



# THE SCOOP

POPE MEMORIAL FRONTIER ANIMAL SHELTER NEWSLETTER

## Adopt A Friend Today!



**Lego** is a sweet boy with plenty of energy. He is about 10 months old and 55 pounds. He appears to be good with other dogs and cats. Lego loves to be with people and can't wait to meet his new forever family. Come meet Lego to

find out if he is the right dog for you.

**Paris** is a gem! She is a sweet good natured dog with a heart of gold. She is about 4 years old and 64 pounds. She is searching for a loving forever home to call her own. Come in and meet Paris to find out if she is the gem for you.



**Keyo and Jacobi** came in to the shelter as a bonded pair. They are about 4 years old and have lived with cats, dogs and children. They are sweet and loving cats and would love to be adopted together, but it is

not required.



**Prince** is a 9 year old beagle boy. He is a sweet and happy boy who has lived with other dogs and cats. He loves to play and go for walks and is looking for his new forever

home. Prince really likes kids, is good with cats and loves a good game of fetch. He is an all around great family dog. Prince has been at our shelter for almost a year.

**Oreo** is a 4 year old sweet and gentle girl searching for her forever home. She is in a community room with other kitties and loves to play with them. She would be a great addition to most any household. Oreo has been at our shelter for over year.



**Rascal** is a very sweet affectionate little lady. She just loves people and sadly has found herself without a family. She's keeping her chin up though in hopes that her new forever family might be right around the corner. Come in and meet sweet Rascal.



## What to do when you lose your pet . . .

Recently, we've become aware of a number of incidents where pets have become separated from their homes and families. At PMFAS, we're aware that this can be an especially fearful and anxiety-producing time for families.

At PMFAS, we like to help by putting up a poster in the shelter, and posting the information on our Facebook page. However, there are a number of other things that you can do relatively quickly and easily to get the word out that your four-footed family member is missing and you want him back as soon as possible!

- Put up posters in your local stores! The best results come from picture posters. Use brightly colored neon poster board that attracts attention. Use a clear picture and lettering that's big, simple and easy to read.
- Call your local town clerk or animal control officer and those in surrounding towns to let them know that your pet is missing. All stray dogs go directly to the A.C.O. of each town and are held for a few days.
- Call your friends and neighbors and let them know how to get in touch with you.
- Call the local veterinarians to see if your pet has been brought in for an injury.
- If you're familiar with and regularly use social media, post the information on Facebook and other similar media and ask that the information be shared, to get the word out far and wide. Make sure there's information about how to reach you. Surprisingly, animals can travel quite a distance, getting further and further away from home. It's important that anyone who might spot your pet knows how to get in touch with you.
- When your four-footed friend is found and returns home, consider getting him/ her micro-chipped. Call your local veterinarian or shelter about how this simple procedure can be done
- Make it a regular practice to keep your dog's rabies, license and name tags on his collar and be sure he's wearing the collar when you're both out and about. There are a number of things that can scare your dog into running – like thunder or fireworks. With collar and updated, readable tags, it will be easier for your dog to be returned to you if he should become separated.

Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter has placed hundreds of homeless animals over the years. Like any shelter, we enjoy finding forever homes for homeless animals. We also enjoy being able to return local lost animals to their families. Following the actions steps above makes it easier to do this. Always make the safety of your pet a priority!

## Keepers of the Kennels/Kitties:

*Thank you to the following individuals and businesses who graciously support our kitties and kennels each month:* Blanchard Oil, Carl & Pam Brodhead, Lidia & Steven Dow, Jean Arcangeli, Toni Rushlow, Brenda Butler-Smith, Sheila Quinn, Aydin & Mary Kate Lathari, Bill & Faye Perkins, Carol Piper, Thomas, Olivia and Alaina Lemieux, Barbara and Peter Bell, Julie Mountain & Al Brassard.

## Volunteer Spotlight

Our readers know that, in recognition of the efforts and generosity of all our volunteers, we like to put the spotlight on someone in each issue of The Scoop. We definitely realize how valuable our volunteers are in helping us fulfill our mission and we know that without them, we could not care for all our furry friends at the shelter. **This summer we're spotlighting Lynne Westin!**

Lynne and her husband Doug are long-time Vermonters residing in the Island Pond area. Lynne doesn't seem to mind the drive to PMFAS in Orleans as she's been volunteering about twice a week for the past couple of years. While Lynne is a health care professional and has served many of our youth in local elementary schools as a speech and language pathologist, she has also provided a valued service to many of the dogs at PMFAS as a skilled dog trainer. Lynne especially focuses on those dogs that need some special attention and have particular socialization needs. The goal of her specific work and effort with these dogs is to help them become more adoptable. Most often Lynne can be seen working with the dogs in the large yard at the shelter, but it is not unusual for her to take them out for car rides or for walks around local areas to expose them to other adventures, helping them to gain experience in life outside a shelter and thus again increasing their chances of being adopted.



"Lynne is great with the dogs and a true asset, not only to the shelter but also for each individual dog with which she works," reports Amy Mariotti, Shelter Manager. "Her love of these animals and her patience with them is truly amazing!"

Lynne Westin, this time the Spotlight is on you! We sincerely appreciate your time, dedication, patience and skill with the animals. Thank you for all you do for PMFAS!

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## A Note of Thanks . . . .

Everyone at the PMFAS wants to "paws" for a moment this summer to say a BIG thank you to all our supporters. In particular, we express sincere appreciation to all the towns in Orleans County that support us each year at their town meeting. We also say thank you to the many elementary schools that take time to bring students for a visit or assign special projects that the students do for the shelter. We fully acknowledge that this type of student involvement helps our local young people learn more about animal shelters, promotes animal adoptions, and hopefully helps some young people decide to get more involved in the care of animals and particularly homeless animals when they grow up. Appreciation also goes out to local businesses, individuals and volunteers. Thank you for your support which takes many forms – time, skill, expertise, financial. From the staff and board of PMFAS, as well as from all the animals, a sincere thank you to all!

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## Quincy and Ellie Mae are Hopeful!!

Hey there! This is Quincy. You might remember me and my sister, Ellie Mae, from last winter when you read about the horrific experience Ellie Mae went through last fall in 2013. Well, that's all in the past now, and we feel really fortunate to be with all the great folks at Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter. They are very kind and professional, and most of all they are patient. You see, Ellie Mae and I have been here a very long time – almost four years! All we really want is to find a home of our own but sometimes it's harder for us bigger dogs. We have a lot of energy and some humans might not find us as good looking as other dogs, so it can take a long time for us to find a forever home. No one at PMFAS seems to mind though. They are letting us stay here for as long as it takes! It would be just wonderful if Ellie Mae and I could go together to the same home, but that's not a must. We would miss each other, but I'm sure we would each do just fine in separate homes. The humans at our new home would just need to remember that as a mix of Bluetick and Coonhound, we have a lot of energy and need a lot of space in which to run and get some good exercise. That will help us be on our best behavior. We both like other dogs, but I think we might play too roughly with cats, so it's best that there aren't any cats in our new home. We don't mind spending a little time in a large crate. That sometimes feels comfortable and helps us to calm down. A nice big fenced in area would

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be best for us to romp around in during the day time, and a cozy bed inside for night. Most of all, we really like humans and would like one - or even a whole family - to call our own. Please don't misunderstand, we like it a lot here at PMFAS. All the staff and volunteers are very good to us. You see, we recently heard that one of the cats named Nick found his forever home. Nick had been at PMFAS for almost 3 years. So, we're just thinking that if Nick can find his forever home, there's hope for Ellie Mae and me to do the same! Won't you spread the word that my sister and I would love to find a home and family of our own? We really believe that there's hope for us too!



*Quincy*



*Ellie Mae*



**HOLD EVERYTHING!**  
**Is it time to renew your membership?**



**YES! I would like to support the PMFAS in caring for the unwanted, abandoned, stray, neglected, and abused animals. Here is my tax deductible gift of: (circle one)**

Individual Membership: \$25. Family Membership: \$40. Benefactor: \$50. Guardian Angel: \$100. Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**IN MEMORIAM & IN HONOR OF**

**YES! I would like to give a donation to the PMFAS**

In memory of my deceased  cat  dog  other \_\_\_\_\_ Pet's name: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of my living  cat  dog  other \_\_\_\_\_ Pet's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number & E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

No letter of acknowledgement of this gift is necessary.

**TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Clip and mail to: Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter, Inc., 502 Strawberry Acres Road, Newport, VT 05855.

**- KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS -**

POPE MEMORIAL FRONTIER ANIMAL SHELTER, INC., 502 STRAWBERRY ACRES RD., NEWPORT, VT 05855

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## It's a Wonderful Life!

Hi everyone! My name is Nick! I want you to know that I'm one of those lucky cats that got adopted from the Pope Memorial Frontier Animal Shelter. It was a little scary leaving my home at the shelter because I had been there SO very long – almost three years! That's a long time! I was accustomed to all the other cats there and I gotta admit, I didn't always like all of them. Because of that, the folks at PMFAS often gave me my own space where I could just chill and watch things happen around me. At other times, I was allowed to be a "free roamer." That means that I was able to walk almost anywhere around the shelter –on the cat side of course! No interest in going over to where the dogs are! I can tell you that those folks at PMFAS know what they're doing! Not only did they give me some space and privacy, but there was a basket that I really liked to curl up and sleep in. It was cuddly and comfy, and just my size. All the staff and volunteers at the shelter knew that, so whenever they had to move me to another room, that basket came right along with me. They are SO considerate. At one point during my extended stay at the shelter, I needed some special food. That wasn't a problem at all and if I came down with a cold, they were really speedy in getting me the medicine needed. I'm very happy to say that I'm in my own forever home now, and I really love my new home with this wonderful human. Those thoughtful folks from PMFAS sent that nice little basket home with me, but heck, I don't even need it anymore! I have all kinds of comfortable pillows and chairs and my own comfy bed. Yup! I've been one lucky cat, that's for sure! And I owe it all to the staff and volunteers at PMFAS. They were patient and kind enough to let me live there for as long as I needed. I thought I was going to be there for the rest of my life, and that wouldn't be such a bad thing, but they wouldn't let me give up hope, and now I'm one very happy cat! Thanks PMFAS! You really gave me a wonderful life!



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