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**MINGLE 2010 IS 30 DAYS AWAY!**

There are many things planned to make Mingle 2010 a great success. But that success won't happen without you.

**Mingle dates are Oct. 1-3** – you are welcome to arrive earlier, or stay later, if you like. Liddy-Ann and Nora will probably arrive Thursday.

Mingle is being held at the Lost Lodge Resort in Somerset, Kentucky. [www.lostlodge.com/](http://www.lostlodge.com/)

**NOW, A FEW QUESTIONS**

1. Are you planning to attend? .....  Yes  No
2. Have you thought about attending but need to share expenses? .....  Yes  No
3. Do you need to carpool? .....  Yes  No

If you have answered "YES" to more than two of these questions, we may be able to help! As many of our membership can tell you, we are willing and able to help – contact Nora at [norajl169@yahoo.com](mailto:norajl169@yahoo.com). She will tell you who from your area is attending, and how many "roommates" are still needed.

**FYI!**

• **When your reservations are set** and you have received your cabin number, please let Nora know. She will be providing a program of events, area attractions, and member information at the start of our weekend.

• Somerset, Kentucky is a **DRY COUNTY!** *There is NO ALCOHOL (of the drinking variety)* for 70 miles!!! If you want beer, wine, etc., bring it from home!!!! Several of our first year's participants had to share!

• **Dogs are to be kept on a leash** when outside and **kept away from the landscaping** (which is VERY pretty!) We can set up x-pens or some type of

containment, but we need to watch them so that no one escapes.

- **No dogs to be left alone** in the cabins at any time unless crated and quiet. It is our understanding that sounds echo around the resort due to location and environmental conditions.
- I realize this next point should go without saying, but ... *be sure to clean up after your dogs.*
- **MEALS – \$20/person:** Plans for this year's meals are similar to past years. If you have a suggestion or would be interested in helping with the cooking, please contact Liddy-Ann Everett. *Make your payment with Joan Haddock on Friday.*
- **Friday night's event** – At this point there is no firm plan for dinner – which is our usual "Meet & Greet" event. In past years, we've had a pizza party and been part of a local fundraising event.
- **Saturday night's dinner** – in past year's we have had a Pap-nic ('07), Tex-Mex ('08), and a dinner in an old power plant ('09)! This year's feast will include a Gourmet Burger Bar with all the fixin's.
- **Cabins are completely furnished** and include linens, cookware, eating utensils, toaster, and coffee pot. All have air conditioning and cable television. The only things you may need to worry about are your food, drinks, coffee. *BUT...*
- **If your paps sleep on furniture**, the bed, etc., you need to take the comforter **OFF** the bed and cover sofas / chairs with a sheet / blanket. You may want to bring a set of sheets and a blanket to use as SLIPCOVERS (just to be safe).
- **Do us a favor?** If you take pictures at Mingle... could you send Nora a copy of your photos? This will help show different perspectives of the event to members who could not attend, when Nora does the retrospective in the e-news.

*Have we forgotten anything?* ... not enough coffee yet today! Please direct any questions that remain to Liddy-Ann or Nora.

**URGENT HELP NEEDED!!**

**My name is Chili.** The Animal Hospital named me because they thought my color reminded them of a Red Hot Chili Pepper. Well, I am not like I used to be... I almost starved. My Doctor told me I was in advanced starvation. No food plus fleas and something they called "tapes" had taken over my life. I lost almost all my beautiful coat. All my bones stuck out and I was so weak I could not walk anymore – I was ready to die. But my life took a turn for the better when a really nice lady and her daughter found me. See, I had been on my own in a forest on a mountain for ever so long... I can't even remember when I had a nice clean bed or a dish of real dog food, it has been so long. My blood platelets were so low I had to get some more new blood. Thank goodness for a sweet Pit Bull that was happy to give me some of his! Today I can stand... but am still very weak. I am still in the dogie hospital. They tell me I'm on the road to recovery, but not out of the woods yet... but I think that means I am getting better.

If you think you could help a little bit with my hospital bills... I sure would appreciate it.



## LIVER ENZYMES & YOUR DOG

by Shannon Steffen, March 23, 2010 - <http://dogblog.8pawsup.com/2010/03/dog-elevated-liver-enzymes.html>

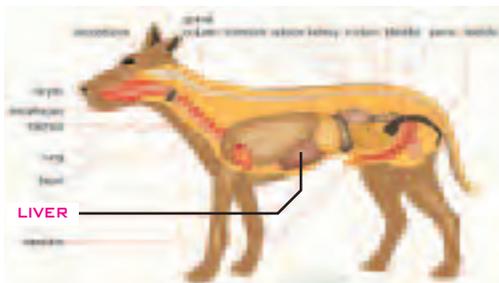
Occasionally during the course of your dog's life your vet may request that blood work be done. This could be for any number of reasons including routine check-ups, because the dog needs to be temporarily sedated, or due to an unrelated ailment. Blood is extracted in the same manner as it is for people when we have blood work done, and a test is performed using machines in the vet's office or sometimes must be sent to a lab for analysis. Unfortunately, the actual results of the blood work can be confusing without prior training. One possible result that will be discussed here is when the blood work reveals elevated liver enzymes.

### WHAT YOUR VET TESTS FOR

If you examine your dog's blood work yourself, you will see that the same types and levels of elements that you find in human blood work are present. White blood cell counts, red blood cell counts, hemoglobin, and differentials between blood elements are all accounted for. Understanding every interaction and possible diagnosis is beyond the scope of this article, but the discovery of elevated liver enzymes can have a number of possible inferences as discussed below.

### FUNCTION OF THE LIVER

First, the function of the canine liver is no different than our own in terms of purpose. As with humans, it's the job of the canine liver to metabolise protein, carbohydrates, and fat; store vitamins and minerals; and aid in the digestion of food and detoxify wastes. All of these functions are performed through the bloodstream. One vet describes the critical importance of the liver: "Twenty percent of the blood pumped by each and every beat of the heart goes through the liver. Additionally, the first tissue to get a chance at the nutrients absorbed by the intestines and stomach is the liver. Every blood vessel leaving the gastrointestinal tract goes directly into the liver. The liver takes from, adds to, and changes in some way, all the blood that passes through it."



By testing the blood of dogs, veterinarians can get a very accurate reading on the current state of the liver although the causes of why the liver is in that state can be varied.

### READING BLOOD TEST RESULTS

The component areas on canine blood work that indicate liver function are ALP (Alkaline phosphatase), ALB (Albumin), CHOL (Cholesterol), GGT (Gamma-glutamyl transpeptidase), GLOB (Globulin), SGPT (Serum glutamate pyruvate transaminase), TP (Total Protein), and TBILI (Total Bilirubin). The individual levels of these components and the interactions between them are the specific areas that a veterinarian will use to check against normal levels.

Elevated liver enzymes can be indicative of conditions or diseases that also occur in humans, or they may be distinctive to dogs only. High enzyme levels can also be caused by a number of other factors including trauma, artificial toxins, blood clots, low blood pressure, pancreatitis, bile duct blockages, and many other conditions. Anesthetics and even some meds can sometimes cause liver damage. Some normal fluctuations occur as well. SGPT for instance, can fluctuate to levels as high as two to three times normal levels due to the fact that this is an enzyme that is released in spurts when needed. Only a persistently high level of SGPT would be cause for alarm.

### WHAT HEIGHTENED LIVER ENZYME LEVELS COULD MEAN

With all of the possible causes of high enzyme levels in mind, usually the most logical course of action is to retake the blood work in two to three weeks. The second blood test may show normal liver function, proving that the effect of

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## TIME TO CLEAN OUT & HELP



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A gadget drive is a new way to fundraise that turns your used and unwanted electronics (laptops, cell phones, MP3 players, digital cameras, & more) into cash to support our cause. Contributing to this drive is simple. Just visit the webpage, find the value of the gadgets you would like to donate, and send them to Gazelle (shipping is free). The value will go to support PapHaven.

If you would like to donate, please check out the drive's page (<http://paphaven.gazelle.com/>) to learn more and track our progress. You will receive a confirmation of your donation by email, and PHR will be notified as soon as you make your donation.

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## LIVER ENZYMES & YOUR DOG

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the heightened liver enzymes were from a temporary source. However, a second confirmatory result may indicate that a follow-up battery of tests may be needed to determine the exact cause of the heightened liver enzymes. These causes can range from the serious, such as liver disease, to the benign, such as environmental toxins from pesticides and carpet cleaners that can be easily remedied.

As mentioned, certain drugs prescribed for your dog could have an adverse effect on his or her liver. As one example, a vet at Saskatchewan's Sherwood Animal Clinic, points to some drugs used in anti-convulsant treatments "Phenobarbital, primidone, phentoin. May cause liver disease in 6 to 15 percent of all dogs on anti-convulsant therapy." He

goes one to say "Inflammation seems related to dose." This does not mean, of course, that the drugs should not be used, simply that their use requires monitoring for any dog needing them. If you have been using the same vet for the entirety of your dog's life, this will probably not be an issue, but it could be relevant if switching vets to one that is not familiar with your dog's drug history.

If the cause is not immediately apparent from the chemical work or from a visual inspection, other tests may include urinalysis, x-rays or a liver biopsy. If a problem is found, the appropriate treatment is begun. Obviously, the first step would be to remove any toxic agents in the dogs environment (lawn chemicals, cleaning products). Keeping your dog

well rested and in a controllable area will be part of the treatment, as well as carefully monitoring their diet. Any more serious medical problems would have to be dealt with on a case by case basis.

In summation, due to the number of functions of the canine liver, and its contact with such a large portion of the bloodstream, fluctuations in liver enzymes levels can occur. The causes can range considerably, and secondary testing should be applied to ensure proper diagnosis. Elevated liver enzyme in your dog can be worrisome, but is by no means a definite cause for alarm. One vet specifically states to be on the lookout for "loss of appetite, vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy, fever, or other changes that went along with the abnormal results." If those are present at the same time you are seeing high levels of liver enzymes on your dog's charts, "there would be more urgency."

## PAWFRIENDLY LANDSCAPES (PFL) TIP

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### VINEGAR

**Vinegar is incredible** – I swear I can dedicate an entire month on different ways to use it! As a dog owner, sooner or later we all deal with a skunk problem. If your dog gets sprayed, rub full strength vinegar in his fur and rinse. Voila – that's it! Vinegar's natural pH properties actually soothe the pet's skin and removes the skunk's odor.

**Need to relieve dry, itchy skin?** Add 2 tablespoons of vinegar to bath water – very soothing!

**If you're treating your pooch for a skin infection** – after his therapeutic shampoo, rinse him with a solution of 1 part apple cider vinegar to 3 parts water.

**Need a great homemade shampoo for your pooch?** Re-use a shampoo bottle or other squeeze bottle and mix clear liquid antibacterial soap (generic or Dial soap is best) and white vinegar in it. Simply mix equal parts vinegar and soap in your container, shake well, and use like regular dog shampoo. When using, keep out of your pet's eyes and ears. Use a small amount because it lathers very well. It does not leave "that wet-dog smell" – in fact, there is no residue due to the vinegar and the antibacterial soap helps with parasites, flaky skin, dirt, and minor abrasions.

**Don't have time to give your pooch a bath?** Make his coat smooth and glossy by spritzing it with a cup of white vinegar mixed with a quart of water – spray it directly to his fur. This concoction works on human hair too!

**Need to eliminate animal urine stains from your carpet?** Blot up urine, flush the area several times with warm water, apply a mixture of equal parts vinegar (any kind) and cool water. Blot, rinse, and let dry.

**To keep fleas and mange away,** add a little apple cider vinegar to your pet's drinking water or food. It even helps with skin allergies, hot spots, and arthritis. Depending on the size of your pet, the dose is normally 1 teaspoon to 1 tablespoon a day. However, check with your vet before adding it to your critter's diet.

**Need to rid walks and driveways of grass or other weeds?** Vinegar is one of the best herbicides. It works best when temperatures are above 70 degrees. Pour or spray any type of vinegar at full strength onto the plants. It's inexpensive and non-toxic!

**If you're like me and don't use garden gloves,** then rinse your hands liberally



with white distilled vinegar after gardening to avoid rough, flaking skin.

**Remove rust from garden tools** and spigots by soaking them in undiluted vinegar overnight.

**Did you get too much sun this weekend gardening?!?** To soothe a sunburn – dab Apple Cider Vinegar on it.

**Need to deter ants?** Spray vinegar (any type – undiluted) around areas they are frequenting. Be sure to spray under appliances, around door and window frames, and along other known ant trails.

**Stung by a bee, mosquito, or jelly fish (or other insects)?** Relieve itch by dabbing a cotton ball with vinegar and applying it to the affected area. To repel mosquitoes all together use catnip – it's better than DEET! Leave sachets of it in areas frequented by mosquitoes.

**If harvesting fruit from your garden and now have stains on your hands,** rub vinegar on the stains to remove them. It also eliminates tough stains on clothes, rub on stain and wash as usual. Harvesting or slicing onions from the garden? Put vinegar on your hands before and after handling them ...- it will prevent/remove the odor.

**To remove bugs from freshly picked vegetables,** rinse them in water, vinegar, and salt – bugs will float right off!

HAVE FUN AND GET DIRTY!!!

## THE TRUTH ABOUT “TITERING” INSTEAD OF VACCINATION

Patty KhulyVMD, MBA - June 28, 2010

[http://www.petmd.com/blogs/fullyvetted/2010/june/titering\\_or\\_vaccines](http://www.petmd.com/blogs/fullyvetted/2010/june/titering_or_vaccines)

**T**hanks to the veterinary profession’s small animal contingent, the world has some new verbs: To ‘titer’ or ‘titering,’ as in the act of submitting a blood sample to determine whether an animal has enough antibodies to ensure immunity against a particular disease.

The idea behind the surge in this verb’s popularity has to do with its use as a vaccine surrogate. So instead of receiving a vaccine against parvovirus this year, Fluffy will have her blood drawn and tested to see if her antibody levels against parvo are high enough for her immune system to overcome an attack of this virus, should she be exposed to it.

With the help of titers, animals need only receive their puppy/kitten vaccines, with the additional booster a year later, and from there on live forever free of the potential tyranny of a bad vaccine reaction. That is, as long as the antibody levels are demonstrably high, year after year.

### SIMPLE, RIGHT?

**Not so fast.** *Here’s what I had to say about titers a couple of years ago:*

“The idea is to lower a pet’s risk of exposure to too many vaccines ... but is it really an effective way to measure protection against disease?”

Experts seem to be of one mind on this: Titers are useful in regulatory and legal settings (for example, travel) to determine if an animal has ever received a vaccine for a disease like rabies. However, Titers do NOT denote protection against a disease.

This news may come as a shock to some of the more educated pet owners among you, much as it did to me when I began to pay attention to these experts. After all, I’d been extolling the virtues of titers on my blog and in my practice for years. It wasn’t easy to reverse course on



my ‘progressive’ titering habits, for which I felt some measure of self-congratulatory satisfaction.

### Here’s some history for those of you not be privy to the bigger picture on titers:

Vaccines have been problematic for many years due our reliance on their incredible efficacy in reducing the incidence of diseases like feline leukemia, parvovirus, and rabies. Vets came to accept yearly vaccination as a no-brainer for its success in this department.

Nonetheless, the emergence of some very shocking vaccine-related illnesses (most notably, deadly vaccine associated sarcomas in cats) helped the profession discover what the human medical profession has always known: It’s better to vaccinate animals as minimally as necessary to protect them from disease.

That’s why task forces and committees were formed across the veterinary profession to determine effective and safe vaccine frequencies for pets. Fast-forward ten years later and most vets are aware of the widely recommended three-year vaccine protocols. But not all small animal vets have jumped on the bandwagon. Many vets fear the loss of income from annual vaccination while others are unconvinced of the efficacy of three-year vaccines.

Me? I’m still concerned about safety, which is why I gravitated towards measuring titers in addition to the three-year protocol. Pets who had already been vaccinated twice in their lifetimes were offered the chance to skip the vaccine every third year as long as their titers on

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## SUMMERTIME STRAW-BANA TREATS

by Rachael Ray

10 Servings – Prep 5 hrs (including freezing)



### INGREDIENTS:

One 8-ounce container plain yogurt  
1 cup strawberries, hulled  
1 banana, peeled and chopped  
1 tablespoon honey

### DIRECTIONS:

Using a blender, puree all the ingredients; add enough water to make the mixture pourable. Pour into an ice cube tray and freeze until solid, 4 to 5 hours. Let your pup enjoy a cube or two at a time, depending on his size.

### BOOK REVIEWS –

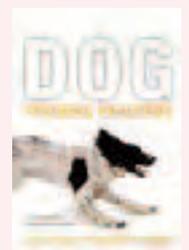
## ‘WE’RE ALL EARS!’

### DOG TRAINING HANDBOOK –

A 10-week course

by Stella Smyth and Sally Bergh-Roose.

**S**o – you tell your puppy to “Stay!” and instead he comes running. Though you firmly say “No barking,” the words fall on deaf ears. At the table, doggie’s a menace, and your shoes are all chewed. You need help... and so does your dog. In just 10 weeks, you can have an animal that you know will behave. Based on the authors’ time-tested course, these lessons build dog and owner confidence and take you through all aspects of training. Every command and move is simply explained and illustrated with photos, and useful checklists help you keep track of pup’s progress. It doesn’t matter what your pet’s age, and there’s essential info on the differences between large and small breeds. These classes will work, because they’re based on kindness and emphasize praise and reward. By the time you’re through, your dog won’t be pulling on the leash – he’ll be heeling nicely!





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## YOU DECIDE! "TITERING" OR VACCINATION

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key diseases were up to snuff. Sure, it costs a little more than vaccines and requires a blood draw but it's worth it, right?

Unfortunately, it was brought to my attention that this approach cannot possibly measure the true degree of protection conferred on an animal by vaccination. Even when I used excellent labs (like Cornell) to tell me the exact measure of antibodies for a given disease (as opposed to the more subjective and less expensive yes/no tests out there), I wasn't receiving the true picture of a pet's immunological status.

That's because a titer only measures antibodies, not cell-mediated immunity, which is the real-world measure of protection. In fact, as I learned, pets can sometimes come up negative (unprotected) on the titers and still have plenty of perfectly protective, cell-mediated immunity.

Yes, titers can tell me if my patient has likely been vaccinated, especially when it comes to uncommon diseases like rabies (pets are not likely to have natural immunity from exposure to another rabid animal). That's why so many countries require this test before traveling animals may enter. But the inability to say for certain that titers are protective and/or could NOT have come from real disease is what keeps other nations from rescinding their onerous quarantine requirements.

Since determining that titers aren't exactly what most of us think they are, I've been reluctant to cave to owners' demands that titers totally replace their vaccines. While I can understand the fear of vaccination, animals at risk should still be vaccinated.

How often? I wish I had a crystal ball and could make the decision better than a smart panel of immunologically inclined specialists...but I can't. That's why I'm still going with its recommendation to vaccinate every three years — unless my patients are sick, particularly sensitive, or geriatric. In these latter cases owners are advised of their pets' potentially increased risks due to our inability to

measure their degree of vaccine protection.

Sure, it's still every individual pet owner's decision to make — after all, I'm not the enforcer of municipal vaccination requirements. But I do consider myself the backstop when it comes to advising my clients responsibly.

While titers may make it easier for me to sign off on a rabies certification requirements, I'll no longer advise a client to consider a pet sufficiently vaccinated just because some lab said his antibody levels suggest that protection is likely. Nope. It simply lulls owners into a false sense of security.

(If it helps any, the *American Animal Hospital Association [AAHA]*, the *American Veterinary Medical Association [AVMA]*, and the *American Association of Feline Practitioners [AAFP]* are all on board with this view.)

Moreover, titering is expensive. If owners and vets are using this information to make clinical decisions on vaccine timing and disease risk, I'd argue that it's not worth the price. It just doesn't tell us enough. In these cases, titers are more likely a panacea to our fears than a tool worthy of investment. We vets have far better ways to spend your money... I promise.

Since this post, I've softened my stance somewhat. While everything I offered above is still true, I am using titers in many cases to help identify serious lapses in vaccine protection (as when we don't know whether a pet is vaccinated or not) and because cell- and antibody-immunity have been shown to roughly correlate. But to what extent we don't know... and there's the rub.

Vaccines to be safe. Titers to avoid the vaccines. Which is best? The world may never know. Sigh...

## SAVE A DOG!

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## PAP-OF-THE-MONTH: SMUDGE & NICKIE

**H**i, My name is Smudge. I am a senior citizen (10 yrs) and about 10 or 11 lbs now that I have some good chow. My one ear fringe was all gone when I was found, but is growing out now. I love to check out all new



places, and must have been gone too long at one time from the car, and when I returned, my former family was lost! I looked everywhere, and waited very patiently for ever so long, but they did not return. It became very dark and very lonely, and I was very frightened. Then I found myself at a place called a "shelter." It was very noisy, and I was even more afraid, and became "depressed" since I was not used to being alone. But then, a lovely rescue lady named "PapHaven" saw my picture, and took me from that place... and I have blossomed back into my original self. I would love to stay with my foster Mom, but she tells me that I am now ready for my new home and family, so she can help the next Pap in need.

Mom tells me that I am very sociable, and sweet. She says that I have lots of romping yet to do, and just need the right home for my play times. I love all animals and hoomans, especially the little hoomans. I also love seniors like me. I am a lap-sitter, but love to fetch and play as well... Just whatever my hooman desires. I am a one-of-a-kind Pappie-mix with a really cute little underbite. I will bark at strangers as a warning, but get quiet immediately when Mom restricts me with a voice command. I am fully housetrained, and love to go for walks and rides in a car. I may not be completely "beautiful" as Paps are supposed to be, but my beauty is an inner beauty, complete with an unparalleled devotion for my hooman. Are you my "special home?" I know I am your "special doggie!" Smudge (one "special" Papillon).

**N**ickie (age 7.75 years) is a beautiful, calm 8 lb. phalene papillon who has made great progress in foster care. She came to us a bit shy and timid, but is much more confident and friendly now. She is house-, crate-, and leash-trained, and we have been reinforcing the basic obedience commands. We've found that she gets along with calm dogs of all sizes, but would also be perfectly happy as an only dog. She has a fairly strong prey drive and will chase cats and would do best in a home without small animals such as birds. She has done really well around kids ages six and up who are respectful of dogs, but would be happiest in a quieter home without rambunctious children. She has never bit or even growled at a child while in foster care, she just gets a little uneasy around noisy ones. She is not overly needy or demanding of



attention, but rarely turns down an opportunity for a snuggle. She has something of an independent, aloof nature and takes a little extra time to warm up to

strangers, but she loves being petted and fussed over once she's comfortable. A good brushing a couple of times a week keeps her coat looking beautiful, and it makes for great bonding time. She is relatively quiet, and when she does bark, it's usually when she is scolding the other dogs for acting up, or chasing after a bird.

## FOSTER GOODIES

**P**at Schmidt (OH) is the NEW Blankie / Ball Lady who sends warm blankies and foster balls to all the good little girl and boy fosters in PapHaven. Everyone gets one whether they are old or young. The blankies are soft, colorful, and have the Pap Haven Logo embroidered. The foster balls (made by Amy Fretz) are colorful and squeak... big time.



She can't keep up with all the newbies from her end, so we ask that all of you with new Paps, or with foster Paps who have been around awhile but have not yet received their blankie or ball to e-mail her off list ([pat@pancero.com](mailto:pat@pancero.com)). Provide your mailing address and the weight of the dog. We do have a few larger blankies for our Super-Sized Pap mixes. Andy's happy to send PapHaven's bright and fuzzy gifts to your foster dog.

**P.S.: YES!** The blankie goes with the pap when it is adopted! Taking something that has a scent that they are comfortable with, makes the transition a little easier.

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### INTRODUCING PAPHAVEN RESCUE - [WWW.PAPHAVEN.ORG](http://WWW.PAPHAVEN.ORG)

**T**his group came about through the love of a small deaf puppy that required transport halfway across the country to her new home. It took the effort and dedication of people from Texas to Washington D.C. and on to Ohio. It took the cooperation of three other rescue groups. In the end, it took the hearts of every one. It is this good will and renewed faith in the goodness of people everywhere that led us in forming Papillon Haven Rescue (Pap Haven). We are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, all volunteer National group specializing in Paps and Papillon mixes, their rescue, and rehabilitation.

Since then, PapHaven Rescue has grown dramatically and continues to grow and evolve to try to meet the changing needs of rescue and the on-going saga of Papillons in need... where ever they are.

We would like to invite you to join in our rescue efforts. With hands reaching out across the country, we can form a circle of love and caring that refuses to let even one Papillon in need fall though the cracks. We are not in competition with any other rescue groups. In fact, it is our goal to work hand in hand with every rescue group and shelter that will join us in this effort. We will not ask for perfect lineage, origins, or looks. We will coordinate with other groups for transporting each other's breed. We welcome volunteers, sponsors, interested folk, contributors, and especially kind words.

Our eNewsletter, *The Way Home*, will try to bring informative articles, announcements, feature stories, up-coming events, and urgent alerts about situations where the need for rescue is great.

## PARTY ANIMALS!

**D**o you and your furry friend have something to celebrate? Perhaps an upcoming birthday or graduation from puppy training class? Whatever the special occasion might be, a dog party can be a fun-filled, memorable event that could turn into the talk of the dog park!

As with any sort of shindig, planning is the key to success, but there are special considerations when throwing a bow-wow bash. Animal behavior consultant Arden Moore, author of *Dog Parties: How To Party With Your Pup* ([www.ardenmoore.com](http://www.ardenmoore.com)), says that one of the first things to think about would be the guests: how many, depending on the location of the party (your backyard or maybe a dog day-care resort), and of course, whom.

“Be picky about the canine guests you invite,” Arden says. “Parties are for well-socialized dogs, not canine bullies. Know the dogs you are inviting. Some dogs are very friendly, but only when no food is around. At the party, be sure you supervise the doling out of treats so that each dog has plenty of elbow room to devour their snacks without being pestered by another canine guest.”

Remember to provide a sufficient treats for people, too. Although plenty of your human guests would love chocolate, omit it from the menu completely; a canine guest might love it just as much, and a determined dog could possibly steal a piece from their parent’s plate. Chopped up vegetables with dip or fruit (omitting grapes and raisins) and cheese are perfect “people treats” since they’re safe (and healthy) for all.

Additionally, it’s important to point out to the pet parents – right from the beginning – *there is NO “drop off” option*. To avoid becoming a dog-sitter instead of a party-thrower, Arden says you must let people know that they need to be there with their dogs at all times. “Besides,” she adds, “dog parties bring out plenty of fun for two-leggers, too. It’s a great opportunity to revel in the moment and enjoy the canine antics.”

So what are you waiting for? Plan a bash for your best friend. If they could, they’d do the same for you!

## DEEP THOUGHTS:

## SO HOW ABOUT A FOSTER PET?

Dr. Patty Khuly - July 09, 2010 - [http://www.petmd.com/blogs/fullyvetted/2010/july/fostrering\\_no\\_kills](http://www.petmd.com/blogs/fullyvetted/2010/july/fostrering_no_kills)

**T**he great majority of pet owners have the ability to provide a temporary, loving home to an animal in need. A yard ... a bathroom ... a crate in the garage if need be (with lots of walks, of course). Anything to keep one more adoptable animal off the streets and out of the shelter.

Because once an animal hits the shelter the battle is almost over. Her chances for finding a home diminish dramatically now that she’s been institutionalized. Regardless of its quality, the shelter is where animals – as well cared for as they may be – lose the potential for a one-on-one relationship with a powerful advocate: YOU.

Sure, no-kill shelters will handle most animals, but do you live in a community that supports a no-kill shelter? Because that is in part how no-kill communities work their magic: They recruit as many people like you as they can to take on the tough task of fostering needy pets. From pure breed rescues to crazy cat ladies to one-at-a-time fosterers like me ... it takes a village to make a no-kill work.



For me, fostering is an obvious win-win. For the lucky pets the benefits are obvious. They’re trained and well-socialized while waiting for their forever homes instead of living in a loud, stressful environment that little resembles the environment they’ll soon be expected to thrive in.

To be sure, fostering makes for more successful match-making between adopter and adoptee. Which means adopting owners are more satisfied and more likely to adopt again. Hence, the community is not only relieved of one less pet, it’s built a solid relationship with an adopter. Which means fewer homeless pets should future adoptions ensue and/or when enlightened adopters tell their friends, neighbors, and co-workers of their experience.

But wait – there’s the other winner to consider: the foster “parent” (that’s me/you). Though it’s true that I cry every time I find my foster gets a home (and almost every time I see them again), it’s also true that there’s nothing more satisfying than knowing your intervention helped bring two needy parties together forever.

So how about it... can you take one in?

## HELP WANTED!

### WHAT DO YOU FEED YOUR DOG?

**I**f the answer is Natural Balance, then we need your help!

Van Patten’s Natural Balance Pet Foods has offered to make a donation to a rescue group if they can save 50 bar code / purchase receipts from their foods (specific flavors don’t matter). They do require 50 bar codes before they accept a submission.

If you can help, please send your bar codes and receipts to **Stephanie Sherwin** – she will collect and then mail in the necessary paperwork when we have enough for submission. This is a continuous program – so please save them!

**Please send to:** 4 Woodsong, Roland, AR 72135





# Foster Families URGENTLY Needed

Established in 2003, PHR has placed many Papillons into their forever homes. Many have been owner surrenders, shelter surrender as well as stray rescues. Our members pride themselves in finding the best possible homes for our Papillons.

## But it's impossible to do without foster homes!

All of our rescued Paps go through a screening process, are altered, and fully vetted prior to placement. We are a national group of volunteers spanning the US who do this just because we love the breed and are trying to protect and preserve it! During their time with us in foster care, we work on crate training, socialization, basic obedience, and housetraining, so that the transition period is smoother once placed into their forever homes.

If you are interested in:

**Adopting / Fostering / Volunteering**

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*"Dogs come into our lives to teach us about love ...  
they depart to teach us about loss.  
A new dog never replaces an old dog, it merely expands the heart.  
If you have loved many dogs, your heart is very big."* Erna Jones



