



Dear friends and fellow animal lovers,

For those of you that don't believe in ghosts or reincarnation, read no further! For those that do, we have had an interesting theme popping up in the clinic lately. Last year Bryan and I lost four of our five own dogs, in addition to so many client dogs who we also consider family! But a strange phenomenon has been happening. Several of our personal dogs and one of our foundation dogs have shown up in the form of a new dog who is almost identical to the one we lost!

First it was Maverick, our young Golden whom we adopted as a puppy paralyzed in all four legs. Last year he left us and we later got a phone call from a rescue about a young Golden puppy who was also paralyzed, asking if we would take him on. (Of course!) He looked a LOT like Maverick.





Then we lost Kashmir, our crazy albino Dobie. We recently had a vet bring us his twin. A crazy young albino Dobie with a broken leg. Of course we took him in. I named him Suede. I thought I was seeing a ghost!



We also lost Rex, my gorgeous black Dobie running partner who was missing his lower left incisor and who, to put it charitably, was absolutely nuts. Then we took in a gorgeous black Dobie to be my new running partner whom we later realized was missing her lower left incisor. She too is absolutely nuts. Our trainer actually told us to "treat her as if she were Rex" as she has many of the same emotional problems!

We also lost beautiful Kenny, our big Dobie Foundation dog who was paralyzed due to IVDD. Then we get a call that Red, a big black paralyzed Dobie needed us. He is Kenny's doppelgänger! It's uncanny.

All of these new dogs have a couple of things in common. Not only do they bring back incredibly fond memories of our past dogs but they too have problems. Lots of them! On one level it's a challenge to appreciate that these are new beings, not our old dogs! We constantly call them by the wrong name. So does our staff. It's just unavoidable. But we catch ourselves and laugh and realize that this new crew also has something to teach us. So we will be open to them. And we'll try to get their names right. And as always, we'll love them to pieces (yes it IS possible to instantly love a dog you've just met).

And yes, we believe in ghosts!!!!

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COURAGEOUS CANINES

Bruno

Sweet guy, Bruno, has been coming to 2h4p for almost a year now. He had back surgery and needed some help regaining his strength and coordination. Bruno has done just that, as well as shed some pounds while gaining confidence. He zips through his land exercises and triumphs in the water treadmill. There is nothing holding this stud back! All the ladies definitely talk about Bruno. Seriously, check out those adorable ears!!!







Freyja

This gorgeous blonde, Freyja, has been a model patient. She gives her all in P.T. and has recently incorporated swimming into the treatment plan. Dad reports that Freyja has been thriving at home. She has more pep in her step and is back to enjoying short walks.

We love senior dogs, and take great pride in helping ease their pain and add enjoyable time back to their lives. Go get 'em, Freyja!



PRODUCT OF THE MONTH





We're having a special on hugs this month!!!

Normally, hugs are free, and this month they're *free-er*. Hugs are great: they're fun to give and get, they come with whopping doses of serotonin and oxytocin, and there's no minimum age required! Your pets will love them. Come get them at the clinic. Hey, you might even have some at home, check the cushions of your couch! Dig them out. Spend them freely.





This month we're fully stocked! Also, be sure to ask us about our volume discount plan. Hug on!









QUICK HITS

- Leslie has been recruited to present at the Fetch DVM360 conference in Long Beach this December. Super exciting to spread the love.
- Lexi has improved greatly during her swim lessons with Bryan. From street dog to swim dog. Way to go, Lexi!
- Ellevet's CBD+CBDA has been a big hit for pain relief and ESPECIALLY for calming. Finally something that really works.
- Long-time patient, Blackie, had a setback that landed her in the hospital for a few days. She fought hard and is already back at P.T. giving her all. We are rooting for you, Blackie.
- Little German Shepherd, Levi, scored some new wheels. Puppy on the move!
- Foundation dogs, Jack and Mochi, both went off to foster to get some well deserved TLC in a home.







14 DOGS HAVE GRADUATED AND NOW ARE READY TO JOIN FUN SWIM!

Blu Bailey Merlin Luna Maya Ben Willow Jagger Unagi Zamboni Pepper Winnie Agnes Doris







Sundays 10a - 2p & Wednesdays 5p - 7p





More than 20 dogs attended Fun Swim this past week. Wahooo!!! It was a big splash!!!







Thank you very much for reading, Leslie and The Two Hands Four Paws Team