

Fortunate Pooches And Lab Rescue, Inc.

Fall 2005 Newsletter



Who We Are

We are a small not-for-profit rescue in Northern Illinois. We are dedicated to those labs and lab mixes in need of our help. When pooches, especially labs, are up to be euthanized we try to step in and, help as much as we can. When we take a lab or lab mix in we find a foster home and wait for the perfect family to adopt our four-legged friend.

In addition to rescues we keep our pooches up to date on their shots. All of our friends receive a checkup, and their basic vaccinations from a veterinarian. Also our dogs are micro chipped and spayed/neutered. All the donations that are given help every bit. And all donations are used to pay for the food and medical care for our fortunate pooches.



Henry's Happy Home!



July 13th, 2005 is the one-year anniversary of our HENRY adoption. He is a yellow lab mix and everyone who meets him falls in love with his adorable face & sweet personality. We are so lucky to have adopted such a wonderful dog from Fortunate Labs. He loves playing in Lake Michigan with all his city friends. Thank you Ileana & staff - we love Henry!

A NEW ANGEL



A new Guardian Angel of Elena Spelson is TROT. He is a yellow lab that has touched her heart in three ways. Trot is missing a paw and is gentle in every way. He loves to play ball and is very well mannered like a gentlemen. He is the best loyal companion she could ever have.

The creators of this newsletter

1. My name is Alysa Goeke, and I am 12 years old and am currently going to 7th grade at Cass Junior High School. My favorite thing to do is spending time with animals especially with my dog Roxy. About a month ago I helped out at a North Carolina No-Kill shelter walking and taking care of the dogs. I loved every minute I spent with the dogs the whole week we were there visiting. I've had lots of experience with animals and I am glad to be on the lab rescue team.
2. Hi, my name is Julia Spencer I am almost 12 years old and I attend Cass Junior High School in 7th grade. My favorite animal is cats, but ever since I met my friend Alysa I loved dogs more and more! It makes me really happy to be a part of the lab rescue team.
3. Hi, my name is Alison Wagner I am 12 years old and I am currently going in 7th grade at Cass Junior High. I love animals I have two cats and a hamster. Even though I don't have a dog I spend a lot of time at my friend's house with her dog Roxy. Things I like to do are to play with my pets and going over to my neighbor's house and taking care of their pet dog Pumpkin and my other neighbor's house to take care of their kitten Kitty. I am so happy to be a part of the lab rescue team.

Laps for Labs

On May 7th 2005, we had over 20 walkers and their four legged companions raise several hundred dollars for FPALR, Inc. With just a four mile stroll in Deer Grove forest preserve, in Palatine. We raised enough money to help the pups! We would like to thank all the people and their dogs for all the pledges and donations.

What a success!



Volunteers Needed

FPALR needs volunteers if we want to keep saving lives of labs and lab mixes.

We need:

- Transporters to pick up our dogs and bring them to the vet.
- Dog Walkers to exercise the dogs.
- Home Visitors to look over the homes of interested adopters.
- Foster Homes to help move recently rescued labs from the shelter to a home lifestyle experience.
- People to work the adoption events on weekends, greeting visitors, taking applications, and showing dogs.

Please stop at are events and look at are website for are shelter FPALR.

HELP THE DOGS LIKE THIS!



Petsmart saves the day!

Fortunate Pooches and Lab Rescue are coming to Petsmart in Darien (2153 W. 75th street), with their rescued labs and lab mixes. We are coming on:

Saturday August 13th, 2005 12 to 3pm

Saturday September 17th, 2005 12 to 3pm

Saturday October 8th, 2005 12 to 3pm



Please come visit our pooches. Special thanks to Petsmart for letting us show our much loved companions with the community.

A NEW ADDITION!

Puppy Junior is a dream come true...all tucked out after his first day home, he is a great boy, eating, drinking, sleeping AND pooping outside!!! He hates taking the medicine but he is already breathing better. We are so happy!

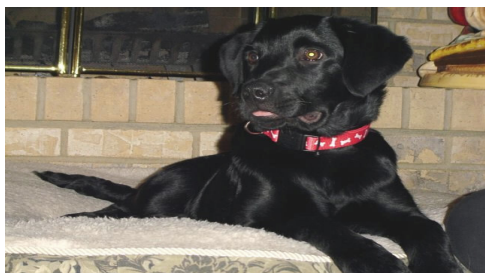


Some New Homes!



Prince's Royal Life!

Prince the black lab is having a royal time with his new family the Schwarz Family. Especially with his new brother Shadow. The owner even said that he was a perfect mix of fun and calm. This is the perfect palace for prince.



Ernie's Happily Ever After!

Ernie is an energetic black lab who was recently adopted by the Nesci Family. He is well trained and loves his new brother Boomer. Although he is not very fond of his feline friend Mario, he is dealing with it. We know he'll live the rest of his life happily ever after!



Raven's Fly Home!

Raven is enjoying her family and friends. She loves to meet new people, play with other dogs and just being free.



Halle's Loving Home

Halle was adopted by the wonderful Penaxas Family at Petsmart. She is a dream come true for this family and just completed obedience school. She is living a great life with her new parents.



Sparky's New Adventure!

Sparky is a well trained party animal. Adopted and loved by the Frank family. He's recently taken his first walk in Lincoln Park and loved it. His parents are as proud as they could be.



Emma's Best Home!

Emma (1) is now part of the Walsh Family. She is a good girl, and adjusting very well to her new home. The new brothers just adore her and have made many different chores to take care of her. We know that she will have a great life.

Some Great Events!

A Summer Splash!

On July 17th there was a big Dog Beach event off Montrose Harbor in Chicago! There was excitement and fun. Three of the dogs were from our shelter there with their new families. Bella, Emma (2), and Sally were the dogs that were adopted from our shelter. It was the best Dog Beach they have ever been to.



Some of our 4-legged friends needing homes



"Desiree"



"Angie"



"Buffy"



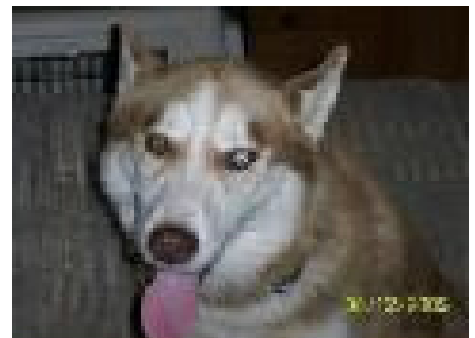
"Dora"



"Mars"



"Sadie + Dakota"



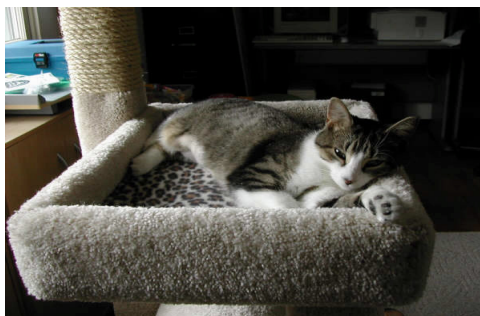
"Timber"

How to introduce a cat to a dog!

No matter what even if the cat has lived with another dog, or the dog has been with cats. You still have to be cautious. It is best to have two people when you introduce the cat because then you can have one person to hold each animals separately. And if you have more than one dog introduce each dog separately to the cat.

All of the dogs should be held on a loose lead. One person should watch the dog's language and the other should watch the cat's language. If the cat does not have any aggression like raising his/her back or hissing you may let the cat go freely around the house. Most cats are rarely a threat to dogs but some cats act aggressively. If the dog does not act aggressively then you should tell the dog to sit or lay down while the cat is roaming freely. If the dog is ignoring the cat while it is inspecting the dog, if it wishes, you may praise the dog.

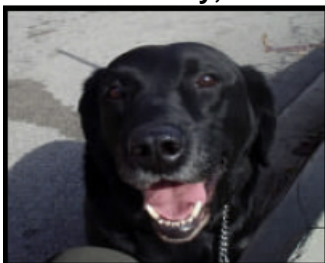
If the dog shows aggressive signs then another way would be to put the cat on one side of a gate with all of its supplies. And let the dog sniff through the gate and hopefully the dog will ignore the cat.



This kitty is a sweet cat and is a dream come true to Mary and her family. We know this cat will have a happy ever after.

Beware of Heartworms!

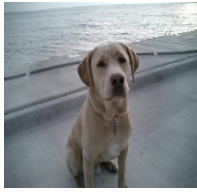
Heartworms start with a bite from a female mosquito. They carry a deadly disease that can be fatal if not treated. They're about the size of a thin piece of spaghetti. Heart worm is liable to be found in all fifty states worldwide. Most dogs should be tested unless they are 7 months old or younger. The most common time to have your dog checked for heartworms is every 6 months. Some signs of this disease in the dog are difficulty breathing because of damage to the arteries in the lungs. The second one is mechanical obstruction of blood flow that results from the number of worms. To prevent heartworms you are able to give your dog a chewable tablet monthly, and it is best to talk to your vet before hand.



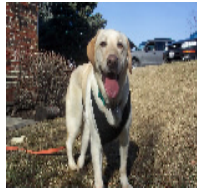
George is one of several FPLR dogs that have undergone heartworm treatment.



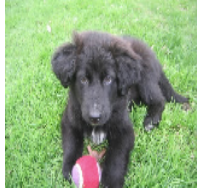
**Give 'em a Paw-they're
ADOPTED!!!**



"Henry"



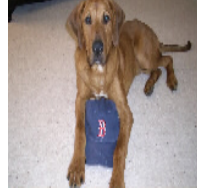
"Trot"



"Junior"



"Brandy"



"Scoobie"



"Daisy"



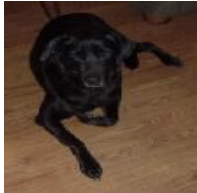
"Savannah"



"Lila"



"Vixi"



"Allie"



"Ellie"



"Browney"



"Tai"



"Lizzie"



"Alice"



"Newton"



"Male Pups"



"Female Pups"



"Hollybe"



"Abby"



"Bud"



"Chanel"



"Chels"



"Kelly"



"Joy"



"Sameth"



"WW Pup"



"Now That Is A Special Girl With A Special Dad"