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Pam is an active animal rescue volunteer locally with Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue and TriCounty Animal Rescue. She is also a member of TEAM PAWS Chicago, a group of marathon runners who raise funds for PAWS Chicago, a national model for no-kill shelters.

As a member of the American Humane Association's Red Star Rescue Team, she's also trained to deploy to disaster areas to rescue and shelter animals in emergencies.

Pam's long-time passion for writing makes her happiest when it's used to help raise awareness for animal rescue. "I want people to know that everyone can make a difference, no matter how large or small, so that we can reduce the number of homeless, neglected, abandoned and euthanized pets," she says.

When not busy with rescue work, Pam enjoys her own adopted pets!

This issue of Rescue Tales is lovingly dedicated to Pam's rescued Bullmastiff.









R.I.P. Tucker



Q: A:

How can I best care for my pet's teeth? ~Ginger Donaldson

"Dental care is a very important and often overlooked aspect of preventative veterinary care. Healthy teeth and gums allow dogs and cats to eat, play, and explore without pain and discomfort.

Your pet's teeth are not any different from your teeth! They are composed of enamel on the outside and pulp, dentin, and nerves on the inside. There is a crown (visible on the outside) and 1-3 roots that extend deep under the gum. They accumulate plaque and tartar in the same manner as our teeth – by exposure to carbohydrate (sugar) in the food. If these elements are not wiped away frequently, they will accumulate and invite bacteria to join the party. Local teeth and gum infection (gingivitis and periodontitis) follow.

If the problem is not addressed, over time it can progress to deep root infection and necrosis ("death" of the root), fistulas (tunnels between the tooth root and nasal passages), erosion of the jaw bone, and systemic bacterial infections. The best way to preserve these little pearls is to brush, brush, brush the teeth daily, if possible. Imagine how your teeth and gums would look and feel if you rarely or never brushed them and never had them scaled and polished by the dentist! The best advice I can give is what I do for my own dog: daily brushing and yearly dental cleaning. Daily brushing is not that difficult if you approach it as a necessary part of your pet's minimum daily routine: Feed, walk, brush teeth, play. It is important to use a soft tooth brush and a toothpaste made for dogs and cats, as they don't know not to swallow human toothpaste. Many dogs and cats enjoy the process because the pet toothpaste is tasty to them. Try to contact as many surfaces of the teeth as you can access. Don't worry about being super thorough! Also the most important part of the process is the physical friction or wiping on the teeth, so even using a Q-tip with no toothpaste or a soft cloth is better than nothing.

Why not make a commitment to brush your pet's teeth daily! You can do it!"

~Julia C. Vladimir, DVM Justin Bartlett Animal Hospital justinbartlettanimalhospital.org

Spring Has Spring Keep your pets safe from its hazards

Spring has sprung, and with it come possible hazards for your pets. Be aware of these risks, and enjoy this beautiful time of year safely!

- With the spring weather, you may be leaving doors and windows open more often, so keep your home 'escape proof'. Now's a good time to be sure your pets have current microchips and collar tags, which can save their lives and bring them safely home if they do get out.
- If you suffer from allergies, you know that spring brings a bounty of new pollens and allergens, but did you know that your dog or cat can also suffer from allergies to spring blooms? If your pet is scratching, sneezing, or having respiratory issues this season, consult your veterinarian for help to manage the symptoms.
- It's time for spring cleaning and home improvements! Cleaning products, solvents, paint and many other substances can be very dangerous for your pet. Don't assume because you would never dream of eating them that your pet won't find them appetizing! Keep them out of his reach as you spruce up your home.
- If spring has you doing more gardening, remember that fertilizers, insecticides, pesticides, and some

types of mulch can be fatal if swallowed, so protect your pets from them.

- And then there's Passover and Easter! Keep rich foods away from pets and beware the season's plants and flowers. Easter lilies, tulips and others are toxic to pets, as are some dried flowers. And oh, those chocolate bunnies! Chocolate is extremely toxic to dogs and cats, who cannot metabolize the theobromine in it. Toxic levels can build and cause cardiac arrest. It's always a good idea to keep IPECAC syrup and 3% hydrogen peroxide on hand to induce vomiting if ever needed. Consulting your veterinarian for dosing is a good idea to do now so you'll have that knowledge if you need it. Program the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center number into your phone for emergencies: 1-888-426-4435.
- Don't give real baby bunnies or chicks as gifts, please! A few weeks later, shelters and rescue groups are brimming with gifted critters given up by families who weren't prepared for the new pets and their care. Like adopting a dog or cat, adopting any pet should be a decision that's well thought out and planned.

ENJOY the spring season safely with your furry friends!

OUR COVER STORY

THE MAKING OF A DOG GUY

State Attorney Dave Aronberg and his rescued dog, Cookie



She walks with confidence and purpose straight into the downtown building of the State Attorney's Office. Her importance is evident to all as she flashes her personal electronic ID badge, breezing through security and onto the elevator that whisks her upstairs for her busy day. All eyes are on her — she thinks she's a pretty big deal and, well ... she is! She's Cookie, Palm Beach County State Attorney Dave Aronberg's beloved rescued dog, BFF, and confidant.

The man known as a strong crime-fighting prosecutor and the most powerful elected local public official is putty in Cookie's paws. She "works"

at his office every Friday with a job description that includes receiving belly rubs, running laps around the office, napping, and most importantly, making everyone smile.

"She's definitely changed my life, no doubt," says Aronberg, who spent his first 40 years without a pet. He admits he couldn't then fully understand the human/pet connection that people rave about. Raised "pet-less" in Miami with parents who were allergic to dogs and cats, he then went on to a busy life, first at Harvard University and Harvard Law School. He later served as Florida Assistant Attorney General, a White House Fellow, a Florida Senator for eight years, and in his current role as Palm Beach County State Attorney since his election in 2012.

But back to that adorable dog, Cookie! When Aronberg attended a charity event for Big Dog Ranch Rescue in 2011, his good friend Eric Weinberger suggested he save a life and adopt one of the pooches. Aronberg remembers: "I said, 'I'm a single guy, I've never had a pet, and I'm about to run for State Attorney. I'm not going to have the time to do that." His friend was persistent and, later in the evening, Aronberg let slip the tiny opening Weinberger needed. Having always thought basset hounds were cute, out came, "Oh wellIll ... mayyyybe, if it's a basset hound." The very next day, Weinberger texted him the photo of a small basset hound, which would become Cookie. Aronberg still has it on his phone to this day.



Lauree Simmons, president of Big Dog Ranch Rescue, had just pulled the 1-year-old basset to safety from Animal Care and Control. The dog had been neglected, kept chained outside in all weather, had fleas, and was ill and very underweight. "I couldn't stop looking at that picture," says Aronberg. "I'd put it down, go back to work, and then look at it again."

With that, both of their lives changed! The basset who'd had such a tough first year of life became an Aronberg, and

Dave Aronberg became a "dog guy."

Aronberg says Cookie's name was chosen for three reasons. She is so incredibly sweet; on top of her pretty head she has a brown circular marking that's the size of a cookie; and she's the namesake of Aronberg's grandmother who was affectionately called "Cookie Grandma."

Now, State Attorney Aronberg is just like the rest of us! He gets down on the floor in his suit to give Cookie belly rubs and receive kisses (and thus often wears dog hair the rest of the day); talks to her in what he

jokingly refers to as his "Cookie voice;" and most of all, he says he now "gets it" and has since the first day he adopted her. "She is so perfect," he says. "There's that unconditional love that's there no matter what I'm dealing with. They say if you want a friend in politics, get a dog! But seriously, I can't believe how real the bond is. She truly is family, and I now deeply understand when people talk about what their pets mean to them."



While he's now just like us, Aronberg does have a larger and more powerful platform upon which to help animals like Cookie, and he's fiercely passionate about it. As State Attorney, the first felony case he chose to personally prosecute was a 2015 animal abuse case involving a pit-bull mix named Bella, who'd been starved, chained outdoors, and neglected. When rescued, the 1-year-old dog was emaciated at 23 pounds and was too weak and ill to walk or even lift her head. Aronberg saw to it that Bella's owner was convicted and sentenced to nine months in jail. Bella went on to double her weight, regain her health and find a loving forever home through adoption.

"I wanted to send a message that animal cruelty is a priority in this office and will not be tolerated in Palm Beach County," he said.

"You can judge a society by how it treats its most vulnerable, and that includes our animals. Bella couldn't call 911. We were her voice."

Aronberg is a huge champion for several South Florida animal rescue organizations, lending his time and esteem to benefit Big Dog Ranch Rescue, TriCounty Animal Rescue, Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League, Pet Haven Rescue, Palm Beach Animal Care and Control, Hounds and Heroes, Horses Healing Hearts, and more. He and his staff are also proponents of the use of dogs in the courtroom in Palm Beach County in cases of juveniles and others who are emotionally distraught. Therapy dogs sometimes attend depositions, trial and witness preparation, and interviews.

"They really are magic," says Aronberg, as he gazes at his rescued girl. Right on cue, Cookie leans in to "kiss" his face and then rolls onto her back for yet another belly rub. In that instant all is well in the State Attorney's world. A "dog guy" indeed!







LOLA finds her purr-fect match!

"LOLA is quite a character! She loves her furry roommates and plays and plays and plays. She tends to 'chirp talk' a lot and is very entertaining! She's healthy and has had no issues with her transition into our home. We love her SO much!" — Lola's grateful adopter





PAWS UPFOR OUR VOLUNTEER HEROES!

If you've had ANY contact with Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue (JBAR), chances are you've met the hardest working volunteers ever, the Mamminos!

Debra and Mike and their three kids, Joey, Jason and Michelle, can be found doing every single volunteer job known to man at every level of rescue. If it needs to be done, they'll roll up their sleeves and get to work. They've fostered (and adopted!....foster failure as its best!) and always have a houseful of animals they're nurturing, often the most ill or injured in need of loving, healing foster care. You'll find them at adoption events and fundraisers and on JBAR's Mobile Animal Surgical Hospital on community spay / neuter missions. They do the dirty work, the long days, the heavy work, the hard work, giving countless hours per week, year after year, to help the animals that pass through the safety of JBAR on their journey to forever homes. In spite of jobs and school, they're always willing to help, and their immense passion shows. Debra, a bookkeeper, is also JBAR's CFO and a Foster and Adoption Counselor. Mike is also handy and can be relied on to fix pretty much everything and keep it all running smoothly.

We thank the Mamminos for lending their hearts, homes and hands to every facet of Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue and for doing it with a smile, always! If you're lucky enough to meet them, raise a hand or a paw in a thankful HIGH FIVE!



(From L-R): Mike Mammino w/ dog; The Mamminos; Deb Mammino.





JUSTIN BARTLETT ANIMAL RESCUE

HEALING HOUNDS PROGRAM

EXTENDS A PAW TO WIN-WIN PARTNERSHIPS

Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue (JBAR) has founded The Healing Hounds Program to link rescued dogs with local organizations, correctional and rehabilitation facilities, and schools. One such successful partnership is that with the Pawsitive Direction Program through Loxahatchee Animal Rescue Community (LARC), a foster-based 501(c)3 rescue group.

Nicole Arndt, president of LARC, and Melody Owens, a professional dog trainer, founded Pawsitive Direction in 2016 as a 12-week program that pairs rescued dogs with men in custody at the Okeechobee Correctional Institution work camp. The men are trained by Melody to serve as dog handlers. They then train the dogs in basic obedience, socialization, trust, house-training, and leash manners. The goal is to graduate the dogs as fully trained AKC Good Citizens (CGC) with 'Bachelor's / Master's / PhD in Canine Life and Social Skills', therefore giving them a better chance for adoption. Some will even continue with training to become therapy dogs!

The program gives the dogs a second chance and also provides the handlers with training and skills to help them find employment in the future. The dogs spend the entire day with their two handlers, even sleeping at night in a kennel between the handlers' beds.

The dogs pictured below are all from Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue. Honey, on the left, is a proud graduate of the program and has already been adopted! Belle, in the top right photo with her handlers, is scheduled to graduate in April and will be up for adoption.

On the bottom right is Nyla, who will also graduate in April and be put up for adoption. You may notice her missing leg, although she barely does! Nyla was rescued by Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue after she was brought in to JBAR's nonprofit Justin Bartlett Animal Hospital with a broken leg. The leg was treated and casted but due to non-compliance and lack of care by her owners, the leg deteriorated to the point where it required amputation. The owners then surrendered Nyla to JBAR, who provided her surgery and after-care. She emerged as a healthy, happy, active "tripawd." Sweet Nyla's had quite the journey!

LARC President Nicole Arndt says of her partnership with Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue, "Rescue work should be a team effort and we've developed that type of partnership with JBAR. Our rescue dogs receive great care at their hospital. I can reach out to them at any time and they can ask us to help by taking dogs into our Pawsitive Direction Program. We feel encouraged and supported in our rescue mission, which means a great deal to us."

A true win-win situation for all involved!







JUSTIN BARTLETT ANIMAL RESCUE



HEALING HOUNDS PROGRAM

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OUR ANIMAL HEROES

THANK YOU TO THESE ANIMAL HEROES FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT OF JUSTIN BARTLETT ANIMAL RESCUE



A Happy Tale

SWEET DOG 'BEAR' FINDS HIS BOY



Fate is a funny thing, and sometimes it can step in to bring a boy and a dog together to form a perfect bond!

Just when 6-year-old Bear, a Golden Doodle/ Australian Shepherd mix, found himself needing a home, there was a 14-year-old boy named Adam who longed for a canine best friend. The family knew they wanted a rescue dog and found Bear on the Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue website last July. The match was made!

"I think Bear really needed a young boy to play with," says Adam's mom, Teresa. "They love each other so much. They roll on the floor and play and Adam has taught Bear some tricks, including hiding a treat under one of several cups and having Bear sniff it out and flip the cup. It's so funny! Bear has a dynamic personality, and it's unbelievable how good he is. We wish we'd known him as a puppy, but even older pets need to be adopted, and we hope to inspire more people to adopt. Whatever happened to him before, he is with us now and for as long as he lives. Adam talked me into adopting him, and I'm so happy I listened. Bear is so perfect for us and has truly been a blessing to our family. Thank you so much, Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue"!

"Love Changes Everything!"



Be A FOSTER HERO

RIGHT NOW there's a dog or cat, a puppy or kitten, whose life YOU can save by fostering. Do you have the right stuff to be a temporary foster parent to a furry soul in need? Let's learn more about this rewarding way to open your heart and home to save a life!

Fostering is a shorter-term commitment than adoption and the perfect way to nurture and enjoy an animal in need of your loving care. You become the stepping stone between the animal's rescue and its forever home. Shelters and rescue organizations, such as the all-foster-based Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue (JBAR), always need loving foster homes. When you step up to foster a JBAR pet, another can immediately be rescued from euthanasia and moved into safety. Aside from adopting, there's no more direct way to personally save a dog or cat!

JBAR, and most other rescue organizations, will provide everything you need and pay all expenses involved during your foster pet's stay in your home, including food and medical care. A foster coordinator will work with you to choose the right pet for your home and to support you throughout the foster process. You'll work out a timeline and expectations for attending adoption events or making arrangements to have the animal seen by potential adopters. Many foster parents enjoy taking the pet out in the community to parks, pet-friendly restaurants, the beach, festivals, and anywhere the animal can meet those who may become its forever family.

Fostering gives the pet a settled home environment and a better chance of fitting into a new forever home. It's also serious business and needs to be well thought-out. Some things to consider before stepping up are:

- Does the entire family agree on this decision?
- Is someone at home enough of the day to provide needed care?
- Will other pets in your home be 'on board' with your new foster pet?

Types of pets who often need foster care are healthy adult dogs and cats but also:

- Senior pets
- Orphaned puppies or kittens who need bottle feeding (training and supplies will be provided). Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue has received the award for the most bottle babies rescued from Miami-Dade Animal Services and always needs fosters who can bottle feed.
 - Pets recovering from injury, illness or surgery

Again, a foster coordinator will work with you to find your perfect fit.

Those who foster know it's common to have mixed feelings when their charge finds its forever home, but most agree there's no greater feeling than knowing they've been an integral part of the pet's journey to its happy ending. Most organizations will allow you to adopt the animal yourself if you decide to make it a permanent family member. Lovingly called a "foster failure," it's a beautiful thing and you may think rescue organizations encourage it, but it sometimes stops the new owner from fostering in the future.

"We'd much rather have our animals adopted out into the community than by their foster parent. Instead of giving that one pet a home, the foster parent can then take in future foster pets, which is of even greater value to us in our mission to save as many as possible," says Peter Torres, president of Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue. "But of course, it happens, and many do adopt and then also still take in more fosters for us in the future. Many have a happy houseful of pets, some their own and some fosters. Others prefer to just have one animal at a time. Either way, we appreciate every single foster home!"

Consider fostering! Learn more by reaching out to your local organization or to Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue at justinbartlettanimalrescue.org and clicking on Contact Us for more information. SAVE A LIFE by being a stepping stone to a pet's "Happily Ever After."



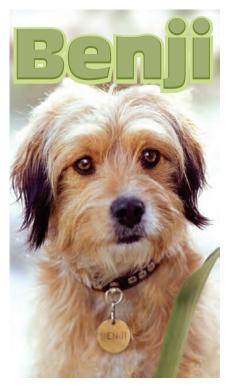
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CANINE STAR BENJI: FROM HOMELESS TO HERO



A scruffy mutt pup named Higgins sat alone and hopeful in a Burbank, CA animal shelter in 1970 as people passed by his crate and overlooked him. He needed a home and he needed it fast! His fate was uncertain.

Then Higgins' BIG BREAK came, literally, in the form of Frank Inn, an animal-loving LA dog trainer. Frank took one look at the adorable, fluffy mop-of-a-canine and adopted him. The rest, as they say, IS HISTORY!

Higgins proved to be a fast learner and with Inn's training, he soon became a remarkable canine actor with appearances in *PETTICOAT JUNCTION*, *GREEN ACRES*, and *THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES*. His broad range of facial expressions and many tricks landed Higgins on the cover of *TV Guide* and

won him several animal acting awards. He was cast in his first movie, *MOOCH GOES TO HOLLYWOOD*, and then in his blockbuster role in *BENJI*, released in 1974.

BENJI creator Joe Camp, an avid shelter pet advocate, had been determined to use a shelter dog in the movie and was happy to find the talented adoptee. Higgins went on to become the second animal inducted into the Animal Actors Hall of Fame (after Lassie) and was the first movie dog hero who was a mixed breed!

But Higgins/Benji had more to contribue to the world than his acting. With Camp's help, the little mutt would change a country's thinking about shelter dogs. The American Humane Association estimates that over ONE MILLION shelter dogs were adopted due to the popularity of the many *BENJI* movies and the raised awareness of shelter dogs everywhere.

Joe Camp and Benji continued to promote shelter pets with appearances, outreach programs and school visits. Subsequent dogs to play the role of Benji also partnered with Camp, the AHA and Pets 911 to promote adoption. Two dogs to play the role were descendants of Higgins. The last was a dog adopted from the Humane Society of South Mississippi after a nationwide shelter search that generated over 1 billion exposures on TV, radio, magazines and newspapers. Lloyd Perkins of West Palm Beach remembers the fame and popularity of Benji when the original movie was released. He said, "Benji was the reason we adopted a shelter dog. My kids just had to have a Benji look-alike. Of course, the dog we found and fell in love with looked totally different, but we adopted him and he was funny, loving and loyal. My family has adopted five shelter dogs since then."

In spite of his vast fame, Higgins never forgot where he came from. His adorable

face and legacy of acting and advocacy did more for rescued dogs than arguably any other dog, especially at a time when rescue awareness was just beginning. Rescue and shelter dogs still owe him a huge thank you for moving the country forward in its thinking, but there is still much more to be done.

Adopt a rescued pet!







A Happy Tale

OSCAR THE SHEEPDOG IS LIVING THE GOOD LIFE!

Down in Key West amid the swaying palms and crystal blue ocean is a handsome Old English Sheepdog named Oscar, who's quite a local celebrity. He travels in a pack with his two Sheepdog siblings and his two human dads, frequenting the dog park, Frenchie's Coffee Shop and White Street Pier. When the tour train passes by, the operators refer to the pooches as "The Herd," and tourists clamor to take photos with them.

But just months ago, Oscar was a down-on-his-luck pup, sick and homeless in an economically-challenged area. His fortune changed the day his owner surrendered him to Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office Animal Control Services. You see, that was the very day that Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue's Mobile Animal Surgical Hospital (MASH) team was in the area to perform free spay and neuter services to the community. The JBAR team met him and knew this shaggy boy needed rescue, veterinary care and a happy forever home. He was immediately taken into the safety of JBAR and in that second, Oscar's life was transformed.

With a few months of medical treatment and a loving foster home, Oscar was nursed back to health and put up for adoption. JBAR's adoption counselors hoped to find him a family familiar with Old English Sheepdogs. As fate would have it, Oscar's story caught the hearts of Michael and Jeff, who've had seven Sheepdogs collectively and had two at the time. They were a perfect match for this rescued boy, and Oscar couldn't have found a better forever family.

"The three dogs run through the house like a furry tornado," says Michael. "Oscar has fit right in and he, Rufus and Lucy move furniture as they go, unstuffing toys and playing tug. They go everywhere with us. They romp on the beach and swim in the ocean."





But wait...there's even more to this Happy Tale! Oscar will be a "snowbird," spending his summers in Northeast Ohio, visiting the parks and the waterfall in the middle of his town. He'll join on hikes through the forest to swim in the waterfall basin and enjoy rides into the city, where he'll walk to the coffee shop and to Lincoln Park, where he'll attempt to catch some fast squirrels. Every 4th of July, Oscar will join a huge pool party with all his human and canine cousins. This rescued boy now has a busy, happy, loved life ahead of him!

"Oscar has become an important part of the family dynamics. It seems like he's always been with us. He's the perfect pooch, with a big personality," says Michael.



WOW! Now THAT'S a HAPPY TALE rescue success story. Happy trails, Oscar!

'MASH' RV TRAVELS TO COMMUNITIES TO PROVIDE SPAY & NEUTER SERVICES

- CATS...A mated pair and their offspring can produce 370,000 cats in 7 years
- DOGS...A mated pair and their offspring can produce 67,000 dogs in 7 years

Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue (JBAR) knows that the key to ending the suffering and euthanasia of homeless animals lies with spay and neuter services. Toward that goal, JBAR began community outreach missions aboard its Mobile Animal Surgical Hospital (MASH) in May 2016, completing free and low-cost spay/neuter surgeries in the most disadvantaged areas of South Florida.

As of February 1, 2017, the MASH had completed 17 missions, totaling 304 sterilization surgeries (that's an average of 18 surgeries on each one-day mission). Additionally, more than 120 rabies vaccines were administered and more than 100 microchips implanted!

You may see the big converted RV, covered in JBAR's signature bright green color, sponsor names and animal photos, doing its important work on long days in The Redlands (southwest of Miami), Pahokee, Okeechobee, and Clewiston. These economically challenged areas are also the most overrun with stray, abandoned, dumped, homeless, and suffering animals. Pet owners in these areas often want to do the right thing for their animals but cannot afford standard spay/neuter services at veterinarian offices, so the MASH missions are a welcome blessing to them.

JBAR's MASH unit has a lot going on inside a very small, organized space. Highly trained, compassionate veterinarians and technicians work closely as a synchronized team to offer the best care to dogs and cats at either no cost or low cost to their owners. For these charitable missions, JBAR often partners with the Office Depot, Pegasus and Cold Noses foundations and with Pets Broward. Teams set out for long days of scheduled surgeries aboard the MASH, where cats and dogs are registered, sedated, sterilized and then closely monitored throughout their recovery. They go home within hours, and each will never again add to the overpopulation crisis.

If you'd like to be an animal hero by supporting these important, life-saving efforts, go to justinbartlettanimalrescue.org and click on Donate. The animals thank you!



















Like Father, Like Son!



What is that magical thread that connects a homeless dog with a potential adopter? What draws us to that one particular furry face so we know they're THE ONE? Who knows, really, but whatever it is.....it may be genetic! How about this for a Happy Tale rescue coincidence....

Max, the short-haired boy pictured, was rescued, fostered and then adopted from Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue (JBAR). Soon after, his new family wanted to adopt another dog

from JBAR so they started searching, and a scruffy boy immediately caught their hearts. His name was Murphy, and someone had adopted him from JBAR nearly a year earlier. Sadly, they had just returned him, and he needed a new home. Max's humans quickly chose Murphy as their new family member.

As Murphy's adoption into the family with Max was in the works, their human dad was shopping for supplies at Petco and ran into a JBAR volunteer. As they chatted about the dogs, something triggered an incredible memory in the volunteer's head that led them to the realization that the new adoptee, Murphy, was the son of their first adoptee, Max!

You see, when Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue had saved puppy Murphy with his litter mates and his mother over a year earlier, his doggy daddy had also been at the shelter and JBAR wouldn't leave him behind. That daddy dog was Max!

So without knowing the two dogs were related, the family had chosen, months apart and from dozens and dozens of dogs in foster with JBAR, a father and son! The dogs were reunited and now happily share a forever home! Rescue – it's often a crazy, happy adventure!

THIS is RESCUE! Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue Reaches 6,000 Lives Saved with this precious little family

The little dog was surviving on the streets of Miami as a stray when she brought SIX puppies into the world. For two weeks, she managed to give them the best motherly care to keep her family alive.

With her tiny pups, she was then trapped and brought into the bustling, overcrowded county shelter, where they were at great risk of illness or euthanasia. Within 30 minutes of this canine family's arrival, rescue partner Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue was called and had mobilized with a volunteer, who drove 60 miles each way in late-day traffic to pick them up. These seven lives would bring Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue to the milestone of 6,000 pets saved since JBAR's inception less than five years ago.

Mama and pups had to be transferred from the shelter's trap into a transport bin, and Mama was afraid and fiercely protective of her babies. She needed to be leashed and removed from the trap before her pups could be transferred to the bin. While one pup was still being held and photographed, anxious Mama was reunited with the pups already in the bin. Although she'd been led away as the pups were transferred and didn't see that one was still being held, she did a quick check of her babies, touching each with her nose, and immediately knew one was missing. She looked up in anguish and cried until she saw the

last pup in the transporter's hand. Although she had growled earlier at any attempt to reach a hand near her, she wagged at the sight of her "missing baby," and the transporter was able to gently place the last pup next to her in the bin. Mama laid on all the pups, covering and

protecting them, and resumed a low, motherly growl again when approached. Good Mama!





The family was transported, and six hours after surviving on the streets, they were in a loving foster home, had full bellies and a bright future. Mama was no longer growling! She already knew she and her babies were SAFE. Two days later, named Willa (from German origin meaning 'Protector'), this mama was nudging her foster mom for more every time she stopped petting her. *Love Changes Everything*

THIS is RESCUE!







YOU CAN DO IT! EASY WAYS TO HELP ANIMALS

You see those sad furry faces and your heart wants to help homeless pets. So, JUST DO IT! Surely there's something on this list you'd like to do, and you'll be appreciated by your local rescue group or shelter as you help them help animals. START WHERE YOU ARE, USE WHAT YOU HAVE, DO WHAT YOU CAN!

- **ADOPT** (OK, so you knew that was coming!) When you adopt a homeless pet, you save two lives: the one you welcome into your home and the one who will take its place in the safety of a rescue organization. If your home is already full of adopted pets, read on.
- **FOSTER** Yep, it's true that you can be a life-saving hero with a shorter-term commitment by fostering a homeless dog or cat. Learn more see the fostering article on page 16 of this issue of *Rescue Tales*.
- **DONATE MONEY** Bottom line? All rescue organizations need cash. Monetary donations allow them to use the money where it's most needed. Any amount is helpful, so never feel a donation is too small (or too large). Think in terms of what your donation can provide. For example, just \$10 may buy seven meals for hungry dogs and cats. Ask if your employer will match your donation or sponsor an event.
- **DONATE YOUR TIME** It won't cost you a thing, and you'll be amazed at how much fun you can have working with like-minded animal lovers. Volunteer to work directly with the animals or lend your talents to fundraising events, adoption events, or even stuffing envelopes for mailers. It's all good!
- **DONATE FOOD** Check with the organization first to see what type they prefer. Always donate only new, sealed bags or cans.
- **DONATE BEDDING** What better feeling than knowing a homeless animal is curled up on that old comforter you no longer use or the small rug that no longer matches your decor. Your discarded dog beds, towels, small rugs and blankets will be a warm, soft hug to an animal in a new, unfamiliar environment. Shelters and rescue organizations can't get enough of these items. Do your spring cleaning and donate!
- **DONATE CLEANING SUPPLIES AND OFFICE SUPPLIES** Yep, lots of cleaning supplies are needed for pet care! Office items like printer paper, ink cartridges and folders are always welcome, too.

- **DONATE USED APPLIANCES** With washers and dryers working overtime, rescue groups will welcome any that are in working order. Most will even be happy to come out and pick them up.
- **DONATE GIFT CARDS** Useful cards might be Home Depot, Costco, gas stations and pet store chains. So many items can be bought with these, even trash bags or laundry detergent the list is endless.
- **DONATE PET ITEMS** Leashes, collars, toys keep a fostered or shelter dog or cat looking handsome in a nice collar and feeling playful with toys. Carriers, crates, bowls, cat litter pans and accessories are also needed!
- **DONATE WHAT YOU HAVE ACCESS TO** A connection to a venue for a fundraising event? Printing for flyers? Mechanic services for rescue vehicles? Items or services for fundraising auctions? What business or talents can you offer?
- **ATTEND FUNDRAISING EVENTS** Raising money for animals while spending a fun day at a park event or a night out eating and drinking with other animal lovers? That's a no-brainer! Enjoy!
- ADVOCATE, EDUCATE, NETWORK Even just one Facebook post or share can raise awareness and even find a pet its forever home! Share your passion and knowledge with others.
- INVOLVE CHILDREN They're the future of animal rescue! Get them involved with a lemonade stand or go door-to-door with them to ask neighbors for donated towels and blankets. Have them ask their birthday party guests to bring an item to donate. Instilling this love of animals and heart for helping is as important for them as it is for the animals!

Easy, right? And the best part is that you'll feel happy for having helped. Make your difference!

If you choose Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue for your donated items, they can be dropped off at the rescue's non-profit partner, Justin Bartlett Animal Hospital at 10405 Southern Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach. THANK YOU!



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Mark Your Calendar and Join Us for a Fundraising Good Time or Find Your BFF at an Adoption Event!

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WOOF•STOCK Family Event
@ Bryant Park, Lake Worth

October 28, 2017 GOLF "FORE" PAWS Golf Tournament

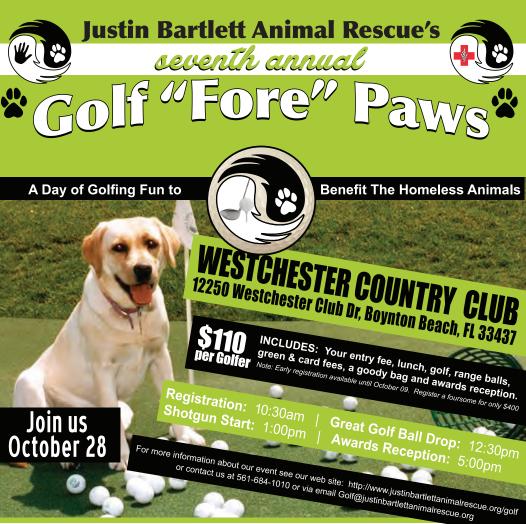
@ Westchester Country Club, Boynton Beach

ADOPTION EVENTS!

Weekly Justin Barltett Animal Rescue adoption events across Palm Beach County....Go to *justinbartlettanimalrescue.org/info/events* for listing. Adoption events are generally scheduled for every Saturday at PETCO locations in Deerfield, Boynton Beach, Lake Worth and Stuart AND at JUSTIN BARTLETT ANIMAL HOSPITAL

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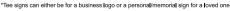
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