



DRU News

April 12-18 Is National Dog Bite Prevention Week

What is National Dog Bite Prevention Week?

The second full week in April each year is designated as National Dog Bite Prevention Week. National Dog Bite Prevention Week was created by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), the United States Postal Service (USPS) and State Farm Insurance Companies several years ago to bring light to the fact that any dog can bite. Knowing that dogs provide companionship, joy and health benefits to millions of families across America, these groups joined together to preserve that bond between humans and the dogs they love. More recently the American Humane Society, the Insurance Information Institute and Positively® Victoria Stilwell have joined the Dog Bite Coalition.

Why is focusing on preventing dog bites important to DRU?

As we have all been taught, any dog can bite. Even the gentlest dog can bite if they are in pain, feel threatened or are competing for resources such as food or space. It is not only important to understand how dogs behave; it is important to understand how a dog may interpret our behavior.

Focusing on the prevention of dog bites is important to DRU for three reasons:

By focusing on bite prevention - we serve the breed

In the original articles of incorporation handwritten by DRU's founder Claire Kontos, are the words, "Serve the Breed." In an effort to accomplish this, our responsibility starts in ensuring a positive image of the Doberman while simultaneously recognizing and respecting the traits that make him a unique breed.

By focusing on bite prevention - we support our adopters

DRU screens adopters in an attempt to ensure the DRU Doberman remains in his forever home. If the adopter notices an inappropriate behavior including nipping or biting, there are resources available. Our staff, most notably our Training Department is here to assist with management tips, online and in person training, referrals to Doberman experienced trainers near you and more.

By focusing on bite prevention - we use our resources wisely



Like any shelter, our resources are limited. If we don't take in dogs due to bite related issues, we can focus our resources on the Dobermans who have lost their way or their homes due to owner's death or family financial crisis.

Why should focusing on preventing dog bites be important to you?

Focusing on the prevention of dog bites should be important to you for three reasons:

As a Doberman Owner, you are acting as their advocate. The way your Doberman behaves can either continue to perpetuate unfavorable stereotyping or it could help to advance the understanding that every dog is unique. Remember that you as a Doberman owner see your dog as one thing, but others may not see the same thing.

As a responsible dog owner, your role goes beyond exercising, vetting, training and socializing (although these are very important). You should know your Doberman's strengths and areas for opportunity, boundaries and triggers. Take time to educate friends, family and neighbors about the breed and your Doberman. Ask others to respect your Doberman's boundaries and respect the boundaries of others. Protect your dog from preventable risks and protect others from preventable risks. Don't set your dog up to fail by putting him in a vulnerable position where he may make a poor decision.

As a homeowner or renter with a Doberman you have a vested interest in ensuring the homeowner insurance companies who unfairly discriminate against Dobermans, see you as a responsible dog owner and don't automatically classify your dog as an unappealing
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risk. Fewer bites means more tolerance for the breed. More tolerance for the breed means less discrimination. Currently Dobermans are being unfairly discriminated against because they appear on an insurance breed list. What is a breed list? Years ago, the Center for Disease Control (CDC) collected statistics on dog bites. Based on the data they collected they created a list of breeds and attempted to document how many bites were associated with each breed. Many years ago, the CDC stopped collecting data when they determined the data

was unreliable. The CDC determined “breed” could not be identified visually with accuracy. Although the list and corresponding statistics were deemed unreliable years ago, many insurance companies still use this list to classify owners ineligible for homeowner’s coverage or to limit liability coverage. If you own a Doberman and you need assistance in securing homeowner or renter coverage, please see the back cover for information from FB Insure.



Children and Dogs

Statistics show that children are bitten twice as often as adults and children under five are bitten twice as often as all children. Acting as a responsible dog owner and taking steps to prevent dog bites is critical in reducing or eliminating these injuries to children.

Dogs and Kids: HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS START AT HOME

Julia V. McDonough

When we look at the reality of dog bite prevention, one of the most important areas of focus should be on children. According to a 2017 study published in the peer-reviewed journal Injury Prevention (<https://injuryprevention.bmj.com/content/25/4/290.full>), younger children are more likely to receive dog bites, and bites incurred are likely of greater severity. While many dog lovers will attribute this to kids pestering dogs into defensive action, the reality is usually a lot less dramatic. Many of the Dobermans turned in to DRU for having trouble with kids are simply untrained and unclear on boundaries that should have been set up by their adult owners, the child’s parents. Others are excellent with their own kids but become problematic with visiting friends who may not know how to act around dogs. Ultimately, it falls on us to make a Doberman-and-child relationship safe through intelligent parenting and management as well as relying on any innate good nature of our dogs.

If we’re of a certain age, “a kid and his/her dog” is a staple of our upbringing: we have stories of the patient pet who let us dress them in clothes, or the one-of-the-gang dogs who followed us on our bikes on our adventures or the faithful friend who listened to us better than Mom or Dad. The kid/dog dynamic can still exist, but our culture surrounding both kids and dogs has changed a lot, hence the challenge when we encounter potential adopters who have children in their lives.

Some dogs are literally genetically programmed to love kids. A friend’s line of English Shepherds has shown ridiculously tolerant behavior of children for many generations without ever being raised in their immediate presence. Other dogs are the opposite: absent any bad experience with children and in spite of positive experiences with them as puppies, they mature into suspicious behavior around them anyway. And even in the case of a dog who has been raised successfully with children in her prior home we still warn the new adopters that the dog may take a while to recognize her -new- kids as family.

Last year we had a great kid/dog match between a young female Dobe named Ryder and a family whose youngest member was an 11 year old girl named Madelyn. Ryder had been through some training in the DRU University program so she had a good understanding of basic manners and obedience to begin with. Because they understood the importance of training being a good place to establish “house rules” for both their dog and their daughter, Madelyn’s parents continued the training we started at DRU for Ryder and had Madelyn jump right in as a primary handler, showing Ryder that this junior “member of the pack” was still someone worth following and trusting. And like many young people, Madelyn was a naturally talented handler who didn’t come in with decades of bad-training-baggage that many adults have to shed when they start learning with us. Because of this excellent consistency, Ryder adapted very well to life with her new humans and has forged a strong bond with “her” kid.

So, how do you make sure that your Dobe does well around kids? A few simple rules:

- If your family has very young children in it, (between 0-7/8 years old), don’t expect the dog to “respect” the children as leaders. It’s hard enough to get adults to pay attention, stay consistent and not repeat commands. Try doing that with a 5 year old! At best, letting a young child order the dog around will teach the dog that he can ignore the child (and the commands, even when they come from you). At worst, a child might earn a growl or worse from a dog who feels as though he is being disciplined or ordered about

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by a “pup”. While this behavior is never ok, you should do your best to not set your dog up for failure by allowing it to happen, as it will stop being “cute” as soon as your child starts crying. Picture a triangle: The adults are at the top, the child is at one of the lower corners and the dog is at the other lower corner. Direction and correction only goes from the top downward, never from the bottom upward and never laterally from one bottom corner to the other.

- The best way to treat a child is almost as if she is one of your possessions. If you wouldn't let your Dobe put his mouth on your favorite shoes, or climb on top of your coffee table, then don't let him do the same to your child. This will make more sense to your dog than expecting him to recognize a small child as someone he should listen to as a leader.
- Older kids like Madelyn should participate in non-confrontational training with supervision. Heel, come when called and place are all excellent, useful and fun exercises for a dog and kid to learn together.
- Remember that even if your dog loves your kids, the kids who visit your kids may not be accepted. This is especially true if they are coming from homes where there is a totally laid back dog or no dog at all. The best rule is to protect your dog from his own bad decisions by confining him at big events such as birthday parties or sleepovers.
- If you don't have kids in your life, be especially careful about introducing visiting children to your dog. Don't forget that many Dobs are naturally suspicious of new people and situations. If you add in sometimes erratic behavior, high pitched voices and sudden movements that kids are prone to making, you can see how things could go sideways if you push your luck.
- People often protest that a dog will do best if he goes to live in a place “where there are no kids”. But that place doesn't exist. I haven't ever had a child enter my home in the 20 years I've lived here and yet I see kids all the time when I take my dogs for a walk through town, if I go to the pet supply store, even at the vet's office. Train your dog to pay attention to you and trust you when he sees anything that makes him worry, including children. It's almost never a good idea to let your dog meet strange kids when you are out and about. Answer any requests to pet your dog with a firm “No, thanks for asking, but we're training right now.” If they don't ask and just approach, do your best to stop them verbally with a strong “STOP. NO.” and if possible, sit your dog and stand in front of him facing the kid. Don't worry about looking “mean”. If your Dobe even made a face at the trespassing child, you and he could get into a lot of trouble.

When dogs and kids do well together, it looks like magic, just like with Madelyn and Ryder. But behind the “magic” is respect, common sense and rules.

DOGS and KIDS TIPS ...

Teach all toddlers and children to be *careful* around and *respectful* of dogs...Not to touch strange dogs or try to pet dogs by reaching through fence or screen on a crate...To ask for *permission* from the dog's owner before petting any dog.

Adults should remember never leave a baby or a child alone with any dog. Be aware of potentially dangerous situations, and take measures to avoid them. Do not allow your children to approach or pet stray dogs. Be aware that children move quickly and scream often - a dog may perceive this as threatening. Don't let children near your dog when the dog is eating, sleeping or does not feel well.

RESPONSIBLE DOBERMAN OWNER TIPS...

Know *your* dog. Educate your family, your friends and neighbors about the Doberman breed a specifically our Doberman. Train, socialize, exercise and vet *your* Doberman.

RESOURCES FOR KIDS...

Let preschoolers look at how a dog might interpret different scenarios by playing the American Veterinary Medical Association video series called Jimmy the Dog.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z62pAg1xm08&list=PLMsZQQAqfuVriBrbJxQdGzeolq0d_G22

The American Humane offers a free online booklet called Pet Meets Baby that provides families with valuable information on introducing a new child to a home with a dog.

<https://www.americanhumane.org/publication/pet-meets-baby/>

PAWS

P - PAUSE BEFORE ALLOWING ANYONE TO GREET YOUR DOBERMAN AND BEFORE GREETING SOMEONE ELSE'S DOG.

A - ACKNOWLEDGE AND RESPECT YOUR DOBERMAN'S TRAITS

W - WATCH FOR YOUR DOBERMAN'S REACTION TO SETTINGS

S - SERVE THE BREED AND MAINTAIN A POSITIVE IMAGE



Any Dog Can Bite

State Farm states, “Any Dog Can Bite”.

Our Training Director states, “Never say Never”

YES, your dog WILL bite if given the right circumstances. Here’s how to avoid it.

Julia V. McDonough

As a professional trainer with decades of experience rehabbing dogs with behavior issues, I've collected quite a pack of pet peeves revolving around dog owners' misperceptions about the animals they love. These include all of the old wives tales like “It's all in how you raise them.”, declarations that dogs act out of spite, and worst and most dangerous of all, the assertion that “My dog would NEVER bite.”

The people who insist on this are often overheard at a later date exclaiming “Oh, I'm so sorry! He's never done *that* before!”

DOGS: beloved First Friends, partners, guardians, family members. Also apex predators who use nuanced body language to express their feelings, who see the world and its inhabitants in less than an egalitarian way, and who like to own stuff. Add in forty-two teeth and the emotional self-control of a toddler and you can see how things might go badly sometimes. Of all the students and clients I work with whose dogs have bitten them or another human, almost none of them thought it possible until it happened. Other than the few outliers who knew from day one that they'd acquired a less than balanced dog and who kept him anyway, most people truly believe that their dog would only bite under the most extreme circumstances: as an answer to being abused, if in excruciating pain, or if threatened by a stranger. The reality is that most dog bites happen in surprisingly low impact settings: a dog protests a human touching him while on the couch, a pedestrian walks by a little too closely, an owner grabs at a collar to get the dog off of the kitchen counter. Then there is a quick movement, maybe a sudden noise, and a few seconds later the physical and emotional pain that sets in when you realize that your dog has hurt you or someone else.

When the dog we own and love belongs to a “power breed”, our obligation to society, the breed and the dog himself is to spend less time protesting the prejudice against him and more time proving it wrong through responsible ownership, which also makes him much less likely to get in trouble with his teeth. How?

- **RECOGNIZE** that Dobermans were specifically developed as personal protection dogs with a sense of suspicion about new people and situations. This trait is inherited just like coat color and eye shape, it's not a reflection of “how you raise them”. If you own a serious dog, you must be a serious dog owner. That means that if your Dobe is one of the more aloof, suspicious or protective examples of his kind, you should not be expecting him to welcome the attention of strangers or force him into situations that he's not prepared to handle. Your dog is your dog: he is not community property.
- **PICK AND CHOOSE** wisely who your Dobe needs to be friends with rather than expecting him to be besties with every human he meets. Obviously, he should be tolerant of every person living in your home, his vet and their staff, his groomer and his trainer, as well as any pet sitters or dog walkers you might employ. He does not need to get up close and personal with your cousin who visits once a year from California, with your teenage daughter's new boyfriend or with the guy who's installing the new garage door.
- **PROVIDE** your Doberman with his own space, preferably a crate, where he can retreat or be safely confined when you have lots of visitors or people working on the house. Crating or confining him in a secure room is much safer than tethering him.
- Your Doberman is an ambassador for his breed. When you bring him in public, he should be under excellent control and attentive to you above all other distractions. Even a friendly Dobe who jumps up to greet an unsuspecting person will be subject to more judgment than a Lab or Golden Retriever who does the same thing. There are some people who will turn an overzealous greeting into a vicious attack in the retelling to an Animal Control Officer or a lawyer. Think of public outings as a chance to protect your Doberman from people rather than protecting people from your Doberman.
- **TRAIN** your dog! Good training is not martial law delivered by a drill sergeant. Nor is it endless cookies and squealing praise for a series of parlor tricks. Good training is a language we use to explain our expectations to our dog and to create a relationship in which he trusts us to make good decisions for him. Dobermans are one of the most intelligent “thinking” breeds of dog and were literally created to work closely with humans. If our language is an incoherent blend of baby talk and shouted reprimands, our Dobs will live in a state of confusion and will start making decisions on their own that can get them in a lot of trouble. Almost every one of the dog bite cases I deal with begins with a dog who has no idea what is expected of him and an owner who insists that the dog “knows better”. Set up consistent, reasonable expectations and then use good training to help your dog meet them.

Avoiding the traumatic experience of a dog bite mostly comes down to a combination of common sense, clarity and respect for who our dogs are as a breed and as individuals. Being a responsible Doberman owner means recognizing our part in honestly representing our dogs to the public, and being fair, clear leaders to them in our shared lives. If you can do those things, then you should never have to say “He's never done that before!”.

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The DRU University Training Program

Educating Dobermans and The People Who Love Them

The third article drafted for this newsletter is a description of DRU's in-house training program called "DRU U". Our training program serves not only to train and maintain the behavioral well-being of the resident shelter Dobermans, but also as a resource for education for adopters and those owners potentially surrendering their Dobermans for behavioral issues.

Everyone who loves Dobermans knows that they are first and foremost a thinking dog. The problem with a thinking dog is that he is going to use that brilliant brain of his whether you guide him or not. With consistency and balance, you can create a lovely partnership based on trust and respect. Without those things, you can end up with the canine equivalent of the gifted kid whose parents won't teach him anything. He'll still *learn* but he'll learn to do things like make pipe bombs out of kitchen utensils.

At the time of this piece being written, there are currently 33 Dobermans residing at the DRU shelter. Of that number, 16 are specifically there due to disclosed significant behavior issues. Before we place any of our behaviorally challenged residents into a new home, it is our obligation to the dog, the adopter and the breed itself to do what we can to help him adapt better to the world so that his next home is his last. That is where DRU U comes in.

The vision for Doberman Rescue Unlimited University is based on the belief that the most surefire way to help dogs in the care of a rescue or shelter is to teach them the skills they need to be safe and reliable in the increasingly challenging world humans have asked them to cohabitate. This goes far beyond training the individual dog to perform specific behaviors or tricks and gets into the territory of using obedience commands as a language which a properly instructed human can use to "explain" our sometimes confusing expectations to the dog. Just as importantly, it allows the dog to "explain himself" to us, letting us know his opinions and boundaries, and giving us meaningful insight into his temperament. Along with the instruction of the dog in a formal classroom setting, it's important that daily life is made as consistent as possible while he is in the shelter environment, and that he is set up for success by the staff and volunteers, who have DRU U training of their own in order to provide steady guidance for dogs.

Our goal? To build trust in a human handler and alleviate the student Dobe's boredom and kennel-frustration at the same time as we teach him the sort of manners that will make him a much more desirable adoptee. After all, a Doberman who walks politely on the leash, makes friendly eye contact with his handler, lies down quietly on command at his human's feet and responds to his name with a fast and joyful recall is the kind of dog people dream of sharing their life with. If a newly adopted dog already has this cooperative relationship with his caretakers, it will be much easier to transfer the notoriously "one person" Doberman to a similarly prepared owner, who will also have more incentive to continue the training either through DRU University or a suitably experienced trainer closer to their home.

HOW DOES DRU U WORK?

DRU University approaches the education of Dobermans and humans on several levels:

THE DRU U STUDENT BODY consists of anywhere from 4-6 resident dogs who receive regular training from the DRU U faculty. These dogs are usually some of the more challenging behavior cases but sometimes they are just typical untrained Dobses with no manners or appropriate view of humans. These dogs learn the "Basic 5" obedience commands of heel, sit, stay, down and come when called and simultaneously learn to accept human handling and fair direction and correction. Through our off site training they are exposed to typical distractions in public places, preparing them for life in the real world once they're adopted.

Dogs who become predictable and adept at their basic training are moved into "Post Grad" status. The Post Grad dogs are often the ones you will see at demonstrations or events, and they often get to go on more "field trips" than the newer dogs.

Dogs from the general population who are chosen as potential matches for approved adopters are often enrolled in "Adoption Prep" training to get a better idea of their suitability for the adopter. Even if a better match is found after this diagnostic approach to training, the AP dog is now more adoptable for the next candidate.

IN KENNEL BEHAVIORAL TRIAGE is in place to help DRU resident dogs deal with the intense stress of being kenneled in an institutional facility. Dobermans are notoriously hard to kennel and are infamous for OCD and stress-related behaviors. While waiting to get into the actual string of student dogs, many dogs in our general population are assessed by DRU U faculty and worked with to develop "coping skills". Sometimes this involves teaching a dog to use his elevated bed, to sit before approaching his food, or conditioning him to go to through his doorway when a worker enters the front of his run. Resident dogs are also taught while in the yard, whether it's sitting and giving eye contact before going through the gates, coming when called from the farthest reaches of the field or dropping a toy on command. Kennel techs are then taught how to continue the work for consistency. These routine sessions help the dogs cope better with their environment and teach them about trusting their caretakers to make decisions for them.

IN HOUSE OBEDIENCE CLASSES happen once a week for DRU shelter staff and their Well-Being dogs. The IHOCs are structured on the same platform used to teach basic obedience and manners to companion dogs, with an emphasis on developing a healthy relationship between the dogs and their handlers that can be transferred to the dog's adopter when he is ready to go to his new home. By teaching shelter staff these skills with their particular IHOC dogs, we are also improving their ability to communicate with the rest of their charges who may not be actively involved in the training

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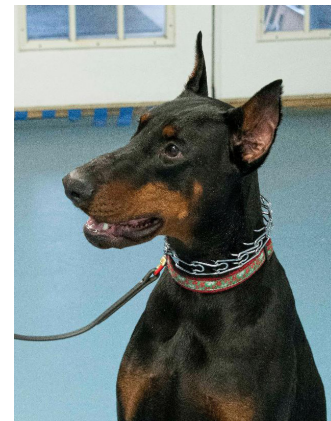
program. When every Doberman in our population is handled consistently with the same set of physical and verbal cues, we are creating a safer environment for our staff and a more coherent world for the dogs in our care.

OFF SITE TRAINING - The DRU shelter's rural setting is lovely, but it doesn't provide a lot of the real world distractions that a newly adopted dog may encounter once he leaves us. Thanks to a generous donation by a longtime DRU volunteer (The DRU U Bella Next Step Training Fund), some of our handlers and dogs take off site lessons in a more real-world public setting, where they are exposed to more varied distractions than possible close to home. The DRU U students' experiences around traffic, pedestrians and bicyclists, and random less-well-behaved dogs helps us predict how they will do with potential adopters.

ADOPTER EDUCATION - Even the most experienced Dobe owners have much to learn from each new dog they bring into their family. Part of DRU U's function is to help adopted Dobs transition into their new homes by providing post-adoption support for their families. Whether it's on site lessons with DRU U faculty, email or phone support or referral to an experienced trainer closer to home, we are here to make the adoption experience a successful one.

Introducing two Special DRU boys looking for right home . . .

DAMON, a new DRU U student, is a handsome 3 year old cropped and docked boy who was reluctantly surrendered by an owner whose medical condition made it unsafe to keep his beloved friend. At around ninety-five pounds, Damon is a very large and powerful guy who tends to bark first, ask questions later. He has the classic combo of Doberman traits, "stranger danger" and dog reactivity, both of which he recovers from when handled by a confident and competent human partner. Although he will sound off at other dogs when on leash, Damon actually has a positive history of living with a similarly sized female dog and his owner described him as being very playful and puppylike with that canine sister. We have yet to run Damon with a friend here at DRU as we are just starting to work on his on-leash reactivity and want him to learn how to behave in a neutral manner when he sees other dogs, but it's in his immediate future. With people, Damon can be watchful and suspicious at first. He has a level of sensitivity that means his next owner will need to be wise and conservative when it comes to meeting any new humans. Once you're "in" with Damon, you're definitely in, and he will show his super affectionate, rather pushy side. If Damon were a human we would call him a "worrywort": he really needs a strong, smart human to be a confident leader and to teach him to make the best decisions for himself to alleviate that worry. He enjoys his time stretching his legs in the big yard and playing "chicken" with his human friends, a game we are actively teaching him to give up. Damon loves playing with his favorite rope toy and will surrender it on command. Based on what we see when around our resident cats at DRU, we are assuming he would treat a cat the same way and would probably -not- surrender -it- on command, so a no cats household would be advisable. Damon's last owner didn't crate him when he left him alone and reported that he was respectful of his property. However, we will always recommend that a Dobe new to your household be crated for his own safety and for the welfare of your own belongings. We'd love to see Damon get a person of his own who makes him feel safe and secure through calm and assertive leadership so that he can blossom into the magnificent Doberman he is at heart.



Damon is actively enrolled in DRU University and comes with three complimentary lessons.



MICHAEL, a black and rust, cropped-and-flopped/docked male, about 4 years old, arrived at DRU's door in the back of an Animal Control vehicle along with his brother Lucas back in October 2018. Victims of a neglect case, the two boys went from being brothers-in-arms to brothers-at-each-others' throats within a couple of weeks of arriving. Like most neglect cases, Michael and Lucas had never been abused, but the behavioral neglect that found two littermate male Dobermans sharing the same apartment meant that we inherited the equivalent of two teenage boys raised by wolves. Our first task was to separate the two warring brothers and take a look at them as individuals. Michael was the more challenging, a super-intelligent and powerful young male who would create hobbies for himself involving dismantling his kennel run, obsessing over any sort of cleaning tool (squeegees, pooper scoopers) and doing a pit-bull-style full body hang off of the eaves of the building while out in the exercise yard. At first it looked like Michael's mercury-mind and lack of familiarity with human leadership were going to put him on the list of high risk dogs. But through patience, firmness and consistency we were able to "crack the code" with Michael and find a brilliant, engaging dog who just needed to know what our expectations were and how to meet them. Michael needs a very Dobe-savvy handler who will enjoy his intelligence but also

always stay smarter than he is. He has met many new humans and been openly social after a brief acquaintanceship. He will gladly take direction from a confident handler but is not above testing us when he feels the urge. He has proved to be a sane and fun-loving playmate for some female dogs but should not live with cats or other small critters. His lack of history means that we can't place him in a home with small children as residents or frequent visitors. Michael continues to impress us with his willingness to "let us in". This gorgeous fellow is a DRU University Post Grad and is trained to off-leash spec, so his adopters will need to be brought up to speed with at least three complimentary lessons to get them acquainted with him.



Abby Banaian
Al Stahl
Andre Wheeler
Angel Dawley
Aries Longley
Becca Samost
Belanna Cassidy
Brody Rybos

Ceelo Higgins
Coatue Dreher
Coco Pruikmsa
Diva Cecarelli
Driska Harrington
Eve Cullen
Fayjah Jackson
Gerda Andersen

Griffin Conlon
Heidi Simcock
Hershey Cline
Ivan Wagner/Lamarre
Ivy Wheeler
Jack Frost Kasperak
Jasmine Picano
Justin Sullivan

Kalhua Kelly
Lance Cecarelli
Leia Belloso
Major Metz
Maya Stirlazzi
Mojo Laferriere
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Rufus King
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Sammie Newell

Shatzie Stewart
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Leslie Michell
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In memory of Zohan Fale
David & Dixie Lindberg
In memory of Lexi, Annie, Maggie,
Chela & Huxley
Larry and Tami Cohen
In memory of Howard Cohen
Nazarene Mondello
In memory of Jeannette Toman
Jeff Seith
In memory of Finn Cooper
Betty Moscatelli
In memory of Cooper and Starzi
Laura Johnson
In Loving Memory Kachina
Faithful Companion of John and Carolyn Bancroft
Patricia Zachman
Roxy is pure Love
Kassandra Carr
Mike and Sandy Bouchard -
In memory of our dogs
Debra Evans
In memory of Valentino

Scott Bordeleau
In memory of Valentino
Alice Winkler
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