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# BARK BARK

Newsletter of Dogs2ndChance.org



**Big Birthday Adoption Event!**

Join us for our adoption event celebrating **Petfinder.com's 15th birthday!**



**Petco**  
 Poplar & Highland  
 July 16th 11am—2pm

**Microchip Your Pet**  
**\$20.00 Includes Registration**



**Pet Appreciation Week**

**July 31st**  
**Hollywood Feed**  
 2015 Union Ave  
 Memphis Tn

**August 6th 10am—2pm**  
**Tractor Supply Co.**  
 8247 Hwy 51N.  
 Millington Tn.

## Avon Fundraiser

thank you to all that ordered Avon during our recent fundraiser.

We sold \$572.15 total which give \$171.65 I am so glad this worked out and we made the goal and even passed it.

**LaCroixTees.com Proudly Presents the**  
**[dogs2ndchance.org](http://dogs2ndchance.org) T-Shirt**  
**A great looking shirt, that helps a great cause!**



**Available in Adult & Youth Sizes,**  
**Only \$14.95 Short Sleeve / \$16.95 Long Sleeve / \$21.95 Sweatshirt /**  
**\$24.95 Hoodie**

We Ship to US and World Wide! (Sweatshirts, Hoodies, and 3XL+ Tees are SPECIAL ORDER, allow extra shipping/processing time)

Long and Short Sleeve T Shirts, Crew Neck Sweatshirts and Hoodies  
Comfortable and Long Lasting, High Quality Preshrunk 100% Cotton 6.1oz. Ultra Cotton™  
Heavyweight T-Shirts. Thick/Soft 9.5oz. Ultra Cotton™ Preshrunk  
Sweatshirts & Hoodies (80/20 Cotton/Polyester)

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We do "Print on Demand" and cannot accept returns for  
sizing/fit issues. Choose sizes carefully, all sales final.

Sizing Measurements Here: ["http://www.lacroixtees.com/Shirt-Specs.htm"](http://www.lacroixtees.com/Shirt-Specs.htm)

# Ways that You Can Help Dogs 2nd Chance

## *Shop for Dogs 2nd Chance*

Visit our Shopping Mall  
Support us with every purchase

Hundreds of stores



Thousands of products

Hi there, We have signed up with Animals and Habitats for an on going fundraiser. You shop and we get 3%-6% of sales

Thousands of items and hundreds of stores, many offering free shipping

**SHOP & SUPPORT US**



**PET SUPPLIES**

please bookmark these pages for future reference and please pass the word pet supplies

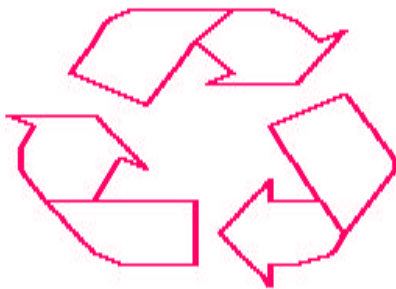
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MALL

we earn an average of 3% - 6% of the sales price before shipping and taxes

["http://www.animalsandhabitats.net/Mall/Home.aspx?MallID=%7B2B1EDBE1%2DFB9A%2D42A3%2D866E%2D717387524AAF%7D"](http://www.animalsandhabitats.net/Mall/Home.aspx?MallID=%7B2B1EDBE1%2DFB9A%2D42A3%2D866E%2D717387524AAF%7D)

## *Recycle for Dogs 2nd Chance*



As soon as I get collection boxes we will start recycling ink cartridges, cell phones etc.

Would your office or even your office bldg. be willing to put up a box if we collect regularly?? We will send off and receive cash. We can also take them to Office Depot for a rebate program but only 10 in a month count for credit.

please let me know so I know how many collection boxes to get

thanks

Linda

**Thank you to all that were a part to spreading the word and purchasing from the Flower Power Fundraiser**

**We raised \$180.00 for Dogs 2nd Chance!!!**

**thank you**

**Linda**



## Why?

an Editorial by Barbara Jean

I guess many of you have seen this message that come from Elizabeth Reed.

*"I want to find the person who took this little trusting puppy and cut his little ears off then threw him in the dumpster - crying piteously and suffering greatly.*

*By the benevolence of God he was heard and Hearts of Gold Pit rescue worked hard for weeks to save him.....but it was too late. Why God?"*

I recall in my younger days reading of a 14 year old boy who was in court because he found a stray puppy, poured lighter fluid on him and then set the puppy on fire. In this case the puppy was saved, but poor Opie just could not muster the strength to make it.

At this point the only thing I can do is ask WHY? Why would someone do such a thing to a poor helpless animal? It is so easy to blame it on television, the movies, or the violent video games, but while they may be a minor contributing factor, no I do not believe they were the cause. Maybe we want to blame it on bad parenting, but again I do not believe this to be the cause.

Perhaps the one who did this never felt any love in his life, but here was this eight week old puppy, perhaps a stray, seeking someone to give him love, someone he could give love to, a puppy that would have given this person the love that he never himself found, and instead of giving this puppy love he performed a sadistic act upon it.

I have to ask Why?

How can a person find pleasure in causing pain to others, especially when it is an animal so helpless as poor little Opie. Again I can only ask WHY?

Even though I am in Nevada, I can hear the screams of pain that poor little Opie was crying out as this person was cutting off his ears, I can hear the screams of pain that the poor puppy who was set on fire was crying out as he was burning. Why, Why can someone take pleasure in hearing this poor little fella crying in pain? The murderer remains unknown - no doubt will just do this again to another dog.

Thrown in the dumpster, poor Opie was crying in pain. By the benevolence of God he was heard and Hearts of Gold Pit rescue worked hard for weeks to save him.....but it was too late. Opie put up the good fight, but so young he just was not strong enough.

*“Our little angel crossed the Rainbow Bridge this morning. Kathy and I were driving him to the Animal Emergency Hospital when he died in her arms at 3:45 a.m. He fought a good fight and he was tired.*

*He will never be forgotten! He lives in a place in each of our hearts, that place where love burns eternally. Opie will take his rightful place in my pet cemetery beside another great warrior, Merci. We love you Opie!!”*

Donna and Kathy You tried so hard to save this littlest of angels. You gave him the love he so desperately sought. You feel the loss more than any of us. At least from you poor Opie found the love he so desperately sought. May God bless you and others like you forever.



## **Dog stands guard over baby forgotten by drunk mom**

Penny Eims

**Saratov, Russia** - Remember the “Good Dog Carl“ books? The ever-faithful Rottweiler who babysat children and who was their favorite playmate?

This story could easily be a modern-day version. However, this book would read "Good dog Lada".

Lada, a Rottweiler, was the stand-in, responsible party when a mother in Russia was not. According to RT.com, Olga, 22, went for a walk in the park with her 3 month-old infant. She apparently ran into some girlfriends while at the park - and they all started drinking. Olga drank enough that when she went home, she left the baby behind, in the park, in his carriage.

*Thankfully, Olga forgot her dog too.*

The next morning, not remembering what happened, the still-fuzzy mother assumed that her baby had been stolen.

Olga's parents started phoning friends, and then Olga's dad decided to check out the park - where he found the missing baby.

Who in actuality was still right where Olga left him - in his carriage. The dog, Lada, was still sitting with the baby - never leaving his side.

*Penny Eims, a lifelong animal lover, has dedicated the past 4 years to a large, non-profit dog rescue in Washington. Her experiences include fostering, writing web content, creating dog biographies, pet memorials and contributing to rescue newsletters.*

# Dog of the Month



## *Latte*

**Hello everyone, my name is Latte. I am a beautiful 1 1/2 year old female. They found me in front of a grocery store along with some pups that I had during a scorching hot summer. Well Hey I was starving and so where better for me to be then.**

**Now my babies have all been adopted out to some good homes and now I just hope you will give me that real home that I long for. I am a very good little girl who is well behaved, housebroken, so full of life, and good with other dogs and even with pesky kitty cats. I am in good health, up to date on my shots, spayed, and microchipped.**

**Oh won't you please go to <http://www.dogs2ndchance.org> and fill out an adoption application for me. I promise you I will be so grateful and will show you more love than any dog could ever give you.**

# Looking for a Home

## I Gotta Have a Home



*Olivia*

*Rosie*

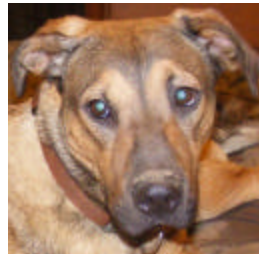


*M'Lady*

*Yella*



*Honeydew*

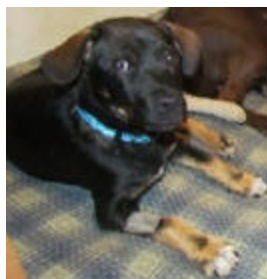


*Buddy*

*Toby*



*Jackie*



*Samantha*



*Poppy*

For the complete and up to date list of dogs available for adoption please visit our website <http://www.dogs2ndchance.org>



Spring is here and the ticks will soon be showing their heads. Here is a good way to get them off you, your children, or your pets. Give it a try.

Please forward to anyone with children... Or hunters or dogs, or anyone who even steps outside in summer!!

A School Nurse has written the info below -- good enough to share -- And it really works!

"I had a pediatrician tell me what she believes is the best way to remove a tick. This is great, because it works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc."

"Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20), the tick will come out on its own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has worked every time I've used it (and that was frequently, and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for me.."

"Unless someone is allergic to soap, I can't see that this would be damaging in any way. I even had my doctor's wife call me for advice because she had one stuck to her back and she couldn't reach it with tweezers. She used this method and immediately called me back to say, "It worked!"

# Can You Help?

There are Various Ways that We can use your help.



## Dog for a day:

Take a foster dog for a day of fun. Any activity for one on one attention is much needed. Some of us have so many foster dogs, sadly they do not get the individual attention they need. Spend time, whether brushing, walking, going to the park, etc with a foster dog and you will be rewarded with many doggie kisses and will have a forever friend too.

## Event help:

Meet dog lovers and promote the dogs  
Load and unload dogs, tables, materials etc and help to set up and take down  
Hold, brush, bathe, walk and help socialize the dogs at events  
Help dog owners with sign up and assist at Microchip Events



## Local transport:

Transport to and from Vet visits  
Transport to and from Meet and Greet Events  
Transport to drop off location for the beginning of their journey to their new homes in New England [or other states]

## Computer work:

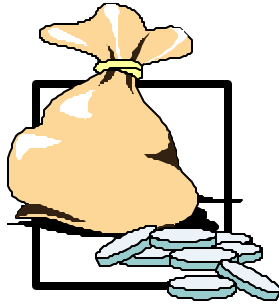
Promote Dogs 2nd Chance on social networks  
Help with blog, website and socail networks  
Input data



## Arts and crafts

Make Donation Boxes to place around the county  
"ADOPT ME" Vests and Bandanas  
Dog Beds  
Fleece Knots  
Collars  
Doggie coats for fundraising  
Bring your ideas





### Marketing and fundraising

Place donation boxes and collect funds from the boxes  
Solicit funds from the public and private sectors  
Media liaison with local radio & television stations - pet of the week  
Organize fundraisers and recruit volunteers

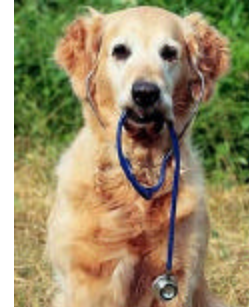
### Veterinary services:

Veterinarian-donate services at discount rate/volunteer services at microchip events  
Donations toward our vet bills



### Public speaker

Speak on behalf of Dogs 2nd Chance at public events, schools, 4-H clubs, rescue functions etc



### Other:

Be an overnight dog sitter for a dog awaiting transport to is/her new home New England [or other states]

Become a temporary foster while foster family is on vacation

Be a foster parent for a day--pick up a dog and carry it to the park, the pet store, your home--anywhere to give it a change of scenery and a chance to meet new people for the day

Donate printing, advertising, accounting services, etc

Creative writers for bios, ads blog, etc.

Photographers for studio or at events

Help with fund raisers

Many, many other opportunities to help these wonderful dogs find new homes

To volunteer email ["/mc/compose?to=dogs2ndchance@gmail.com"](mailto:/mc/compose?to=dogs2ndchance@gmail.com)

Please email with anything else you may be good at, or anything we haven't thought of. Want to hold a yard or garage sale to benefit Dogs 2nd Chance? We are always open for suggestions!



**SURF & SHOP THE INTERNET TO BENEFIT DOGS 2ND CHANCE**

["http://igive.com/Dogs%202nd%20Chance"](http://igive.com/Dogs%202nd%20Chance) and ["http://isearch.igive.com/?s=28&c=47715"](http://isearch.igive.com/?s=28&c=47715)

• ["http://www.goodsearch.com/?charityid=878443"](http://www.goodsearch.com/?charityid=878443)

Both IGIVE and GOODSEARCH make small donations to our cause if you use their services and specify Dogs 2nd Chance as your charity.



25% of online sales donated to us!



**USBONES.com**

USA made dog bones, chews, & treats.



## Wish List

Have you seen our ["http://www.dogs2ndchance.org/wish-list"](http://www.dogs2ndchance.org/wish-list)? We need everything from fence parts to grooming services. Can you help?

To donate items or services email ["/mc/compose?to=dogs2ndchance@gmail.com"](mailto:/mc/compose?to=dogs2ndchance@gmail.com)



## Kuranda Beds

Donate a cozy place for the dogs to rest. Be sure to use THIS link to buy: ["http://www.kuranda.com/donate/3449/"](http://www.kuranda.com/donate/3449/)

We are always looking for supplies and materials. If you can give any of these items to help the animals Please contact Dogs 2nd Chance Tax receipt furnished.

### Donations of Dog Food [our 2nd largest expense]

- Kirklands Signature (Costco brand)
- Professional (Hollywood Feed)
- 4Health (Tractor Supply)]

EZ-up Canopies & Folding Tables for use at Events

Dog Pens, Panels, Kennels, Crates

Air conditioning and heat equipment and/or installation

Building insulation and other building materials

Heartworm and Flea/Tick Preventatives

Tough Toys

Gift cards

Accounting and Legal Services

Advertising Space

Printing and Screen Printing Services

Contact us for Drop off or Pick up coordination



Happy tails to you!



### **Alfalfa in his new pool enjoy**

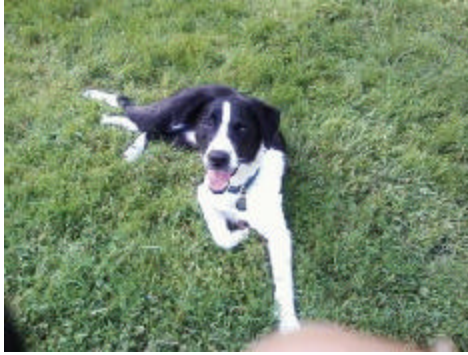
My little buddy with a new outlook on life!!!!  
Thanks 2nd chance!!! I  
Really go away!!  
Message from Kathy:  
Here is alfi this weekend!!!

He is so cute!@!!!



### ***Newman***

Newman went to his forever home in June and he now has his own young man to play with. Newman and Nicholas play tug of war and snuggle together. He is happy and protects his family with his little bark. Nicholas' mom, Phyllis, enjoys her new little man and once Nicholas goes back to school, Newman will be good company for her.



## *Gibson*

Gibson, one of Latte's puppies  
Gibbs will be 1 year old next month!!!! We'll be having a birthday party for him. I'll send more pics. I LOVE him SO much!!!! Lynne



## *Rondo & Midnight*



This is from the 2 families that adopted Midnight, the black dog and Rondo, the black and white dog. These were April's puppies.

We did get his blanket!!! Thank you! Ya, the records were separate from the bag with his food and blanket. I must admit, I think the people around me were jealous that he came with his own food and especially the blanket! He was so cute coming out of the "RV".

... I met Rondo's parents and we are going to do a play date hopefully in the next couple of weeks... The people in the photo's besides Lee and I are my Family (They all came to meet him) and Rondo's family.



## **Heartworm prevention is critical for dogs in the Mid-South**

Most vets will agree that heartworm prevention is essential to overall canine health. Especially in the Mid-South after the extensive flooding that occurred in Memphis and the surrounding areas this spring. Heartworm disease can be cured, but it is far more costly for the owner to treat, and stressful for the dog.

The only way a dog can get heartworms is by the bite of an infected mosquito. An infected dog cannot give heartworms to another dog or cat, or to humans. Once a dog is bitten, it takes seven months for the larvae to mature into adult heartworms. They will then lodge in the heart, lungs and surrounding blood vessels where they begin reproducing. A dog can have as many as 250 worms in his system, with adult worms that can grow up to 12 inches in length and live 5 – 7 years.

Prevention consists of monthly pills most commonly using ivermectin. There is also a six month injectable preventative as well that can be administered by a local vet. For roughly \$100 per year, depending on the size of the dog, heartworm disease can be prevented. Once it is found that heartworms exist, it costs anywhere from \$300 to \$1000 to cure. The treatment consists of three injections of an arsenic-based drug over several months, during which the dog must be kept quiet. As the worms die, they break into pieces and can cause a blockage of the pulmonary vessels causing death. Keeping the dog quiet without allowing running and jumping during this period is vital to the dog's recovery.

Petvax and most local vets offer various methods of heartworm prevention, as well as Petco and on-line stores. Heartworm prevention, especially in the south, is vital for all dogs, even those that live primarily indoors. Remember, all it takes is just one mosquito bite.

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## Importance of Dog Heartworm Tests

Your dog should receive a preventative medicine to protect against heartworm infection; if not, annual heartworm tests are recommended. These tests will help you catch heartworm infestation early if it occurs. Heartworm antigen tests are not advised in dogs under seven months of age.

## Heartworm Antigen Tests

There are two types of heartworm antigen tests used. The older type of test checks for microfilaria, or heartworm larvae, circulating in the bloodstream. This test was not very accurate and so the heartworm antigen test was developed.

A heartworm serology test works by identifying microscopic pieces of heartworm skin circulating in your dog's bloodstream. A positive serology test indicates canine heartworm infection.

## Benefits of Antigen Tests

**Heartworm antigen tests** are more accurate than microfilaria tests for several reasons. One is that microfilaria tests only detect heartworms while they are in their larval stage, so they can easily be read as falsely negative. Another is that your dog's immune system may remove microfilaria from the blood too quickly for the test to detect. Furthermore, heartworm prevention medication may kill microfilaria in your dog's bloodstream, but without clearing up the infection (your dog can still become infected with heartworm if he misses a dose of his medication).



## The Dog Days of Summer Are HERE!

*Movie Premier, Surgery Totals, and 5% From Kroger!*

Purchase a Kroger Fundraiser Gift Card to support the Mystic Krewe of Pegasus Memphis and their charity, Mid-South Spay & Neuter Services. You may contact any Krewe member for more information or call Mike Divoky at (901) 331-2575 to purchase the Gift Cards and help more pets get spayed or neutered!



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## CONGRATULATIONS!

We have performed

**1,958**

spay/neuter  
surgeries

far in

**2011** with your help.



# Dental health for your dogs

Jennifer Williams Aurora Dog Examiner

Dental issues/oral disease are the top diagnosis of health problems in dogs. According to the American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) 80% of dogs show signs of oral disease by age 3. Smaller and brachycephalic (short nosed) breeds are at higher risk. Seldom do dogs get cavities, unless they're being fed a diet of table scraps and sweets. They do, however, end up with tartar, gingivitis and periodontal disease. As well, like in people, dental problems can lead to other organ problems. Left untreated, your pup could suffer a stroke or heart attack, have kidney and/or liver damage, and uncontrolled diabetes.

Symptoms of periodontal disease:

- Bad breath
- Bleeding gums
- Loose teeth
- Loss of interest in food
- Dropping food out of its mouth while eating

Prevention, as always, is much easier and cheaper than treatment! If you get your dog as a puppy, start brushing her teeth early to get her used to it. Daily brushing is just as important to dogs as it is to people. It only takes 2 days for plaque to turn to hardened tartar. Make sure you use toothpaste specifically for dogs though, as people toothpaste can be harmful to your pup if swallowed. If you can't brush your pup's teeth, chew toys, marrow bones, and hard crunchy food will help keep the tartar down. A new product by Hartz is called Crunch & Clean a twice a day biscuit treat that will help clean your dogs teeth as well as reduce tartar build up. Regular veterinarian visits are also essential. Annual check ups and cleanings will help maintain your dogs oral health as well as overall health.



Unhealthy Dog's Mouth

