Pet Tidings

Corkie's Saga by Elizabeth J. "B.J." Frew

After 15-plus years of who knows what kind of adventures, Corkie found friends determined to retire him to a life of leisure. Thank goodness for friends!

Corkie turned up cold, hungry and stray on a home owner's porch in the middle of winter. He was turned over to an animal shelter where he lived in a kennel with other dogs. Unfortunately, his limited vision made Corkie confused about his surroundings. He was given very little chance of living long.

A dog breeder visiting the shelter saw Corkie's dilemma and took him home. It was there he was subsequently noticed by a PFOA volunteer who thought Corkie might be better off living in a home with fewer dogs.

Corkie needed medical attention for his eyes, teeth and tumors. There were no indications he had ever been abused in his original home, but one might assume his family could not afford the ongoing medical attention he needed.

PFOA's Nancy Campbell called us to see if we'd be willing to give Corkie a home. My husband's response to Corkie's emailed photos was



Adopted! Oscar

simple: "He looks like he needs us." Corkie was a depressed, sick and frightened little guy who could barely stand up when we got him. While driving him home I kept reaching over to put my hand on him to make sure he was still breathing.

The next few weeks were not easy for Corkie because he underwent numerous medical procedures including having most of his teeth extracted. One hole went from his mouth to his nasal cavity and had to be closed.

Considering his age and everything he went through, Corkie made an incredible recovery. He is enjoying retirement with his dad and mom, plus numerous canine and feline brothers and sisters.

He is particularly attached to his dad and trudges around after him. He likes to ride in the car and go for walks with the other dogs, and does quite well keeping up. Our female Boxer watches over Corkie on the walks and licks the top of his head to give him encouragement.



Adopted! Tiny Tim



Corkie enjoys a lazy summer day

Currently Corkie is making frequent trips to the ophthalmologist to heal an ulcer on his left eye and to preserve what little vision (about 10%) he still has in his right eye. He is such a nice guy and a good sport about everything going on in his life. However, he isn't a wimp and will let us know when he has had enough. We've heard him bark in protest half a dozen times since he's been here, and we're happy to know he definitely has "opinions."

While taking a break on the lawn in front of the eye clinic, Corkie met an elderly poodle named Sophie. They were nose to nose with tails happily wagging. Corkie hopes Sophie will be there on our next visit. —Continued Pg 11



Adopted! Tiger



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PAWS FOR A THOUGHT: Reflecting on Safe Haven policy

The dream of Safe Haven is about to become a reality.....at last!

It's been a long, hard struggle, but it's also been a dream come true. What began just over four years ago as a handful of concerned individuals doing what they could to improve the lot of local homeless companion animals has turned into a vibrant nonprofit organization with nearly 250 members, several hundred regular supporters, a network of foster homes, and now a central sanctuary and adoption site located midway between Sequim and Port Angeles.

Safe Haven will be exactly what the name implies—a warm, comfortable, safe and loving environment for pets to pass through on their way to their permanent adoptions—or to stay for the rest of their days, if they don't get adopted. They will never be in danger of being euthanized to make room for incoming animals.

What Safe Haven won't be is important, too. The 65-cat restriction agreed to in our conditional use permit is absolute. It keeps Safe Haven from becoming a "dumping ground" for found, unwanted or inconvenient pets—something that needs to be understood by the general public and especially by our members and supporters. With limited space, funds and people power, there is only so much that can be done by one core group of volunteers.

The allowable number of feline residents at the sanctuary will be met almost immediately by relieving the current overload on our foster home network. Animal control agencies that accept every pet brought to them are able to do so because they routinely euthanize other animals in order to make room for new arrivals. PFOA does not believe that mass euthanasia is a necessary or civilized way to control pet overpopulation, and rejects the practice of killing healthy, adoptable animals as an ineffective and inappropriate solution to the problem. Therefore, room at Safe Haven will become available only upon adoption of in-place residents.

One small group in one small community—and in existence for such a short period of time—cannot be expected to solve local pet overpopulation and homelessness by itself overnight. However, by housing PFOA's most adoptable pets—every one of them spayed or neutered—at a single central location, adoption rates are likely to increase and turnover at the sanctuary will allow us to help hundreds of temporarily homeless pets to find their ways into good, permanent homes each year.

PFOA will need all the members possible to assist in the care and adoption of these Safe Haven pets. Give us a call if you want to be part of the dream. —Editor

Easy Way to Help PFOA: Save Your Empty Printer Cartridges!



Recently we had a telephone call from cashforcritters, the organization that pays nonprofit groups for sending in the empty printer cartridges they have collected. The purpose of the call was to inquire as to why PFOA was lagging behind other similar groups in collecting and redeeming the cartridges!

This cartridge recycling program has the potential to be a major fund raiser for PFOA. We have just started to reap the benefits thanks to those of you have been collecting them already. However, we can do much better.....and it's all so easy and so very good for the environment!

Just keep those used up inkjet and laser printer cartridges (no Epsons, please) instead of throwing them away. Then bring them to the membership meetings, mail them to PFOA's post office box or call to arrange a time to deliver them to Safe Haven or have them picked up by a volunteer. That's all there is to it!

It's easy, it's free, and it will help us help the animals!

SAFE HAVEN ABOUT TO OPEN!

By the time you read this article, the Grand Opening will be fast approaching and cats will soon be residing in the completed feline building at the Safe Haven sanctuary site midway between Sequim and Port Angeles.

From its beginnings in 2001, Safe Haven has been a project in three phases spread out over six years. Phase One was the renovation of the building already in place on the property into the feline home that will soon be opening. Later phases include a second building to house adoptable cats so that the original building can be turned into a "retirement home" for small pets whose owners have provided for them in event of the human's incapacitation or death, as well as a modest dog adoption shelter which will house up to 15 of our canine friends at a time.

The present building has been turned into a comfortable and fun environment to house the cats on the way to their permanent adoptive homes. The easy to clean rooms are furnished with cat trees and cat ladders, lots of kitty bedding and



blankets, chairs for human visitors and cats alike, and even TVs and VCRs so that the cats can watch their favorite bird videos! Secure outdoor cat fencing has been installed so that the residents can go back and forth during daylight hours between indoors and outdoors via cat doors.

Safe Haven will have a 24-hour caretaker and regular daily hours. To keep from stressing the feline residents and the human volunteers alike, however, requests for tours or to adopt a pet will be handled strictly

by appointment. Please call ahead to schedule a visit: (360) 452-0414.

The amount of work to make this all happen has been almost unbelievable. Although contractors were hired to do a few of the especially tough jobs (sheet-rocking, flooring, insulation, plumbing and electrical work), almost everything else has been done by dedicated volunteers, some of whom worked seven days a week

for months to see that the jobs they were responsible for got done right. Incredible numbers of hours were put in by Jeff Carpenter, Louis Evart, Earl Gilson, Jess Harker, Tom Hart, Svend Holst and others.

Our community finally has an animal adoption sanctuary of which it can be proud—a cageless, loving, no-kill environment that will be a pleasant and non-threatening place for all the animals who pass through its doors.

It's about time!

Safe Haven WISH LIST

With the opening of Safe Haven, the following items and volunteer duties are needed. If you can help supply any of the needed items, or wish to volunteer, please call our Message Center phone—(360) 452-0414—for an appointment to come by or to have donated items picked up by a willing volunteer. We thank you, as do the animals!

Items:

Large stainless steel food and water bowls, flat bottomed

Vacuum cleaner, upright, heavy duty (to pick up hair and kitty litter)

Heavy-duty Costco gorilla racks for food and litter storage

Patio furniture, rust resistant

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2 and 4 drawer metal filing cabinets

4', 6' and 8' Costco "Lifetime" tables

Clean futons and oversize pillows

Volunteers

Stock checker/ shopper to inventory shelter stock and shop for supplies once a month Donated pet food pickup and delivery to needy clients and their pets, 2 hours per week.

Telephone message taker to monitor and refer messages once a day, about 45 minutes

Community service club liaison to schedule speaking engagements, 1 hour per week Litter box scoopers and cattery cleaners, mornings or afternoons, 1-2 hours daily.

Guardian Monitor to check up on adopted pets and counsel new owner on be havior or integrating issues, 10-15 hours per month.

Laundry volunteer, 2 hours per day

VET-SMARTZ by Dr. Virginia Johnson, Diplomate, American Board of Veterinary Practitioners

Feline Hyperthyroidism

Hyperthyroidism happens when there is a tumor in the thyroid gland in the cat's neck. The tumor will not spread and kill the cat in that manner, but it will secrete very high levels of thyroid hormone and can cause severe weight loss in spite of increased and often ravenous appetites in cats. Cats with this condition can have increased appetites, increased heart rates, hyperactivity, and significant

weight loss. There are three possible treatments of this condition.

The first is to surgically remove the mass in the enlarged thyroid. This is not recommended on many cats because of their advanced age and poor condition. The second is to use a medication called Tapazole or Methimazole. This drug blocks the secretion of the thyroid hormone and stops the clinical symptoms in that manner. Blood tests need to be done periodically

and the drug is not inexpensive. The third treatment option is to take cats with this condition to a feline hyperthyroidism clinic. The cats are given Iodine 131 - a radio-active Iodine product. This goes to the thyroid tumor and destroys the hyperactive cancerous growth.

My recommendation—if money is not limiting—is to have cats treated with the radioactive Idodine therapy because it is curative and does not require anesthesia or surgery.

VOLUNTEER: Cherie Pickett

People might think, with all the thank-you letters she sends to PFOA donors, that Cherie Pickett wouldn't have time for anything else. But they would be wrong! Cheri is one active lady!

Born in raised in Anchorage, AK, Cherie received her BA in English and comparative literature from Alaska Methodist University. She then moved to

Texas to study and practice physical therapy for three years in the US Army Reserve. The following 17 years were spent as a civilian PT.

In 1983, Cherie

received a master of education degree from Wayne State University. She and husband, Jim, retired to Sequim in 1993, where her parents had retired 20 years earlier. Cherie became active in school bond and levy campaigns, became a Master Gardener and a beekeeper, took up day hiking, served on the Sequim Citizens Trail Advisory Committee, and

is currently on the board of the Peninsula Trails Coalition.

Cherie is an avid bicycler and has pedaled extended length trips for as many as six days straight.

Cherie and Jim share their home with felines Theo and Schuyler. Drawn to PFOA because of its no-

kill policy, Cherie is enthusiastic about doing hands-on work with homeless pets and is extremely supportive of the group's humane education and low-cost spaying and neutering programs.

Cherie's thank-you letters to donors over the past three years have inspired donors to say, "Thank you, Cherie!" for writing such nice notes and keeping us up to date on progress at Safe haven and happenings at PFOA.

And thank you, Cherie, for your dedication and for your energy. Your voluntary contributions have definitely been noticed and are absolutely appreciated.

"Dogs come when they're called; cats take a message and get back to you later." —Mary Bly

MONTHLY SPONSORS HELP ADOPTION-CHALLENGED PETS IN PFOA CARE

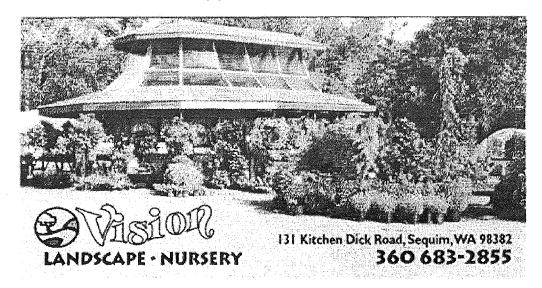
PFOA's pet Sponsorship Program gives community members an opportunity to contribute to the care of a "special needs" or long-term resident pet in PFOA care. For just \$10 a month, sponsors receive a picture and history of their sponsored pet and occasional updates on their pet's progress. To become a sponsor, just fill out the coupon on the envelope enclosed with this newsletter. We'll get your sponsorship started right away!

Current sponsors of pets in PFOA care are Teri Adair, Claire Bernards, Sheila & Peter Bowen, Blair Burns, Sara Ann Courtney, Kathy Danley, Gale Enger, Charlene Erickson, Marguerite & Louis Evart, Donna Flint, Claudia

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Claire and her animal friends, Prince, Cleo, Isabella, Luna and the girls (hens) say a big "thank you" to all the SAINTS out there putting the energy and action into getting things done at PFOA. I can help raise money and awareness, but without the people who are doing the work and getting this done, it would be futile. THANK YOU and WE LOVE YOU!!!

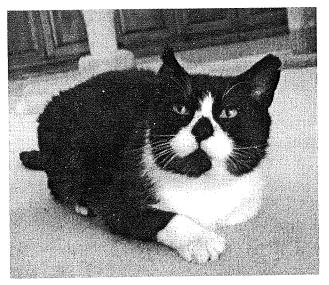
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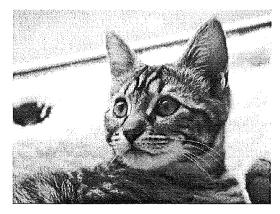
Donovan was rescued by PFOA after being abandoned. He is a very sweet and friendly guy who seems to crave human companionship. Unfortunately, he has fairly severe sinus problems that leave him sick quite a bit of the time. He also gets along with other cats and is a pretty mellow fellow. If you would like to adopt or sponsor Donovan, please call PFOA at (360) 452-0414.

Sponsoring a cat or dog is a great way to guarantee that pet will have a wonderful home for a month, a year or a lifetime. With your support of \$10.00 a month, the animal will receive the care and love he or she deserves.

PFOA requests a \$75.00 adoption fee per animal to help cover the expenses of spaying/neutering, vaccinations, medical care, food, etc.

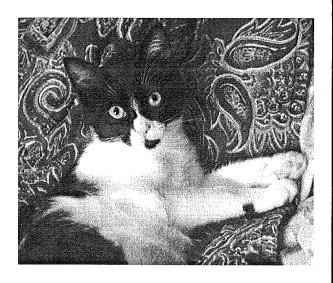
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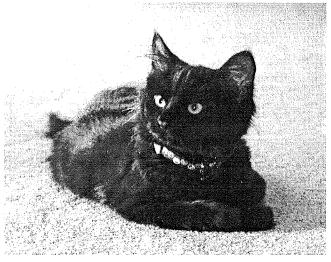
All of these socialized pets have been health-checked and treated, vaccinated and spayed or neutered. Please call our Message Center at (360) 452-0414 if you can provide a safe, loving, comfortable home for one or more of them.



Tabatha is a classic tabby kitten. She starts purring when anyone enters the room and has the look of a wise old woman. Like all kitties, she loves to romp and play. While Tabatha is a little shy at first, she warms quickly to new people and is a loving little girl.

Parti is Tabatha's sister and quite the "party" animal. With her cute pink nose, she hunts and plays with her sister. Parti is also a little lover who is willing to snuggle after her play sessions have wound down. Both Parti and Tabatha are ready for the love and affection they want and deserve. Call PFOA if you are interested in adopting either or both of these fantastic creatures.





This black beauty is one of five kitties found in a cardboard box outside a liquor store. All five have liquor names and share the same gorgeous black, soft-as-fur coats. Each wears a different color collar for identification. They are friendly, affectionate, active kitties born in August, 2003. If you have a place in your heart for a soft, wriggly bundle of joy, call PFOA today.

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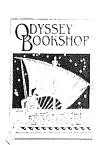
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PFOA SURPASSES 2003 SPAY/NEUTER GOAL

At the beginning of 2003, PFOA set what some said was a lofty goal: The group would aim to facilitate and subsidize 500 spays and neuters of local cats and dogs over the course of the year. By Dec. 31, that goal had not only been met—it had been surpassed!

With the help of grants from The PetsMart Foundation, and the Community Foundation of the Sequim-Dungeness Valley—along with an outpouring of small to large contributions from private citizens—PFOA accomplished its goal by spaying and neutering 512 animals through a series of spay/neuter clinics and an

ongoing, daily spay/neuter program. The clinics were hosted by veterinarians Dr. Brian Marts, Dr. Linda Allen, Dr. Melissa Smith and Dr. Mike Tyler. The daily program was made possible by the same cooperating veterinarians in addition to Dr. Dennis Wilcox and Dr. Carmen Czachor.

The spay and neuter surgeries were performed on three categories of cats and dogs: 1) Pets in PFOA foster care; 2) Pets of community members unable to afford standard veterinary fees; and 3) Feral cats living in private or public areas where community residents have

voluntarily chosen to feed, care for and watch over them.

The total number of sterilizations included 227 cat spays, 171 cat neuters, 60 dog spays, 54 dog neuters, one rabbit spay and one guinea pig spay.

The year 2004 brings us more need to spay and neuter and more opportunity to do so. PFOA has already received a new grant specifically earmarked for spay/neuter from the Community Foundation of the Sequim-Dungeness Valley. With enough continuing support from concerned citizens, PFOA hopes to be able to spay and neuter another 500+ local animals in the year ahead.

SANTA CLAWS PET PHOTOS HELD DEC. 6

A fun time was had by all PFOA's Fourth Annual Pet Photos with Santa Claws was held at Best Friend Nutrition in Valley Center Place. Hundreds of needed dollars were raised support of PFOA's Spay/Neuter Program.



The morning crew of volunteers takes a break from positioning pets with Santa

"Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful."

.---Ann Landers

BUILDING FUND DONORS

PFOA enthusiastically thanks the following recent contributors to the Safe Haven Building Fund: Teri Adair; The Bell Family: George, Jo Ann, Cindy & Kathy; Henry R. Kimball; Lisa Ljunghammar; Rolland L. McMicken; Pat Perry Nix; Suzi Schmidt, Dawna M. Zullo

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS! There has been a surge in new memberships over the past three months! PFOA welcomes Elva M. Alsobrook, Olive B. Anderson, Esther Bean, Kevin Blake, Gale Enger, Donna Flint, Nancy O. Goldstien, JoAnne Gormley, Sharon Hagaman, Violet Herman, Lisa Heun, Rose Hoosier, Ray Irons, Pamela D. Johnsen, M. Virginia Kinney, Lucy Kittrick, Elsa Laresser, Leon Lopez, Janet Ainsworth MacDonald, Karen McKee, Pamela E. Miller, Monette Movius, Kendra Parks, Frank Richard, Sportsmen Motel, Carolyn L. Tarpley, Linda M. Timmons, Frank Torres & Dori Leckner, Kathy Ulbricht, Marguerite F. Willis and David & Hannelore Wittenberg.

POPULAR FUND RAISING CALENDAR STILL AVAILABLE

PFOA's popular 2004 fund raising calendar, "Puss 'n Boots...and Fido, Too!" is still available by telephone, internet and mail order.

A mixture of local, region-wide and even a bit of national publicity have propelled sales of the calendar whose profits have already benefited PFOA's Spay/Neuter Fund and will continue to assist us in keeping up with our general operating expenses for the next few months.

Over 3,000 calendars have been sold, mostly right here in western Washington. However, orders have been received as well from about 30

states and Canada and Japan. There has also been one inquiry from England

The calendar, which features female PFOA members from their 20's to their 70's tastefully posed in the altogether with local cats and dogs, has been the subject of much praise. Among the comments: "We so love your calendar!"; "I am handing out copies of your order form down here in California."; "This is the best "nude" charity calendar we've ever seen! We can't wait to see the one you do next year!"; "I hope it's possible to order one or your delightful calendars from England."; "Love your calendar; way to

go, you brave women. I would love to join your caring group."; "I admire this calendar and your work."; "You have a worthy cause and I salute you for your creativity."; "Congratulations on your beautiful calendar."; "Thank you for allowing us this privilege to be a small part of something so beautifully done on behalf of our wonderful animals in need."

Calendars are \$14.95 each, plus \$1 each for shipping. To order by credit card, call 1-800-701-0488 or visit www.charitycatcalendars.com on the web. Or send a check to PFOA, PO Box 404, Sequim, WA 98382

Memorials and Gratitudes

In Memory of Special People

In memory of June McGuire, from Madelaine A. Bader

In memory of June McGuire, from Cecil L. Black

In memory of June McGuire, from Jill & David Blake

In memory of June McGuire, from Lois M. Brannin

In memory of June McGuire, from Evelyn & Tom Campbell

In memory of June McGuire, from Rosemary Kane

In memory of Don Stupor, who loved nature and animals, from Jim & Judy Keithley, Gary & Pam Hooper, and Korey & Jolene Hitt

In memory of June McGuire, from Elizabeth McGrory

In memory of June McGuire, a good friend who loved animals, from Earlene Merritt-Borah

In memory of June McGuire, from Mary E. Pogue

In memory of Frances Burns, who loved her dog, Benny, from Ellie Schmidt

In memory of Frances Cretan, whose feline friend, Katy, is now "part of the family" at Dungeness Courte, from Ellie Schmidt

In memory of Jack Robert Cannon, from Rosalie & Russ Weber

In memory of June McGuire, from Lorraine Young

In Honor of Special Friends or Family

In honor of my daughter, Cheryl Cosmakos of Lynnwood, WA, from Jerry McClinton In honor of my son-in-law, Nick Cosmakos of Lynnwood, WA, from Jerry McClinton

In honor of my grandson, Tom Cosmakos of Bellevue, WA, from Jerry McClinton

In honor of my granddaughter, Nicklina Cosmakos of Lynnwood, WA from Jerry McClinton

In honor of my dear friend, Mid Bachelor, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friend, Helen Heil, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friends, Marge & Mel Collier, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friends, Helen & Paul Stratton, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friends, Rosemary & Jim Hanley, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friend, Peggy Junk, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friends, Joanne & Dick Meloni, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In honor of my dear friends, Carole & David Palmquist, from Gerry Whitters and Rob the Dog

In Memory of Beloved Companion Animals

In loving memory of Corkie, B.J. and John's special rescue, from Nancy Campbell

In loving memory of Sammie, from Nancy and Dallas Campbell

In memory of Barb and Tom Pelett's beloved Sammie, from Ann Gilson

At daybreak and at nightfall, and all the hours in between, Theodore is remembered

by Ann Gilson

In remembrance of my beloved, "Kitty", my constant and loving companion for 10 years, from Virginia Green

In memory of Diana Engkvist's kitty Hoko Berry, who passed away after 17 extremely pleasant years with Diane, from Rory Haggerty

In memory of Bob & Judith Pasco's Digit, from Patricia R. Lang

In memory of Virginia Green's "Kitty", from Lynn B. & Shell McGuire

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In honor of our furry friend, Freeway, from B.J. Frew & John Krause

Remembering Maizie "Casey" Maloney by Donna Criscione

Maizie "Casey" Maloney was one of the most generous people I have ever met. From the first day that I started working for her she said she would pay me a "living" wage, and she made it possible for me to have a few things in life that I wouldn't have been able to have earning the wages of most caretakers.

Nicknamed "Casey" by her husband when they first met, she preferred to be addressed that way by most of her friends, and she had many of those. Her neighbors all looked out for her. Most of them she knew from the time they were born. She employed many of them when she raised cattle on a much larger ranch on Deer Park Road.

Casey always had animals, and she was a volunteer for many years on the Clallam County Humane Society Board of Directors

and the Port Angeles Chamber of Commerce as well.

Her generous donations went to Habitat for Humanity, United Way (including Salvation Army, YMCA, Healthy Family, and other family oriented organizations). And, of course, we know how generous she was to PFOA.

I cannot say how many times I witnessed her generosity and grace. She often made my mouth drop open in disbelief. I am so proud to have known this woman, and she taught me many things. I personally will remember her every day for the rest of my life.

Editor's note: Maizie Maloney was a lifetime advocate for animals, and her contributions to PFOA are one of the major reasons Safe Haven is now ready to open. Donna Criscione was Maizie's caretaker and is an active PFOA member and volunteer.

Corkie

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We don't know how long Corkie will live, but he has decided life is pretty good. He frequently wags his little Rat Terrier tail, does a slow run, tries to dance on his rear legs, runs to the front door with the other dogs and has a wonderful appetite. He is a welcome and pleasant addition to our animal family. We are so thankful to his friends who came to is rescue and are so glad he will be able to live out his remaining days with us.

Epilogue, October 2, 2003

Enclosed is a check in loving memory of Corkie who died on Tuesday. He had been having mini-strokes for about three weeks and finally had a major stroke September 30 which left him unable to function. We knew it was time to let him go. When we adopted him, he was unable to even stand up. He had been neglected in his

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former life, but he made amazing progress considering his age and the odds against him.

Corkie learned to smile and wag his tail. He had lots of brothers and sisters who treated him with respect. He had three beds to choose from (and he did rotate). He never went hungry. He had all the medical attention available. And, oh yes, lots of love from his mom and dad. We wanted to make the last part of his life his golden years. In return, he wanted to be a good family member. He liked to sleep in one of his two beds in the living room while we watched TV. He was an enthusiastic snorer and he enjoyed being in whatever room we were in. He did like to go for rides and walks, but eventually decided he was getting a little too stiff for the walks.

We want to thank Nancy for finding Corkie for us. Best of luck to all of you in your rewarding and overwhelming endeavor.

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