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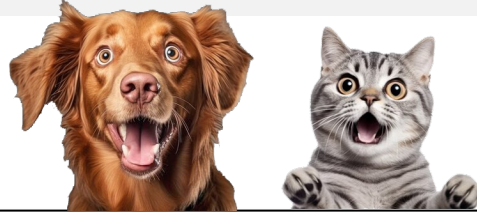
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## **2024 . . . WOW!**

Our shelter has seen a number of animals and people through these doors since they opened all those many years ago. We have had some hard hard years, and some devastating losses, but oh we have had some amazing happy stories and wonderful outcomes as well. Vision, it all starts with vision and whispers, work, and commitment. When the group formed to build the shelter did they ever "see" the team we have now? The number of supporters, the volunteers, the changes to the building that truly was built by volunteers? It started with a vision, a need, a whisper. We are a micro-shelter, but we strive to make an impact. We started two Prison Dog Training Programs which are still prospering and being managed by other shelters, we have a food pantry, we have offered spay and neuter assistance, we have received awards, we don't have a set fee for adoptions, we ask you to pay what you can afford. Staff continues with ongoing education, for well over a decade we have qualified as no kill but we prefer the term quality of life. We have plans and vision, we want to be better and do better. For our community, and for the animals that come through our doors.

Patricia  
Shelter Director

## **Canine Correction - Jumping on People**

*by Trina Rochna*

Jumping is one of the number one complaints from dog owners. Your dog jumping on you or other people can cause injury, especially for kids and the elderly. It's important to teach our dogs to make better choices. We get home after being gone and our dogs are happy to see us and we're happy to see them. How many of us are guilty for petting and praising our dogs while saying "Oh, I missed you too" while they are jumping on us? The problem is, an hour later our friends or family come over and our dog gets in trouble for doing the exact same thing...jumping! It's very important that you don't confuse your dog. Consistency absolutely matters for them to understand what is and isn't appropriate.

You need to teach your dog what to do instead of jumping. Having your dog sit is a great replacement behavior for jumping. If your dog is sitting... they're not jumping. As a dog owner, it's important to teach your dog what's appropriate.

Management plays an important part of teaching your dog not to jump. Using a leash for introductions can be extremely helpful. Have your dog sit and simply step on the leash. Ask the person greeting them to only pet them if all four paws are on the floor and to keep their voices calm and pet slowly. This will help your dog to not jump. We've all had that person that walks up and excitedly says to our dog "Oh my goodness! You're so cute" and they

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pet them with fast movements and our dog starts to jump. Be sure to advocate for your dog and politely ask them for a calm greeting. You can also ask friends and family to help out.

**EXERCISE!** Not enough exercise is the number one reason for unwanted behaviors. Puppies, young dogs and certain breeds require more exercise than other dogs. Not giving your dog the exercise it needs is a lot like a kindergartener not getting recess. All that pent up energy comes out in some way shape or form. Help your dog release its energy through play, walks and playing with other dogs.

Shake, give paw, high five and give me ten! While these are fun tricks to teach your dog, let's really think about these behaviors and how they're prompted. Dogs lift their paws off the ground to offer these tricks. They also lift their paws off the ground when they jump. The hand signal we give to prompt these behaviors is very similar to how people extend their hand to pet your dog. Some dogs might jump up to try to put their paws in the person's hand as they reach to pet them. Dogs will offer behaviors they've been rewarded for, especially if a similar hand signal is given. If your dog is struggling with jumping, teach them other fun tricks like play dead, roll over or touch.

One important factor to keep in mind is the actual physical behavior of your dog. If you're sitting and your dog lifts up both front paws and puts them on you, your dog's body is making the same motion regardless of whether you are sitting or standing. If you reward your dog ANY time they do this regardless of whether you're standing or sitting, the behavior will get repeated. What gets rewarded...gets repeated. If you really want your dog to stop jumping, you have to stop rewarding the jumping and start rewarding them for sitting.

*Trina Rochna, CPDT-KA, is a Certified Professional Dog Trainer - Knowledge Assessed, owner of Training with Trina and an AKC Canine Good Citizen Evaluator. She has studied dog training and dog behavior for over 12 years. She is also a volunteer at the shelter with a heart for helping dogs find their forever home.*

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## Fence Project Update!

We are so pleased to announce that our fencing which surrounds the rear kennel has been completed! The planning for this project began in June of 2023 and we want to extend our appreciation to all who helped bring this project to fruition! Many thanks to Delta Fence who installed the fencing. Sincere thanks to the Manistique High School Football coach and members of his team for helping us to prepare the yard for the build. Last but not least, thank you to our staff and volunteers for their extra care needed to ensure everyone's safety during the construction.



*Eddie (adopted)  
showing us the hole in  
the fence!*



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## Happy Tales About Happy Tails



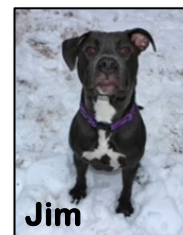
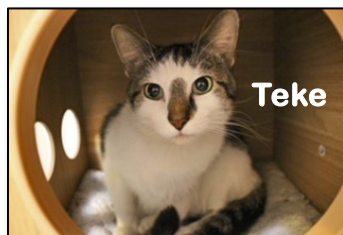
We lost our Bichon rescue dog Reggie in early 2021 and it took us over 2 years to decide we needed to find a new dog to fill that empty space we were experiencing. Little did we know that it would result in our adopting not one but two dogs to perfectly complete our family "pack"!

We saw Oscar on the morning TV news and immediately checked him out on the Eva Burrell website. There we found that he was a package deal and bonded to Rebel, who had been with him since her puppy days. This certainly was more than we bargained for, but we called the shelter and, after a far-reaching phone interview with Patricia, we made an appointment to meet them. It was basically love at first meet. We knew this would be a challenge, but we wanted to take it on and provide them with the love and security they both deserved, as they had been returned to the shelter after an unsuccessful adoption.

Patricia and the staff were very open about what we might expect, and that there were numerous unknowns concerning the pair, which we appreciated. So it was with hopefulness and willingness to address the unknowns that we trekked down to Manistique from Munising and brought them to their new home up north.

Certainly we have faced challenges, but it's brought us much joy and the satisfaction of seeing two very/ anxious, cautious dogs blossom into two distinct, happy canine personalities! We may be getting a little less sleep, more barking and squeaky toys, but we're also getting more exercise, new appreciation of brief naps and amazing, unconditional love.

Our thanks to Patricia and the Eva Burrell staff/volunteers who obviously take their work seriously and do their best for the animals in their care.



## In Our Care - #Team Sloan

*by Patricia Newby*



Sloan certainly needed a team, but she won us over quickly. Have you seen her pictures on Facebook? The dog with almost no ears left, we have no idea what human could be so despicable or inhumane. She came covered with urine stains from being left for who knows how long in a crate, and cigarette burns. Outside was overwhelming to her, and everything had to be processed. Sensory wise everything was new. But she had the most gentle heart and demeanor. She found her tail and oh how she can wag it, and snuggle ohhhhh yes, that too. She has no expectations, but she observes. She is absolutely amazing. The name Sloan means warrior, and she certainly is. She was a warrior to survive and overcome. She is a champion and compels us to do better and be better. We are absolutely #teamsloan.

## *In Memory*

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## **Canine Geriatric Care - Developing and Using a Frailty Score**

In human medicine, the ability to measure frailty is a vital aspect of geriatric care. Doctors and nursing homes adjust care protocols based on a person's frailty score. Frailty has previously been incorporated into veterinary medicine only in research and laboratory settings. The Dog Aging Project, a collaborative program led by Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences and the University of Washington School of Medicine, working with tens of thousands of dog owners across the United States, is creating a frailty instrument that can be used to make health decisions and personalize geriatric veterinary care for dogs. Since dogs are living longer due to improving health care and better nutrition, we now have owners who want to do the best by them, and frailty scores help us do that by improving the personalized veterinary care that aging dogs receive. Frailty is a complex syndrome associated with aging. Because it considers physical, mental and emotional changes associated with aging, it is a better indicator of the body's condition and overall health than age by itself. Frailty is a way to measure aging more accurately than by measuring in years.

Higher frailty scores in humans indicate that the person is more likely to fall, need hospitalization, or to have complications while in a hospital. A dog with a higher frailty score may be more at risk for complications after surgery and take longer to recover than a less-frail dog. A 12-year-old Chihuahua and a 12-year-old Great Dane are two vastly different animals in terms of health and body condition. Knowing a dog's frailty score helps us measure and explain things like prognosis, which helps in making medical decisions.

Turning an objective description of health into a numerical score is a challenging concept that requires finding tests or measurements that are indicative of an individual's risk of death. In human medicine, grip strength is one common measurement used because losing strength is a good indication that your body is aging. In dogs, it gets a little more difficult because we can't ask dogs to do a simple repeatable task like gripping something. So, owner surveys will have lots of questions which correlate with some of the common measurements used in human frailty scales.

Some of the factors being considered most indicative of frailty include body condition score, thigh girth deterioration, unintentional weight loss, gait speed, ability to climb stairs and willingness to participate in customary activities such as going on walks. The goal is to find simple, easy measurements that allow everyone to be able to know if their dog is frail without having to incur high costs or technical limitations.

In addition to physical measurements, the surveys will include questions that cover the mental and emotional changes associated with aging. Some of the non-physical measurements being considered are a dog's short-term memory, recall of learned behaviors, general anxiety and social avoidance. These would be measurable with simple tests and based on an owner's interpretation of their dog's behavior.

Once the team has narrowed down the questions that most effectively determine a dog's frailty, they will develop a numerical frailty scale that general veterinary practitioners can use. After that, the plan is to expand the scale into a full Frailty Instrument for Dogs to increase its usefulness in real-life situations. The plan is to develop a three-tiered frailty instrument which includes a screening portion with questions for the owner, a scale for general practitioners and a triage scale for emergency veterinarians and specialists. These will not be interchangeable but will be designed to work together. Knowing a dog's frailty score is especially important in an ER setting to help manage owner expectations and ensure that the medical decisions being made are accurate and consider the dog's prognosis and quality of life.

To be able to fight frailty, you must be able to detect frailty, according to Texas A&M researchers working on the Dog Aging Project. Their overall mission is to help dogs live longer, healthier lives.

## In Honor

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Midnight Joy,  
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