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AHDRO's Bandit Helped by Grey Muzzle

How we helped: Medical expense grant for adoptable dogs
Date: February 22, 2013
Organization: Almost Home Dog Rescue of Ohio



Rescued by Almost Home Dog Rescue of Ohio (AHDRO), the beguiling Bandit had lived outside among trash his entire life, his only shelter an overturned picnic table.

When the 10-year-old tricolor rough Collie came to AHDRO he had a large scar down his back and a scar on his eyelid, amid other wounds and marks on his face and head. His coat was brittle and thinning and he was covered in fleas, burrs and mats, especially between his legs which made it difficult to walk. He reportedly had only been vaccinated one time in his life. His overall physical condition was poor, revealing worn down teeth, sullied ears and a skeletal structure that was palpable through his thin coat. He weighed just 49 pounds.



The rejuvenation of Bandit began, and Grey Muzzle helped by providing a grant to cover general wellness veterinary expenses, including neutering, teeth-cleaning, skin and coat treatments, worming, vaccinations, heartworm preventative, supplements and an orthopedic bed. Bandit was a different boy, slowly beginning to blossom, when he was matched with a couple through AHDRO's Senior-to-Senior program and went to live in a permanent foster home. Now he looks much better, living the life he deserves, as his coat fills in along with his flesh.



Despite his harsh background, Bandit has an indomitable spirit and a lot of energy and curiosity about the things around him. He had to learn how to be a pet who lives inside and now he follows his foster dad around like a little duckling! Bandit's driving force is his obsession with finding the cats in the home. He doesn't harm them but makes sure he knows where they are at all times. The foster parents report that he fits right in with the two-legged and four-legged members of their household!

To read online visit <http://www.greymuzzle.org/Meet-the-Dogs/2013/Bandit.aspx>

Introducing Angie Winters, Dog Behavior Consultant

By Kathy Tagliaferri

Angie Williams is a dog behaviorist and friend to AHDRO who has worked with and loved dogs her entire life. Located in Powell, Angie offers in-home consultations and helps educate owners through her website, videos, blog and Facebook page. Angie believes that many dogs can recover from bad behaviors. Over the last nine years she has proven that once a dog understands that he has a loving, respectfully firm leader, he becomes compliant, calm, and cooperative.



Angie was raised around animals and involved with training dogs from a young age. Her love of dogs made her curious about how they think and react, which led her to a self-study of dog psychology. Her professional career took her in a different direction, but after nearly dying following a long illness, Angie realized what she really wanted to do with her life. From then she has dedicated her time to rehabilitating the dogs that no one could keep.

Some of these dogs have come to Angie from rescue groups; some from families. Their behaviors vary from aggression and separation anxiety to an overall fear of humans. These are the dogs that no one can deal with, trust around their children, or leave alone in their home. But Angie is not the only person who can "undo" these behaviors. By understanding how a dog thinks, anyone can provide the leadership a dog needs to be a loving pet.

Chase is one of Almost Home's rescue dogs who has successfully gone through the "3 Dog Days" rehab system and is ready for his forever home. Learn more about Chase at Chase - Almost Home Dog Rescue of Ohio.

Angie's goal now is to educate pet owners and rescue group volunteers about how to improve bad behaviors and keep dogs out of shelters or from being euthanized. The method she uses redirects dog behavior by teaching people how dogs think; it is not training. While training has an important role, the first step for a dog is to let him know who is in charge.

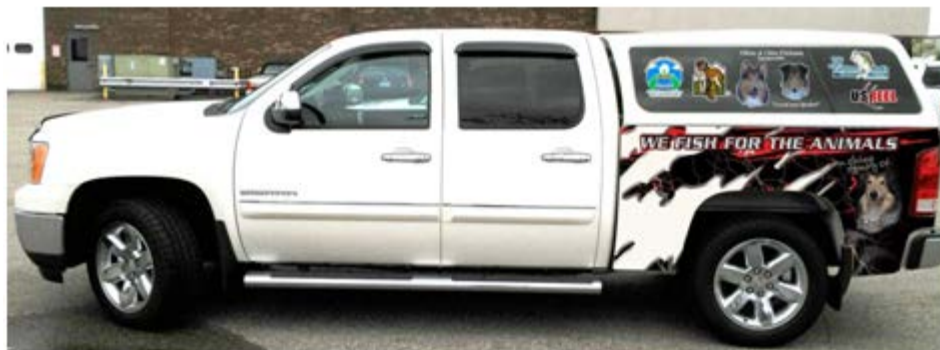
Angie has filmed the basics of her techniques and released a video called "3 Dog Days", available on her website at Angie4Dogs.com or on Amazon.com. I recently talked to Angie and asked her some questions about the technique she uses that has

saved so many lives. > [Read the interview](#)

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Mark Frickman Fishes for AHDRO

Many thanks to AHDRO friend, Mark Frickman, and his bass fishing team, 2DaBay -- "We Fish For The Animals." Mark has generously offered to donate a portion of his team's winnings to Almost Home. Good luck, Mark. We're rooting for you!



Check out AHDRO's logo on Mark's truck!
Keep track of Mark's schedule and progress at <http://www.flwoutdoors.com>.

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Katie's Collars collar maker donating to AHDRO

Need a new collar? Check out handmade Collars By Katie.

Katie is a vet student who will donate \$1 per item sold (cat collars, dog collars, leashes, harnesses) to Almost Home. When ordering, there is a spot on the ordering window online "who referred you" please type "Almost Home Dog Rescue".



All items are hand-sewn by Katie just for your dogs and cats. You select the size, nylon and ribbon to make a collar or leash that is as unique as your pet

She makes Martingale collars, too, AHDRO's preferred type of collar for collies.

To see more or place an order, visit <http://collarsbykatie.tripod.com>.

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10 year anniversary T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

2013 marks AHDRO's 10th anniversary. During that time we have rescued over 800 dogs. Look for more on anniversary celebrations in the future, but for now, we'd love you to participate with your design for our 10th anniversary t-shirt.

Submit your design (maximum three colors) to Cheryl at crakich@columbus.rr.com. Limit two submissions per person. Deadline: July 1, 2013. Happy designing!

Albert Payson Terhune and Sunnybank, part 1

By Cheryl Bricker

Many of us read Albert Payson Terhune's books as a child. The American author and collie breeder won our hearts while absorbed in the adventures of his treasured collies. To understand this extraordinary man, I'll share a little of his biography.

Albert Payson Terhune (1872 - 1942) attended Columbia University where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree and then worked as a reporter for The Evening World. His first wife, Lorraine, died at age 23, four days after giving birth to their daughter also named Lorraine (1898 - 1956). He later married his second wife, Anice. They were known as the Master and Mistress of his Sunnybank Kennels in Wayne, New Jersey where he bred and raised collies. Sunnybank soon became the most famed collie kennels in the U.S.



Terhune with His Collies, "In Conference."

Terhune first published short stories about his collie, Lad, titled Lad Stories in a variety of well-known general interest magazines. His first novel, published in 1919, was a collection of a dozen stories about Lad, entitled Lad: A Dog. It was a best seller for young children and adults alike and has been reprinted over 80 times. In 1962, the novel was made into a feature film. He wrote an additional 30 novels based on his dogs including two more books about Lad's antics. [Read more...](#)

Update on Tanner

This is Tanner, one of AHDRO's newest rescues ... both of his front legs are fractured. Still, his tail wags with every step he takes and he is the sweetest natured boy. Our vet thinks he was hit by a car and his legs broken. He has probably been this way for six months. Can you imagine the pain he has been in?

Surgery on both legs was scheduled for Wednesday, February 20th. Unfortunately, they were only able to do surgery on one leg at that time. The fracture was so bad that the surgery took more than 3 hours. Once they opened him up, the scar tissue was far worse than they anticipated and when the surgery was over, Tanner had received an external fixator, 8 screws, and 2 plates. He is going to have some healing time before his second surgery later in March.



Tanner's surgery is expected to cost AHDRO over \$4,000 and requires the bones to be "rebroken," his legs straightened and plates and bone grafts used to repair them. There may well be additional costs for rehabilitation. If you would like to help and donate to his high surgery costs, you can mail a check to:



Bev Schwieterman
7671 Southview Drive
Columbus, OH 43235

Follow Tanner's progress on ADHROs Facebook page.
See Tanner's video at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aW1_d-ZljXA&feature=youtu.be

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Renew Your Kroger Community Awards to Benefit AHDRO

Enroll now for the 2013 Kroger Community Rewards Program and help AHDRO. Already have an account? All participants must re-enroll each year to continue earning award during the coming year.

Enroll or renew for the Columbus area at http://www.kroger.com/community/Pages/community_rewards.aspx. Or go to www.kroger.com. Be sure to select Almost Home Dog Rescue of Ohio as your charity.

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Heartland Bank and Creature Comforts Partner to Help AHDRO

Have loose change? You can help Almost Home by taking your coins to the Heartland Bank at 6500 Frantz Rd, Dublin, Ohio 43017 between March 1st-31st. Use the bank's coin machine and the 7% service fee or the entire amount will benefit Almost Home thanks to our friends at Creature Comforts Animal Hospital. Just stop by the bank and put your change in the coin machine and get your cash! That's all there is to it!

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IMPORTANT NOTICE Concerning the Availability of Heartworm Prevention Medicines

Interceptor, the heartworm prevention that is recommended for many of the herding groups, has not been manufactured for many months now. Some vets are now recommending Trifexis as their first choice, except for dogs with liver disease, seizures or dogs on Prozac. This product prevents heartworm disease, treats and controls adult hookworm, roundworm and whipworm infections and kills fleas. Revolution, Heartguard and Iverhart are also alternatives. Trefexis is the medicine of choice for AHDRO.

Note that the dose is important. Your vet may recommend that a lower dose be administered than what is suggested on the label. As always, check with your vet

which brand and dose is best for your particular dog and the importance of a MDR1 test.

For more information on these medicines:

www.trifexis.com

www.revolutionpet.com

www.heartgard.us.merial.com

www.iverhart.com

The Costs of Rescue All Add Up

A Rescue Dog's True Cost!

- Kenneling** \$200 a month
- Vaccinations & testing** \$100 plus
- Dental** \$250 plus (if needed)
- Transport** \$125 or more
- Spay/Neutering** \$100 plus
- Grooming** \$45
- Preventatives** \$25 a month (Frontline, Heartgard, etc.)
- Rescue's Cost** \$600/\$900
- Adoption Fee** only \$300

Saving a Life & getting a New best friend... Priceless!

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Save The Date

and watch our website and Facebook page for more information to come your way.

- Pars Fore Pets 3rd Annual Golf Outing - August 26, 2013 at Rattlesnake Ridge Golf Club
- AHDRO Reunion October 12, 2013 11:00 am -3:00 pm

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Legislation Update

Nitro Foundation announced that Nitro's Law (H.B.90) has been reintroduced to the Ohio House for 2013. Nitro Foundation and animal advocates have been trying to get Nitro's Law through the Ohio legislative process for four years. First it was introduced as HB70, then HB108.

Representative Ronald Gerberry (D) walked the bill through the introduction process, standing there every step of the way to fast track it. Gerberry wants to move the bill to the Ohio Senate as quickly as possible. The bill has 20 cosponsors this year, 13 Democrats, and 7 Republicans. Fingers crossed the bill will move swiftly to a vote and approval. *Thanks to Jeannie Carlile for her post about Nitro's Law.*

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Bark Back

If you'd like to see your story or pictures of your adopted or fostered Almost Home dog in a newsletter, please send your information to me. If you have ideas for stories, or suggestions of things you'd like to see here, please let me know. This newsletter is for you.

Please share our updates with your friends, coworkers and family ... perhaps they'll decide to join us!

Thank you,

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