



Fall 2013 JOANIE AND PIPER OSCAR AND FELIX

Success Story: Winston, Senior Chocolate Labrador Retriever

Winston was a senior dog rescued from a defunct sanctuary. He lived there for 4 years with many other animals, pretty much fending for himself. Lorraine Sakli and myself took him in as a rescue three weeks before hurricane Sandy hit. We had a great foster in Manhattan. But poor Winston was sick the entire time. Luckily for us, our foster home in Westchester wanted to foster for us again and Winston went there. He had two large dog buddies and the love of a great foster mom and dad. But getting Winston adopted was a very very long process and in fact took 10 months. Senior Pets NYC has always matched a dog with the home and not the other way around. I think this method has allowed the dogs that were rescued to find the right home the first time. Although Winston had inquiries and applications, the right home did not come along...until now! Winston went to his new home almost a year after being rescued and he is SO happy.! He has a new cat friend and the love of a mom and her adult son. You can tell by the smile on his face that Winston is home! Thanks to Lorraine, Joan and Keith, and now new mom Anna and her son Nick, for taking in this senior dog and giving him a home for the rest of his life. No one knows how long we have. We have to treasure every moment and make our pets feel loved for as long as we have them. Way to go Winston—you are finally home!





Got a question about cancer, nutrition or a curiosity about another pet health topic? Send us your or your pet's question and we'll ask our experts to answer! Stay tuned! Be creative and ask your question in video format (youtube or Vimeo) before September 15, 2013 and you'll be eligible to win a comprehensive nutritional assessment of your pet from a board certified veterinary nutritionist. Ask the Vet now: https://vetvine.wufoo.com/forms/vetvine-ask-the-vet/

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Living With Dogs

The 5 Pillars of Dog on Dog Greetings



- **1. Ask first, greet later.** Always ask the owner's permission before you let your dog meet another dog. The other dog might be shy, fearful, leash reactive, or—who knows?—in training to learn better greeting manners. This goes doubly for dogs in off-leash areas: If the other dog is on leash, there's probably a reason. Call your dog to your side and clip on the leash until you are well past the other person.
- **2. No pulling to say hi.** Your chances of a successful greeting increase if your dog doesn't come on too strong. Even between dogs it's not considered polite to rush up and put your nose into someone else's face. Insist on loose-leash walking on the approach. If your dog strains at the leash, change direction for a few steps and then try approaching the other dog again.
- **3. Relax.** If you feel anxious about the greeting, your dog may pick up on it and react with over-excitement or fear. Take a deep breath, put on your best happy voice, and keep the leash nice and loose—a taut leash can add unintended tension.
- **4. Keep'em short and sweet.** Even if two dogs are getting along famously, it's a good idea to cheerfully encourage your dog to walk away with you after 5–10 seconds. Why? If a fight is going to happen on leash, duration is almost always a component because leashed dogs don't have the option of increasing social distance when uncomfortable.
- **5. Don't force it.** If your dog doesn't seem interested in saying hello, don't insist. Not all dogs enjoy the company of other dogs, and many dogs feel less comfortable saying hello while on leash. That's okay, too.

On the cover: Piper and Joanie, senior beagle sisters—Houston Beagle Rescue—Beaglerescuemail@aol.com

Oscar and Felix—senior beagle buddies—Humane Society of Fulton County Canton IL—critterqueen@astoriail.net

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"A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than you love yourself. Josh Billings



SENIOR DOGS FOR ADOPTION



Cessa, is a 12 year old poodle thrown away after spending her life as a breeder dog. Now she needs a real home! Please contact NY PET-I-CARE ADOPTION PROGRAM at 212 614-7194



Beau, age 10 is a cute little Boston Terrier waiting for his permanent home. He is a good foster home in NYC and was an owner surrender dog. Beau is in good health, has some minor skin issues and you can contact snortrescue@yahoo.com to adopt.



Geranium is a female senior lab whose owners abandoned her in a park..who would do this. Look how sweet she is! She is at Animan Haven—call 212-274-8511 or email kendram@ah-nyc.org to Meet this great sweet Labrador retriever.



Murphy, 18 lb corgi/jack Russell mix looking for his new home. He would prefer a quieter environment with dogs similar to him but he does get along with other dogs. Contact 917 689 8414 or email amsterdog@gmail.com to meet this cute little guy!



George, 7-8 year old beagle is a calm and mellow submissive dog. He is not a barker. He likes his naps and getting petted. George came from the south and howls outside with an accent (kidding!) This little guy wants to be your next best friend! Contact 646-732-3795 or email sugarmuttsrescue@yahoo.com



Mike and Mabel are two 8 yr old Bonded beagles in Pittsburgh PA who need a new home.
Owners are away a lot and they spend a lot of time in boarding.
Look how sweet they are! To adopt this Instant beagle family please email saveakillshelterdog@yahoo.com



DeeDee is a 9 yr old 13 pound havanese mix dumped at a kill shelter. She had no vet care for her entire life. She is now all fixed up and ready for a new loving home. This sweet dog is a real catch! She likes to snuggle and play a game of fetch. Contact patricia.strayfromtheheart@gmail.com for more info.

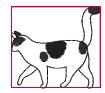


SAMMY age 10, is a Shetland sheepdog sheltie in need of a forever foster home. He lived with a hoarder his entire life and now his liver is failing. He may have two years left, and the rescue will pay his medical expenses for a forever foster home. Sammy needs a real angel now, tristate area only. Contact sheltielove94@aol.com. Sammy is only 14 pounds.

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Anyone who considers protocol unimportant has never dealt with a cat. - Robert A. Heinlein



SENIOR CATS FOR ADOPTION



Lance was saved from being put to sleep at the local shelter. He is such a sweet boy and deserves a new loving home. Please contact dimitra.socialtees@gmail.com or call 718 213 1099 to meet this great cat.



Reign is a long haired senior cat. She tolerates other cats but might be happiest as your only one. Please email adopt@anjelliclecats.com or call 646 427 2130 to meet her.



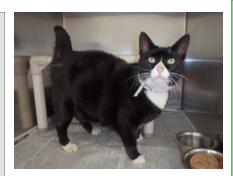
Mimi is a friendly cat saved from the kill list at the local shelter. She loves attention and gives head butts! Give her a day or two to get acclimated to a new home. Contact adopt@anjelliclecats.com or 646 427 2130



Zoey is a sweet cat that lost her guardian but she is making the best of it. She loves to give and get affection and petting and is waiting in her foster home for you to adopt her. Contact info@jerseycats.org or 201-305-3436



Abagail—this senior
American curl is a survivor.
She was abandoned on an expressway and came from CA to NYC where she was given lots of vet care and nursed back to health. She would make a great companion. Contact adopt@taviandfriends.org
Abagail is special needs due to chronic health issues.



Jessie wants to be your girl!
She was surrendered to the shelter at age 15!! But she does not look it at all. She would love a new home to live out the rest of her days and she is a very sweet cat.
Contact karenapow@aol.com or associated humane society at 973 824 7080



Mandy is a very mellow kitty with a loving personality whose owner passed away. Great with other animals and people. Please contact bobbi and the strays to adopt her at adopt@bobbicares.org or 718 326 6070



Cassie, a domestic long haired female is 12 years old and was dumped with a housemate at the town shelter. She would love a new home. Contact courageouscats@yahoo.com for adoption information.

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FEATURED BONDED DOGS! MR JINGLES AND SUGAR BABY



These bonded pair of maltese were brought to a shelter when the owner passed away. They are 6 years old and need a home together. Sugar Baby is 6-8 lbs and Mr Jingles is 10-12 pounds. They are great with kids and other dogs and they potty outside and on pads. Please email info@anarchyanimalrescue.org to foster or adopt them! They are on Staten Island, NY.

FEATURED BONDED CATS: BONNIE AND CLYDE



Bonnie and Clyde are 12 year old purebred tonkinese surrendered to a Shelter when owners moved into a no Pet apartment. They are healthy and fixed and they really need a home as they are living in a cage together. If you would like to adopt them, please contact catassistanceny@gmail.com or call 914-667-7877/419-2574
They are in Ardsley, NY.

ADOPTING PAIRS! How to have an Instant Pet Family! By Linda Schiller, President, 11th Hour Rescue

Can you imagine losing your home, your family, and your best friend all at once? This is a reality faced by many shelter dogs every day. When bonded pairs have come into a shelter, we have seen dogs literally mourning the loss of their friend when one gets adopted without the other. They can become despondent, depressed, lethargic and have no appetite when they are missing their best friend. There are so many wonderful reasons to adopt a bonded pair beside the fact that separating them may cause them anxiety or acting out, i.e. whimpering, chewing, crying, etc. They will keep each other company and help each other settle into their new environment. Dogs that are bonded not only learn from their new owners but from each other. We often see dogs learning by mimicking their buddy's behavior. When adopting, please consider taking two because as we all know, dogs are like potato chips-you can't have just one!

Linda Schiller President Eleventh Hour Rescue Www.ehrdogs.org

Please visit the site to see some of the bonded pairs and solo dogs and cats for adoption at this rescue!

Go Fetch! By Bodie

My BFF is a cat! Yep that's right. My best friend is Scooter the 17 year old cat. Here we are on the couch.



He follows me to the door when mom gets ready to walk me. He lays down in my bed sometimes when I am in it! I do get a bit frisky with him sometimes, I don't know why! But mom tells me to cut it out and I do! Annie is afraid of me an d Bailey just does not like me at all, but Scooter and I are friends and it is kind of nice to have a cat friend!

Mom and I are going to be visiting at a hospital in September. We are really looking forward to a new place to do pet therapy. It tires me out but it is great to be able to make people smile! I make my mom laugh and I know about 9 tricks now too! This is Bodie saying an early Happy Thanksgiving and eat good treats. Your friend, BODIE!

