



Freedom Tails

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New Faces Looking for the Forever Home!



PRECIOUS: at 54lbs, this gorgeous girl will be 2 years old when she leaves the program. Precious is a Boxer/Terrier Mix who loves people and belly scratches! The Boxer side really comes out when playing, as she'll *box* you with her front paws! Precious's handler sums her up in one word - **FABULOUS**! She is good with other dogs, is microchipped, and would make a **FABULOUS** addition to your family. (HAVA)



KEBA: is one of the most laid back dogs you'll come across. At 3 ½ years old, this beautiful Border Collie Mix will make a wonderful addition to any family. Keba is extremely well mannered, and is fine with other dogs as long as properly introduced. **K** – Kid. The child within. **E** – Enjoy. Life is fun! **B** – Befriend. It's easy for him. **A** – Acquaintance. The many friends he'll make. (DOC Donation)



PENELOPE-aka-PENNY: is an 8 month old, soft coated, Mixed breed girl. She is great with all dogs and is very affectionate. Penny is a hyper girl, even for a pup, so will need a home that can keep up her training and fawn her with the attention she craves. Speaking of training, she is learning commands quickly – especially to *sit*, as she knows it will accompany pets and love! (HAVA)

SCHOLARS HAVE ARGUED OVER THE METAPHYSICAL INTERPRETATION OF DOROTHY'S POOCH, TOTO, IN THE WIZARD OF OZ. ONE THEORY POSTULATES THAT TOTO REPRESENTS ANUBIS, THE DOG-HEADED EGYPTIAN GOD OF DEATH, BECAUSE TOTO CONSISTENTLY KEEPS DOROTHY FROM SAFELY RETURNING HOME.

A DOG CAN LOCATE THE SOURCE OF A SOUND IN 1/600 OF A SECOND AND CAN HEAR SOUNDS FOUR TIMES FARTHER AWAY THAN A HUMAN EAR. TOUCH IS THE FIRST SENSE THE DOG DEVELOPS. THE ENTIRE BODY, INCLUDING THE PAWS, IS COVERED WITH TOUCH-SENSITIVE NERVE ENDINGS.

GENIE: will chase a ball all day long if you let her! This sleek and stunning 2 ½ year old Lab/Boxer Mix is the sweetest girl under the sun, but she'll need lots of room to run and a home that can keep up. Genie already knows all her commands, as she's smart as a whip, is eager to learn more, and can't wait for you to bring her into her new forever home. (DOC Donation)



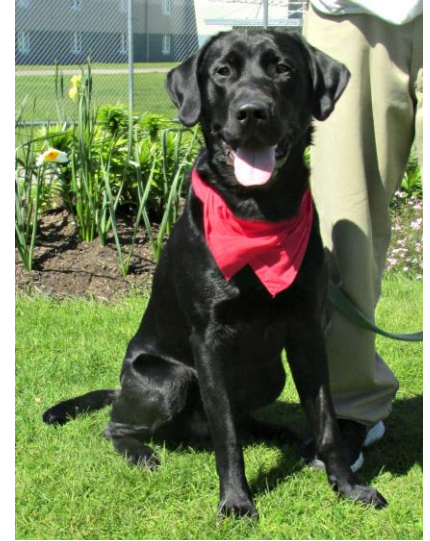
Looking For a Labrador? Pick Your Color!!



HALEY: coming on 3 years old, this beautiful Yellow Labrador Retriever will chase a ball all day long if allowed to! Haley has a heart of gold and is super-friendly, but picks her doggie friends – she plays well with the boys, but doesn't care for alpha females. This 67lb girl will quickly become your loving forever friend, and you'll never tire of petting her soft, soft coat. (DOC Donation)



BUCK: the boy has bounce! Seriously, this young boy has jumping abilities that will astound you. Buck is a 70lb Chocolate Lab/Chesapeake Bay Mix, is wonderful with children, but needs a house without cats. He already knows all of his commands, loves car rides, and is very friendly. Buck will need an active family to keep up with his energy level. (HAVA)



SKEETER: at 1 year old, this Black Labrador Retriever is still a huge puppy at heart. Skeeter is 75lbs - with room to grow - is a social boy, and has an easy going personality. But, abrupt movements and loud noises tend to bother him. Skeeter wants an active person/family that will provide him lots of exercise and attention, which he'll give back 10 fold. (HAVA)



SNICKERS: is a gorgeous 1 ½ year old Collie Mix girl with a wonderful personality! She would be best fit for a family as the single dog and no small children – but, only because she plays a little on the rough side. Snickers is a cuddler – so much so, that when told to lie down, she'll lay on your feet! She is very active when outside, but is very calm when it's time to come inside. (PAWS of GH)



REX: this handsome Springer/English Setter Mix boy is almost 3 ½ years old, weighs in at 70lbs, and loves everyone. You can tell by the smile on his face that Rex is a happy boy. He is coming along fantastic with his commands, aims to please, and has a great personality. It will be one lucky person/family that gets to bring him into their forever home. (PAWS of GH)

Here Are the Pups! And Brigadoon Says "Hi"



HUNTER and HARRY: what is there to say? They're puppies, their adorable, and everyone loves them! Hunter and Harry are three month old brothers of Black Lab/Airedale Terrier Mix. Amazingly, these two are already learning their commands very well – very well! Especially for being puppies. Hunter and Harry play well with the other dogs, have the sweetest personalities, and boy, can they run. The person or family that brings one of these pups into their household will have years of fun, love, and activity to look forward to. (PAWS of GH)



Recently, a tour came thru SCCC and visited both the Freedom Tails program and the Brigadoon program. Brigadoon handlers came out and talked with the visitors explaining what the program was about, how their dogs were trained, and the type of people they were being trained for. The three dogs



from the left are Freedom Tails graduates, and were asked to come into the Brigadoon program. All four of our Brigadoon dogs will be going to disabled Veterans!



When you access the HAVA website, slowly drop under the Freedom Tails tab...magically an application link appears!



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<http://www.hava-heart.org/freedom-tails>

Sherman the Therapy Dog Visits SCCC



Recently, SCCC had another couple of visitors – Sherman the Therapy Dog and his person, Sherry McAllister. We surprised the handlers during their training session, amid many **oohs**, **awes**, and **wows**! All the handlers had one-on-one time with the big guy. Sherman is a 1 ½ year old English Mastiff who weighs in at 230lbs - and is still growing. Sherry and Sherman visit nursing homes in order to brighten people's days. Sherry shared many touching stories of their visits. Two of the Freedom Tails handlers recently created a custom collar for Sherman designed just for his nursing home visits, which he wore that day. The smallest hole on the collar is 29"! A big thank you to both Sherry and Sherman for taking the time to come visit SCCC!! <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sherman-the-Therapy-Dog/676644085745314>

L: Sherry talks to the audience about Sherman and their ventures; Below L: Sherman checks out the beard on handler/leather worker Simonton while Sherry and handler/leather worker Royer look on; R: Royer and Simonton show off their creation. Bottom L: 230lb Sherman meets 10lb Hunter; Middle: Hunter shies away from Sherman with handler Stanley as a barrier – one minute later, Sherman tips Stanley over!; R: Simonton, Sherman, and Royer pose for the camera..

