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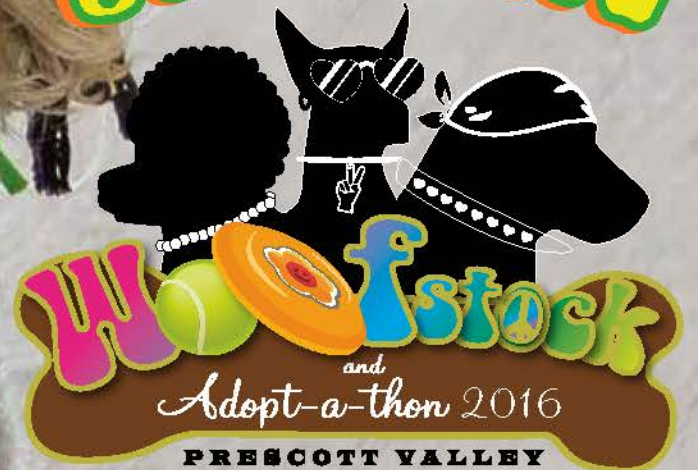
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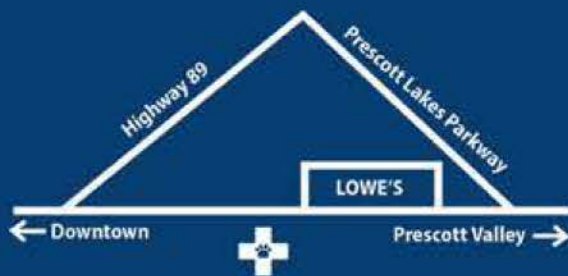


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Prescott Downtown Courthouse Square - www.unitedanimalfriends.org

June 11th - 5th Annual Woofstock & Adopt-a-thon

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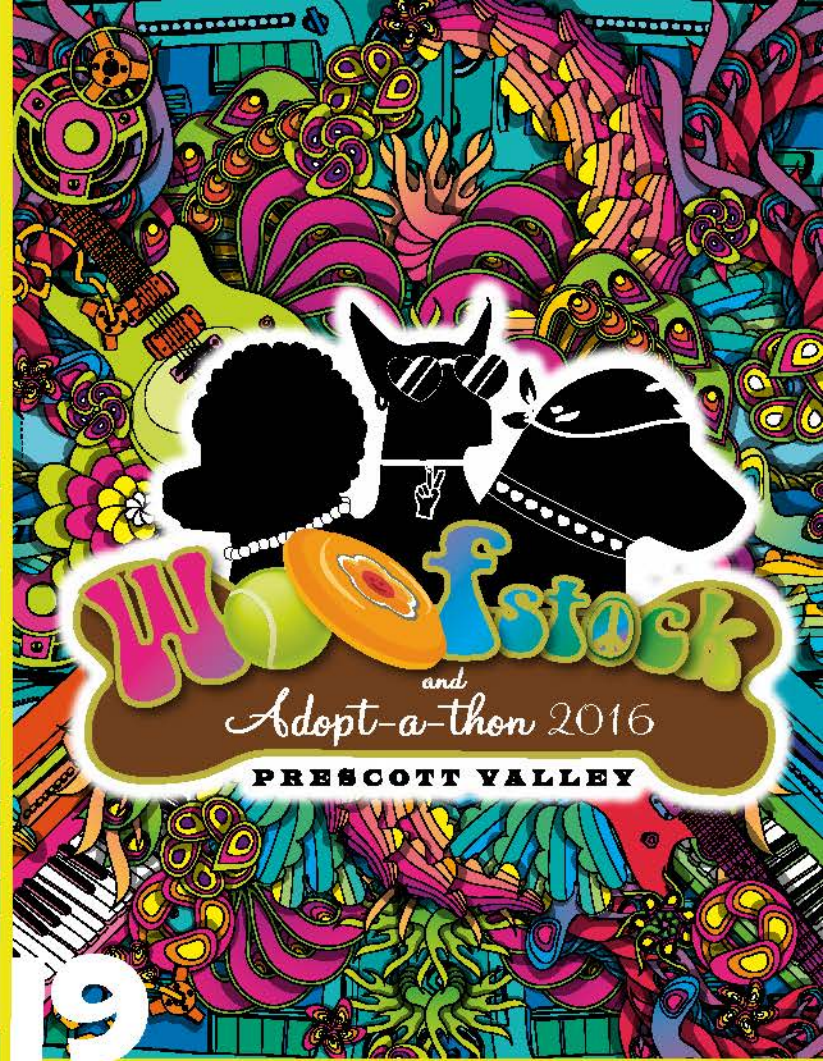
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Cherie L. Dreves - Publisher/Owner Cherie has had her share of furries "follow her home" (a few times on the end of a rope). Her public relations career probably started back then; lobbying her mom, "can we keep 'em? Cherie has worked to increase community awareness for several rescue groups around the southwest. She is a writer, speaker and idea generator; with a passion for puppies, of all ages.



Ann Herrington - Founder/Editor At Large Ann began working in animal welfare in 1997 when she adopted a shelter dog named Harley who changed the direction of her life. She utilized her experience working in the media and advertising for many years to help shelter animals through education and off-site adoption events. In 2008, after Harley passed, Ann met a new "friend" named Bernie who healed her heart and after that, she founded The Prescott Dog and two annual adoption events. She continues to dedicate her life to helping rescue and shelter animals through awareness, education, and adoptions.



Allie Werhan - Cover Story, Special Features, Adoptions, and Biz Spotlights Allie was born loving animals and trying to rescue them. (Can we keep him? He followed me home.) After several careers including teaching and retail management, she is now a part-time writer. Allie coordinated the cat program for United Animal Friends for years. Some of her best friends are dogs. The cat is her boy, Scamper, who is a Maine Coon mix, about 7 years old, and a love.



Mary Beal - Staff Photographer For Mary, photography has always been FUN! She got a Brownie for her birthday when she was 7 years old. Hettie, her cocker spaniel was her only willing model so she has many black and white memories of her safely stored in a wooden box even now. Through the years, she photo'd kids, vacations, and the milestones of life, but now concentrates on her true love — taking photos of animals. Hettie would be pleased.



Heidi Dahms Foster - Dogs in Blue: The K-9 Beat Heidi has lived in the greater Prescott/Prescott Valley area since fourth grade. She has been involved with dogs her entire life, and shares her home with husband Randy and a houseful of critters. She recently changed careers after 27 years with Prescott Newspapers, Inc. and now works as Communications Relations Coordinator for the Town of Prescott Valley. She enjoys keeping her hand in writing about and photographing dog activities and events.



Gary DeGeronimo - K-9 Service Corner and Training Gary has been a Canine Behavior Specialist for close to 30 years and has been involved with many aspects of the canine world from training to shelter administration. He is currently the Founder/Director of Training for Gentle Hearts Service Dogs, a non-profit charitable organization providing trained and qualified service dogs for those in need, with a particular focus on children with autism.



Cheryl Hartz - Photographer Cheryl Hartz is a tree and animal hugger, an award-winning writer and photographer and a 30-year resident of Prescott Valley. She has hiked extensively with only minor bumps, bruises and sunburns. She was the Arizona Game & Fish Outdoor Writer of the Year for 2014.

Hello!

Greetings from The New Pack Leader

My internal tail has been wagging, non-stop, for weeks!

I am very honored and excited to become the new Pack Leader of *The Prescott Dog*. The highest honor is that Ann Herrington was willing to entrust me with "Her Baby" This ownership change has enabled me to merge two of my life's loves, dogs and the printed page, into one great adventure. I love all animals but dogs have captivated my heart since early childhood. During my professional career I have had the pleasure of assisting many rescue groups throughout the southwest achieve their adoption goals and maintain their missions.

First, let's get to the Thank You's. First and foremost I want to thank my partner and biggest fan, my husband David, without whom this dream would not have been realized. To my mom and my daughter for their urging and insisting, that I grab the dog by the leash. To the readership, rescue groups and advertisers whose loyalty has made this publication what it is today I give thanks. Then there are many dear friends that have watched this dream unfold, cheering from the sidelines. Thank you to all of you for your love and support. I am truly humbled and grateful.

There are big shoes to fill. Ann Herrington, founder of *The Prescott Dog* has been a tireless advocate for animal welfare throughout her career. Ann has the fearless heart of a lioness, going up against some of the biggest corporate giants on the planet to speak on behalf of the animals. Eight years ago when Ann created the magazine she created a mouthpiece for those that didn't have a consistent voice; the animals and the rescue groups that help them, in our communities.

Ann agreed to stay on. I am grateful for the faith Ann has in my ability to continue our dream, but the truth is the publication still needs her touch during this transition. So through heavy arm twisting and wailing jags that resembled a 3 year old, Ann did agree to stay.... for a while....as editor at large.... she kept saying something about retiring. I just can't see her exiting the animal welfare fight when there is so much still to be done. I applaud her vision and efforts to expand "The Dog" brand. My hope is to see a magazine in every community, with the full support of the community that *The Prescott Dog* enjoys. Imagine 100 publication just like *The Prescott Dog*, What impact would that have on bringing awareness to the plight of homeless and neglected animals? I believe the climate is perfect for just such an explosion of knowledge.

It takes a community. The real work that takes place to make "the Dog" run is gladly done by a community of award winning writers, photographers and designers. I could not have hand picked a better, more knowledgeable group of individuals to carry out our mission. My gratitude to each of you.

What does the future hold? In a perfect world every companion animal would be in a wonderful, loving forever home. Most of us know that our current world is not perfect. Until the day comes when we set the world to right, we will be in this fight. A fight to give voice to the voiceless, innocent creatures that have been entrusted to us humans and a place where they can live the lives that they were intended to live. Until that day, we'll be here.

Peace, Love, Dog,

Cherie

Goodbye!

Farewell of The Pack from The Leader

Dear Readers,

This is a bittersweet issue for me in many ways. In the last issue, I shared with you the passing of my beloved Bernie who was the inspiration and founding dog of *The Prescott Dog*. First, I want to thank many of you who sent notes and cards about what I shared in my tribute to Bernie last issue. It made me feel so good to hear how much the story touched you and it meant the world to me. With that said, I have some other big news to share with you this issue. I have decided to retire or maybe "semi-retire" and have sold *The Prescott Dog* magazine and our events to a very special and capable woman who is already a huge supporter of rescue and shelter animals in our community. Her name is Cherie Dreves and she is everything I wanted to take care of my baby, *The Prescott Dog*. She has many years in the publishing industry and has many, many talents that will lend themselves to growing the publication.

Cherie and I have been transitioning the publication since our last edition and this issue will be the first that she publishes. She has asked me to stay around for a bit so I have accepted the position of "Editor At Large" which means I don't have to do a lot of work but will be out in the community somewhat looking for stories and writing our Horsin' Around feature until we find a new writer for that. I do plan on doing some fun things that I have wanted to do for a while.

In addition to that, I have licensed a publication in the Phoenix area that has been a long time coming. Over the years, I have had many requests to do a publication in the Phoenix area so instead of trying to do it all myself, I found another incredible woman named Cathy Davila who will be launching *The Phoenix Dog* on the same schedule as *The Prescott Dog*. The Premier Edition will be in May at the same time you see this one. My hope is to go into other areas finding people who want to own a publication like ours with the mission of promoting the human/animal bond and raising awareness of shelter and rescue animals.

It has been so wonderful to work with these two incredible, compassionate women who have the same dream as I had to have a publication that helps the people and animals in the community. I hope to find more in other areas as time goes on. Also, working with them these past couple of months has been helping me keep busy and work through the grieving process of losing my Bernie. I now see the bigger picture of what my purpose is in this life. I will continue to spread the word about how animals enrich our lives and how special shelter and rescue animals are.

I want to thank you all for your support of *The Prescott Dog* for all these years and ask that you continue to support it as it grows even more with Cherie. I am so grateful for the many years I have done this publication as it has been such a gift in my life. I am currently assisting Cherie with the 5th Annual Woolstock in Prescott Valley and will also be working with her on our 10th Annual Dogtoberfest and Adopt-a-thon. I hope to see you all there as these events continue to grow and help the animals in our community and the people that love them.

I am looking ahead to a new day and a new adventure!

Love, Light and Laughter to you all,

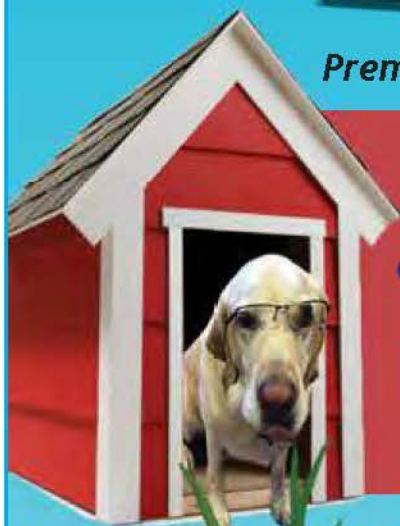
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The Glassford Summit Trail opens in May

Story and Photos by Cheryl Hartz



Adventurous souls who desire to hike a volcano's caldera should head for the new Glassford Summit Trail in Prescott Valley. It's OK for the less adventuresome also, because the volcano has been extinct for thousands of years.

The ribbon cutting for the 2.31-mile long trail – 4.62 miles round trip – is scheduled for Saturday, May 21, but it's been operational for a while. The trailhead is in Castle Canyon Mesa, at the end of Castle Drive. Leave your vehicle in the 25-space parking lot. Take advantage of the chemical toilet there; you won't find another on the hike. Cross the bridge, noting the carved symbols on its sides, pass through a gate designed to accommodate hikers, mountain bikers, motorized wheelchair users and equestrians, and begin the trek up the 14-foot-wide trail. That's wider than normal, and there's a reason for it.

Prescott Valley Town Manager Larry Tarkowski said every time he hiked the popular Camelback Mountain and Piestewa Peak trails in Phoenix on research missions last summer, the Phoenix Fire Department was conducting a rescue.

"Five or six firefighters would be hiking up the trail with a gurney. We built the Summit Trail 14 feet wide so that Central Yavapai Fire District can take a 4-wheel-drive pick-up to collect trail users in distress. The person can be attended to more quickly."

The first half-mile leads to a water tank, and takes about 10 minutes on foot. Rounding the tank, the trail enters a ravine which actually is the caldera of the extinct volcano. (caldera: a bowl-shaped depression that results when the center of a volcano explodes.)

Tarkowski said when the Town brought in an expert geologist from Hawaii while building well sites several years ago, the scientist identified six separate and distinct lava flows. Beds of basalt, or black lava, are visible to the north, above the cliffs, and the slopes are littered with malapai, a porous looking reddish brown lava rock. The flows extended northeast as far as the current Viewpoint and Pronghorn subdivisions, and as deep as 1,200 feet below the existing ground surface.

About 300 feet past the water tank, straight ahead instead of rounding the first switchback, is a large red rock that once was



molten lava.

A series of eight switchbacks take you up the side of Glassford Hill. The curve of each switchback will have picnic tables for users to rest and enjoy their own refreshments. Take plenty of water for hikers and pets alike. There's no shade, and little breeze until the summit. It isn't an ideal summer hike, unless you get an early start.

The hike is strenuous but doable for many fitness levels, as the grade is a consistent 10 percent, designed for a steady gait. One 350-foot-long area employs a 15 percent grade. The surface is natural material and makes for an "urban challenge trail." Wear appropriate footwear and clothing. A hat is a good idea, as is sunscreen.

Planners placed the trail deliberately on the inner portion of Glassford Hill. From a historical standpoint, it's fascinating to ponder the volcanic eruptions where you now hike. The trail is hidden, so that the outer parts of the mountain, visible to most housing areas and State Route 69 traffic, are not defaced. Wildlife abounds in this crease of the mountain and includes mule deer, pronghorns, javelina, coyotes, rattlesnakes, skunks, jackrabbits and at least one mountain lion. Bald eagles frequent the area. Watch out for freerange cattle, and stay on the trail. The surrounding area is state trust land and requires a permit to traverse.

The summit is worth the hike up the 950-foot elevation change up to 6,123 feet, and not only for the panoramic view encompassing Prescott and Chino Valley as well as Prescott Valley, Dewey-Humboldt, and even Flagstaff's San Francisco Peaks. A replica heliograph wasn't in place at the time of this April hike, but is slated to stand at the summit.

A heliograph – mirror used to send Morse code messages - played a prominent role in Glassford Hill (Bald Mountain) history in the 1880s, when 27 stations in Arizona and New Mexico, implemented by Col. William Glassford, relayed messages about the movements of civilians, Apaches, and U.S. troops to Fort Union in New Mexico.

The Town received trail help from three Eagle Scout projects. The first is the revegetation of the slopes adjacent to the trail. Grass will cover all in about a year. The second is signage denoting ¼-mile intervals and elevations. The third, in conjunction with the Highlands Center, includes signs identifying flora and fauna.

The Town plans a connector between the Glassford Hill Summit Trail and the Iron King Trail – a Rails to Trails project on the north side of Glassford Hill, which connects to the Peavine Trail in Prescott's Granite Dells.

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Wishing continued success to the new Publisher/Editor of **The Prescott Dog** **Cherie Dreves**

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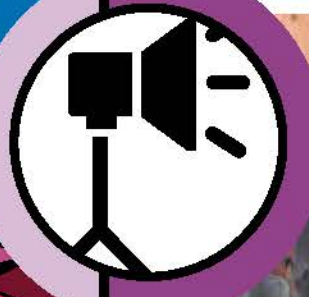


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1.) Saddles on Consignment

Warren's Hay-N-More

Story and Photos by Allie Werhan



2.) Tim Kleinman (Father-in-Law), Dawson (Son), Gary



3.) Shelf of Feed & Grain Samples



4.) Chicken Coop

The town of Chino Valley hugs Hwy 89 as it makes its way north, with businesses clustered along the roadway and homes stretching out on either side. Gary Warren's store is at the south end on the right as you come from Prescott.

Gary is a native of Prescott, but has lived all over the state because his dad was in construction. He likes the Prescott area, but likes Chino Valley the best and moved there in 1982 to live and raise his family. His wife, Chere, also a Prescott native, works at Yavapai Title Co, and they have two grown sons.

In Oct, 2006, Gary acquired the store, previously called J & M Feed. He had not owned a retail business before, but has always had animals and bought food and supplies for them at the other stores in the area. Retail, including the merchandise and the work, appeal to him. The best parts, he says, are "the people and the pets that come into the store to shop."

Warren's Hay-N-More gets a lot of hay products from Arizona sources. His feed line, Ace Hi, comes out of California and was the brand the previous owner carried, which nobody else in the area carries. He has other brands of dog and cat food.

"Many people are watching the cost to keep their animals fed," Gary says. Most people get the best they can afford, because people are more likely to consider animals as part of their families these days.

Veterinary supplies include dog and horse vaccines, as well as medical items for treating injuries and illness in animals.

The store itself is clean and well organized,

and includes a fascinating area with dozens of examples of all the feed products he carries. These are in labeled jars so you can see what you are getting. There is a lot to know about what you buy, depending on what you use it for and how you use it, even something that seems as simple as chicken feed. There are also examples of goat feed, pig feed, and wild and domestic bird feed.

A fun and exciting aspect of the business is the education that goes on among people, both workers and customers. A customer may pass along a good tip about how to do something, and then when someone else comes in the store with a similar problem, Gary can pass on the information...people helping each other without ever meeting. Everybody learns some new and useful information.

They started out in a 700 sq. ft. building, and the business just grew from that, moving twice, adding different products and remodeling to suit the new mix of items, as well as moving the cash register area to improve use of space.

The big sellers are hay, hay pellets, horse and chicken feed, and pet food. Gary also carries some small nifty chicken coops, some tack, tools and other items needed to run a household with animals. He also has a line of custom rope halters, reins, and lead ropes made by Lynn Kronvold, a Chino Valley resident.

Warren's Hay-N-More is a family business. When he first opened, his father-in-law, Tim Kleinman, worked in the store with him, and



still works regularly. Gary's younger son, Dawson, "works the yard" helping people load feed and hay. Both Dawson, and his older brother, Garrett (who "...isn't as tall as I am," Dawson points out in friendly brotherly rivalry), are taking an automotive course in preparation for their careers.

Besides all the products he carries, Gary also shows some saddles in the front of his store, which are sold on consignment for local people.

Here is today's lesson, something I learned from Gary about fodder. I always thought "fodder" just meant "animal food," but it is a special kind. Barley and wheat are put in water and fertilized. When the grains sprout, chickens, goats, or other animals are fed with the greens or the leftover grain.

So now we know the rest of the story! Warren's Hay-N-More is a happening place, and they will deliver.

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HORSIN' AROUND



Horse Health: Vaccinations

Story by Dr. Mike Cissell

Board Certified Large Animal Surgeon
Prescott Animal Hospital Equine Center



How many times do both owners and veterinarians take the "simple" things for granted? The last time you called your veterinarian to schedule your horse's routine shots, how much thought did you put into what you were doing? For example, what does your horse need to be vaccinated for? Wouldn't it just be simple to say, "Let's give all of the available vaccines, and deworm with the best product on the market!" Why don't we do such things for our horses? The reality is that the "simple" things aren't always that simple. Let's focus now on vaccine protocols for our horses.

The American Veterinary Medical Association has defined a Core Vaccine as one that protects from a disease that is endemic to a region, those with potential public health significance, those required by law, those that protect from highly virulent/highly infectious diseases, and/or those that protect against diseases that pose a risk of serious illness. Based on these guidelines, the American Association of Equine Practitioners has established that in horses the core vaccines include rabies, Eastern/Western equine encephalomyelitis (EEE/WEE), tetanus, and West Nile Virus. Additionally Core Vaccines are those that have been a clearly demonstrated level of safety and efficacy, and therefore have a high level of patient benefit compared to a low level of risk to the patient. At this point it is important to remember that there are always risks with any procedure performed on a patient, even the "simple" things. Adverse reactions can occur in a patient, and thus should be monitored for, and reported if they occur. We'll save this point for later however!

When designing a vaccine protocol for your horse, there are several things that should be considered. The big factors that aid in the development of an appropriate vaccine protocol include risk factors for the patient, consequences of the disease, efficacy of the vaccine, cost of the immunizations, and cost of the disease. Obviously there are multiple things to consider with each of these individual factors, so even more thought has to go into this. When thinking about risk factors to the patient for example you should consider things such as exposure risk and geography. For example, a horse in Arizona is not at risk for Potomac Horse Fever, and thus does not need this vaccine as part of its vaccine protocol

even though PHF can be a very costly disease to treat. The Arizona horse is highly unlikely to be exposed to PHF due to the geography of the disease and the fact that a portion of disease transmission involves freshwater snails, and thus the exposure risk in an arid climate like Arizona is very low. In comparison, providing immunization of Rhinopneumonitis and Influenza would be recommended as part of a typical vaccine protocol, because they are common respiratory diseases found all over the US including Arizona. As a side note, Rhino is caused by the EHV-1 virus which has gained a marked amount of press recently due to the recent outbreaks of the myeloencephalitic (neurologic) form of EHV-1. It is important to understand that currently there are no EHV-1 vaccines labeled to prevent the myeloencephalitic form of EHV-1. However continuing to vaccinate against EHV-1 may help to reduce nasal shedding of the virus and thus potentially help to limit the spread during outbreaks.

As promised, let's look at potential adverse reactions to our horses due to vaccinations. To attain a label for use in animals, a vaccine must be first approved for efficacy and safety. Despite the fact that all commercially available vaccines have undergone safety testing, adverse reactions are still a possibility, and will occur in some horses. Unfortunately for both the veterinarian and the horse owner, vaccine reactions are not always predictable. Vaccines are designed to stimulate a horse's immune system so that it can mount a response when exposed to certain diseases. Since what is being given to the horse is meant to stimulate the immune system, then certain side effects, such as potential fever or muscle soreness and malaise (a general dull feeling) not uncommon. More severe side effects are also a potential in

our horses, and these could include abscess formation, muscle necrosis (death of muscle tissue), or anaphylaxis (severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction). Any time that an adverse reaction is encountered in a patient, it is important that it be reported to the manufacturer so that they are monitored and dealt with appropriately. Due to the potential for serious adverse reactions, it is also recommended that all vaccines be given by, or under the direct supervision of a veterinarian. This will allow for someone to be immediately available in the event of one of the more serious adverse reactions.

As you can see not all of the "simple" things are truly that simple. Thought and education, both on the part of the owner and the veterinarian, should go into the development of a vaccine protocol. The best way to gain this education is to first maintain an excellent dialogue with your veterinarian. Often times it is easier for a veterinarian to attain and assess the science behind the various vaccines available, so that the right one is selected for your horse, and obviously that is and always will be the most important aspect of health care



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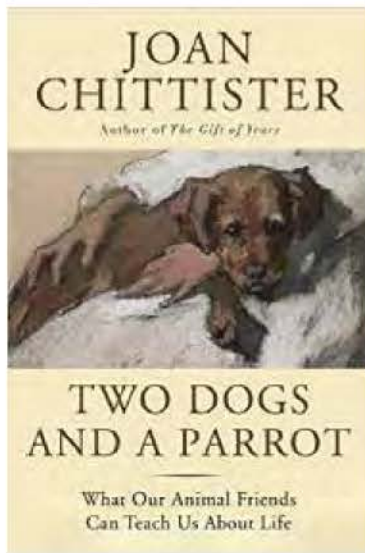
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Book Review: Two Dogs and a Parrot

Written by: Joan Chittister
Reviewed by Allie Werhan

Have you every thought that your pet has personality traits similar to people? Your dog has a sense of humor, your bird can be sly and tricky, or your cat knows how to get its own way. Joan Chittister describes three animals which greatly influenced her and gave her inspiration to reflect on the lessons they demonstrated to her with their daily lives.

Each section begins with a story about one of the animals. Danny is a flamboyant, exuberant Irish setter who knew who he was and what he liked, and whose goal in life was to enjoy every minute. He was aware of the people around him and could be sensitive to the feelings of people. He embodied the ability to live in the moment, to be aware of his surroundings, and he taught Joan to accept him as he was.

Each story is followed by brief discussions of the insights to be gained from the animal's behavior. Joan says, "Many of the stories, I knew, were funny. But some of them, I also knew, were quite surprising for the level of spiritual insight they brought to my own understanding of the human-animal relationship."

Joan Chittister has written and worked in the field of contemporary spirituality, and is currently serving as co-chair of the Global Peace Initiative of Women. This book furthers her work, giving her insight into the relationship of humans to nature and the world. Animal companions aid us "...in the development of our own spiritual lives."

Duffy, the Golden Retriever, didn't know how to be a dog, due to conditions of his early life. His constant presence, his desire not to be alone, and his discovery of the beauty of butterflies brought awareness that he had his own unique character, and was happy with himself.

The parrot, Lady, took change in stride, was able to manipulate her people into giving in to her wishes, and above all wanted companionship and love. She had an interest in almost everything in her life, and had the confidence to deal with it.

Two things will happen as you read this book. You will want more stories about the animals. And as you read each story, you will be anxious to find out what lessons the animals are teaching now.

Two Dogs and a Parrot asks the readers to evaluate their relationships with animals, and to discover what they have been teaching and learning unconsciously, as they move together through their lives.



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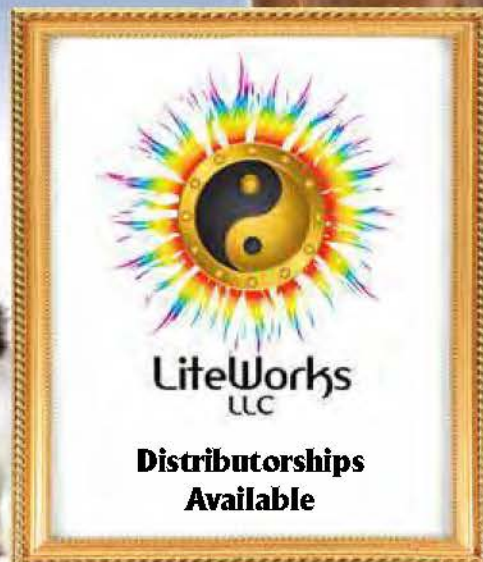
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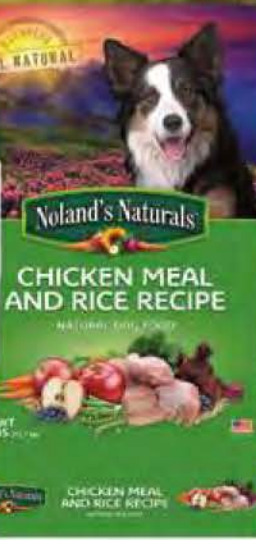
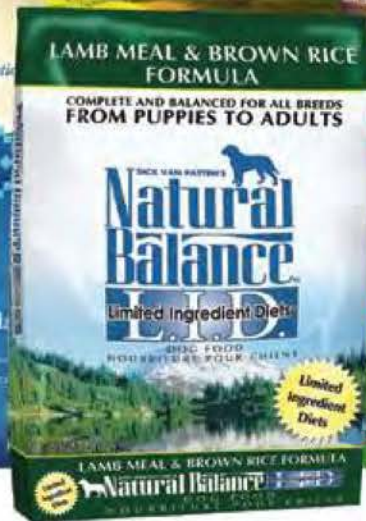
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BUDDY

I'm a male mastiff/boxer mix, 2 y.o., always smiling, well-mannered, good w/dogs, kids, but NO cats. I like hiking, playing, and having fun. Chino Valley Animal Shelter (928) 636-4223 X7.



CARTY

I'm a pretty pitty mix, 6 y.o., and I love attention. I'm a quiet girl who would love my own home where I can snuggle with my new family and feel safe. Chino Valley Animal Shelter (928) 636-4223 X 7.



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I'm a 4 y.o. female purebred Great Dane, black with white trim, about 101#, and I need an experienced adopter. No cats, please. I'm silly, playful and a laid back male dog companion is okay. Great Dane of AZ Alliance 623-869-0409.



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5th Annual Woofstock & Adopt-a-thon; A Fun-Filled Day For The Whole Family.

Story by Ann Herrington

With a colorful, doggy take on the "Woodstock" theme, the 5th Annual Woofstock and Adopt-a-thon in Prescott Valley is a fun-filled day for both two and four-legged people. It's a family friendly event that is sure to please everyone from two to ninety two with so many things to enjoy. The event will take place again at the beautiful grass-filled Prescott Valley Town Center Ampitheatre on Saturday, June 11th from 9am - 3pm.

A big part of the event is the adopt-a-thon with several area shelter and rescue groups in attendance with their wonderful dogs that are ready for adoption and looking for their forever home. It gives you the opportunity to see so many different and wonderful dogs all in one place. You can even bring your current four-legged family member to meet and greet a prospective a new "family member" in a fun and friendly environment. The Adopt-a-thon will be going on all day from 9am to 3pm. It's a win-win for everyone.

This event would not be possible without the support of area businesses and returning Title Sponsors, Prescott Valley Pet Clinic and new Title Sponsors, The Pet Club and Courtesy Auto Sales who will be in attendance as well as many other area businesses, all with something special to share with you. Booths are filled with information, dog food samples and with other products and services for you and your pets.

Another popular part of the event is the many contests and demonstrations going on all day. You can see a complete list of events on our flyer in this issue. Come see the Police K-9 units four-legged officers show off their criminal apprehension skills. Jeri Holton with Farberholt Dog Training will also be doing an obedience demonstration with some of her students and dogs as well as Dog Agility. A new addition to the event will be the Kids Zone which will include an Educational Petting Zoo sponsored by the Chino Valley Breakaway Latigos 4H Club. Kids will learn about many animals and get a chance to see and pet them up close and personal. There will also be a Bouncy House and other kid friendly activities to enjoy all day.

And once again, we will have plenty of great contests for you and your "best friend" where you can win a trophy courtesy of Raskins Jewelers and a prize pack! Enter your pet in our Pet/Owner Look-a-Like, Best Trick or Talent, Best Overall Costume, Best Psychedelic Costume or Best Looking Dog. Whichever one you enter, you'll be sure to have fun! And new to Woofstock this year, will be our Dog Races that we usually present at our Dogtoberfest event. Everyone loves this event so much that we decided to bring it to Woofstock for you to enjoy. You enter your dog based on weight (theirs not yours...lol) and the first place winner gets a trophy and prize. Whether you win or not, it's a lot of fun just to participate and everyone loves watching these races!

As always, we are pleased to have Brad Roberts from Yavapai Broadcasting hosting our event. He is sure to entertain you as he is a huge animal lover and loves this event. He will encourage your dog to sing, jump and entertain the crowd as well as show you the many wonderful dogs for adoption in our Parade of Adoptable dogs. He does a great job every year and both Woofstock and our Dogtoberfest event in October and we enjoy his funny antidotes and observations throughout the day!

Also back again this year is The Yavapai Humane Society with their Wellness Clinic providing low-cost vaccinations and micro-

chips for your dogs. Cats will not be vaccinated at this event due to higher stress levels for them but certificates will be given out for them. Vaccinations and microchips are \$12 each and Rattlesnake vaccinations will also be offered for only \$16.

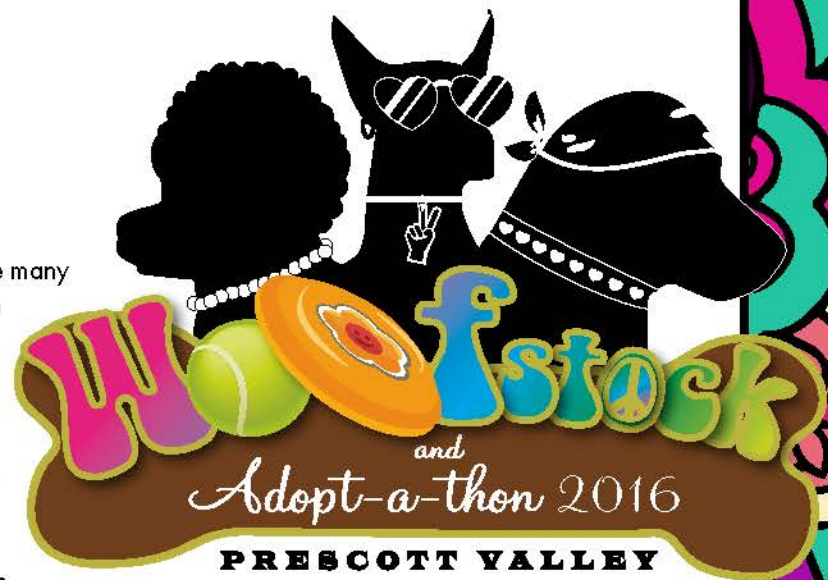
We will also have lots of great food and a pavillion with tables and chairs which provide a shady comfortable place for you to sit, eat, relax and watch everything happening on stage provide by Ace Hardware and Just Ask Rentals.

We ask that you bring only "friendly" dogs to this event because with so many animals there, it can be a very stressful environment for some dogs. If your dog gets stressed easily or is not friendly with other dogs, please leave them in the comfort of your home and come out and enjoy the event. You'll have lots of treats and goodies to take home to him or her.

Also, we ask that you please keep your dogs on a 4-foot leash and keep a close watch on them as again, there is so much going on and so many dogs in attendance that it can sometimes be overwhelming and we want to keep everyone safe. And, of course, don't forget, "poop happens," so when it does, please pick it up. This is a beautiful, grass-filled venue and we want to keep it nice so we will be invited back, year after year.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with many different things at the event like set-up, contests, tear-down and more, and shifts are available so if you are interested in being a volunteer, please call *The Prescott Dog* office at (928) 445-4811. We have a full list of volunteer jobs and shifts for Woofstock.

We hope to see everyone at the 5th Annual Woofstock & Adopt-a-thon on Saturday, June 11th from 9am - 3pm at the Prescott Valley Civic Center Ampitheatre located in the heart of Prescott Valley next to the library! For more information about vendor booths, contests or more, call *The Prescott Dog* at (928) 445-4811 or email our Event Coordinator at cherie@prescottdog.com. For more information about the event, go to our website at www.prescottdog.com



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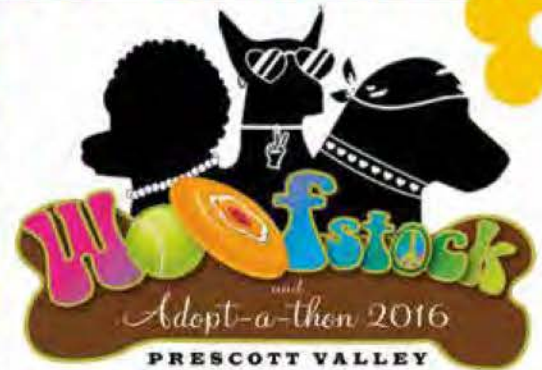


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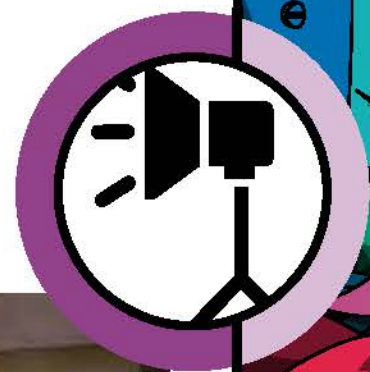
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Prescott Superpawn, "The Gold Guy"

Story By Allie Werhan

Photos by Mary Beal



1.) Superpawn owner Steve Todd with Summer and Ammo

2.) Superpawn Summer and Ammo waiting for a customer

3.) Superpawn storefront

4.) Superpawn gun shop

As you enter the Prescott Superpawn, you see a man at the far end of the counter using a computer, the owner Steve Todd is talking to a couple of men, and behind the counter, looking for all the world like they are waiting on customers are Ammo and Summer...who put the "paw" in pawn. They are Steve's dogs who, he jokes, "Have more friends than I do!"

Ammo is a shepherd mix, Summer is a Catahoula mix, and both are rescues. "They are family, they rescued me." In December, he lost Buddy, a 17 1/2 year old Jack Russell, a very difficult event.

Steve has been in the pawn/sales business in Prescott for 6 years, but his family has been in the business in Chicago since 1952. He has a brother in Phoenix with 6 stores. Before coming to Prescott, Steve lived in Los Angeles, in the art business for 25 years as an agent for artists, selling their work to cruise ship lines and galleries. He still does some art appraisal, and is involved with the art community in Prescott.

"I buy and sell gold, jewelry, guns, and other items, and sell gold and silver the cheapest in town," Steve tells me. A graph of precious metals prices is on his website so people can know before they come in roughly what the current prices are. Coin collectors do a lot of business with him, some for the coin itself, and some as a hedge against inflation. Again, he has the lowest prices in town, and weighs everything out in front of the customers as they watch. "It is important to me that people walk out feeling as good as they can if it's something they have to sell because of circumstances. I want them to feel comfortable with the transaction." Steve uses a scale authorized by the State of Arizona, the only one in town the first few years he was here. How he evaluates items is not a secret process.

Many of his customers have become long-term friends, even coming from out

of town to buy silver or gold. "Word-of-mouth advertising is very important in Prescott." Steve points out that he lives in the community and is part of it, and is here for the long term, so it is important to establish and keep good customer relations.

Steve has taken courses in art appraisal, precious metals and stones buying, as well as firearms courses. He has people who help with guns, making sure they are safe to use, and sometimes restoring old guns.

There are rifles, shot guns, pistols, air guns and other firearms as well as hunting knives and even a hunting bow in Steve's inventory. Federal and State guidelines describe what background checks need to be done, and every gun is inspected and examined carefully.

People in the know shop with him for jewelry, because he can sell diamond rings and gold, silver or platinum jewelry for about 80% off retail prices. New things come in every week, so it pays to check regularly if you are looking for a special ring or other item.

Steve makes his home on a few acres in Prescott Valley, with his dogs, horses, goats and a cow. He enjoys spending time with his animals. He especially enjoys the weather here, and the art community. "This place is a good fit for me," Steve says, noting the good restaurants, the dog-friendly places, and a special pleasure, the hometown parades in Prescott.



Besides the gunsmiths Steve works with, he has Chooch Marrujo, who works in the store with him. And of course, the dogs "work" there, whose job it is to greet people and sniff out doggy treats with their superpower, their dog senses.

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If you want to find out something interesting, ask about the zombies. And Steve says you can get a free gift by visiting him and saying, "I saw you in Prescott Dog Magazine."

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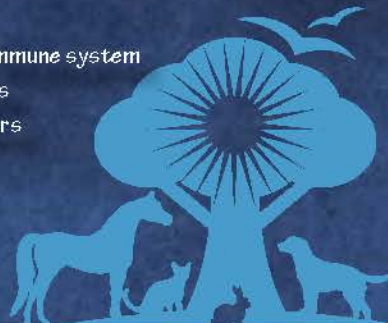
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Hot Dogs

By Heidi Dahms Foster



As late spring and early summer approaches, temperatures are rising. We shed the heavy clothing, don the flip flops and shorts, and move on with our activities. But now is also the time to think about how higher temperatures can affect our dogs.

It almost goes without saying that dogs should not be left, even for a short time, in a car when temperatures rise. Cracking a window is not enough to keep the temperatures low enough to be safe. If you think you'll just be in the store for 10 minutes, don't count on it. You might run into a friend and talk a bit too long, or even have a medical event and not be able to leave the store for some time. Don't take a chance on losing your beloved pet because you thought your car was cool enough or that you'd be back quickly enough. Summertime is the time to leave your dog at home, unless you are sure you will be with him the entire time you're out. The back of pickup trucks applies as well – the sun bakes the truck bed, and your pet has no protection from the elements, not to mention the danger of falling out.

Many dogs, like babies, ride quietly, or fall asleep in the car, especially if they ride in a kennel. Be sure that the first thing you do when you arrive at your destination is to get your dog safely and immediately out of the car.

Hot pavement is something many pet owners do not think about when taking their dogs with them

to summer activities. Dogs have tough feet, but not tough enough to stand up to blistering hot pavement, concrete or sand. Avoid painful burns - be aware of where you are asking your dog to walk! If it's too hot for you to touch, it's too hot for them.

If you are a hiker or a jogger, and you love to take your dog along, that's great for both of you. But make sure your pet is in good condition to withstand the intensity and length of the activity. Take plenty of water along for both of you, and allow for appropriate rests. When you're playing fetch or other games at home, keep an eye out for your dog becoming dehydrated or overheated. Many dogs will chase a ball until they drop.

Be especially careful with puppies, older dogs, dark colored dogs or dogs with short noses. They don't deal as well with heat and activity. Generally, it's better to exercise your dog in the morning or later in the evening. Remember that dogs don't sweat like people – they cool off by panting. An overheated dog will pant excessively, drool, stagger, and can become lethargic.

You might want to trim your dog's coat in the summer, thinking it will cool him off. However, double coated dogs that are shaved can sunburn, and shaving can cause more overheating problems. The double coat naturally acts as insulation. If you shave your dog, make sure he stays inside and has very short exposure to sunlight or heat.

If your dog becomes overheated, move him to a cooler or air conditioned area, and pour cool, but not cold water over him. Let him lick ice cubes or sip cold water. Call a veterinarian immediately.

At home, if your dog spends time outside, make sure he has plenty of cool, clean water, in a place where he can't knock it over. Dogs love wading pools in hot weather as well. Shady areas and shelter from the weather also are paramount.

As summer festivities and thunderstorms approach, plan ahead for your pet's safety. During fireworks, make sure your pet is secure in the house, and turn on the radio and air conditioning. Shelters are inundated every summer with terrified dogs that escape during fireworks. And please, don't take your dog to a fireworks event! Parades and other activities with many people can be stressful to dogs.

Thunderstorms also are frightening for many dogs. There are many natural products on the market to help your dog safely "weather the weather." Talk to your veterinarian about which might be helpful for your dog.

Generally, if you think a situation would be uncomfortable for a child, it probably will be uncomfortable for your pet. With a little prior planning and care, you can ensure a safe and enjoyable summer with your best friend.



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A Tale of Two Kitties

By Allie Werhan



Two little kitties, both gray tuxedos, both in need of forever homes, were taken in by United Animal Friends and have found foster homes while they await adoption. Two very different backgrounds could have had very different outcomes.

White Moccasins, hereafter called Moxie, came from an older Navajo gentleman in Gallup, New Mexico, who manages a feral colony of cats there with the help of two neighbors. He also rescues dogs. When he can take young kittens out of the colony, he will socialize them for adoption, which is what happened with Moxie. Born around the first of October, she has 4 white feet, hence her name.

The rescuers heard about UAF from the shelter in Gallup, and the two young people drove Moxie all the way to Dewey, as well as bringing a puppy to Chino Valley. Suzy Ball of Dewey is a long-time UAF volunteer who is also a registered nurse. She works with Dr. Lynn at Kachina Animal Hospital to ensure that new cats in the UAF program get altered, vaccinated and tested, and any necessary medical attention.

After Moxie went through that process, she was fostered to John Apfelzweig who is an Air Force veteran attending Embry Riddle for his degree. Moxie likes to sleep on John's lap while he is working at the computer, and play on the computer when she wakes up. She has little yarn balls she plays fetch with, bringing them to John to throw for her. After a while, she destroys them. Since he is in class all day, she gets lonesome and wants his complete attention when he gets home. He says, laughing, "I have to scrape her off the ceiling to get her to calm down." Moxie doesn't like other cats. Without knowing her full back-story, it is not possible to know why, but she needs to be the only cat. She is loving and affectionate with people, and wants to be in their company. She is absolutely fearless. Suzy says she would probably be okay with a dog as

long as it was bigger than she is.

The Navajo gentleman is also a jeweler, and made a small onyx bear for Moxie, decorated with turquoise. It represents the protector, designed to take care of Moxie as she left him for her new life.

Freddie's story is very different. He also came from Gallup, from the shelter with 6 other kittens, all from different litters. He was solo, no siblings, and was put with a foster with 5 of the others. Unfortunately, some of the kittens had major health problems. Suzy, who is the foster for medically challenged kittens in UAF, took the kittens at that point.

Suzy started monitoring Freddie, birth date 8/28/15, because he had some upper respiratory problems and was unresponsive to medication. He also failed to grow and thrive. At Kachina, Dr. Lynn took X-rays and noted Freddie had an enlarged liver and his small intestinal tract was thickened and had only a pinhole-size opening throughout. Serious nutrition absorption issues kept him from good health. Dr. Lynn and Suzy devised a plan to help Freddie heal.

Suzy weaned Freddie off regular kitten food and onto a very high protein grain-free food. It took 2 months to do this, but then Freddie began to respond, and gained about 3 pounds in 2 weeks by the end of March. He also had more energy, slept less and started annoying the adult cats. He had found his kittenish self!

The future looks much brighter for Freddie, but he will always be a special needs kitty. His liver and small intestine can't be repaired, and he will need the expensive cat food for the rest of his life. The food will keep him alive, and as a bonus, his litter box is virtually odor free and his intestines are functioning well.

Freddie, cute and cuddly now, likes to be petted, and parades around showing off his elegant plume of a tail.

Moxie needed a foster home and Freddie need medical assistance. United Animal Friends pays the medical bills, but the need for cat and kitten fosters is great. If you think you can do this, UAF wants to talk to you. There are some rough spots, but they are not so difficult when you realize that this little ball of fur would not survive without your intervention and nurturing. Those little round eyes looking at you with love and happiness, that soft purr as the baby drifts off to sleep, and that round little tummy full of nutritious food are all because you took the time to care and be compassionate toward this vulnerable little being.

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1.) Moxie indulging in cat nap



2.) Moxie on the prowl



3.) Moxie enjoying her supper



4.) Suzy Ball with Moxie



5.) John Apfelzweig

6.) Moxie posing for the camera

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JOJO

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MR. BIG

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Autism Service Dogs

By Gary Degeronimo



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It is generally understood that Service Dogs perform tasks for people who are challenged with a variety of disabilities, from those dealing with physical mobility issues that require assistance with daily life functions, to those medically diagnosed with psychological and emotional concerns that require immediate intervention to interrupt certain behaviors.

What follows in this article simply addresses some of the ways our four-legged partners can provide assistance to those who face the challenges of having been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

First, we start with the premise that a Service Dog is a well-trained, well-behaved canine. Then we see that Service Dogs can be trained to perform specific tasks that address the particular disability that they will be assisting.

As an example, someone who has a disability that requires assistance with physical mobility, i.e. unable to pick up dropped items, a need for help with getting up from a chair, assistance with pulling a door open or pushing it closed, and more, will benefit from a "Mobility Service Dog" who is trained to perform these types of life function tasks.

In the case of the Autism Service Dog, a canine is trained to perform certain tasks that will assist the individual with Autism in their daily life.

ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) poses certain challenges and it is important to know what those challenges are for the individual and what the Autism Service Dog could do to mitigate those challenges.

In very simple terms, Autism is a developmental disorder. It can affect sensory, memory and motor control as well as social and communication skills.

Here are some of the benefits that an Autism Service Dog can provide:

Wandering or Elopement: A common behavior of autism is that of wandering away. This is particularly troublesome for parents who fear that if they stop or turn their backs, the child will continue to move forward and basically "wander" away.

One command that I train to the Autism Service Dog is the "Go Find" Command.

A good example of this is the story of the mother who was traveling with her young autistic son and his Service Dog on a plane which landed at the Washington, DC Airport. Once the plane landed and passengers started to deboard, the child exhibited another common behavior known as "Bolting" and ran from the mother, through the crowd of people leaving the plane. Because the mother couldn't make it through the crowded aisle of people on the plane, she commanded the dog, "Go Find Nick" at which time the dog flew through the crowded aisle on his search for Nick.

Once the mother was able to make her way quickly off the plane, she found her son in the lobby area standing next to his Service Dog.

Another example of a simple training technique for the Autism Service Dog is something I like to call the "Emergency Brake." The importance of this technique was demonstrated to me while I was working with a family after placing the Autism Service dog in their home. It occurred at a large Mall complex in the Phoenix area.

Their young son who is autistic was walking with his Service Dog ahead of his parents. We had just finished a training session in the Mall and were walking out toward the parking lot.

As I was talking with the parents, the young boy began to wander ahead, Service dog by his side and leash properly attached to the boy. The young boy was heading toward the busy parking lot completely oblivious to the traffic. This Service Dog had been trained to not only stop by the curb, but once it heard a command by the parents, it turned back toward them with boy in tow, thus preventing the boy from stepping into the traffic.

Stimming: Many people with ASD will engage in a behavior referred to as "Stimming" (Self-Stimulatory Behavior). This could be a repetitive movement such as flapping, rocking, spinning or repetition of words and phrases.

Autism Service Dogs can be trained to stop or interrupt this behavior by nudging which can divert this behavior.

Social Isolation: As you can imagine, autism and behaviors associated with it

can create social isolation especially in children who lack communication skills. Having an Autism Service Dog gives that child a best friend who will exhibit unconditional love. A well-trained Service Dog will also attract the attention of others thereby allowing more social interaction.

Quality of Sleep: For those who deal with ASD, sleeping, or lack thereof, could be a significant issue. Many children will have difficulty sleeping or staying in their rooms at night and will eventually end up in the parents' room.

Autism Service Dogs can provide not only companionship but comfort which will allow those children to have a better quality of rest as well as keeping them in their room at night.

I was recently contacted by a mom who told me about the many positive differences she had noticed since the Service Dog came into the home. But one of the most significant changes had to do with her daughter's sleeping routine.

For years, the child would need to take a certain medication at night to help relax her so she could rest. After a short period of time that the Service Dog had been sleeping with the child, as well as the strong bond that had developed between the child and the dog, there was no longer a need for the medication.

These are just a few of the benefits provided by the Autism Service Dog. Most dogs trained for this type of Service are individually trained to meet the needs of that one person.

In the many years I have worked with Autism Service Dogs, I continue to be amazed by the connection they develop, over and above the Service Dog training they receive, toward that individual they call their "Person." The bond is strong . . . the bond is forever!



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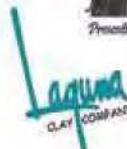


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Max & Jerry

Story and Photos by Allie Werhan

When Jerry met Max in 2012, Max was a stray rescue who had been bitten by a rattlesnake. When the representative from Soldier's Best Friend, a group that provides service dogs for veterans, introduced the two, Max, a skinny 18-month old pup, came up to Jerry and laid his head on Jerry's thigh and looked up with his big brown eyes. Jerry said, "This is the one." The representative said, "There are more dogs." Jerry replied, "Yeah, but he's the one, and he already has a name, Max."

Jerry is a Vietnam vet with PTSD, and he needed a service dog to help him with nightmares, which Max knows how to do. The two went through 6 months of intensive training together, 2 or 3 times a week. They even appeared on Channel 10 in Phoenix to demonstrate the training process. Max is smart and quick to learn. They were one of the first 3 teams to graduate the Soldier's Best Friend training program.

Several years ago, Jerry was in a motorcycle accident and lost his left leg. Max understood that Jerry was not the same as he was before, and that he now needs more looking after. Soldier's Best Friend will train them for more tasks if needed.

Max sleeps on a platform beside Jerry's bed, and if Jerry has a nightmare, Max gently puts his feet on Jerry and shakes him till he wakes. When they go out and Max wears his vest, he knows he is working and is very protective of Jerry. Sometimes they go for walks without the vest around the Las Fuentes Assisted Living facility where they live. Max loves that, because he is a friendly dog and likes to meet and greet people. "He's my service dog and everybody's pet," Jerry says. "I'm known as Max's person around here!"

It is not proper to pet a dog wearing a service vest because that dog is working. The dog's person should always be asked, and permission given, before the dog is touched or spoken to.

A healthy, good-looking boy with beautiful eyes, Max is a 6-year old Shar Pei/yellow Lab mix. The Shar Pei shows in the wrinkles on Max's forehead. An artist brought that out in a special picture of Max that Jerry has on his wall, along with photographs of family and friends, and of the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Jerry has a roommate, Boyd, who is also a veteran, having served in the Army. Jerry is a Marine. The two men enjoy gardening and are preparing to grow vegetables this year in a part of the communal garden plot residents of Las Fuentes share. They've worked out a watering system and have also started some plants in their apartment.

There is a dining room for Las Fuentes residents where Max is welcome if he is wearing his vest. Often Jerry and Boyd will prepare a meal in their little kitchen, where they have a microwave and other appliances. Several various caregivers come each week to help the two, and sometimes they will prepare the meals.

From Denver, CO., Jerry has lived in Arizona since 1962. He met his wife, since passed, in Winslow, and they raised their family there. He has a son, daughter, three grandsons and a great grandson. Many of them are service members, in the Navy, or Air Force. Relatives still live



1.) Jerry & Max at Home
2.) Max
3.) A Drawing of Max

in the Denver area and around the country.

In late summer, Jerry is planning a vacation in California to visit a woman whom he and his wife raised as a daughter. A nephew and niece will travel with Max and him, to help drive his van and to keep him company.

One thing Jerry would like people to know is how important a service dog is to veterans with PTSD. "A lot of guys came back physically but not mentally," Jerry says quietly. Max really helps him a lot, giving him security and mobility he might not otherwise have. As needed, Max will learn how to pick things up and bring them to Jerry, and do other tasks around the apartment. He already acts as an auxiliary doorbell,

barking loudly if someone comes to the door.

When the door opens and he discovers the visitor is harmless, he is all wiggly and glad for the company. He makes it obvious later that a belly rub might be in order.

Jerry and Max make a special team, each depending on the other for companionship and love. "He is somebody to talk to," Jerry says. "I tell him everything."

Max is no blabbermouth and keeps Jerry's secrets. A knowing look of love passes between the two. all the people can understand and enjoy their pets. Lizzie has found her niche...at the top!

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Yavapai Humane Society to Hold Grand Opening for New Equine Program

Yavapai Humane Society (YHS) is holding a Grand Opening event for its new equine program on June 4, 2016. The event will be held at YHS' equine property at 3731 N Road 1 W in Chino Valley.

The event takes place from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. It features a ribbon cutting ceremony with local officials (at 1:30 p.m.) as well as interactive stations and games explaining the purpose of the new equine rescue, rehabilitation and adoption program. The community is invited to attend the free event; no RSVP is required.

While Yavapai Humane Society has been rescuing cats and dogs for 44 years, it recently decided to include equines in its mission to promote and protect the health, safety and welfare of animals. YHS purchased the 7.3-acre Chino Valley property in December 2014 and its volunteers and supporting contractors have been putting extensive work into updating the property, making it suitable for operations.

Ed Boks, YHS' Executive Director, explains, "the purpose of this initiative is to rescue, rehabilitate, and adopt out equines with quality of life who have been abandoned, abused or neglected. Long-term plans for the program may also include serving differently-abled people and vulnerable populations through therapeutic, educational, and recreational activities with horses."

The YHS' Equine Program environment is centered on an innovative equine enrichment approach referred to as a "track system." Rather than using traditional stalls, this pioneering design spreads resources (food, water, open shelter areas, etc.) along a track, encouraging movement and enabling group housing.

Director of YHS' Equine Initiative, Nina Ekholm Fry, says the program helps meet the basic needs of horses while they are receiving rehabilitation and training. "Some of the biggest issues horses in our community face today have to do with being housed in very small spaces without other equines and without the possibility to eat a little bit at a time. By allowing horses some choice in their environment along with the opportunity to move, to live together with other horses, to eat frequently and have comfortable resting areas, we can positively affect their overall health." She continues, "In our program, medical rehabilitation will be done in partnership with



Yavapai Humane Society

veterinarians and the behavioral rehabilitation is based on ethical and effective training principles."

YHS will continue work on the property up to the Grand Opening and program launch. Those who would like to donate to the new program can contribute at www.yavapaihumane.org/equine.

About Yavapai Humane Society Yavapai Humane Society (1625 Sundog Ranch Road, Prescott, Ariz.) has been serving Yavapai County's citizens and animals since 1972. YHS operates a shelter in Prescott, a Thrift Store, and a Spay/Neuter & Wellness

Clinic, offering low-cost spay/neuters and vaccinations. In June 2016, it will launch a rescue, rehabilitation, and adoption program for equines. In July of 2010, the organization adopted a No-Kill Ethic which has led to its current live release rate of 97%, making YHS the safest shelter in Arizona. Connect with YHS at www.yavapaihumane.org, www.facebook.com/YavapaiHumaneSociety or www.twitter.com/YavapaiHumane.



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The Life and Times of Bella the Bulldog

By Cherie L. Dreves

Bella the Bulldog was born February 12, 2006, in Moscow, Russia, a pretty tough place to come from but her destiny was about to change. Bella arrived at Sky Harbor on April 14th, just under the wire as her flight was the last live animal flight of the season, due to heat restrictions. When I pulled her from her travel abode, she was small, white, beautiful and very odoriferous after her long flight. I spent 20 minutes outside the cargo terminal so enthralled with the puppy and wondering why she smelled so bad. I didn't realize then that this was foreshadowing of the future. She was destined to be a very organic dog.

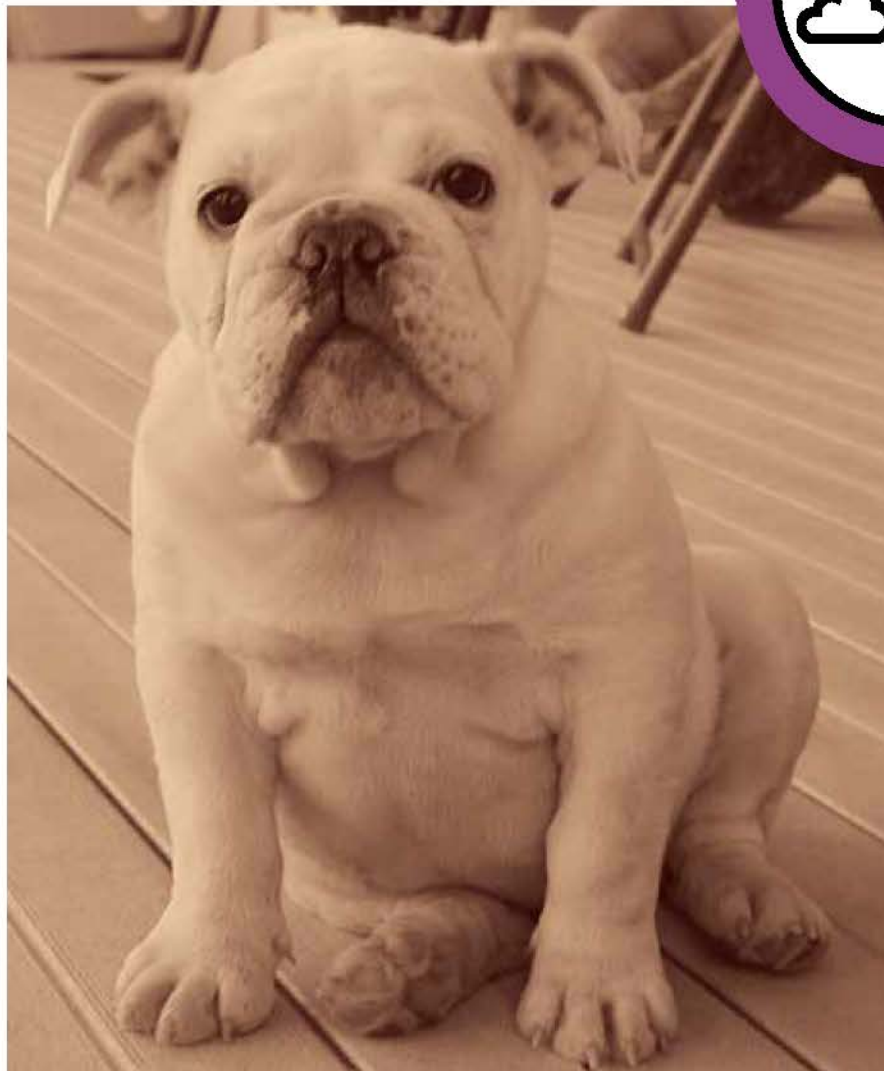
Soon after we made it home, her health issues started to surface. We dealt with Giardia, Coccidia, Cherry eye, all within the first 3 months. All are curable but the doctoring endured by a pup so young was at times, heart breaking. I had purchased Bella because I wanted to try my hand at a sport I had loved all of my adult life, showing dogs. How could I ever get her well enough to show? We did it with the aid of a platoon of local veterinarians, many of which expressed that had she not come to our home, the alternative for her would not have been pleasant. Later in life she dealt with bladder crystals and hip problems. We loved her through it all, altering her surroundings to make her comfortable.

Bella was wonderful and loving, with plenty of quirks. She boldly "plowed potatoes" when she was in the ring; meaning that she consistently had her head pointed to the ground. No amount of training was going to change her mind. She ran around the house, running with her backside two inches above the ground, so we came to refer to that as drag racing.

She had an affinity for one toy above all others, her alien plush toy. She would spend hours suckling the tummy of those poor aliens. Originally we had 5 aliens, but after a span of 10 years we ended up with 3, two for daily use and one that was put up in the event there was a catastrophe with the other two.

Bella liked to survey the fridge. If you opened the door she would stand on the bottom interior of the fridge and s-t-r-e-t-c-h to see the fare available. In reality it was all a mystery to her. She had such sever allergies that human food was totally out of the question, along with 80% of canine fare.

Bella the Bulldog left us the afternoon of March 21st, 2016. It was a beautiful Arizona day, first day of spring. Spring is a time of renewal and rebirth. I am thankful that we had her as part of our lives for 10 years. I am grateful that she is now free of all her infirmities. Bella was a funny little clown that could put a smile on anyone's face.



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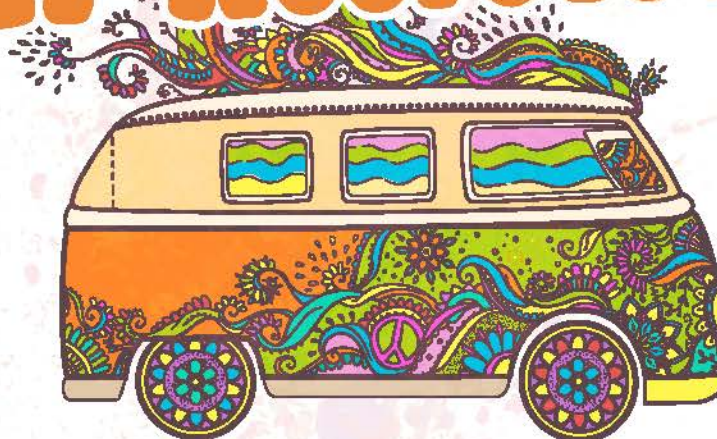
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