



SHEPHERD TALES

Mid-Atlantic German Shepherd Rescue
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MARSR is dedicated to finding good homes for unwanted or abandoned German Shepherds in the MD, DC and VA region. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Note From the President

Dear Friends of MAGSR,

I would like to be able to thank each volunteer by name who has made it possible for 1207 dogs to now be in their homes. Almost every one of those dogs was scheduled to die at shelters in MD, VA, WV, DE, and PA. A few have come to us because their owners were unable to continue caring for them due to age or health, or because their owners have died. Because of those dedicated volunteers, they made it out of those shelters, and so have the ones still waiting for their homes to come along. Because of those volunteers the ill or elderly had peace of mind that their furry loved one would be safe and loved. Because of those volunteers Maggie's soldier, who died in Iraq, can be at peace knowing his girl is now in a home. Those volunteers consist of men, women, and children, doing transports, fostering, endless calls, stacks of paper work, events, web work, miles and miles of walking each and every weekend, home visits, donations, and the list goes on. THANK YOU.

Although our volunteer list has many names on it, the number of active volunteers is very disheartening. We are in serious need of folks who are willing to spend an hour or two a week, or even once a month, to help us continue to help these dogs. There are many ways you can help when becoming a volunteer with us. PetSmart and Petco store events, helping to make calls, transporting, helping with public events, exercising dogs at the kennel, helping with fund raising... The pay off is getting to know these dogs then seeing one like Parker finally leave us behind and move on to his new home. Seeing Tanner and Nixy go from not trusting anyone to being the loves of our lives, getting nibble kisses from Lokie, Lollie playing for hours with her stick. Knowing that you have made the difference in the lives of those with medical problems - Angel, Ace, Hope, Kora, Riley, Shep, Thunder, Zeus - and seeing them all light up and come to life just because they see you and they know you are there just for them! There's just no better reward for a few hours of your time.

We are also in desperate need of foster homes. Being a foster is the best of both worlds, you get a wonderful furry friend, yet we remain financially responsible. You get to see first hand the difference you make in a dogs life by watching them grow from having no manners to a well-behaved family member. You also save the rescue boarding fees and open space for another to 'make it out'.

Please consider joining us in passion to help those who cannot help themselves. If you have a few hours you can dedicate to helping homeless fur babies, please visit www.magsr.org/apps/appsvolunteer.htm. If interested in opening your hearts and homes while one waits for their forever home please visit www.magsr.org/apps/appsfoster.htm. To browse our web site and see who you will be helping, please visit www.magsr.org and be sure to look around at the success stories, and recently adopted.

Again, THANK YOU to all of those volunteers (you know who you are!), our donors (who we'd be lost without!), and our supporters (who come through without fail!).

Denise-

Rescue...think of the difference a few can make to many.

Introduction: Throughout the years, there have been times where I have been inspired to write a poem. This happened this past Saturday when I had gone to PETCO to visit with the animals that were up for adoption (Romeo, Georgie and Roni). Needless to say, I fell in love with all of them and was quite sad when I had to leave. Thankfulness, however, overshadowed the sadness when I realized how many volunteers have committed themselves to making sure that each and every animal had mattered; hence, the poem "I MATTER". It is my own personal tribute to all of the volunteers. I know the animals can't say "THANK YOU" with words, but deep down I know they are saying it through their eyes because, as you know, the eyes are the window to the soul.

Author: Bernadette Oliff

"I MATTER"

You may have found me on the street or left at someone's door;
You may have found me all alone on some old dirty floor.

You may have found me cold and wet from being in the rain
You may have found me old and sick from being in so much pain

You may have found me tired and panting as I could walk no more
You may have found me miles away and my paws were really sore

You may have found me hours away from being put to sleep
You may have found me grateful for the rescue, as in your arms I leaped

You may have found me excited as you visited me at the shelter
You may have found the walk you gave me peace from the helter skelter

You may have found me a little sad as I knew you had to leave
You may have found me knowing that in me you did believe

You may have found me happy when on the internet I would be placed
You may have found me surprised to see an actual picture of my face

You may have found me perky, as in my heart there was a song
You may have found me with foster parents and a feeling that I belonged

BUT TODAY YOU FIND ME THANKFUL BECAUSE I NO LONGER FEEL ALONE
FOR TODAY I WAS ADOPTED; NOW I HAVE A PLACE THAT I CALL "HOME".

THANKS TO THE HUMANE SOCIETIES THAT DO THEIR BEST TO GET THE ANIMALS ADOPTED. THANKS TO ALL OF THE VOLUNTEERS THAT GIVE UP THEIR TIME, LOVE, AND ENERGY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, EVEN IF ONE LITTLE ANIMAL SENSES THAT EVEN IT'S LITTLE LIFE MATTERED. TO ALL OF THE RESCUE SHELTERS FOR THE ENDLESS HOURS IN TRYING TO RESCUE THESE ANIMALS AND PLACING THEM IN A HOME. SPECIAL THANKS TO THE "NO KILL" RESCUE SHELTERS THAT TAKE IN VARIOUS ANIMALS WITH VARIOUS HEALTH PROBLEMS. TO ALL OF YOU, YOU ARE THESE ANIMALS UNSUNG HEROES. YOU DO NOT GET THE CREDIT YOU DESERVE FOR DOING SUCH A SELFLESS ACT. THANKS FOR MAKING EVERY ANIMAL FEEL THAT EVEN THEY MATTER.

Available Dogs

Below are just a couple of our available dogs.
Please visit our website, www.magsr.org, to see who else is available for adoption.

Hi, my name is Thunder. I am a beautiful 2 year old GSD (that means German Shepherd Dog). When I was at that place called a shelter I became very sick, that's when Aunt Kim came to see me saying something about MAGSR. Well, let me tell you, soon after that I went to meet those people with MAGSR and man did I like them! They got me all kinds of medicine and before you know it I was almost all better. Most of the time it takes me awhile to trust people (some are not so nice you know), but I like all my new friends at MAGSR. Now I'm with Uncle Joe, who is fostering me, until I find my new home. I do have sore hips, but, I'm going to Annapolis to see a surgeon and find out what we can do to make them better. I'm not as worried about my hips as my friends are because I can still run and play. I even went swimming one day and it was great! Hey, are you looking for a new friend?



Hi! Whatcha doing? Want to play? Oh, I forgot my manners, my name's Georgie and I'm living with Aunt Jamie and Uncle Jon until I can find my own new home. It's pretty cool here at their house because they have lots of other fur kids to play with. They all think they're bigger than me but they're not. I'm really a very big guy, just no one else knows it. It's tough being a little guy and sometimes I have to be a bit bossy, but Jamie and Jon don't allow me to get away with anything. I like it better that way because I know they'll keep me safe. One day I hope to have my own house and my own family to help me stay a nice young man...one day.



Hey, didn't I see you at one of those events Aunt Vikki has been taking me to? Trevor is the name and I've heard I'm quite the good looking boy! I'm not one of those GSD kids everyone talks about, but, not all of us can be. I live at the kennel right now, but, I have lots of friends that come to play with me and take me for rides. I'm hoping one of these days I get to ride to my new home...with you?



Fall in Love with an older girl....you won't be sorry....



Marta - 7 years old



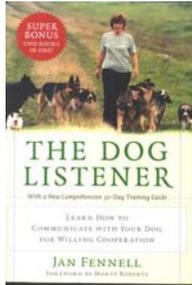
Sierra - 7 years old



Shadow - 6 years old



Shasta - 6-8 years old



Food for Dog Lovers



By Catherine Gaunoux

I was recently browsing the crowded bookshelves in the animal section of a local bookstore. This is not the kind of subject I check on a lot since I usually get quickly overwhelmed by the incredible number of books offered and none of them introducing much variety in their advise. That day however, one did catch my attention: *The Dog Listener* written by a British lady, Jan Fennell with an accompanying foreword by the now famous Monty Roberts.

The author, after having witnessed the wonderful results of Monty Roberts in the horse world, decided to apply similar principles to dogs. She therefore got into a lot of research to determine through the works of various animal behaviorists and by examining packs of wild wolves, the do's and the don'ts of the Alpha within the group. Once she had assembled all the knowledge necessary, she proceeded to experiment the new rules on her own pack. Rewarded with great success, she moved on and perfected her method with all kinds of canines among which many a rescued dog. In most cases she seems to have won and made a happier pet within a finally relieved family.

The aim of Jan Fennell's method is to make the dogs willingly choose you as their leader rather than have to impose yourself on them. There is no need to bark orders at them nor use any force since everything goes through body language. Basically, the human turns into an alpha dog and speaks "dog language" rather than the reverse situation whereby the dog has to associate our sounds to certain commands.

The corner stone of her works lies essentially in the Amichien bonding. This is the founding base of the relationship between you and your dog(s). It contains four elements, each one answering a specific question every dog needs his alpha to answer for him. The dog will thus learn that you are the boss at all times, that there is a certain order when it eats (necessarily taking place after the leader has eaten himself), that the protection from danger comes from the leader and from him only, and that the leader only leads the hunt (which is our walk today!). The human has to show his leadership at everytime on every occasion; the dog then discharged of the role of leadership is a more relaxed and obedient dog. Jan Fennell's approach involves a radical change of mentality from the dog owner and it implies, of course, a life-long commitment (no quick fix for amateurs here!). It does not, however, involve any kind of complicated thinking or equipment. It just turns into a way of life.

Although I do not completely agree with everything she says in her book (ex: her view that a dog is necessarily driven by its own selfish mind), I believe I gained a lot from her insight, even if that may be just the knowledge of how dogs interact within the pack. Violence has no place in the dog-human relationship and to understand the why's of a dog's behavior is never going to be harmful to anyone. Whether you find yourself in search of a different, softer way to deal with your puppies, or you are just curious about it or only roaming through a book store while waiting for a friend, be sure to check this book. It's nicely written, easy to follow, and I swear it is a difficult one to put down and forget about.

Happy reading to you.

5th Annual Adopters Reunion

It started out with LOTS of rain... but ended with even MORE fun!

Oregon Ridge Park
April 30, 2005



Can you guess which of these beautiful dogs are rescues? If you said all of them - you would be correct (3 are MAGSR alums)! Hanging out with mom and MAGSR board member Jamie.



We all got say hello to long lost loves like to MAGSR volunteer Denise's our longtime friend - Günter!



MAGSR alum Bosco, formerly Sparks



In remembering those who have left us, MAGSR unveiled its touching memorial to the dogs that have crossed the Rainbow Bridge...rest in peace.



MAGSR alum Morgan saying hello, with Mom



MAGSR alum Samantha, trying to teach her dad how to pour the water correctly!



Charlie, a LONGTIME MAGSR [Heart Dog](#) alum, showing off his new family with a smile!



MAGSR alums Dolly (fka Venus) and Beau (fka Shakespeare) enjoying some time out with Mom and Dad!



Some MAGSR dogs brought their new fur-siblings to play with us too - like Waggs (right) with his brother Macintosh



Real life siblings all grown up - from left to right: Gabrielle, Rosalie, and Gizmo



Abby



Ajax



Judd



Jake, MAGSR alum of 3 years ago and his recently adopted MAGSR alum sister Gabby - with mom.



Rosalie



Laney



MAGSR alums Ditka (L) and Sam (R)

Winner Musical Dogs - Ditka



King



Rosalie



Lots of prizes!



Let the games begin...it's time for "Hand-Me-Down-Hound".

The Adoption of Ralph: Another Success!

By Catherine Gaunoux

I always have great expectations on New Years, and so it was this way again when 2004 started. That year in particular would, however, prove to be one of the worst. Aside from other troubles, we lost two of our faithful shepherds in the single month of August, just fifteen days apart.

I had seen my eight year old female not being her usual self for some time. I had taken her to a nearby vet who had quite a good reputation (or so I was led to believe). In the six months prior to her death, four times we went, four times we came back empty-handed regarding a diagnosis. The last time he saw us, he almost treated me like I was a neurotic and literally told me my dog had nothing!

The dog in question was not eating anymore, drank large amounts of water all day and night, slept far too much, would lick her tummy all night every night and showed a myriad of other symptoms not very positive for any dog. When I finally got her to the right person, it was too late: my baby was already dying of a rare blood cancer. We had to have her euthanized late one night and I have honestly not come to terms with her passing away yet.

My ordeal was not over, however, and again, on August 26, late at night, we had to drive our 16 year old shepherd to the same clinic that had seen us 15 days earlier. Milo was a wonderful dog, very loyal and so gentle with everyone. He could still see, hear (albeit selectively!) and walk almost up to one week before he died. He maybe thought his life was going to turn out very bland without the daily sparks from his friend and he followed her wherever she went.

With us remained a 10 year old german shepherd and a highly energetic 2 year old belgian shepherd. It could have been enough but the house seemed empty and hallucinations of my two deceased companions would suddenly jump up at my face from every corner. One day, while surfing the internet, I came across the MAGSR website and beautiful shepherds instantly leapt out of the computer screen, dancing around on my desk, begging me for a good home! Having two very young children and, as previously mentioned, a particularly boisterous four-legged friend already, we were more inclined to take an older dog, not too old however, so that he could still enjoy our games and our daily walks in the fields. My choices soon fell on Sasha or Sienna and we disappeared for a week of vacation down South, ready in our minds to welcome one of these girls upon return.

Fate had seemingly decided otherwise. Sienna had unfortunately died in our absence while Sasha, from a foster initially rose up to the new status of adopted dog by her foster family. I had no choice but to spend time again going through all the pictures in search of the perfect homeless puppy!

There are so many things to consider before choosing a rescue dog. Parker for example, with his ears back, his sweet eyes and his jaws opened like in a very large smile, was one of the most attractive on the list. But Parker cannot share his space with other dogs. I also had to take into account our children and everybody's feelings regarding the new addition. This was not simple and those of you who are highly responsible and went through the same process know what I'm talking about. To return a dog is not a pleasant option and that's one I would only end up doing if all, really all else has failed!

Anyway, I took my time; and while I was there browsing this thought came to me: isn't it wonderful to have this website (nicely designed by the way) and to be able to visit the dogs from the comfort of one's own home without even disturbing them? Going there would mean getting them all excited at the prospect of a potential home and while you walk away with the heavy doors closing down on your back their eyes full of hope are still following you even as you are heading home. Now, with the internet, the dogs and us are not getting anymore of that useless sorrow. It's a miracle! You come in, you check, you pick. If it's a hit, you go home and that's one more happy ending without too many tears throughout the whole process. But I digress...!

As said above it took time but the excellent portrait of Ralph on his Xmas day soon grabbed my attention and even kept springing back into my mind everytime I was looking at another dog! I felt very close to this beautiful black shepherd who also looked so much like my eight year old deceased girl. His eyes on the picture were so eager to find the right home (or maybe he was just desperate to find that piece of cheese the photographer was promising him!!!). I, however, ended up by crossing his name off my list since I feared he would be “too bouncy” for the family right now.

I did come back to his lovely eyes though and when I finally made the sum of all these comebacks I quickly realized I had to go with my inner feelings and give it a try. So, one day, I found myself proudly announcing to the rest of the family that we were going to get a five year old when everyone was expecting an old man!

Ralph arrived on the evening of January 21st. He met everyone, dogs included, without too much trouble and, as if he already knew everything, he just lied down on the carpet, staring at us in a very distinguished manner, waiting for the developments of his new life. He was very relaxed indeed and seemed to trust his new family instinctively. For him there was no doubt right from the start that this was it, and I must admit, we all felt the same immediately too. When Kim Watkins accompanied by Ed stood up ready to leave, Ralph did not even blink an eye, neither did he try to follow them to the front door nor bark for a last goodbye. Nothing! Well, the carpet was comfortable and he stuck to it!

After these first impressions, we all got to know each other much better. Ralph has a lot of style and he is the dandy of our pack. He loves it when I ask him to pose for a few pictures and he walks along with a little air of contentment mixed with a hint of superiority: he knows very well how tall, slim and elegant he looks! His eyes have deepened and softened when he looks at me now. He is very confident about his important position within the pack (humans included!). Ralph's looks at me are my daily rewards. He is nothing like the springy Tiger bouncing up and down I had envisioned when looking at his picture. He is instead a very laid back shepherd. I have no regrets having followed my feelings and having acted upon them.



Ralph with 2 of his 4 companions



Fun is a daily occurrence

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Make a difference for Mid-Atlantic German Shepherd Rescue! By purchasing goods at your favorite online retailers through Buy For Charity.com, up to 35% of your purchases will go directly to the cause of your choice.

The process is simple:

Step 1: Go to www.buyforcharity.com

Step 2: Select “Mid-Atlantic German Shepherd Rescue”.

Step 3: Select the store of your choice, begin shopping, and raise money for MAGSR!

SPREAD THE WORD

Tell your friends. Tell your family. Tell everybody. We truly believe that the more people that shop through Buy For Charity.com, the more MAGSR can benefit from your purchases. So, get out of the shopping malls and log on to Buy For Charity.com where you can help MAGSR get the necessities we need.

Calendar of Events

SATURDAY, September 24, 2005

Westminster Fallfest - 12noon to 6pm
City of Westminster, Maryland

Columbia Petco - 11am to 3pm
6181 Old Dobbin Lane, Ste 800
Columbia, MD

SUNDAY, September 25, 2005

Westminster Fallfest - 12noon to 6pm
City of Westminster, Maryland

SATURDAY, October 1, 2005

50/50 Raffle Drawing Is Today!!!

Pasadena PetsMart - 11am to 3pm
24 Mountain Road
Glen Burnie, MD

SATURDAY, October 8, 2005

Arundel Mills PetsMart - 11am to 2pm
7663 Arundel Mills Circle
Hanover, MD

White Marsh Petsmart - 11am to 2pm
9921 Pulaski Hwy
Baltimore, MD

SATURDAY, October 15, 2005

Pasadena PetsMart - 11am to 3pm
24 Mountain Road
Glen Burnie, MD

Woofstock 2005 - 11am to 5 pm
(Central Pennsylvania Animal Alliance)
Kunkles Plaza Riverfront
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

SUNDAY, October 16, 2005

Paws on Parade
Humane Society of Baltimore County
Registration: 11am to 1pm
Walk: 11am to 2 pm
1601 Nicodemus Road
Reisterstown, MD

SATURDAY, October 29, 2005

Columbia Petco
11am to 3pm
6181 Old Dobbin Lane, Ste 800
Columbia, MD

SATURDAY, November 5, 2005

Pasadena PetsMart - 11am to 3pm
24 Mountain Road
Glen Burnie, MD

SATURDAY, November 12, 2005

Arundel Mills PetsMart - 11am to 2pm
7663 Arundel Mills Circle
Hanover, MD

White Marsh PetsMart - 11am to 2pm
9921 Pulaski Hwy
Baltimore, MD

SUNDAY, November 13, 2005

MAGSR 2nd Annual Bull & Oyster
Roast - 1pm - 6pm
Michaels' 8th Avenue
Glen Burnie, MD
For more information please visit:
www.magsr.org

SATURDAY, November 19, 2005

Pasadena PetsMart - 11am to 3pm
24 Mountain Road
Glen Burnie, MD

SATURDAY, November 26, 2005

Columbia Petco
11am to 3pm
6181 Old Dobbin Lane, Ste 800
Columbia, MD



Newsletter Memorial Page

Your donation of \$10 in memory of your pet or loved one will be used to help a GSD in need.

In memory of:

Dedicated to:

Please send your tax-deductible donation to: MAGSR, P.O. Box 5, Laurel, MD 20725-0005

Thank you.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____



Memorials

In Memory of Apache - Barbara Anderson
In Memory of Samantha 1988-2000 - Karyn Bergmann
In Memory of Stormy - Joan Bienemann
In Memory of Sarge Mayne - Sally Burdette
In Memory of Preston Herbert - Doris Dowling
In Honor of Pat Hasemann - Dennis Fortin
In Memory of Mike Pricio - Anne Funston
In Memory of Stormy - Audry Gacofsky-Sperr
In Memory of Mickey - Catherine Hackman
In Memory of Banbrty Cross Tasmanian Devil (Taz) - Bill Haddaway
In Memory of Jake - Eva & Milt Hartig
In Memory of Preston Herbert - Wanda Hoath
In Memory of Bryndie, Rocky and Taggert (Shane's brother) - Renee Joseph
In Memory of Shannon-beloved pet - Ellen Masterson
In Loving Memory of Laddie Mazzilli, Love Mommy & Daddy - The Mazzilli's
In Memory of Lexus - Monica Mikhail
In Memory of Misty Girl - Christy Mosebrook
In Memory of Nathan & Tara who were wonderful friends - Jennifer
In Memory of my sweet boy Dylan 1994-2001 - Sue Shiflett
In Memory of Sitting Bull Chicarella - Lisa Chicarella
In Memory of William O'Brien - Carl Waxman



A Prayer for Animals

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
 I am not there; I do not sleep.
 I am a thousand winds that blow;
 I am the diamond glints on snow;
 I am the sunlight on ripened grain;
 I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you awaken in the autumn
 in the morning hush,
 I am the swift uplifting rush
 Of quiet birds in circled flight.
 I am the soft star that shines at night.
 Do not stand at my grave and cry,
 I am not there; I did not die.*

NEW NEW NEW NEW NEW NEW NEW

We at MAGSR are very excited to announce the opening of a new section to our online store!

While we will continue to offer the same great products we always have through our regular online store this new section will add a ton of new items! Check it out from the links on our website or go to www.cafepress.com/magsr.

You'll now find many different choices of items with our logo on it. New apparel includes: women's shirts, infant creepers, tank tops, kid's shirts, and even shirts for our dogs. Plus we have a few special designs available. Check back often on those as they will be added to shortly. Some other great items you can now get with our logo include: bibs, clocks, mouse pads, pillows, magnets, bags, mugs, and more. And for a little bit of inside information...coming soon are MAGSR calendars for 2006!

And as always, know that 100% of the profits from the sales go directly to helping our dogs. So go a little crazy in the store.





THANK YOU to our generous donors -- your financial support and other donations enable us to continue saving German Shepherds.



Includes donations received through 8/15/2005

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Mid-Atlantic German Shepherd Rescue is proud to be participating in the Combined Federal Campaign in the National Capital Area, Central Maryland, Western Maryland and St. Mary's County. We receive the amount designated plus a percentage of the contributions that are not assigned to a specific charity.

Please watch the website for the CFC numbers as we get closer to the campaigns.

The generosity of federal employees is important to us and the work we do. Thanks for all you do!

**MAGSR MEMORIAL FUND
IN MEMORY OF YEAGER & DYLAN**

If you have lost a beloved companion or know someone who did and would like to make a contribution in their name, the dogs whose lives you are helping to save will be forever grateful. We recently formed the MAGSR Memorial Fund in memory of Yeager & Dylan. Donations which are made in memory of a lost friend will go to this fund, enabling us to have the financial resources to pay for treatment or surgery of a dog with special needs. In the past we have mended broken legs and treated heartworm and just hoped the money to cover all those bills would follow. Luckily it has. We wanted to make certain, though, that we wouldn't have to turn away a dog who is in desperate need of expensive medical care, due to lack of funds. Any donation – large or small – that you make in memory of a friend who has passed will help to ensure that another dog will get the medical attention it needs and a chance at a whole new happy and healthy life. Thank you.

Please send your tax-deductible donation to:
MAGSR, P.O. Box 5, Laurel, MD 20725-0005

Thank you.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____



Gone but never forgotten....

Please remember those who have left us this past year and are waiting at the bridge so they can cross over together.

- Sienna – January 16, 2005
- Phoenix – January 16, 2005
- Sarge - February, 5, 2005
- Chloe - February 17, 2005
- Hamm - March 18, 2005
- Ruby - March 21, 2005
- Sarah - March 31, 2005
- Logan - April 19, 2005
- Chelsea - April 22, 2005
- Toby - August 2, 2005
- Rex - August 10, 2005
- Ike - September 2, 2005
- Sadie - September 5, 2005

After Death by Edwin Arnold

Farewell, Master, yet not farewell.
Where I go, ye too shall dwell.
I am gone, before your face,
A moment's time, a little space.
When ye come where I have stepped
Ye will wonder why ye wept.



Have You a Dog in Heaven?

Have You a dog in Heaven, Lord?
And do you pat its head?
Does he sit up and beg each night
Before he goes to bed?

Does he look up with shining eyes?
When he sees Your smiling face?
Does he wag his stubby little tail?
When he wants to run a race?

Have You a dog in Heaven, Lord?
Is there room for just one more?
'Cause my little dog died today;
He'll be waiting at Your door.

Please take him into Heaven, Lord,
And keep him there for me
Just feed him, pet him, love him, Lord,
That's all he'll ask of Thee.

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