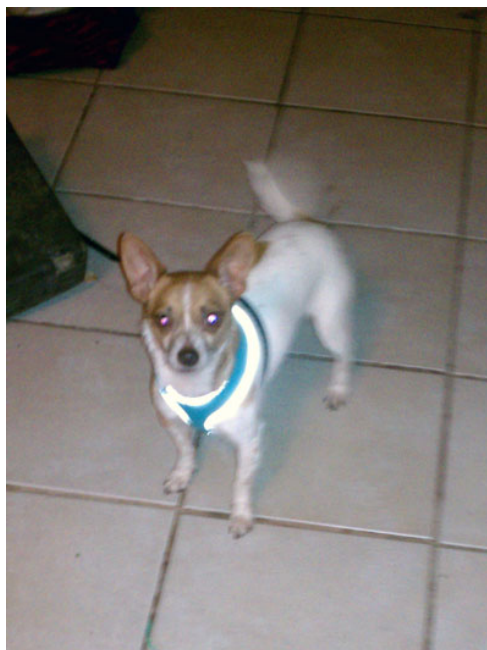


## Freddy



We recently lost our beloved Zeus after 12 1/2 years and Venus, our 10 year old Chihuahua was lonely. We went to the SA Humane Society "just to look" for a new friend for Venus. Of all the small dogs, Oxley, as he was named, was so "calm" just looking at everyone who came by.

We looked at several others, but kept coming back to "Oxley." He was meant for us. My husband said "he looks like a Fred." So Freddy became a member of our family. All that we know about his past is that he was found on the street and he is about 4 1/2 years old, transferred to the Humane Society from ACS. He is working on correcting his "street behaviors" such as eating out of the garbage and cowering from people who move towards him too quickly or are loud. He is a very friendly, loving little guy who likes to cuddle. He also "collects treasures." If we are missing something we have learned to look in Freddy's bed. Some of the things we have found in his bed are shoes, toys, papers, keys, a large bag of medicine from the mail order pharmacy. He does not chew on these items, just collects them in his bed. He takes pieces of his food into his bed to eat. When he gets a treat, he takes it to his bed to eat or save. We recently acquired stray

kitten, Scrappy, about 6 weeks old. Freddy tries to put Scrappy in his bed. In the two weeks we have had Scrappy, he and Freddy have become buddies. Scrappy loves to play with Freddy's ears and Freddy allows it. They will curl up together and sleep. When I come home in the evening Freddy is at the door waiting for me and will jump in my lap and put his head on my shoulder to snuggle then curl up in my lap for as long a I am sitting.

Freddy will jump into the lap of anyone who sits down in our living room. He does not bark in our house and when we go in the backyard he loves to run and jump. Freddy is just beginning to learn to play with his toys, but always puts them in his bed when he is done. Freddy has fit right in to our family. Venus has her companion, and Freddy and Scrappy are buddies. We feel Freddy was destine to become a member of our family.

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