

Nittany Beagle Rescue

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Dear Beagle Lovers,

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2006! Please notice our new newsletter layout which we are very excited about! A special thanks to Dave Abler for helping with all of the 2004/2005 newsletters and a big welcome to Melissa Hombosky and Troy Weston—our new newsletter publishers for 2006.



Nittany Beagle Rescue is now seeking members! Becoming a member is easy and affordable. Please check out the form inside to find out how you can support the rescue and care of abandoned and unwanted beagles in Central Pennsylvania. For only \$25 per year, you will receive our newsletters as well as a beautiful sticker to display on your vehicle to show the world you support a wonderful cause. If you'd like to contribute more, there are also opportunities to sponsor a dog and help pay for his/her boarding, food and medical cost until we can place him/her in a loving and permanent home. All membership dues, sponsorships and contributions are tax-deductible.

If you cannot support NBR financially, we are always looking for volunteers to help walk dogs, show dogs, and to staff our booth at special events. For more information on volunteering, please contact Stacey Dorang at babpsu96@dejazzd.com or via phone at 814-867-2637.

On behalf of our board (and more importantly, our beagles!) we thank you for your interest in Nittany Beagle Rescue and hope you enjoy this issue of the newsletter!

Sincerely,

Stacey L. Dorang and The NBR Board

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Meet the Beagles!

NBR shows dogs every 1st and 3rd
Saturday of the month from 11 a.m.
- 1:30 p.m. at Petco in State College.

**Stop by to meet some very
special dogs!**



Dogs Available For Adoption!

**All dogs will be neutered/spayed & up-to-date on shots.*



Kopper

My name is Kopper and I am 5-6 years old. I'm a happy dog & I'm a very nice boy! I get along with children, other dogs & cats. I am a very obedient dog! I know 'sit' & 'stay'. I'm a very affectionate, quiet beagle & I enjoy playing ball! I enjoy car rides, am crate & house trained & all you have to do is say, "kennel" & I will go to it! I'm very easygoing - I can fit into your schedule!



Tammy

My name is Tammy and I am an 8 year old female tri-color beagle! I love to sit on my person's lap and sleep right next to them. I'm very lovey and like a lot of attention. I was surrendered because my people were moving, but now I'm in a foster home & living with other dogs and doing quite well with them. I'm not a barker and I am well-behaved in the car. I'm mostly house trained (and sleep through the night just fine) but have an accident on occasion.

Home Sweet Home

In each issue, we spotlight one or two of our latest success story. Here's what some of our new "beagle parents" are saying...

Boots

I thought you might be interested in knowing how Boots is doing. He took well to the crate, and after about 2 months we were able to let him have full reign of the house without any problems. He has gained a few pounds, but our vet is really happy with his overall condition. Boots has really added a lot to our lives and to the rest of the family. We are actually asked to bring him along when we go to visit our friends and in-laws. As you can see by this picture, he has also adapted well to our vacation home.



We tell everyone about your organization and let them know how easy it was to work with you. We hope everyone who has adopted a pet through your group has as much happiness with their dogs as we have with Boots.

Bob Kayes

Here Are Our Top Five Tips For Feeding Your Older Pet:

- 1 Start your dog on a senior diet at about seven years of age.
- 2 Since smaller dogs live longer and don't experience age-related changes as early as bigger dogs, size is used to determine when it's time to feed your canine a senior diet:
Small breeds/dogs weighing less than 20 pounds—7 years of age. Medium breeds/dogs weighing 21 to 50 pounds—7 years of age. Large breeds/dogs weighing 51 to 90 pounds—6 years of age. Giant breeds/dogs weighing 91 pounds or more—5 years of age.
- 3 The main objectives in the feeding an older dog should be to maintain health and optimum body weight, slow or prevent the development of chronic disease, and minimize or improve clinical signs of diseases that may already be present.
- 4 As a dog ages, health issues may arise, including: - deterioration of skin and coat - loss of muscle mass - more frequent intestinal problems - arthritis - obesity - dental problems - decreased ability to fight off infection
- 5 Older dogs have been shown to progressively put on body fat in spite of consuming fewer calories. This change in body composition is inevitable and may be aggravated by either reduced energy expenditure or a change in metabolic rate. Either way, it is important to feed a diet with a lower caloric density to avoid weight gain, but with a normal protein level to help maintain muscle mass.

Spring 2006 Nittany Beagle Membership Drive

Yes! I want to join with **Nittany Beagle Rescue** in their effort to help save and find new homes for lost and surrendered beagles. Here is my annual donation to aid in this worthy cause.

Each membership extends for a 12 month period. Members also must abide by the NBR vow to enact care, love and protection for not only rescued beagles, but for all pets. This is a non-voting membership.

We are a 501(c)(3) organization and your contribution is tax-deductible.

Ways to support the Nittany Beagle Rescue:

- **Individual Membership** - \$25.00/year • **Family Membership** - \$25.00/year
To **thank you** for your membership, NBR will send you a thank you card, an annual subscription to our newsletter and a Nittany Beagle Rescue sticker. You can also pay by credit card at www.nittanybeaglerescue.org. *Please note "Membership" in the memo line of your check.
- **Sponsorship of a Beagle** - \$15.00 per month.
Sponsoring a beagle is a great way for you to help save the lives of beagles in central Pennsylvania. Beagles listed in this newsletter and also on our web site, www.nittanybeaglerescue.org, are available for Sponsorship. Your tax-deductible donation help feed, shelter and help with medical costs for our beagles.
If you wish to have your name displayed as a sponsor we will list you on our web site www.nittanybeaglerescue.org. If you wish, your sponsorship can be in your name, in honor/memory of beloved pet or person, or anonymously. You can also pay by credit card at www.nittanybeaglerescue.org. *Please note "Sponsorship" in the memo line of your check.
- **Donations.** NBR **needs your support** to continue to help lost and surrendered beagles. Any monetary contributions can be sent with this form to the address below. If you can donate your time, your home or food, toys or leashes, please Stacey Dorang at babspsu96@dejazzd.com or via phone at 814-867-2637 or check out our web site, www.nittanybeaglerescue.org, for more information how to help the NBR.

Dogs Available For Adoption!

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Misty

Hi! I'm a very sweet dog & I love to be with people! I'm good with young children, other dogs & cats! I love to play with them all! I also love to play with a ball & chew toys! I'm a good watchdog since I will bark if I see someone in the yard or at the door. I like to be with people & will cry if left alone. I am very smart & learn quickly! I am a morning dog & love to go outside in the morning, especially for a walk! I am housetrained, but will have an accident if left alone too long.

Please Cut Here

Nittany Beagle Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Save the paper and send me my NBR newsletter via my email address!

Sponsorship Info: Dog you would like to sponsor _____

- I would like the sponsorship to be: In My Name/Family's Name _____
- In Memory of _____
- Anonymous

Individual Membership* - \$25.00 per year

Family Membership* - \$25.00 per year

**Please note "Membership" in the memo line of your check.*

I would like to give an additional donation of \$ _____

I cannot join right now, but here is my donation of \$** _____

***Please note "Donation" in the memo line of your check*

Total Amount \$ _____

I would also like information on how to:

- Volunteer
- Foster
- Adopt

Please make your check payable to **Nittany Beagle Rescue** and send with this completed form to:
Nittany Beagle Rescue, P.O. Box 1142, Lemont, PA 16851-1142

Get the Scoop on Fostering!

Reluctant to make a lifetime commitment to a pet? Maybe you aren't sure it's right for you and your family—or the prospect of vet bills just don't work for your budget right now. Consider fostering instead of adoption! Fostering a beagle allows a dog to be in a safe and loving home environment while we search for his/her forever home. By placing a dog in foster care, we learn about the animal's personality and habits which then allows us to make appropriate matches with adoptive families. You provide the home, care and companionship, and NBR pays the vet bills and assists with other associated costs as needed while the dog is in your home. In addition to bringing a loving and loyal friend into your life, fostering can also be a great way to bring your family together and teach children about respecting and caring for animals. If you cannot adopt, please consider becoming a foster home today! For more information and an application, please visit our web site at www.nittanybeaglerescue.org.

Help Your Pet Shed Those Winter Pounds!

Like people, pets often put on a few extra pounds in the winter that they'd probably feel better without. Here are some feeding tips for keeping your older dog in tip top shape...and a few bits of information for the kitties as well! (Courtesy of <http://www.asPCA.org>)

Dog of the Month

Check inside for our other beagles available for adoption or on our website at www.nittanybeaglerescue.org



Decker

Hi! My name is Decker and I'm about 2 years old! I'm a very handsome basset/beagle mix! I'm playful & I love everyone! I'm energetic, but I'm also laid back! I get along with young children, other dogs & cats! Sometimes when I get excited, I like to bark! I am crate trained & housetrained. Decker is Decker is living in a kennel & desperately needs a home! I am neutered & up-to-date on shots.

Our Sincere Thanks...

Nittany Beagle Rescue would like to thank the following organizations for their on-going support:

Petco

State College, PA

**Animal Medical
Hospital**

**Centre Animal
Hospital**

Lyon's Kennels

See Inside for Our Beagles Ready for Adoption!



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