

## Suffield Veterinary Hospital February 2013 Patient of the Month

Mike and Laurel Camilleri of Windsor Locks recently lost a dog and were looking for a new friend for their pet Cocoa, a red and tan mini pinscher. Mike went on petfinder.com, an animal rescue website, and found a mini pinscher named Abby owned by a veterinarian in Texas. He emailed the vet and waited for a response. One Sunday morning while they were out, the vet phoned and left a message for them to call her. When Mike did, the vet's voicemail was full. After a month of playing telephone tag, Mike and Laurel became discouraged and started looking for a new dog, but kept going back to the web site and looking at this little dog named Abby that they had fallen in love with.



On Saturday, May 7th, when Mike was leaving work in Granby Center, a woman came out of McDonalds, opened her minivan door, and her daughter handed her a small dog that she tucked under her arm. Mike could only see a small tail and two legs.

"Is that a mini pinscher?" he asked.

The woman replied, "Yes, I am fostering her," and as she turned around Mike took one look at the dog and said, "Oh my God, is that Abby?"

The woman, named Kathy, asked how he knew her name and Mike told her that he had been trying to adopt Abby from Texas for a month. The woman had received Abby from Texas only a few days earlier, and had been at Horses and Hounds in Granby all day trying to get someone to adopt her — with no luck. Kathy and her children were on their way home when they stopped at McDonalds to eat. That is the incredible story of how Mike and Laurel adopted Abby!

In honor of this wonderful coincidence, and in honor of Mike and Laurel adopting a rescue dog, we are happy to name Abby as Suffield Veterinary Hospital's February Pet of the Month. The adorable photo of Abby was taken by Lori Radke of Enfield.

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