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NEWSLETTER DEDICATION

Our Haven to Home Newsletter is dedicated to all of the past, PRESENT and future Haven to Home Foster Families. Without our foster families there would be no Haven to Home. Willingness to open hearts and homes for orphaned dogs has allowed Haven to Home to place over 312 dogs in our short existence. Our foster families are truly the "Haven" in Haven to Home. They are very much appreciated for all their efforts as we strive to help homeless dogs in the Central Pennsylvania Susquehanna Valley. Those interested in fostering should contact **Vanessa Askey** at h2hevent@ptd.net or 570-568-0929. THANK YOU!



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Haven to Home Canine Rescue looks forward to a new season with renewed enthusiasm, expanded outreach, and new fundraising ideas to help us save more lives here in the Susquehanna Valley. We welcome new volunteers with open arms and encourage dog loving people to get involved.

I'd like to give a big thanks to volunteer Shari Mangels for getting our new website up and running (which was no easy task). It is a data base website developed and powered by Rescue-Groups.org which helps us keep track of each dog and its status, all of our foster homes, our volunteers and our adoption applications. Way cool!

We continue to be without a "Home Base" and are still actively looking for a place to call home. We are looking for a small property with a decent yard. We need a place to store our supplies, have meetings, do trainings and quarantine a dog or two temporarily. We are also looking for financial backers to help make our dream come true.

New people have joined us to become foster families and that has helped us immensely in our endeavor to save dogs in need, and there are so many!! Foster families are the heart of our organization and we would not exist without them. We presently have 25 active foster families and three Boarding Kennels that help us: Aspen Hollow Kennel of Selinsgrove, Miller's Boarding Kennel of West Milton and Saltbox Kennel of Mifflinburg. I'd like to extend our sincere THANKS to these establishments for being there for us and especially for the dogs.

We are a successful rescue, boasting 60 adoptions since the New Year started. This takes hard work and dedication. I'd like to once again thank all of our frontline volunteers, who give up their free time to literally "save dogs" from abuse, neglect and abandonment. Way too many dogs suffer at the hands of humans. The animal welfare laws need to be improved and the ones in place need to be enforced.

If you are unable to do anything else right now, PLEASE contact your legislators and let them know how important animals are to you. Let them know that you would like some attention paid to enforcing the laws to protect domestic animals in Pennsylvania. Thank you!

Robin Montgomery, President

The core of Haven to Home can be summed up by our mission statement

"Our mission is to rescue dogs in need, rehabilitate them in a quality, nurturing environment, and re-home them in a loving, responsible, permanent home as soon as possible. We will strive to promote a culture of kindness in our community through networking and education."

WANTED! Haven to Home is looking for a reasonably priced (free would be nice!) location to store our supplies. We have tables, and totes full of forms and supplies that are used for our events, as well as donated pet supplies. Some volunteers have donated crates and supplies stored in our basements and garages and Sharon at Brookpark Pet Supply has graciously been allowing us to use a corner of her storage room. We are so very thankful for that, but are starting to out-grow the space there. We would like a centrally located (Lewisburg to Winfield area) storage unit, shed or garage that is easily accessible.

MEET BEAR!



I am three years old. I am crate trained and stay in a crate when my foster parents aren't home. My foster dad walks me alot. I am young and have quite a lot of energy. I live in a house with cats, and even though I sometimes like to chase them, I am not mean. I play very nicely with my furry foster brother. I love playing with toys, balls and empty milk jugs. I really like the kids who I live with. They throw toys and I chase them. I am learning lots of new things and I am trying very hard to please. I would love a home with a fenced in yard, or an owner who likes to run or walk. My sisters were both adopted and I am patiently waiting for a family who will love and care for me too.

To see all available dogs, visit www.haventohome.org.

It is wonderful to have so many Veterinary Hospitals willing to help us with the medical needs of our rescued dogs. We'd like to acknowledge the following Veterinary Hospitals for their kindness to us:

Animal Care Hospital
Susquehanna Trail Hospital
Sunbury Animal Hospital
Lewisburg Veterinary Hospital
Selinsgrove Veterinary Hospital

Our Spring Dinner Dance/Auction was very successful! We'd like to acknowledge "Garden Townside Cafe" in Northumberland for catering it and donating the space and the Folk Justice Band for donating an evening full of wonderful dance music!!

Have a birthday party for H2H! Recently, one of our adopters had a Pampered Chef party and instead of merchandise, the consultant gave the proceeds to H2H. Some of the 'party goers' made a donation instead of purchasing an item.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **June 12, 2010** ~ Adoption Event, BrookPark Pet Supply, Lewisburg, 10-2pm
- **July 10, 2010** ~ PetSmart Adopt-a-Thon, Selinsgrove, 11-4pm
- **July 10, 2010** ~ United in Fun Community Festival & Yard Sale with Kidney Foundation of Central Pa., Hufnagle Park, Lewisburg
- **August 14, 2010** ~ Adoption Event, Brookpark Pet Supply, Lewisburg, 10-2pm
- **September 11, 2010** ~ PetSmart Adopt-a-Thon, 11-4pm
- **September 25, 2010** ~ Annual Yard Sale, Watsontown, 7:30-noon
- **October 9, 2010** ~ Adoption Event, Brookpark Pet Supply, 10-2pm
- **November 13, 2010** ~ PetSmart Adopt-a-Thon, 11-4pm
- **December 11, 2010** ~ Adoption Event, Brookpark Pet Supply, Lewisburg, 10-2pm
- **December 2010** ~ Cookie dough sale and giftwrap for charities at the Susquehanna Valley Mall

A HAVEN TO HOME HAPPY TAIL

LaRue and Riley ~ Having a great time together and bonding more every day! The first 24 hours were a little “stinky” since Riley brought home a skunk to show his new dad!



MEET ARTIE!

Artie is a young poodle/shih tzu mix. He really enjoys the leash and walking beside people. He does have a loud bark and can get very rambunctious when he is encouraged to play and run. He does not appear to be used to freedom. He was apparently kept in a crate

most of the time. He is the type of dog that needs to know behavioral boundaries.



Meet Mouse! He is a 6 month old dachshund mix who is in need of a new home because his owners moved and couldn't take him with them. He loves to be hugged and held, and go for walks and to play with his canine friends. He gets kind of sad when left alone. He is a beautiful little dog, weighing 17 pounds, with a collie-like nose, golden retriever-like hair. He is neutered and up to date with vaccines.

Whispering

I am the dog you see on the chain. I am the cat you see in the drain
 I am the friend who has no home. I am the stray who lives all alone
 I am the friend you helped today. I am the one you transported far away
 I am the voice you hear in your head. I am the caged animal who often dreads
 I am the opinion you are trying to change. I am the anger you feel, and the rage
 I am the tears you cry when I am sick. I am the hurt you feel, but cannot fix
 I am the voice in your head, when you cannot sleep
 I am the reason for the long hours that you keep
 I am the voice who desperately needs you
 And if not you...then who?
 I am whispering and you are my voice



This is Luke. He's a 4-month old German Shepherd mix. For more information, visit www.haventohome.org.

DONATIONS AND MEMORIALS ~ THANK YOU!

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In Honor:

Hanna Bingman
 Sallie Jordan, Lewisburg Home Health

New Membership:

Ed Coup

TO OUR SUPPORTERS AND DOG LOVERS

It is only through the support of our members, volunteers, foster families, adopters, donors and friends that Haven to Home has been able to successfully rescue and re-home over 270 dogs since we began in June 2008.



We thank you so much for the support you have provided. In an effort to raise much needed funds for the ever increasing medical expenses associated with our rescue work, we are launching our 1st Annual “Give Me \$5” fund raising campaign and asking for your support with a minimum gift of **\$5.00**. Just as many of us teach our dogs to extend their paw to “Give Me Five,” our rescue dogs now ask you to “Give Me \$5” so that we can assure that all of our dogs receive the medical attention they need prior to going to their forever homes.

If you would like to donate online using Paypal, please visit our website at www.haventohome.org and click on the Donate Button. In the description line list Give Me \$5 OR, if you prefer to contribute via regular mail, please mail your donation with your name, address, phone and email to Shari Mangels, 108 Park Avenue, Selinsgrove, PA 17870.

MEDICATIONS

There are several common "people pills" that can be VERY toxic to dogs. It's important for dog owners to know what they are, so you can prevent any potential problems with your dog. The best advice we can give you is to NEVER give your dog a medication without the advice of your veterinarian. With that being said, for those of you that do give your pets medications OR if your pet accidentally gets into a medication, there are a few things you should know.

Toxic medications may include (depending on dose and frequency), **Ibuprofen (e.g. Advil)**, **Acetaminophen (e.g. Tylenol)** and **Aspirin**.

These are some things you may want to have on hand for your dog's medicine cabinet:

Hydrogen peroxide. Although most commonly thought of as a way to clean a wound, another important use is to induce vomiting when your dog has ingested toxins, foreign objects, drugs or spoiled food. However, check with your veterinarian first because there are times when it is best not to induce vomiting. Dogs won't drink peroxide willingly so buy an oral dose syringe or keep a turkey baster on hand to help administer the liquid. Also check the expiration date; expired peroxide is not as effective.

Benadryl® (diphenhydramine) is an [antihistamine](#) that is commonly used for itching and allergic reactions. Dogs that have had a bee sting, insect bite or [vaccination reaction](#) often need a dose of Benadryl® to calm itchiness, facial swelling or hives. The dose is based on your dog's weight, so check with your veterinarian; he or she can tell you how much Benadryl® you can give and how often.

Pepto-Bismol/Kaopectate—Every dog owner knows about vomiting, diarrhea and gas. Sometimes a dose of Pepto-Bismol or Kaopectate can solve a mild case of stomach or intestinal upset. **However**, Pepto-Bismol contains salicylates, the active ingredient in aspirin, so dogs that are aspirin sensitive should be given Kaopectate. Any vomiting or diarrhea that persists for more than 24 hours needs your veterinarian's attention. Be sure to mention if you have given any Pepto-Bismol to your dog; the tablet form of Pepto-Bismol looks just like a quarter on X-rays.

Triple Antibiotic Ointment—Topical antibacterial ointment is great for superficial wounds, such as cuts and scratches. It works best when the wound is located where the dog can't lick it since most dogs will lick off any salve you apply. It is not a good treatment for deep wounds, especially if they are dirty or bleeding, or the result of a bite. These need veterinary attention.

Isopropyl alcohol is often a good drying agent for ears. Many dogs that have recurring [ear infections](#) can use a solution of alcohol mixed with vinegar to dry up a wet ear. Alcohol should never be used in an ear that is inflamed or infected, or on a wound, as it burns when applied to damaged tissues. It can also be used in cases where your dog is overheated. Heat [stroke](#) is a life threatening situation that requires immediate veterinary attention, but alcohol applied to the pad of your dog's feet can provide some cooling while you are getting your pet to the vet.

FOSTER PROFILE—VANESSA ASKEY

In August 2008, I responded to an ad in the newspaper seeking foster homes for Haven to Home dogs. When I spoke to the Haven to Home foster coordinator by phone, she mentioned a black lab named Deuce who had been living alone in a shack for over three months. At the time, my family had two dogs of our own and we were keeping my Mom's dog; so my husband made it clear I was ONLY allowed to foster. I agreed. On August 24, 2008, we went out to where Deuce was living and we brought him home and renamed him Thomas. Long story short, two weeks after bringing this wonderful dog into our home, I was supposed to take him to an adoption event. I couldn't take him, so I told my husband that he would need to take him. He wouldn't do it either. In tears, I called Robin telling her someone would have to come pick him up because I couldn't take him...I didn't want to see him go. Well, Thomas, my first foster, has been a permanent part of my family since September of 2008. We didn't foster again for almost a year. I began working with a wonderful dog (some would call him a difficult dog) named Rocky who Stay N Play in Lewisburg was graciously holding for us. I ended up fostering Rocky. Teary eyed, six weeks later I said goodbye to him as he went to a wonderful home in Milton. After Rocky, came Nero (now Douglas), Denzel, Buddy and then Ranger. Ranger was a four-year old, starved lab mix who had spent his life on a chain. Ranger made me a little crazy the first few weeks. He would bark all night unless I slept with my hand in his crate. Even though he was four-years old, his development had stopped when he was chained as a puppy. Ranger had so many behavioral and psychological issues resulting from mistreatment before he was rescued. We went through a lot with Ranger in the three months he lived with us, but it was all worth it. I loved Ranger like he was my own. Giving him up left me crying for many, many days. Two weeks after he was adopted, I had the chance to go see him in his new home. His new Dad asked me if I was going to cry when I left that time. But I didn't cry. I could see that he has a great new life, is very happy, is well cared for and is being well loved. Don't get me wrong, Ranger is the dog I will always love and miss. But, if I wouldn't have given him up, I wouldn't have been able to help Rosie (now Sadie), Fiona, and Tina (my current foster puppy). Why do I foster? Because of dogs like Rocky and Ranger who really need someone to give them a lot of love and a little training while we search for their forever home!

When I meet a new foster family, I tell them the absolute hardest part of fostering is giving up the dog. Many tears will be shed and some dogs will seem almost impossible to give up. But, when you look back and see the difference you have made in these dogs' lives, it is definitely worth it.

P.S. I saw Nero/Douglas and Fiona at our Microchip clinic in April. Both dogs look fantastic and are doing wonderful. Douglas was hardly recognizable with his sleek black coat that was once brittle sunburned fur. Fiona has grown quite a bit in the last few months. Denzel is enjoying his new life with lots of love and freedom and Buddy loves his daily hikes with his new family.

SKIN AND COAT CARE

Eggs make coats shine. A weekly scrambled egg added to your cat or dog's food helps keep her coat shiny, and it's a healthy treat your pet will love. Raw eggs are off limits, of course, because they could be contaminated with salmonella.

Mouthwash for skin problems. Mouthwashes are a good all-around disinfectant for your dog or cat. Use one of the stronger mouthwash brands as an astringent on your pet's skin to disinfect wounds, clean cuts and scrapes and cool down boils and other hot spots. Just moisten a cotton ball with mouthwash and dab it on the affected area to help a banged-up dog or cat heal more quickly.

Go bananas! Add about a third of a soft banana to 1 1/2 cups dry food. Slice it, mash it and stir it into the pellets. Not only does it add variety and a bit of healthy sweetness, but a bit of banana also will settle your dog's stomach.

MEET TYSON AND DUKE!

Tyson and Duke are 9 month old twin collie/german shepherd mixes. They are living with a family who rescued them from a breeder who was ready to destroy them because they were not purebred collies. They are very friendly, good with kids, other dogs and love attention from everyone! They even like to play with the cat in the house.

They are crate-trained and housebroken, but like a typical puppy if they are not supervised, they can get into trouble.

They were separated once for a few days but were not very happy as they did a lot of moping and looking for each other even though there were other dogs in the house to keep them company. A home where they can be kept together would be best. With some exercise, training and affection, these two will show you the best of both breeds. They will be neutered and vetted before they go to their forever home.



BREAK THE HABIT OF JUMPING

Dogs jump on people for a variety of reasons. They want attention. They want to be closer to you and jumping gets their face close to your face. It can be a very pushy friendliness. And it can be a dominance gesture. But this can hurt a child, or an elderly person during the collision.

If you push a dog away, he is being rewarded by getting

your hands on him. If you yell "get down," that also is attention. To discourage jumping, ignore your dog, also turn your back, or walk away when he jumps. This removes the reward and incentive and prevents jumping from being a successful behavior.

When a dog sits, praise him or give him a treat. Withhold all attention (even eye con-

tact, or speaking), until all four paws are on the ground. Ask visitors to pet your dog only when he sits. This teaches your dog to associate good things: attention, praise, treats with sitting.

There's no quick and easy cure. Be consistent.

BREAK THE HABIT OF JUMPING



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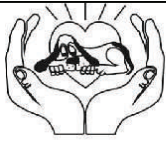
If you're curious about what it takes to be a foster parent to an abandoned or stray dog, take a minute to read our frequently asked questions at www.haventohome.org.

What is a foster home? Foster parents provide temporary homes for dogs prior to adoption. Providing foster care is a wonderful and personal way to contribute to saving homeless pets. Haven to Home is seeking foster homes for dogs only.

Important Numbers to Know!

To report animal cruelty, contact Officer Jack Audrey for Snyder and Union Counties and Officer Kris Sullivan in Northumberland County. For all counties, you can call the hotline at

1-866-601-7722



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Those that want to help but are unable to foster or adopt can still make a difference in other ways by volunteering. Contact Vanessa at h2hevent@ptd.net. Some of those helpful activities include dog transportation, fundraising, adopt-a-thons, dog handling at events, home visits, and exercising with a dog. Donations are always welcome! We are currently in need of nylon leashes, postage stamps, crates (all sizes), toys, treats, blankets, beds, stainless steel dog dishes, feeding stands, Lupine combo or Premier Martingale collars. If you shop online consider shopping through I Give. Go to www.igive.com and select Haven to Home as your cause. Monetary donations are always needed and appreciated. Checks can be written to "Haven to Home" and mailed to Laurie Allison, Treasurer, 625 Hillside Drive, Berwick, PA 18603. Those who prefer to use a credit card may visit our website and donate via PayPal.

We wish to acknowledge our deep gratitude to one of our fellow animal care organizations for all that they do. Haven to Home thanks SUN P.E.T.S. (Prevent Excess Through Sterilization) for their continued support. For more information about SUN P.E.T.S, please visit their website at www.papets.org.