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Introducing 2012 Quilt Squares

by Terri Pike, Quilt Committee Chairperson

Nancy Koch, one of our quilters, shared a lovely story about her two blocks for the 2012 quilts "We may rescue Havanese, but sometimes they rescue us!"

Adoption Corner



The first pieced block below is called "My Kozi Heart Girl." Nancy replicated the look of her heart girl, Kozi, in piecework - which is truly an artform.

Nancy wrote, "Kozi spent a brief few minutes as a pup up near my late husband's face, gave him a lick and his comment was, "she's beautiful." And yes she is, inside and out. She will always be special to me."

Hey guys! My name is Koko and I'm a young five-year-old searching for my forever home. My fur is black and white, and I weigh in at a healthy 15 lbs. I keep my handsome figure by taking these awesome things called walks.

I was a bit shy when I first got to my foster home, but I was relieved when I met my foster brothers. They have two legs and are smaller than my foster mom and foster dad. My foster mom calls them her kids. I really like them. They quickly found out the way to win me over ... lots of belly rubs and never-ending cuddles. I think these kid things are put on earth to do just that. When they aren't paying attention to me, I follow them around to make sure they don't forget about me. I'm used to older kids, as they are very respectful of me. They've become my best friends and when I find my forever home, I really want some more of these kid things waiting for me.

I have four-legged foster brothers and sisters too! They've been really nice to me. They even share their backyard with



Nancy's second block "My Heart at the End of a Leash" has a very touching story. Nancy wrote, "My late husband, Mike, and I always found it very relaxing after a busy day at work to take our little mixed breed dog, Sophie, for a walk. Sophie, who looked much like a Havanese, sadly was diagnosed with terminal cancer at the same time my husband was diagnosed with renal cancer.

I felt we should look for another pup similar to our Sophie. We found a Havanese, put down a deposit and anxiously waited for the day we could bring her home. Our beloved Sophie died Friday, October 1, 2003. Our little adorable ball of Havanese fur came home the following Friday. We named her Kozi.

As hard as it is to believe, the following Friday my husband and best, Mike, died of cancer.

Now, when I walk Kozi I have to say, my heart is truly at the end of a leash and it brings back memories of happy times. Our initials are carved in the heart of the tree."

me! We do one thing that Havi's do best, which is RLH! We race, and of course I win every time!

When I first met my foster dad, I was really nervous. He was so cool. It took me a couple weeks to take tips to be just as cool as him. Now that I'm just as cool as him, we have this understanding. He cuddles me, and that makes me one happy pup! When I first meet new people, I can come across as shy. I really just want to make sure they like me, so I just sit back and take it all in.



My foster mom says I am a very sweet boy, and as perfect as dogs come, but she says that a couple of training classes might make me even better. I do all my business outside and I don't put up a fuss if I have to stay in my crate. I try my best to be a really good boy. I really like being the center of attention, so I would love to be the only dog in your home. It's not that I don't like other dogs ... I just want it to be all about me, all the time. So if your home is looking for a perfect pup look no further - I've got that job covered!

You can enter the drawing for both quilts on our [website](#).

Letter from Home



Where does the time go? It seems like just yesterday when Max and Abby arrived in our home, but they have been

with us for over three years.

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New from Pat Casson!!!

These belly bands are constructed of 100% cotton and both are lovingly assembled with an interior lining of batting with just a touch more in the area most likely to become damp. They are adjustable for bellies from 12" to 18" in circumference via 2" Velcro strips and their open size is 19" in length and 4" wide.

As a bonus, Pat Casson, their creator, has included a reversible scarf that matches both belly bands. The fashion-forward accessory is easily attached to the dog's collar via a sewn-in pocket.

Machine-wash and dry.
Made to last!



Last year, we moved to a larger home. The little ones made the adjustment to the new home easily, but we were prepared. We brought the dogs to the new home several times before the final move. Bringing towels, dishes and toys certainly helped to get them used to the idea. The move has been great and I feel the dogs are happier. They feel safe. Our new home has 6 ft stucco walls all around. The dogs can go out and lie on the patio or run around and enjoy the outdoors without a worry. We have three gates which we keep locked at all times because there are children in the neighborhood, and I am afraid they may want to play with the dogs, so all gates are locked! We go on walks, but Abby keeps looking back at the house to see if she can get back to it -- she walks 10 feet and then sits, then walks and sits -- it takes us forever to walk a mile, :-).

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My mom, who moved in with us, loves these little dogs, and the dogs are now used to her and her walker. Max will sit on her lap and loves the attention. Both of these little ones love one-on-one attention. If I am petting Max then Abby must jump up and get her loving as well. Max entertains us with his antics. He has taught himself to sit up on his haunches and his front paws up to beg for attention. How can you not when he is so cute. Abby tries to mimic Max but just can't balance and sit. These two have given us such pleasure.

Max has given us a scare. His right hip was hurting and causing him to sometimes limp. The vet suggested surgery to correct. When the pre surgery blood work came back, the liver enzymes were sky high. We have been giving him medication and getting blood tests periodically. After nearly a year his liver enzymes are almost normal. Thank heavens. He is such a love bug. Surgery may not be an option. I am afraid to have him go under anesthetic.

Abby and Max are such cheerful loving dogs and never let you forget that they come first in the household. And, they do. Thank you so much for assisting us with their adoption.

Best regards,

Kathy and Dave

HRI's Upcoming Silent Auction

by Charlene Edwards BOD Special Events Coordinator

We are grateful and thrilled with the many items we have received for our Silent Auction/Raffle for this year's reception during the HCA Nationals in Minnesota.

We would love to receive more donations. This is an annual, major fund-raiser for HAVANESE RESCUE INC, and funds raised tremendously assist HRI in covering the on-going daily expenses for all the "kids" in rescue.

Everyone is welcome, and the evening will once again include a complimentary dinner, silent auction, raffle and FUN!

Please ship all items to our Minnesota volunteer, Lori Brostrom:

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