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PROGRESS REPORT'S FROM THE FAMILIES OF ADOPTED RIDGE DOGS!

ARCHER (AKA-HERCULES)

Just wanted give everyone an update on Archer (AKA Hercules) the tea cup Chihuahua from B Unit.

Archer is settling into his new home with flying colors. He enjoys daily walks, truck rides, trips to Petco & Petsmart. Archer loves to chase around his feline housemate Price, even though she is twice his size. Archer has copious amounts of toys and natural chews which he loves to spread all over the carpet for me to step on early in the morning! Archer is very proactive in keeping his new yard free and clear of any & all frogs, grasshoppers, bees and any other insect that dares to enter his yard! Archer is also acquiring quite the collection of fashionable t-shirts, sweaters and jackets in preparation for the cold months ahead.

The Scharf Family

Happy Holidays



LORDY



Lordy, Lordy, Lordy all dressed up in his Harvest costume for CRCC's bring your dog to work day. Lordy has come a long ways since we adopted him from the CRCC dog program, he is happy to be with our other dogs and have his own place in our home. Hmmm for some reason he loves popcorn, yep popcorn. He can smell it popping a mile away, and would rather have popcorn than his dog treats. He has been a great addition to our home, he still gets grumpy now and then and still does not like black boots! He loves to be groomed, run off the leash, and of course get dressed up and he is still a ham for the camera. We have had lots of fun with him and are very glad we adopted him from the program. Thank you all for taking care of him while he was at CRCC. He is a very happy camper now.

The Williams family.

Happy Holidays

KATO

Kato is adjusting well. He is enjoying playing with our Lab/Border Collie/Australian Shepherd mix. Our older Border Collie tolerates him and we are happy with that as Boots is very territorial. Chloe, the cat, has decided not to comment on our new arrival because it is beneath her dignity to acknowledge another dog. We went for a trail ride over the weekend and Kato was very respectful around the horses...perhaps because they are the only things on the farm bigger than he is. Thank you (and the entire Ridge Dog crew) for the excellent work you are doing.

The Leaverton Family

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LADY

Lady has been adopted but still here at the facility. Lady is a Border Collie Lab Mix. She is three and half years old. Lady has a great mannerism, is cool tempered and has the reputation as having being the smartest dog in the CRCC Ridge Dog Program.



MISSY

Missy is a one and a half year old Terrier Pit Mix. She is currently at Yellow Bandana. No one has currently pre-adopted her so she will be available for adoption when she promotes to Green Bandana. She is very playful and friendly with lots of energy. Missy is a "Pre-Madonna" she doesn't like to lay on the cold cement and would rather be snuggled up in a sweater or blanket. She loves attention and going for a walk.



MONA LISA

Mona Lisa is a Pit Bull, Dark Mocha in color. She is currently Green Bandana. She has good manners, quite good with other dogs, is mild tempered and very lovable and likes to snuggle. Mona Lisa has a couple people on her waiting list – she will be leaving soon to her new family and home. We'll miss her fat little belly coming in for treats several times a day.



SHELBY

Shelby is a 14 Month Old Male Shepherd/Lab/Retriever Mix, currently a Orange Bandana. Shelby is like a full grown puppy – He LOVES to play and he is VERY smart. He has some concerns with nipping and biting at his leash and wanting to nip and bite playfully when he's excited. We observed his handlers working with him in the dayroom where they directed Shelby to lay down and stay and then they would walk over him, around him and bend over his face all while the dog laid on his back and kept his head down waiting to be released. It was pretty amazing to see the work they have put in with this dog when just a few days ago he was biting and nipping to play with his handlers.



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SHY BOY

Shy Boy is a German Shepherd/Hound Mix. He currently is Orange Bandana and no one has pre-adopted him. Shy Boy is VERY timid and SHY, he appears to be a Farrell dog that lived on the run for a long time. He hides his food and stores it so he can eat it when no one is looking. He is a beautiful dog and once he realizes that no one is going to hurt him, he'll come out of his shell and make someone a GREAT dog. He's very playful within the cell and out in the yard when he gets to go off leash.



CLASH

Clash is a male New Finland. He currently is at Yellow Bandana and he has not been pre-adopted at this time. He has had a very sweet demeanor with everyone he's interacted with and loves to play ball.



WINDY

Windy is a Pit Bull/Terrier Mix. No one has pre-adopted her at this time. She has promoted to Green Bandana and is ready for adoption. She does NOT like uniforms and is pretty protective of her "living unit." She is use to the staff that work her unit, they take her with them on tier checks, hand feed her and pay attention to her. When a new person comes to work in the unit (In uniform) she will bark for a bit until they give her a treat. She will still retreat, will bark and back-up which can be intimidating to some. But she really is a sweet dog. Sgt. Lynch reported that it took her a few months to even want to pet Windy because she made her feel nervous. Now she pets Windy every morning and gives her treats.



If you are interested in adopting or pre-adopting any of these Ridge Dogs please contact Rick Karten, CPM at MSU; Jennifer Lynch, Sergeant or Denise Cook, CC2 both located in B Unit. They will be happy to assist you with more information on the process.



HOLIDAY TIPS FOR YOUR DOG

Homes often become the most festive around Christmas time, but for many cats and dogs these homes become a veritable place for trouble. Here's an easy rule of thumb: If it's something that could hurt your child, it's most likely dangerous for your pet. All family members should exercise extra vigilance around this time to ensure that everyone sails smoothly through this joyous, but often jeopardous, holiday.

Oh Christmas tree, oh Christmas tree... Your beautiful Christmas tree poses many unforeseen dangers to your pet, starting with the water. Pets have a much lower line of sight, and to them a bowl of water is a bowl of water, whether there's a Christmas tree in it or not. The problem is that pinesap mixed with water, fertilizer, and additives make that Christmas tree water toxic to your pets. Also, stagnant or long-standing tree water can harbor millions of bacteria, which, if ingested by your cat or dog, will cause nausea, vomiting, and/or diarrhea. To solve this problem, be sure to use a water container that doesn't allow your pets access to take a drink. Such containers are usually available wherever trees are sold. Christmas tree needles, live or artificial, are toxic, sharp, and indigestible. They can get painfully lodged in the esophagus or intestines. Christmas tree lights can cause electrical burns, choking, or electrocution if pets play with or chew on them. Be sure to turn off all Christmas lights when you're not around. Decorating the Christmas tree requires creativity. Having cats or dogs in the household adds a whole new factor to the equation. Shiny glass ornaments, angel hair, twinkling lights, gold tinsel, and icicles are all irresistible toys for cats and dogs. Everything on the bottom third of your tree is up for grabs. Sharp breakable ornaments, small dreidels, ribbons, bows, ornament hooks, tinsel, and icicles are all very dangerous to pets. Every year, some poor cat or dog actually ingests a broken glass ornament, only to seriously lacerate the inside of their mouth, stomach, and intestines. Even wrapped candy canes can be ingested, causing serious problems. One solution is to decorate the bottom third of your tree with items less likely to cause trouble, such as wooden, metal, or resin-cast ornaments. Hang your treasured baubles high on the tree where they won't get knocked down and broken or, worse, eaten by your cat or dog. I've been to homes where trees could win prizes incorporating these ideas, so be creative and just keep your cat or dog in mind when you decorate that tree. Last but not least, make sure to secure the tree to a wall or ceiling, as cats and dogs are notorious for knocking that well-adorned tree right over. Falling Christmas trees not only hurt pets, but can create a potential fire hazard as well.

Home for the holidays With the hustle and bustle of Christmas, many pet owners are stressed trying to get ready for out-of-town visitors, decorate the tree, bake cookies, buy presents, and entertain. Guess who else is stressed? Your cat or dog. They easily sense your stress and this alone makes them panic, never mind all the other distractions. Remember to try and stick to your pet's normal exercise and feeding schedules. Dogs and cats need routine. Don't forget to lavish them with love and attention instead of goodies or snacks. An occasional treat is okay, but don't go overboard. They don't know the difference. Sometimes guilty pet owners will give too many treats trying to make amends to their furry friends. Don't; instead, lavish pets with hugs and kisses. Pets can get accidentally stepped on or tripped over, so if you plan on having a party or lots of visitors, either set up your pet in a separate, quiet room or keep a closer eye on your pet. It only takes one unfocused moment or a turned back for a happy holiday to turn into a horrible one. And remember that this time of the year many animals get lost, so be sure all pets have a current ID tag with updated information.

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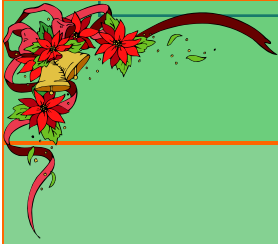
Decking the halls Dogs and cats will be curious about any new item or decoration in their environment. After all, it's their home, too, and they need to inspect anything unusual to assess the situation, especially cats. Even just moving furniture can set some animals into a panic, since their normal environment is changing and this stresses them out. Christmas time brings all kinds of unique hazards for your pets from Hanukkah candles to decorative wreaths. Many a pet has gotten tangled up and even strangled by indoor holiday lights. Christmas stockings full of tiny toys, candy, and presents need to be safeguarded. When lighting candles, the menorah, or advent wreath, make sure to keep pets away from the flames. They can easily get burned. Fireplace colors or salts, added to give your fire a beautiful glow, are toxic to pets if ingested. Hide or tape all exposed electrical cords to the walls or floors so pets won't chew or trip on them. You can also spray the cords with bitter apple. This is an over the counter spray available from your vet or pet store that has a very bitter taste and will discourage your pets from chewing. Liquid potpourris are dangerous if spilled or ingested by your pets, causing severe oral, facial, and eye damage.

Perilous plants Holiday plants may be lovely and festive, but many can cause digestive upset when nibbled or eaten; some are downright toxic when ingested. Here's a rundown of the toxicity level of the most popular Christmas plants. Mistletoe—all parts are toxic, especially the berries, which contain a natural compound that can cause heart problems. Ivy—all parts are moderate to very toxic. Holly—moderate to very toxic, especially the berries and leaves. Mistletoe—all parts are toxic, especially the berries, which contain a natural compound that can cause heart problems.

Christmas rose—all parts have moderate toxicity. Philodendron—all parts have moderate toxicity. Dieffenbachia—all parts have moderate toxicity. Christmas greens (such as balsam, juniper, cedar, pine, and fir)—all parts have a low-level of toxicity. Hibiscus—may cause vomiting or bloody diarrhea if ingested. Poinsettias—leaves and stems are low in toxicity, but will cause stomach upset if large amounts are eaten.

Visions of sugarplums Candy isn't good for you and it certainly isn't good for your pets. Aluminum and plastic candy wrappers have great texture, bright colors, and crinkly sounds that intrigue cats and dogs. Pets often will unintentionally consume these items while playing with them. This can lead to stomach upset and/or intestinal blockage. Many dogs possess a fondness for chocolate, which can be deadly. Be on the lookout for yummy-smelling packages under the tree. Your dog will surely sniff out and potentially consume these dangerous gifts. Keep all chocolate in sealed containers or cupboards and off shelves, countertops, and coffee tables. Never leave pets unsupervised in the kitchen. Don't put out bowls of nuts. These seemingly harmless snacks can cause intestinal upset or choking if ingested by your pet. Never give pets breads or baked goods. Yeast and dough are very dangerous. When eaten the dough will rise and expand in the stomach, causing abdominal pain, bloating, gas, vomiting, disorientation, and depression. All holiday treats are harmful to animals; this includes alcohol, rich fatty foods, scraps, candy, and bones. Just say no to any holiday food for your pet. If you feel you must cook for them, go ahead and bake some safe cat and dog treats. Cool to room temperature before serving.





2011 ADPT CONFERENCE PICTURES
KRYSTAL ELLINGSON, VICTORIA STILLWELL AND DR. IAN DUNBAR

On October 12-16, 2011 Krystal Ellingson attended the APDT Conference held in San Diego California. She shared some picture taken with Dr. Ian Dunbar, Victoria Stillwell and another attendee of the conference.

Dr. Ian Dunbar is the founder of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT) in both Canada and the U.S. in 1993, arranging their first two annual conferences. He went on to establish APDT's in several other countries around the world. Now the APDT is the largest pet dog training organization in the world.

He is also the founder of the Sirius Dog Training Program started in 1980. He provided the first training program for puppies off-leash. His program emphasized on training for dogs under six months of age the following:

- ◆ Importance of Teaching Bite Inhibition
- ◆ Early Socialization
- ◆ Temperament Training
- ◆ Simple Solutions for Common and Predictable Behavior Problems
- ◆ As well as Basic Household Manners

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ian_Dunbar



Krystal Ellingson and Victoria Stilwell



Krystal Ellingson, Victoria Stilwell, Mel Bussey-Silverman (an APDT Board Member), and Ian Dunbar.



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LETTER'S FROM THREE RIDGE DOG TRAINER'S

Last week during dog training class I asked the handlers if they would be willing to write something up for us about what this program has done for them. I wanted them to think about where they came from and where they are now within the prison and their lives. The dogs get a lot of benefits from this program but as you can see – so do some of these offenders. These guys have given me permission to share these in the December Newsletter. Sgt J. Lynch

“What the dog program has done for me”

Green, Greg # 797743

Time plus a great deal of pleasure has given me this most precious opportunity. To share with you what this dog program has done for me. My name is Greg Green and I was born in Compton, California. Well growing up, I was involved in gangs, dog fighting and not caring for others or anything but today I must say that I'm not involved in any of those things anymore and a lot of my outlook on life change because of this here dog program. This program has given me the possibility to change my life.

I continue on with my struggle to try and restore the possibility of hope or maybe what I am really trying to do is restore the hope of possibility. This program is not going to somehow magically transform sinner into saint, but what I can say is that it will find some way to save those lost souls like myself and I don't care what you have done in the past – Rob, steal, rape or even kill.

I was sent to prison as a young man for destroying lives only to discover a way to self salvation as an adult – A lot of this came from helping dogs and being in this program. By being in this program I find myself living and talking with other inmates – I wouldn't be if not for this program and my new outlook on life. I would have never been able to do the things I'm doing today and it's a lot of “Firsts” for me.

Well we have all heard it said that the truth will set you free..... For those of us in prison, it is the truth we do, the truth we live and not simply the truth we know that will set us free. So you may ask how I go about finding this truth. I must dig deep down inside myself and challenge myself to change. I must fight the hard fight, take on the difficult task, and change not just the way I have been living but change the way I have been thinking as well. I must find a way to turn my frowns and mean mugs into smiles. I must stop taking “Good chances” and start making “Good choices”. I must look to make changes in my behavior and stop looking to make excuses for my behavior. I must challenge myself to motivate others and stop trying to manipulate others. I have to understand that I talk too much, listen too little, and don't care enough and I hate too much.

This program helped me become a better person, son, and father. But most of all an OK dog trainer I well regardless of how we came to be in prison and this program. Whatever the reason, our problems are common. In this program we get to view each other from this shared prospective while helping these dogs. The (Tools) training that we have received from Miss E has given us the help we need to make healthy decisions and accepting responsibility for every dog in this program as well as ourselves. Together our training will shine through permanently as we grow establishing necessary tools to be better dog trainers and men

Sincerely Greg Green – A dog trainer at CRCC

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LETTERS FROM A RIDGE DOG TRAINER
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“What the dog program has done for me”

Larson, Leonard # 128619

My name is Leo Larson and I've been incarcerated for over (3) going on (4) decades, 37 years straight and the person that I started out doing this bid as and the one I've evolved into are not the same. I can honestly say that the last few years or more have really changed my life and my view on the type of person I was and what I've changed into and a lot of it has to do with this dog training program. Although seeing the first hands-on-training, the responsibility of helping another life force that's basically no different than me in regards to the fact that they are fighting for a second chance just like me!!! My demeanor as a person has greatly turned for the better since my entering into the dog handlers training program. Through the experience and studying it's caused me to re-think my philosophies and attitudes towards animals and for my fellow man. I can honestly say that this program has been a big influence on the change in my life and I'm unlike the rest of the inmate population that's now doing time. I'm under what's called "under the board" (ISRB) indeterminate Sentence Review Board instead of the (SRA) Sentence Review Act which means I have to see the "Old Parole Board" where most of the inmate population does two-thirds their time and only does nine months or so and maybe 5 years of supervision. Because of my past history of 37 years being a knuckle head with my infractions, history of violence and being here for the crime of 1st degree murder; until entering this dog program staff notice me doing something in a good light instead of a negative light. I'm on the "Lifers MAP program and for the first time ever, I am looking at going to a camp and starting the first steps to transitioning out of prison and a big reason for this, I have been given the chance to prove myself. I've been worthy of the chance to participate and now am considered an asset with the specialty for working with smaller breeds of doing and I am very hopeful to go to camp here at CRCC and participate in the Companion Dog Program. I will close with a few words of wisdom – Criminality is a state of mind – a barred window through which we see the world. Change your frame of mind and everything changes – Not just the view of the world but the one who views it. That is what the dog program has done to me – POWER TO THE PAW!!

Respectfully Leo Larson – Dog trainer

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LETTERS FROM THREE RIDGE DOG TRAINER (Continued)

“What the dog program has done for me”

Manoi, Danny #976443

I've learned that I can take on a task of getting a dog from the shelter, and with hard work I can help that animal build its confidence and help the dog succeed. I've also learned that when I apply myself to a goal that I can reach it and that having goals are never easy, each dog is a new challenge.

When we were talking to Miss E, she gives you the tools to use but most importantly she makes you more confident as a handler. I'm also a mentor, which means I have to help and teach others. I've learned better communication skills when addressing other people that I normally wouldn't associate with. I am here for a violent crime and in this environment you have rules and those rules can get you in trouble. I have followed those rules for 18 years, they are called prison politics. Since I've been in this program, I have learned to adjust and most importantly, I've learned that you can have positive goals in such a very negative environment. You have a lot of obstacles in here because people in prison can say and do a lot of stupid things, especially when you're attempting to train a dog.

I wasn't into anything in here but trouble; it took Sgt. Lynch and Counselor Cook watching me for 8 months while I interacted with the dogs and also the people in the program. Before they would never consider me for this program due to my history in prison. I have learned to be more responsible because I am in charge of a life and you have to truly want to help someone or something besides yourself to be successful in this program. What's good about this program is that we always talk about holding each other accountable. It keeps you sort of grounded because your everyday life in here now revolves around the dogs.

I would like to elaborate a little bit more on the dogs we receive in our program. We get dogs that are confused, abused and misused in society by people that will not take responsibility for their dogs. They either like them as puppies and as soon as they are in over their heads, they end up at the shelter or the shelter has to catch them because they are abandoned. They end up coming to us in this program battered, beaten and scared. With love care and the ability to be consistent in a positive way we are able to train them. Miss E has taught me/us to strive to be the best we can be with these dogs while remembering that you can ALWAYS keep learning. At the same time if you're truly applying yourself you/me might even find ourselves showing more love and compassion to animals, men and women. Showing that you can have great work ethics because this job is 7 days a week – 24 hours a day.

While teaching a dog its ok to trust, listen and love again is a great feeling. Me being asked to write this letter so it can be shared with you people is a great honor – Thank you



A DOG'S PURPOSE? (FROM A 6-YEAR OLD)

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife Lisa, and their little boy Shane, were all very attached to Belker, and they were hoping for a miracle.

I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's Death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives.

Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why."

Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. It has changed the way I try and live.

He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life -- like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The Six-year-old continued,

"Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."





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HOLIDAY DOG MOVIES

Golden Christmas

After a magical summer together, a nine-year-old boy whispers his heart into the ear of a best friend. With a loyal, golden dog by their side, the boy and girl bury a time capsule of keepsakes then they go their separate ways. Years later, looking for a fresh start, a man and woman each return to the place they felt most at home as a child. But a comedic case of unknown identity has them competing for the same childhood memories, and Christmas escapades ensue. For the sake of their happiness, they must discover their common past before they turn each others lives completely upside-down.

Can a golden dog lead them home?



Santa Buddies

Disney's irresistible talking puppies return in a heartwarming all-new holiday adventure! Join The Buddies (Budderball, B-Dawg, Rosebud, Buddha and Mudbud) in a wonderfully wacky twist on a classic Christmas favorite. When Puppy Paws, the fun-loving son of Santa Paws, gets tired of the North Pole, he finds Budderball on Santa's naughty list and figures he's just the dog to show him how to be an ordinary pup so Puppy Paws hitches a ride to *Fernfield, Washington*. But when the magical Christmas Icicle starts to melt and the world begins to forget the true meaning of the season, it's up to Puppy Paws and his new-found Buddies to save Christmas.



Nine Dog Christmas

When Santa's trusty reindeer catch a bad case of the flu, nine homeless canines are given a crash course in flying in hopes of keeping the Christmas spirit alive in this animated holiday adventure narrated by James Earl Jones and featuring music by Grammy-winning recording artist Gary Morris. Rudolph and company are just too sick to lead Santa's sleigh this year, and as the big night draws near, lead elf Buzz (Scott Hamilton) is forced to fall back on a group of willing Christmas canines. Subsequently dognapped by a vengeful grinch determined to halt the holidays, the dogs stage a daring escape in a last ditch effort to reach the North Pole and get Christmas back on track. ~ Jason Buchanan, Rovi



Golden Christmas 2: The Second Tail

Rod and Katherine Wright are enjoying their retirement in Florida – or so they're telling each other. Actually, Rod is bored with nothing to do, and Katherine misses her kids back home, especially with Christmas right around the corner. At least they've made friends with their new neighbor, Lisa, who's a golden retriever fan like them. Rod and Katherine's dog Jake has three new puppy playmates: Mario, Luigi and Pasquale. But when Jake and the puppies take off during a walk with Lisa and interrupt a wedding proposal, Lisa is mortified to discover the proposer is none other than her lifelong-friend-turned-boyfriend-turned-ex, David. Everyone can see that David and Lisa are meant to be together. Everyone, that is, except for David and Lisa. Now, with David's wedding approaching, they must decide whether to leave their love in the past, or to give it another chance. With a little help from Rod and Katherine and four lovable pups, it's sure to be a Christmas to remember!



A Dog Named Christmas (Hallmark Hall of Fame)

This family film set during the hustle and bustle of the holidays tells the story of a man with a son with special needs. Refusing to buy the boy a dog for Christmas, because he's afraid he will fail at caring for the animal. But soon, with family support and a little Christmas magic, he learns that bringing another life into his family isn't as difficult as it sounds. ~ Camilla Albertson, Rovi



Beethoven's Christmas Adventure

'Tis the season to celebrate with everyone's favorite St. Bernard, Beethoven, in an all-new, heartwarming holiday adventure where the hilarious canine speaks for the first time! When Henry the elf (Kyle Massey, TV's *That's So Raven*) flees the North Pole with Santa's sleigh and his magical bag of toys, he crash-lands the precious cargo in a suburban neighborhood tree. But when the bag ends up in the wrong hands, it's up to heroic Beethoven and his teenage pal, Mason (Munro Chambers, TV's *Degrassi: The Next Generation*), to rescue Henry, fetch Santa's toys and save Christmas for children everywhere. Featuring an all-star cast, including Tom Arnold as the voice of Beethoven, it's a barking good time for the whole family!



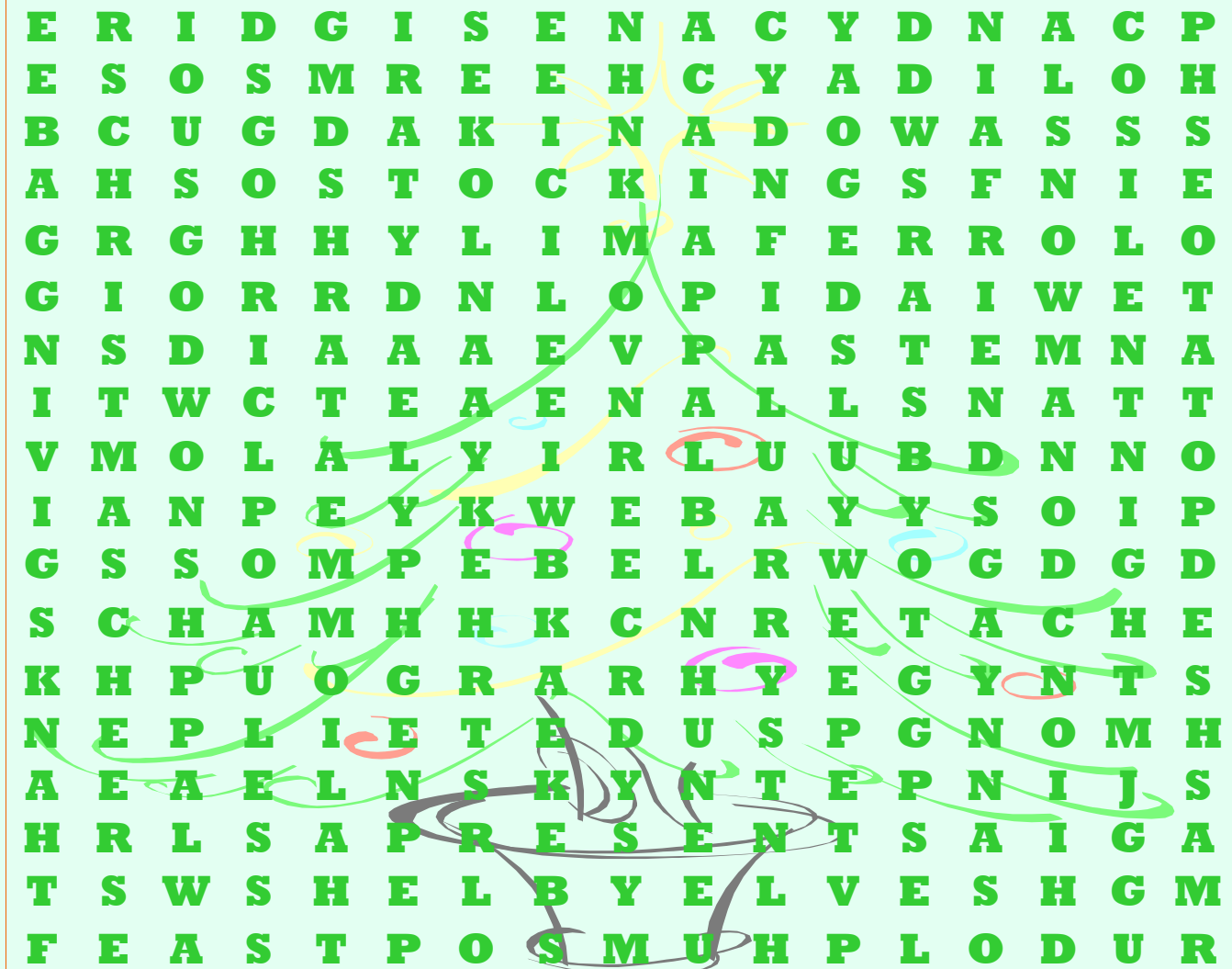
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DOG NEEDS NEW HOME!

RUCKUS 3 YR OLD BLACK LAB/RETRIEVER MIX



Due to a recent change in my living situation during the past few months, my dog Ruckus, a 3 year old wonderful black lab/retriever is in need of a new family and home.

Currently he is living at a home where he is not doing well, because he doesn't like being left alone. Ruckus would do great with a family whose home is located where there would be plenty of room for him to run around when his family is gone.

If this sounds like a dog you would be interested in being a part of your family - please contact C/O Larry Esters or Rick Karten, CPM for more information.