



BAY AREA PET ADOPTION NEWS

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FIVE LUCKY DOGS

In prior newsletters we have shared information about heartworms, their deadly impact upon dogs, and the painful treatment required to eradicate these worms once they have infected a dog. Shelters seldom administer treatment due to its expense, so adoption opportunities for HW+ dogs are limited as few adopters are prepared for the cost. This January we rescued five heartworm positive dogs and administered treatment. Below are their stories. The success of our efforts is in the adoption rates – all five have found forever homes. Unfortunately, we have exhausted our funds for this medical treatment. Please consider donating so more wonderful HW+ dogs will have a chance to discover a lifetime of love.

Beauty is a three year old german shepherd mix that likes to play with toys, balls or other dogs. She has the perfect personality for a family pet and is full of love and affection.



Daisy is a two year old terrier/miniature pincher mix that is literally sweet as a Daisy. She adores people and other dogs. She loves attention and is especially fond of belly rubs. She is good on leash and has all the makings of a great family pet. Daisy shares her forever home with two feline rescues.



Grayson is a three year old shy grey terrier that is content to be held and cuddled. He vocalizes his satisfaction with grunts of gratitude. He is extremely low key and is happiest curled up by your side, in your lap, in a dog bed with sides, or just about anywhere he can nest.



Parker is a two year old Pomeranian mix with lots of energy and personality. This little guy likes toys, is good with kids, and can keep you and himself amused for hours. He is house broken and has lots of love to share.



Rocky is a one year old terrier mix with a real appreciation of “a” words like activity, attention, and affection. This independent guy likes to play with other dogs and toys. He adores human companionship and is very willing to snuggle up with you in a chair or on the couch.



HELP US SAVE MORE DOGS!

Feeling Groovy at Woofstock 2017

April 1st wasn't just any old April Fools Day. It was a day for everyone to get out their t-dye shirts and peace signs in support of Bay Area Pet Adoptions.

Once again, Boondoggles and Chelsea Wine Bar hosted our annual Woofstock fundraiser. Everyone enjoyed visiting the Silent Auction table in addition to all the other booths. Entertainment included live music, a canine costume contest, a best tricks contest, and 12 Bay Area Pet Adoptions' canines that strutted their stuff in hopes of catching the attention of their future forever families. I do believe some hearts were stolen that day! The event was a huge success raising over \$9,000 for the shelter.

We thank Boondoggles, Chelsea Wine Bar and everyone who came out in support of our pets.



Hanging with Mittens & Paws

Mittens: Hey Paws. I have a question for you that may be beneficial to those who are adopting a new dog. Hypothetically, a family has adopted a shelter dog, and they were told that the dog might be house-broken, but when they get home, there are accidents. Why would that happen?

Paws: Well, Mittens. That is a very good question. You see when a dog lives in a shelter, they do not always get frequent potty breaks, so even the best, house-broken dogs, may have accidents in their kennels. It's not their fault. They just couldn't hold it any longer. Can you imagine having to wait until someone lets you out to potty?



It would be best to take a newly adopted shelter dog outside frequently and on a regular schedule. You see, a potty schedule is key! Also, the new family should supervise and really pay attention to his behavior. Dogs usually show signs when they need to potty. And of course, if they notice their new shelter dog going potty outside, they should praise him.

Accidents may happen. For example, if he gets excited playing he may forget to take a potty break...then there may be a "whoops" inside! Be patient. Don't yell, or rub his nose in it. That is scary and he doesn't know why you are doing it. Also, if you are not going to be home to supervise your new dog, try crate training or confining him/her to a small room so possible accidents don't mess up your house.

Remember, your new shelter dog really wants to please you, so just give him a chance to settle in and adjust to his new schedule. You will be happy you did!

Donation Form

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Please return this reply with your donation in the enclosed envelope, knowing that we will continue working hard to care for more animals and find them homes.

Or **DONATE ONLINE** at www.BayAreaPetAdoptions.org/donate.html

The Healing Power of Your Donations

Meet Blue, a four year old Yorkshire Terrier mix. When Blue came to the shelter he was suffering from chemical burns on his entire underside, legs and paws. The severity of the burns caused him to lose all the hair on his chest, throat, legs and his paws, both top and bottom. As anyone who has suffered a burn knows, they are very painful. Severe burns like his, require specialized treatment. Blue was kept in our med room for several weeks as our vet techs worked to prevent infection and keep him comfortable. His skin has finally healed and we are happy to report that hair is growing back on all of his paws. We hope his chest will follow suit. Blue is a great little guy. He loves rawhide chews, toys, and hasn't met a dog he didn't like. Best of all, Blue has been adopted and has a wonderful woman in his life he can call his Mom. We couldn't have helped this cutie without your support! Thank you for giving us the chance to change his life.



Blue

Kitten Season is Upon Us at BAPA!

Every spring we see an increase in litters and this Spring is no exception. Without any real cold weather this year, the breeding season has been even longer for 2017. Traditionally, kitten season runs from April through October, but we have already received



our first three litters of young ones and are bracing for more. At Bay Area Pet Adoptions we want to be able to take in and give the promise of wonderful homes to as many of the sweet, precious lives as possible. You can help us make their future possible by helping us in any way you can. Please consider adoption, and if you cannot adopt, please help us with donations, and if you cannot donate please consider volunteering. We want to save as many lives as possible this litter season, but we cannot do it without your help.



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Happy Tails

We love receiving updates on our adoptees...

Dear BAPA,

I've been meaning to update y'all for some time now. We adopted Bo, formally "Bebo", about 5 years ago. I'm sure you remember that he was very anxious, aggressive, terrified of strangers, etc. My husband and I worked so much with him. We did our best to show him that the world wasn't such a scary place, and that he could trust humans. Very slowly, we began to see Bo begin to trust and relax. He is most happy when someone is petting or loving on him. His only downfall now is that he begs and begs for pets and affection-demands it even by putting his head under your arm so you'll pet him! His biggest test came this past June when we welcomed our first child. We weren't sure how Bo would react. He had only been around children a handful of times, and it was clear that he was not a fan of their unpredictability. We very slowly introduced our son to Bo in a way that Bo could learn about the baby and the noises and smells in small doses. Our little boy is 9 months old now and I have to proudly say that Bo is his best buddy! Now that he is crawling, they have interacted much more and Bo is SO GOOD. He is calm and patient when little hands reach out to touch him. He is always keeping a watchful eye and making sure that his other fur-brother doesn't get too rowdy around the baby. My husband and I agree that we feel more than comfortable with the baby playing around Bo. We are so proud! And we thought y'all would be too! Here are a few pictures. Its difficult to get pictures of babies and dogs both looking their best at the same time, so I don't really have many. The one of the whole family cracks me up!

Mostly, I just wanted to give an update and say that we are still so in love with our sweet Bo! He has been such a blessing to our little family over the last 5 years and has really changed and grown more than we ever expected. You most certainly can teach an old dog new tricks!

Thanks,
Daryl Dagley

