



# Pet Tips 'n' Tales

by Mary Ellen "Angel Scribe"

## Terrier versus train



Terry's dog, Simon, is an 11-year-old, Jack Russell, Wire-Haired Fox Terrier, 27-pound puppy.

Apparently, the term WIRE in his breeds' name is not the only thing "wired" about him.

"When I adopted Simon, he came wired with energy," said Terry. "All he wanted was to be walked morning, noon and night. He had a strict 'open door' policy meaning that if a door is closed, he will push it open and run. Both behaviors may have resulted from being locked up in the shelter. I should have named him Rocket because he takes off and runs like a flash, and he doesn't come back unless he wants to, which can be dangerous. Having dog biscuits in my pocket motivates him to return when called."

Simon loves to run with a squeaky toy and have Terry chase him for it. When she says, "Use your words!" he will madly squeak the toy in response which sounds like, "Try to catch me if you can!" Part of his game is letting her get close to him before he rockets off with his toy squeaking it. He also loves running on ocean beaches chasing seagulls.

Oddly, Simon doesn't pay attention to their mail carrier. However, no cat or dog walks by a window or the fence without him barking hiss-terics! On the other hand, Terry's friends walk in unannounced by her dog but he 100% expects them to greet him. Their neighbor's crazy cat taunts Simon every

day by running back and forth, on its side of the fence, whipping him into a responding running-barking frenzy.

On Halloween, Terry and Simon open the door together otherwise, "He barks like crazy if he can't see the costumed children!". She holds him on his leash and he quietly sits beside her as the children choose their candy. For their "trick" they pet him and for his "treat" he paws to give out doggy kisses instead of candy kisses!

Several years ago at a park Terry let Simon off his leash to run and play with another dog.

"I will never do that again," confesses Terry. "A train appeared on the opposite side of the park's chain link fence. Simon ran towards the fence and along it chasing the train! I called to him, but he kept running after the train."

Then a terrorized Terry watched her Terrier dart through a gap in the fence and run straight for the train tracks!

"I was horrified! I ran after him thinking that I would be retrieving his body," said Terry. "Then, out of nowhere, I saw three girls holding Simon. 'Is this your dog?' they asked me, 'he almost got hit by the train!'"

I rushed to them, shaking all the way. They had called to Simon and because of his love for children, he veered away from the train and ran to them. They saved him from certain death! The girls happily went on their way as I stood in shock hugging Simon. I couldn't even think or

I would have offered them an ice cream treat.

I often think of those young ladies, and wish they knew how much I appreciate them. My father had recently passed away and I think that he had something to do with placing those three little angels there that day, so I wouldn't lose Simon too. Thank you to them if they are reading this!"

### TIPS

Terry learned to discern her dog's barks based on the tones of each bark. "Pay attention to your dog or cat. They are not randomly barking or meowing. They are communicating. Simon has taught me to understand when a cat is passing versus a dog, and when he wants attention or food.

I enjoy reading and have learned so much about pets from Pet Tips 'n' Tales and from watching Cesar Milan's TV show."

Cesar teaches viewers that dogs are meant to be dogs not living room ornaments. They need to explore and exercise outside, and come home rested to be happy and balanced.

"When Simon was younger if he wasn't exercised enough during the day I'd pay for it," recalls Terry. "He would be hyper-active and want to play at midnight or bark at every falling leaf."

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## Lighting ceremony for arch set



Visitors to Cottage Grove won't have to wander around in the dark looking for the city's historic downtown much longer.

The Economic and Business Improvement District (EBID) has completed its lighting project of the downtown arch and is inviting the community to watch the sign be lit for the first

time on Monday, March 12 at 8 p.m.

"It's just to celebrate that we're finally invested in the lighting of the arch because some of the hours of the day, no one sees it so this will be an opportunity for it to be lit up and attract people with an interest in coming to the downtown and

taking part in downtown activities," EBID's Jim Gilroy said of the project that had been set for completion months ago.

The city council is scheduled to meet Monday night but will recess if the meeting has not ended by 8 p.m. to take part in the ceremony. The arch is located on Main St. and Hwy. 99.

## LORANE NEWS

This Friday, March 9: half day for progress reports and half day art. Join Hawaiian artist, Maggie Matoba as she teaches modern-day hula. This Saturday, March 10: Rural Art Movie night finishes with "The King and I" with Yul Brenner. Soup dinner at 6 p.m. followed by shorts and fun with main feature at 7:30 p.m. March 10: Crow Booster Club event with soup dinner at 5 p.m., a 50/50 raffle and bingo with a \$100 blackout grand prize.

March 16: Hawaiian Dance night at Applegate Elementary from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. \$5 a couple, \$10 max per family. Visit [cgsentinel.com](http://cgsentinel.com) for the complete list of events.

## Buddies

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favorite things.

"It seems so simple but we had the most interaction out of this project," she said.

Tuesday's event also featured a reading with author Doreen Grace Kester who wrote "Paisley," a book about an insect who is constantly bullied by a squirrel and the use of "positive self-talk" to empower the victims of bullying.

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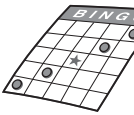
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