

## Letter from Miss Pearl

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Hi, my name is Pearl, Miss Pearl to be exact. I am a Yellow Lab/Great Pyrenees Mix and a Pickett County Humane Society rescue dog. I was rescued from a ditch near the Midway Church on Hwy. 111 back in the late summer of 2005 along with many of my siblings. I was between 4-5 weeks old. Cathy Crockett the director of Pickett County Humane Society, who we now call "Auntie Cathy" took us in even though we were covered with mange. She had all of us vetted. In early October we were ready to find our "forever" homes. Two of my brothers, Rocket and Leland, and I were connected with a rescue group, Labs 4 Rescue, and sent to homes up north. A few weeks later two more of my siblings, Scout & Ily went north.

I found my forever home in southeastern Vermont in a little country town named Dummerston.

My new mom stayed in touch with "Auntie Cathy" telling all the things I did here in my new home.

A man who uses a great many words to express his meaning is like a bad marksman who, instead of aiming a single stone at an object, takes up a handful and throws at it in hopes he may hit.

-Samuel Johnson

This past summer I did two more home visits for PAWS- one for Sandy who now lives in Jaffrey, NH and one for Marley, now Emma, who now lives in Guilford, VT.

I now have three other permanent siblings and currently one foster sibling. It's hard to have a foster sibling because it's sad when they leave but we understand we are keeping them safe and loved until they find their own home. Even my Dad who appears to be a tough redneck Vermonter even gets attached to us and helps Mom with us and the fosters - more than he'll admit.

I am proud to help out PAWS in any way I can. It's my way of giving back to my home town and to the people who nursed me back to health. They cared for me and my siblings when we needed it the most. I want to "Auntie thank Cathy" "Uncle Dave", the vets and anyone else who played a part in taking care of me as well as any of the other animals who've been rescued by PAWS. They gave me a chance at a good life and to be loved.

I am going to start training for my Canine Good Citizen certificate so that I can go places like nursing homes to give happiness to others less fortunate than me. I may live in Yankee territory but I am proud to be a southern belle from Pickett County, TN.