

Dear Family,

I am writing to update you on my progress in service dog training. This month, I primarily focused on learning... to be fluent on performing my behaviors. When my trainer gives me a cue to do, I'm late performing the cue, & I start having displacement behaviors. Meaning I want to scratch or sniff things when I do not need to.

Some other things that I am learning include... learning how to pick up items of the floor, then sit after I pick up the item & continue to hold the item. Also I'm learning to bring the item to my trainer.

I am good at... picking up my leash when it is on the floor & giving the leash to my trainer.

I am having challenges with... staying on my mat and not staying in the area I'm suppose to be at. But I'm getting better learning to understand that I need to stay on my mat & not break position.

I have the most fun when... I play, and when I perform my cues correctly.

My favorite toy is... my purple rubber cross bone.

Wags & Kisses,

I miss you,

Elmer



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