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Message from the President



Dear Friends,

With a new year underway, we have found that our work has intensified. Discarded dogs who were holiday gifts, and countless unwanted family dogs have pushed all the area shelters to the brink. We have taken in a maximum number of dogs since the year began, a token compared to the overwhelming number of dogs abandoned by their owners at shelters. We at DAWG often encourage people to check with shelters first, since DAWG dogs are safe and will be nurtured until adoptive homes are found for each one. However, keep in mind we go to shelters to save dogs as we adopt out DAWG dogs. Unfortunately, shelter dogs often have a very limited time to be adopted before they are euthanized. It's a sad, short life for too many wonderful dogs who don't deserve to die. And particularly sad for dogs who are dumped into shelters simply because they're getting old and require more medical attention.

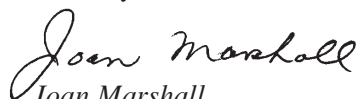
On a lighter note, we hope that your new year started well and that your resolutions have been met. No? Then please consider our easy "resolution solution" that will make it a healthier and safer year for your dog! To help you prepare for an emergency, we've included a first aid kit supply list, a "how-to" flyer on CPR, and a poison control number you should keep on hand. We've been shocked by how many people report their dogs have stolen medications from counters and even purses this year! Never presume that even the smallest

amount of any ingested medication can be treated on a "wait and see" basis. Always contact poison control and your emergency vet IMMEDIATELY.

The new year brings new things, including two new additions to our newsletter: **Robin's Corner**, authored by Robin Tierney, a senior humane and behavioral educator in the metro DC area; and **Pawsitively Puzzled**. Both columns will address pet-related concerns, but **Pawsitively Puzzled** will give you the opportunity to share your insights or questions regarding your pet. Write to us and we'll consult with our experienced volunteers, the backbone of Best Dawg Rescue. Can't wait for the next newsletter for an answer? Write us at dawg@dawg-rescue.org, and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

May this be a good year for all of us!

Sincerely,


Joan Marshall
President

Ginger Needs Your Help!

Our Ginger was a starvation case seized by Animal Control and then offered for adoption through the shelter. When we received a call about this plain but sweet dog who hadn't been adopted, we knew she would be ours. When Ginger came to DAWG, she was so small that we thought she was a Chihuahua mix! However, Ginger quickly blossomed into a tall beauty with a wavy red coat and floppy ears, making her a stand-out at adoption shows. But Ginger



seemed to be having trouble with her legs.

Because DAWG never hesitates to seek medical care for its dogs, we rushed Ginger to the vet. The diagnosis: Ginger had a possible bacterial infection in her legs. Ginger sailed through treatment and was considered in the clear, but her legs looked like sticks (indicating muscle atrophy) and she still appeared to have difficulty walking. This time her diagnosis wasn't as promising. Ginger had *avascular necrosis* in her hip (the bone that makes up the ball portion of the hip was damaged from the lack of a blood supply). Ginger's case was severe because of the pain and fragility of her hip joint. The result: Ginger had FHO (femoral head osteotomy) surgery that removed the weakened section of bone. Unfortunately, recovery is slow and it now appears that she is favoring another leg. Our little Ginger has a long road ahead of her, but we will make sure she receives whatever care she needs to live a painless, happy life.

If you can help us support Ginger's medical treatments, please send a contribution to DAWG, PO Box 34213, Bethesda, MD 20827. Thank you for helping a little one who deserves a lot of love!

HEALTH...Caring for Animals

Common household medicines that can harm your pets (courtesy of the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center).

Various nonsteroidal, anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) commonly kept in the home—including aspirin, ibuprofen and naproxen— can be very hazardous and even deadly to pets, warns APCC Senior Vice President, Dr. Steven Hansen, veterinary toxicologist.

In addition, pseudoephedrine—an ingredient commonly found in cold, allergy and sinus medications—can be extremely dangerous to companion animals. “Pseudoephedrine has a very narrow margin of safety in dogs, cats and other animals,” says Dr. Hansen. This means that it does not take much of the drug to cause a serious problem. As little as one tablet containing 30 milligrams of pseudoephedrine could produce clinical signs in a 20-pound dog, including nervousness, hyperactivity and elevated heart rate; a dose as small as three 30-milligram tablets could be lethal to a dog of similar size.

NSAIDs can produce symptoms ranging from gastrointestinal upset to seizures, and even coma. To avoid a potentially lethal situation, always keep medications out of reach. A pet can easily chew into a bottle or tube. And remember: never give your animal medication without first talking to your pet’s veterinarian!

If you suspect that your animal companion has ingested a NSAID or anything harmful, do not wait to call your veterinarian or the **ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center’s emergency hotline at 1-888-426-4435** for round-the-clock telephone assistance.

Robin’s Corner



Crates: A Lasting Investment

What do crates and IRA savings plans have in common? They are wise investments that offer benefits now and in the future.

Crates, when used properly, are an excellent tool for housetraining new dogs of any age.

Any dog, in a new environment, can get into mischief, from chewing and scratching furniture, to choking on something left within the dog’s reach. Crates provide a safe haven when a responsible person is not around to supervise.

Crates also take advantage of the canine instinct to avoid messing where they eat and sleep. While a crate shouldn’t be so huge that the far end invites use as a potty station, it should be large enough that if the dog has an accident, he doesn’t have to sit in the mess until you get home.

Remember: canines, like humans, can’t “hold” their bladders and bowels indefinitely. A dog typically will have to relieve herself more frequently when newly introduced to the household. It is up to you to tend to her basic needs, establish and maintain a dependable feeding/outing routine, and teach her good behavior. Behaviorists caution that overuse of crates can negatively affect socialization, so limit stays to 6 hours at a time for adult dogs, and 2 to 3 hours at a time for puppies.

Clearly, the cost of a crate is not just a short-term investment. Uses include:

- **Personal space:** You can leave the crate set up in a family living area with



the door open, so that your dog can retreat for a rest or private time.

- **Safe zone:** There are times that even super-friendly or laid-back dogs should be securely confined – such as when handymen or houseguests visit. In a crate, your dog can be safely occupied with his favorite toy or treats.

- **Bunker:** Fireworks outside? Repair work inside? Any canine can get rattled under stressful conditions. Put the crate in a quiet room to provide your dog with a relaxing environment.

- **Travel aid:** In a car, an unrestrained dog can become a flying projectile if you have to brake suddenly. Avoid that risk, and keep nervous canine travelers from hopping around, by using the crate in your vehicle. When traveling, a crate also allows you to safely confine your dog in a hotel room or host’s home.

- **Time out space:** Never use a crate for punishment. But as long as you’ve established the crate as a peaceful, pleasant place, you can use it to help a rambunctious dog settle down.

- **Recovery room:** Even mature, reliable dogs can use a secure space when recuperating from illness, injury or surgery.

- **Private dining room:** For multiple-pet households, avoid fights over food by feeding each dog in his or her own crate. This is also a good idea if young children are around while your dog is eating.

- **Separate quarters:** Some wonderful dogs just aren’t totally trustworthy around other dogs or cats, so separate them when a responsible adult can’t be there to supervise.

Crates are no substitute for proper training, adequate exercise and ample social interaction each day. And crates are no substitute for teaching household members and visitors how to interact properly with your dog. But a sturdy,

Kids Walking Dogs: Risky Business

If you think your child should assume responsibility for walking the family dog, THINK AGAIN. Children don’t have the strength or adult judgment to respond properly if your dog gets loose or an unattended dog approaches. The horror of a dog fight, injury or death because a dog ran in front of a car is a nightmarish memory for a child. And what if a child is injured? Even “nice” neighborhood dogs can engage in a fight. Why take the risk? If an adult can’t walk the dog, opt for supervised exercise in a fenced yard. Cautiously engage dogs and children in positive, interactive games. If you don’t have a fenced yard, you may be able to use a friend’s yard or even your rec room. Life can change in a second. It’s an adult’s job – not a child’s — to prevent avoidable accidents!

I've seen a look in dogs' eyes, a quickly vanishing look of amazed contempt, and I am convinced that basically dogs think humans are nuts. —John Steinbeck

foldable wire crate is an investment that increases in value. For more information, see "Crates and Crate Training" www.dawg-rescue.org/tipscratetrain.htm

Robin Tierney writes frequently on canine issues and is the editor of DAWG Tips.

Pawsitively Puzzled

How appropriate that our volunteer, Joanne, is inaugurating our column with her sage advice for people thinking of giving up pets because of children's allergies. Joanne, who responds to "DAWG Line" messages, shares the following response to a troubled parent whose child is showing signs of an allergy to her dog:

Before you give up your 11 year old dog, let me tell you about my personal experience. When my son was about four years old, he had his first asthma attack. Without any investigation, my pediatrician told me to get rid of my cats! Well, I refused to do that. They were my babies, too. I proceeded to give my son his medication, including inhalers, etc. But it turned out that his asthma was NEVER caused by the cats! It was caused by grass, pollen, trees, mold, etc. He is now 14 years old, and has not had an attack in a year.

Editor's note: "The...cockroach allergen is the primary contributor to childhood asthma in inner-city home environments," says Dr. Kenneth Olden, Director of National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) in a recent news release. The study found that high-rise buildings are a haven for roaches, while single-family homes tended to have more dust mites, the second highest insect-related allergen. Insects aren't the only risk factor for asthma. Cigarette smoke and allergens from mold are also asthma hazards. The study appears in the March, 2005 issue of The Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology.

Also, allergy shots have come a long way. Talk to your doctor about allergy

injections and about allergy testing before making any decisions regarding your dog. Even if your child is allergic to the dog, the allergy injections will help. Taking care of your child's allergies now will only help him in the long run. Allergens are everywhere. You may be able to lessen them in your own home, but you have no control of the world outside your home. Prepare your child for any situation he may encounter by building his immunities now.

It's Not Too Late! New Year's Resolution You Can Keep

Here are some special resolutions worth keeping this year. Your dog will thank you for it.

Check your dog's basic equipment!

Does your dog's collar have a secure clasp and fit well (with two fingers' wiggle room)? Is the ID tag attached to a sturdy "O" ring (which won't catch on anything), and does it clearly identify your last name, address and all phone numbers? If not, most pet stores offer instant tag machines; or pick up a tag brochure and order several so you always have an extra one handy. If you walk your dog, does your walking gear (harness or chain collar) provide effective control? If walking is literally a

Save the Date!

Be sure to mark your calendar for **DAWG Day Afternoon 2005**, our annual picnic and reunion. This year's picnic will be held at Greenbelt Park on **Sunday, August 7**. We will have contests so that adopters will be able to show off their DAWG dogs. Each dog will receive a doggie bag, and each owner will receive a teeshiet and will eligible for door prizes.

Would you like to help us prepare for this event or help on the actual day?

Please write us at dawg@dawg-rescue.org and let us know how you would like to get involved!

Please support us TODAY, so we can help dogs when they need us!

Donation of:

\$25 \$50 Other: \$ _____

Annual pledge of \$ _____ payable (select one) monthly or quarterly

Credit donation of \$ _____ (go to www.networkforgood.org and select Best Dawg Rescue/DAWG).

Gift of a security (please contact us at dawg@dawg-rescue.org to provide additional information)

Other: Please explain: _____
(please print)

In (Circle one) memory or honor of: _____

Notification to: _____

Address: _____

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Interested in helping in other ways? Don't forget purchasing online through iGive.com. If interested in volunteering, please contact us at dawg@dawg-rescue.org.

drag, we may be able to recommend corrective techniques. Lastly, does the leash hook snap tightly and not give way when lightly depressed? Loose clips can open when a dog strains. All dog supplies need replacing over time, and it doesn't hurt to have a "spare."

Check your fence! Walk along your fence to ensure there are no rotten or loose boards, bent/rusty chain link, or eroded areas in the ground under the fence. Check your gate lock too, keeping in mind many dogs use their noses to push locks open. If you have a "digger dog" (always suspect it's possible), consider staking screening material along the base to avoid a "dig-out" even if your fence touches the ground. Even older dogs who have never tried to escape will accept an open invitation, such as a gap in a fence and a squirrel in your neighbor's yard, to explore the world beyond.

Is your dog's veterinarian care planned and organized? Have you scheduled your yearly appointment? Are routine medications, such as heartworm pills and flea/tick preventatives, on hand? If your dog is on special medication or if you have multiple dogs on medication, consider putting each medication in a separate small baggie with an index card indicating the dog's name, generic as well as prescribed medication name, and dosage (i.e., vets sometimes adjust dosages, and the bottle's dosage may no longer be accurate), especially if you repeatedly refill the prescription. Also indicate contraindications and other medications as a cross-reference on the index card. The baggie will ensure that spilled pills due to a loose top will not scatter. If a dog is on multiple medications, make sure all medications and instructions go into one large baggie so the entire treatment plan and notes are together. Keep them in a safe but visible location and

reference them in your emergency kit (see below). This way, if something happens to you, your dog's medications will not be interrupted.

Are your dog's medical records organized in a folder? Ask your vet(s) for copies of your dog's records, especially if your dog has a health condition or is older. A complete record will provide essential information in an emergency and may even prevent a wrong diagnosis. Make sure you include your own written summary including current medications, allergies including reactions to vaccines, a physical description of your dog including special markings or conditions, a current photo, and the dog's microchip number.

Prepare an emergency kit. There is no substitute for professional veterinarian care in an emergency! However, you may lessen damage or save your pet's life by having an emergency kit on hand and using items in it under direction by a veterinarian.

What should be in your dog's emergency medical kit?

- CPR instructions (see attached flyer)
- Your personal phone numbers, regular/emergency vet contact list and phone numbers, and the poison control number 1-888-426-4435;
- Medical records folder (see above);
- Blunt scissors, tweezers, plastic pet syringe and turkey baster (for administering medications and flushing wounds);
- Rectal thermometer (normal body temperature of dogs and cats is 100.5 to 102.5 F);
- Rolled gauze, gauze pads, adhesive tape and anti-bacterial wipes;
- Styptic powder (to stop bleeding of torn toenails);
- Roll of paper towels, and cloth towels of various thicknesses (one can be used

to muzzle, if necessary);

- Blanket (compact thermal blankets work well for shock and when you need a soft stretcher);
- Flashlight, bottled water, bowl, and extra leash; and
- Medications (for use only as directed by veterinarian): Baby aspirin, Benadryl (for insect bites and anaphylactic shock); hydrogen peroxide 3% USP (sparingly used to induce vomiting), milk of magnesia, activated charcoal tablets (effective in absorbing many toxins), and a small can of soft pet food to absorb poisons in stomach. *Use only under instruction by emergency poison counsel or veterinarian.*

Interested in holistic emergency (and non-emergency) treatments?

Learn about remedies for treatment of abscesses, splinters, diarrhea, insect bites, and emotional stress by consulting with a holistic vet .

For further information on emergency preparedness, please refer to www.dawg-rescue.org/tipsemergencytreatments.htm.

Everybody Loves A Clown... But Why Not Frankie?



Everybody loves a clown, so why can't you?

A clown has feelings, too

*Guess I'll be the guy who plays the part
Of a clown with a broken heart
Dreamin' of your love and not knowing
where to start*

— Gary Lewis and the Playboys

Our Frankie wants a loving home that is devoted to him! He thinks children are fun toys, so he needs an adult only home. Frankie lives to hug and play. He's a highly intelligent dog with a deep soul. **Who wouldn't love our clown with a broken heart!**

Chewing – Misunderstood Misdemeanor!

Everyone knows how children love their "blankies" or other comforting things around the house. Fast forward to your "other child" – your dog. He probably loves your belongings because they smell like you! So when he chews your clothing or other items and actually presents them to you, what should you do? Don't yell, because dogs have short memories and will not make the connection between your displeasure and his chewing. Instead, exchange your belongings for an appropriate toy – and don't forget to say "Good Dog!" as you give him the toy.

Adopter Stories:

Gingersnap/Sophia, Lucy, Winston, Dolly, Jack/Petey, Muffie/Brandi, Clifford/Sawyer, Holly and Berry, Emma Kym/Aphrodite, Joey/Indie, Toby, Charlie, Clyde, Buddy, Ryleigh



Gingersnap/Sophia

Gingersnap's doing very very well. As time goes by, she loses more shyness and gets more confident. A friend told me that her rescue dog "unfolded" over the first month or so, and that's just what Ginger is doing. . .

Louise and Jessica

Lucy

What a joy Lucy is! Each day there is a new part of her personality that comes out. Yesterday when I came home from work I let Cinder and Lucy outside. Well they both went barreling out but then Lucy came racing back in, circled the coffee table a couple time then ran out and sprinted around the yard a couple times. This continued for about 5 trips in and out with Cinder trying to keep up on her stubby little legs. Then Lucy kept running into Cinder as if PLAYING!!!! She's learning! She



is also becoming a lot more snuggly, which seems to make Cinder happy (since I leave Cinder alone when I am snuggled up with Lucy). What a great dog!

Chris

Winston

Everything is going well. Winston has learned to play! When he is not killing them, he brings me his stuffed toys and plays tug a little, lets me win, then I have to throw them, and then we start all over! He also loves the

WARNING: Baby Swings May Trigger Dog Attacks!

The back-and-forth motion of baby swings may activate a dog's instinct to chase prey, no different than chasing cars or tennis balls. This is a natural behavior for dogs. Even among dogs who have shown no previous aggression, there have been reports of attacks occurring the first time the swing is used or even after months of use. Behaviorists suggest that any pet should be conditioned to ignore swings before a baby is put into one. Desensitize your dog by leaving empty motorized swings running until the dog ignores it. Put a real diaper and a crying doll in the swing to further desensitize the dog. In any case, never leave even the most trusted pet alone with a baby for even a minute!



bones. He chews, throws them up in the air, and chases them. The balls all keep disappearing under the couch. Tennis balls seem to be too big for his mouth!!! He seems to be coping nicely with being alone all day. He still has not done one naughty thing!!! The only drawback is that I have to work all day - I can't wait to get home each day to be with him!!! By the way, we seem to be calling him Sir Winston. . .

Louanne

Jack/Petey

Just a note to let you know that all is well with our new son, Jack, whom we now call Petey. He's so, so sweet, as you said he was. He's sitting next to me right now as I write this note. Petey and Emmy have become good buddies. Each morning, they run out of the house into the back yard barking at birds and any other intruders into our yard. This daily routine has helped with their bonding. They sometimes even sleep together during the day on one of our doggy beds.

We are so happy with him and can't imagine not having him. As you can tell, our family is quite taken with dogs. They have always been a part of our lives, as Petey will be, too. We seldom travel because we've decided that



considering the benefits of traveling and comparing it to the wonderful satisfaction of having our puppies in our lives, the puppies simply win out! I promise that Petey will have a wonderful life, as we know that, in the end, we humans are the ones who benefit from our unique relationships with pets. They give us so much love and joy! Thanks for your help and bringing Petey into our lives.

Linda

Muffie/Brandi

We just wanted to drop you a line and let you know how Brandi (Muffie) is doing. First, let us say thank you for the opportunity of adopting Brandi. She has been a great addition



to our family and is just a bundle of joy! Since her adoption, Brandi attended doggie obedience school and did great. She was the co-honor graduate and had the most improved behavior in her class. She has learned many new tricks and has adjusted to the house and yard just fine. It's great to come home from work and get the best greeting in the world!

Laura & Ed



Emma Kym/Aphrodite

It has been a joy (ok, except for the THREE couches and other items she has eaten). But we love our girly girl. We got her a friend a couple of months ago. She loves her and loves to lick her. Thanks for giving us our love, Aphrodite!

Nancy and Argo



Clifford/Sawyer

He is such a dream dog. I am glad he waited for us.

Piper

Joey/Indie

Indie is doing so much better these days. Much less anxious and such a sweetie! He has the cutest little expression and antics around the house. Sometimes he just gets this look on his face and you can tell he's so happy. It's so funny to watch him because he's SO eager to please, he just can't seem to figure out how to do it. And you just want to give him a huge hug because you can tell he's trying so hard! He's such a hoot! And little Ms. Pixie just lies there and watches with a look on her face that



says, "what in the world is he doing?" I can't imagine a better life than with my two pups (oh, yes... and my husband of course!).

Andrea

Toby

He and Rocky are tearing around the yard and having a great time today. Rocky is being so amazing about having a new pup in the house. He is such a sweetheart and Toby



keeps kissing everyone! They have so much fun playing together Toby has slept through the night the past couple of nights with no whining. I think he is worn out from all the playtime. Also no more accidents in the house. Rocky is a very good and calming influence on him. He must be giving him pointers.

Brenda

Charlie

Charlie says: Today has been a busy day for me. Mom woke me up at about 7:00AM and took me out to get the paper. Good thing because I hadda' GO! We had breakfast and an hour walk . . . lots of good sniffing in this neighborhood. Mom did stuff around the house today and at her computer, and she tied my leash to a doorknob so I could watch her all the time. I couldn't wander much because yesterday I got hold of the toilet paper and her shoe. . . guess that is a no, no. I got a little tired and finally sat down to rest. Just about then, she asked me to go into my crate (lots of space in there) while she went out. When she came back, we had lunch. . . we eat a lot! Now



I am waiting for dad to come home so we can eat again. Don't worry about me—Things are going' good.

Adrienne

Holly and Berry

Berry has become my bud...big time! Not that she hasn't been before. . . If I am sad, she is right there licking me. . . When I was home with the flu back in November, she stayed in



or near the bed. Yes, she is strong-willed, but she has a wonderful heart. If she thinks something is wrong with Holly, she becomes very protective of her. Holly remains (to quote a jazz musician) "the soul of solicitude". Lately, she has been more extroverted, running in the yard, more curious when we are out for a walk. Everyone loves them both. How can you not, right?

Best, Reuben

Clyde

We absolutely love Clyde. Kirra and Clyde get along wonderful together. I think it is so important for people to take the time to look into rescue organizations like DAWG when looking for a new pet. Do not buy a dog from a breeder, pet store, etc., when you can save one first. Kirra and Clyde were originally strays. We can't imagine how empty and boring our lives would be without them. And I think they are both pretty happy we found them as well. Thank you, DAWG, for finding Clyde.

Sincerely, Kristine





Re Ryleigh

Ryleigh is a wonderful addition to our family. The kids keep saying “We love having two dogs!”

The Haas Family

Buddy

I wanted to let you know that Buddy continues to do very well. Taking walks (mini-walks) and meeting new people continue to be very stressful for him. But when he’s home with us—which is most of the time—he seems very, very happy.

Here’s something amazing. For the first few months that Buddy was with us, Chuck didn’t dare play his electric guitars anywhere



near Buddy. I’m sure you remember how Buddy was with loud noises and unfamiliar objects. At some point a few months ago, Chuck decided to slowly introduce Buddy to guitar playing. Buddy loves it! Buddy sits right next to the amp! After breakfast, which is when Chuck likes to play for a while before going to work, Buddy runs downstairs and sits next to the amp. He whines if Chuck doesn’t come right down. He is so funny.

Buddy has formed such a nice, distinct relationship with each of us. We’re crazy about him and are so grateful he’s with us.
Liz

We mourn the loss of two of our wonderful dogs.

Six-month old Violet, rescued from a shelter one month earlier, died



Violet

from a blood clot during leg reconstruction surgery. Three days later, we lost Sadie, who had just been diagnosed with untreatable hepatitis. Good-bye for now, sweet Violet and Sadie.



Sadie

HONOR AND MEMORY LISTING

In honor of people

Andrea Maertens & Darren Skoog by Debra and David Throckmorton
Chris Graves, by Amanda Stott
Elizabeth Lean, by Charles Lean
Kate Rooney, by Anon and Eric Jalbert
Ken and Maki Duncan, by a friend

In honor of dogs/pets

Beltway and Monroe, now Anubis and Tundra, by Chris and Lynn Lee
Henry, by Iris Rainone
Scampi, by Carol Wettstein
Lark, and dedicated to Bailey, by Jennifer Crown
Lark, by Arlene Cochran
Pepper, by Thomas Jaehnigen and Deborah Stultz
Nikki, by Veronica Miller
Riley and Tonka, by Bob and Lynne Herman

In memory of people

Loving companion, Sindee Barker Black, by Nicki Jacobs
Michael Moore and Kelly Farrell, by Brian Wee

In memory of dogs/pets

Timber, by Gloria Pound
All abused, neglected and abandoned dogs who never got a chance to share their love with someone, by Toni and Jim Honeywell
Chacha, by Adrienne Bull
Dickens, by Liz Deitz, Chris Lord, Bonnie Hurwitz, Joan Marshall, Ginnie Maurer and Moira Gingery
Buddy Pace, by Joan Marshall



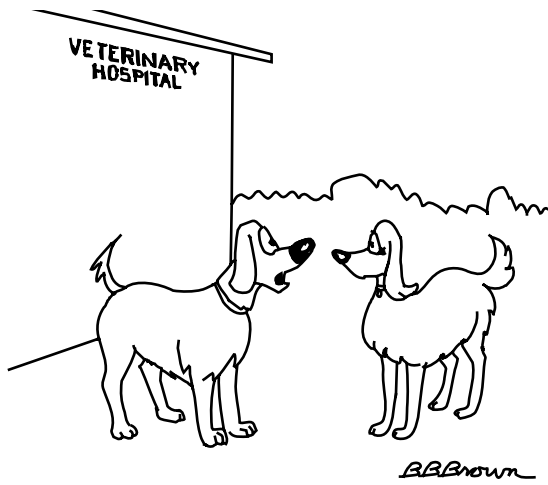
Timber

Goodbye to special dog friends from all of us at DAWG:

Dixie Barber
Annie Hiner
Dickens McClain
Timber Pound
Murphy, Kathy Rodeffer’s special rottie friend
Ellie, Sprout and Molly Richardson
Bailey, whom we tried to save



Bailey



"Let me put it this way, Hazel. I'm no longer gender-specific."

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