



# Journey's End Animal Sanctuary

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## Elvis

Hello, my name is Elvis!  
You guessed it, I'm a hound.  
My rack of bones staggered down the street  
Where by sheer luck, I was found.

Thirty pounds and three weeks later,  
They surprised me by getting me fixed.  
(I knew when they took me for that nice ride,  
Up their sleeves was a bag of tricks!)

My meals are no longer rationed;  
I partake with the rest of the crew.  
Food is even leftover when I am full!  
Yes! That's surprisingly true!

All my new friends are loved a lot;  
My tongue kisses like the dickens.  
(Got myself into trouble a while ago,  
When I tried to love on the chickens.)

They throw me a ball to chase,  
But I prefer toys that squeak.  
Why should I waste my energy?  
Not to chew would make life really bleak.

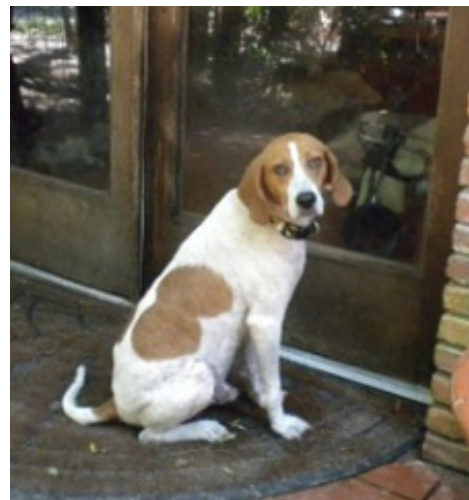
I try hard to befriend little Iris the cat  
By licking and giving her kisses.  
It's amusing the way her hair stands on end  
While she glares at me and hisses!

My energy level needs to be used;  
If a door opens, I need to go through it.  
This trick really seems to rattle their brains.  
You know what I think? Screw it! (Sorry...)

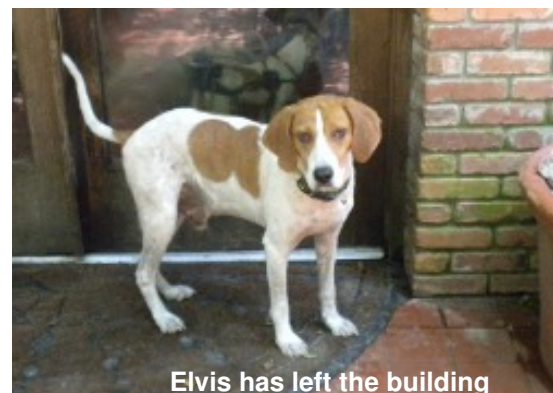
As you can see, I've a mind of my own,  
Being good is a chore, but I try.  
Oh boy, Tyrone just opened the door!  
I'm outta here! Gotta go! Bye!



Elvis arrives at Journey's End



Feeling much better a few weeks later



Elvis has left the building

## *Jackson*

Hi, my name is Jackson.  
When you see me, you'll say "Aww,"  
Because my face is really cute,  
Though I have no lower jaw.



From birth, my tiny tongue hangs out,  
But my personality's just like a Dane!  
My brain is small, but still MENSA-qualified;  
I know enough to come in from the rain!

My gums lack teeth, so they make me soup--  
Who do they think I am?  
At dinner time, just serve me real food,  
Like a big slice of bacon or ham!

They treat me like a special needs puppy,  
I can't figure out what they're doing.  
It was so insulting, for a while,  
I considered the option of suing.

Sometimes, if a gate was left open,  
I would run up the road to the sky.  
I could hear them plead,  
"Jawless Jackson, come back!"  
They were so upset, they would cry.

Now Jawless Jackson's pretty much in control.  
They almost always obey my commands,  
My abode is forever the master suite...  
**THEY'RE EATING RIGHT OUT OF MY HANDS!!**



## *Curley*

Hello, my name is Curley!  
When I was born, my egg was too small,  
Which caused me to have "curly" (get it?) toes--  
Not such a bad thing, after all.

I was hatched in a science class in Orlando  
And my eyesight's not the best.  
I'm still a baby and I like to cuddle  
On anyone's warm, soft chest.

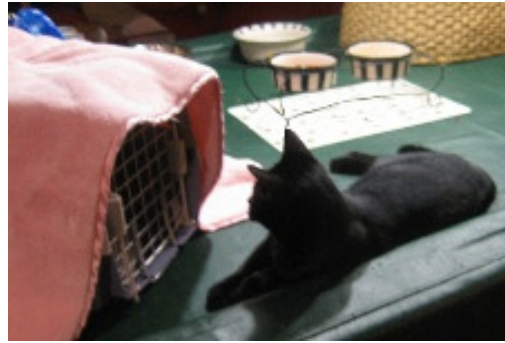
At nighttime, my chirps are fortissimo,  
So I'm all wrapped up in a towel,  
Since I don't have a mother to cuddle under,  
Which so comforts a baby fowl.

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*Curley ... continued*

But I'm cozy and warm with a crop that's full.  
My alarm system's Daffy the Cat,  
Who watches over me and guards my bed...  
Now what do you think of that?



I spent three days at Kathy's house,  
For a process called "snowshoeing."  
For years, she has helped lots of wildlife,  
And knows exactly what she's doing.

My brace will help me walk better!  
Even though life is already sweet,  
Down the road when you come here to see me,  
My nickname will be "Happy Feet"!



So my future is not chicken nuggets!  
Who could ask for anything more  
Than to live on Old MacDonald's farm,  
Not McDonald's the hamburger store!

**Journey's End Medical Costs**

April 2013 and May 2013

Total Costs: \$10,975

	Dogs & Cats	Horses	Rx
Apr	\$ 2,635	\$ 2,252	\$ 123
May	\$ 4,219	\$ 673	\$ 1,073

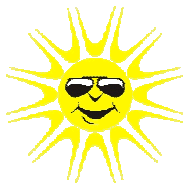
**Why we do not adopt out**

People have often asked why we do not adopt out the animals we rescue. The reason dates back to the early years of Journey's End. Initially, we did adopt out animals, always with the provision that the people would agree to contact us immediately if for any reason they could not keep the animal, and that they would return the animal to us. More times than we care to remember, we would follow up—sometimes not too long afterward—only to find that the animal had been given away, and we were offered no information beyond that. We found ourselves repeatedly unable to learn what had become of the animals, with no idea as to what fate they may have suffered.

It was after too many such experiences that we determined to honor our heartfelt promise to the animals we rescued that we would ensure they'd have a safe haven and loving home for the rest of their lives. Almost all of the animals we rescue have experienced hunger, abuse, neglect, abandonment, or physical pain from untreated medical conditions. It was distressing to see over and over again how seemingly caring people did not honor their commitment to these animals they chose to adopt from us. Ultimately, we decided it was more important to be able to guarantee a lifetime of safety and care for our animals than to take the chance that they may find themselves in dire situations again, or worse.

This is the reason our philosophy remains that we do not adopt out but instead provide the guarantee of a permanent sanctuary for the animals we serve, where they will always know good care, acceptance, love, and a true forever home.





♪ I'm sexy and I know it ♪ (The Pitbull of JE)



Where are we going?  
I don't know, I'm blind too.



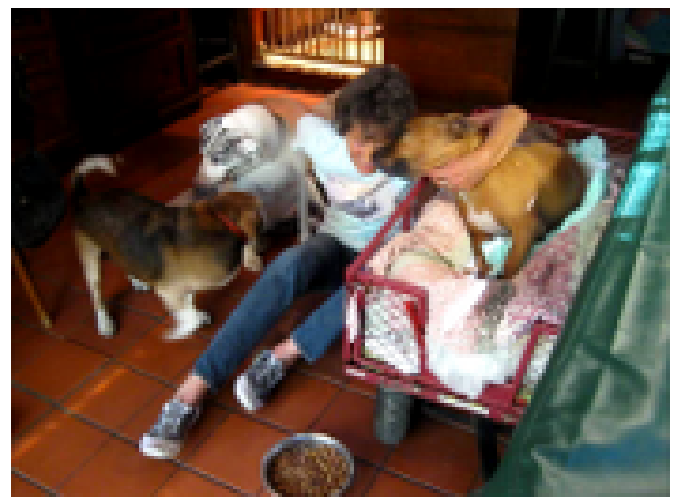
I'd like breakfast in bed please



Good Night Sweetheart, sweet dreams



Round-up at the OK Corral



Love is a many splendored thing

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