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Stinky Poo

Forever In Our Hearts!!!

Stinky Video

I know we have kept everyone updated on our precious Stinky and his journey since leaving the high kill shelter in Philadelphia. For those that don't know Stinky's story...

We were called to see if we could take "a very old shih tzu with issues" Wendy immediately stepped up and said bring him on! Shea Kinsey met Val (who found Stinky at the shelter half way between here and Philly and dropped off a very smelly, very pathetic little guy at my home. Stinky not only had very little hair and was covered with yellow yeast he smelled horrible and he had a very bad case of kennel cough but you know even though I am sure he felt awful he was a sweet little guy and you couldn't help but cuddle him even though he didn't smell very good. Stinky spent the week with me and went to Elizabethtown Animal Hospital and was started on a regimen of meds to try to help his skin and control the yeast. He endured medicated baths every 3 days and after the third day decided he was not happy to be kept from the other dogs and began to be very vocal about it! Stinky went for many walks since he could not "hang out" with the gang in the back yard and after a week he was finally well enough with the kennel cough to meet "the crew" at the Leach house. He walked into the midst of them like he had always been here and did great until he was ready to go to Wendy's. Wendy took him in her arms and I believe she and Stinky both knew they would be special friends forever! Wendy nursed Stinky and he did wonderful. He came to events and really enjoyed being social. He LOVED car rides and Wendy did her best to make sure he got to go places. He loved attention and at events would socialize with all.

A week after his visit to the specialist he stopped eating and Wendy immediately realized something was wrong. She took him to the specialist that he had been seeing and he immediately did an echo and xrays. Stinky's liver & heart were enlarged and he was filled with fluid. He told Wendy she would need to leave Stinky so they could work on him. They drained the fluid and they thought for a few hours that he was coming around but then he went into cardiac arrest and even though they tried for 20 minutes they were not able to revive him. Sometimes our hearts ache because we feel so helpless to help these little ones that were so ill treated for so long and didn't deserve the cards they were dealt and although we wish above all else that we could have given Stinky longer with us we are so thankful that he had Wendy's loving arms for the time he had left! We are very thankful to all of you who support our mission because without your financial support Stinky would never have had the chance to experience true love and family. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts and paws!!



**SPECIAL DATES—
CHECK OUR SITE FOR
EVENTS ANYTIME!**

- ◆ July 21st—Meet & Greet @ Pet Headquarters in Palmyra 11am-2pm
- ◆ August 20th-25th Elizabethtown Fair
- ◆ September 14th—Crossgates Golf Tournament
- ◆ December 2nd—Christmas Basket Bingo. Tickets Available.



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Walk 4 Wags



Dog's will like veggies
as much as ice
cream and they will
live longer!

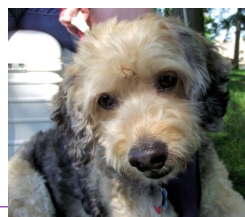
Hmmmm sounds like
a "no brainer" to me!

Thank you for all who attended Walk 4 Wags. Masonic Village is a beautiful place to walk your dogs and stay cool under the shade of the tree lined walking paths and if you have never been to the Masonic Village Flower Garden it is gorgeous and the fountains are always tempting to the dogs :-)

Special Thanks to Holly from Elizabethtown Animal Hospital for doing numerous nail trims, ear cleaning and anal!!! And to Denise Archer for her awesome grooming skills I believe Checkers and Riley were feeling like a million dollars! As always Garden Gate Photography showed up to make beautiful memories with their photography! Thanks so much Ruth and Glenn.

We could not do anything without our wonderful fosters and volunteers and The Gasper family, Jill & Nick Siemon, Shawn & Megan Beachler, Wendy Merkey, Colleen & Kevin McKain, Bonnie Chernich all showed up to help wherever needed, you guys ROCK!!!! Sharon Longenecker, Lori Riddle and Kristen Burke brought their cute foster dogs and made us baked goods!

YUMMY!!!!



Bindi Story



Hello my name was Betty. I was dropped off at a really small shelter that has no money and so there was no medical care and just the minimum to live. The food is whatever is donated so you never knew what you were getting to eat and I wasn't in very good shape anyway. My owner didn't really care about me and my sister and didn't care if we had anything. We weren't played with so we were really scared of people and didn't trust them at all since none had been very nice :-)

My foster mommy and daddy are really nice and after a few days I ventured out of my crate to look around but ran right back in when I saw them looking because I was so scared! My sister Betty is a lot braver than I am so she made friends quickly with everyone. I'm starting to feel comfortable and I really do like my foster family. My foster mommy says I will probably stay a long time because I'm older and only have one eye, and she says that's ok but I hope I get my own forever home who will love me even with only one eye. I have a new name now and it's Bindi, my foster mommy says if I have a new life I should have a new name and I like it!

Please understand that we older ones really appreciate our new lives and make sure we spend a lot of time showing our new owners how much we LOVE THEM!!!!



Cue's Story



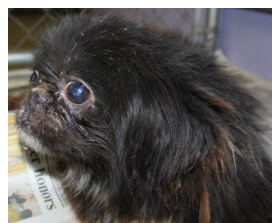
Did you know that lots of older people decide to purchase puppies?? I'm not sure why they wouldn't pick an older dog that they can promise to be there for :-)

My mommy purchased me 3 years ago as a puppy. She is now 82 years old and has Alzheimer's. I am sure she didn't mean to be mean to me but she was and then one night at 1:00am she decided we needed to take a walk and she put my leash on me and we walked and walked and walked. We lived in Columbia and we walked to Manheim.

That's 12 miles and a very long way for me since I'm a little dog with short legs and it was hot! When they finally found my mommy and I the Guardian program was called. My mommy's kids didn't want to deal with her so they certainly didn't want to deal with me. Mommy was put in a nursing home and the Guardian program found 2nd Chance.

I am very confused and get very scared when anyone puts a hand near my head. :-) My foster mommy and daddy are very gentle and they are working with me even when I don't trust and get grouchy. I have been to see Dr. Delany and I am on anti anxiety drugs so I'm feeling a lot more relaxed. I get neutered this week and my foster mommy and daddy are very sure that in no time they will have me trusting everyone. Please think long and hard when choosing a dog we need someone to be there for us when we are old and need them most. When we are puppies we need someone who has the energy and patience to keep up with us and teach us what is right and wrong and give us LOTS of exercise! I can tell you its not much fun to have to figure things out on our own.

Baylee's Story



My name was Boop, my sister Betty and I were dumped at the shelter. We were really, really scared. We ran and tried to hide wherever we could! We wouldn't let anyone touch us but eventually we just gave up and they stuck us in a cage with newspapers to go potty on!!! I tried to be brave for Betty because she was way more frightened! We thought that either we were going to

die or they were going to take us away from each other. The other dogs in the shelter seemed really sad :-) Luckily no one wanted us within the first few days and the shelter agreed to allow 2nd Chance to take us. Sometimes that doesn't happen because if someone comes in and wants one of us and will pay the shelter they give us to the person and don't worry about keeping us together! Now we are at our foster home and Mommy Wendy and Daddy Harold give us lots of love and we can sleep with them!!! Oh and they changed my name to Baylee!



Did you know that baby carrots placed in a dish of water and microwaved for 8 min. stuck in the frig are an awesome treat filling and NOT fattening!!!





Your dogs don't need walks in this heat take them out to go potty and bring them back inside where they will not dehydrate or burn their feet!



2nd Chance 4 Life 1st Annual Golf Tournament!!!



WOW! How exciting!!!

This will be a wonderful event and so vital to continue doing what we do as a rescue! Please if you know people who enjoy golfing make sure to pass this information on to them! Our websites home page is actually the golf brochure making it easy for people to go onto the site and register or even sponsor the tournament.

We have been blessed to have a group of wonderful people in Millersville agree to run this tournament for us and I know it will be a wonderful time and fun for all! Please consider sponsoring a hole in honor of one of our dogs or even one of yours! Door prizes are also being collected at this time.



Golf Packages

\$85 Single Donation Package

Includes greens fees, balls, cart, refreshments, dinner buffet for one person.

\$320 Foursome Donation Package

Includes greens fees, balls, cart, refreshments, dinner buffet for prearranged foursomes, entered via one payment.



The Days' Planned Events

- ◆ Warm up balls free of charge on the range. Your round of golf and the chance to win prizes such as putting contest, 50/50 raffles, Closest to the Pin on all par 3's
- ◆ Mulligan's; \$5.00 each and 3 for \$10.00 (not to be used on Putting greens)
- ◆ Catered dinner immediately following the tournament at Crossgates overlooking the beautiful 18th fairway. Beer is included

Dogs are like
children. If you have
one you are the
playmate. If you
have 2 they play
with each other!

Sponsorship Opportunities

● **\$2,495 Major Tournament Sponsor**

Mention in golf day program as the major tournament sponsor

Banner with company logo displayed and public recognition at registration and meal

Name/company name displayed on the tournament website

Foursome golf package

● **\$1,500 Hole In One Contest Sponsor**

Company banner displayed at the sponsored hole in one green where a lucky golfer can
Win \$15,000

● **\$350 Cart Beverage Sponsor**

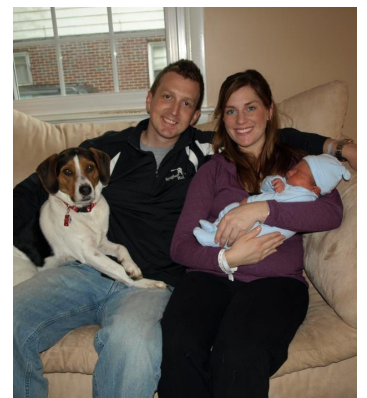
Name in event program

Prominent signage on cart

● **\$150 Hole Sponsor**

Name in event program

Name/company name on tee box sign





PLEASE do not do this to your dog!



This is what happens to a dogs feet that has to walk on hot macadam to long. Why it is so hard to understand that if our feet are burning so are our dogs? Please use common sense in this extreme heat and do NOT walk your dog on the pavements, but only on grassy surfaces.

The above dog will take months to heal and can you imagine the excruciating pain it will endure every time it has to stand up??? There is no excuse for any dog to ever have to tolerate this pain. If you see someone doing this to their dog please stop and talk to them about it. Some people just don't even think about what they are doing to their beloved pet and the dog has no way to tell them until its to late!

A Sad Goodbye to Big Red



Big Red was brought to us as a stray. He was a very big boy and seemed to have some trust issues.. Gail Lehman, one of our awesome fosters opened her heart and home to Red. Red lived with her for 3 weeks even learning to trust her and was learning to carry the paper up the driveway every morning. Unfortunately Red just couldn't totally learn to trust and we really wonder what was done to him for years before he finally came to us. On a Sunday afternoon he attacked Gail and she had to go to the hospital for a cat scan and other issues. We could not "fix" Big Red and he was to dangerous and unpredictable to have in a home so we unfortunately had

to help Big Red take a journey over the Rainbow Bridge. We pray that Big Red has found peace. We are saddened beyond words to know that this big boy was not trained to know love and trust but instead to fight. Please if you see a dog being mistreated report it immediately to your local police! Big Red deserved a better life than he was given on this earth and we need to stop the sport of fighting with dogs! R.I.P dear Red.

Is Mulch Dangerous to your dog?

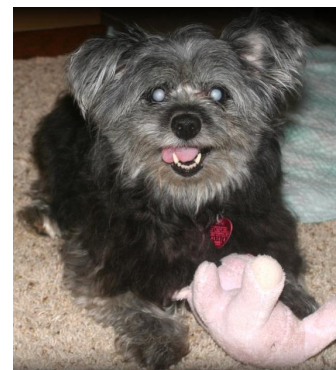
With spring comes flower gardens and with flower gardens comes mulch. So you head out to the local home and garden store for mulch to freshen up your flower beds and to make them look pretty! There are many bags of different kinds of mulch: red mulch, brown and dark brown mulch, cedar mulch, rubber mulch, plastic mulch, etc. Next to these traditional bags of mulch is a newer kind of mulch—cocoa mulch.

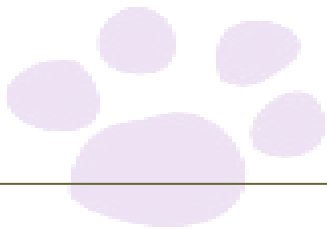
Dogs can eat most any type of mulch with out it harming them but cocoa mulch is toxic for dogs. Cocoa mulch is made from cocoa bean hulls. Cocoa shells are a byproduct of chocolate-making and contain ingredients similar to chocolate. Cocoa mulch is more friendly for the environment and it even smells like chocolate but it is extremely toxic to pets. It has effects similar to those of chocolate toxicity in dogs.

Cocoa shell mulch has a rich dark brown color that darkens more with time. It is believed to be great for the soil, kills slugs, deters termites, helps prevent weed growth and helps maintain soil moisture, decomposes into fertilizer and it makes your gardens smell like chocolate! Who wouldn't be tempted to use it!

Ingestion of large amounts of fresh cocoa mulch can result in "chocolate toxicity." Cocoa mulch is much more toxic than milk chocolate or baker's chocolate. The cocoa mulch has much more theobromine in it than the other two. Theobromine is the toxic substance in most chocolates that causes toxicity in dogs after they eat the chocolate. The amount of cocoa mulch your dog has eaten and the toxicity of the mulch will determine the symptoms your dog will have. Common symptoms can include vomiting and diarrhea. Once toxic levels are reached your dog may experience symptoms such as muscle tremors, increased heart rate, restlessness, hyperactivity, increased urination, increased blood pressure, excessive panting and seizures. These symptoms can occur with a few hours of eating the cocoa mulch. Take your dog to the vet immediately if he has any of these symptoms.

My dogs are curious like most dogs and they dig around everywhere looking for things to eat and chew on. They are always munching on something including mulch from the garden. If your dog is like mine it would be wise to not use cocoa mulch in your gardens! If you do happen to use cocoa mulch and you find your dog munching on it, don't take any chances and take him to the vet immediately.





4 The Love of Abby!



Meet Abby! How adorable is this little girl?! She is only 5 months old and 36lbs. She was found DUMPED in a cemetery to fend for herself or die. When she was found she was so thin and infested with fleas!! Abby was taken to a high kill shelter and they realized very quickly that the flea infestation would be "the easy fix" Abby's back legs were a different story. She has bi lateral luxating patellas. What exactly does that mean? That means that poor Abby's knee caps do not stay in place so when she tries to walk or run they pop out and go to either side of her legs making it very uncomfortable to try to walk and eventually it will cause such arthritis and pain that she will not be able to walk! The sooner she can have surgery the less arthritis she will experience from bone rubbing against bone.

We could not leave her in this condition and without a rescue to step up and help, Abby would have been euthanized since high kill shelters cannot afford to do surgeries to make dogs whole.

One of our wonderful foster families have stepped forward to nurse Abby when she gets to PA. Abby will have her surgery with the same surgeon in WV that took care of our Bo and when Abby is ready to travel I will make a trip to WV so that Abby does not have to go through the discomfort of being transferred from car to car to get her here.

Our wish is to someday have a wonderful van that we can use to transport dogs like Abby that would be much more comfortable if they could stretch out on a comfy soft bed to make the trip to 2nd Chance! For now we will make due with our personal vehicles.

Please help us to help Abby by passing on her video and "chip in" button to everyone you know. If 100 people donate \$20 we will have the funds for Abby's surgery. Abby and 2nd Chance say THANK YOU for helping!

[Abby's video](#)

[Chip In Site](#)





Senior Dogs & Special Need dogs

We have fosters that have a huge heart for our older love bugs and those with special needs. However, these dogs put a huge burden on our bank account. We would like to start a senior/special needs program where people agree to send a love gift once a month to support this area of the rescue. We are also looking for homes that would be comfortable having a senior or special needs dog and knowing that their stay will be much longer than a few weeks. When we take in a senior or special needs dog and place them in one of our normal foster homes we then take away spaces that are crucial for bringing in dogs that are about to have their life ended for no reason other than over crowding in the shelter. Some people ask why we would take the old or needy. Rescue isn't about just saving the "cute" easily adoptable dogs its about making a difference for the elderly dog who did nothing wrong except for to grow old. They



deserve a soft bed and loving family to enjoy the last of their days here on this earth. Rescue is about taking an injured dog that does not stand a chance at getting care anywhere else and making them whole again! There is no bigger sense of accomplishment than when we see a dog that was in bad shape walk out of their foster home with their new family, wagging their tail and looking forward to a great new start with people who adore them! Rescue is about making a difference with one dog at a time and educating people on making wise decisions with their loving, loyal family member. WE ARE..... RESCUE!

Meet Moe Man

Last week we received the saddest little boy I have met to date! Moe Man came from a hoarding situation. He must have very little contact with the human race and he covered in the back of the crate never making eye contact and with the most dejected body mannerisms I had ever seen. I literally had to pry him out of the crate and then he just clung to me like his life depended on it. He went home with his new foster mommy and just curled in a ball in a crate and tried to close himself off to the world! Barb Shesavage, his foster mommy was the perfect fit for MoeMan. Her husband is serving a year tour in Afganistan for our country and so both Barb and Moe needed a good helping of "being loved" Within a week Moe has come so far! He actually destroyed 2 crates and Barb finally decided to hold her breath, give him the run of the house while she was at work and see what happened. Thankfully for Barb and Moe the house was in perfect condition when she came home :) Moe now greets Barb at the door wagging from head to tail. He has become her sons best friend and sleeps with him! Dogs are the best medicine in the whole world and Moe I think will be the first to tell you that he loves his foster family! He is still scared of people he does not know and jumps in Barb's lap shaking but I am confident he will learn to trust all 2 legged ones in no time!





Foster of the month! Sharon Longenecker

Meet Sharon Longenecker. Sharon has been a 2nd Chance family member from the very beginning! Sharon is our foster who will take on bonded pairs. We all know that most people are not looking for 2 dogs at one time so Sharon knows when she pulls a bonded pair that they will stay with her longer than a single and she still opens her heart to them. Sharon has been successful in placing multiple bonded pairs including the latest, Checkers and Riley who now have their forever family and a big fenced in yard to run and play and its awesome to know that they will never be separated thanks to Sharon!!!

Sharon and her husband Glenn live on a farm and are constantly working and even with all the farm work Sharon finds time to love on the foster dogs and take them on long walks. Sharon is also a wonderful baker and can always be depended on to bring yummy baked goods to events!

We are so grateful for Sharon and her dedication to rescue. Thank you Sharon from your 2nd Chance Family and all the rescue dogs you have saved!!



To overfeed your dog
doesn't show them
you love them it only
makes their stay here
on earth shorter.

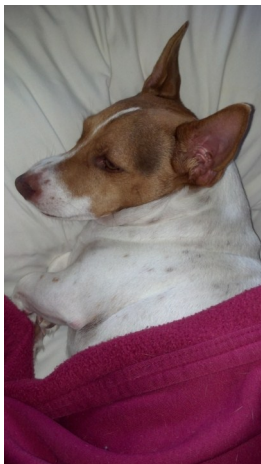
Update on Cookie

Just a quick update on Cookie who was returned to Second Chance in the spring. Cookie was one third of a trio of puppy siblings from West Virginia and we contacted the family that adopted her sister Lulu (aka Angel) and they jumped at the chance to have the girls be reunited. We know the last puppy from that group will always have a back up home if anything ever happens!



Diamond, their rescued Jack Russell, and Lulu have been playing since they got Lulu at Christmas but occasionally it is clear that Diamond needs a break. Cookie has given her that break and allowed Diamond to return to her first love....snuggling in bed. Ringo, their rescued Greyhound, has also returned to retirement on his memory foam bed to contemplate the mysteries of the ceiling fan free of a little Lulu chewing on his tail.

While the dad of the family is still occasionally grouching about having 4 dogs, he has been noted to be quite smitten with Cookie who has been quiet and well behaved during the readjustment period except for peeing on the welcome mat and pooping in front of the gate. They remain patient and consider those to be warnings to potential robbers that their house is booby trapped and they should enter at their own risk because they will not only leave soggy or smelly footprints back to their lair but may also potentially injure themselves tripping over sleeping dogs!





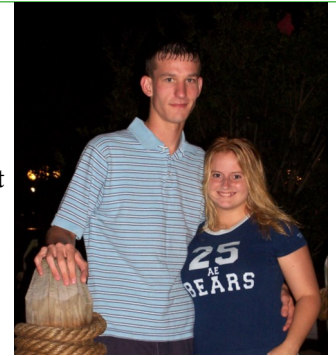
Volunteer of the Month! Heather Leach

Meet Heather Leach! I am so proud to call her my daughter! Heather has supported the rescue 100% from day 1. She takes care of all the dogs files. She is the one who meets with the dog warden twice a year to make sure we are in compliance with all the state rules. Heather is also the face behind our mascot Chance and oh yes she is our Easter Bunny also :-) Heather is at every large fundraiser ready to help wherever she is needed.

Heather would foster but her fiancé' needs to be convinced!

She has been known however to bring home stray cats

Thank you Heather for your dedication to the 2nd Chance Family and for calming down your mom when she is stressing out about a sick dog or a financial issue. You are my rock! I look forward to many more years of growing a very successful rescue with you by my side. Now get back to work!



People go out

to "de stress"

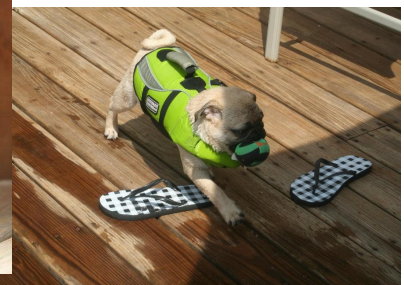
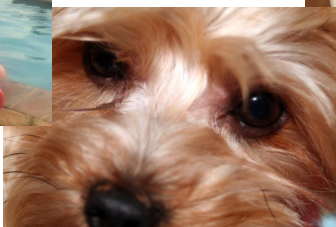
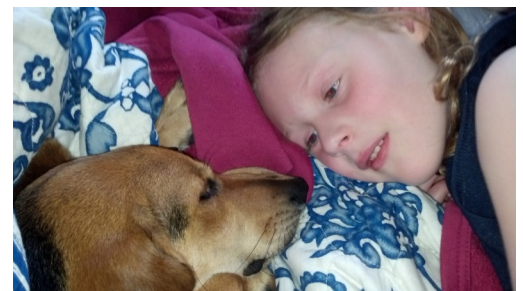
I sit on the couch

With

my dog!!

Cool Kid—Grace Hogan

Meet Grace! She is our newest and youngest Cool Kid!! For her 5th and 6th birthdays this young lady has elected to pass on presents for herself and has collect items for rescues and we were the recipient of the goodies collected in January 2012. Grace's first visitors on arrival home from being born were the family's two rescues and she has been a dog lover her whole life. Grace picked to collect for Second Chance after adopting Lulu around Christmas 2011 and has since also welcomed Cookie into the family that already included a rescue Jack Russell and a retired Greyhound. Thanks for everything Grace and keep up the good work!!



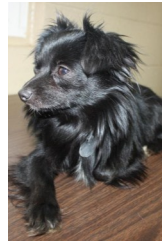
Furry Friends Available for adoption!!!!



Bailey—Great Col-lie Puppy ready for her forever home!



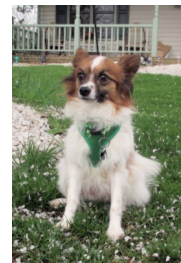
Chanel
2 yr old chihuahua.
SWEET!



Cole
Pom Mix.
Fun Boy!



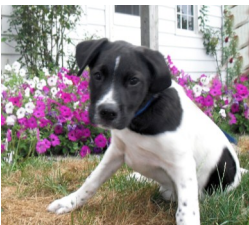
Sydney
2 year old Beagle Mix
Soft as Cashmere!



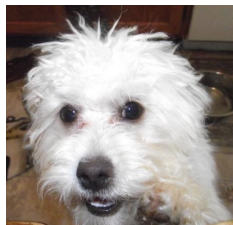
Snoopy
6 yo Papillion



Archie
Pug Mix!



George 14 week old
Pointer Mix Puppy



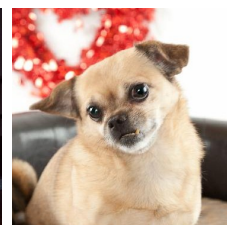
Jackson
5 month old Bichon/
Poodle mix



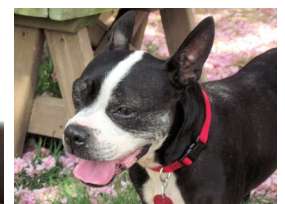
Lacey
2 Year old Pointer/
Boxer Mix Sweet



Rico—
Chihuahua Mix
Love Bug!!



Snaggle
Sweet little girl.
Would love a lap
to sit on!



Kenny our new
Boston Terrier!
SWEET!!!

Meet Peanut—Dave's Dog

Meet Peanut. Peanut came from WV and was just a little love bug quietly waiting for her forever home. The Price family had been considering a dog and while Laura (Mom Price) was at the salon she came across Peanut's photo in one of our books. It was love at first site and in fact she took Peanut's picture out of the book page protector and all. Dave (Dad Price) was not totally thrilled with the thought of a dog and participated in the meet and greet with lets say less than enthusiasm. Peanut has been a part of the price family for a little over 6 months now and this month Dad came home with Peanut's new identification tag. I would say without a shadow of a doubt that Dad Dave is now totally "on board" with the addition of Peanut to the family. Some might even say that Dave should have a tag that reads "Property of Peanut"



We love you Peanut! Thank you Price family for opening your hearts and home to a rescue dog!!!!



We would like to start doing a Story of the month on a foster that has been adopted. We would also like you to submit cute pics of your adopted dog and we will pick a "pic of the month" Any other suggestions of things you would like to see in our monthly letter would be appreciated. Thank you for supporting 2nd Chance!!!!

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