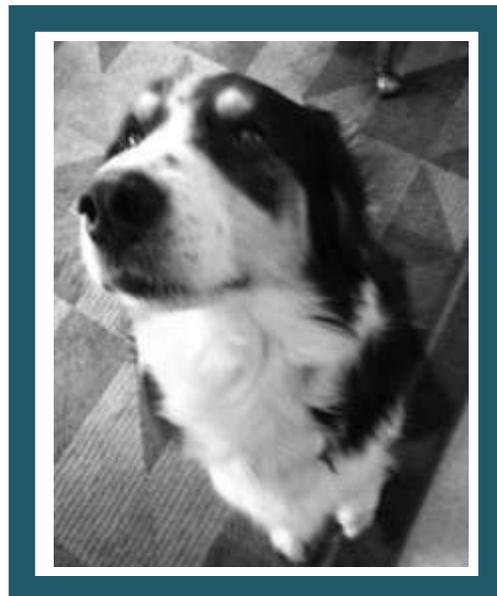


CLANCY'S CLICHES

Happy Gnu Year!

"It is a truism to say that the dog is largely what his master makes of him: he can be savage and dangerous, untrustworthy, cringing and fearful; or he can be faithful and loyal, courageous and the best of companions and allies." (Sir Ranulph Fiennes)

This quote is a great rufflection for me for the new year ~ and hopefully for my human friends as well. You see, if we "treat" each other well, it brings out the best in both!!! There are some other points I have been pawndering and wish to make sure I do in the new year of 2012:



I will not chew extension cords – it would give my master another "electrifying" experience like I did in December.



I will not chew crayons or pens or magic markers, especially not the red ones, or my friends in the church office will think I am hemorrhaging.



When in the car, I will not insist on having the window rolled down when it's raining outside.



My head does not belong in the refrigerator.



I must shake the rainwater or snow out of my fur BEFORE entering the rectory. (Although I look great in snow!)



As Al(bert Einstein) suggests, I will "Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.



I will lift my head from my napping position when someone is talking to me ~ or at least open one eye.



When the children are here with their moms for class on Thursdays and wish to pet me, I will not move quickly and scare them.

And in this New Year, *"When we once begin to form good resolutions, God gives us every opportunity of carrying them out."* (St John Chrysostom) This might be better considered as a daily resolution as opposed to just once a year. What do you think? Arf Arf!

★ Peace & Dog Smiles in the New Year! ★