



Guide Dogs  
of America



Tender Loving  
Canines

**Dear Family,**

**I am writing to update you on my progress in service dog training. This month, I primarily focused on learning...**

Pressure positions. My SNUGGLE is coming along nicely on both sides. I'm struggling with SQUISH and we haven't begun to do LAP yet. The problem is that I feel as if it wrong.

**Some other things that I am learning include...**

My WAVE is pretty good. Right now I'm learning to complete the behavior when someone stands in front of me and and say, "Hello" while waving at me. It's a big hit with everyone who sees it.

**I am good at...**

My LOOSE LEASH is pretty fantastic. I'm told that there are times that Patrick, my person, even forgets that I'm walking besides him. Coming from him that is high praise.

**I am still struggling with...**

My BOW. I don't know why but I just can't get the concept down. Every time I get up I like to get a HUGH stretch in and do what they call *bow*. My guy has tried everything, even modeling me in the position and giving me tasty treats but it still doesn't click. It will though.

**I have the most fun when...**

I'm running and playing. Patrick gives me a *play bow* and it thrills me to no end. I love tho be chased by Patrick or another dog.

**My favorite toy is...**

I whatever I can find to put in my mouth and run. I prefer plush toys but, in a pinch, Patrick will grab a stick off the floor. I grab that and run.

**Wags & Kisses,**

Nash & Patrick

