



Well, here we are welcoming 2012! As 2011 came to a close, we had a chance to reflect on all of the amazing things we've been able to accomplish this past year. We welcomed 62 pups into MaPaw foster homes and shared in the joy of 51 pups joining their forever families. It has been a very exciting year and we look forward to what 2012 has in store for us...

Thanks to our volunteers, foster homes and supporters ~ without all of you, we would not have been able to help so many and accomplish so much. Happy New Year!

### Meet the Newest Members of the MaPaw Family

[Huli](#) ~ 6 - 7 year old female Siberian Husky Mix

[Jazzi](#) ~ 7 - 9 year old female Siberian Husky

[Kiernan](#) ~ 11 month old male Siberian Husky

[Nala](#) ~ 4 1/2 year old female Siberian Husky

[Sadie](#) ~ 10 - 12 year old female Siberian Husky

[Skye](#) ~ 5 1/2 year old female Siberian Husky

[Zelda](#) ~ 4 - 5 year old female Siberian Husky

### Pup of the Month

Tippy is a Chow/Siberian Husky (Chusky) mix that is adorable and she knows it! She is ready to take on the world and is extremely affectionate with people. She fancies herself as a lap dog, loves to cuddle (when she stops wiggling) and never tires of giving kisses. Check out [her bio](#) to learn more about Tippy!

### Upcoming Events

*Saturday, January 14th* - Classic Harley Davidson, Leesport, PA from 9 am - 1 pm

*Sunday, January 22nd* - Adoption Day at Petco, Pottstown, PA from 11 am - 3 pm

*Saturday, February 11th* - Adoption Day at Pickering Valley Feed, Exton, PA from 12 pm - 3 pm

*Sunday, February 12th* - Adoption Day at Petco, Pottstown, PA from 11 am - 3 pm

### MaPaw Kennels!!!

Our kennel building not only has a roof, but it's got interior walls too! Our volunteers are busy installing the doors and windows. Our guillotine doors have arrived and are next on the list for installation. Once we've made sure everything is secure for winter, we'll halt construction until the Spring.

Spring will bring a new list of things to do ~ run electricity, install heating and air conditioning, fence the kennel yard, install the prefabricated kennel runs and we can't forget about the security... Once we've finished all of



that, we'll be ready to welcome our first guest! We can't wait!!!

The finished building will house 10 indoor/outdoor kennels. The kennels will allow us to bring a dog into rescue without having to wait for a foster space to become available, which will allow us to help more dogs. Any guest welcomed into the kennels will stay until a foster space opens up. Our goal is to have each dog spend at least 2 weeks with a foster home before being placed in a forever home. We feel that the foster home environment is essential to our dogs' development because it helps them learn to become better family members.

### **How Does A Pup Become a Permanent Resident?**

There are many reasons why pups find their way to MaPaw ~ found as a stray, family is moving, allergies, medical reasons or economical reasons (just to name a few). Many of these pups will eventually find forever homes, some much quicker than others. For a small group of pups, rehoming them would prove to be too stressful for them. For those pups, we choose to keep them where they are comfortable and they become a permanent resident where they will be loved and spoiled by their foster family for the rest of their lives.

MaPaw currently has 8 permanent residents. We've got medical issues, behavioral issues, food aggression and some nervous pups that don't deal well with lifestyle changes.

When MaPaw was first contacted about Aero, he had just been removed from a negligence situation. He had been left outside for his entire life. This poor guy was fed when convenient for the "owner" and didn't get regular meals. He was so thin and was very food aggressive, which was not surprising considering his lack of care.

When we looked into his eyes, we knew that Aero deserved a chance of knowing what life for a Husky **should** be. We brought him into MaPaw and we made a promise to him to get him healthy and give him a safe haven for the rest of his life. Because he was so thin, we fed him several small meals a day. He soon began putting on weight. His food aggression caused him to react any time food was in his presence. It took months of dedication and consistency, but Aero finally began to understand that he would get food on a regular basis.

Aero has become quite a character in his old age. His head tilts to the side (due to Canine Vestibular Disease) and he has a silly trot, but he has become such a joy to have around the Farm. He enjoys being a member of the pack and likes the company of the other pups. While his food aggression has gotten better, we still feed him separately and make sure that his boundaries are respected by the other pups.

Because of your support, we have had the pleasure of knowing him and we will have the privilege of caring for him for the rest of his life.

### **Order your 2012 MaPaw Calendar!**

The new year is upon us. Do you have your MaPaw calendar?

Our cover features Biloxi, who was only 4 months old when he joined his MaPaw foster home. He had been taken to a rural shelter after he had been hit by a car. He had a fracture in his pelvis and leg. Unfortunately, he did not receive medical care and the fractures healed incorrectly on their own. When MaPaw was contacted about Biloxi, we quickly found room and made arrangements for him to go to a specialist. The doctor felt that although the fractures had healed on their own, Biloxi was still able to walk and did not feel that surgery was necessary. Biloxi has found his forever home and he is now a certified therapy dog. Biloxi is a shining example of why MaPaw does what we do. We are so proud of Biloxi!



[Click here](#) to order your 2012 MaPaw calendar today! [Click here](#) to learn a little more about some of the wonderful MaPaw alum featured in this year's calendar!

### **Foster Homes Needed**

Our network of foster homes is MaPaw's greatest asset. While we wait for the construction of the kennels to be completed, our foster homes are what allow us to bring more dogs into rescue. Once the construction of the kennels is complete, we will still need our foster homes to help the dogs in rescue to settle into family life and learn their manners (housebreaking, crate training, walking on a leash, etc.). While the kennels will allow us to bring more dogs into rescue, our foster homes will help those dogs get their second chance at becoming a member of a family again.

Please [contact us](#) if you have any questions about fostering or [click here](#) to submit an application to foster a MaPaw dog.

### **Shop the MaPaw Store**

We have some great gifts for Husky lovers! Car Magnets, Siberian Love Bead Bracelets and MaPaw Cookbooks! We just added the "True Love is in the Eyes of a Rescued Dog" t-shirts to the store. [Click here](#) to check them out! We will also be adding new designs to our [CafePress store](#) this month.

### **Ways to Help MaPaw**

1. Search online using [GoodSearch](#). Sign up today and start searching!
2. Shop with [iGive.com](#). For every purchase you make from any of the many stores available through iGive, you help MaPaw earn a donation.
3. [Sponsor a MaPaw Permanent Resident](#). We currently have 10 dogs that are permanent residents of MaPaw, which means that they will stay with their foster home for the rest of their lives. Some of our residents have behavior issues, while others have medical/health issues.
4. [Donate a Kuranda bed](#). Our dogs love these beds, but we don't have enough for everyone. Our senior pups especially love these beds and benefit greatly from lounging on them.
5. Donate any item(s) found on our [wish list](#). We also have a [wish list on Amazon](#).
6. Like us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).