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## We got a dog!!

In early February a sweet doggie came into our lives. Cliff was down in San Diego at a Customer. The owner, Barbara, mentioned she had a been boarding a rescue dog for a few weeks and was looking for a home for the dog. She brought the dog to her office every day and he behaved perfectly. She had posted Lost Dog posters all over town as well as contacted The Dog Shelter and she was not able to locate the dog's owner. She asked Cliff if he would like the dog. Cliff told Barbara to call me, that I was involved in fostering rescued Bichons. Barbara thought that this dog might be a Bichon.

Barbara called me and said this dog was really sweet and had a wonderful disposition and was POTTY TRAINED. She e-mailed me pictures of the dog. He definitely didn't look like a Bichon. I told her I was concerned how he would be with our kids and we both agreed that if we took the dog but he didn't work out in our family that she would take the dog back and find him another home.

So Cliff told me he was bringing the dog to us from San Diego which is a 2-1/2 hour drive. I had no doggie stuff except for a couple of cans of dog food left over from a dog I had fostered a few months ago. Cliff and I decided this would be a surprise for the girls. Savannah had been asking for another dog and so Cliff and I told her that she may get a dog for her birthday. C The day this dog came home was exactly 4 years ago that we brought Savannah's dog, Scottie home. Scottie now lives with a family friend, Barbara, up in Ventura.

When Cliff arrived home with the dog the girls just squealed with delight. This dog was so cute!! He had white long fur and looked like a mix of Shitzu and Maltese. They were so surprised, especially Savannah. The dog immediately bonded with the girls. Savannah named him "Tangles" because his fur was a little tangled.

After a couple of days of having him, we decided to call him Teddy Roosevelt. If you put glasses on him, he looks just like Presdient Teddy Roosevelt!! We call him Teddy for short. I took him to the vet the very next morning and he got his shots. They checked for a Micro Chip on him to identify him but he didn't have one. I thought he was 8 years old based on a little gray at the edge of his ears. The Vet said he is a baby, only 2 years old!! He is not fixed either. He doesn't mark territory, doesn't pee in the house, and he has a very calm and relaxed demeanor. So I am not worried about fixing him right away. If he were a girl I would do it right away:-)

Now we have a doggie bed for him and he is a part of our family. We love him so much!!

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