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And after you watch the video; be sure to check out the rest of his site.



## A Book Review and Recommendation By Beth White

TAKING THE LEAD WITHOUT  
JERKING THE LEASH



THE ART OF MINDFUL  
DOG TRAINING

PAT BLOCKER, CPDT-KA

I have been reading "Taking the Lead without Jerking the Leash" by Pat Blocker, published by Barking Dog Publishing. It is a thick book and my old eyes don't really like the smaller print, BUT, the book is quite a good resource for understanding our dogs and our interactions with them. Understanding how we can influence their behaviors, both in good ways and bad. The author begins with humor and then becomes educational. It is for the beginner to understand dog mentality and understanding and how to co-exist with our furry friends and also valuable for continuing education for the more advanced or experienced dog owner.

Our own Jamie trains with Pat Blocker and loves her. Check out this lovely resource!

From Barnes and Noble:

"Taking the Lead without Jerking the Leash is a book for dog owners, dog trainers, other dog professionals, and all dog lovers.

Intended to educate and entertain, it covers the many aspects of living with, training, and understanding dogs. It is philosophical in voice and versatile as a resource.

This book is part chronicle, part laughable musings, and part practical edification about dog training and canine behavior. It will explore the intersections of experience and spirit, training mechanics and mindfulness.

This book shows you how to employ gentle, positive training methods. Learn to take training from reactive to proactive by setting dogs up for success and rewarding them for it. The goal is not to simply control the behavior, but to change it for the better. Effective training is a two-way street of open communication. Understanding how dogs communicate and learn will alleviate frustration and confusion on both ends of the leash. Learn how to establish strong, yet benevolent leadership for a happier, more peaceful relationship for you and your dog."

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My love for animals started at a young age growing up in Akron, NY where the pharmacy is located. I was very fortunate to be given the opportunity to attend Louisiana State University School of Veterinary Medicine in order to fulfill my dream. My career of practicing veterinary emergency medicine has been very rewarding but I felt that I could do more. My thoughts kept returning to the shelters where I have volunteered as time allowed and the recurring need for additional funding was always there. The shelter staff and volunteers work so very hard to provide the care and love the animals require but they also have to spend time raising funds through donations, auctions, dog washes, bake sales etc. There has to be a better way.

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I know that there is a passion for helping these pets find homes and fulfillment in being a part of something great. This will be great! And you will be a part of it. Just think about the shelters in your area both large and small which have suffered with funding and donation decreases. Think about all those faces that need our support and help. These faces still need food, the comforts of air conditioning on a hot summer day, heat in the winter and a dry place to sleep.

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Glenn Buckley, DVM  
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Max  
Fresh Meadows, NY

## Attention Adopters!! – Yes, I'm talkin' to you!

If you haven't already submitted your Happy Beginnings Story, PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE take some time to do it now! Yes, I am begging. We really would like to have your stories on the website and make you a star here in the NewSpots!! So, what are you waiting for? Submit your stories and a new photograph of your fur kid(s), and yourself if you want, to me today! [dalmatianrescueofco@comcast.net](mailto:dalmatianrescueofco@comcast.net)

## Want To See Your Dog In Print? (or on our website or advertising flyers, etc.)??

We are seeking reader submitted photos! So get busy with your camera and start sending the photos in today. We prefer either TIF or JPG format and sized no smaller than 640 x 480 pixels. Please include some descriptive text to help identify what's happening in the photo(s) and be sure to include your dog's name(s), your name, city and state (so that I can give you credit for the photo). Send photos to me at [spotted-dog-designs@comcast.net](mailto:spotted-dog-designs@comcast.net). I cannot guarantee that we will use all photos submitted. The more interesting and unusual the photo, the better the chance of it being used. Some ideas of photos could be your dog 'reading' a newspaper (hint, hint) – even better if he'll wear glasses while doing so; your dog watching television; sitting in the driver's seat; wearing a harness (this one could be used for a safety article); costumed up ready for Halloween. So there you have it... time to get busy with the camera and submit your photos today! See below for a few sample reader submitted photos – three of them have already appeared in NewSpots!



# Doggie Parenting

Tips and tricks on loving and living with dogs!

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## Would Your Dog Threaten You?



Dogs who guard their food (or other resources such as bones and toys and even people) are a danger to anyone coming near. Although it is NORMAL dog behavior (and often manifested by stiffening, staring, growling or snapping), we must teach our dogs not to do it. If your dog guards her food from you, **rest assured she does not see you as her leader.**

With some work, you can change your relationship with her and extinguish this dangerous behavior. You should always be able to take anything away from your dog, even if it's food, and **even if it's already in her mouth.**

Prevention is ALWAYS better than correction.

To PREVENT food guarding, there is some simple stuff you can do with your puppy so this dangerous behavior never starts. I'll explain in a second.

With an older dog who is already guarding her food, it's tougher but doable and I'll discuss that too.

When your puppy arrives, teach her that there is a benefit in having you near her food. Place her food on the floor, and teach her to wait until you tell her it's ok to eat. While she's eating, tell her to "Leave it" and pick up the bowl and place something special (a piece of meat or cheese) in it, then let her continue eating. Keep your hands on the bowl while she eats. Feed some of it to her by hand. Pet her while she eats. Occasionally remove food from her mouth. Do this once in a while throughout her life to maintain her comfort level.

With an older dog who is guarding her food, you have your work cut out for you. DO NOT practice these exercises as you are risking a bite. DO NOT use any type of force trying to get her to allow you near her food. Forcing the issue can get you bitten and will only further damage your relationship with her. In addition, teaching her through force will not change her motivation or 'heal' her distress. It can only make her more aggressive, or it may cause her to suppress her aggression and surprise you with it later.

You really should seek professional help. Choose a trainer (like ME!) who uses positive, motivational methods (never choose a force/punishment trainer) to work on your dog's food bowl issues. She probably needs you to be firmer with her in all aspects of your relationship. If she's "top dog" in your pack, that needs to change!

Over time, she should get comfortable with you near her food, and some day you should even be able to remove food from her mouth.

'Til next time, "kiss the kids"  
Tori (Mom of Jetta WAC, CGC)

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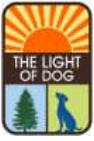
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# Dog Training By Sue Brown

## Dogs and Wildlife

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No matter where you live, you will encounter some form of wildlife. If you love to hike in the mountains, you will certainly encounter wildlife. Whether you live in the city, the suburbs or a more rural area, wildlife can be found just about anywhere. Some of that wildlife is not dangerous, others certainly are. Whatever area you are in (whether living or visiting) you should have some idea of the wildlife you might encounter.

When it comes to our dogs and wildlife, they quite often are very interested in it. Sometimes too much so. One of our biggest distractions with our dogs is wildlife. At our home, our most common wildlife are rabbits, deer, birds, mice, voles and snakes. But there are others in the area that are less common. Coyotes, bobcats, bears, and mountain lions have all been spotted in our surrounding area. We have also spotted squirrels and prairie dogs on occasion. Some of these animals pose a far greater danger than others. Though even some we think of as less dangerous can pose their own sort of dangers.

Rabbits, squirrels, mice and prairie dogs, for example, seem rather benign at first glance. But chasing one of these into a road can cause a dog to get hit by a car. Catching one of them could expose your dog to a variety of potential diseases. While fleas are less common in Colorado than other areas of the country, exposure to them is a risk as well. Deer typically run if chased, but what if your dog gets too close and gets kicked? What if your dog chases and you can't stop him? How far will your dog pursue?

Your dog might be large enough to handle one coyote, but what if he chases that one coyote back to the pack of coyotes? And in case you are unaware, coyotes have taken down large dogs – not just toy breeds.

While I was out of town, my husband was walking our dogs around our property. As per usual, our dogs were off leash. Romeo spotted something and took off after it. My husband at first assumed it was a rabbit, which is common and not something we are concerned about being a big risk for our dogs. However, when whatever was being chased climbed a tree, it was obvious quickly that this was no bunny rabbit! He realized quickly that Romeo had treed a bobcat. While the bobcat was smaller than Romeo, that's not a close encounter we want to place any bets on. We were fortunate the bobcat chose to avoid conflict and stayed in the tree while my husband collected our dogs and took them indoors. We have not seen the bobcat since then, but we are keeping an eye out.

What's the best thing you can do if you encounter wildlife regularly? Work hard to develop good solid leash manners and/or good solid off-leash skills. A strong recall (come) is essential. A strong Leave It is helpful, or some other way to redirect your dog. For example, when it comes to the deer, a solid This Way (change of direction, and move away) with Zuzu is very helpful.

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If you have an issue you would like addressed in a future installment of Ask the Trainer, please send your question to: [sbrown@lovedogtraining.com](mailto:sbrown@lovedogtraining.com) or Sue Brown, Light of Dog Training, 1494 S Perry Park Road, Sedalia, CO 80135.

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# Bits & Pieces

Do you have a business or a hobby that other adopters, fosters, and volunteers might be interested in? Let us help you spread the word by 'advertising' in Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado's monthly newsletter – NewSpots! We currently notify a little over 450 people of the new editions of NewSpots! That's a lot of word of mouth and print advertising for FREE!! **Below is an advertisement appearing for the first time in NewSpots!!**

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### **\*\*\*\*\*Be A Pal, Save A Dal\*\*\*\*\***

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We thank you and you know any dog you help your local rescue save will be eternally grateful! PLEASE submit a foster application if you can possibly help your local rescue and them! PLEASE take your cookie... good boy/girl!

## Reader Recommendation

If you have a pulling machine, if you want walk your dog more often, and if you want to enjoy the walk that he/she/you really need to be doing, check this out! – Beth White.

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# In The Doghouse... Our Featured Dalmatians

## Swann

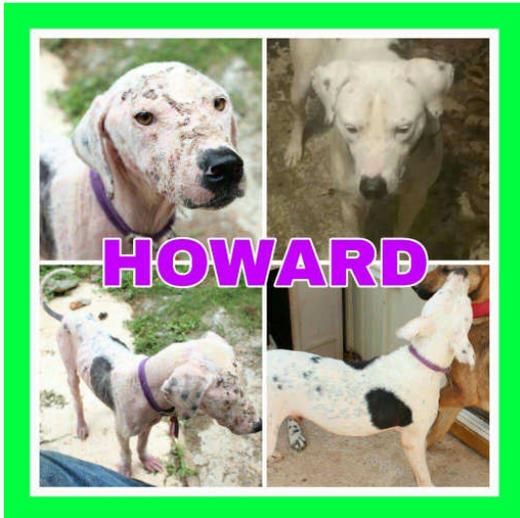
3 Year Old, Liver Female  
Reason Available: Stray  
Foster Home: Concord, NC

Swann is beautiful after her namesake. A puppy who was adopted once and landed back at the shelter because she was too active and bouncy. WHAT does the word puppy mean to most people? Active and full of energy! Today she is in Concord NC bouncing happily with three male dogs and acting like a normal puppy, which she is! Swann is fitting in beautifully with the 3 male fosters!! Discovering a puppyhood she had lost.



## Howard

1½ Year Old, Black Male  
Reason Available: Stray  
Foster Home: Belle Vista, AR



Little Howard found his way to a shelter in southern AR, and arrived in very poor condition. And he was just a puppy. His skin was horribly infected and really he had no hair. How he survived his first winter in an outdoor shelter, we are not sure. Now in a foster home in northern AR, Howard is a typical bouncy and romping young man, playing with male and female dogs. He is crate trained and loves to play ball and is the classic "velcro" dog with his foster dad. He LOVES snuggling in bed at night too. For more information, contact Joe at [josephvtheriault@gmail.com](mailto:josephvtheriault@gmail.com). Adoption \$250.

## Riff

4 Years Old, Black Neutered Male  
Reason Available: Owner Surrender  
Foster Home: Oak Park, IL

Riff is a gorgeous 4 year old black + white boy, very loving. He was the special dog of his 6 year old boy who is lost without him. Riff was attacked by a neighboring Yorkie and, because he was the bigger dog, was labeled as the guilty one. Devastated, the family surrendered him to save his life. He is living happily with a 4 year old male English Pointer with whom he has bonded. Riff is very loving + lovable, loves his humans. He is a wonderful + happy boy. Riff is currently in Oak Park IL.



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# Happy Beginning Stories

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## Athens and Dakota



*Athens and Dakota relaxing on their bed*

We adopted Athens and Dakota December 26th and they are truly a late Christmas gift!! After driving to Houston to pick them up and a LONG trip back (road work and after holiday traffic), finally home and beginning the adaption to our family and our strange ways.

Athens is truly a snuggler and he is now a talker--actually carries on a conversation with you. We are trying to encourage an "indoor" voice--lol. He is ticklish and will wrestle with you if you tickle him. He finally exhibited his "roll-over" technique, which had us all in stitches. What a lovey dog. We are very fortunate to have gotten him--thank you all.

Dakota is a piece of work. It is kind of like a puppy, horse, Great Dane and old soul all rolled up in a doggie. He loves lying in the sun, toys, can't catch a ball – those darn size 12 feet, and is a cookie monster.

We had a couple of seizures to learn about – but we think we are on the better part of the learning curve on that one. Doesn't matter – we love him. He is also a snuggler – 55 pounds of dog crawling in your lap is a treat. Just be ready!

Thank you Dal Rescue for all you do and for helping us get two precious babies.

– Jodi & Michael R.  
Plano, TX



**Athens loves to nap!**



**Dakota looking as regal as ever!**

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***Please don't forget... if you haven't sent in your Happy Beginnings Story yet, why not do it right now while it's fresh in your mind! It's never too late to see your story in print!!***

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