



Lab Gab

JINGLE BELLS, JINGLE BELLS...

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With the **Holidays** fast approaching, all Labs are trying their best to behave. No Lab wants to miss out on the month of treats, presents and all those belly rubs from visitors. Not to mention all of the turkey and cookie crumbs dropped on the floor. But remember - no chocolate, poinsettias or jumping on the guests.

If you still have **Holiday shopping** to get done for humans - Don't Forget - There are still **2008 SHLR Inaugural Lab Calendars** for sale featuring many of SHLR's rescued Labs. You can order them on-line for only \$12 each with all proceeds to benefit Labs at Safe Harbor. Also, there are a few 2007 LabFest T-Shirts for sale for \$7 each. To purchase, contact Tiffany at Tiffany.L.Richardson@saic.com.

For the **Labs on Santa's List** there is a great Frisbee type toy called the Aerobie Squidgie Disc. They are sold at **REI** (\$6) and have been holding up to the tough rigors of three Labs (1-3 years old) for over 6 months now. All of the Labs love this toy because it is made of a soft rubber, which is easy on the mouth and yet very durable. And the toy is made in the good 'ole U.S.A.



Safe Harbor Lab Rescue's mission is to successfully rehome stray or surrendered Labrador Retrievers in Colorado by offering medical care, training resources and breed education.

SHLR Statistics:

January - December 2007

(as of this printing)

Labs Placed	161
Labs Taken In	165
Spayed/Neutered	50

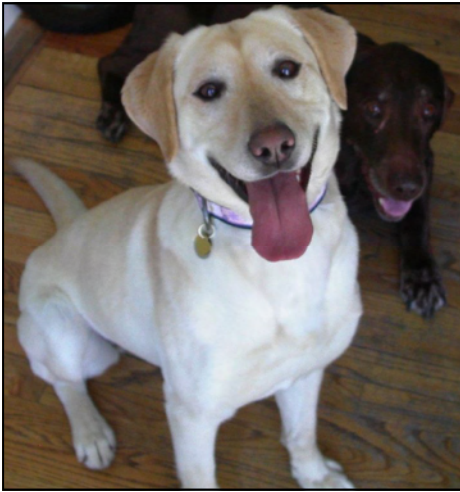
Please keep **Safe Harbor Lab Rescue** in mind when preparing your year-end giving plans. SHLR is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization run solely by volunteers. Donations can be made through the SHLR web site with Pay Pal or mailed to:

Safe Harbor Lab Rescue • 601 16th Street #C-322 • Golden, CO 80401

www.SafeHarborLabRescue.org (303) 464-7777

LAB LIFE LINE FUND

Since its founding in 2002, Safe Harbor has placed over 800 Labs into loving homes and many of these Labs have been helped with medical problems through SHLR's [Lab Life Line Fund](#). Thank you for your generous donations and volunteer help throughout the years.



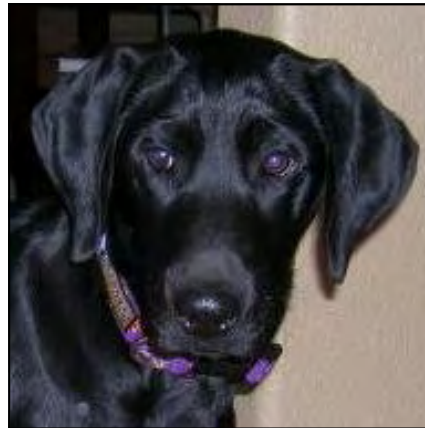
REQUEST FROM THE LABS

There are many opportunities available to help the Labs at SHLR. Currently, SHLR is very much in need of temporary foster homes to help us save more homeless Labs. We have a fabulous support system for our Lab and fosters. Our foster families are truly our Lab's 'Safe Harbor' until they find their forever homes. It's a very rewarding experience to see your foster blossom in your care as SHLR's current fosters can tell you! Please email Linda, our Volunteer Coordinator, at mountainhiking@aol.com if you are interested.

EVENT

Throughout December [Pet Empawrium](#) will be sponsoring a 'Com-paw-sionate' Giving Tree for local animal rescue groups including Safe Harbor Lab Rescue. There will be paw shaped ornaments on the tree with a list of specific items needed for our 'special needs' Labs. Customers can either purchase the listed items on the paw ornament at Pet Empawrium and leave the gifts under the tree or donate money for the rescue group.

Pet Empawrium is located at 12393 W. 64th, Arvada (80004), 303-467-7777. You may be familiar with this store as they sponsored a dog wash for SHLR in the past. The store has a great selection



TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Safe Harbor has a number of teams or coordinators that help rescue the Labs and do a tremendous amount of work to get them into their forever homes. These include the Intake Coordinators, Foster Team, Transport Team, Medical Team and Adoption Team. The **Adoption Team** is featured this month.

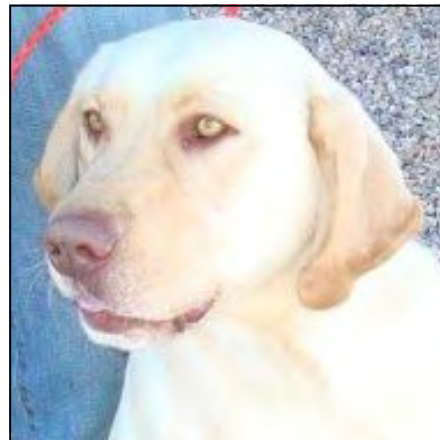
Marie Silverstein is the Adoption Team Coordinator and the rest of the dynamic pack is Kathy Meredith, Debbie Schultz and Becky Wilson. The team works to contact reference checks from adoption applicants and determine the perfect fit for both adopter and Lab. Marie has just started this year to help with the Adoption Team and has already helped to accelerate the adoption process and place dozens of Labs into forever homes.

Marie spends most of her time helping SHLR and other rescue groups while running her Arbonne business. She has a full house of dogs, a wonderful spouse and 2 - 19 year old children. Marie's goal is 'to help change the landscape of companion animal rights legislation at a local, state and national level.' Thank You Marie for taking the lead with the Adoption Team and from the many Labs you have placed – Many Wags.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

This month's **Volunteer Spotlight** features Mary Downs. Mary started volunteering with SHLR over a year ago as a foster parent. Since that time she fostered three Labs (and adopted one), helped organize LabFest, helps with the SHLR Hotline and is the Event Team Coordinator. Mary has been the ambassador for the SHLR booth at local events such as the Golden Farmer's Market and Petco Adoption Fair. Mary and her husband share their house with their two Labs one of which is almost 13. Thank You Mary for your help this year!



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

It has been a few months since the last SHLR newsletter – our apologies to one and all as we have been busy rescuing and adopting out many loving Labs. Our goal is to have a newsletter emailed out on a monthly basis, which will include upcoming events, team and volunteer features and vet and training tips. If you have any comments regarding the SHLR newsletter please contact Judy at funkskater@mywdo.com