

## NewSpots!

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## Simply Nourish Dog Food Recall



August 13, 2021 — Wet Noses Natural Dog Treat Company of Monroe, Washington, is recalling approximately 51,000 packages of Simply Nourish frozen dog food due to elevated levels of Vitamin D.

#### What's Being Recalled?

Recalled products are marketed in 2-pound and 4.5-pound packages across specific "Best By" dates. A full list of affected products is included below:

Product Name	Net Wt	UPC	Best by range
Simply Nourish Frozen Chicken & Veggies	2lb	73725792262	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Chicken & Veggies	4.5lb	73725792264	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Beef & Barley	2lb	73725792266	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Beef & Barley	4.5lb	73725792267	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Turkey & Sweet Potato	2lb	73725792260	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Turkey & Sweet Potato	4.5lb	73725792263	11/10/2022-1/12/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Pork & Veggies	2lb	73725792079	8/26/2022-1/13/2023
Simply Nourish Frozen Pork & Veggies	4.5lb	73725792078	8/26/2022-1/13/2023

Affected Simply Nourish frozen food products were distributed at select PetSmart stores nationwide. No illnesses have been reported to date. No other products have been affected.

#### **About Vitamin D Toxicity in Dogs**

Dogs ingesting elevated levels of Vitamin D may exhibit symptoms such as vomiting, loss of appetite, increased thirst, increased urination, excessive drooling, and weight loss. Vitamin D when consumed at very high levels or over a long period of time can lead to serious health issues in dogs... including kidney failure and death.

Consumers who have dogs that have consumed any of the products listed above and are exhibiting these symptoms, should contact their veterinarian.

#### What Caused the Recall?

The recall was initiated after a routine nutrition test confirmed elevated Vitamin D levels on certain Simply Nourish frozen food products.

Subsequent investigation indicates the problem arose as a result of the vitamin mix dosage being significantly reduced by the vitamin mix manufacturer, and this change was not detected or properly communicated. As a result, the dosage was not reduced.

#### Company Message

We care deeply about our customers and their pets, and have put corrective actions into place to ensure this issue does not reoccur. This recall is being made with the knowledge of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

#### What to Do?

Consumers should immediately stop feeding the above products to their dogs.

Consumers who have purchased Simply Nourish Frozen Food are urged to return it to the place of purchase for a full refund.

Consumers with questions may contact the company at 800-938-6673 Monday to Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm PST.

U.S. citizens can report complaints about FDA-regulated pet food products by calling the <u>consumer complaint coordinator</u> in your area. Or go to the FDA's "Report a Pet Food Complaint" page.

Canadians can report any health or safety incidents related to the use of this product by filling out the Consumer Product Incident Report Form.

### Get Lifesaving Recall Alerts by Email

Get free dog food recall alerts sent to you by email. Subscribe to The Dog Food Advisor's emergency recall notification system.

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## Canine Houdinis: Dealing With Escape Artists

#### http://www.dog.com

Some dogs have a difficult time accepting the idea that they are not free to roam at will. These determined dogs consider fence climbing and tunnel digging to be among their finest talents.

Although escapees only want a little adventure, the dangers that await in the big, wide world can make coming home again impossible. There is hope for these dogs, but it will require patience and a good deal of experimentation on your part to find the right solution to reform your escape artist.

When trying to determine a solution for your escape artist, start by asking yourself the following questions: Is your dog an unaltered male?

It may be the scent of a nearby female that gives him the strength to leap tall fences in a single bound. The sex drive of a male dog can be powerful and all-consuming, especially if there is a female in heat nearby. Neutering your roving Romeo will do wonders for keeping him home, and he will be much happier and healthier as well.

Is your yard adequately fenced?

A three-foot chain link fence will not contain an adventurous medium to large sized dog. Gaps in between fencing, posts and gates can also be a problem. Determined dogs can suck in their breath and slide through spaces you would think were impossible. If your dog is a digger, consider placing concrete edging along the fence line, or placing chain link fencing two feet below ground. If the fence is high and your dog still climbs over, consider running a low current wire along the inside top of the fence. Once your dog receives a shock, similar to the one you get walking across the carpet, fence climbing won't be so enticing. Other solutions include building a covered kennel run. In any case, do not chain your dog. Is your dog bored?

Dogs thrive on companionship, mental stimulation and exercise. If these basic needs are not fulfilled, they frequently turn to destructive behavior such as chronic barking, chewing, compulsive escaping and even aggression. Your pet depends on you not

only for dog food, water and shelter, but for physical and mental exercise as well. There are many ways to keep your dog's body and mind stimulated. Provide him with plenty of interesting dog toys that are rotated on a daily basis; spend at least 15 to 20 minutes a day having playtime with your dog (some dogs may need even more exercise); attend obedience classes so your dog will have the chance to exercise his brain and consider getting a companion animal for your dog. A dog that is mentally challenged and receives proper exercise will not be so eager to run off in search of stimulation.

Of course, any escape artist should always be wearing personalized dog tags with your name, address and phone number. You may want to consider having your dog tattooed with a special identifying number or microchipped in case the dog collar is removed or lost.

## 7 Benefits Of Playing With Your Dog

#### http://www.puppyleaks.com

Everyone knows that playing games with your dog is fun, but what we don't often consider is that the benefits of play go well beyond just having fun. Adding in a little more playtime to your dog's routine is one of the easiest ways to enrich your dog's life. Here's 7 benefits of playing with your dog.

#### You're Training Your Dog, Even If You Don't Realize It

One of the benefits to playing with your dog is that it's a fun way to get in some daily training. Now I'm not talking about traditional "teach your dog a trick" training, but I am talking about reinforcing desirable behaviors. And in the case of play that revolves around teaching your dog to follow some basic rules.

Does your dog get too mouthy while playing tug? When that happens I simply stop playing the game. If you stop the game because your dog gets too mouthy you're teaching them biting your hand is not acceptable. Does that feel like traditional training? Not exactly, and that's why it's so easy to forget that we're training when we're engaged in play. And that's one of the greatest things about playing with your dog — it gives you a chance to reinforce good behaviors and have fun, all at the same time.

#### **Play Provides Mental Stimulation**

We all know that physical exercise is important for our dogs, but we often overlook the importance of mental exercise. Interactive games like tug or fetch might seem like a simple way to keep your dog busy, but they also provide a lot of mental stimulation for your dog.

Since games rely on some basic rules such as "you need to bring the frisbee back if you want to keep playing" they give your dog a chance to make their own decisions and help them build focus. Adding in a <u>few quick games</u> to your dogs routine is a way to ensure your dog gets a nice mental workout each day.

#### It's Good Physical Exercise For You & Your Dog

Dogs require regular exercise, and using play is one of the funnest ways to make sure your dog has a chance to release all that pent up energy. And since playing with your dog requires you to get involved it means both of you will be getting in more physical activity.

And when it comes to playing with your dog for physical exercise don't worry; I'm not suggesting a 3 hour marathon game of tug of war. Just a couple of extra 5 – 10 minute sessions of play can make a huge difference. Games like frisbee or playing with a flirt pole are physically demanding, so if you add those into your regular exercise routine (which includes the daily walk) you can make sure your dog is getting plenty of exercise each day.

And If you have a high energy dog I recommend checking out 5 quick ways to tire out your dog for more suggestions; these games helped tremendously when Laika was going through her "OK I know we just got back from a 3 mile walk but I'm still ready to go!" phase.

#### Play is a Fun Way to Relieve Stress

Playing with your dog is fun, and as far as stress reliever's go it's a really simple way to improve both you and your dog's overall mood. Spending time with your dog can have a calming effect, and some studies have found that it can help alleviate symptoms of anxiety and depression. Adding in a couple of quick 5 minute play sessions with your dog each day can have a big effect on both you and your dog's overall mood.

#### **Playing With Your Dog Strengthens Your Bond**

One of the greatest things about playing with your dog is how much it <u>strengthens your bond</u>. Spending quality time with your dog is one of the best ways to strengthen that bond, and when it comes to dogs play time is one of their favorite ways to pass the time. You're not just providing them with fun when you engage them in play; you're giving them a routine and reinforcing the idea that you are the bringer of all things fun — and that goes a long way when it comes to speeding up the bonding process.

#### Play Can Decrease Problem Behaviors in Dogs

Dogs who engage in regular play are less likely to develop problem behaviors such as excessive barking and chewing. The reason being is that dogs get bored, and when your dog gets bored chances are they'll find their own ways to entertain themselves — and that boredom is what leads to things like chewed up shoes.

When you regularly play with your dog you're keeping them busy and engaged, reducing the chance that they'll go off on their own to find their own entertainment. If you're looking for ways to keep your dog busy & entertained I recommend checking out 33 ways to keep your dog busy indoors & 26 boredom busters for dogs.

#### It Can Improve Your Social Life

And last but not least playing with your dog can improve your social life. Whether it's going to the park to play a game of fetch or taking your dog to the neighborhood playground, chances are you and your dog will meet some new people along the way. Your dog will benefit from brushing up on their social skills, and so will you. A <u>study from 2015</u> found that being a pet owner was the third most common way that people said they met people in their neighborhoods, and that pet owners were 60% more likely to get to know people in their neighborhood that they didn't know before.

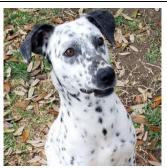
#### What Are Your Dog's Favorite Games?

What games does your dog enjoy most? Do you carve out time each day for a couple of quick play sessions? Does your dog seem more relaxed after play?

## Fun Dog Facts

- A dog's nose print is unique, much like a person's fingerprint.
- Forty-five percent of U.S. dogs sleep in their owner's bed.
- Speaking of sleeping ... all dogs dream, but puppies and senior dogs dream more frequently than adult dogs.
- Seventy percent of people sign their dog's name on their holiday cards.
- A dog's sense of smell is legendary, but did you know that his nose has as many as 300 million receptors? In comparison, a human nose has about 5 million.
- Dogs' noses can sense heat/thermal radiation, which explains why blind or deaf dogs can still hunt.
- Yawning is contagious—even for dogs. Research shows that the sound of a human yawn can trigger one from your dog.
   And it's four times as likely to happen when it's the yawn of a person he knows.
- Dogs curl up in a ball when sleeping to protect their organs—a hold over from their days in the wild, when they were
  vulnerable to predator attacks.
- The Australian Shepherd is not actually from Australia—they are an American breed. ... And the Labrador Retriever is originally from Newfoundland.
- Human blood pressure goes down when petting a dog. And so does the dog's.
- There are over 75 million pet dogs in the U.S.—more than in any other country.
- Dalmatians are born completely white, and develop their spots as they get older.
- Dogs have about 1,700 taste buds. We humans have between 2,000–10,000.
- When dogs kick backward after they go to the bathroom it's not to cover it up, but to mark their territory, using the scent glands in their feet.
- A recent study shows that dogs are among a small group of animals who show voluntary unselfish kindness towards others without any reward. This is one fact dog lovers have known all along.
- Greyhounds can beat cheetahs in a race. While cheetahs can run twice as fast as greyhounds, they can only maintain that 70 mph speed for about thirty seconds. A Greyhound can maintain a 35 mph speed for about seven miles. So, the cheetah may start out first, but the greyhound will soon overtake him.
- The Bloodhound's sense of smell is so accurate that the results of its tracking can be used as evidence in a court of law.

## Recent Adoptees!



**Dover** Justin, TX



**Mercy** Greeley, CO



Pedro (aka Peanut) Colorado Springs, CO



**Jack** San Antonio, TX



Morgan Indianapolis, IN

# Attention Adopters!!!

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!! 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

## More Fun Dog Facts

Dogs have approximately a sixth of the number of taste buds that humans have (1,700 taste buds to humans' approximately 9,000).

Dogs are as smart as a two-year-old baby.

Dogs only have sweat glands in their paws.

Your dog's feet might smell like corn. This is called "Frito feet," and it happens when sweat and bacteria build up in the paws.

"Dog years" vary a lot based on breed.

Dogs have three eyelids.

A Beatles song ("A Day In The Life") has a frequency only dogs can hear.

Three dogs survived the Titanic. All three were members of the first-class cabin: two Pomeranians and one Pekingese.

## Pet Evac Pak

#### https://petevacpak.com/

In last month's issue of NewSpots! I posted a couple articles that talked about emergency preparedness for your pets. I, unfortunately, left out a company that has helped Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado immeasurably in the past. That company is Pet Evac Pak. Pet Evac Pak was founded by Michelle Danielson and her friend, Claudia. Michelle has trained, fostered and transported many dogs for Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado. In addition, her company, Pet Evac Pak, has very generously donated Evac Paks and Dog First Aid Kits to our auctions!! Here's a little bit about them, directly from their website:

#### The little company with a big passion for pets!

In the wake of the 2017 fires in Napa and Sonoma Counties, Southern California, and Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, it was heartbreaking to see the pets that had been left behind.

After Hurricane Harvey, Michelle collected donations, filling a trailer, and "Marshall's Mission" (named after her dog) was born. They drove from Nevada to Texas. "Marshall's Mission" delivered the much-needed supplies to shelters and, along the way, rescued four awesome dogs who were about to be euthanized. Back at home she was able to find them the perfect families. This trip inspired her to partner with her friend, Claudia, to start Pet Evac Pak.

Michelle and Claudia, with their therapy dogs, Marshall and Echo, visit a residential treatment facility for kids. Michelle and Marshall also visit seniors at a retirement home. Claudia and Echo go to the VA hospital and hang out with passengers at the airport.

I urge everyone to visit their website and check out their great products! I can honestly say that I actually have a Pet Evac Pak in my RV, just in case!! I bought it during one of our auctions!

Some of the Pet Evac Pak offerings are:



Pet Evac Big Dog Pak \$79.99

For dogs between 30 and 70 lbs., the Pet Evac Big Dog Pak is designed with your pet in mind. Everything you need to be prepared for an emergency, evacuation or travel. Starting with the red and black backpack to the well thought out first aid kit, this pack has everything to keep your pet safe for up to 72 hours. You will have peace of mind that you are ready for any situation.



Pet Evac Ultimate Cat Pak with Carrier \$99.99

For cats up to 16 lbs., the Pet Evac Ultimate Cat Pak is your cat's home away from home. Starting with the airline-approved Prefer Pet PREMIUM Hideaway carrier that can either be used as a backpack or shoulder style duffel bag, making it easy to get out quickly. The cinch bag included contains everything you need to keep your cat safe for up to 72 hours should you need to evacuate from any disaster such as earthquake, hurricane, flood, or fire. Items are packed in the cinch bag so you can just remove it to place your pet in the carrier. You will have peace of mind that you are ready for any emergency, evacuation, or just travel.



Pet Evac Small Dog Pak without Carrier \$64.99

Already have a carrier for your dog? This is the perfect companion to get you prepared for an emergency, evacuation or travel. The cinch bag includes everything you need to keep your pet safe for up to 72 hours. You will have peace of mind that you are ready for any situation.

Visit and get your Pet's Evac Pak today!!!

**PET EVAC PAK** 

#### NATIONAL PET MEMORIAL DAY - SECOND SUNDAY IN SEPT.



On the second Sunday in September (13TH, 2021), National Pet Memorial Day offers a moment to remember pets who have passed.

Pets play an important role in our lives. Not only are they companions, but pets become part of the family, too. Pets keep us responsible and remind us to play. When we are too serious, they lighten up our lives. Many pets keep us healthy, too.

When we lose a beloved pet, the pain is genuine. Whether furry, feathered, or an uncommon variety, the loss is felt deeply. They become family and a familiar part of our lives. However, everyone mourns differently. Some pet parents plant a memorial. Whether they plant a tree, shrub or perennial flower, the plant offers an annual reminder of their pet. Others may create a stepping stone with a paw print, placing it in a garden. Still others may create a tattoo of their pet's paw print. These actions offer a tangible way to cope with their grief.

The day also offers an opportunity to remember the pets who've passed through our lives. We remember the companionship and comfort they provided to us. Don't forget that part of the relationship included care provided by you. Memories replace the empty space left by the loss of a cherished pet.

#### NATIONAL DEAF DOG AWARENESS WEEK - LAST FULL WEEK IN SEPT.



Deaf Dog Awareness Week is the last full week of every September. It's estimated there are about 35,000 dogs in the United States who are deaf in both ears. Dogs who are deaf in just one ear are more common, about 120,000.

More than 30 breeds of dogs have a known susceptibility for deafness. Some of those breeds include Australian shepherd, Boston terrier, cocker spaniel, Dalmatian, German shepherd, Jack Russell terrier, Maltese, toy and miniature poodle, and West Highland white terrier.

In most of these dogs, the deafness is hereditary. And for nearly all, it is associated with piebald or merle coat patterns. (Merle is a pattern in a dog's coat. Merle comes in different colors and patterns. The merle gene creates mottled patches of color in a solid or piebald coat, blue or odd-colored eyes, and can affect skin pigment as well.) So, almost any dog with white in its fur or any "blue" dog is at least more likely to be deaf.

The Deaf Dog Education Fund says, "The most common cause of congenital deafness is pigment-related. If there is unpigmented skin in the inner ear, the nerve endings atrophy and die off in the first few weeks of the puppy's life, resulting in

deafness." Click here to learn more: http://www.deafdogs.org/faq/

#### Training

Other than the loss of hearing, deaf dogs behave normally. They make all the regular sounds just like hearing dogs. Dogs who lose their hear or are born deaf, are also fully trainable, social, and eager to please. Trainers give commands using sign language. As with hearing dogs, hand signals are an effective training tool.

Since they cannot hear cars or other dangers approaching, a deaf dog should never be allowed to roam freely outdoors. Owners should provide a secure fenced enclosure instead. In some cases, electronic signaling devices are used to communicate with the dog.

#### **HOW TO OBSERVE #DeafDogAwarenessWeek**

Learn more about deaf dogs from the Pet Health Network. Learn more about rescuing a deaf dog. Contribute to an organization that cares for deaf dogs. Follow on social media. Use #DeafAwarenessDogWeek #NationalDeafPetWeek to join the conversation

## For The Kids



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#### What's It All About?



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To shop at AmazonSmile, simply go to <u>smile.amazon.com</u> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages. Recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

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To Use the King Soopers or City Market Community Rewards Program, simply visit the appropriate link below.

For King Soopers Stores - go to <a href="http://www.kingsoopers.com">http://www.kingsoopers.com</a>

For City Market Stores - go to http://www.citymarket.com

Once logged in to your King Soopers or City Market account, search for Dalmatian Rescue of Colorado, Inc., either by name or FR415, and then click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a loyalty card.

\*Customers must have a registered King Soopers or City Market loyalty card account to link to our organization. If you do not yet have a King Soopers or City Market loyalty card, they are available at the customer service desk at any King Soopers or City Market.

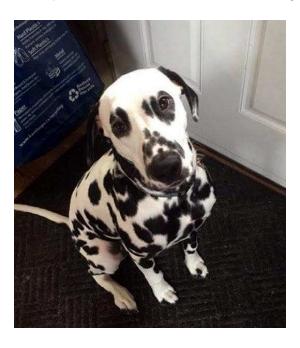
REMEMBER, purchases will not count for our organization until after you have registered your loyalty card (the same card that you use to build fuel points). You must swipe your registered King Soopers or City Market loyalty card or use the phone number that is related to the registered King Soopers or City Market loyalty card when shopping for each purchase to count. This does not affect your fuel points!



#### Trainer Tips

## "Polite Greetings - Visitors To Your Home"

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#### Question:

My dog is overly friendly with everyone who visits so it's difficult for them to get in the door. It's hard for me to hold him back and open the door. What can I do?

#### The Trainer Answers:

It can be a challenge for our dogs to be polite when visitors arrive! Though I would much rather have the problem of an overenthusiastic greeter than one who is afraid of strangers, it is still a problem none-the-less.

I suggest starting with teaching your dog some polite behavior at the front door BEFORE visitors arrive. Many dogs get highly aroused at the doorway because it either means they are going for a walk or visitors are coming to see them. (We know the visitors aren't always there to see our dogs, but try telling that to your over-the-top-happy-greeter!) Before the guests arrive, we want to help calm things down at the doorway.

If this is the door you use for dog walks, work on calm behavior getting leashed up and out the door. If this door is primarily used for visitors, focus on teaching your dog to wait behind a predetermined line several feet away from the doorway. You want to give your visitors enough room to get in and close the door without physical contact with your dog until you give your dog permission.

Practice having your dog wait behind that line (or on a rug, or where the carpet meets the tile, etc.) while you go to the door. If you can make it to the door, try opening it. If he leaps forward when the door opens, back up a step and practice some more. When he's calm when you open the door, see if you can step out and right back in. Or pretend you are talking to someone at the door. Once he's good with these steps, have a family member or close friend who visits regularly stop by and help you practice. At first, have them stand outside but do not ring the doorbell. Once your dog is handling that well, then add in ringing the doorbell or knocking on the door.

It will take a lot of practice, but if you have frequent visitors, it will be worth the effort to hear your visitors say, "My, what a well-behaved dog you have!"

For additional training tips and information, you can read our blog at <a href="https://thelightofdog.com/read/">https://thelightofdog.com/read/</a> or find us on Facebook and Twitter.

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#### Bits & Pieces

#### Advertising in NewSpots! is FREE!!!

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 about 700 people of the new editions of NewSpots! That's a lot of word of mouth and print advertising for FREE!

Simply contact the editor, Karl Schill, at <a href="mailto:dalmatianrescueofco@comcast.net">dalmatianrescueofco@comcast.net</a> and he will work with you to provide your ad and place it prominently within the newsletter.

# Foster Homes Needed!! \*\*\*\*\* Be a Pal, Save a Dal \*\*\*\*\*

PLEASE – They need YOUR help!! Remember when your rescue Dalmatian came home with you, from the warmth of a loving foster family? If we hadn't had foster homes, you probably would not have gotten YOUR dog. PLEASE think about fostering a dog for the Dalmatian Rescue where you obtained your Dal, or the one closest to where you now live, so they can save lives like they saved your dog's life!! PLEASE give a warm home to a dog who can relax, show his true personality, enjoy a thick bed rather than a concrete floor in a shelter and get ready for a new home. PLEASE help rescues and the dogs so that others might have a dog that is well socialized, trained and ready to love. PLEASE think about this... Dalmatians are everywhere and are literally dying to meet you or someone willing to give them a "spot" to LIVE until their forever home comes along. PLEASE be a spot for rescue and for them?

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 Recommendations and Tips

This is where we share recommendations and tips from and for our readers. Our newsletter is read by as many as 1800 people each month. That number constantly increases as we have more adopters and adopters recommend it to their friends and family as well. So, go ahead... share your tips and recommendations. Please send along any information you want to share with others, like products that you would recommend, dog toys, great pet insurance, good vets (or bad ones to avoid as well), etc. Is there anything you wish someone had told you about that you have found? Pass it along. Send your ideas, recommendations and tips to Karl at <a href="mailto:karl@dalmatianrescueco.org">karl@dalmatianrescueco.org</a> for inclusion in the next issue.

We NEED your participation to make the Reader Recommendations and Tips segment a successful segment. We received a couple recommendations a couple months ago, but nothing since. It is nice to be able to pass along information, tips and suggestions that you have found useful or helpful so that others can benefit as well, but without your participation it doesn't work! So please submit your ideas!!

# SADLY, THERE ARE NO READER RECOMMENDATIONS AND TIPS THIS MONTH.

## In The "Spot" Light... Our Featured Dalmatians

## Mandy

3 Years Old, Black Spayed Female

Reason Available: Strav

Foster Home: Colorado Springs, CO

Great News! Mandy was tested for Heartworms and is now negative!!! She is fully ready for her forever family! Sweet Mandy is a lovely little Dalmatian Wannabe who was very frightened by all the noise and barking in the shelter in Texas. Picked up as a stray, neighbors said her kids threw rocks at her and yelled a lot. She was terrified and responded by chasing the kids. Mandy has become a sweet, loving companion since she has had time to decompress and find out that everyone is not bad. She gets along great with the resident dogs at her foster home. Mandy loves to play and chase Breton in the backyard and respects Mojo's boundaries. She is a very loving dog who loves to sit in your lap. Mandy is very quiet unless she is distracted by the squirrels in the backyard running along the fence - then she yells at them to go away. So if you want a quiet dog, Mandy is the perfect dog for you! She just loves being the center of attention. Mandy is mostly white with nice spots on her ears and lots of freckles under her white fur. She is still a little skittish about loud noises and yelling but is a lot better than when she first arrived. A quiet home with all adults or teens would probably suit her



best. For more information, contact Karl at karl@dalmatianrescueco.org. Adoption \$250

#### Pat









3 Years Old. Black Neutered Male Reason Available: Owner Surrender Foster Home: Richmond, KY

Pat is a loving, gentle & playful boy. He loves learning new things and being with people and other dogs. Pat has had a very difficult earlier life. He ran away 4 times and ended up at the Lexington Humane Society. He was brought there again after his owner died. He is gradually losing his hearing and is very nervous about this.

He does not like a lot of shadows or flash lights. He is learning hand signals and has just learned to stop, to sit and to shake paws.

Pat loves to share cuddles and craves human contact. He'd be thrilled at the opportunity to be a velcro dog - a very Dalmatian trait! If you are looking for a very handsome, smiling love bug and are interested in him, please contact:

sandy@dalmatianrescueco.org. Donation is \$300.00.

# We still need your Happy Beginnings Stories!!

We have had many adoptions in 2021 but have received <u>NO</u> Happy Beginnings Stories submitted for those dogs!

Please help us to get the word out to all adopters from 2020/2021 (or any year, since it's never too late!) to submit their Happy Beginnings Stories.

#### It's never too late to see your story in print!

If you have adopted your pup from us, regardless of when, and have not submitted their Happy Beginnings story yet, please do it now while it's fresh on your mind.

These stories are the "pay" that fosters get for all their hard work!

#### About Us

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Send submissions to the Editor at karl@dalmatianrescueco.org

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