



PAW Shakes

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Dear PAW friends (Chris and Suzanne),

Merry Christmas and Happy 2009! You sure made my year happy. I love my new family. Max (my doggie brother) and I play chase and tug of war every morning. I keep my kids on their toes because I love playing hide and seek with their stuffed animals. I still like my quiet spot, the quilt in the family room, but I've learned to climb steps and venture all over the house. Of course, I'm a glue stick to my Mom. Follow her everywhere. Love it when my Dad takes me for walks.

I have my own vet here in Virginia. He says I'm healthy. I'm about 6 or 7. I have a handful of fatty tumors and back arthritis. That doesn't stop me from having fun. My past life is my secret. My Mom doesn't think it was the best because I am skittish. Doesn't matter now, because I love my new life and am very happy here. You should hear my bark when someone comes by our house – very deep and manly!

I got to travel to Grandma's house for Christmas. Santa Dog even came. I'm very spoiled now, which all pets should be. Good luck with all of my animal friends at PAW.

Your Friend, Eli (a handsome, sweet, and mellow black lab, who now has a great home thanks to his friends at PAW!!)



This is a recent photo of Mali (the brindle corgi mix at left of photo) who we adopted Nov '05 from PAW. She is one of a kind! Thanks so much for your efforts! Judy W.

Next PAW Basket Bingo is Sunday, March 1st

PAW's Basket Bingo fundraisers are a great way to have fun and help the animals at the same time! First-time players are welcome - complete instructions will be provided to all.



So grab a few pals and join us for prize-winning fun and entertainment!

WHAT: Play bingo and win a valuable, handcrafted Longaberger® basket! Each basket is filled with an assortment of gifts and goodies. Door prizes and special games are also included. Raffle tickets and snacks available for purchase.

WHEN: Sunday, March 1st, 2009.

Doors open at 1:00 pm; 1st bingo game begins at 2:00 pm.

Admission: \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door.

WHERE: The Bowie Elks Lodge, 1506 Defense Highway, Gambrills, Maryland 21054.



Donations are always appreciated to help fill the baskets with goodies. For more information, please see the PAW website or email: amy.bleich@verizon.net.

See you there!

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XYLITOL: DEADLY FOR DOGS

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As little as two sticks of sugar-free gum is enough to send a 20-pound dog into hypoglycemic shock leading to coma and death. Higher doses of the toxin work quickly to destroy the liver, also ultimately leading to death if left untreated.

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If you suspect your dog has ingested Xylitol, have him/her treated by a veterinarian immediately. IV fluids containing dextrose and close monitoring of liver values and blood glucose levels may save your pet. Xylitol has not been shown to be toxic to cats.

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Merry Christmas to You All

Thank you for taking such good care of me before I found my
"Forever Home"
Chocolate "Chip" Priolo
Formally known as Coffee

Contact PAW

PAW is a private, nonprofit, and all-volunteer pet rescue group. We do not have a shelter; instead, we keep dogs and cats in foster homes and in temporary kennel space until permanent homes are found.

Here's how to meet our adoptable pets:

- **ADOPTION SHOWS:** Visit one of PAW's weekend adoption shows, held at participating pet supply stores throughout the Maryland/DC area. For information on our next adoption show, visit our website, call the number below, or see our ads in the *Washington Post* Classifieds under *Pets:Dogs* and *Pets:Cats*. We usually have an ad every weekend listing the show location, date, and time.
- **WEBSITE:** To see photos and descriptions of all of PAW's adoptable animals, plus a list of upcoming adoption shows, events, tips, volunteer information, and more, visit our website at: www.paw-rescue.org.
- **CALL 301-572-4PAW** (301) 572-4729 for listings of upcoming adoption shows, volunteer information, donation information, and more. (Since PAW is all-volunteer, we can't always return phone calls as quickly or in as much detail as with e-mail. Please visit our website for photos and information on our adoptable pets, since we may not be able to return such calls as quickly.)
- **E-MAIL:** For cat questions: paw_cats@yahoo.com. For dog questions: pawdogs@yahoo.com. Other addresses are listed on the website.

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Snoopy the Happy Camper

I understand that there are many out there in Paw Rescue Land that know Smedley, now known as Snoopy or as my husband calls him, "Snoop Dog."

April 1st of 2008, we lost a very important member of our family, our 14½ year old beagle named Cookie. When she died, a part of us died with her. We considered getting another dog, but not right away. Then we decided not at all.

Two months went by and we were both searching the computer for rescue dogs. I was still against getting another dog because I was still grieving over the loss of Cookie, and still am, even as I write this.

One day as my husband was surfing the rescue sites, he spotted Smedley and said, "Here is our dog!" I told him if he got a dog, *he* would be responsible for him, not me. He asked me if I would go with him to look at him because he was going to be at the PetSmart in Rockville that Saturday. Reluctantly I said "yeah."



We met Smedley that afternoon and his foster mom Linda. The rest, as they say, is history!

Snoopy is the new-found love of our lives. He is the most *snoopy*, lovable, gentle, curious, humorous dog we have ever met. Two weeks after we got him we took him camping with us up in the mountains of West Virginia. That is a trip neither he nor we will ever forget! He was able to explore the outdoors as he hiked (or should I say pulled with nose to the ground) 2½ miles around the Appalachian Trail. Exhausted upon his return, he promptly jumped up onto the sleeping bag and took a good 3-hour nap. Other times he napped with one of us in the hammock.

He went out on a jon boat with us one day and was hearing himself bark due to the echo of the lake-shore. He "talked" to himself for about 5 minutes.

Six months later, our friendly fellow's little personality is coming out more. When he wants us to play with him, he will bay at us until we play. Most of the time he wants to play downstairs so he will keep looking down the steps like, "come on you people!"

Snoopy loves his play time with Doug at night before he goes to work. And he loves taking naps with Doug. He keeps looking at the room as if to say, "come on, it's time for a nap!" I got him his own little soft bed but of course it is *on* my bed. He sleeps in it most of the time but there are times when he just wants to snuggle up with me.

Snoopy is mischievous sometimes and likes to see what he can get into. The Christmas garland hung within his reach and he took it down and left it in the living room. He likes to find shoes and take the insoles out. But he graduated from beginner's training class with flying colors, and he sits, stays, shakes "hands," and rolls over. Bowing is his big thing. He bows without being told for his morning pill.

Thank you Paw Rescue for this special gift. We felt that this wonderful animal was meant for us the first time we saw him.

Debbie and Doug Dottellis



THE BEAGLES REUNITE

In our Winter 2000 edition of PAW Shakes, we reported on a “Reunion Beagle Bash” for some lucky PAW canine alumni. In December of 1998, a very pregnant, hungry, yet beautiful beagle named Amy Ann found her way to PAW. She immediately gave birth to seven little female pure beagle pups who were appropriately named after Santa's reindeer. Happily, mother and all 7 pups found loving homes.

A year later, Brian Albert and George Gates, parents to Otis Ann (one of the now renamed puppies) and Halsey (another PAW alumnus), hosted “the girls” first birthday party at Dogs by Day and Night in Washington, DC. Six of the seven litter mates attended - Daisy, the only missing sister, had moved to the Southwest, but everyone else was there, enjoying the birthday cakes for both humans and canines.



Alan Garcia (father of pups Lucy and Ethel) writes “A few months ago Brian Albert and I tossed around the idea of celebrating the girls’ 10th birthday. Within minutes of sending Evites for the *10 Year Beagle Bash*, all the local sisters and their parents were confirmed.”

The party took place in Mt. Airy in the home of Eric Garcia, Lucy and Ethel's uncle. The parents and guests feasted on a delicious lunch which was followed by a photo session, exchange of gifts, and wonderful fellowship.

“There appears to be a strong bond of genuine love and fidelity among us parents and our canines. The joy, love, and laughter that these special beagles bring into our lives are indescribable. We each received so much pleasure in observing the girls’ similarities and differences at the party, both in behavior and personal-

ity. The biggest discovery we made is how deeply loved these dogs are and how incredibly spoiled they have become. Still, despite being seniors, they are our babies.”

Co-organizer Brian Albert continues “Gosh, I don't know what to say except that every time I look at Otis (and Halsey) they make me smile inside, and I have to reach out and touch their soft ears, give them a pat on the head, or a rub on the stomach, or a butt scratch. They bring such joy to my life by simply being a part of it.”

We at PAW are delighted that the girls are all thriving and much loved. Amy Ann herself spent her last years with Alan Garcia, Bruce Seymore and her pups Lucy and Ethel—she passed away in 2006. She is still missed by all who remember her ever-cheerful demeanor. We thank all of the wonderful adopters who make our special PAW pets part of their families - the “happy endings” are what it is all about!



Attending the party were: Rev. Pat and Tom Dols (parents of Faith and Hope), Brian Albert and George Gates (parents to Otis Ann and Halsey-the girls' adopted brother), Bernadette Kypke Hoffman (mother of Madchen), Bruce Seymore II and Alan Garcia (parents of Lucy and Ethel), Amy Bleich and Suzanne Arnold (mid-wives to Amy Ann's pups), family and friends.

DONATIONS IN HONOR OF AND IN MEMORY OF...

In Honor of a Person or People

In honor of all the adoption show coordinators and table staff, by Jerry Roth (who set up almost every show, 1997-2002)

In honor of Christine Graves, by Amanda Stott

In honor of Dr. Barbara Henderson, by Nancey Parker

In honor of Emi Ayala, by Amy Harbison

In honor of Esther Goldenberg, by Barbara Miller

In honor of Gail Brendle, by Betty Lou Black

In honor of Iris Rainone, by Gary Mummert

In honor of Lou Montgomery, by Pamela Cranston & Sandra Neverett

In honor of Marianne McCarthy, by Mary Ann Hall

In honor of my mother, by Marguerite Goldman

In honor of Randy Epstein, by Carole Stone & Elizabeth Hawkins-Walsh

In honor of Susan Szajna, by Elinore Tibbetts

In honor of the Gold-Rand Family, by Anne Gold-Rand

In honor of the staff at the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, Victimization Statistics Unit, by Michael Rand

In honor of the wedding of Heather and Steve Ashburn, by Ken & Bette Brown

In honor of the wedding of Kathleen Summers and Lee Hanewinkel, by Kevin & Lisa Gallo, Debbie Sobeloff, Adam Goldfarb, Donna Rosen, Karen Finkelman, and Amy Bleich

In honor of the wedding of Suzanne & David LaPierre, by Debbie Sobeloff

In honor of the wonderful PAW volunteers who cared for, doctored, and fostered Tug, by Carolyn & Melvin

In honor of Twyla Henderson, by Kerri Henderson

In Memory of a Person or People

In memory of Bud Terry, by Katie & Rusty

In memory of Carol Horner, by Henry & Georgia Oden, Lou Ferrara, Bryan & Peggy Jones, Frances Sanderford, Mr. & Mrs. C. Meade Browder, Jr., and James Naughton

In memory of Charles Elishlinger, by Sharon Estes

In memory of Debbie Breuer, by Carol Broadhurst

In memory of Gregory Clark Wardrip, by Mary Ann Hall

In memory of Richard Houchens, by Christine Flaker

In Honor of a Pet or Pets

In honor of all the dogs that need a home or have special needs, by David, Jennifer, & Jaxx Moczulski

In honor of Black Beauty, by Vernon Poole, Sr.

In honor of Bogie & Elsie, by Joni Magill Chen

In honor of Bozo Wardrip Hall, by Mary Ann Hall

In honor of Dodger, adopted from PAW in 1996, by Suzan Downey-Roti

In honor of Fred E. Cat, by P.S. & N.J. LeRoy

In honor of Gina & Gizmo, former PAW dogs, by Dianne Thompson

In honor of Honey, adopted from PAW in July 2004, who has blossomed into a happy, loving member of my family, by Marcia Brennan

In honor of Keira & Caitlin, by Gail Golden

In honor of Lily, by Jennifer Mineart

In honor of Maddie & Zoe, by Nancy & Dennis Schiavone

In honor of Maggie & Zach, by Kimberly Perry

In honor of making the lives of animals better, by Mark Spector

In honor of Mattie, by Frieda Shama

In honor of Molly, by Cornelia Gelissen

In honor of my cat, Molly, by Ruth Zeller

In honor of my PAW guys, JD & Rosie, by Jo Ann Tolson

In honor of OJ, Hanibal, Simon, & Jack, by Thomas Kennedy

In honor of our adopted cats, Dash & Violet, by the Loftus family

In honor of our fabulous former PAW cats Danny, Howie, & Truman, thank you for all your hard work and dedication, by Susan Stayer & Wendell Albright

In honor of Sam & Amelia, by Elizabeth & Mark Parker

In honor of Tommy Cat, by Alex & Isaac Jackel

In honor of Tyke, adopted from PAW in October 2001, by Kathleen Beres & Miller Einsel

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In Memory of a Pet or Pets

In memory of Alex, the wonder dog, by Mary Scott
 In memory of Ali, our beloved Border Collie, who will be in our hearts forever, by Marcia Brennan
 In memory of Beamer, who blessed our lives for 7 ½ years, by Barbara & Murray Schweitzer
 In memory of Bo, by Nancy, Stella, and Xena Yan-nayon
 In memory of Brid, Dr. Marjorie Voith's bird, by Sheri Benson
 In memory of Brie, Barbara & Paul Zupnik's beloved Maltese, by Michael Weiss
 In memory of Cammie, who was lost and found with the help of friends at PAW, by Pauline Lee
 In memory of Cedar, by Rachel Coghlan
 In memory of Chi Chi and Honey, by Barbara Freedman Haurand. Old dogs are the best dogs.
 In memory of Cody Harbison, by the Harbison family
 In memory of Deno, our Rottweiler adopted from PAW years ago, by Linda & Tony Mor-ingello

In memory of Dinki, the Brun family's beloved poodle, by Michael Weiss
 In memory of Dusty, Noel, and Raggs, by Joan Gardner
 In memory of Elliott, beloved dog of Allison Clapp, by Paula & Barry Friedman
 In memory of Freddie, beloved beagle of Marsha Rader, who suddenly passed away on 4/30/08. She is still missed.
 In memory of Friskie Hall, by Mary Ann Hall
 In memory of Gus, Dr. Linda Radner's dog, by Sheri Benson
 In memory of Harley Davidson Bauer, by Amy & Andrew Bauer
 In memory of Heidi, for Marianne Olah, by Carol Kossuth
 In memory of Kramer, by Jeanne Pejeau
 In memory of Lenny, Jackson, & Quigley, by Vera Green
 In memory of Lev, by Elizabeth & Mark Parker
 In memory of Lulusha, by Cornelia Gelissen
 In memory of Mitzi, by Georgia Niedzielko

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The Partnership for Animal Welfare is an officially recognized non-profit organization which is funded through donations and adoption fees. Donations are tax-deductible (Tax ID # 52-1979581). If you would like to help, you can do so by donating money, earmarking your charitable donations to PAW, helping with some of our fundraising activities, or donating food, blankets and other supplies.

**Membership/Donation Form for Partnership for Animal Welfare, Inc.
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PLEASE CHECK AS MANY AS APPLY:

Membership: **Single** (\$25) **Family** (\$45)

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Additional donation: I am enclosing an additional gift of \$ _____

I enclose an additional donation **in memory of:**

A person: _____ A pet: _____

I enclose an additional donation **in honor of:**

A person: _____ A pet: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Volunteer: I am willing to help in the following capacity:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please make checks payable to the Partnership for Animal Welfare and mail to the address on this form. The animals thank you.

Little Bites...

A big thank-you to all the people who have sent in Milk-Bone brand seals for ID tags for PAW's animals. ID tags help ensure a measure of safety for companion animals, and PAW appreciates your help in this area. Please continue to send us your Milk-Bone brand seals! PAW, P.O. Box 1074, Greenbelt, MD 20768

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The Animal Rescue Site has corporate sponsors and advertisers who "count the clicks" on the site—they donate food for abandoned/neglected animals based on the number of daily visits. It takes less than a minute to go to their site and click on the purple box "fund food for animals" and it doesn't cost you a thing! Here's the web site! Pass it along to people you know: <http://www.theanimalrescuesite.com/>

DONATIONS—In Memory of a Pet or Pets, continued

- In memory of Molly, by Carol Anderson
- In memory of Molly, who died 2 years ago, by Karen Fortin
- In memory of Moochi, by Willie Arnett
- In memory of Oscar, our 20-year-old Yorkshire Terrier, who passed away in August 2008, by Kathleen Beres & Miller Einsel
- In memory of Otis, our beloved Himalayan cat, by Lindsey Kaplan
- In memory of our cat, Maya, who died December 9, 2008, by Cynthia & Tony Mead
- In memory of our first 2 kitties, Kookie & Chic, by Linda Ward
- In memory of our sweet dog, Tutti-Frutti, who died on October 15, 2008, by Thomas & Patricia Carroll
- In memory of Penelope, Cody, and Jade, by Beverle Kowalchick
- In memory of Pepper & Gypsy, by Nancy & Dennis Schiavone
- In memory of Pogo, by Debbie Sobeloff
- In memory of Precious, by Twyla & Dad
- In memory of Pumpkin, Marigold, Fennel, & Birch, by Diane Calabrese & Peter Tallerico



Patches was adopted by Lori B in May 1998. While unsettled for a while when the family moved, he's now a happy cat again, enjoying the view of Back Bay Cove in Maine from his forever home.

- In memory of Ranger & Zeke, two wonderful dogs, by Marguerite Goldman
- In memory of Rufus & Otis, beloved Soares family pets, by Paula & Barry Friedman
- In memory of RuRu, our beloved pitbull, by Ed & Jeanne Geisendaffer
- In memory of Sadie, by Patricia Kelly
- In memory of Sadie—what a great dog she was for 17 years—by Gerrie Wetzels & Dave Goodacre
- In memory of Smithers, by Richard Gilroy
- In memory of Sparky, beloved dog of the Simpson family, by Thomas & Patricia Carroll
- In memory of Squirt, by Luanne Seipp
- In memory of Sweet Potato & CoCo, by Randy Epstein
- In memory of Toni, by Frieda Shama
- In memory of Tug—a gentle heart is now at rest—by Carolyn & Melvin

In Honor of People and Pets

- In honor of Elyse Hurley and her dog, Marley, by Bonnie Pellicot
- In honor of Lisa Garside and in memory of her beloved dog, Tate, by Karen Fortin
- In honor of Toffee, and her owner, Renee, by Randy Kenyon & Mark Beall

PAW Shakes to...

- **PAW's ADOPTION SHOW HELPERS, DRIVERS, and FUNDRAISING VOLUNTEERS** for sacrificing their weekend hours to help keep our group going from week to week. Meows!
- **PAW's FOSTER and ADOPTIVE FAMILIES.** We couldn't save lives without you. Slobbers and slurps!
- We are very grateful to the following trainers who have provided invaluable assistance with some of our most challenging dogs: **George Cockrell of Companions Dog Training, LLC; MJ Seemann of Bethesda PetSmart; Michelle Mange of Right Start Maryland Dog Training.** Arfs and wags!
- Woofs to **Debra Ekman of Your Dog's Friend** (www.yourdogsfriend.info/) for offering free workshops, training referrals, and more.
- **THE POTOMAC ALMANAC** for featuring an adoptable PAW dog and cat every week in their paper. Purrs and tail wags!
- **GAZETTE NEWSPAPERS** for featuring a promotional spot for PAW in some of their weekly editions. Meows and woofs!
- **WUSA TV'S PETLINE 9** for featuring an adoptable PAW dog periodically on a live TV spot on the Saturday morning news.
- **VETERINARIANS AND STAFF** at **Beltway Referral Associates, Beltsville Veterinary Hospital, Chesapeake Veterinary Cardiology Associates, College Park Animal Hospital, Family Veterinary Clinic, Hocking Veterinary Associates, Kenhaven Animal Hospital, Metropolitan Emergency Animal Clinic, Negola's Ark Veterinary Hospital, VCA Veterinary Referral Associates, and Watkins Park Animal Medical Center** for providing reduced-cost vet care to PAW's homeless dogs and cats. Woofs and wags!
- **BRADLEE FOOD & BEVERAGE** in **Bethesda** for hosting our donation boxes. Meow!
- **Sandy Pleasant and the staff at A PLEASANT GROOM 'N INN** in **Rockville** for hosting our donation box and for boarding some of our homeless pets at reduced rates and giving them extra special attention. Woofs and wiggles!
- **PRINTING IMAGES** of **Rockville**, for printing this newsletter at reduced cost. Bow wows!
- **LAST BUT NEVER LEAST**, Maryland-area **PETSMART** and **PETCO** stores for hosting our weekly dog and cat adoption shows. Paw shakes and purrs to all.



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