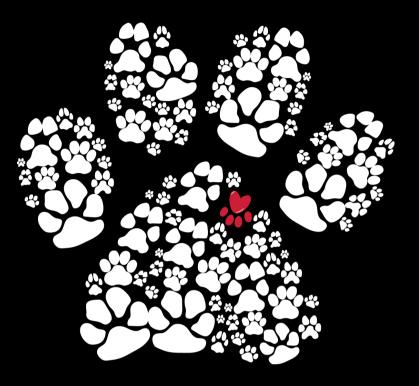
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OUR MISSION

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.

In this issue, meet Roxie - the newest puppy the Wounded Paw Project® family helped save! And if you are in the Woodbridge VA area on October 28th, be sure to join us at our Texas Roadhouse fundraiser!

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

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Wounded Paw Project® would like to introduce you to our newest pack member, Roxie! Roxie was rescued when she was 5 1/2 months old from a backyard breeder who abused Roxie and didn't provide her with the proper medical care. Roxie exhibited signs of

extreme anxiety and was afraid of everything! She refused to eat and wouldn't socialize with humans or other animals. Roxie's rescuer really wanted to keep Roxie but didn't know how to help Roxie overcome her anxiety or get her to eat. One thing that Roxie's foster mom did know was she didn't want to surrender Roxie to a shelter. That's when Wounded Paw Project® got the call.

We made several visits to Roxie's home in order for her to familiarize herself with us. After we knew Roxie felt comfortable with us, we began taking her on car rides. The next step in the process was to

begin taking her to parks, stores, and restaurants so she could begin to socialize with humans. Patience and creating an environment where Roxie felt safe was key to bringing Roxie out of her shell. Once we knew Roxie felt safe with us in new situations, we brought her to the Wounded Paw Project® sanctuary so she could be around other dogs and learn how to be a puppy. And boy did Roxie fit in! At first she was a little overwhelmed being with so many other dogs but again, with patience and making sure Roxie felt safe in her new environment, Roxie came out of her shell and made some new friends! She loves being at the sanctuary and playing with her new best friends, Daisy Dollop and Lola!

Say NO to Backyard Breeding!

Backyard breeders typically breed animals in inadequate conditions, have little experience and knowledge on how to take care of the breed, and do not meet the acceptable standards of caring for the animals. This often results in the animal having inadequate nutrition, infectious diseases, behavioral problems, health issues, and genetic abnormalities.

Many do not get a second tail in life like Roxie!!!











Dog-friendly Caramel Apple Slices

Caramel apples are a fall classic! However, traditional caramel apples may be harmful to your pet due to the high levels of sugar and butter which can lead to upset doggie tummies and even cause severe health issues like pancreatitis. So try this dog-friendly recipe we found on the greenpetproject.com and ensure your doggie is safe while eating this fall classic!

Ingredients

- 1 green apple
- 1/2 cup unsweetened coconut milk
- 2 tablespoons all-natural peanut butter
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1/4 cup rolled oats
- 1. Wash the apple thoroughly and cut into slices removing any seeds and the core from the middle. Dry each slice with a paper towel.
- 2. In a small pot, combine the coconut milk, peanut butter, and honey. Cook over medium heat, stirring continuously until the mixture is well combined and smooth. After 3-5 minutes, the sauce should start to thicken. The melted caramel should be warm and gooey, perfect for coating the apple slices.
- 3. Lay the sliced apples on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Use a spoon to drizzle the warm caramel sauce over each slice. Sprinkle rolled oats over each slice while the caramel is still warm.
- 4. Place the apple slices in the refrigerator for about an hour.

Store in an airtight container in the refrigerator.



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 THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO FOR YOUR PET TO HAVE PET INSURANCE. WHILE IT MAY NOT COVER ROUTINE CARE, YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOUR PET MIGHT BE IN AN ACCIDENT THAT COULD END UP IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN PET BILLS.





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

NO-COST SHOTS Eligible Veterans can get a no-cost flu shot from a nearby VA clinic or within your

community from one of nearly 65,000 in-network pharmacies or urgent care locations. You are eligible to receive a no-cost flu shot at an in-network retail pharmacy or urgent care location if:

- You are enrolled in the VA health care system, AND,
- You received care from a VA provider or an innetwork community care provider within the past 24 months.

When you arrive:

- Tell the provider you are a Veteran enrolled in VA health care.
- Tell them you would like to receive the flu shot paid for by VA.
- Show your government-issued ID and the billing information located here. (Pull up this page when you're getting your flu shot.)



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> VA BENEFITS HOTLINE 1-800-827-1000

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WOMEN VETERANS HOTLINE 1-855-829-6636

CAREGIVER SUPPORT LINE 1-855-260-3274

eBENEFITS TECHNICAL SUPPORT 1-800-983-0937







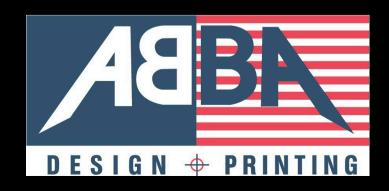








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