.
3. True. Dogs need to be fed, groomed, exercised and loved!
4. False. Training is the only way to make sure your dog is well-behaved.
6. True. If properly socialized, dogs and cats can get along.
7. False. In general, dogs only need a bath when they are dirty.
8. True. A dog's temporary or "baby teeth" are replaced with permanent teeth by the age of 6 or 7 months.
9. False. All dogs need regular exercise to stay in shape.
10. True. As puppies, dogs need several series of shots to protect them.

	TRUE	False
1. PUREBRED DOGS DO NOT GET SPAYED OR NEUTERED.		0
2. THE AMOUNT OF FOOD A DOG EATS DEPENDS ON ITS SIZE.		٥
3. Dogs are hard work.		
4. Dogs do not need training.		٥
5. Some dogs get tattoos.	٥	٥
6. Dogs and cats can be friends.		٥
7. Dogs need baths every week.		
8. Dogs have "baby teeth."		٥
9. Dogs should only get exercise if they are fat.		
10. DOGS NEED VACCINATIONS TO PROTECT THEM FROM DISEASES.		٥



TRUE OR FALSE Choose either True or False for each question.

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Practical Advice for Bringing Your Dog to Work

So you are one of the lucky ones. You work for an employer where you can bring your dog to work. From small businesses to large established companies like Proctor & Gamble, Amazon and Google, enlightened employers have begun to embrace the idea of being a dog friendly workplace. Being a good employee though, you are wondering what you can do to make this arrangement a success.

PAPERWORK, **PAPERWORK**, **PAPERWORK:** Before your dog even sets a paw on the workplace grounds, you will want to make sure your dog's vaccinations are current and supply proof to your employer. Make sure he is micro-chipped, as well as has id and licensure tags on his collar. Consider enrolling in a canine good citizen program. It's a good opportunity for your pet to socialize with other people and dogs, as well as a reality check of exactly where your dog is in the manners department.

BE OBJECTIVE: As much as you may love your pet, it's time to take off those rose colored glasses. Is your dog socialized enough to adapt to strangers? Is your dog overly timid, or aggressive? Or would going to work just be too stressful for him? Or even if he gets along well around new people, does he intim-



idate others? Your pet may be a hundred pound lap dog disguised in a Rottweiler suit, but insurance premiums on certain breeds and people's fears may mean he has hold down the home front instead.



P's & Q's: Is your dog well-behaved enough to take to work? As much as you may be willing to turn a blind eye to your pooch's lapses in behavior, your co-workers will not be as charmed. The people in the cubicles next to you do not want to hear your dog barking in the background during a phone conference, nor should they have their sandwich snatched by your hungry hound.

SAFE, SOUND AND SMELLING **PRETTY:** Straight off, you will want to ensure that your pet has his own place in the office where he can feel safe. Provide him with a comfortable spot to lie, fresh food and water, and squeak-free toy. You will also want to make sure that your dog 's appearance is presentable and that he passes the sniff test. Yes, people will notice if your dog's hair is matted, and your co-workers will turn their noses away from doggie smells. And before you reach for a can of dog perfume, remember that can trigger headaches for your co-workers just readily as the man who wears too much cologne. While we are on the subject of smells, let's not forget your dog's oral hygiene. There is a reason why everyone understands what is meant by 'dog breath.'

ESTABLISH A ROUTINE. Taking your dog for a walk before heading off to the shop means not only has he had an opportunity to do his business, but also that he has worked off some energy. While at work, make sure breaks are built into your day which allow your pet to take a 'potty break.' Many dog-friendly employers establish a 'three strikes' rule, but the best strategy is to set up a routine so ac-

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cidents never even become a problem. If you find your day is too full to get a break, let your dog lover friends at work know. If other people that you trust know you are willing to let your dog go outside with them, I guarantee you that people will be at your door asking, "Can Fido come out and play?"

KEEP YOUR DOG TO A DESIG-NATED AREA: Both inside and out, you want to establish where your dog is and isn't allowed. Indoors, this may be dictated by the security needs of the company, but it also helps in keeping your dog away from those people who may have allergies, or just plain don't like dogs. This may mean always keeping your dog on a leash. bounda-Outside. establishing ries keeps your dog safe. If your dog learns this area is 'good,' but that area is 'bad,' your dog will be safer from dangers like cars driving through parking lots. It also makes for happy neighbors if the business next to yours knows that vour dog is not allowed beyond a certain point.

KNOW WHEN ENOUGH 14 **ENOUGH:** Start with a trial period. Sit down and discuss with your boss or human resources what are the expectations. Have a clear understanding. Like any good relationship, communication is key. However, if sometime during or after your trial period it just isn't working out, be gracious, say thank you and recognize that it is better to leave your dog at home. Ultimately you have nothing to gain from jeopardizing your reputation or your job.

A little forethought and common sense, coupled with a dog friendly policy, and you can be that lucky devil that all the rest of us envy!

Lisa Terry

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The Dog Federation of Wisconsin (DFOW) is an all-volunteer organization which exists primarily to protect the rights of Wisconsin dog owners. DFOW members include individuals, as well as dog clubs and other state canine organizations. They promote responsible dog breeding and dog ownership and believe that education, not excessive legislation is the way to do this.

DFOW fights legislation that they believe is not in the best interests of owners and breeders and lobbies for beneficial dog laws. They organize yearly legislative days in Madison, provide speakers to clubs and media, distribute educational materials and give legislative assessments on pending bills. DFOW also attends and testifies before key bill committee hearings.

DFOW makes a distinction between "animal rights," which they say "seeks to end animal ownership and to liberate all animals from their relationship with humans" and "animal welfare" (which they support), which "seeks to ensure that all animals are treated in a caring and responsible manner." Among other things, DFOW believes that legally replacing the word "owner" with "guardian" would lead to many negative repercussions.

DFOW is very much against aspects of the "animal rights" agenda. They oppose the call for the end of all hunting for sport and the call for

34 the end of all breeding of purebred dogs. DFOW finds puppy mills ^N abhorrent and says that there is ^b/_± a huge difference between an irre-^s sponsible breeder and a conscientious and caring one.

Indeed, DFOW believes that "animal rights" poses a threat to animal ownership. "It is our goal," they say, "that the people of Wisconsin continue to enjoy the right to own dogs. We believe that our citizens and future generations should have



the right to choose where they wish to purchase their dog and the freedom to make their own decisions as to whether or not to breed it."

The DFOW advocates for responsible dog ownership through efforts such as, licensing and vaccinating your dog, knowing local and state laws, obeying leash laws and picking up after your dog. The Dog Federation opposes mandatory spay/ neuter laws and pet limit laws. They are also against breed specific legislature, often aimed at pit bulls, citing that when leash laws are not obeyed and there is a negative outcome such as a bite, it is the irresponsible dog owner who is to blame. Again, DFOW stresses the importance of learning to be a "responsible dog owner" through the educational resources that they can provide. Also, when leash laws are not enforced, people are tempted to want more restrictive laws.

In 2011, DFOW founded the nonprofit organization Comfort Companions, in order "to promote pet retention in an animal rights environment". Before 2011, few shelters were addressing the need to keep families together in difficult times. Comfort Companions offers ways to help break the surrender one now and adopt a new one later cycle, and helps preserve existing human/canine relationships. The organization is made up of a network of volunteers who offer service and support, including a food pantry, equipment loans, legal, training and help with tenant/landlord issues.

DFOW is expecting past "bad" bills to be reintroduced in January 2013. "By bad bills" says Tracey Johnston, Vice President of DFOW, "I mean feel-good legislation where the intent seems noble yet the repercussions are not readily apparent. People have a tendency to only look at things from one side, but don't see the fall out for responsible dog owners."

For more information about the Dog Federation of Wisconsin visit www.dfow.net

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ESTATE PLANNING FOR PETS

Everyone's life has unforeseen circumstances worth planning for, especially when children or pets are in tow. In many households today, pets have achieved the child's status, becoming the four-legged heirs to their owner's throne. This leads to many unanswered questions when an owner dies, as the voice of the pet ultimately dies with them.

Who will then care for it, where will it live and with what money? And, is estate planning for real or just novelty?

Currently, there are 46 states with pet trust laws. Wisconsin's law states that an honorary trust may be created for a non-charitable purpose where there is no human beneficiary as long as it is not capricious. This means that for animal lovers a trust can be designed for the pet's ongoing care so try considering the following factors prior to making a decision.

Factor 1: Appoint a caregiver to your pet in case you become incapacitated, ill or die. Consider if they are able and willing to care for the pet? And, name a backup person just in case.

There are several estate lawyers who have dabbled in the pet trust arena and can offer insight into the pros and cons of adding a pet into a will or trust.

Lawyer Stephanie Rapkin in Glendale is in the process of working with an estate plan that didn't turn out quite like she or the deceased 36 had intended. The tenant, a distant relative, was left to care for several pets under the terms that she move into the home (rent free), pay utilities and take care of the property and the pets. As of right now, the tenant is going on the third year of not paying utilities. The trusteethe person with power over the money and the estate-may now need to step in. Rapkin is frustrated with the situation and stresses that people looking to pick someone responsible for their pets should choose wisely. Naming a second person becomes essential.

Factor 2: Determine the amount of money needed for the pet and how to allocate it.



Pet trusts don't need to be complicated. Pet trusts can be as simple as giving an annual stipend to the caretaker to care for the pet until it passes away. In Wisconsin, however, a will is required in order to set up a trust, and pet trusts seem to have "become the thing of the day," according to Rapkin, perhaps emphasizing that it's more hype than reality.

"[Individuals] should do it because they love their pet(s) and want to make things easier for the humans in their lives," said Rapkin. However, "This is only important for a single person. If you're married, you know your spouse is going to care for the cat or dog," she continued. "If you're single, it's a little a different, especially if you don't have children."

Factor 3: Choose the right attorney and draft a detailed legal document.

Attorney Jeremy Ramsey from Columbia County, Wisconsin started estate planning in 2004 for soldiers about to deploy. As an animal lover and owner of a household full of pets, Ramsey believes it is smart to plan for a pet's future and believes in finding the right lawyer to do so. Therefore, he suggests asking a lawyer if he or she has pets. Then, look into a revocable living trust, in which everything is transferred into the name of the trust and then creating a pet trust within it. Next, follow through with a pour-over will to tie up any loose ends such as additional money or property obtained later.

"The goal of estate planning is not just to say 'where does your estate go when you pass away' but can you do things or set things up in a way during your lifetime so it will be easier on your family to take care of the stuff when you're gone," said Ramsey.



Nastassia Putz

Nastassia Putz is a freelance writer and pit bull advocate. She is the mother of two pits, Tess and Gracie Putz and step-mom to a boxer named Sonya.

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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's the best piece of dog advice anyone has given you?

"Just like people, dogs can have bad days too. Always remember that if your pup isn't acting like himself/had a bad day at the groomer or daycare, maybe he just slept poorly last night!."

> Erin Boyle Fetch Facebook Fan

"They live inside all day with nothing to do. The highlight of their day is when you come home and take them for a walk. That is when they are the happiest."

> Tina Myers Fetch Facebook Fan

"A tired dog is a well-behaved dog."

Gigi Reback Fetch Facebook Fan

"Don't treat your dog like a human. It's a DOG!"

> Mary Ludwig Big Bend, WI

"Of course. Everywhere I go, my dog goes too - especially shows!"

> Teri Brumsfield West Allis, WI



"Make sure they mind their manners when guests come over. We had a terrible incident when our dog bit my niece right at the front door. We regret not disciplining Queenie much, much more."

> Patricia Ivkovich New Berlin, WI

"Puppy training takes time. I thought it'd be just a 1-2-3 thing, until my vet informed it would take several months just to get the basics down."

> Katrina Koers Brookfield, WI

"To control my dog's rampant tartar, a vet told me to give him a rawhide for just 9 minutes a day. He can't get the rawhide too soft in 9 minutes but his teeth are the cleanest they ever have been."

> Marie Tubbin Waukesha. WI

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Fran loves to snuggle and is looking for a mature family whose top-ten list includes kitty affection, kitty relaxing, kitty bestfriend making and kitty cuddling. Fran is social with other cats and would prefer a home without young children.



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Rat Terrier

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www.myschs.com I'm Rico, a sweet 4-year-old neutered, male with a lot of love to share. I get along great with everyone I meet! I'm the most handsome cat ever!

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CRATE TRAINING

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great for crate time. Putting warm blankets from the dryer in the crate or placing it near a heating vent will also encourage crate use for very young puppies or breeds that that love warmth.

Make the crate a magical place for your dog by hiding treats in it when he isn't looking or putting a thin line of peanut butter on the back wall so he will go in there and find that surprise. He will get in the habit of entering his crate to see what wonderful surprises might be in this great place.

Never let a dog out of the crate until he is quiet. Otherwise, he will quickly learn he can get out of his crate by exhibiting negative behavior. When you let the dog out of the crate, do not make a big deal out of his exit. This just confirms to him "Whew! Glad you are out of that awful place." Also, ignore a dog that is having problems with crate training 20-30 minutes before placing him in the crate.

Play soothing music or a sound machine for the dog while he is crated. Put dim lighting on to encourage quiet time. Some dogs do better with a blanket draped over their crate, making it more like a den. Remember, your job is to convince your dog that the crate is the BEST place in the house!

Carol Sumbry

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Carol is a CPDT - KA Certified Professional Dog Trainer that teaches classes and private lessons at Elmbrook Humane Society. In addition to teaching, Carol also serves as a rescue representative for Italian Greyhound Rescue and fosters for Elmbrook Humane Society. She enjoys spending time with her adopted dogs where they also enjoy doing therapy work at nursing homes and schools together. Her goal is to keep training simple and keep dogs in their homes for life! For information about classes and private lessons, please visit www.ebhs.org.

MICROCHIPPING

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when a stray dog has been brought into the ER for care and we have found a microchip and tried to track down the owner, only to find that the chip is still registered to the previous owner or that the contact information is out of date. This is a problem when time is of the essence. In the ER, I can't do much to take care of your dog unless I can contact you for authorization.

In short, the reason your veterinarian wants you to microchip your pet is that she wants you and your pet to have many happy years together and for your pet to get the care he needs. Just the same as you!

Megan Tremelling, DVM

Dr. Tremelling practices emergency and critical care medicine at Lakeshore Veterinary Specialists in Port Washington. Her family is owned by a Rough Collie, a cat and a cockatiel.



Washington Co. Humane Society 262-677-4388 www.washingtoncountyhumane. org

What's brown and white and full of kisses?!? Nina of course! She is very affectionate, intelligent & exuberant. Nina is an excellent jumper & would really excel in agility. This girl LOVES car rides and fetch! Nina lacks manners a little bit & needs more practice walking on leash. With a little training, exercise & a good routine Nina is sure to be a loyal, lovable companion. She would love a home with another playful dog & children over 5 years. No cats please. Spend one minute alone with Miss Nina and you will be hooked.

CALENDAR

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Puppy Party Sundays 11:30 am – 12:30 pm For Pet's Sake, Mukwonago 800-581-9070 www.forpetssake.cc

Pup Social Sundays, 5:15 – 5:45 pm Best Paw Forward, Hartland 262-369-3935 www.bestpawforward.net

Puppy Parties 5:15 pm & 6:00 pm December 2nd, 9th, 16th HAWS, Waukesha 262-879-0165 www.hawspets.org

Pooch Playtime 1:30 - 2:15 pm December 16th & 30th Wisconsin Humane Society Milwaukee 414-264-6257 www.wihumane.org

Central Bark Playdate 10:00 am - Noon January 19th February 23rd Central Bark Sussex W227N6193 Sussex Road, Sussex www.ebhs.org

Sporting Activities

Rally Obedience Monday Nights, 8:00 pm Cudahy Kennel Club, St. Francis www.cudahykennelclub.org

Obedience Run-Thrus 2nd Friday of the Month, 6:30 pm Cudahy Kennel Club, St. Francis www.cudahykennelclub.org

Agility Run Thrus 3rd Friday of the Month, 6:30 pm Cudahy Kennel Club, St. Francis www.cudahykennelclub.org

Lure Coursing

December 2nd, 1:00 - 3:00 pm Elmbrook Humane Society 20950 Enterprise Avenue, Brookfield www.ebhs.org



The Coldest of Winters

It was an evening between the two holidays that cannot be erased. The modest construction company I

worked for has always shut down between Christmas and New Year's. So I had enjoyed some ice fishing early in the week then settled in to be with my wife and children before I had to return to work. As a treat, I'd given our eight year old American bulldog, Tasha, the last of the turkey and gravy for dinner. Big mistake. She had a terrible accident right in front of our front door where we always let her out on a tethered leash to do her business. With that exit blocked. I let her out the side door. figuring the very cold weather would keep her close. It always had before. I returned to help my wife, Christy, finish cleaning up the mess.

After the mop water had dried, I opened the front door to let Tasha back in the warm house. To my surprise, she wasn't there. I called her. Then again. Then even louder. Still no sign of our dog. After an hour, I was driving through our large subdivision with a flashlight and calling her name until I was hoarse. Finally going home, we put Tasha's blanket, pillow and food on the porch for what became a sleepless night, as Christy and I checked the door every half hour.

New Year's came and went. Our two daughters, ages six and twelve, did not want to go back to school until we found our dog. I could not blame them. To my surprise, I was having a very hard time focusing at work. I was making mistakes that I almost never make, and I was making a bunch of them. Christy was on the phone to every place and any place she could think of to call. Unfortunately, neither our municipality nor county has a dogcatcher type service. She called the humane society, the police department, even the highway department in the awful case that they had found her. Christy's voice had become as brittle as fine crystal. She made up "Lost Dog" flyers and posted

them everywhere she could think to post them. And then one night, just after the girls were in bed, she looked me square in the eye and said "Where's our dog, Randy? I mean it. Right now, this very second, where is our dog?" I have never felt such a frustrating sense of impotency than I did at that moment. I couldn't lie, and I couldn't guess. I simply did not know.

I have a newfound respect for any of you out there who have lost a pet this way. The not knowing is a poisonous thread that makes its way into and through every part of your being. It invades your sleep with dreams so happy you never want to wake up or nightmares that you cannot forget fast enough. Being a dog person my whole life, I thought having to put my loved one to sleep was as bad as it could get. I now know I am wrong. To have a pet disappear without a trace is as bad as it gets.

After a week, nothing was getting any better. I got home from work, took off my boots and just lay on our bed like a lump. When the phone rang, I made no move to get it. I heard Christy pick up in the kitchen, mumble something, then scream loud enough to make me jump up. As I ran towards the kitchen, Christy ran me over on her way to the side door. Lo and behold, there was Tasha in our backyard. OH MY GOD YOU'RE ALIVE! Tired and dirty, but unharmed. Happy pandemonium ensued. Where had she been and how did she survive the cold? Hot tears of pure joy made the questions irrelevant. Our lost dog was found. That was enough.

Randall Albrecht

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