

THE BOOK OF BOSLEY



CAN YOU SEE THAT I'M READY TO GO IN FOR TRAINING?(LEFT) AND (RIGHT) HOW ADORABLE WAS I?

The adventures of Bosley, a puppy in training!

Well, hi Sepulveda Building Materials! Bosley here, for your last update while I'm a puppy in training. I have been working so hard over the last few months and by the time you are reading this, something pretty special has happened... I'm now back at Guide

Dogs of America in my formal training. Can you believe it? My puppy raiser mom says I have been the sweetest of the dogs she has raised so far, always happy for a lap to sit on, or a face to kiss. But I have learned when I'm in jacket, I need to focus on my job at

hand, whatever or wherever that might be. My update today has some really fun news on what I've been doing leading up to returning to GDA. I really appreciate that you have been my sponsor and can't wait to see you again at graduation! Wags & Licks, Bosley.



MY FIRST DAY AT HOME!



LEARNING MY COMMANDS!



I'M READY FOR THIS!

HALLOWEEN!!



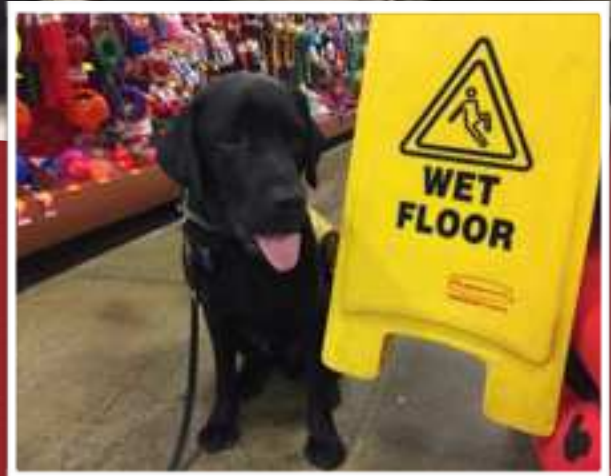
I REALLY LOVE HALLOWEEN! THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES THAT GO ON IN THE LATE FALL, AND I GET TO WEAR A SPECIAL COSTUME! DO YOU SEE ME IN THE MIDDLE ? I'M SUPERPUP! THAT WAS OUR OCTOBER MEETING AND ALL OF US COME IN COSTUME! GDA ENCOURAGES OUR PUPPY RAISERS TO PUT US IN COSTUMES AS IT GETS US USED TO BEING HANDLED! SUCH FUN TIMES :)

MORE FUN PIX OF HALLOWEEN!



I EVEN GOT TO WEAR MY COSTUME AT WORK — PEOPLE THOUGHT I LOOK SMASHING! DO YOU SEE ALL OF THOSE PRETTY LADIES? I'M NOT SURE IF THEY WERE SO EXCITED BECAUSE OF THE COSTUME, OR BECAUSE THEY GOT TO PET ME (OFTENTIMES, MOM DOESN'T LET PEOPLE AT WORK PET ME AS SHE DOESN'T WANT ME TO BE DISTRACTED WHEN I'M WORKING. BUT MY JACKET WAS OFF AND THE SUPERHERO CAPE WAS ON!! YAY!

OUT & ABOUT



HERE ARE SOME FUN PICTURES OF ME. FIRST, I'M UP AT GDA WITH MY FRIEND MORGAN AND SISTER BRAVO. THAT'S ME WITH MY NEPHEW EVERETT AT THANKSGIVING (I LOVE CHILDREN AND I'M SUPER GENTLE & CALM WITH THEM). NEXT, YOU CAN SEE ME AT PETSMAST - MOM SAID I COULD PICK A TOY AFTER TAKING MY PICTURE. LAST, I'M AT GDA IN THE VETS DEPARTMENT. I HAD A BIT OF AN EAR INFECTION BUT IT DIDN'T SLOW ME DOWN AT ALL!

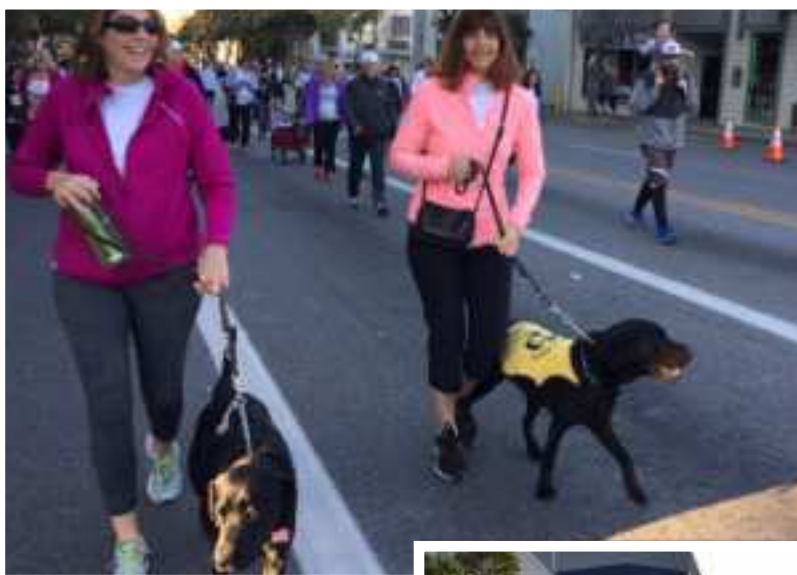
I VOTED!



IN NOVEMBER, MOM AND I EXERCISED OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A US CITIZEN AND CAME OUT TO VOTE! AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE WAS QUITE A LONG LINE, BUT I WAITED PATIENTLY, GETTING ALL SORTS OF ATTENTION FROM OTHER GOOD CITIZENS!

THEY HANDED MOM THIS CARD AND THEN WE WENT INTO THIS TINY BOOTH – I JUST LAID DOWN IN FRONT OF HER, STAYING OUT OF HER WAY. AFTERWARDS, I GOT THIS COOL STICKER THAT SAID, "I VOTED"! HOW COOL IS THAT?

THE TURKEY TROT!



DO YOU KNOW WHAT
A TURKEY TROT IS?

WELL, I GOT TO MOSTLY WALK MY FIRST 5K RACE
WITH MY MOM AND DAD – MY SISTERS DID IT TOO
BUT THEY WERE WAY FASTER THAN US! WE EVEN MET
UP WITH ANOTHER GDA PUPPY RAISER & HER FEMALE
PUPPY (I CAN'T REMEMBER HER NAME!)

AT THE END OF THE RACE, THEY GAVE ME A MEDAL
FOR DOING SUCH A GOOD JOB (SEE IT AROUND MY
NECK – JUST LIKE MY FAMILY)! IT WAS A FUN DAY
AND BOY, DID I HAVE A NICE NAP LATER THAT DAY!

LOS ANGELES AUTO SHOW!



IN EARLY DECEMBER, WE WENT TO THE LOS ANGELES AUTO SHOW! WOW, THERE WERE SO MANY COOL CARS AND NICE PEOPLE TO MEET. WE EVEN GOT TO SIT IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF CARS – OKAY, WHEN I SAY WE, I MEAN MY MOM AND DAD (NOT ME!) :)

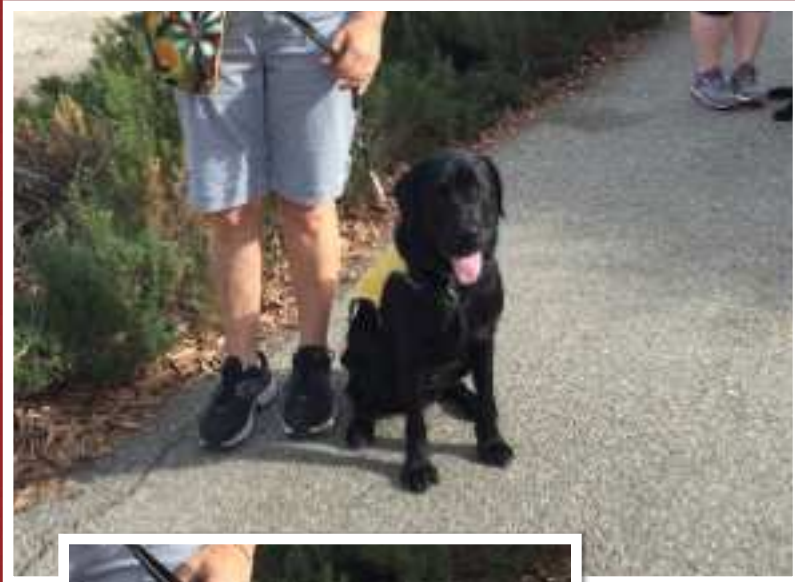
THE STAFF FROM FORD DEFINITELY LIKED ME BEST OF ALL - THEY KEPT TELLING ME HOW SWEET AND BEAUTIFUL I WAS. MOM AGREED!

MORE OUT & ABOUT!



HERE ARE SOME MORE FUN PIX OF ME! UPPER LEFT, THAT'S ME WITH MY FRIENDS PALMER & ADLER AT GDA. NEXT, I'M HAVING SO MUCH FUN ON A TRAIN RIDE! DO YOU SEE ME WITH THE FIREMAN? - HE REALLY LIKED ME! NEXT, I GOT TO PLAY IN THE SNOW!! THAT WAS COOL! THE LAST PIX SHOWS ME WITH MY SIBLINGS, BRUNO, MORGAN (OKAY, SHE REALLY IS JUST AN HONORARY SIBLING), BERKELEY & THAT'S ME ON THE FAR RIGHT! WE WERE AT GDA GETTING OUR EYES CHECKED, IT'S CALLED AN EYE EXAM - THAT'S AN IMPORTANT STEP TO MAKE SURE WE ARE FULLY QUALIFIED TO GUIDE. I ACED IT!

THOMPSON CREEK TRAIL AGAIN!



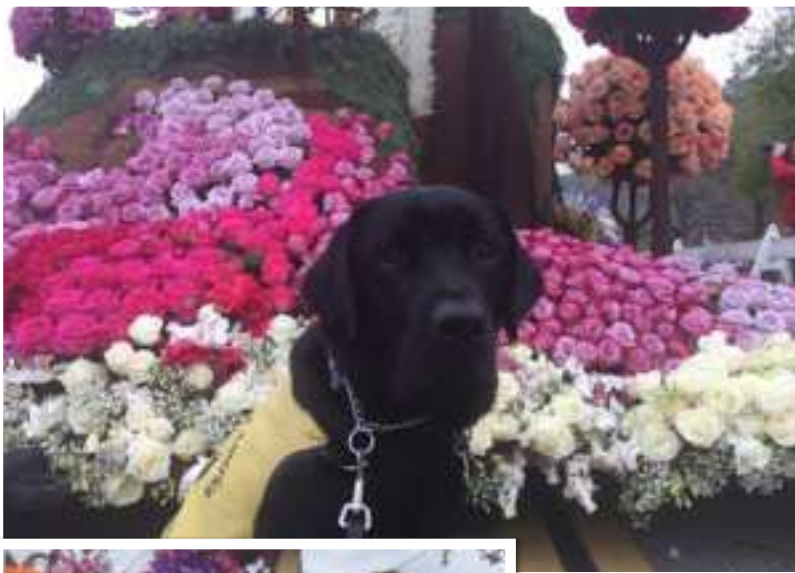
RECENTLY, I JOINED A BUNCH OF MY PUPPY FRIENDS TO PRACTICE OUR OBEDIENCE AT THOMPSON CREEK TRAIL. THIS TIME, IN ADDITION TO WORKING ON OUR COMMANDS ON THE TRAIL, WE ALSO GOT TO PRACTICE WITH DISTRACTIONS (THESE DISTRACTIONS WERE CHILDREN & BALLS). WE DID GREAT!

THE HOLIDAYS!



THE HOLIDAYS ARE SUCH A BEAUTIFUL TIME OF THE YEAR. MOM LIKES TO TAKE LOTS OF PICTURES OF ME... WHEREVER SHE SAW SOMETHING PRETTY, WE WERE TAKING PICTURES! DON'T I LOOK HANDSOME WITH SANTA ? ALSO, DO YOU SEE ME AND MY FRIEND ALFIE IN THE SLEIGH? UNFORTUNATELY, SANTA WAS TOO BUSY TO JOIN US THERE! THE BOTTOM PIX IS AT MY HOUSE... THE HOLIDAYS WERE SO SPECIAL BECAUSE IN ADDITION TO MOM AND DAD, MY OLDER SISTERS CAME HOME AND WE HAD SUCH A GREAT TIME! HOPE YOU ENJOYED YOUR HOLIDAYS!

THE ROSE FLOATS!



MY MOM AND GRANDMA TOOK ME TO SOMEPLACE VERY SPECIAL – TO VISIT THE FLOATS THAT WERE IN THE ROSE PARADE – YOU KNOW, THE PARADE ON TV??!! BECAUSE I'M A SPECIAL GUY, THEY EVEN LET ME STAND REALLY CLOSE TO THE FLOATS – MOST OTHERS COULDN'T GET IN, BUT I LITERALLY WAS ABLE TO SMELL THE ROSES, PETUNIAS, GERANIUMS... YOU GET WHERE I'M GOING! WHAT A FUN DAY IT WAS FOR ALL THREE OF US!

My last big PIT adventure...

My last big puppy in training adventure was on Friday, January 27, when I returned to GDA. And what a big day that was. On one hand, it was kinda sad, because I'm not going to be spending time with my puppy-raiser mom and dad anymore. But on the other hand, I am so excited, and I know they are excited for me. I made it to the first step of formal training! And more importantly, I really am ready. The last few months, I've been wanting to learn new things and while in formal training, I will have the opportunity to be challenged in many ways.



The morning started with mom changing me back to my blue GDA collar -- you see, she has liked to put me in other, pretty collars that are different colors and designs. But with my blue collar back on, it means that I'm starting my formal guide dog training.

Mom and dad got to walk me all the way into the kennel area where the guide dogs in training get to stay. This is a very special area! I found out who my new roommate is and I settled in just fine! I'm so excited to be here... and all of my friends are here too!

I know I will do just great - GDA will take such good care of me. Over the next six or more months, life will be exciting -- I hope to see you at my graduation! Wags and licks, Bosley!



FAMILY PIX

MOM AND DAD WANTED TO TAKE ONE LAST PICTURE OF THE THREE OF US TOGETHER, BEFORE WE WENT TO TURN IN! I'M SO INCREDIBLY EXCITED ABOUT SPENDING THE NEXT FEW MONTHS WITH ALL OF MY FRIENDS!! YEAH, I'LL MISS MOM & DAD A TINY BIT AT FIRST, BUT I KNOW I'LL SEE THEM SOON AT GRADUATION!



KENNEL TIME!

I HAVE BEEN WAITING MY WHOLE LIFE TO SPEND TIME IN THIS PART OF THE GDA KENNELS! YOU SEE, I'M NO LONGER CONSIDERED A PUPPY IN TRAINING, BUT HAVE TRANSITIONED TO BEING IN FORMAL TRAINING! THAT'S QUITE AN ACCOMPLISHMENT! MY ROOMMATE IS BLYTHE, MY SISTER! SO EXCITED :)



WHAT'S NEXT?

VERY IMPORTANT QUESTION! OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, AFTER THEY COMPLETE A COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL EXAM, I WILL LEARN INCREASINGLY MORE CHALLENGING COMMANDS AND BE PLACED IN A GUIDE DOG HARNESS TO LEARN TO BE A GUIDE DOG! WOW, SO VERY EXCITED! I KNOW I'LL DO JUST GREAT!