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N.A.B.S. Special Needs: Mobile Crate Set-up and Break Down

N.A.B.S. needs your assistance in our mobile adoption set-up and break down. It is very important that we have our crates prepared for the Fur Children prior to their arrival Saturday mornings and broke down on Sunday evenings. We have lost our crew that did the set up and break down since Petco has decided to no longer let us have our teen volunteers (anyone under the age 18). We can also use help caring for the dogs during the time we are at Petco. This change in operation has left us with few volunteers.

Set up needs done by 11:00 am and break down of crates is after the Sunday adoptions at 5:00 p.m. THANK YOU!

PET MEMORIALS

Losing a pet is a heartbreaking thing. Touching Hearts is a way to keep them close to you. These beautiful carvings are created by our Volunteer Coordinator Gaye Harts husband Don. He can make a carving in corian of your cherished pet from your favorite photo. Please take a look at his work.

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Your sponsorship will help these dogs with their vet bills, food, and shelter until they find a new home. Your sponsorship can be one time donation or a convenient monthly PayPal subscription sponsorship. If you are interested in a sponsorship, please visit our new Sponsors page at www.nabs-tx.com Thank you.

DOG OF THE MONTH

BLOSSOM

Blossom is an Australian Shepherd mix with the sweetest personality. She will snuggle for hours if you let her. She devotes herself to her human companion and just wants the same in return.



Thanksgiving

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THE LIFE OF A PUPPY

This morning, I woke up & kissed my dad's head.
I peed on the carpet, then went back to bed.
"The life of a puppy, oh my, this is great."
Then I thought about breakfast, "I hope it's not late."

Mom took me outside, we walked for a while.
This never fails to make Mama smile.

I sniffed of everything, that we did pass,
I ate something weird - it gave me gas.

I'm sure God loves me, I know that is true.
He gave me so many great things to chew.

Rugs, plants or rocks, I really don't care.
What I truly like best, is Dad's underwear.

That obedience book, was sort of yummy.
Though it didn't sit well on my poor puppy tummy.

I threw up a bit, but that was all right,
When Mom found it later, I was well out of sight.

I made streamers of T. P., while running at full speed.
Mom is pretty quick -- but I was still in the lead.

I flew under the bed, and Mom flew past,
She stopped-shook her head, and breathed,
"You're too fast."

Mama later phoned Daddy, and said, "It was frightening!"
That afternoon, she was sure I'd pooped lightning.

She'd sat at the computer, while I chewed the cord,
She thought I was mad, but I was just bored.

When Mama had enough, couldn't take anymore,
That's when my tushy got shoved out the door.

I love it inside, but outside is best.
Lay in the cool grass, and had a good rest.

That didn't last long, there was too much to do--
Can't quite remember where I hid Daddy's shoe.

I found an old bone, and scratched at a flea,
I watched the dumb squirrels as they jumped in a tree.

Mom found her purse - the one I abused.
Daddy let loose a chuckle. Mom asked "Amused??"

"I covered down low, I must be in trouble.
Dad said, "Wasn't MY boy, it must be his double!"

Mom turned off the TV, and said, "Time for bed."
Dad said "Let's go boy," and patted my head.

I got in my spot, between Mom and Dad,
I thought 'bout my day and what fun I had.

Mama kicked out my bone from the covers below,
Then let loose a sigh -- a sigh deep and low.

She gave me a kiss, and snuggled me tight,
And whispered so softly, 'My darling goodnight'

Unknown

LOYALTY

You can't buy loyalty, they say,
I bought it though, the other day
You can't buy friendships, tried and true
Well just the same, I bought that too.
I made my bid and on spot
Brought love and faith and a whole job lot
Of happiness, so all in all
The purchase price was pretty small
I bought a single trusting heart,
that gave devotion from the start
If you think these things are
NOT FOR SALE
Buy a brown-eyed puppy with a wagging tail

Unknown



Miss Ellie Mae decided she would like to show her magic trick of taking one large dog and stuff it into one small crate. Loading up to leave Petco one day she decided she would pass on the large crate she was to go in and wanted to claim the small one beside it as hers. After staying just long enough to capture it on camera she agreed to move to a more comfortable accommodations of the large crate after all.



PETCO POLICY CHANGE

From: Pam Sanidakos, President of Noah's Ark Bayou Sanctuary
to all of NABS teen and pre/teen volunteers.

First of all I want to wish each of our volunteer teens and pre-teens and their families a
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

As I sit and reflect back on these past 4 years when N.A.B.S. began it is a swirl of kids and dogs and love and life all of which I think just naturally go together AND all of which I treasure! However, PETCO doesn't share that feeling so it is with tremendous sadness that I am forced to accept their 18 yr. requirement and regroup. I, as well as many others in our group and life in general dislike CHANGE, but my personal faith encourages me to believe that when one door closes another even better one will open, so I am trusting that God will lead us in an even better direction for each of N.A.B.S. precious rescues and each of our precious kids.

Many of our adult volunteers are stepping up to the plate to try and fill your shoes which won't be easy for us since we don't have your youthful energy BUT we will do our best always for each dogs sake as you each have done through the years. N.A.B.S. IS AND ALWAYS WILL BE ABOUT OUR KIDS AND OUR RESCUE DOGS, so I want each of you to know that your place amongst us is VITAL to this organization and will be there as long as you want to remain a part of the N.A.B.S. TEAM. TOGETHER WE HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN OVER 600 DOGS LIVES AND I WANT TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR THAT AND YOU SHOULD FEEL SO PROUD TOO!! I KNOW THAT I AM VERY PROUD OF EACH OF YOU!!!

Our wonderful adult volunteers and parents are busily investigating new and exciting directions available in our communities that we can pursue and that will allow us to continue and remain an organization centered around both our kids and dogs. All the while I am praying and I encourage each of you to do the same (as God loves the prayers of little children!) that God lead us to another mobile location if that is according to His Will and continue to open new doors He wants us to go through. I will continue to hold down the Petco adoption site with the help of our adult volunteers and new people we hope to solicit and will not be able to venture out with you to any new events but hope that you will each continue to participate and enjoy the change and new scenery. I will terribly miss each of your smiling faces and without mention all the help you unselfishly gave but I am sure you will have lots of fun as you continue to share N.A.B.S. with our communities and tell them of our need for adoptions, donations, and volunteers so we will always be able to continue.

I am very appreciative and thankful as I want each of you to be also for our PETCO location and think it is by far the best set-up available for our rescues and for rescue groups to operate in BUT without YOU, OUR KIDS, it just WON'T be the same and it WON'T be where I think we will be staying. So, even though it is great for our dogs since it is no longer great for our kids we will be trusting God for another even better location where we can all be together again.

For those of you that were able to come out to the Sanctuary in Liverpool this past Tuesday, you can see this will be a place for both you and the dogs to love, live, and be safe and free to be. There is no greater joy for me than getting to see all this life and happiness together in one place and that is what I will remain diligent to achieve. Please keep myself and Gaye informed of any and all upcoming school holidays so that if any one individually or a group of you are able to go back out to the property for fun and games or riding horses then we can certainly make that happen. And one day soon God willing I will be out there permanently and things will be better for the dogs and you will be able to come out there and work with the dogs whenever you would like to.

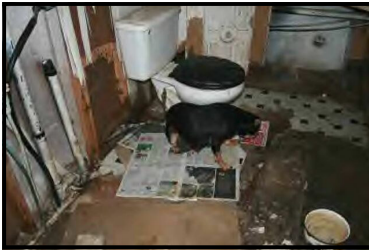
I just wanted to write you and thank each of you for choosing to be a part of the N.A.B.S. TEAM all these years and hope we have many more years together.

GOD BLESS EACH OF YOU AND HAVE A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING WITH YOUR FAMILIES!!

LOVE EACH OF YOU ALWAYS
PAM AND THE GANG

DOGS FROM SANTE FE SEIZURE

On November first N.A.B.S. acquired a Mama dog and her 4 pups from a seizure in Sante Fe of 50 dogs being kept in a trailer in deplorable conditions. Mama Sada as she is now known was terrified of everything when she went to her new foster home, but with a sweet personality to let her foster mother handle her 12 day old babies without a sign of aggression. Sada had to be nearly pried out of the kennel away from her babies for a potty break outside. After being carried out and set down in the yard she simply covered down and never moved. It took a full 24 hours to get her to relax enough to potty even then she slinked around afraid of every sound and movement. We came to find out later that this poor Mama who looks to be around 2 years old had never been outside before in her life. After a week of constant reassurance from her foster mother she now walks out to potty on her own and is exploring the great outdoors for short amounts of time to get a break from her pups. She is gaining confidence every day and will make someone a wonderful companion. The pictures below show the horrible conditions they were in, and what they look like today, happy and healthy... kept on clean bedding and well fed.



MAMA SADA IN FILTHY BATHROOM WITH HER TINY PUPS BEFORE RESCUED

BROTHERS: SLADE AND SETH



Slade 26 days



Seth 26 days



MAMA'S BABIES IN FILTHY BATHROOM BEFORE RESCUED

SISTERS: SONIA AND SHAYLA

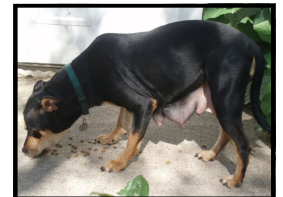


Sonia 26 days



Shayla 26 days

MAMA SADA looking great outdoors at her foster home.



VOLUNTEER DAY AT THE SANCTURARY



Nov. 24th was Volunteer Day at the Sanctuary where everyone was invited to **"Catch the N.A.B.S. Dream"**.

The event kicked off with a cookout then moved on to a hayride. Some opted for a ride on the 4-wheeler, with a stop to visit with the sanctuary's horses. We all had a great time and wish all volunteers would have been able to attend. It was a beautiful day with perfect weather for the event. The peaceful, quiet, seclusion made everyone wish the shelter was in place and the dogs had the wonderful freedom that the Sanctuary will have to offer both them and Pam.



HAPPY TAILS

Adoptions not pictured:
 HUMPHRY
 KODA
 BIG DUKE



BURT, BAXTER, AND FAMILY



ROMAN AND FAMILY



AVA AND MINDY (AKA EVA) WITH THEIR NEW MOMMY



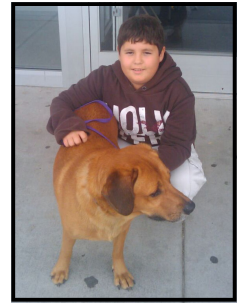
BAYLEE AND FAMILY



DAX AND FAMILY



NIKO AND FAMILY



SNICKERS AND FAMILY

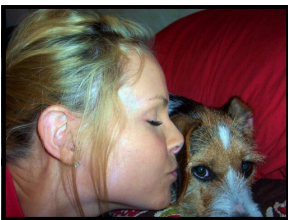
CISCO UPDATE



Our little Cisco's adopted family has expanded! His Mommy has married a man who loves animals as much as her and has brought his 3 Dobermans to live with Cisco and his Chihuahua sibling. They bought a house on 2 acres so they all have lots of room to run and play. QUOTE HIS MOTHER "I just love Cisco so much even though he can be a stinker." That's our Cisco!



GRETCHEN UPDATE



Gretchen now known as Marley gets lots of kisses from her new family.



SPOTLIGHT ON TEEN VOLUNTEER

Rachel J. is 14 years old and in the 9th grade. She has been a volunteer for N.A.B.S. since August of 2007. Her main hobby is tennis and she is on her high school tennis team. She hopes to attend Texas A&M in her goal to become a veterinarian. She looks forward to the days she is able to be at Petco to volunteer and we sure could not be there without volunteers like Rachel

