



# The Retriever

Labrador Education and Rescue Network's Newsletter

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*L.E.A.R.N.'s mission is to assist in the rescue of unwanted Labrador Retrievers by placing them in homes through fostering, adoption and referral. In addition, we strive to provide public education regarding Labrador Retrievers and to promote responsible ownership and the humane treatment of all dogs.*

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## 9 Years, 1 Family, and 130 Labs Fostered by Pat Caywood

*"As far as puppies, I would say probably about 65 total. We've also fostered at least as many regular dogs (without litters). We have a soft spot for the sick, injured or badly abused ones. We find it very rewarding to be able to help them recover and watch them reach their full potential."*

Our LEARN adventure began in late January, 2001. My children were 8 and 10 at the time. We applied to adopt a dog and also volunteered to be a foster home. We had our home visit one evening and got our first foster dog the next day. Libby came to us at 11 weeks old. She was in a bad situation, and we agreed to "foster to adopt" her, since we were thinking about a puppy when we applied. Libby will turn 9 in November. She has been invaluable to us and to LEARN.

**Libby (aka Star, "the one who started it all,") with Matt and Erin in the winter of 2001.**



Libby has been a wonderful babysitter and teacher for the many litters of puppies we've fostered over the years. We can remember 12 litters for sure, possibly more. I have to give my kids much of the credit for that. They were a tremendous help with all the puppies! My daughter, especially, has cleaned up a lot of puppy messes. We've always had a weakness for abandoned moms and puppies. Our last mom was left at an animal control facility days before she would give birth. Poor Holly had to travel about 4 hours with three different drivers before she made it to our house. We got home with her at 1:00 in the afternoon. She had the first of 10 puppies at 5:00 the same afternoon!

Another weakness we have is for the really shy and/or abused dogs. We had Lenny, who was completely terrified of just about everything. At first, we had to carry him in and out. Our second dog, Cody, has been a great mentor to these abused dogs. He is very calm and non-threatening. The abused dogs tend to gravitate toward Cody and learn from him. Lenny was eventually adopted by a wonderful family who continued to work with him to build up his confidence. It took over two years, but Lenny finally learned to be a dog. We've also had Custer, who came to us looking like his head had literally been sewn on. He had been tied to a tree with a chain that became imbedded in his neck. He was a mess when we picked him up with stitches, drain tubes and bandages. He was also emaciated. Despite all that, he was one of the sweetest dogs you could meet.



**Lady**

Another favorite was Lady. We had agreed to take a very pregnant Lady from a shelter. For some reason, the Vet at the shelter decided to spay her just days before her puppies would have been born. Her first couple of days here were really touch and go. Her hormones were way out of whack, and she would attack our dogs for no reason. We decided to give her a little time and also let her know that would not be tolerated. She turned out to be quite a character and

one of the sweetest dogs ever. She quickly turned into Erin's favorite.

I have to admit that we get burned out at times. We've retired from fostering several times but have a really hard time saying no to a pregnant mom or badly abused dog. Some of them are a LOT of work. And yes, they have chewed on stuff they shouldn't while they're here. All of this is quickly forgotten when you watch a previously scared & abused dog leave happy and confident with a new family. There aren't words to describe the feeling you get knowing what a difference you've made in their life. We realize that we can't save them all, but we also know we are able to make a huge difference in the lives of those we do save. Fostering is a lot of work but also one of the most rewarding things you'll ever do.

We feel very privileged to be a part of the LEARN network. LEARN is willing to take dogs with medical issues and get them taken care of. We have treated countless dogs for heartworm, torn ACL's, hip dysplasia, dogs that have been hit by cars, the list goes on. LEARN will give a dog every possible chance at a healthy, happy life.



**Pebbles puppies "The Peblets"**



**Holly and Her Puppies**



# Thanks to a Microchip, Foster Finds Lost Family

by Mary Goltz

On October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 a sweet black Lab mix came to live with me as my new foster dog. I wasn't sure what to call her. After running down a list of names, I got a look and a tail wag when I called her "Macey". So, Macey it was. Like so many other Labs that find their way to LEARN, this dog's history was unknown. She was found wandering down a dark country road all alone without any identification tags. She was picked up by a good Samaritan who was worried about her safety and feared she was abandoned or dumped.

I took Macey to the Vet for a check up and routine shots. Because Macey was found as a stray, the Veterinarian ran a microchip scan over Macey. To our surprise, there was a signal – this dog had an owner somewhere. After contacting the microchip company, it was determined that the chip was registered to a county animal control office. The animal control officer was able to provide me with her owner's name, address, and phone number. They also told me that the dog's name was "Jacey"; she was spayed, and up-to-date on shots.

I contacted her owner that evening. He was choking up and could not believe what he was hearing. On a rainy night this past August, he let "Jacey" outside like he did so many nights before. That was the last her family saw of her. They called the local police department and animal control but heard nothing for three long months. Jacey never strayed. After all that time, they feared something bad had happened to her and they would never see her again.

Jacey was happily reunited with her family the next day. They were lucky. Without the microchip, Jacey and her family probably would have never seen each other again.

Millions of dogs are lost each year. Dog owners cannot possibly think of every possible situation that could occur in their lives that would result in the loss of their pet. Many lost dogs end up in shelters where they are adopted, moved to rescue groups, or even euthanized. Shelters are already overcrowded and can only hold stray animals for a short amount of time. According to A.V.I.D., of the millions of dogs and cats euthanized in shelters around the country an estimated 30 percent of them are lost pets whose owners cannot be found.



Many unforeseen situations can occur. It is important that your dog has identification at all times. Collars and tags are great but can fall off or become damaged. Microchipping has made it possible for you to equip your pet with permanent identification.

A microchip is very small, about the size of a grain of rice. Each microchip contains a unique code. The chip is implanted in the back of the dog's neck under the skin with a needle and special syringe. The process is similar to getting a shot. Little to no pain is experienced. The chip remains safely within the dog, though it may shift a little over time. When a scanner is passed over it, the chip gives a number unique to your pet, which is registered with the microchip company. The company maintains the contact information L.E.A.R.N. supports microchipping. All Labradors adopted through L.E.A.R.N. are microchipped and registered to L.E.A.R.N. But remember, the microchip database is only as good as



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as the information it contains. That is why *it is very important for adopters to keep their contact information up to date with L.E.A.R.N.* It is also recommended that you ask your Veterinarian to test the microchip at annual Vet visits to make sure the chip is still transmitting.

Luckily, I have not experienced the loss of a dog or benefited from the advantages of having my dogs implanted with the microchip, and hope I never do.

However, Jacey's story has reinforced my belief in the importance of microchips and the part they play in the success stories of families being reunited with their beloved pets.

Does your dog need a microchip? You may purchase one from LEARN for \$25, and then register the dog in your name. Email LEARN at [learndogs@Labadoption.org](mailto:learndogs@Labadoption.org) or call at (847) 289-PETS (7387) for a chip and more information.

## WANT TO HELP SAVE MORE LABS?

LEARN needs foster homes to save more Labs! There are more Labs who need help than Rescues and Shelters can save. You can make a real difference! Consider being part of the solution. Consider opening your home and your heart to a foster dog. Even fostering just once helps. It will mean a lot to the dog whose life you save!

**LEARN also needs VOLUNTEERS for home visits, transportation, fund raising, and more. Please join us!**

Please visit LEARN's website for more info and an application:

[www.Labadoption.org/linkpages/HowToHelp/Fosters.htm](http://www.Labadoption.org/linkpages/HowToHelp/Fosters.htm) or contact Chris Wallen at [chris4Labs@gmail.com](mailto:chris4Labs@gmail.com) or call (847) 289-PETS (7387) and leave Chris a message. Thanks for considering it. ☺

### **LEARN Tips...compiled from questions adopters have asked and the experience of LEARN volunteers.**

- 1. Notice a bump or lump on your dog?** Have the Vet check it with a needle aspiration as soon as possible. According to a Veterinary Oncologist "Let's just watch it" are 4 words that can kill.
- 2. Want to encourage your dog to look to you for guidance?** Be sure to make any direct eye contact a positive experience. You've trained your dog to look to you for guidance and reassurance. To sustain and maintain that trust, keep any direct eye contact a positive experience for them.
- 3. Does your dog get into trouble when you're gone?** That could be a sign your dog isn't getting enough exercise. Be sure to give your dog adequate exercise before you leave. Remember, a tired dog is a good dog.
- 4. Need to exercise your dog, but it's too cold?** Mental exercises can be as tiring as physical exercise. Inside activities/games and training sessions are a good way to exercise your dog when it's too cold for them to stay outside for very long. Other options: use Doggy Day Care; attend an Obedience or Agility Class; schedule play dates for your dogs.
- 5. Want to prolong your dog's life?** A Purina-funded study found that dogs live 2.8 years longer if they are kept at their ideal weight. These dogs also have a lower incidence of cancer, arthritis and diabetes. (See Dog Behavior Topics on LEARN's website, [www.Labadoption.org](http://www.Labadoption.org) for an article to help you determine your dog's ideal weight.)
- 6. Ice on the sidewalk/driveway?** Salt can be very irritating to a dog's pads. Avoid using salt to melt your ice. Instead use one of the many ice melting products on the market that are pet friendly. Also, avoid walking your dog on sidewalks and roadways that have been salted or consider using dog boots.
- 7. Is your dog dressed for the weather?** If your dog has arthritis or is a senior or has diabetes or another condition that impairs their circulation, consider using a doggy coat this winter. Dogs with impaired circulation need help staying warm. Dogs with arthritis benefit from a doggy coat that covers both the shoulder and hip joints.
- 8. Does your dog have dry, flaky or itchy skin?** Winter's dry air outside and inside can dry your dog's skin. Try adding a supplement with Omega 3's and 6's. . . . Good sources of Omega 3s and 6s are Fish oil and Flax seed oil.

## **Cali's Story** by Cindy Anderson

Cali came to LEARN because her owners, loosing their home, could no longer care for her. She came with an extreme ear infection, sometimes called cauliflower ear. She also had a yeast infection under her chin and paws.

LEARN took her to the Vet immediately to see what kind of treatment was needed. Cali was put on an antibiotic, ear wash, ear drops, and a cream for the yeast infection that was to be applied twice daily for two weeks.



The Vet also suggested changing her food, which was high in grains. Her food was changed to a grain-free fish and potato kibble, and she receives only natural treats. After a week of the medication and new food, Cali was almost a new dog. She had lost some weight and was more energetic. I was also able to

get the drops in the ear canal versus just outside of the canal.

At the end of the two weeks we went back to the Vet for a checkup. The Vet noted the improvement and wanted to keep her on the same program for another two weeks at which time, she would decide if Cali needed surgery on the left (worst) ear.

Cali was mostly a very good patient, but sometimes, if she saw me get her ear drops, she would run in the opposite direction. It would end in a battle of the wills. At the end of the fourth week the Vet concluded that



Cali would need surgery on her left ear because otherwise it would not improve.

Thanks to LEARN, Cali was able to have the surgery and is doing great. She has been taken off most of her medications and continues to thrive. Cali has been a joy to foster. She is such a giving dog, and I think she knows I have been trying to help her. I also learned a lot from this experience and have become a firm believer that high quality food does make a difference in a dog's health and that regular cleaning of your dog's ears, especially if they get wet, will help prevent future ear infections. The Lab is famous for ear infections because of their floppy ears, but with quality food and preventative care we can help insure are dogs will live happier and fuller lives. Thank you LEARN for helping Cali. She can now live a happy and quality filled life.

*Breaking news: Cali has just been adopted and will live in Illionois with her perfect forever family. Congratulations, Cali!*

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## **Our Labs Need Your Help!**

Many dogs desperately need our help, including expensive medical care that drains our funds. Donations are tax-deductible and are greatly appreciated. LEARN and their Labs thank you!

I want to support the efforts of LEARN as they rescue homeless Labs and Lab mixes and place them in permanent adoptive homes.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Please find my check for:  \$25.00  \$50.00  \$100.00  Other Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to **LEARN, PO Box 164, Island Lake, IL 60042** or donate at [www.Labadoption.org](http://www.Labadoption.org) via **PayPal**.

## Writing to Spread the Word

Jim Willis devotes his talents to help the millions of animals who are victims of humankind's cruelty and neglect. His "How Could You?" essay has become one of the most widely published animal-related essays in the world, translated into many languages. LEARN first printed it in The Retriever in the July, 2002 issue. Our readers' feedback was excellent, so we thought it's time to share it again. Learn more about Jim Willis' global efforts and other writings at <http://jimwillis0.tripod.com/tiergarten/>.

*"Anyone is welcome to distribute the essay for a noncommercial purpose, as long as it is properly*

*attributed with the copyright notice. Please use it to help educate, on your websites, in newsletters, on animal shelter and Vet office bulletin boards. Tell the public that the decision to add a pet to the family is an important one for life, that animals deserve our love and sensible care, that finding another appropriate home for your animal is your responsibility and any local humane society or animal welfare league can offer you good advice, and that all life is precious. Please do your part to stop the killing, and encourage all spay & neuter campaigns in order to prevent unwanted animals."*

## HOW COULD YOU? By Jim Willis, Copyright 2001

When I was a puppy I entertained you with my antics and made you laugh. You called me your child and despite a number of chewed shoes and a couple of murdered throw pillows, I became your best friend. Whenever I was "bad," you'd shake your finger at me and ask "How could you?" - but then you'd relent and roll me over for a bellyrub.

My houstraining took a little longer than expected, because you were terribly busy, but we worked on that together. I remember those nights of nuzzling you in bed, listening to your confidences and secret dreams, and I believed that life could not be any more perfect. We went for long walks and runs in the park, car rides, stops for ice cream (I only got the cone because "ice cream is bad for dogs," you said), and I took long naps in the sun waiting for you to come home at the end of the day.

Gradually, you began spending more time at work and on your career, and more time searching for a human mate. I waited for you patiently, comforted you through heartbreaks and disappointments, never chided you about bad decisions, and romped with glee at your homecomings, and when you fell in love.

She, now your wife, is not a "dog person" - still I welcomed her into our home, tried to show her affection, and obeyed her. I was happy because you were happy. Then the human babies came along and I shared your excitement. I was fascinated by their pinkness, how they smelled, and I wanted to mother them, too. Only she and you worried that I might hurt

them, and I spent most of my time banished to another room, or to a dog crate. Oh, how I wanted to love them, but I became a "prisoner of love."

As they began to grow, I became their friend. They clung to my fur and pulled themselves up on wobbly legs, poked fingers in my eyes, investigated my ears and gave me kisses on my nose. I loved everything about them and their touch - because your touch was now so infrequent - and I would have defended them with my life if need be.

Now you have a new career opportunity in another city, and you and they will be moving to an apartment that does not allow pets. You've made the right decision for your "family," but there was a time when I was your only family.

I was excited about the car ride until we arrived at the animal shelter. It smelled of dogs and cats, of fear, of hopelessness. You filled out the paperwork and said "I know you will find a good home for her." They shrugged and gave you a pained look. They understand the realities facing a middle-aged dog or cat, even one with "papers." You had to pry your son's fingers loose from my collar as he screamed "No, Daddy! Please don't let them take my dog!" And I worried for him, and what lessons you had just taught him about friendship and loyalty, about love and responsibility, and about respect for all life. You gave me a goodbye pat on the head, avoided my eyes, and politely refused

to take my collar and leash with you. You had a deadline to meet and now I have one, too.

After you left, the two nice ladies said you probably knew about your upcoming move months ago and made no attempt to find me another good home. They shook their heads and asked "How could you?"

They are as attentive to us here in the shelter as their busy schedules allow. They feed us, of course, but I lost my appetite days ago. At first, whenever anyone passed my pen, I rushed to the front, hoping it was you - that you had changed your mind - that this was all a bad dream...or I hoped it would at least be someone who cared, anyone who might save me. When I realized I could not compete with the frolicking for attention of happy puppies, oblivious to their own fate, I retreated to a far corner and waited.

I heard her footsteps as she came for me at the end of the day and I padded along the aisle after her to a separate room. A blissfully quiet room. She placed me on the table, rubbed my ears and told me not to worry. My heart pounded in anticipation of what was to come, but there was also a sense of relief. The prisoner of love had run out of days. As is my nature, I was more concerned about her. The burden which she bears weighs heavily on her and I know that, the same way I knew your every mood.

She gently placed a tourniquet around my foreleg as a tear ran down her cheek. I licked her hand in the same way I used to comfort you so many years ago. She expertly slid the hypodermic needle into my vein. As I

felt the sting and the cool liquid coursing through my body, I lay down sleepily, looked into her kind eyes and murmured "How could you?"

Perhaps because she understood my dogspeak, she said "I'm so sorry." She hugged me and hurriedly explained it was her job to make sure I went to a better place, where I wouldn't be ignored or abused or abandoned, or have to fend for myself - a place of love and light so very different from this earthly place. With my last bit of energy, I tried to convey to her with a thump of my tail that my "How could you?" was not meant for her. It was you, My Beloved Master, I was thinking of. I will think of you and wait for you forever.



May everyone in your life continue to show you so much loyalty.

The End

## "The Animals' Savior"

Copyright Jim Willis 1999

*I looked at all the caged animals in the shelter...the cast-offs of human society.*

*I saw in their eyes love and hope, fear and dread, sadness and betrayal.*

*And I was angry.*

*"God," I said, "this is terrible! Why don't you do something?"*

*God was silent for a moment and then He spoke softly.*

*"I have done something," He replied.*

*"I created You."*

**You, our volunteers, and many others have helped LEARN save over 1,500 dogs and match them together with loving and caring homes. Every foster home, each adoption, every donation, and all our volunteer help make the world a more fun and happy place, especially for Labs. Please continue to help us save Labs' lives.**

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## Enormous Thanks!

The following people generously donated money, supplies, or services to help our rescued Labs. Your help means these Labs are alive and happy. LEARN especially appreciates your generosity in these challenging economic times as you allow us to continue saving Labs!

Amalgated Bank  
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## Congrats to Labbies who found their new families!

### Prior to June 2009

Lucy--Tom & Teresa Patek  
Amber--Thomas & Christine Knable  
Loretta--Joseph & Shelly Pesz

### June 2009

Layla--Dan & Carrie Mass  
Mona--John & Liz Haydock  
Bella--Liana & Andrew Blint  
Maggie--Juli Karr  
Buddy--Carol & Paul Pistorio

### July 2009

Hank--Judy & Gary Hassler  
Dewey--Brad & Susan Haas

### August 2009

Sydney--Karl & Jennifer Johnson  
Tanner--Joanne Boettin  
Ivy--Andy & Elizabeth Kistner  
Kobe--Joel & Kelcey Gropp  
Charlie--Tom & Geneel Edwards

Peanut--Andy & Cassandra Walbrun

### September 2009

Annie--Edward & Kristen Johnson  
Lemon--Lonnie & Connie Poffenberger  
Hunter--Dennis & Catherine Cauley  
Max--Neal & Colleen Shade  
Baxter--Kim Beyer  
Libby--Steve & Becky Kohl

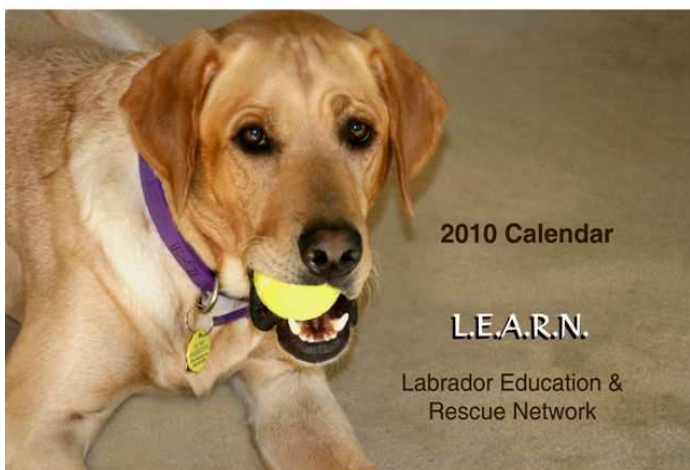
## Help Labs with your Holiday Giving—Ideas & Opportunities!

Consider giving the gift of life for a Lab this season in many shapes and forms. Please see the Merchandise, Donation and Sponsor tabs at [www.Labadoption.org](http://www.Labadoption.org) for more information. You may also call 847-289-PETS (7387) or email [learndogs@Labsdoption.org](mailto:learndogs@Labsdoption.org).

### This Season, Sponsor a Lab in Someone's Honor

For that dog lover who's hard to shop for or doesn't need more stuff, please consider sponsoring one of LEARN's Labs in his or her honor. That special someone will receive an elegant certificate with the sponsored dog's name and photo. This way, he or she will both receive and give the gift of life. Please email LEARN at [learndogs@Labadoption.org](mailto:learndogs@Labadoption.org) for more information or call 847-289-PETS (7387). Purchasing a sponsorship is tax-deductible.

*Editor's note: last holiday season we sponsored 3 Labs in honor of 3 family members. This gift not only touched the recipients but brought them true holiday cheer by knowing they helped save a life. The certificates prepared for the sponsorship were exquisite. We look forward to sponsoring more Labs this season and hope that if it's right for you, you'll consider doing so, too!*



— Tequila —

LEARN's 2010 Calendars are now available and look as gorgeous and endearing as a Labrador Retriever. A great gift as well as a great way to experience 2010. You may order the calendar from our website, or use the contact info above to order.



### Remember our supporters

8PawsUp.com is a pet-lover owned website that offers Labrador Retriever dog breed information and sells Labrador Retriever designs on quality apparel and gift items through the Internet. You may remember our interview with 8PawsUp founder Shannon Steffen (*The Retriever*, February, 2008, p.4). 8PawsUp generously donates 15% of proceeds made each month to LEARN. Thanks, 8PawsUp, and Happy Holidays!

### LEARN Merchandise

... is available online or by calling 847-847-289-PETS (7387).

- Labrador Greeting Cards—new!
- Reusable “Green” Tote Bag
- Specialty Collars and Leashes
- Dog backpacks, Pet travel beds
- Apparel
- Much more!

### Need It Wrapped?

LEARN volunteers will wrap your gifts:

Gift Wrapping at Borders - Eastside Madison, WI

**Saturday, December 5, 2009**

**Time: 1-5 pm**

Gift Wrapping at Borders - Eastside Madison

**Sunday, December 6, 2009**

**Time: 1-5 pm**

**Event** *The Great Lakes Pet Expo* comes to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, February 6th, 2010.  
Watch [www.Labadoption.org](http://www.Labadoption.org) a link and more info!

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## Would you open your Heart and your Home to one of many in Need?

LEARN has helped over 1,500 Labs find their forever homes, but many more never get that opportunity. As you read this, many, many Labs and Lab mixes, from puppies to seniors, wait in shelters and hope for a second chance before their time runs out. LEARN can receive 7 calls in a single day, each a request to help one or more Labs.

Please consider giving a Lab a second chance and foster a dog with LEARN's support and guidance. Also, we need volunteers to help with transportation, events, fund raising, more! See p. 4 for more info.



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