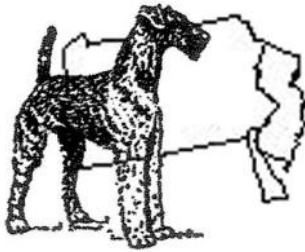


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The Story of a Dream I Had

by Ben McCarthy

In this dream, Ty and I were going someplace in the car when all of a sudden something happened. It was almost like an explosion, but there was no noise and I had no sense of fright.

When I awakened (still within the dream), Ty and I were sitting on a hard, smooth surface of some kind and we were enveloped in a very thick, white mist. There was nothing else to be seen.

Ty was sitting quietly by my side and after a few seconds, I said, "Ty, I think we're dead!"

"What's dead?"

"I'm not sure I can explain it, Ty. I don't think you would understand."

"Why not? I understand everything else you say. You don't seem to understand me, but I understand you."

That was the end of the conversation and the last thing I recall is Ty and I walking, side by side, off into the mist.

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Visit our website at www.Airedale911.org

When I awakened from the dream I began to think more and more about what Ty had said. I soon realized that it was I who did all the talking, and I paid not much attention to Ty's wants or needs during those times when he was obviously trying to communicate with me.

So I resolved to make more of an effort to understand him and "listen," if you will, to what he was trying to tell me. Now then he comes and puts his paw

on my knee or his face in mine, I no longer tell him "Go lie down, Ty. I'm busy." Now I stop what I am doing and give him the attention he deserves. I hold his head between my hands, scratch his ears and talk quietly with him.

Somehow I feel we are closer to one another than ever before. That brief dream taught me a lesson — and I feel the better for it.

Our Mission:

The goal of Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley (serving Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware) is to provide prompt and safe assistance for any Airedale who has no responsible owner or breeder. Simply put, our purpose is to find a suitable, loving home for any Airedale who needs one, while strictly adhering to the policies set forth by the Airedale Terrier Club of America's Rescue and Adoption Committee:

* Before placement, each rescued Airedale Terrier will be:

- spayed or neutered
- permanently identified with a microchip
- checked for heartworm, parasites and all other health issues
- brought up to date on vaccinations required by law and appropriate to the age and health of the

Airedale

- carefully evaluated for temperament & personality
- bathed and properly groomed

* We assess each rescued Airedale Terrier on an individual basis, in order to place each dog into the loving forever home best suited to the needs of that particular Airedale.

* We strive to educate the public regarding the Airedale breed and responsible dog ownership.

* No ARADV volunteer conducts rescue activities for personal profit. All proceeds from fundraising activities, fees and donations will be used only for the benefit of rescued Airedales.

***Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley
places dogs only in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware.***

The Lawn Habit That's Killing Your Dog

A lush lawn creates a sense of pride for many American homeowners, but a new study finds that utilizing a chemical lawn service to achieve those results is likely causing malignant cancer in many pet dogs.

In the study, researchers identified 263 dogs with biopsy-confirmed canine malignant lymphoma (CML), 240 dogs with benign tumors, and 230 dogs undergoing surgeries unrelated to cancer. Then, they asked the pet owners to complete a 10-page questionnaire. Scientists found that dogs with malignant lymphoma were 70 percent more likely to live in a home where professionally applied lawn pesticides had been used. Dogs with the serious malignancy were also 170 percent more likely to come from homes where owners used chemical insecticides to combat pests inside of the home.

Interestingly, this study found that use of flea and tick control products was not associated with an increased risk of canine lymphoma.

Humans should take this study as a warning, too. The methods researchers used to determine risk in the dog study are part of a trusted model for assessing non-Hodgkin's lymphoma risk in humans. Other studies have linked lawn chemicals to melanoma and childhood leukemia.

Source: Abstract of Environmental Health 112(1): 171-6 (Jan. 2012).

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0013935111003082>

Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley is going "green!"

To save on paper and postage, if you would like to stay informed via email on upcoming events and our newsletter, please send an email to: Joey Fineran - Airedale911@ptd.net with the subject line saying: **Airedale Rescue** Your email address will be placed in our database for future mailings. You can find all of our newsletters on our website at any time. **One big advantage is that the electronic version is in color!**

*Your address will not be sold, shared, or used for anything other than
Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley.*

Announcement about Gentle Leaders

Gentle Leader® Headcollars, sold from August 2011 - May 10, 2012, may have a defect in the quick release neck strap buckle, which causes an unintended release. The issue has been corrected. All Gentle Leader Headcollars purchased during and prior to this period should be inspected. The company will replace any that contain the defect. A list of affected products, and defect testing instructions, are on their website: <http://www.premier.com/View.aspx?page=about/premier/rsc/gl>

If you have any questions or need to exchange a defective Gentle Leader Headcollar, please email them at info@premier.com or call 800-933-5595 and press 2 for Customer Care.



Pet Food Recall

On April 26, 2012 Diamond Pet Foods announced an expanded dog food recall due to Salmonella. The recall of four production codes of Chicken Soup for the Pet Lover's Soul Adult Light Formula is being conducted as a precautionary measure.

This food has been distributed in 11 states. A link to more information is:

<http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/dog-food-recall/diamond-dog-food-recall-expanded/>

A direct link to the Chicken Soup for the Pet Lovers Soul's recall announcement is:

<http://www.chickensoupforthepetloverssoul.com/information>

Diamond also produces the Kirkland brand of dog foods for Costco.

DOG LICENSE REMINDER

Properly licensing your dog is a part of every Rescue Agreement, and every adopter has promised to keep their licenses current.

In **Pennsylvania**, licensing is done annually by county. Licenses can be purchased at Wal-Mart, most small hardware stores, and the county treasurer's office, and mail-in renewal is offered. A lifetime license is available for \$32, with proof that the dog is micro chipped or tattooed.

In **New Jersey**, annual licenses are available from the licensing clerk of the local municipality, with proof of Rabies vaccination. The maximum fee allowed is \$21.

In **Delaware**, dog licenses now expire on December 31. Licenses are available for one or three years at a time, with proof of Rabies vaccination. Order them online (at Delaware.gov), from the SPCA or at most veterinarian offices. Lower rates apply for sterilized dogs.

Heartfelt Thanks

Contributions have been received from these ardent supporters:

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of Penny Sue)
Susan and Ed Smith
David D. R. De Young
Catherine and John Zettler (in
memory of Jazz)

Sorry to hear about the medical/financial concerns.
We are happy to help. Best of luck and thanks on behalf
of all the Airedales.

Paula and Henry Ristuccio -- NJ

Sounds like you have your hand full with Airedale
needs. I know this donation will be put to good use you
your hands. Glad to be of help. Fondly,

Gloria Marshall--NJ

Please accept our contribution toward medical ex-
penses for the dogs you wrote of in the e-mail. With
kind regards,

Susan and Ed Smith--PA

Enclosed is my donation of \$50 to my dearly loved Aire-
dale Rescue. You folks do such great work and should should
be very proud of your organization.

I love reading *Starting Over* and all the wonderful let-
ters written by happy adopters.

I miss my dogs, but I know they are all going to meet
me when I pass the "end of the rainbow." All my love,
Claire Hanlon -- MA

In memory of Toby, the sweetest, gentlest, most lov-
ing Airedale. Thank you once again for allowing him to en-
rich our lives. We will always remember our "little man."
Mike and Serafina Lurski--PA

SADIE

November 25, 2000 – August 30, 2011

Our Angel lives on in our hearts

Sadie became a member of our family in 2003. She was surrendered to Airedale Rescue by people who said she was jealous of their new baby. Joey Fineran brought her to us one fine day in the spring. She immediately stole our hearts away even though she was a bit shy of Alan the first week.

Shortly thereafter we moved to Bar Harbor, Maine. Sadie really loved it here as we have a very large piece of property so that, in addition to the long walks, she had a very big fenced in back yard. Our property borders Acadia National Park and every day deer come down from the mountain behind us to browse. At first she barked a lot at the deer and they ran. After a while she got used to them and they to her. It was fun to watch.

Sadie loved to go camping with us and sleep on the big bed in the camper all covered up so snugly!

She also loved to play in the snow and would invariably come back inside with her whole head covered from rooting with her nose in it and running around. I sometimes thought she liked winter better than summer!

Sadie was a sweet, gentle soul and was especially fond of chil-



dren of all ages. A new baby in the family always got a big kiss which usually turned out to be quite a face wash. She loved toys and had a basket full of them that she easily shared with any child who would play with her – stuffed ones, squeakies, real bones, tug o war ones. She had them all.

We are heartbroken by our loss of Sadie but she will live on in our hearts and the hearts of many others who knew and loved her as well. Even our Vet said that she was a good dog and he would miss her.

We are ever grateful to Airedale Rescue for helping us have Sadie become a member of our family. We enjoyed every second of our 8 years together with our sweetheart. She brought so much joy and laughter into our lives. I can still see her coming to the door when I came home from grocery shopping, sticking her head in every bag to see what was there but never taking anything, and how she would come to me wagging her head as well as her tail in greeting with her mouth wide open in a big smile.

Our hearts are full and so are our memories of Sadie, our Airedale Angel.

Marie and Alan Bartsch, Bar Harbor, ME

We were so sorry to hear of the mounting vet bills for the "rescues." So enclosed, please find a small check to help out. This is just one way we can say thank you for all the work you do for the benefit of the Airedales.

I must say, however, that although the dogs get "rescued," as the human part of the equation, I feel like I get rescued every day by their devotion and love. Rusty is nudging my elbow and wagging hello to you all!!" Best,

Lisa Burns --VT

In memory of Samantha (Airedale), Pippin and Russet (Border Terriers who are friends of Airedales) and In Honor of David Falk and his protégé, Rusty the Airedale.

To Airedale Rescue of the Delaware Valley,

In honor of the people who rescue and adopt dogs, we make a donation to the organization of choice for all customers who purchase a fence from us. Enclosed is a contribution of \$65 in recognition of dog fence purchased by Dee and Tom Marino. As dog lovers ourselves, we thank you for the great work you do.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Ross, Pres.
Heritage Fence Company
Skippack, PA



HEART

Daisy Mae was one of the sweetest, most gentle Airedales I have had the pleasure of having in my life and certainly one of the most patient. If we were in the park and I had trouble walking, she would go to the end of the leash, turn around, and wait until I caught up. If I said to her "Give Mommy a few minutes to get ready for the park," she would go back to bed and come back out in an hour to see if I was ready yet!

It took a little time to find out that she would attack all dogs because she was protecting me – until I could pet the dogs first, and then she had no problem



with anyone or any animal. She was just a love – my love. She was the joy of my life, and I'm lost without her. I thank

Airedale Rescue so much for the time I had with her. Many thanks, Joey – we were a perfect match.

Daisy Mae is now in Heaven with my husband, who is watching over all our girls: Cuddles and Ginger (Weimaraner), Puddles and Brandy (St. Bernard), Chewy, Patty, Tallulah and my baby

Daisy Mae, all Airedales. I feel that I have been very blessed over and over – but the time you have is never enough...

Fran Bradley — NJ

I wanted to let you know that after 10 wonderful years, we had to say goodbye to our dear boy Henry (he came to us as "Mungie" in September 2001 as a bouncy 13month old); it seems like yesterday.

He was such a special boy - he taught my daughter Abi (who has Asperger syndrome) about so much; through his love and joy he showed her what emotion was. For that we shall always hold him very dear, for we have always said that it was Henry who was her greatest therapist. He loved the whole family equally and we are all feeling so very empty without him.

He had kidney failure. So, he has joined Hugo, and Elmo our previous loved Airedale rescues in doggie heaven, and we shall always remember him with love and take comfort in the knowledge that there was not a day that he was with us that he did not know that he was so very much loved.

Nikki Caldwell MacElree — PA

We lost our boy Buddy today. The tumor on his rear leg had started to give him too much pain. It was amazing he fought so long and hard and never wanted to slow down. He even was just camping with us this past weekend. This will be very hard for us as he found the perfect parents and we will miss him the rest of our lives. There may be another Airedale down the road someday BUT there will never be another Buddy Brown. I would like to thank you for making it all possible with your organization as you connected a man with his best friend. I loved him so much and he will be very sadly missed. Thank you for letting us be a part of the life of Buddy Brown.



Bob and Dosha Brown — PA.



In Loving Memory

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Buddy Brown
Daisy Mae Bradley
Dash Johnson
Duffy Lurski
Ellie Yesner
Gypsy Kohls/Fingeran
Jazz Zettler
Magic Matson
McKenzie Fingeran
Raleigh Seibert
Riley Smith
Toby Lurski
Woody Weisel

I have to report that I have lost one of my best friends. Mr. Riley Smith passed on 3/16/12. He was the sweetest Airedale you could have ever ask for, considering all the hell he was through in his early years. I am deeply saddened and will miss him forever. He was such a good boy!

Leslie Smith--PA

STRINGS



Remembering Duffy and Toby

Duffy, our "Big Guy," died of cancer three days after his tenth birthday, just three weeks after it was diagnosed. The emptiness in our hearts and in our home is as large as he was, all ninety-five pounds of him. Among our favorite memories of him:

- His continual proximity to Serafina, for he truly was "her dog."
- His reassuring presence, especially on the living room sofa watching out front or in one of the four dog beds in which he enjoyed his frequent naps.
- His conducting and joining the Airedale Tabernacle Choir when he saw us get into our car to go somewhere.
- His masculine, strongly alpha-dog demeanor, even when attired in his Huck Finn pantaloons, tail sock, and Elizabethan collar during his recovery from surgery.
- His role as "the Sheriff," keeping peace and quiet, law and order in the house.
- His putting his tail between his legs and racing from a room whenever a fly or mosquito buzzed him. Yet he never backed down from another dog or intruding animal.
- His frequently eliciting the comment, "He's big for an Airedale, isn't he?"
- His stopping traffic with his appearance at an intersection on Florida's Captiva Island when he was one year old.
- His disciplining Toby and visiting and fostered dogs, usually by pulling them by their collars while "talking" to them. But also his protecting them when necessary. And his otherwise gentle treatment of Toby, as if he sensed the effects of Toby's horrific puppyhood
- The security of his steady snoring during the night. The loud thud whenever he decided to leave his bed to flop on the hardwood floor. His scratching and gouging of the wall next to his beds whenever he "ran" in his dreams.
- His resourcefulness as shown in the humorous episode with the inflatable collar, as described in last winter's STARTING OVER.
- His "bombing" the final exam during puppy obedience class, then acing it after class in view of the trainer.
- His quickly learning how to play the "shell game" with coffee



cup and then more quickly figuring out he could get the hidden treats faster by just knocking over the cups without sniffing them.

We will always remember him as a unique clown, lover, protector, and companion.

Toby passed away at age eight, just five weeks after we lost our ten-year-old Duffy. After battling lupus and kidney disease for almost a year, he finally succumbed to these and a large cancerous tumor in his spleen. We will always remember the following about our sweet and gentle Toby:

- his striking features on a full page of a 2010 calendar published by the local community college's veterinary club when he was chosen to be "Mr. April," coincidentally "National Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month."
- his unusual gentleness, and tolerant and loving disposition, which earned him numerous human and canine friends, especially during long, browsing walks in our neighborhood. Toby seemed to believe that everyone he saw or met wanted to be his friend.
- his patience and sensitivity with puppies and young children, as if he knew they were fragile.
- how he was so friendly and playful with fosters and visiting Airedales. Alice Lambert and John and Matty Johnson were his favorites
- how silently he moved around the house, disturbing not even the air.
- his drinking of water, the sound as soft and gentle as he was.
- his uncommon Airedale literacy, as shown in the letters he "wrote" for STARTING OVER during his early years with us.
- his uncanny ability to hear the slightest crinkling of a Swiss cheese wrapper, even when sleeping.
- how he slept like a balled-up caterpillar on the living room sofa.
- his contagious joy when he bounded into our bedroom in the morning.

Most of all, we will always remember how he and Duffy were perfect companions to one another and to us.

Mike and Serafina Lurski

Dear Readers,

If your street address, e-mail address, or phone number has changed in the last three years, please update them by contacting Joey at 610-294-8028 or by email at Airedale911@ptd.net. Thank you.

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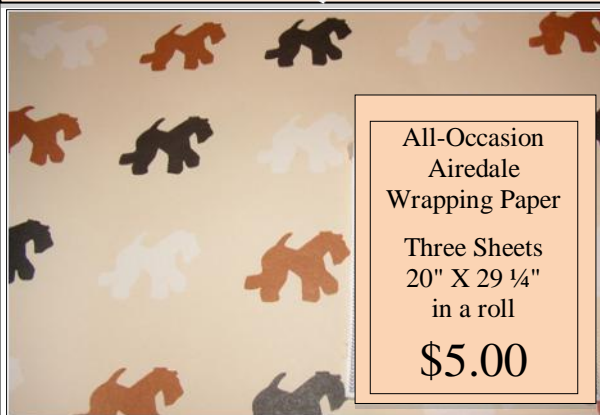
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And the dogs,



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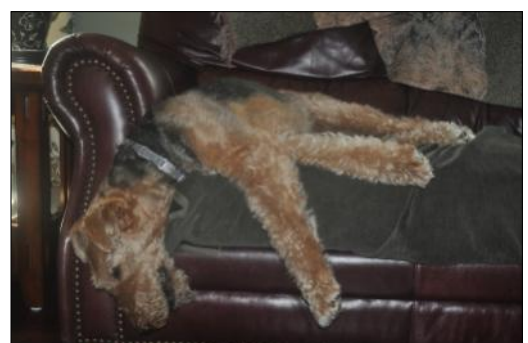


And the dogs with their people

an Sawyer



Then it's time to go



Whew! What a day!

## MONTGOMERY 2012 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Tuesday, October 2

|      |                           |                       |
|------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 8 AM | All-Terrier Agility Trial | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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### Wednesday, October 3

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| 8 AM | All-Terrier Agility Trial | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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| 8 AM | All-Terrier Obedience and Rally Trials | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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### Thursday, October 4

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| 8 AM | All-Terrier Agility Trial | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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| 8 AM | All-Terrier Obedience and Rally Trials | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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| 8 AM | Hatboro KC All Breed Show | Hatboro Show Site |
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| 5 PM | Hospitality | HQ - Montgomery Room |
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### Friday, October 5

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| 8 AM | All-Terrier Agility Trial | Kimberton Fairgrounds |
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| 8 AM | Hatboro KC All Breed Show | Hatboro Show Site |
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### Saturday, October 6

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| 8 AM | Devon All Breed Show | Devon Show Site |
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| 8 AM | <b>Devon Airedale Rescue Bazaar</b> | Devon Show Site |
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| 6:30 PM | Annual Rescue Committee Meeting | HQ - Montgomery Room |
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### Sunday, October 7

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| 8 AM | <b>Airedale Rescue Bazaar</b> | Montgomery County Community College |
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| 8 AM | ATCA Sweepstakes | MCKC Show Site |
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| 10 AM | ATCA National Specialty** | MCKC Show Site |
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**\*\* This is the largest Airedale Show in the world and certainly the most prestigious in America!**

*Please note: Unentered dogs are not permitted at any of these events.*

*Questions? Please seek answers at the ATCA website: [www.Airedale.org](http://www.Airedale.org)*

***Foster Care? It's what we always need the most!***

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Someone who is physically strong enough to handle a dog whose leash behavior may be unpredictable.

Someone who likes a challenge, who has vision, who has patience, who has determination, who has a deep commitment to Airedales and the goals of Rescue.

Someone who can let the dog go when it's time to move on to his permanent home.

If you wish to know more about the ins and outs of fostering, please call Joey at 610-294-8028 or email at [Airedale911@ptd.net](mailto:Airedale911@ptd.net). There are many joys and heart warming moments in fostering a rescue dog. There are also some moments when problems might arise that might call for putting two heads together to come up with the right answer. Please know that all foster dogs will be clean, groomed and vetted before being released to a foster home... and we do not put dog (or people) aggressive dogs in the hands of foster parents.

Mostly we need to know what their house behavior is like: do they counter surf, steal food, tear up pillows, pilfer the laundry basket, get into the trash (*keep the trash out of reach!*) etc...





## A Foster Dog Poem

by Diane Morgan

I am the bridge  
Between What was and what can be.  
I am the pathway to a new life.

I am made of mush,  
Because my heart melted when I saw you,  
Matted and sore, limping, depressed,  
Lonely, unwanted, afraid to love.

For one little time you are mine.  
I will feed you with my own hand  
I will love you with my whole heart  
I will make you whole.  
I am made of steel.

Because when the time comes,  
When you are well, and sleek,  
When your eyes shine,  
And your tail wags with joy  
Then comes the hard part.

I will let you go—not without a tear,  
But without a regret.  
For you are safe forever—  
A new dog needs me now.



## SPECIAL THANKS!

A little over four years ago, Airedale Rescue and Adoption of the Delaware Valley began a relationship with the very reputable dog food company, FreshPet, which has a plant in Quakertown, PA.

Through the efforts of the company's dog-loving representative, Carole Slade, FreshPet has donated several tons of their very nutritious products to us, which has greatly helped our rescues regain their weight, health and strength.

This past year, we received over twelve hundred pounds of top-of-the-line food. FreshPet prepares meals of high protein meats, poultry, and fish, vitamin rich vegetables and fruits, and fiber-rich grains with no preservatives. All ingredients are obtained from U.S sources that meet high standards. The finished product must be refrigerated because no chemical preservatives are used. Some of their biggest selling lines include Freshpet Select, Vital, and Deli Fresh. Their products are found at Giant super-markets--as well as pet supply and specialty shops. For more information, go to [www.freshpet.com](http://www.freshpet.com).

The company has grown tremendously in the last few years, expanding their variety of dog foods, which now includes treats, chews, and bones, and also beginning a cat food line. Their commercials appear regularly on the main TV networks.

Our gratitude goes out to FreshPet and especially Ms. Slade for their sincere willingness to help our organization and our Airedales. They have been very generous and accommodating, and so helpful in tough economic times.

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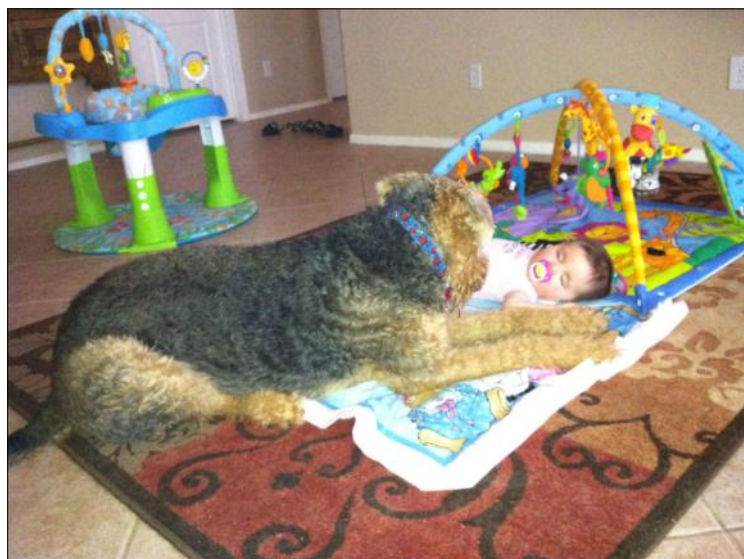
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# TALK

Just a quick note and a picture to share with you. It is HOT in the Valley of the Sun. Luckily mom keeps the thermostat nice and cool, and we love to sleep on the cool tile. Everything is doing great here.

I wanted to share with you some photos my Dad took while we (mainly I) was in charge of Teagan on Friday night while Mom was out. Mom specifically told me I had to be a good boy and watch Teagan and Dad, cause Dad has a bad habit of raiding the cookies while Mom is out. I didn't exactly stop Dad from having cookies...but I made sure he shared with me and the girls, so I think that counts as watching. I kept a close watch over Teagan while she was playing and sleeping on the living room floor. Mom was so proud of me when she saw the pictures she gave me another cookie!



Hope everyone is good and that I get to see you all soon!

Love, Charley Anderson (Maria and Nigel Matson's "grandson") —AZ



I just had the Best Walk EVER. We all went for ICE CREAM on Broadway and Jessica paid. (Jessica is Barlow's (Tallulah's boy-friend) mom). It took a long time to walk the three blocks because so many people stopped to admire me. This is a great city. Thanks for everything,

Nellie Bly Hart/Share —NYC





I am seven years old as of May 22 —and a spoiled little "Princess." Mom knows exactly what I like: squeakies and long walks, so I had a great birthday! We take long walks everyday and mom always tries to surprise me with a different route. She says I get overly excited, which is true. Mom adopted me from Airedale Rescue over two years and we have been on many adventures. I like chasing squirrels, rabbits and birds. She points them out if i miss one. I think she gets excited too!!

We recently moved and i like my new home. We have met a lot of people

here and I am a big hit. They like my hat and boots. Mom, says they ask about me when I am not with her. We were talking to one of the ladies yesterday and she asked me how I was doing. It is amazing how many people want to stop and pet me and take pictures! Mom gets a kick out of that. It was on one of our recent walks that a



couple brought their baby down to meet me and I made the baby laugh and laugh. I think the baby needed a diaper change. I looked at mom and she new what i was thinking. I sniffed and then shook my head. I even got to go into the drugstore with mom. I saw this big round thing that had two M&Ms on it, which frightened me. Mom said, "It will not hurt you. It's a giant M&M machine." I felt foolish, but it was "scary!"

When we get home I like to have a nap and then mom always has other activities for me. We like to play hide 'n' seek, but I don't let mom know that I know all the hiding places. Oh, she says I am tricky and sneaky. She tells me to stay and I sneak to the door and watch where she goes. You can't fool me. I am learning some new tricks. Mom says I need to learn to put my toys away, especially when I drag them all out. One day I did all the usual tricks without her saying anything because I knew a treat was coming. Then she said that is not what we are doing. OOPS! Bummm! We were doing other tricks, so I did get the treat. I did good. Oh, I watch TV. I like 101 Dalmatians, cartoons and snow dogs.

I love my new home and my mom. Well, gotta go. Another adventure awaits!

Nelly Gordon —PA

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# We Get Letters



Thanks you for all that you [all] do for Airedale Rescue. Our Lillie, aka Chewy, whom we got from you folks in 2007 is now five and doing well. Best regards,  
*Charlotte Ames Eichelberger — PA*

I'd like you to know that Riley spent about two hours today at a local senior center / re-hab place. He visited many rooms, sat with lot's of folks in wheelchairs, and even put paws up on a bed so he could see an older fellow who could not sit up.

He was a big hit with all the residents and was very well behaved.

He is now free to go there on a weekly basis and we will plan to go back every Friday, (he was observed by a lady from the org. that we are doing this through, Faithful Friends in Wilmington

Thanks so much for hosting a great gathering like AireFaire. We enjoyed it a lot and are glad we attended.

*Steve Udovich — DE*

*(Note: Riley was surrendered to ARADV because he was too much for his owners to handle!)*

We celebrate our two year anniversary with Ellie this month. It has been such a positive experience for us in so many ways... In her honor, we are sending this gift to ARADV. Thanks again to you and your volunteers for the great work you do for out Airedales.

*Bill and Betsy  
King — PA*



We are looking forward to seeing you and the other Airedales at Aire Faire IV.

It has been two years since we brought Daisy-Mae home. She is doing great and has passed her Canine Good Citizenship test! She enjoys her daily walks in the mountains with her other dog friends.

We will see you on 6/10. Thanks again for Daisy-Mae and the late Chloe.

*Mike and Judy Grembowiec — NJ*

We won't be able to make it to the picnic, but I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you again for Skeeter. She is just sooooo AMAZING... we can't believe we got so very LUCKY!

She is keeping our Bummer's adrenaline flowing, so he is doing really well for his age. We are truly blessed and just can't thank you and Airedale rescue enough! Please keep up your great work! Sincerely,

*Joanne and Paul Costy — PA*

We are loving Alice so much! (Only dog people understand this.) So glad you have Airedale Rescue for people like us. Stay well,

*Ginger Lambert — NJ*

Just wanted you to know that Cassie had a good visit with my family last week. She was very gentle with the children. She's trying (but not very hard) to remember not to beg. I will be taking her to the vet on Friday for baseline bloodwork, etc. She seems healthy and loves to play tennis ball at the tennis court each morning. When she's tired, she waits at the gate and doesn't bring the ball back to me.

She pulls very hard when she sees another dog. This is really the only time we have a major problem with this. I am going to try to get her to relax about this situation. She may miss her dog sibling. Did they mention anything about stressing during thunderstorms? She seems to jump at loud noises. Overall, she is a very sweet dog! Best,

*Judith J. Olsen — PA*





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Thank you, thank you again for letting me adopt Sarah....! She is absolutely the sweetest little girl!! Bonding quickly, very quickly... Padding around behind me wherever I go... She and Alex have become quick buddies too... Playing, then drinking together from our big water bowl...

We spent our first night together Sunday night in my camper at Ringing Rock Campground... It has one double bed and all three of us slept in it... Alex, Sarah, and I... lol... Cozy... She's eating well, very well... Heather perhaps you could email me how much she was being fed... She has a voracious appetite, gobbles her meals quickly... She has been such a well behaved girl... Camping, I walked them on leashes together without any problem... Took two walks Monday morning for her to relieve herself, then we were ready to travel... Got packed up and hooked up both slept all the way home, so I drove straight through without stopping...

Then when we got home, put them in the yard while I uncoupled, unpacked... Well once I took collars and leashes off, setting them free, she took off romping, sniffing the yard, you could see the joy in her behavior... Alex was with her all the way... She knows she's home and life is good... She's been wagging her tail so much it involves her body...

Then I opened the house to her, she roamed the house, investigating her new home... Dogs were in and out, barked at the yardman arriving to mow across the street, etc... Made herself right at home... She's had free run of house and yard since... A lady, no destructive behaviors, doesn't get on furniture except my bed, which I allow anyway, Alex always starts the night out with me... She's also rather taken over his dog bed... I need to pick up another... He has always started out in my bed, then gets down sometime in the night... She's doing the same...

Sarah has made a wonderful, rapid adaptation to her new home. Bonded strongly with myself and Alex. Very smart, lots of personality!

I've had house guests and Sarah has been a friendly, tail wagging lady. She loves to eat! I have gotten her a bowl that slows her down.

Sarah knows she has a forever home... She expresses such joy... Unbelievable... Jumped up this morning to wake me, body wagging, licking my face...

Today a brushing and bath... I'll keep you posted... Thanks, thanks, I can't say it often enough...

*Barbara Osgood - WV*

Thank you for all of the work you do with the rescue dogs. Lexi is wonderful. She wants to play all the time. She has a ton of toys and her own bedroom. When my son moved out, his bedroom became the guest room - and she adopted it as her own. She pushes the door open and sleeps on the bed. None of us have the heart to tell her it's not her room!

She also loves the dog park by us. She can keep up with any dog there, she's so incredibly fast! Hopefully see you all at AireFaire.

*Stan and Susan Fenkel - NJ*

Here is a small contribution for the unbelievable work you do to place our beloved Airedales in forever homes. Brandy is our fourth rescue dog and she is the only dog that doesn't want a companion. She is the boss and doesn't want to share Mom and Dad with any other pet. We love her the way she is and look forward to our first Aire Faire on June 10th.

The picture is of her favorite pastime, watching TV and barking at all the dog and Geico ads. She keeps us safe.

*Don and Sarah Braun - NJ*





# We Get Letters



Miss Maggie is fine. Her one interest is food... she'll eat anything that doesn't eat her. The sweetest dog, she is great with my grandsons and all the neighbors — loves everyone. She has a good heart, not a mean bone in her body. She says, 'Hi.' Take care,

*Bernadette and Sev DiBiasco — PA*

Bob and I were hoping to get to the Aire Faire this year, but we'll be in CA on the 10th for our grandson's graduation. I'm disappointed. I could really use an Airedale fix!

*Marianne and Bob Puntel--PA*

Enclosed is a small contribution to your medical fund, along with our thanks for all you do for our chosen breed — The King of Terriers.

Also, Hilda, Abbess of Whitby and all the North Country, sends you her blessing and warm canine regards. She is enjoying semi-retirement these days, but has not relinquished her self-appointed duty of protecting hearth and home. And despite her titanium knee plates (from old soccer injuries), she still runs the perimeter of the dog yard each day, dispatching unwary birds and squirrels from her domain. She is still as sweet, beautiful and jolly a dog as ever she was. Best wishes

*David and Tommy — PA*

Sandy is now accepted at Mangrove Bay as another retiree, who just happens to have four legs and an extensive fur coat. The place is ideal for an Airedale as a retirement home (all those people to save dinner leftovers for him). And he is the ideal dog from among our fourteen Airedales over the years to come here. He obviously has been a city dog.

When a possum came out of the foundation plantings and stopped on the sidewalk right in front of him, he leaned over and smelled it. When he tried to smell the possum's behind, the possum took off back into the thick plantings. Monty or Madge would have grabbed it and given it a good shaking. (A few years ago, near our Singer Island home, Monty pulled one out of the bushes and shook it vigorously; when he stopped, Madge grabbed the other end, resulting in a tug o' war, while I'm yelling "Put it down!" When they finally did, it looked dead. I returned with a plastic bag to dispose of the body, but there was no body in sight.)

His seamless melding into living here leads me to believe that before he was rescued, he must have lived in an apartment house — and what is Mangrove Bay but a special type of apartment house peopled by seniors with disabilities. In any event, he thriving here; takes a half mile walk along the river walk adjacent to the Intracoastal Waterway daily and has had more love from the resident in the four months that he's lived here than he probably received in the rest of his possible eleven years.

As you can gather, all goes well with Sandy. He has more white around his eyes and moves like an old dog, but otherwise seems well. He continues as official phone and door answerer, a service really needed as Bea doesn't hear too well. As I said before, everybody here knows Sandy; far fewer know his master or mistress.

Our best to all, from the Lee family —

*Bea, Bob and Sandy — FL/NJ*







# We Get Letters



The enclosed check is in honor of Duncan's 11th birthday, which is on Saturday. It's hard to believe that he's been a part of my life for eight years.

He's been having some digestive difficulties which started back in May when he must have grabbed and eaten something when we were out walking. He started to have smelly, loose stools and then didn't eat. After a vet visit, and antibiotic shot and 10 days worth of pills and a diet of only canned I/D (for gastrointestinal health), he was slowly put back on Iams. Seemed to be doing OK, but a couple of weeks ago the diarrhea returned. He's since had two more vet visits, bloodwork which showed no problems and ten days of chicken and rice. Then NO poop! After a vet consultation, he's going back on the canned I/D - and eventually add some kibble. He doesn't seem to have any pain and is eager to walk (which I limit in this heat). This sure makes me wish he could tell us what is the matter!

I have some Christmas ornaments and couple of other Airedale items for your bazaar in the fall and would be glad to send/deliver them.

Duncan was just here pushing at the keyboard tray — It's getting close to his supper time! Airedales are definitely good at demanding attention.

Hope all is well, Sincerely,

*Ann Kessler — NJ*

We apologize for the late note; however, we continue to look back on the wonderful day we enjoyed at the Aire Faire. It is so kind of you to open your home for this event and we are always in awe of the devotion that you and all the rescue members share to save and care for our beloved Airedales. Please accept this donation to assist in your efforts. Kind regards,

*Judie, Mike and Daisy Mae Grebowiec" — NJ*

Jake is continuing to improve (if that is possible) and is now a big ball of happy fur. He is totally laid back, and continues to exhibit absolutely no aggressive behaviors. He is easy to handle and is the most obedient Airedale I have ever owned — a wonderful companion. He is one of the stars of our advanced obedience class. Keep up the good work! I love him! Tom — PA

*What fantastic news. I'm so glad that you hung in there with him and turned him around. Cindy*

He turned me around. Tom



Bentley is thriving....all 85/90 lbs. of him!! We just remarked the other day how grateful we are to have found "the perfect dog!" A loving, gentle, always by-your-side type of dog. He has been so well behaved in the house; we really can't think of one naughty thing he has done. He rarely barks (once a month or so) and does not verbalize at all; so any type of noise coming from him is always celebrated. These past weeks have been difficult for him with all the fireworks and storms as he is still terribly frightened by "any" loud noise. On these occasions he instantly becomes our lap dog. Thanks again for all you and your group continue to do.

*Wendy and Alan Clemmer — PA*





# I AM A FOREVER DOG. NOT AN "UNTIL" DOG.

I'm not an "until you find a girlfriend/  
boyfriend" dog.

I'm not an "until you get bored with me"  
dog.

I'm not an "until you have no time" dog.

I'm not an "until you have a baby" dog.

I'm not an "until you move" dog.

I am a forever dog!

If you cannot give me forever, then I  
am not your dog.

IT IS THAT SIMPLE!

*Make Rescue Adoption Your First Option.*

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