

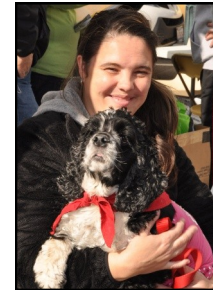
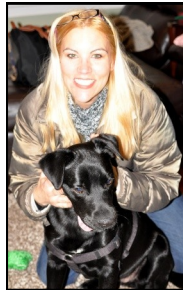
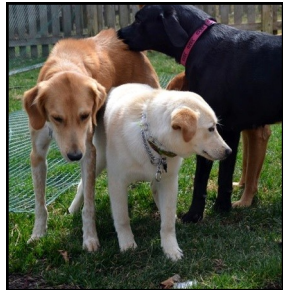
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# PLACING PAWS

*"in the hearts of their Forever Homes"*

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As one of Placing Paws incredible adopters, foster homes, donors, or a combination of the three, you have watched firsthand how we pursue our primary goal of rescuing dogs and cats from crowded rural shelters and dire situations. Over the years, this has evolved from rescuing a handful of dogs and cats from these shelters, to a total of more than 1,000 companions. Even the most ill, most injured pets can turn to Placing Paws for rescue. We pride ourselves on providing the most comprehensive medical care and as much time as needed to heal and become ready for adoption. One of the many ways Placing Paws works hard to save animals in need is through calling on our friends to organize transcontinental transports, sometimes even organizing transports by plane. We always find a way to help.

*Adopters like Larry Mount, wrote,*

*"We adopted 'OTTO' in April 2013 from Placing Paws Rescue. He is the joy and love of our life. Just do it, you'll be happy, happy, happy."*

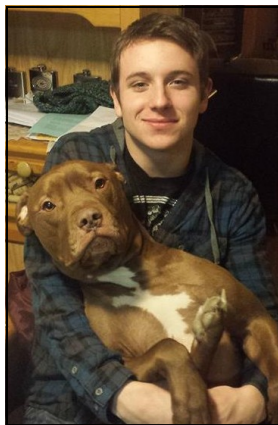


Last summer, we executed our [1,000 More Stories](#) campaign. This celebrated our 1,000<sup>th</sup> adoption since our founding in 2008. In the spirit of this holiday season, the feeling of saving so many animals is a truly magical sensation. But when we thought about how many pets we had saved, and how many more we can save with the funds that campaign raised, we started thinking about something much more impactful. You see, for every animal adopted so many more lives were changed than that furry friend's. At first, we thought about the next pets we could save. Every time one of our foster cats or dogs is adopted that allows Placing Paws the chance to save another from a high risk situation. And when we rescue an animal from a shelter, there is another "spot" available for a dog or cat in the shelter we pulled them from. So from there, we saw how our first 1,000 lives were tied together in a way only animal rescue can. But we kept thinking – and then we turned to our loving, awe-inspiring, supportive and unforgettable network.

*We thought of our generous and welcoming foster parents, like Mary Kate Driscoll. She has been instrumental in the rescue and transport of many Placing Paws dogs and says of our community and network, "I continue to be inspired and humbled by everything they do and the sacrifices they make to continue to rescue these pups whom they not only place in homes, but end up completing families. I don't know what I would have done without my Tizzie and now my Finn. Tizzie opened my heart and Finny filled it."*







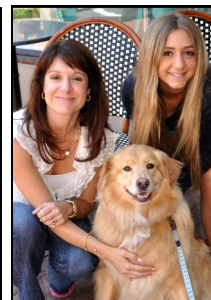
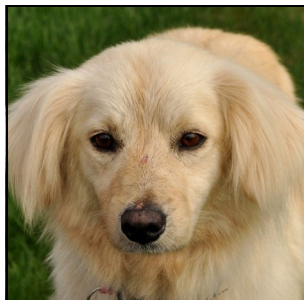
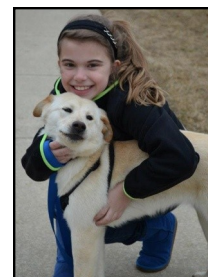
Adopter Jody Grube says;  
 "We thank Placing Paws for  
 allowing Chelsea (aka Pepper) to  
 become a member of our family.  
 Best kitty ever ! "



As we continued to think of the amazing individuals that make up our network of adoptive and foster families we had an overwhelming sense of how Placing Paws changes lives, not just for our pets but also for our families. We change lives one adoption at a time, and that is where you can continue to help *Placing Paws*. *By donating to Placing Paws this holiday season, you help give us an incredible start to the year in 2014.* This will help us to continue to not only save lives, but to also grow our amazing community. You help Placing Paws continue to help the people who save dogs and cats in need in rural areas from abrupt and sad endings to their lives. Happy endings for dogs and cats start with the support from your donation. Every dollar raised this winter will help Placing Paws to continue our mission of saving lives in need and warming the homes and hearts of the families who adopt our healthy and happy pets.



Andrea Thomas wrote; "Since I have joined the Placing Paws family my heart has ached alongside many others when a beloved pet passed away. Instead of shedding tears, I am trying to find the positives. Ruby brought us Ebony who brings joy and so much happiness to her family and her extended family. Ebony brought us my Breezy who has changed our lives in so many ways I cannot even begin to tell you."



**We ask for your continued support so that we  
 can strive to save even more in 2014!**

***Donations may be made on our website:***

***[www.PlacingPawsRescue.org](http://www.PlacingPawsRescue.org)***

***or mailed: PO Box 121 Libertyville, IL 60048-0121***

*All of us at Placing Paws wish you peace in this holiday season.*

***Becky, Cindy, Christie and Jeanne***



*In loving  
 memory of  
 Buddy, Gigi &  
 Austin  
 and all of those  
 who have  
 crossed over the  
 rainbow bridge.*

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