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I have a black cat and I am partial to black cats with green eyes. I also seem to be drawn to grey cats. Not that I dislike any other breeds but when it comes to looks, they always get my attention. But it's not just about looks, looks get attention but personality gets love. Though my cat is black and I am partial to black cats, he chose me by coming to the back door and wanting a home and his personality has fit right into our household. I have heard numerous times, black cats & dogs are difficult to adopt and I have always wondered why that is.

My first response is: the 1950s westerns. Good guys wore white, bad guys wore black. Made it simple to know good vs. bad. But there are a number of generations who didn't grow up watching the simplicity of good vs. evil. It's a lot grayer these days.

The number one reason I found why people don't like black cats is because in medieval times they were associated with witches and that carried over to this Country with the pilgrims. When we got over the witch-hunts, black cats became associated with the devil. So as 'evolved' humans we still believe black cats have evil magical powers? Who's willing to admit to that? To be fair, there are cultures in history that have thought black cats bring good luck.

Not to leave out black dogs, they also have British folklore baggage. It is the phantom black dog in a lot of literature that gives these creatures the bad rap. Some animal rescue workers have labeled the lack of black dogs being adopted 'Black Dog Syndrome'. While I couldn't find statistics on this, it appears larger black dogs have the most difficult time being adopted. Some say it is because they are too ordinary, others because a big black dog appears more aggressive or dangerous. It has also been stated that black dogs have no defined eyebrows therefore expressions may be harder to read. I know exactly what my black cat is saying with his expressions, eyebrows or no eyebrows!

Even if it is true that black cats & dogs look ordinary or are hard to read, how many times are first impres-

sions wrong? I know I don't always get it right. When in a dark alley go with first impressions, but when looking for a new friend to add to the family, take time to make sure you get to the know the animal.

While I clearly could not come up with any valid reasons for black cat & dog dislike, it does seem a little odd to me that currently at HOPE the three cats that like me the best are black. Do they know my attraction to black cats or am I one of the few that are not put off by the color? Unfortunately the cats were unavailable for comment at this time.

Morgan has been at HOPE the longest of the three. She is shy, so color notwithstanding that is a strike against her. She is also nervous and easy to scare but she is friendly and likes attention (on her terms).



Angel came as a stray. She is very cautious of people at first, checking things out. When she likes you, watch out. She likes to sit on your shoulder and wants a lot of attention.

Then there is a kitten named Chu. Kittens are generally not my thing, too crazy for me. She seems to like everyone and loves to sit on shoulders. She loves my hair (if you've seen my hair - scary). I can't feel when she holds on to it because her teeth are so small and my hair is so thick. She loves to watch the computer and is very fascinated by the fax machine. Oh to be young again... (Chu has since been adopted!)

Although I'm still not sure why the majority of Americans don't favor black cats & dogs and for some reason I am drawn to them (don't say it's because I'm a witch.); please don't forget personality has a lot to do with adopting that one specific pet, not color.

Ways to Help H.O.P.E....

The primary way you can help is to put us out of business.
Spay or neuter your pet!

- Donate to HOPE Safehouse! Even the smallest donation is appreciated
- Volunteer, there are many opportunities to help!
You can fill out an application on-line or at the office
- Donate the following much needed items:

FOR THE OFFICE:

Laundry Detergent	Febreeze
Paper Towels	Printer/Copier Paper
Toilet Paper	5x8 Index Cards
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Duct Tape	Thank you cards
Brown Paper Bags (Grocery Bags)	File folders - letter size

FOR THE CATS:

Cat Litter - World's Best cat litter
Dry Cat Food - Any brand but please no generic or store brands
Canned Cat Food - "pate" any flavor except salmon
New or Lightly Used Cat Beds

FOR THE DOGS:

Dog Leashes - sizes M-XL
Martingale collars
Sturdy dog toys (Nylabone, Kong, etc.)

There is a website available that will help locate pet friendly apartments. Katie Reardon created www.myapartmentmap.com/pet_friendly/ to help find pet friendly apartments easily.

Christie Graham from Homestead Realty, Inc. will donate 3% of her commission to the animal shelter of your choice, if she is your realtor. You can contact Christie by phone at 262-344-1752, by email at cgraham@realtor.com or visit her website at www.christiegraham.com.

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It really is easy to donate to HOPE just by shopping and searching the Internet. If you are concerned you might forget to go to the GoodSearch website, they have a toolbar you can download so every search will be counted.

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PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY CHANGES: If you are moving or have changes to your phone number or email address, please contact the office. We want to make sure you continue to receive our newsletter and are notified of any new happenings at HOPE.

THANKS!

Thank you to Abbott Laboratories Employee Giving Campaign and the following employees: Valerie Aldrich and Mary Ustymowicz.

Thank you to the Aurora Health Care Employee Partnership and the following employees: Rebecca DeGroot, Wendy Jaeger, Barbara Kimball, Allan Loeb, Victoria Minturn, Margaret Myers, Carol Nolte and Rhonda Smith.

Thank you to the calendar committee (Vicki Baclawski, Lisa Barta, Jeff Dose, Karen Hermansen, Sandra Knorr, Sue Vogt and Rebecca Zahn) for putting together the 2012 HOPE calendar. It was a huge success and we exceeded our goal! Thank you to everyone who purchased a calendar - all proceeds helped to pay our vet bills. A special thank you to Lisa for making her idea of a calendar a reality. A big thank you to Sue and her exquisite design skills that put the final and professional touches on the calendar.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Cause for Paws auction. Thank you to all the donators, bakers, attendees and tireless volunteers for everything you did for our October dinner/auction. Without your continued support we could not have been as successful. Thank you to Fountain Banquet Hall for providing such a great venue and wonderful food. You guys are the best! A special thank you to Samantha Kupper for storing/sorting/cataloging and packaging the auction items. We all know what a job this is and we (all the animals as well) appreciate your devotion.

Thank you to the Colette Broadway for hosting a Pumpkin Carving Party and asking the party goers for donations to HOPE. Thank you to everyone who gave items.

Thank you to Havahart, Northshore Animal Hospital, Petco, Pet Supplies Plus, Sportland and Woofdorf Asotria for continuing to allow us to have a donation jar at their locations. The extra change really adds up. Thank you to everyone that donated their change.

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H.O.P.E. Mailbag

Ginger (HOPE's name Rainbow, Zodiac's baby girl) is now 11 years + and becoming more & more friendly towards humans. Adopted at 7 weeks, I love her DEARLY!

Thank you so very much.

Cathy McMullen



Lynn,

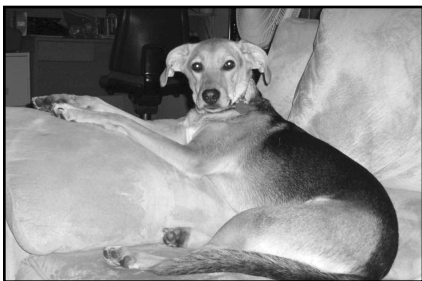
I am happy to report that Gimli, now Pachino, is doing great. His badly broken leg (Sept. 2006) is so well healed that only an occasional limp in damp chilly weather betrays the fact that he was ever hurt.

Thank you for all you do for the animals.

Laura Gellott

Here is an update on Belle (Dega) who we adopted in September 2009. She is doing great and loving everything. We just wanted to send you an updated picture of her.

Ashley and Will Gilbert



{Editors note: This picture was sent in December 2010, sorry for the delay in getting this in the newsletter.}

My name is Sandy Eden (Eden was my adopted name and my family made it my middle name) I am now 9 years old and drive my family crazy with me hiding my milk bone biscuits throughout the house. I am so glad that my family adopted me

through HOPE Safehouse. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Woof! Woof!



in the newsletter.}

Thought you might like this photo of Safire with her canine sister! Its sooo cute!



{Editors note: This picture was sent in December 2010, sorry for the delay in getting this in the newsletter.}

Sapphire's first snow:



{Editors note: This picture was posted on FaceBook in January 2011, sorry for the delay in getting this in the newsletter.}

Dear Lynn and everyone else at HOPE:

I am writing to let you know that Gary and I have moved to San Diego, California. We have moved to Ocean Beach which is very dog-friendly and has a very large dog beach.

For those of you who remember, I adopted a Hurricane Katrina dog named Junior, who we renamed Jack. I am sending along some pictures of him at Dog Beach which I hope you will enjoy. Jack seems to be leading a

very happy life now and seems to love every dog activity, though he still would prefer his "homies" to be with him.

It's been a real privilege working with you and we have a very precious dog because of your organization.

Thinking of you and all my best,
Terry Gonter



{Editors note: This picture was sent in December 2010, sorry for the delay in getting this in the newsletter. Are we seeing a pattern here? Sorry for the mix up on these letters.}

Dear Lynn,

I just wanted to start out with a big THANK YOU to you and the great people at HOPE for rescuing our newest family member JACK, aka Luckee, aka Jack Pot, Jackee Pie, my little Luckee Duckee. I know it sounds crazy for a dog to have so many names but this little guy has brought so many laughs, ooo's, ahhhh's and "WOW! What a GREAT dog you guys have, where did you get him?" Of course we brag about HOPE SAFEHOUSE to everyone we meet and talk to and we also tell everyone how awesome one particular person was to JACK's life and ours. . That person is Barbara Olsen.

She was Jack's foster mum for almost a year and she saw what a wonderful and extremely smart dog he is. Every time I think about someone wanting to end his life, it makes me sad; Sad for the fact that as a society we are so quick to throw in the towel and give up, but not Barb. Barb is such an amazing angel that she taught him how to behave while loving and caring for him all the while. Luckee Jack just wanted to be happy and Barb gave him that chance.

We didn't know what to expect because we had never done this with a rescue dog before. I believe that people should make rational decisions before taking a pet into

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their homes. They need to look at it from the pet's point of view not their own. I figured that Jack had been through soooooo much in his short two years that we were not going to rush into things and then let him down. Barb and I agreed that short visits might work out best. It was after the 3 day stay, we made him part of our family.

The twist to this story which proved to be sort of a challenge as well as a really good thing is that we went through the GRKC obedience class and Barb was our instructor! YAY! Once again, she was the bomb. Luckee Jack would hear her voice and want to run over to her. What better feeling is that? He still loves her and wants to give her kisses.

We are SO proud to brag that with the training that Barb taught him (and us), we have since taught Jack to walk on the treadmill with winter coming, fetch the paper in the driveway in the morning and currently working with him to be a bird dog. He LOVES his tennis balls and chasing anything we throw and teasing our cats. Stormy really gets him going and they love teasing each other. Everyone always comments on what a great dog he is, how well behaved and well trained he is and all thanks to Ms. Barbara!

He has a long future ahead of him in the Perri house and again – we couldn't have done it without Lynn, Barb and Everyone involved. HOPE and LOVE, & FAITH saved Jack & saves so many other animals. Thank you so much! Angels do walk among us!

Always Kindest Regards,
Michelle, Jon, Jared, Christian, Indy, Storm & Jack Perri



Lynn,

Here's a check for the HOPE Safehouse medical fund.

You and your staff do a great service to our four legged friends.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Bob & Bonnie Strausser

Just a quick pic to show you Sketch is fitting in well - but still doesn't know he's a cat.

Maureen Potter



Hi Guys!

I just wanted to tell you how great things are going. I am completely housebroken and sleep like a good little boy every night in my crate. I had a great time with mom and dad "up north" on vacation. I went swimming for the first time and had a blast! I'm getting to be a big boy and love the giant yard at my house. I am doing really well with "sit," but I'm still working on "come." I have so much fun when mom and dad take me to the dog park. I get to run like crazy and play with the big dogs. I love to play fetch and I love my belly scratchings that mom and dad give me all day long. I started teething and have a bunch of new teeth, but I only chew on my toys...can you believe I have only destroyed one flip flop and that's it?? I am such good boy and my mom and dad love me to pieces. Here is a picture of me from our vacation. I'm a wet dog (I am learning to love the water). Thanks for taking care of me until my forever home/parents adopted me. woof woof

Murphy



Hi,

It has been a little over 3 years ago that I adopted Lolly (black retriever lab mix.) I wanted to show you the picture I posted on wisn.com (channel 12 website) for adopted pet pictures. In this photo she is at her favorite park (Granville dog park). I always wanted to stop by with her or send a picture but never found the time. She is the most amazing dog I ever had. Please let Sheri

(her foster mom) know how well Lolly is and maybe show her the picture.

I have always thought about coming back to you for another dog but I do not think Lolly would like it too much, so for now it's just her and I loving life together. Thank you for what you do to help dogs like my Lolly.

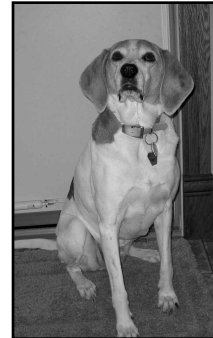
P.S. Lolly is the name she came with, I loved it so I never changed it.

Kris Kersten



Jon, Lynn

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of our "Hooter". She passed peacefully at the Animal ER tonight (Monday). She was a faithful companion and protector and helped care for 6 grandchildren for the first year of their lives. She shared her home and yard with many others without complaining. She was both mother and sister to her sibling Forrest Gump. She was a family member and will be missed by all. We will all be eternally grateful for the time she spent with us.



Sincerely,

Connie and Jerry Hansche

Hello Wonderful People at HOPE,

Thank you for helping the animals. I have 3 black cats as they are not the most desired but they are the nicest cats in the world. I also adopted an 11 year old Maltese because no one wanted an old dog – he lived to the age of 21 and was my best friend.

Best wishes to all,

Phyllis Kukula

In Memory of...

Pets

- "Andy"** ~ beloved pet of Sheri & John Hansen
"Becky Lou" ~ beloved German Shepard of Vera Anderson ~ Stephanie Hardy
"Boo" ~ beloved black feline of Gail & Lee Pullen ~ Dave & Diane Snyder
"Cee Cee" ~ beloved feline of Catherine Drott ~ Patricia Cherf
"Dilly" ~ beloved Wonder Dog of Pamela Brantner ~ Remington Dog Hardy
"Dinah" ~ beloved Katrina feline of Kathy Van Parys ~ Kathy Garski
"Fred (the head)" ~ beloved canine of Carolyn & the late Wayne Zinns ~ Carolyn Panka
"Katie" ~ beloved Golden Retriever of Jerry & Judy Baker ~ Don & Sharon Johnson
"Mr. Jameson" ~ beloved pet of Phyllis Johnson
"Laddy Boy" ~ beloved canine of Cheryl & the late Billy Sanders Jr. ~ Karen Larson
"Patches" ~ beloved feline of Sr. Audrey Mozejewski
"Rosie" ~ beloved pet of Phyllis Laudenbach
"Rosie" ~ beloved Golden Retriever of Paul & Connie Eberly ~ Genevieve Sesto
"Rosie" ~ beloved Golden Retriever of Paul & Connie Eberly ~ Ann & Patrick Grady
"Sadie Mae" ~ beloved canine of Al & Linda Christ ~ Ron & Jeanne Ernst

Our condolences go to the following:

- Suzanne Hall who lost her Bernese Mountain Dog **"Slick"** in November 2011.
- Lori & Eric Jensen who lost their 12 year old horse **"Boo"** in November 2011.
- Lori & Eric Jensen who lost their 13 year old Border Collie **"Sam"** in October 2011.



In Memory of...

People

- In Memory of Doris Allen**
Bill Allen
- In Memory of Edward Chuilicek**
Arturo's Hair Designs
- In Memory of Angie DeMoulied**
Sylvia DeMoulied
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- In Memory of Dolores "Dee" Domanik**
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Chris Hillyer
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Suzanne Kubisiak
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- In Memory of Jeanette Gavin**
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Joan Rather
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- In Memory of LeRoy Jenkins**
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In Memory of Stanley Kubisiak
Carolyn Panka

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In Memory of Wayne Zinns
Carolyn Panka

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Welcome New & Returning Members

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Diane Dunn
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Barbara Stanton
Hailey Vaughn
Mary Wilson
Santa Wink
Gail Winter

Sadly, some of our adoptees have crossed over the Rainbow Bridge. May they wear their silver wings with pride.

"Dinah" feline adopted 12/11/06 by Kathy & Terence Van Parys

"Dixie" canine adopted 12/22/00 by Jerry & Connie Hansche

"Miami" (aka Dolly) canine adopted 11/20/05 by Elizabeth Guthrie
& Corrine Murray

"Shado" canine adopted 1/18/08 by Kimberly Bollman

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Ferdinand & Judith Zimdars

THANKS!

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Thank you to Maurices for hosting Rescues & Runways Fashion Show in September to benefit HOPE. Thank you to Heidi & Bethany from Maurices for setting up this event. Thank you to Sam Kupper for allowing her dogs (Pearl, Coco and Duffy) to walk the runway. The event had a DJ, raffle, giveaways and samples from Caribou Coffee. Thank you to everyone who attended the fashion show and donated money and/or items for the cats and dogs.

Thank you to Morgan Stanley Employee Donations and the following employee: Suzanne Cienkus.

Thank you to Piggly Wiggly #343 on Washington Ave for donating dog & cat food to HOPE. Thank you to Karee Barber for continually supporting HOPE.

Thank you to PETCO Foundation for donating money to HOPE through their "National Spay Neuter Drive". This event raised money for the specific use of promoting or accomplishing spay/neuter efforts. HOPE was chosen as one of the recipients.

Thank you to Catherine Sweet who continually collects aluminum cans while she walks and donates the money she makes from recycling the cans. Every can helps makes a difference!

Thank you to Melinda Tichelaar of the Caledonia Patch for coming to HOPE every few months and highlighting one of our feline adoptables. You can view Melinda's work and some of our adoptables at caledonia.patch/articles/patch-pet-of-the-week and then the cats name (i.e. caledonia.patch/articles/patch-pet-of-the-week-angel). Thank you to Kathy Van Parys for giving the narrative of each cat.

Thank you to Brain Umble of Bumble Bee Poker for having players donate canned cat & dog food to earn extra chips while playing Texas Hold'em Poker. Bumble Bee Poker holds these poker events at parties and events. Brian donated all the cat & dog food to HOPE.

Thank you to Wal-Mart Foundation for turning JJ Austin's volunteer hours into cash for HOPE. Thank you to JJ for continuing to volunteer all those hours at HOPE.

Thank you to Sam Watts and Crystal Euler who used Christie Graham of Homestead Realty as their realtor. Christie will donate 3% of her commission check to the animal shelter of her client's choice and Sam & Crystal chose HOPE. (See more ways to help HOPE on page 2)

Happy Holidays from HOPE!

We want to wish everyone a wonderful Holiday season and thank you for supporting our organization.

We appreciate everyone who donated time, money and items to help our cause. Thank you to everyone who opened their home and either adopted and/or fostered one of our thankful critters. A special thank you to those that took the time and educated people about the well being of animals and about HOPE.

We couldn't be HOPE to our animals without each and everyone of you and we wish you all the best for 2012.

INNER PEACE:

If you can start the day without caffeine,

If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains,

If you can resist complaining and boring people with your troubles,

If you can eat the same food every day and be grateful for it,

If you can understand when your loved ones are too busy to give you any time,

If you can take criticism and blame without resentment,

If you can conquer tension without medical help,

If you can relax without liquor,

If you can sleep without the aid of drugs,

....Then You Are Probably The Family Dog!

In Honor of...

"Angel" – beloved dog of Patty Cristiano – Thomas Mielke
Mike Balcer – Happy Birthday – Krista Berger
Annie Fidler – Congratulations on your retirement – Robert & Sharon Fenkl
Dr. Heidi Jahn – Your compassion, dedication & skill teach us what it means to be human – Bruce Covich & Elizabeth Oplatka
Jeanne Lepp – Congratulations on your retirement – Charles & Deborah Yale
North Shore Animal Hospital – Our Heroes – Bruce Covich & Elizabeth Oplatka
"Rusty" – Happy 8th Birthday (and 4 years with us) – Janice & Del Pigg
Santa Wink – Congratulations on your retirement – Sandra & David Anderson
"Zippy" – Congratulations on your new home with Gail & Paul Olson and big brother Taz – Janice & Del Pigg and Rusty

ADOPTED!

"Bac" – Gina Cheever
"Belah" – Janise & Charles Labeledz
"Boe" – Jayne Mohr
"Boscoe" – Patrick & Megan McGuire
"Camilla" – Katherine Peterson
"Chiquita" – Pamela Arents
"Cleatus" – Peter & Cynthia Dreckmann
"Feebee" – Misty & Brian Otwaska
"Kellee" – Judith Taylor
"Kohl" – Misty & Brian Otwaska
"Luckee" – Michelle & Jon Perri
"Menie" – Sally & Sandor Marianvi
"Mia" – Thomas & Lynn Eeg
"Natalia" – Jeff Johnson
"Nigel" – Kim Jacobson
"Noah" – Kim Jacobson
"Nolan" – Kim Jacobson
"Oliver" – Tabitha & Dustin Burton
"Ponce de Leon" – Linda Terpstra
"Rugby" – Mark Miller
"Tails" – Amy Randolph
"Tuffy" – Samantha Kupper
"Tyger" – Kristine & William Heveran
"Vamp" – Alice & Steve Chmielewski
"Virgo" – Alice & Steve Chmielewski

Sweepstakes Tickets Going on Sale March 1, 2012!

*The tickets will remain \$5 per ticket or six for \$25.
The grand prize will be \$1,000, \$500 for first prize,
\$250 for second prize and \$50 for third prize.*

There will also be 10 T-shirt winners.

*The drawing will be held Saturday, June 2, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.
If you are interested in selling tickets, please contact the office.*

I would like to thank all of the donators, volunteers and people that attended this year's "Cause for Paws" auction! We all had an amazing time! There were a lot of great items donated. My dogs love the toys I got for them! The volunteers and attendees were amazing company. I would also like to thank all of the people that made the dessert center pieces. It is exciting going to each table to get a different dessert. The sumo wrestling was a lot of fun to watch! Even though I refused to do it...maybe next year they can talk me into it, we will have to see - for the right amount I may do it. Pink Dingle Berry was a success! The best part of that was when one of the ladies that donated some of the items won her own things back twice. For those that could not make it, hopefully we will see you next year. Next year's date is already set for Friday, October 5, 2012.

Again THANK YOU to everyone for another successful event! I cannot wait until next years event!

Samantha Kupper

Come join us for Rescue Animal Awareness Day (R.A.A.D.) on January 28, 2012 at Trefoil Oaks Program Center (3901 1st Street, Kenosha) from 9 am to 4 pm. Girl Scout Troop 5821 along with other Girl Scout Troops will be holding this event which is open to the public. This event will include informational booths about rescue pet adoptions, spaying & neutering and there will also be a craft table.

Girl Scouts will be talking about their experience with rescue pets and HOPE will have a table to showcase our adoptables.

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