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~ Adopt A Husky ~

Do You Have Room In Your Heart & Home???



These Dogs Are Looking For Furever Homes
 If You Can Help, Contact MaPaw Now!!!

All The Woos That's Fit To Print

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Dog Of The Month..... Introducing Diesel!!!



Everyone's Friend!!!

Meet Diesel, a young Husky/Great Dane mix who is looking to find his furever best friend. Diesel is a fun loving boy who enjoys playing and cuddling. He is good with other dogs, loves everyone and will make a wonderful companion. He is still a youngster, so he is full of energy (for this reason, we recommend he be placed in a home with older children). When it comes to those quiet times, he enjoys laying at your feet or in your lap.

Diesel has inherited the shorter coat of the Great Dane, but the markings and the enthusiasm to run from the Husky.

Diesel was given up by his owners, who felt he had "allergies". A trip to the vet revealed he had fleas, which were easily taken care of. With flea products readily available at the local vets, Diesel will have no more worries!

Diesel is a smart boy ~ he knows "sit" and "come" and is eager to learn more. He will do best in a home that has the patience to train him and perhaps enroll in a basic obedience class for lessons.

**If you have the time and the love to have a new
"Best Friend Furever" ~ Diesel is your boy!**

Visit <http://sibes.com/diesel.html> for further information

Volunteer Of The Month.....

Introducing Janet J!!!



Roger, Janet, Brad, Blake Marie and Brennan

It was a wonderful day for all when Janet and Family opened their home and hearts to Dakota ~ he has blossomed under their care and TLC. Janet joined the MaPaw Family and jumped right in ~ with both feet! Her first foster was a true challenge and she made a world of difference for Brandy. We are so happy you are part of our MaPaw Family Janet. Thank you for everything you do!

My family and I live in Clarksville, Maryland. We all have such a love of animals! In addition to Bianca and Dakota (our current huskies), we live with 3 cats, 3 lizards and 3 snakes (it's amazing what one will do for her children...), as well as a sewer cat who adopted us and our garage!

We lost our first two snow dogs – Klondike, a 10-year old black & white husky, and Sheba, a 12-year old malamute – less than a year apart from each other (October 2008 and August 2009). Klondike was our first husky, and it didn't take long for that 9-month old goofball to steal our hearts and sell us on the husky breed!

Fostering huskies and being involved with a rescue has been on my "Bucket List" (actually, it's the only thing on my Bucket List!), for several years. Shortly after we adopted Dakota from MaPaw, I took the plunge and fostered Brandy. Unfortunately, Brandy and Bianca are both dominant females, and the fostering became somewhat unconventional as Brandy's

temporary home became living at my dad's house. She was such a sweet dog with so much potential we couldn't give up on her. It was both a sad and happy day for my father and me when Brandy found her furever home in January.



Bianca and Dakota



**Klondike, Sheba, Blake Marie, Brad, Brennan,
Janet and Roger ~ 2001**

The MaPaw family is so caring, giving and supportive of not just the common bond which brings them together, but also each other. Despite the geographical distance between Clarksville and most of the other MaPaw volunteers in Pennsylvania and Delaware which makes it difficult to participate in rescue events, play dates, and meet everyone personally, I feel blessed and honored to be part of this group!

Janet

InComing and Outgoing.....

February 2010

InComing

Montana



Montana is a spry senior husky who won't hesitate to tell you she is 13 years young, although she doesn't act her age! She recently came into our rescue when her mom had to move and family members could no longer care for her.

This beautiful, petite Siberian is such a happy girl ~ she has a spring to her step and non-stop kisses for anyone she meets. She is enjoying her new home and playing with the other pups as well as helping to take care of a toddler. Foster mom says she is a big help and a joy to have around!

Montana was an outdoor dog for much of her life; however, she has quickly become use to indoor comfort and companionship. Her housebreaking is coming along very nicely and she has natural good manners.

If you are looking for a mature companion to be by your side, please contact us about Montana ~ we think she is a real winner!

Visit <http://sibes.com/montana.html> for further information

Duchess



Duchess is a striking young Siberian Husky/Malamute estimated to be one and a half years old with a somewhat mysterious past. This girl isn't telling tails, but we know someone lost a wonderful pet and companion.

Duchess is a very smart girl that needs to be placed in a dog savvy home that will continue with her training and provide the activity and socialization she craves. She is wonderful with people and other dogs and loves to play with the pups and then cuddle up for some quality time.

Duchess is a friend to everyone, however, she still has many puppy traits and will need a home that has the time and patience to work with her as she grows.

Visit <http://sibes.com/duchess.html> for further information

Neko



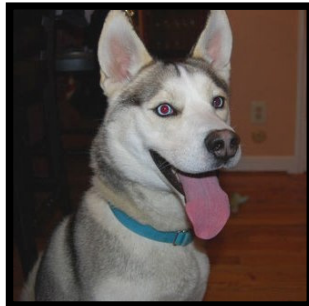
Neko is a "classic" Siberian Husky thought to be two years old. We aren't sure what circumstances caused Neko to be separated from his family, but it is obvious he was a cared for family pet.

Neko is an energetic that is a lover with lots of kisses and charm. He knows "sit" and "paw" and will gladly show off his skills, exuberating happiness and excitement.

Neko is the new kid on the block at MaPaw and he is delighting us every day as we get to know him. Stay tune for updates and please feel free to contact us for more information about this wonderful dog.

Visit <http://sibes.com/neko.html> for further information

Logan



Logan is a handsome young Siberian estimated to be between one and two years old. He is gray and white with a wolf coat (hints of red) and beautiful blue eyes that are irresistible. His constant Siberian smile will brighten any day.

Logan is a typical young Siberian Husky with a LOT of energy and he can be an escape artist. He will be best placed in an active household with other canine playmates his size or larger and a sturdy secure fence to keep him safe and sound.

If you are looking for a fun-filled partner in life to keep you active and you have the time and energy to devote to this young Siberian, please contact us to learn more about Logan.

Visit <http://sibes.com/logan.html> for further information

Outgoing

Brandy



Visit <http://sibes.com/brandy.html> for further information

Duncan



Visit <http://sibes.com/duncan.html> for further information

Ranger



Visit <http://sibes.com/ranger.html> for further information

Skamp



Visit <http://sibes.com/skamp.html> for further information

Recipe Of The Month.....

Delicious Chocolate Cake

2 C sugar
1 $\frac{3}{4}$ C flour
 $\frac{3}{4}$ C Hershey's cocoa
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp baking powder
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp baking soda
1 tsp salt

Lisa Johnson

2 eggs
1 C whole milk
 $\frac{1}{2}$ C vegetable oil
2 tsp vanilla extract
1 C boiling water

- ✓ Makes 7 cups batter
- ✓ Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- ✓ Prepare pan(s) with either shortening and flour or Wilton Cake Release
- ✓ Using a large mixing bowl, stir together sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda and salt
- ✓ Add eggs, milk, oil and vanilla
- ✓ Beat on medium for 2 minutes, scraping sides and bottom of bowl occasionally
- ✓ Stir in boiling water with a spatula until well incorporated
- ✓ Pour batter into pan(s) and bake for 35 minutes (depending on pan size) or when a toothpick inserted into the centre of the cake comes out clean
- ✓ Do not open oven while cake is baking or cake will fall
- ✓ Set pan on cooling rack for 15 minutes before removing cake from pan
- ✓ Allow to cool completely before frosting

You can find this recipe along with other great ones for people and pets in MaPaw's Recipes for Rescue. If you have a recipe you would like to share, we'd love to hear from you!

MaPaw's Ebay Auction IN PROGRESS

MaPaw is auctioning some items on Ebay to help us raise some much needed funds. In the past few months, we have had the pleasure of helping out some really great dogs. Unfortunately, that means we have some pretty extensive medical bills.....

The first items have been posted ~ you can check them out here:
http://shop.ebay.com/mapaw_huskies/m.html



If you'd like to help out and have some things to donate for the auction, please contact us.

Happy shopping!!!

A Thank You Poem

By Deb M

I sit next to you, staring, longing for that soft touch
Your eyes look down at me, a smile appears
You reach out your hand and give a soft caress on my head
You rub behind my ears, on top my head, under my chin
You speak softly with kind words, give a gentle kiss on my head
I know I have found kindness, love, and understanding
I know I will never again feel pain, sorrow, hurt
I know you will heal my wounds, sooth my scars,
protect me, love me
I can trust again, love again, be happy again
I am home

From a rescue dog



Upcoming Events.....

Sunday, April 18

9th Annual Dog Fest
St Anthony In The Hills
6742 Limestone Rd
Avondale, PA (PA/DE Border)
10am ~ 2pm

Happy Tails..... Matrix!!!



Matrix with his furever family

Guess what happened on the way to Outback Steak House.....

I love to tell the story of how Matrix came into our lives because it was such a good thing all the way around.

It was a nice August Saturday, and I had talked my husband Rob into getting up early to do some shopping with me. I'm not a big shopper myself, but we needed things for the house and he's rarely off on Saturdays (he's a letter carrier), so we got up early and went shopping. We shopped all day long and decided that perhaps we would go out for an early dinner.

Since we were at the Concord Mall in Delaware, we decided to scoot down 202 to the Outback Steak House. As we travelled down 202, we came to a red light and found ourselves right next to Pet Kraze. The sign read "Husky Rescue Today". Having rescued a Husky (Storm) two years earlier, I said to my husband, "Let's take a look".

We had talked about getting another Husky. Having Storm and our daughter's Dachshund, Dodger, made it difficult. Storm had been abused and Dodger is a little dog, with a big dog attitude, but still a little dog. Because Storm was abused, her personality/feelings would have to be considered before any animal joined our pack. She's my baby and we came a long way earning her trust. So my husband Rob, voice of reason, said "Ok, but we are just looking; we are not ready for another dog just yet." I said ok and was ready to "just look".

So we pulled into the parking area and proceeded into the store. There we were greeted by three dogs, Kaia, Takoda and Matrix. Matrix a beautiful blue eyed black and white husky, I thought oh god, he looks just like my Storm. Ok, her hair is longer where his was shorter, but the markings and eyes were the same and to my astonished eyes, they shared the same BIG ears. But my husband said we were just looking, so I tried not to get too excited.



Rob and I never made it past the front door area, as we took it all in. We asked about the rescue, the dogs and most of all Matrix's story. We shared our story of Storm and talked about Dodger, but always kept coming back to Mr. Matrix. He was such a handsome and well behaved boy. He had kisses and love for everyone there. He was patient and even when another dog came into the store, he greeted the dog, and then laid down and let the other dog do his thing even though you could tell he wanted to play. The bigger dog was just not into playing. I couldn't keep my eyes off of Matrix.

Then, the next thing I know, Rob said to me "Ya know Vic, Matrix seems to have a calm personality, I think he might be a fit for Storm." I turned to Kelly, Matrix's foster mom, and said "and he told ME we were just gonna look".

Rob started asking all kinds of questions about Matrix, from his temperament to how he was with other dogs especially smaller ones. Then, much to my surprise Rob asked Kelly how long they were going to be there, because he wanted to bring Storm up to see how they would get along. I was stunned, but you know, there was just something about Matrix.....Kelly asked how long it would take and then offered to stay so we could bring Storm back. Not that I wanted to get my hopes up, but I couldn't help but get excited.

On the way to get Storm, Rob ran through the pros and cons of getting Matrix. Much to my surprise, Mr. "now is not the right time", seemed to be talking himself into getting Matrix. I was of a mind to just encourage him. Our biggest obstacle would be Miss Storm.

So we picked up Storm, and got back to the store in record time. We came back and Chuckie had joined Matrix and Kelly. When we brought in Storm I remember Kelly saying "Wow, look at how big her ears are". Then she greeted Storm and we let the dogs greet each other ~ and you know what.....there didn't seem to be any issues. Storm is not dominant or social, and Matrix is not dominant but is social. He seems to pick up when Storm had enough of trying the social thing and left her to herself. I couldn't have been happier with Storm's whole reaction, no growls, no shyness or hiding. Could this be the match we were looking for???

I looked at Rob and he nodded and then we asked Kelly how we would go about adopting Matrix. After we found out what we needed to know about the adoption process (which was different than when we got Storm), we left.

On the way home I chatted away about Matrix and how well I thought the greeting went. Rob was quiet....when we got Storm, we met her and took her home. Rob was disappointed not to be taking Matrix home with us. As soon as we got home we went to the website and with Rob over my shoulder, we filled out our application.

Kelly emailed us later to let us know the application was received and would be processed. It was the longest wait of our lives.....while the application was accepted there was still some concern about Dodger, being a small dog and how Storm would be in her own home, so we set up a home visit. All the time I was hoping things would work out.

The day of the home visit came, and I swear Storm and Dodger could tell something was up. Kelly and Matrix showed up and the butterflies were flying a mile a minute in my stomach. The home visit went well and so the adoption was completed. Matrix was now a member of the Ward Pack!! Woo Woo!! We were all elated. Even Storm, who while not social, is now such a breed snob that she let's Matrix curl up beside her and touch her, while poor Dodger doesn't even get to do that. Matrix and Dodger, well the puppy play was rough at first but in the end, Dodger our "Pitbull" in a Dachshund's body, puts him in his place and when he gets too rough he chases Matrix around the house. They are so much like brothers and sister it's just too funny.

We are proud of our Matrix. We took him to obedience class where he learned quickly how to suck up to the teacher and excelled at learning his commands. Everyone fell in love with him and couldn't believe he was a rescue. He even became the teacher's pet, no pun intended. Storm even went to his graduation (top of the class) to give her sibe vibe to her brother. She even seemed proud of him herself.

Matrix is very much a part of our lives, and we can't imagine our family without him. Everyone I know knows about Matrix and MaPaw. I check the website regularly as I know when it's time for the Ward Pack to grow we will be looking there. I still keep in touch with Kelly, Matrix's foster mom, and send her updates/pictures as often as I can. She is a wonderful person and did so well with Matrix that I don't mind including her in his life, she well deserves it.

Oh yeah, and by the way, we still haven't made it to the Outback Steak House.

Vicky



The Animal Rescue Site

\$100,000 Shelter⁺ Challenge



Welcome to The Animal Rescue Site \$100,000 Shelter⁺ Challenge — brought to you by Petfinder

Now you can help us choose which eligible animal rescue organizations will receive special funds to help animals! Participating is simple. You can cast one vote every day for your favorite rescue. Eligible organizations with the most votes could receive one of the grants below!

Grand Prize: One \$10,000 grant!

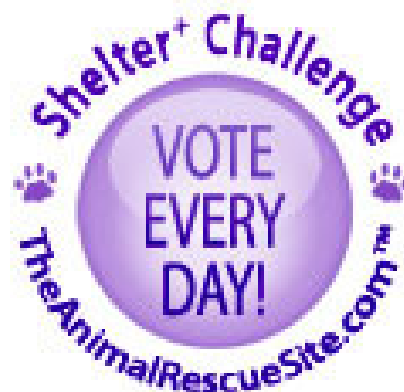
Honorable Mention: Three \$3,000 grants!

Canadian Winners: Two \$1,000 grants

International Winners: Two \$1,000 grants

State Winners*: Fifty-one \$1,000 state grants

Weekly Winners:** Twenty Six \$1,000 grants



Voting begins on January 18th and ends at midnight (PST) on April 18th, 2010. The more friends you can rally to vote for MaPaw, the better it's chances of winning. Get people involved! MaPaw is counting on you!

Simply go to: <http://www.theanimalrescuesite.com/>

Click Here to Give –
it's FREE!

Click on [Click Here to Give – it's FREE!](#) to give free food to rescue dogs and once you have done that, it will open up another page. Towards the top of this page click the VOTE TODAY banner, enter MaPaw for your shelter, make sure USA is selected and enter PA as the state. Then click to cast your vote (you will be asked to confirm your vote after that by identifying an animal).

That's all you have to do each day!

It will take less than a minute!

MaPaw Gallery..... Sibe Shots!!!



**Bianca, new foster Barney
and Dakota**



Shiloh and new shep/sibeling Genny



New foster Max



Mel and Duchess have found each other



Zoe on her bear rug



Juno doing zoomies in snow



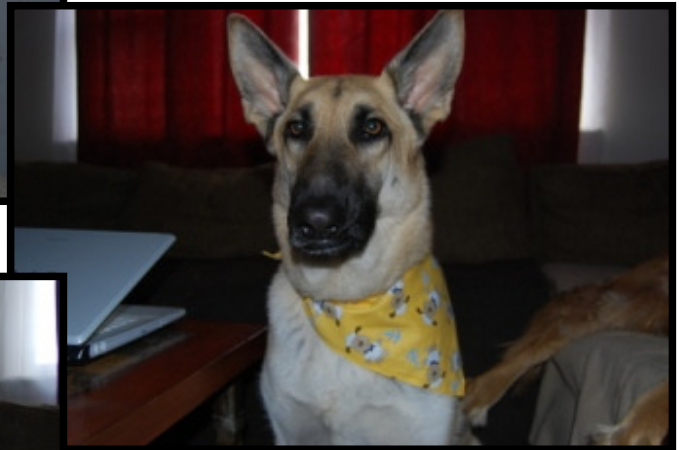
Crazy Keno



Foster Falcor



Axle



Tinkerbell



Tucker

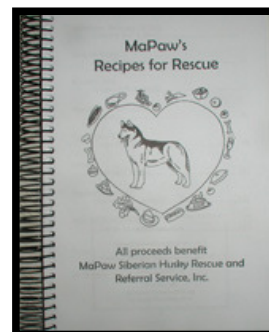


Tex with his new dad Brian



Quinn, Yasha the toll collector and Yuri

Ways To Support MaPaw



Order your copies of the **MaPaw 2010 calendar** and
MaPaw's Recipes For Rescue cookbook
Hurry – supplies are limited!!!



Check out **MaPaw's Store** for loads of cool products!!!

Siberian Love Beads

Help A Husky!

*Each \$5.00 bracelet feeds one rescue dog for one week!
Every bracelet is unique and while they were not made by tiny
Siberian paws, helpful Huskies closely monitored their design and
quality control!☺*

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