



The Nine O'clock Bark

the Newsletter of the
SMOKY MOUNTAINS BULLDOG CLUB

On the web at: <http://smbcarn.org/>

*There will be NO December meeting of the
Smoky Mountains Bulldog Club
Instead everyone is invited to our Christmas party!*

December 2018

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*SMBC Christmas party
Sunday December 16 at 5 pm
At the home of Alena & Roman
2533 Silver Grass Lane
(Directions on page 4)
Please bring a wrapped
Bulldog/Dog related Item (\$10 to \$15)
for our gift exchange
And
A Pot Luck dish to share.
There will be Bingo for rescue. Bring Cash*

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**2019 DUES ARE DUE BY
Dec. 31st.**
 Suzan Jordan
 1000 Fox Rd.
 Knoxville, TN 37922
 \$15 individual

New SMBC Officers for 2019
 President—Nikki Ewing
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**HELP US KEEP THE STOCKINGS FULL
DONATE! SEE PAGE 2**

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I'll be home for Christmas!

Bella J and the Gladstone family

Bella came to rescue from CARE in Jefferson County where she and another Bulldog

were confiscated in a neglect case. Bella began the good life with foster moms Aimee and Heather and then was adopted by the Gladstone family. *Bella has*

adjusted beautifully!! We have absolutely LOVED having her in our family—we can hardly remember what life was like without her! She fits right in. She has met so many friends and family over the past few weeks and every single person has been smitten with her. We feel so very lucky to have her in our lives.

Ginger and the Walker family

Ginger is a sweet two year old who was an owner surrender because the family just could not take care of her

anymore. Ginger is prone to seizures but now they are well controlled with meds and a daily routine. She was fostered by Melinda Walker and her husband to see if their dog Addy could be friends with Ginger. Addy and Ginger made a personal visit to our booth at Howloween at UT Gardens on October and the girls are happy companions in the Walker household.



A request from rescue

Last year in February we had a very successful Wine to the Rescue fund raiser and we are so grateful for all of you who contributed items for the auction, promoted our cause, bought tickets, attended and bid on the wonderful items. However the members who put all of it together were ready for a break. So this year we will not be doing a Wine to the Rescue but we are asking all our supporters to take the night off and instead of dressing up, just sit back, pop your favorite beverage and donate what you might have spent to come to the event.

Send checks to:

SMBC Rescue 129 Evergreen Dr. Knoxville, TN

Or use our website PayPal : <https://smbcarn.org> product=donation

Buddy

Cupcake

Jada —love can work miracles



In June 2017, rescue received a call from the HSTV about a Bulldog they had taken in a hoarding case. Jada was seven and they discovered a tumor in her mouth and felt like she did not have but a few weeks left. HSTV wanted to give her a life with a real family and Brittini Ricker responded. Oh how she responded—Jada went to the beach with the family, joined the children playing games, snuggled on the sofa and had the perfect life



with a REAL family who loved her! Jada enjoyed Christmas with her family and went to the beach the next summer. For a dog that was only expected to live for a few weeks, Jada and the Rickers demonstrated just what love can do. She not just survived for sixteen months but thrived on the love and care provided by her family. ! In October this year the tumors came back and pressed on her windpipe causing breathing difficulties.

"We have so many pics and videos to remind us more of her. Especially her bark that we thought wed never hear and her playing tug a war with us. Amazing how attached can get and how much life can change because of one sweet pup. Thank you for giving us the opportunity back then to give her a home."

TIME TO SAY "THANK YOU!"

- * The **organizers, donors, guests and workers** who made our third **Wine to the Rescue** such a great success.
- * **GEBR** who generously share the proceeds of their annual **Bully Ball** with our rescue.
- * **Central Veterinary Hospital** who accommodate some of our more difficult requests and who take such good care of all the problem Bullies we bring them.
- * We had some amazing donors this year who made generous contributions to rescue. A thousand thanks to **Cheryl Lawless, Gail Zwergel, Nikki and Tony Ewing, Peter Matthews, John Bowman, Linda Sterner and the group of wonderful people who donated online** to help Cuddles.
- * We also had some great foster moms this year! **Leah Ann Courtney** (Marley), **Aimee Chico, Heather Didier** (Bella J), **Denise Pridgen** (Cuddles), **Shirlene and Eric Stroup** (KC), **Lisa Warren** (Harley Knox and Simba), **Patty Driggers** (Macy), **Jim Lindsey and Linda Rivers** (Bean), **Whitney Davies** (Buddy), **Shannon Bates** (Teddy), **Whitney Peterson** (Cupcake) and **Carla Cuiffo** (Polly).
- * Our **Officers and Board** who have worked so hard this year to provide interesting and fun programs for our members and to keep us in the black so we can continue our missions.
- * All the **shoppers** out there who donated to us via Amazon Smile

Traveling this holiday Season ???
**Motel 6 Offers a 10% Nationwide Discount to
AKC Registrants**



To receive the discount guests must reference the new AKC account number CPM64DOG.

- 100% of Motel 6 locations are Pet Friendly.
- Motel 6 Does NOT Charge a Pet Fee.
- Motel 6 Does NOT have weight limits on Pets.
- Motel 6 allows 2 pets per room.

RESERVATIONS can be made at **855-M6-4DOGS (855-664-3647)**, or with any Motel 6 property directly.



*Help us keep our stockings filled.
Please consider making a
donation to Rescue.
All donations are tax deductible.
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It's the day before Christmas
And all through the house
The puppies are squeaking
An old rubber mouse.



The wreath which had merrily
Hung on the door
Is scattered in pieces
All over the floor

The stocking that hung
In a neat little row
Now boast a hole in
Each one of the toes

The tree was subjected
To bright-eyed whims
An now, although splendid
Is missing some limbs



I catch them and hold them,
"Be good", I insist
They lick me, then run off
To see what they've missed.



And now as I watch them
The thought comes to me
That theirs is the spirit
That Christmas should be

Should children and puppies
Yet show us the way,
And teach us the joy
That should come with this day?



Happy Christmas to All



and to All a Good night



Directions to Alena and Roman's

- Take Pellissippi Parkway toward Oak Ridge.
- Take the Hardin Valley exit East (back toward town)
- Stay on Hardin Valley
- Turn LEFT onto Reagan Rd. It will be the forth road on the LEFT
(look for Paul Brock Way on the right)
- Garden Walk Ln will be the first LEFT.
- Turn onto Garden Walk and take the Second Right SILVER GRASS LANE
- 2533 Silver Grass Lane will be on the left after you turn.
- 384-7240