... the WAY HOME

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## Introducing Papillon Haven Rescue group. <u>www.paphaven.org</u>

This group came about through the love of a small deaf puppy that needed to be transported halfway across the country to her new home. It took the effort and dedication of people from Texas to Washington D.C. and on to Ohio. It took the cooperation of three other rescue groups. In the end, it took the hearts of every one. It is this good will and renewed faith in the goodness of people everywhere that has led us in forming Papillon Haven Rescue. We are a 501 c 3 non-profit organization, all volunteer National group specializing in Papillons and Pap mixes and their rescue and rehabilitation.

Since then Papillon Haven Rescue (PapHaven) has grown dramatically and continues to grow and evolve to try to meet the changing needs of rescue and the on-going saga of Papillons in need..... where ever they are.

We would like to invite you to join in our rescue efforts. With hands reaching out across the country, we can form a circle of love and caring that refuses to let even one Papillon in need fall though the cracks. We are not in competition with any other rescue groups. In fact, it is our goal to work hand in hand with every rescue group and shelter that will join us in this effort. We will not ask for perfect lineage, looks or origins. We will coordinate with other groups for transporting each other's breed.

We welcome volunteers, sponsors, contributors, interested folk and especially kind words.

Our Newsletter will try to bring informative articles, up-coming events, announcements, feature stories and Urgent Alerts about situations where the need for rescue is great.



# Bonita and Rosita's Story

Bonita and Rosita, affectionately called Bonnie and Rosie, are two small 8lb bonded puppy mill gals who were rescued and shuttled around to a couple different intermediate stops before arriving with their Foster Mom. When they arrived in Pap Haven's care their health was a major concern. Extremely bad teeth infections and one had a uterine infection. After a month or so on antibiotics and veterinary care they began to improve. However, they were afraid of everyone and everything, especially Rosie. The reasons for some of her fears are unknown, but if you

look at their little bodies and see the "notched" ears and the multiple tattoos for breeder identification, plus the fact that they had puppies EVERY time possible, you will start to get the picture. Rosie found a friend in Bonnie and Bonnie became her shield against the world and all those scary humans and other-world noises.

It is thought that Rosie is the oldest at about 10 years and Bonnie is the younger one at about 6 years. This may also help to explain why Rosie is so terrified – she had 10 years of wire cage abuse. Never saw a blue sky or touched a grassy lawn. Just the "box". Their poor little feet were all splayed and the toenails were curled like kitchen cup hooks!

Both girls are most unusual in that one is a dark faced Phalene (drop ears) and the other is a lesser seen Lemon and White color pure breed Papillon. Both beautiful in their own right.



Would you like to ADOPT their Vet bill? See below

(click here)



#### Pap Haven Mission Statement



5. How should I get a dog?

There's no one way. Avoid the puppy mills—unscrupulous breeders mass-breed and inbreed dogs and sell them to pet stores. Go to a shelter, rescue group, or experienced breeder (get some references). Whoever provides the dog should be skeptical. A good breeder or experienced rescue agency wants you to prove that you'll be a capable caretaker. The interrogation and screening can be annoying, but it's also a sign that you're on the right track. A breeder *ought* to know if you work long hours away from home, have a fenced yard, have kids or other animals, or if you have access to parks. Why are there all those mastiffs, Rottweilers, and border collies in Manhattan? It's what happens when unscrupulous breeders meet thoughtless customers. *Jon Katz's book* 

## **Summer Treats for Pets**

Soft Treat (holistic)

1 cup of honey

1 cup evaporated milk

whole wheat flour to make a stiff dough. Bake in over at 300 until firm and sort of dry to touch. Cut up. It is sweet and chewy, not hard.



National Dog Bite Prevention Week. In an effort to help parents educate their children about these proper practices during this annual event, the ASPCA offers the following tips:

- Children should not approach, touch or play with any dog who is sleeping, eating or caring for puppies.
- Children should not pet unfamiliar dogs without asking permission from the dog's owner first. If the owner says it is okay, the child should first let the dog sniff his closed hand.
- If a child sees a dog off-leash outside, he should tell an adult immediately.
- If a loose dog comes near a child, she should not run or scream. Instead, she should avoid eye contact with the animal and stand very still, like a tree, until the animal moves away.

For more information, please visit <u>CDC online</u>.



### 1. What is the most important first thing to teach your doggie?

Many of our top trainers and obedience folks, remind us that the command to COME is possibly the most important thing to teach your doggie. – and to practice with your dog until he/she will COME to you immediately. HINT: never scold your dog when he has been bad by going too far away and then comes to you when you are calling him/her to COME. Always make coming to you a happy scene. Another possible way to make sure the command is heard, is to use, OK COME. This one command may save your pets life when in a dangerous situation, and may keep them and you from harm by a quick response.

Questions – you have questions? Send to the Contact link below.





NOW - Rosie and Bonnie

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