



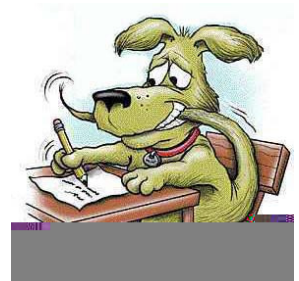
# A Rescue Dog's Christmas Poem

'Tis the night before Christmas and all through the shelter,  
 Every shelter is full - we are lost but not found,  
 Our numbers are hung on our kennels so bare,  
 We hope every minute that someone will care,  
 They'll come to adopt us and give us the call,  
 "Come here, Max and Sparkie - come fetch your new ball!  
 But now we sit here and think of the days..  
 We were treated so fondly - we had cute, baby ways,  
 Once we were little, then we grew and we grew -  
 Now we're no longer young and we're no longer new.  
 So out the back door we were thrown like the trash,  
 They reacted so quickly - why were they so rash?  
 We "jump on the children:", "don't come when they call!"  
 We "bark when they leave us", climb over the wall.  
 We should have been neutered, we should have been paid,  
 Now we suffer the consequence of the errors they made.  
 If only they'd trained us, if only we knew...  
 We'd have done what they asked us and worshiped the fido.  
 We were left in the backyard, or worse -let to roam  
 Now we're tired and lonely and out of a home.  
 They dropped us off here and they kissed us good-bye  
 "Maybe someone else will give you a try."  
 So now here we are, all confused and alone...  
 In a shelter with others who long for a home.  
 The kind workers come through with a meal and a pat  
 with so many to care for, they can't stay to chat,  
 They move to the next kennel, giving each of us a cheer  
 We know that they wonder how long we'll be here.  
 We lay down to sleep and sweet dreams fill our head  
 Of a home filled with love and our own cozy beds.  
 Then we wake to see sad eyes, brimming with tears -  
 Our friends filled with emptiness, worry, and fear.  
 If you can't adopt us and there's no room at the inn  
 Could you help with the bills and fill our food bin  
 We count on your kindness each day of the year --  
 Can you give more than hope to everyone here?  
 Please make a donation to pay for the heat...  
 And help get us something special to eat.  
 The shelter that cares for us wants us to live,  
 And more of us will, if more people will give.

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# SPOTLIGHT ON:

#246 Fuzzy-Sponsored (Domestic Short Hair - buff)

"My name is Fuzzy and I'm sharing a kennel with Bebe. The other two are next door sharing a kennel and mom has one of her own. We were all brought out here by our owner, who said mom showed up one day and then shortly after that had all of us. They couldn't keep us, so we had to come out here to stay. Please come adopt one of us!" Thank you to Nancy Fantuzzi, who sponsored a portion of Fuzzy's adoption fee. Now he can go home at a reduced rate! UPDATE: FUZZY CAN NOW BE SEEN AT THE HUMANE SOCIETY'S KENNEL SPACE AT GLO-MARR PET STORE, LOCATED ON LINCOLN STREET.

#228 Radar-Sponsored (Beagle *Mix*)

"My name is Radar and I'm a jumpy little pup who just loves attention! I like to bounce and play and get lots of love. If you have some love you'd like to give away, I'd be more than happy to take it." Thank you to an anonymous donor, who sponsored a portion of Radar's adoption fee. Now he can go home at a reduced rate!

#211 Sarah (Tortoiseshell)

"Hi. My name is Sarah and I'm one of two kitties that came here when our owner dumped us. Well, he didn't DUMP us really. He at least brought us into the shelter, which is much better than what a lot of people do. Did you know that people actually drive out in the country and just put an animal out the door and drive off? I know it sounds unbelievable but that's what everybody at the shelter says. They know cause they have to drive out and pick them up. How rude!" Thank you to an anonymous donor, who sponsored a portion of Sarah's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!

#76 Lucky( Boxer,Beagle *Mix*)

"Well, here we go again. I know how this works. This place is all too familiar to me. I was here a couple of years ago, and I got adopted. I was soooo happy with my family, but they're moving and they say they can't take me with them, so I had to come out here again. I just hate this place and I'm already more than ready to go to my new home. I'm housebroken and good with kids too, so I hope you'll consider taking me home with you." Thank you to an anonymous donor, who sponsored a portion of Lucky's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!

# SPOTLIGHT ON:



#241 Pumpkin (Dilute Calico)

"Hi. My name is Pumpkin and I was an owner turn-in. Me and my sister both, actually. But she got adopted already. So now I'm here, waiting for my turn. I'm a very sweet kitty with the prettiest eyes. I'm housebroken and I've been declawed in the front too. I hope you'll come adopt me so I won't have to spend the holidays in a cage..."

#94 Skippy-Sponsored (Labrador Retriever)

"You'll have to excuse my pictures. I'm still a little scared of this place. There are lots of dogs and it gets loud. Especially for a newcomer like me. The lady taking my pictures said I acted like I had been abused maybe by my owners. I don't know what that means, but she said maybe that's why I cower when people come near. I'm a sweetheart though and I warm right up." Thank you to Heather Preston, who sponsored a portion of Skippy's adoption fee. Now he can go home at a reduced rate!



#271 Kali-Sponsored (Tabby)

"My name is Kali and I was brought to the shelter after somebody found me dumped at a house that was being built. Somebody snuck me in there in a pet taxi and left me to be found the next day. How mean! I'm the sweetest little girl and I love to cuddle and purr, and rub on people. Please come see me." Thank you to Gail Covington, who sponsored a portion of Kali's adoption fee. Now she can go home at a reduced rate!

#124 Luke (Beagle,Boxer Mix)

"Hi. My name is Luke and I came to the shelter this past Sunday. I was hanging around at this nice lady's house, but she had to go to church, so she called them to come get me so I wouldn't get hit. I'm a really good dog, and I'm only about six months old. I'd make a great companion for you, if you'd give me a chance."



**To celebrate our Home 4 The Holidays adoption campaign, the Humane Society will be offering a \$25 discount on all adoption fees from December 7th through December 31st. We hope this will help us meet our goal of 85 holiday adoptions! Cat adoption fees are \$40, and dog adoption fees are \$60. This fee applies regardless of whether an animal has a sponsorship or not, and includes the spay or neuter and vaccinations.**

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Report on Glo-Marr Project by Virginia Maynard

In the time since we set up this project with Glo-Marr Pet Store, Vada, Jennifer, and Stacy have been extraordinarily helpful. They are providing all the essentials for the animals we are placing there, including food, water and litter, as well as a multitude of toys, and a lot of social interaction. When we only had larger kittens to take in, they offered the use of a large Ferret cage they had so the cats wouldn't be so cramped. They allowed us to add pieces of carpet to the platforms in it for the cats comfort as well.

The best part of all, so far, in the month and a half since it has been going on, they have helped adopt out the 7 kittens we took up there .

Vada has also generously donated supplies to the shelter to help us keep the animals there healthier, and are displaying the print out from PetFinder on the counter. They have membership forms available to all their customers, and have a coin jar for donations toward sponsorships of any cats brought to them that don't have one.

In addition, Glo-Marr has offered to have the Humane Society do Satellite adoptions at the store when the weather is good.

#### **Have a Heart: Support the Home 4 the Holidays Pet Adoption Drive**

Imagine a puppy's paw print in the snow ... a kitten climbing into a holiday stocking ... an orphaned cocker spaniel comfortably resting at the feet of his new best friend ... or an older tabby rediscovering the warmth of a spot near the fireplace. Creating more than 350,000 memorable snapshots and lifelong relationships is the goal of this year's "Have a Heart: Home 4 the Holidays" campaign. The Anderson Humane Society will team with more than 1,300 shelters across the country to encourage those in our community to bring a pet home for the holidays. "When we first got involved in Home 4 the Holidays, we had a simple and sincere focus -- to save the lives of dogs and cats," says Humane Society president Donna Callahan. "It's remarkable and rewarding to realize this is now the most successful pet adoption drive in history, but our focus remains the same and there is plenty of work remaining." During this year's Home 4 the Holidays adoption drive, each new adopting family will receive an lams starter kit containing food samples, coupons and important tips on pet care, behavior, training, and nutrition. "More people bring pets into their homes during the holiday season than any other time of the year, and we want people to adopt orphaned pets instead of buying them from the pet store," says Donna Callahan. "There are so many wonderful pets in shelters throughout the world waiting for loving homes. We work hard to ensure we're making the right matches between families and pets because we want these to be lifelong friendships." Prospective pet parents can view adoptable pets in our area by visiting the website at [www.andersonky.petfinder.com](http://www.andersonky.petfinder.com) or visiting the shelter, located at 1410 Versailles Road.