

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue

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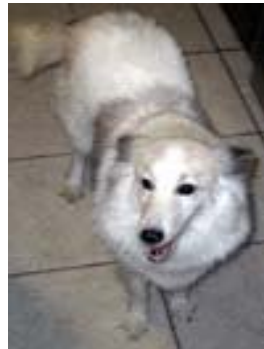
We are delighted to announce that Kadie, our Shady Lady, has gone to a super home!! Sam has been doing work for the Census and she was sitting in a Publix parking lot one day re-arranging all her paperwork. A couple walked up and starting talking to her about their two 12 year old shelties.

They asked about dogs we had available for adoption and were told about Kadie. Since they also told Sam how they were giving one of their shelties insulin twice a day and running glucose curves frequently, Sam had a hunch these folks would be good adopters.

Within hours, Mary & Frank had placed a request to be considered for adoption, asking especially about Kadie. Only a couple of days and a home visit later, Kadie went to live with them.

Frank reports that that everyone who meets Kadie falls in love with her beauty and outgoing personality. Sam has visited them again, and it is obvious that Kadie's eyes are already watching Frank closely.

Sam was also impressed by the fact that every year this couple does a swimming pool 'reminder' test. They put the dogs into the water and make sure they know how to get to the steps to get out. The pool is also fenced, but the 'just in case' knowledge of how to get out of the pool is a wonderful safety net.



**Kadie,
The Shady Lady**

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VERY ADOPTABLE

Sophie is a wonderful, loving and kind spirit. She is hoping that she will be spoiled with love, hugs, pets and kisses by a new family. She loves walks, car rides and tummy rubs. She plays with toys and loves to fetch a ball. Sophie has not acclimated to tiny ones, they flail hands and make loud noises and Sophie has a hard time with this... normal for a sheltie raised without children her whole life. She will only go to a home without small children.

Mattie Update

As you may remember, Mattie is now living with Sam & Alan. He also has gained a nickname - "Matty the Moocher"! Hmm, you say "How did he get that name?"". Well we have discovered he is a counter surfing, table walking, stove climbing little menace!!

Sure, this dog is obviously an agility prospect but he has also lost 'house privileges' when we are gone. To keep him safe, he is now crated when we leave the house. Two episodes of Matty getting into dark chocolate have made us much more careful about leaving anything out, pushing chairs all the way into the table, and removing kitchen stools that can be used as stepping stones to the stove!

(Visit the Health Page for more info on Chocolate and Dogs.)



DOG-LESS ADOPTIONS

Thank you for your response to our "Dog-less Adoptions".

Tyler received a donation for one heck of a lot of dog biscuits. He had promised to share them and he got so many that it wasn't a problem to share them at all. All the dogs say "YUM" (that is sheltie talk for "Thank you").



Tyler, in Rescue for 10 years - now happily munching his biscuits! :)

Scarlett also received a sizeable donation from Lee Campbell to help with her arthritis. As it turned out, that donation was particularly useful for our long-term rescue. We had a tumor removed from Scarlett's knee. Unfortunately it was a mast cell tumor and because of its location, the vet could not get clean margins.



Ball playing Scarlett, with us about 7 years now.

Scarlett did very well after surgery. In fact, we had to work hard to restrict her exercise as she wanted to go back to playing fetch nearly immediately.

Scarlett is being treated with prednisone and some herbal medications. She has a fighting spirit and we hope we will have more good years with her.

HEALTH PAGE

Chocolate and Dogs - Why two of our Favorite Things shouldn't be put together!

Hopefully all of you know that chocolate can be poisonous to dogs. Did you also know that the darker the chocolate, the more dangerous it is to dogs? White chocolate has basically little or no effect on most dogs, milk chocolate is worse, but dark chocolate is the most toxic at all.

Chocolate contains Theobromine which is toxic to dogs at certain quantities. How much chocolate a dog eats and how dangerous the amount is depends on the dog's weight, and the amount of Theobromine per oz of chocolate consumed.

What should you do if your dog suddenly discovers a stray piece of Godiva chocolate or worse yet, a box? First, call your vet and let them know how much chocolate the dog ate and when he ate it. If you are within an hour or two of the forbidden treat being snatched up, they may direct you to use an eyedropper to give a solution of hydrogen peroxide and water. This is what my vet (Dr Coral Turman) told me to do, then to "stir" gently (give Matty a few gentle shakes); wait a bit, drop in more hydrogen peroxide, and repeat as needed. It took me over an hour to get the chocolate out onto the newspapers I had spread on the floor.

What could have happened if I hadn't noticed the empty chocolate bar wrapper on the table?

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Hyperactivity
- Seizures
- Racing Heart Rhythm (tachardia) progressing to abnormal rhythms
- Death in Severe Cases

Other Warnings

Just a reminder of several extremely toxic items!

Tylenol - never give this to your dog. Never...Ever....No!

Gum containing Xylenol - I doubt you would give this, but keep this out of the reach of your furry friends. Like Tylenol, Xylenol is normally deadly to pets.

Sago Palm - the fruit from the female plant. Again, deadly to pets and also to children!

Cocoa Garden Mulch - This can be as deadly as chocolate and it smells GOOD!

**Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue thanks our vets for their care of all of our animals.
We truly appreciate their kindness and professionalism.**

Mandarin

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Conventional & alternative medicines. Certified
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IN MEMORIAM

Last week, Darla received a call about a 10 year old sheltie male from a vet out of our area. The little guy had just been diagnosed with Cushing's Disease and the owner had instructed the vet to put the dog to sleep. Knowing that Cushings' can be treated, the clinic was trying to find a Sheltie Rescue who would take him in. Darla said "Yes of course we will accept him and treat him." The clinic checked with the owner who refused to let the sheltie come into rescue and insisted the dog be killed. (Evidently the dog had belonged to her spouse's first wife.) The personnel at the vet clinic were very upset but legally had to follow the woman's wishes. We, too, are extremely upset and wrote this tribute to the one we couldn't save.

***We never met you, Sheltie Boy,
But still we grieve your loss.
We knew that we could help you.
We did not fear the cost.
But someone cruel and heartless
Refused the chance you had.
And so our tears are dropping ,
Though we never knew you, Sheltie Lad.
Samantha***



IN MEMORIAM

Unfortunately we have had to say goodbye to a number of shelties this month. We like to think there is a huge party at the Rainbow Bridge as the newest shelties are welcomed in and - once again healthy - enjoy running through deep soft grass with tails waving and huge grins on their beautiful faces.

Sheltie Rescue lost three dogs recently - Princess was a long time resident here. Darla & Ernie had overcome so many problems with her but at last nothing more could be done. (See the story about Princess and her adventure on page 7.) Tiny little Q-Tip, the dog who came to us at 15 years old, made it to 16 but then lost to cancer. We also had to let Ricky go to the Bridge. Good bye our sweet friends.. We will miss you.

Mary & Frank, who just adopted Kadie lost their beloved Brutus shortly after. Brutus had a number of problems since he was young and they did every thing they could to overcome each one as it appeared. During surgery last week, a two pound tumor was removed from his stomach and it was discovered that his liver was extremely cancerous. I only met Brutus once but even though he was ill, he had a presence and dignity that made me love him instantly.

Finally, it was with great sadness that we report the death of Fayr Wynds Royal Orion, known as Jake. Jake is now a gleaming star in the night sky after fighting a successful battle with Cushing's he died suddenly last week. You may remember the glorious picture of Jake and his family with the sled a few months ago. Jake lived in Alaska and he was beloved by every one who ever met him. Those of you who know the Fayr Wynds shelties can easily imagine the sweetness of his temperament, and the joy he brought to his owners.

Look at this picture of Jake - you just KNOW he is a "Duffy Dog" by the way he is holding his chin up.

Our sympathy to all those who lost their Beloved, beautiful friends recently.



Jake, left, and best friend, Petey, on the right

DONATIONS

Thank you to all our contributors. All the kids in Rescue thank you too—for helping pay for their food, their medications, their vet visits. They send you their sheltie smiles! We send you our human ones, too.

Monthly Donations (so faithfully month after month)

Peter & Velma Stuart (Pace, FL) Skip, from JSR, Callie (rescued from an abusive home in Pensacola, B-Ray and Cricket (two of the Pennsylvania rescues through JSR) and Boo, found on the run in southeast Alabama.

Judge Peter & Norma Dearing (Jacksonville) Owned by Gus, Dana and Honey

Carrie Andolina who has 2 of our rescue kids.

Dave & Marilyn Dahl and their well-loved senior dog, Dee.

Noni Willard & Margaret Jones, Mom's to Piper and Annie.

Nancy & Mark Erickson owned by Buddy, Cody & Daisy.

Other Donations

Lee Campbell

Janet Smaller

Raya & Neill McArthur

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue is a 501 c 3 Charity. This means if you donate to help our Shelties the amount can be taken off your taxes as a donation. We will send you a Letter of Donation for your records.

If you'd like to make a donation in Remembrance of a beloved dog who has passed, we will note that on the Jax Sheltie Rescue web page as well as in future newsletters.

We accept checks and "Paypal". The paypal account is dduffey@aol.com, the same as my email address.

Help us pay our vet bills for our rescued Shelties by:

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<http://jacksonvillesheltierescue.org/page11.htm>

We Will Survive - A true story of Princess & Fokie

By John Perkins

Life was good fur us in the begining, my sister Princess and I (Fokie in case you was wunnerin). Ya see we were litter mates an then we went to live with some humans in Florida after we was sent away furom our Mama. It was ok with us cause our Mama was gettin kinda grumpy, maybe it was because our teeth were gettin sharper and she didn't want us to nurse any more. Well anyway we went to live with these humans and we lived there fur a long time, bout six of your human years that is. Then thins started to go bad fur Princess and I cause the male human we lived with got sick. We tried to get him well with our love but you see love can't cure everything. One of the main reasons we wanted to get him well is cause the female human didn't like us as much as the male human and when he died she sent us away.

The next episode of our life was with rescue and a person named Miss Darla, she was very nice to us but it wasn't like havin our own human. Ya see we understand that rescue places is good but you just get the feelin that it's just a restin place and time to heal our wounds and get over rejection befor we find the right human again. Now as luck would have it there was a family that wanted Princess and I together and it was what seemed like the perfect home. They had a Sheltie befur and wanted both of us, I wasn't too crazy bout that at first cause you see Princess was gettin real bossy and livin up to bein a bitch. I useta wonder why they called bossy women the same name as a female dog but then we was goin to find out soon enough.

The perfect home didn't turn out to be so perfect because it was the male human again that wanted us and not the female again. He did love us but you see the perfect humans didn't have the perfect marriage and it soon broke up. Princess and I stayed with the male human and life wasn't so bad till he found another female human to live with him. This female human had a dog an it was kinda bossy an didn't like us herdin it all the time so we barked at it. Now this lady didn't like this so she told our human to send us off an knows what he did. Can you magine that after all the love we gave him he kept this other lady an her dog. We would never treat a human like that but you can't expect much furom most humans. Now the decision hadta be made bout where ta send us an geuss where we went, back to the wife that didn't want us in the furst pawlace.

I can tail ya that I wasn't too happy bout all this an Princess was even more madder than I was. Wail when we got to this lady house she didn't want us so she didn't even let us in the house. We had to stay in the out all the time an at furst she did give us foods an then as time went on she would furget to give us enny and no water so we had ta fend fur ourselves. Now some of you dogs don't know what it's like livin in the out all the time so let me tail ya what it's like. Ya hasta find food an water sometimes an ya gets these bugs on ya that make ya itch an after ya get these bugs on ya your poop starts ta get runny an ya has wiggly thins in it, Ya start to feel bad an weak an ya don't wanta do nuffin.

Wall, I had just about given up hope, but Princess said she was tired of bein treated like a dawg. I tole her I was too sick to be doin anything, but she just took off, saying she was going to get help!

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We Will Survive, Cont.

Wail Princess took off down the road an was gone fur I don't knows how long an I was just too weak ta do nuffin an just laid in the road when this lady felt bad fur me an gave me some foods an took me into her home.

Princess, she walked a long long long way an finally she was picked up by this lady named Angie that werked with a TED (The Evil Doctor) and she took her an got rid of all her ticks an fleas but again she couldn't keep her cause she had 3 other dogs. So she called Miss Darla up ta get her inta rescue. When Miss Darla picked up Princess she just node she looked furmiliar but didn't knows who she was till she scanned her an seen the chip she put in her an she node it was Princess.

Now what bout me ya may ask but even if ya didn't asks I'm gonna tell ya. Wail Miss Darla kinda bein a sekret agent type of human did sum vestigatin an found out that the mother of the lady that dopted us lived in the area where Princess was found an she did some more vestigatin an figured out I had ta be close to there so she called da Po-lice an she went over there an started a comotion like she shoulda an the human that had me tole her where I was. Wail I can tail you I low tailed it fur her Van an we took off to her house.

I do think I figured out why I can't find a human that wants to keep me fur ever an that's cause Princess is bad luck. Ya she pawblaby saved my life but she has also made my life misserable cause she bugs me all the time.

Foxie a Survivor



Note: We lost Foxie 10-30-2007 and now Princess is gone too. They lived here off and on since April 2003.

We would like to take this time to thank Norma and Peter Dearing for the Meet and Greet... Wine and Cheese Party they provided giving their neighbors the opportunity to learn about Sheltie Rescue. A GREAT time was had by all.

Jacksonville Sheltie Rescue wants to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Jacksonville Shetland Sheepdog Club, Inc. for the donation of \$300.00 from the raffle that occurred at the Sheltie Club Specialty show on April 9.

