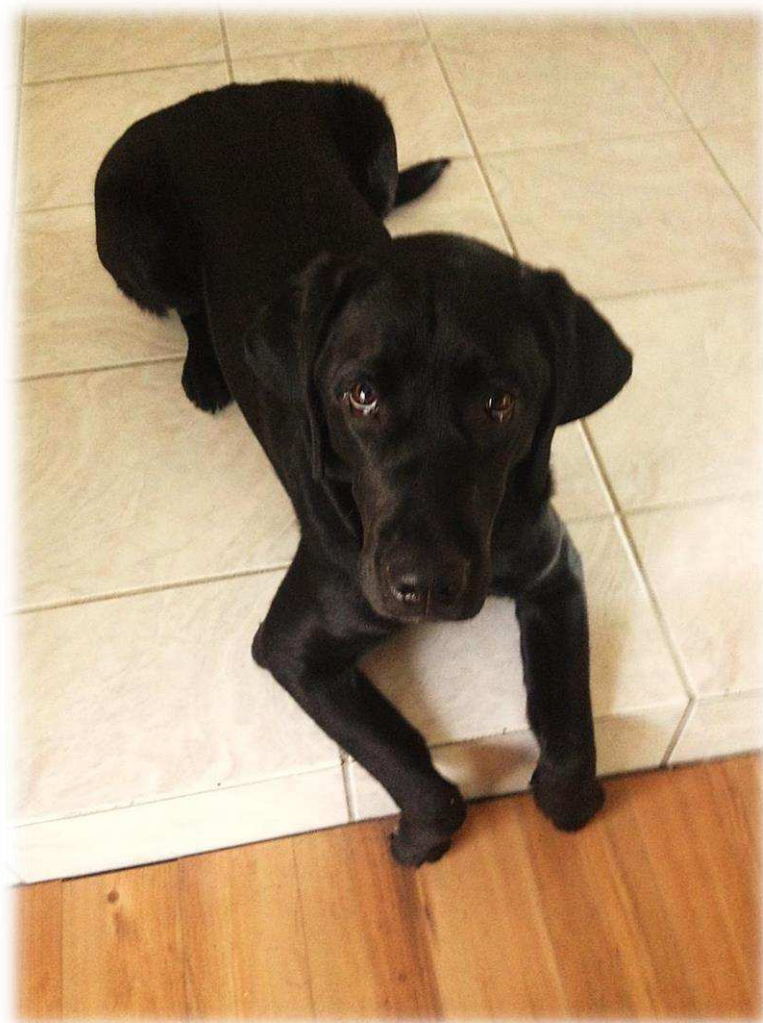


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Hey Sepulveda Building Materials,

I'm back with a new report in the life of Monty!! Except this time, I am writing you from the Guide Dogs of America kennels! As of July 18, 2015, I have been officially "in-for-training" and am having a blast in the kennels!

As usual, I have been keeping very busy between training and playing! I continue to be quite the charmer, (as you can see!) using my droopy, sad-looking eyes to get people to pet me. We've done a lot, but I'll tell you about some of the highlights from the last few months. ☺



We have a lot of fun goofing off and taking pictures. Mom said to say "cheese" so I smiled just like you humans do when you're getting your pictures taking...I think I'll leave the smiling to you guys though...this didn't turn out quite like I expected it to!

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At the beginning of June, mom graduated from high school! We had a big party at my house and I got to greet everyone as they arrived! I had so much fun playing with all the kids and getting petted by all the people. Mom says I behaved myself like a perfect gentleman!

Everyone always admires my obedience skills...they tell mom that they are amazed by how calm and good I am. That is a good thing, since I'm going to be a guide dog someday! I have to be really good if I want to pass all the training.



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Also in June, we went to visit some of the local wineries in our town! There a place in my town called “wine country” and they have some pretty famous wineries and grape vineyards there! We had fun walking around this gorgeous one...Keyways Winery.

I got to walk around and look at all the grapes! There were so many of them...I was tempted to try one, but I didn't do it! They have places for people to have their weddings at, so we got to see all the pretty spots there!



Of course anywhere we go is a photo-op, so we took lots of pictures! It was a fun day!

I practiced lots of obedience and got lots of attention from the people who were there! Of course, I behaved myself and was a very good boy!



We took a picture in front of the sign on our way out!

I was pretty exhausted after that trip...so I took a nap on the way home!

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HAPPY 4TH OF JULY, SEPULVEDA BUILDING MATERIALS! ☺

I got into the spirit of the holiday and dressed up! I was spending some time with another puppy raiser that weekend and went to a booth to help convince people to raise puppies just like me! Mrs. Jan took these pictures of me and said I was a *very* good boy and calmly greeted everyone who came to the booth! The picture above is of me and my friends who are also puppies in training! Since I'm the oldest puppy in my group, I have to be a good example for the little ones!

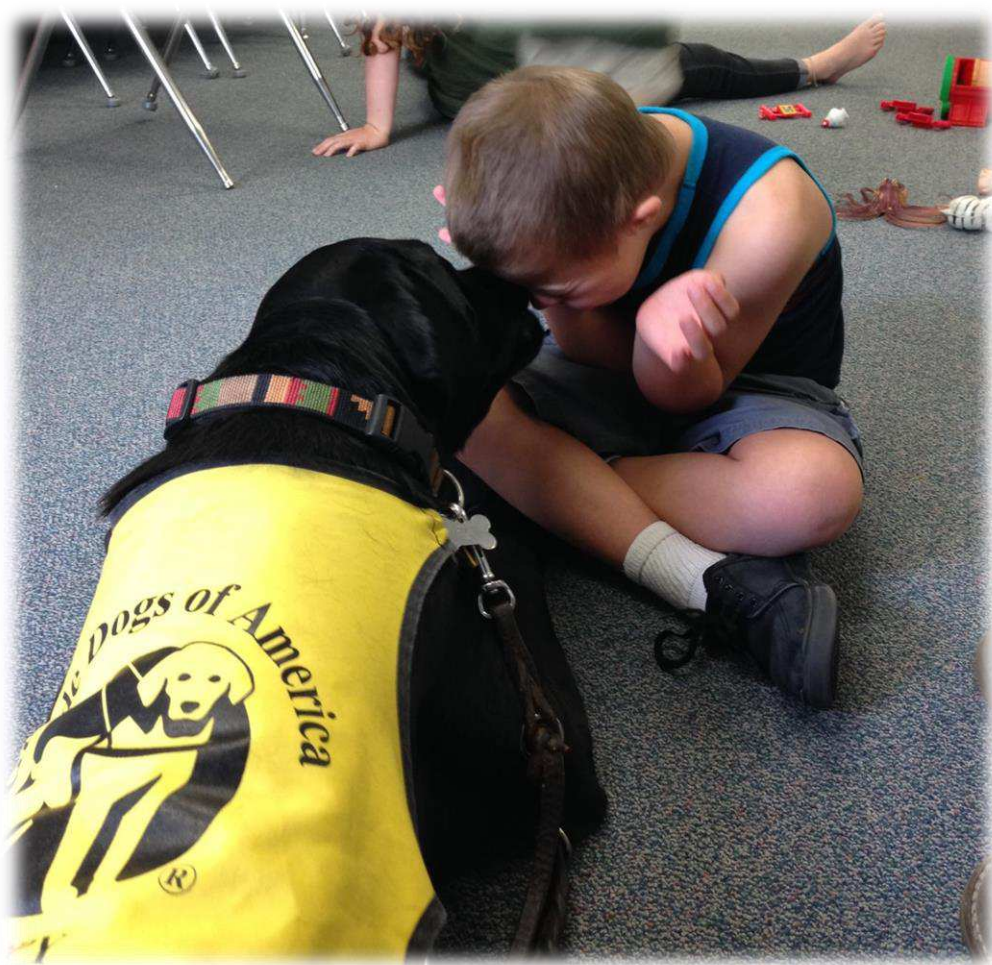


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Every Sunday, I go to church and get to see all of my friends there! People at church LOVE me and I always am very excited to go there! Sometimes, I go to the preschool-kindergarten class and play with the kids! I have a very special friendship with this little boy! He has downs syndrome and loved to sit with me and pet me! Mom says that I am super gentle and calm when I'm with him...I love when he pets me! The best part is that his face lights up when he sees me!

I like to make him laugh by giving him kisses and "whispering" into his ears!



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One of the most exciting things that I did in the last few months was to ride on a boat!

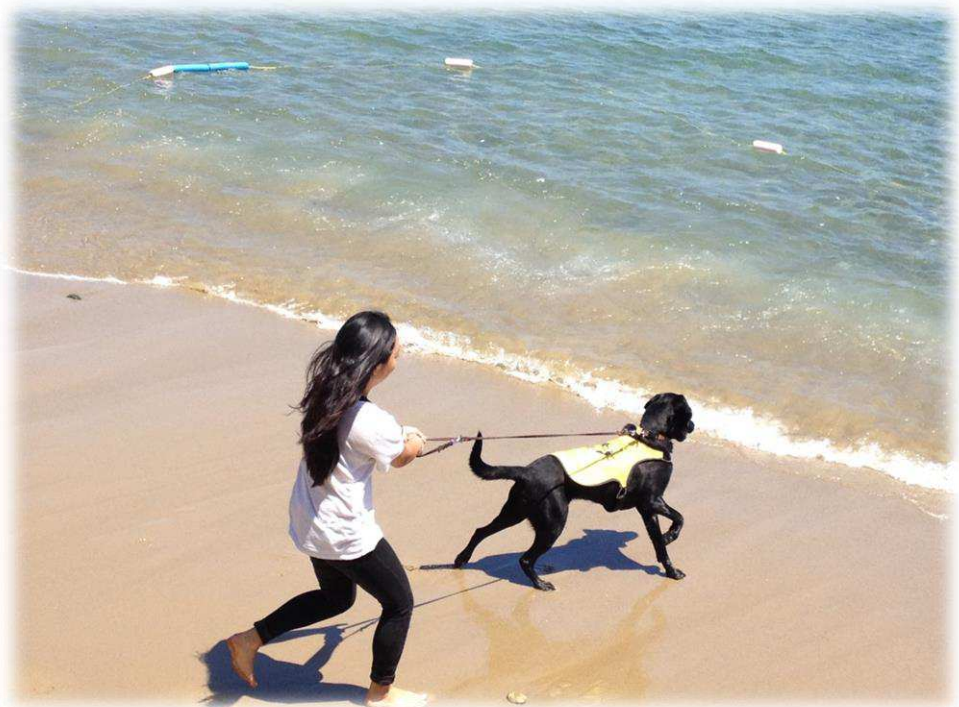
Aunt Ashley has been working on Catalina Island at a camp and so we went to visit her!

This is me on the boat...the captain let me up front so I could look out over the edge and see the water spraying out from under the boat! It was sooo cool!

I've been telling my kennel mates about it and they think it is super awesome!



I also got to the beach! I was pretty excited, since I haven't been to the beach since I was 6 or 7 months old! It was soooo much fun to have the waves come and crash all over you!



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Sadly, we had to say goodbye to the beach, but then I got to go and meet all of Aunt Ashley's friends! She had been telling them all about me and they were waiting at the dock of the camp for me to arrive! They LOVED me...and I LOVED them back!



The lifeguard that worked at the camp really liked me and even let me wear his hat! I thought it was silly, but posed for a picture anyway! I think I look pretty good in a hat, though, what do you think?

And then, guess what? He picked me up like I was a little puppy!! It was CRAAZYY! I haven't been picked up since I was super little...but I didn't mind!



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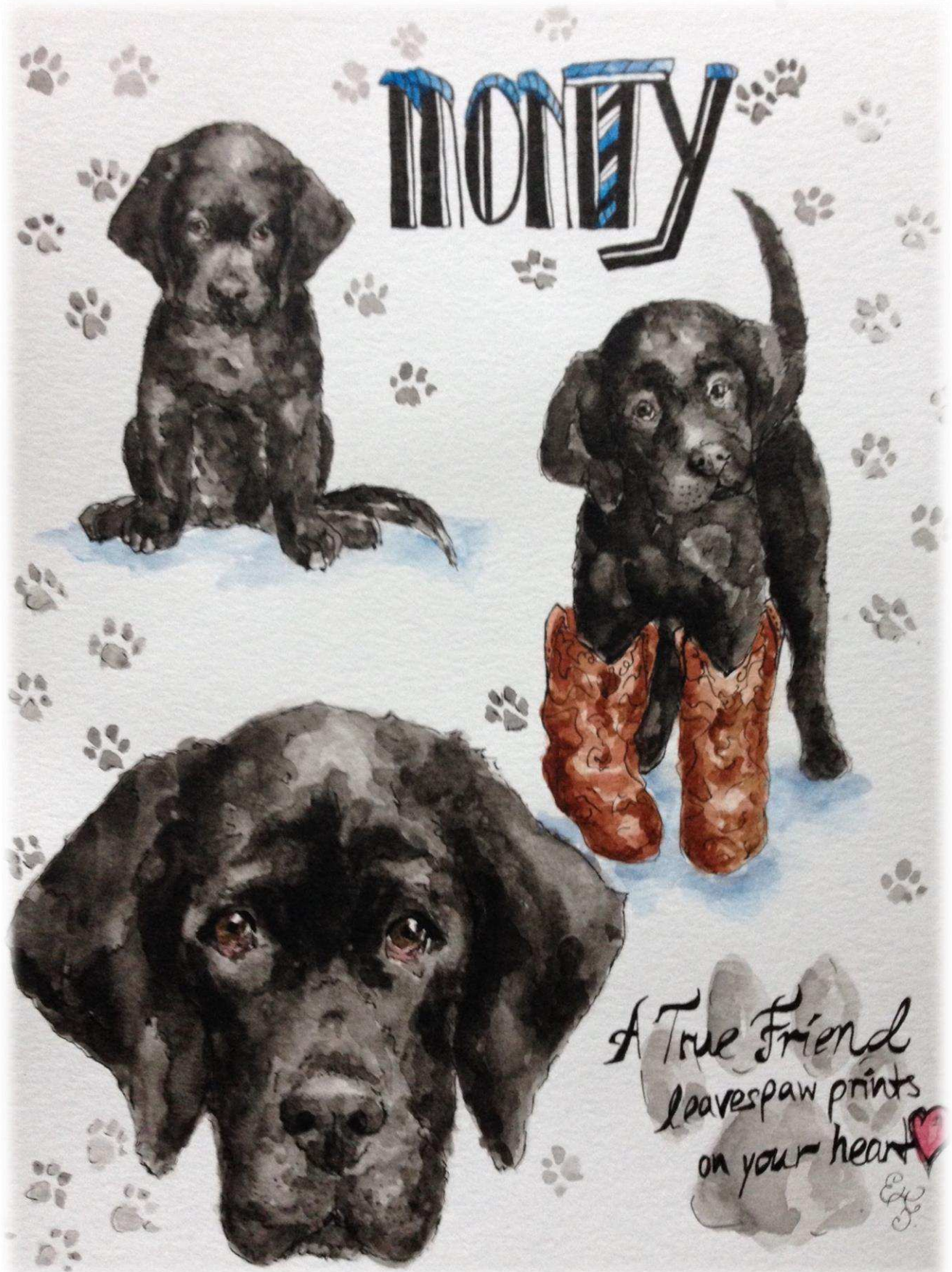
In this picture we are waiting for the Catalina Flyer ferry to come pick us up! I was being very good, but boy was I tired! I slept the whole way back!! Mom was afraid I might get sea sick on the boat, but I was just fine!

I said goodbye to all my new friends from camp and then got back on the boat to go home! I had so much fun!!



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One of my mom's best friends painted this for her to remember me by after I was turned in. It's like a tribute to me!



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Then it was time to say good-bye to my family and head off for school. It was very sad and I miss my family, but my trainers have promised to help me write letters and to take a picture of me to send to my family. I am very excited to go to guide dog school and get to go new places and learn new things! Mom says I am ready to go and she has done her best to prepare me for the things I will learn! I always hate good-byes, but thankfully I get to say see you later to my family...hopefully, I'll see them soon at my graduation!! Thanks to you, Sepulveda Building Materials, I have been able to be with my family and now go to school! I am doing my best and working hard to make you and my family proud! I love you, Sepulveda! Words can't describe how thankful I am!

Wags, wiggles, and licks,

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