

Suffield Veterinary Hospital July 2018 Pet and Owner of the Month

Suffield Veterinary Hospital again sponsored a "Why My Pet Is Special" essay contest for students at McAlister Intermediate School. Below, we are proud to present the winning essay from Kate Berry (in Mrs. Bennett & Mrs. Fortin's class) about her dog Sugar. This adorable photo was taken by our great Vet Tech Jen Haire.

The Adventures of Sugar, the Dog we call Pig *by Kate Berry*

Sugar is a pit bull mix who was rescued from Dakin Animal Shelter in Springfield, Massachusetts. Sugar has many names. Some of her names are Pig and Mama. She gets her pig name because she looks like a pig, makes piggy noises and has some pink skin and when she lays down her ears look like pig ears. Pig is 7 years old and an adventurous dog.

Pig has broken her leg by trying to jump with me and my cousin Adam on the trampoline. She wanted to try to do front flips with us so she put her foot on the trampoline then she fell right off. I think she tried to attempt to do a flip off the trampoline, but because she fell really weird she broke her leg. After she went to the vet, Pig had gotten a purple cast and then she got a red one for Christmas and that year she went to see Santa Claus and we put a Christmas sock on her cast.

Since Pig's tough break she has made some friends with the goat next door and the UPS guy. Our neighbor came over with the goat Milky Way, then Pig wanted to say hi but Milky Way did not want to say hi to her, so Pig chased Milky Way all the way around the house until she ran out of breath. Then, one time when the UPS man came to the house, Pig jumped right into his truck. I think she wanted to go cruisin' with the UPS guy.

Lastly, Pig loves to snuggle around, near and on me. There is no safe place to sit when Pig is around. She lays right next to me, then gets a little closer by putting her legs on me and then her head and the next thing I know she is laying on my chest. All 55 pounds of Pig on top of me. Pig is a wonderful dog who is loved by me and everyone she meets. (Except for Milky Way the goat).



Runner-Up: Sophia Crosson, Mrs. Goldstein's Class

Honorable Mentions: Natalie Fleury, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Dominic Cosmini, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Addison Holmes, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Daniel Lewis, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Kylie Nelson, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Amelia Shanks, Mrs. Style's Class; Jack Tautic, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Hazel Qua, Mrs. Consolini's Class; Arnav Ukidwe, Mrs. Consolini's Class

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