

Home for the Holidays

My wife and I were scheduled to be out of town for only two short days. During our leave we had left our four year small Maltese with a friend of the family. After only 12 hours of leaving town, however, we were notified that our little “Einstein” had escaped out the sitter’s back yard through a gap in the fence. We returned home immediately and began searching the surrounding neighborhoods and local storefronts. We posted flyers on every telephone pole within the immediate neighborhood, walked door to door on weekends and handed out flyers. We personally offered rewards for information that could lead to finding him. We spent one hour every morning before work and two hours every night after work driving the surrounding area. We managed to find other dogs, but never our own. Two weeks had passed and no luck finding our beloved Einstein.

We found out that there were new postings every day on the County shelter’s website of found animals as well as a list of injured animals and the animal hospitals where they had been taken. We also learned that every 72 hours animals at the pound were moved from a “claiming” status (where owners are allowed to claim their lost animals via verification of ownership) to a “for sale” status (where the kennel is allowed to sell your animal for a small profit and avoid any additional overhead). This worried us so we maintained a steady ritual of stopping by the kennel every two days to double-check the accuracy of the website (in case some animals were missed and not listed on the web); as well as check the DOA (dead on arrival) book. Again ... two weeks ... no luck. We also registered with Home Again and our RFID chip service company that sends out faxes to all vets in the area ... No luck, yet again. We had truly begun to lose all hope, and then I found www.lostpetcards.com

Peter, the owner, was truly willing to work with me at targeting the specific streets I had in mind and the exact area we were looking to cover. He was quick to return phone calls and emails. It was also extremely comforting to know that — even though the original contact was made through a website — the actual purchase of the postcards and organization of date, look, and volume of mailers was handled on a person-to-person level. I think that’s important in a business that provides a very personal service like offering to help find lost pets.

Long story short ...

Two weeks of completely devoted searching for Einstein without any luck and **all LostPetCards.com needed was two days**. Literally two days after contacting them, we had four phone calls of supportive pet owners in the area and finally a call from a young lady who said she had found our dog ‘about a week back’ and managed to take great care of him up until that time. We are extremely thankful to LostPetCards.com. We highly recommend to all of those who have lost their beloved pet and are truly devoted to finding them, **USE THIS SERVICE!!!**

It works. And that is the truth.

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