

THANKSGIVING 2023 EDITION

THE PAW



OUR MISSION

WOUNDED PAW PROJECT® IS A 501(C)(3) THAT FOCUSES ON THE PREVENTION OF ANIMAL ABUSE AND THE REHABILITATION OF ABUSED AND RESCUED DOGS.

Welcome to The Paw, Wounded Paw Project's® monthly newsletter that keeps you up to date on how you and Wounded Paw Project® are making a difference for abused and rescued dogs. Each month, you'll get tips that you can use for your own pet and since Wounded Paw Project® was founded by a Purple Heart recipient, we'll also provide veterans with information they may not know.

This is our special Thanksgiving issue! As we celebrate the holiday, we want you to know how thankful we are for supporters like you! In this issue, you'll get a sneak peak at our newest rescued puppy, Lola. You'll also find out which thanksgiving meal foods are safe for your doggie...and which ones are not.

We hope you enjoy this special edition newsletter and don't forget to follow us throughout the month on our social media platforms.

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Saving Lola (Part One)

What would you do if you knew a dog only had 48 hours to live? For Wounded Paw Project®, this question is a no-brainer...we would do everything we could to save the doggie! Meet Lola! Wounded Paw Project® received a call from Lola's owners saying if they couldn't find a home for Lola, the local animal shelter was going to euthanize Lola in less than 48 hours.

Lola was rescued from a shelter earlier this year after being found roaming the streets at night. Her owner then relocated with Lola across the country with another dog that had been with the family for several years. That's when things started to change. The two otherwise friendly dogs began fighting with each other. First it was just little skirmishes. Then the doggies began fighting with each other to the point where Lola's owner no longer felt the home was safe for Lola. She tried taking Lola to the local animal shelter where she was told that if they couldn't find a home for Lola, she most certainly would be euthanized. That's when Wounded Paw Project® got the call. After hearing Lola's story, we knew we

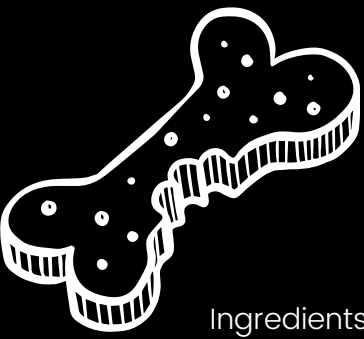
needed to save her. Wounded Paw Project® made arrangements for Lola's owner to drive her back across the country and bring her to the Wounded Paw Project® sanctuary!

Hear the rest of Lola's story in next month's issue....



GIVING TUESDAY IS NOVEMBER 28, 2023

**MAKE YOUR YEAR-END DONATION COUNT!
DONATE TO WOUNDED PAW PROJECT®
AND HELP TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF
DOGGIES LIKE LOLA! YOUR DONATION WILL
HELP GIVE AN ABUSED OR RESCUED DOG A
SECOND TAIL IN LIFE®!**



LEFTOVER TURKEY JERKEY

Not sure what to do with all that leftover turkey? Make your doggie turkey jerkey!!! We found this recipe on kolchakpuggle.com and we're sure your doggie will love it!

Ingredients:

- Leftover Turkey - white meat is great but your doggie will love dark meat too
- 1/4 cup of olive oil
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh curly parsley or other fresh, dog friendly herb

1. Thinly slice turkey, carving with the grain of the meat.
2. If desired, mix together oil and parsley in a ziploc bag. Add turkey meat and toss to coat. Squish out air, seal the bag and allow to marinate overnight.

Oven method:

Preheat oven to 150 degrees. Lay out turkey on parchment lined baking sheets or on drying racks. Bake with door open for 3 - 6 hours, until jerkey is crispy and crunchy.

Dehydrator method:

Lay out turkey on drying racks. Turn on dehydrator. Dry for 3 - 6 hours until crispy and crunchy.

**DOG FRIENDLY
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Dogs CAN have	Dogs CANT have
Carrots	Onion
Celery	Leeks
Turkey (no skin)	Ham
Corn (no cob)	Turkey bones
Sweet potatoes	Casseroles
Green beans	Garlic
Apples	Grapes
Pumpkin	Stuffing



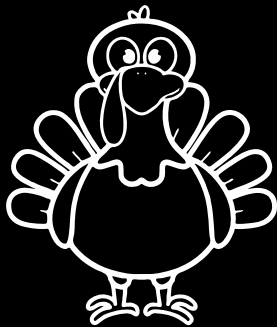
WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Help us get the word out about Wounded Paw Project® by wearing one of our T-shirts! To get your FREE T-shirt, text ILOVEDOGS2 to 53-555 and make a minimum \$20 donation. Your donation will help us further our work to prevent animal abuse and rehabilitate abused and rescued dogs.



MEET SADIE THE MO'PITTIE...THE MORKIE WHO THINKS SHE'S A PITBULL. EACH MONTH, SADIE WILL GIVE YOU TIPS TO HELP YOU HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY PET.

THIS MONTH, SADIE WANTS TO REMIND YOU SHOULD NEVER, EVER GIVE YOUR DOGGIE TURKEY BONES. TURKEY BONES ARE VERY BRITTLE AND ARE HARMFUL TO YOUR PET.



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**WOUNDED PAW
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Daisy "Rainbow", Founder
Pitbull-Turned-Service Dog
For a Purple Heart Recipient



Ernesto P. Hernandez III, Co-Founder
USAF Ret.
Purple Heart Recipient

For more information visit www.WPP.dog





VET-2-VET

Each month The Paw provides valuable information to our Nation's veterans on services and opportunities that may not be common knowledge to Vets.

SPECIAL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION RATES

The VA is changing the rates that they pay for special transportation services – including air ambulance transportation – to better align with the health care industry while continuing to provide

world-class, affordable care to those who the VA serves. According to a report from the the Inspector General in 2018, the VA had been paying about 60 percent more than the industry standard for air ambulance services. Under new regulation, the VA will now pay the lesser of actual charges associated with an air ambulance service, or the industry standard rate for that service, unless a separate rate has been established based on local contracts between air ambulance providers and local VA medical centers. VA intends to include terms in these contracts to ensure that Veteran care will not be adversely impacted and that Veterans will not receive bills for these services.

These changes were originally slated to become effective on February 16, 2024, but the VA is currently developing a rule that will delay the effective date by approximately one year until February 2025. VA expects the rule delaying the effective date to be published prior to February 16, 2024.

COMMONLY USED VA PHONE NUMBERS

**VA MAIN INFORMATION LINE
1-800-698-2411**

**VA BENEFITS HOTLINE
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**VA HEALTH BENEFITS HOTLINE
1-877-222-8387**

**WOMEN VETERANS HOTLINE
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