

CLANCY'S CLICHES

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There's no place like home... on my very own page 3! And we're definitely not in Kansas anymore!

Reminds me of my buddy who was in that movie with my other buddies the Munchkins and Judy, Judy, Judy! "Toto" was a *female* Cairn Terrier whose real name was Terry! One of the Winkies (the Wicked Witch's guard) stepped on her foot and broke it. She performed in about 13 other films, too. Her pay was \$125 a week in "Oz," more than any of the Munchkins! Terry also starred in "Bright Eyes" as "Rags" with that adorable Shirley Temple. Aww, shucks! Terry lived 13 long wonderful years! Whadda buddy!



Yep, there's no place like home. After hijacking the April newsletter in celebration of April Fool's Day, I have been forgiven my trespasses which, good thing for me, is what we are *all* called to do. Shew! It reaffirmed my belief: To err is human, to forgive, canine!

After reading my master's article on page two, April's hoopla, and writing about Terry, it made me "paws" about the goodness in each other. So my simple message for this month is about friendship.

There are lots of beautiful quotes and fru-fru sayings but it basically boils down to having a person/persons who care and love you unconditionally and who are there for you no matter what. They're your shoulder, your shadow-always with you even if you're apart, your Kleenex, your choir who can help you with the words in your life's song, your sidekick, your bear hug. They're the person who, like Snoopy, Charlie Brown and me, hear "Blah, Blah, Blah" and smile and understand with all their hearts, it's not the words, it's the solidarity. They're your other self. To all my dear friends, thank you, gracias, murokoze, arf-arf!

Since I joked so much in April, how about a simple doggie "what-do-you-get-when-you-cross" quiz this month? Here ya go! What do you get when you cross:

- 1) A Pekingese + Lhasa Apso **A Peekasso, an abstract dog!**
- 2) A Bloodhound + Labrador **A Blabador, a dog that barks incessantly!**
- 3) A Malamute + Pointer **Moot Point! Oh well, doesn't matter anyway!**
- 4) A Collie + Malamute **A Commute, a dog that travels to work with you!**

Howlin' is hootin'; Growlin's not gooten!



-Clancy



My buddies wearing their sweaters and hats from our New Zealand friends.