

# HAVEN TO HOME

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## NEWSLETTER DEDICATION

Our Haven to Home Newsletter is dedicated to all of the past, PRESENT and future Haven to Home Foster Families. Without our foster families there would be no Haven to Home. Willingness to open hearts and homes for orphaned dogs has allowed Haven to Home to place over 270 dogs in our short existence. Our foster families are truly the "Haven" in Haven to Home. They are very much appreciated for all their efforts as we strive to help homeless dogs in the Central Pennsylvania Susquehanna Valley. Those interested in fostering should contact **Vanessa Askey** at h2hevent@ptd.net or 570-568-0929. THANK YOU!



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Dog Lovers,

The last few months have been a blur. There have been so many dogs needing our help that we can hardly keep up with them! People are moving, being evicted or foreclosing and animals are being left behind or abandoned. These poor dogs are coming to us cold, scared, hungry and often sick. The vet bills have been enormous. This is why we have created our "Give Me \$5" campaign in hopes that all of our friends will help us through these tough times. Please see inside for more details about this endeavor.

We continue to be a very successful rescue having placed 45 dogs in good homes in the last 3 months and our total is over 270 since we began. We have added three new foster parents to our foster family list: Cindy Sampsell and Mike Catherman of Mifflinburg, and Lisa Goodell from Mount Carmel. You are the "life line" for these dogs. Welcome and thank you!

We continue to have our Adoption Events at both Brookpark Pet Supply in Lewisburg and at Petsmart in Shamokin Dam monthly. Big "High Five" to them for supporting rescues!

I'd like to thank all of our dedicated volunteers who work so hard to keep this organization going. This is demanding and often heartbreaking work and it takes special people to give up their free time to help rescued dogs in need. We welcome new volunteers with open arms.

Please mark your calendar for **April 10<sup>th</sup>**. We will be having our annual Dinner/Dance/Silent Auction at the "Savoy" in Northumberland. More details inside. Hope to see you there, we always have a "doggone" great time and the chow is superb!!! The "Folk Justice Band" plans to be there "putting on the dog" for all you dog lovers!!

Robin Montgomery

*The core of Haven to Home can be summed up by our mission statement*

"Our mission is to rescue dogs in need, rehabilitate them in a quality, nurturing environment, and re-home them in a loving, responsible, permanent home as soon as possible. We will strive to promote a culture of kindness in our community through networking and education."

*WANTED! Haven to Home is looking for a reasonably priced (free would be nice!) location to store our supplies. We have tables, and totes full of forms and supplies that are used for our events, as well as donated pet supplies. Some volunteers have donated crates and supplies stored in our basements and garages and Sharon at Brookpark Pet Supply has graciously been allowing us to use a corner of her storage room. We are so very thankful for that, but are starting to out-grow the space there. We would like a centrally located (Lewisburg to Winfield area) storage unit, shed or garage that is easily accessible.*

## MEET BANDIT!

My name is Bandit, I'm just a year old and I weigh 50 lbs. I've been told that I'm quite handsome and am a pointer/spaniel mix. I was thrown out by my old family along with my buddy Chance who I looked out for until he was adopted recently. But I also like other dogs just fine and cats are OK too. And cuddling and kissing humans is high on my list of favorite things. I LOVE to play! I love learning new tricks (especially if there are treats involved!) and can sit and shake and want to do the good stuff that people like us dogs to do. I also just learned to run along with a bike (check out my video) and it was fun! I would like my forever home to be a family where there are other dogs and playful, active people, a fenced yard would be OK too. I've been to the vet, got neutered and all my shots and stuff. I am currently living with a wonderful foster family on a farm with 6 other large dogs, lots of chickens, turkeys, and other interesting creatures. I so want a forever home of my own.



To see all available dogs, visit [www.haventohome.org](http://www.haventohome.org).



Bobby Rupert and Kerri Zublick of Milton are both dedicated volunteers for Haven to Home. Bobby is often our strong arm at events, helping to carry the heavy stuff. Both have a great love for dogs and enjoy being dog handlers at events. Kerri especially has a soft spot for beagles and is always willing to cuddle the little dogs in need. For our Santa photos at PetsMart, Bobby dressed up in the Santa suit, and Kerri was the elf helper.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **March 13, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at Brookpark Pet Supply, Lewisburg, Pa.
- **April 10, 2010** ~ Dinner Dance and Silent Auction at The Savoy in Northumberland, Pa. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased by contacting Katrina at [katrinahaven2home@live.com](mailto:katrinahaven2home@live.com).
- **April 24, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at Brookpark Pet Supply, Lewisburg, Pa.
- **May 1, 2010** ~ National Adoption event week at PetSmart
- **May 22, 2010** ~ Micro-chip clinic.
- **June 12, 2010** ~ Anniversary event at BrookPark Pet Supply
- **July 10, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at PetSmart
- **August 14, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at Brookpark Pet Supply
- **September 11, 2010** ~ National Adoption event week at PetSmart
- **September 18, 2010** ~ Milton Harvest Festival
- **October 9, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at Brookpark
- **November 13, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at PetSmart
- **December 11, 2010** ~ Adopt-a-Thon at Brookpark Pet Supply
- **December 2010** ~ Cookie dough sale and giftwrap for charities at the Susquehanna Valley Mall

## A HAVEN TO HOME HAPPY TAIL



### H2H's first adoption of the New Year!!

Lucy went home today with Ian, a single guy who works at a 900 some acre camp. Lucy will be going to work with him and get to meet lots of new people.

Ian had submitted his adoption application for Lucy. Other meetings were also arranged, Cindy and Robin arrived with Lucy and Chelsea, and Vanessa brought Chance and Bandit. He waivered only slightly in his decision making, but finally decided, and we all agreed, that Lucy was the best choice for him.

Thanks to Sue and Cindy for fostering her, Marcy and Vanessa for their leg work with Lucy, Mark for doing the home visit, Robin for her work arranging it, and everyone who helped and believed that Lucy could go from the end of a chain to being a loving devoted companion.

### MEET BUDDY!

I am a house-trained 6 month old male Coonhound. I have been raised in a home with a little boy and people who are home all day. I do my business outside like a good boy and go to the door when I need to go out. I love to play with my toys and I love my blanket. I chase my tail around and around when my family sits down to watch TV. I have not ridden in a car much but I loved my first ride recently. I am a very nice boy who would not bite anyone, even if they tried to take my food. My family is moving plus they don't have the money to get me neutered and feel it would be best if I moved to a home where the people appreciated and loved me more.



### Haven to Home Dinner Dance

**April 10th, 2010 ~ 5:00 pm doors open; 6:00 pm dinner served**

Folk Justice Band playing live at the Savoy in Northumberland, PA

\$20 per person

A Silent Auction will also be held, ending at 8:00 pm.



Tickets are available by contacting Katrina at [katrinahaven2home@live.com](mailto:katrinahaven2home@live.com) or 570-898-5238.

FJB plays an eclectic mix of folk-rock, featuring 4-part harmonies & music by CSNY, CCR, Grateful Dead, Dylan, John Prine, Van Morrison, originals & more.

## FOSTER PROFILE—KIM GEYER

Kim had a dog grooming business for approximately 10 years. She started out just grooming a rescued dog for free every once in a while. She then felt the need to be a foster parent. People ask her how she can do that because it would be so heart breaking to give them up. Well how can you not foster when you can be a part of the happily ever after once they are adopted. She sometimes feel selfish because she gets such a spiritual boost when that dog gets to have a 1 on 1 love with a family for the rest of his life. At her house, the foster dog has to share her with others. She is now the salon manager at Petsmart in Selinsgrove, so she only grooms rescued and foster dogs at home when needed on her new grooming table bought for her through Haven to Home. She thanks Haven to Home very much will put it to good use. Pictured: Kim with her dog Sunny.



## DONATIONS AND MEMORIALS

We'd like to thank the following for their donations and memorial donations:

### **Donations:**

Donna Alles  
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### **In Honor:**

Lynn Bressler and Maelee Gelnett  
Reece and Carolyn Conley  
Cheryl Delsite  
Carol Kline  
Ira, Laurie and Katie Ostroll

### **New Membership:**

Thomas E. Beaver

Our heartfelt thanks to **Mark Cusick**, dog trainer from Watsontown, who provided the officers of Haven to Home with a free 6 week course on how to be the leader your dog wants you to be. The training was wonderful and helped us to understand dogs better and provided us with some tools to help people and their dogs live harmoniously with joy and mutual respect.

## TO OUR SUPPORTERS AND DOG LOVERS

It is only through the support of our members, volunteers, foster families, adopters, donors and friends that Haven to Home has been able to successfully rescue and re-home over 270 dogs since we began in June 2008.



We thank you so much for the support you have provided. In an effort to raise much needed funds for the ever increasing medical expenses associated with our rescue work, we are launching our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual "**Give Me \$5**" fund raising campaign and asking for your support with a minimum gift of **\$5.00**. Just as many of us teach our dogs to extend their paw to "Give Me Five," our rescue dogs now ask you to "Give Me \$5" so that we can assure that all of our dogs receive the medical attention they need prior to going to their forever homes.

If you would like to donate online using Paypal, please visit our website at [www.haventohome.org](http://www.haventohome.org) and click on the Donate Button. In the description line list Give Me \$5 OR, if you prefer to contribute via regular mail, please mail your donation with your name, address, phone and email to Shari Mangels, 108 Park Avenue, Selinsgrove, PA 17870.

**Looking for a way to help?** You can now sponsor one of our dogs online for any amount at [www.haventohome.org!](http://www.haventohome.org) Click on Available Dogs and pick your favorite! The money will go to our rescue to help with our costs!

## PENNSYLVANIA ENFORCES DOG LAW

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in October began enforcing strict commercial kennel requirements provided for in a dog law enacted one year ago.

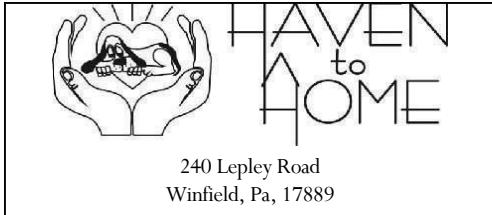
The new requirements, part of Act 119, apply only to class C commercial kennels that breed dogs and either sell dogs to dealers or pet stores, or sell more than 60 dogs a year.

Through Dec. 31, dog wardens and kennel compliance officers will inspect each of the nearly 300 licensed commercial kennels to make sure they are complying with the new rules, including:

- Dogs must have access to an outdoor exercise area.
- Wire flooring is prohibited in a dog's living quarters.
- Dog cages cannot be stacked on top of one another.
- Dogs must be examined by a veterinarian at least twice a year.

"Commercial kennels in the state have had one year to ensure their operations comply with the new law and properly care for the dogs they raise," said Jessie L. Smith, special deputy secretary for dog law enforcement. "Kennel owners who chose to ignore these new requirements will be cited for violating the dog law and could have their kennel licenses revoked."

The Pennsylvania Professional Dog Breeders Association (Harrisburg) had challenged sections of Act 119 as unconstitutional. However, a federal judge ruled that the law, including the new requirements that took effect Oct. 9, is constitutional, according to a press release issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Pennsylvania dog kennel inspection records are accessible online at <http://pda.state.pa.us/kennelinspections/searchkennelinspections.aspx>.

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Those that want to help but are unable to foster or adopt can still make a difference in other ways by volunteering. Contact Vanessa at h2hevent@ptd.net. Some of those helpful activities include dog transportation, fundraising, adopt-a-thons, dog handling at events, home visits, and exercising with a dog. Donations are always welcome! We are currently in need of nylon leashes, postage stamps, crates (all sizes), toys, treats, blankets, beds, stainless steel dog dishes, feeding stands, Lupine combo or Premier Martingale collars. If you shop online consider shopping through I Give. Go to [www.igive.com](http://www.igive.com) and select Haven to Home as your cause. Monetary donations are always needed and appreciated. Checks can be written to "Haven to Home" and mailed to Alice Haydt, Treasurer, 470 Park Drive, Sunbury, PA 17801. Those who prefer to use a credit card may visit our website and donate via PayPal.

We wish to acknowledge our deep gratitude to one of our fellow animal care organizations for all that they do. Haven to Home thanks PA P.E.T.S. (Prevent Excess Through Sterilization) for their continued support. For more information about PA P.E.T.S., please visit their website at [www.papets.org](http://www.papets.org).