



Winter Park Training and Behavior Center at Winter Park Veterinary Hospital

The Hill Family Testimonial

We began training our Service Dog, Blazey, in March of 2010. At that time she was five months old and ready to work. We were introduced to the WPVH Training and Behavior Center (WPVHTBC) shortly after it opened. The first impressions we got from the center and trainers were very good. Ina, the head trainer, was very knowledgeable about Service Dog work and the techniques for training them. We definitely felt assured that Blazey would get great training. Right from the start we were able to work on Blazey's ability to ignore distractions, a crucial aspect of Service Dog work. Ina gradually built the distraction levels and now Blazey is able to overcome stressful situations in large crowds. Blazey has been able to enjoy the benefits of private training sessions, group classes, agility work, and the much deserved fun and socialization. She has passed her Canine Good Citizen evaluation, which is given to all group class students, and most recently her Service Dog test. We were even able to work with Ina to resolve some behavioral issues that we experienced while out of town. Even though the trainers have high expectations for the owners and their dogs they also give thorough explanations so everything that is taught at the center is understood and can be taught at home. It is a comforting feeling to know that you always have their guidance and support no matter what.

The whole staff at WPVHTBC really has a good overall collective knowledge that appeals to all breeds and owners. Blazey is the amazing Service Dog she is today because of them. She is very confident in her work and always looks forward to her training sessions.

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