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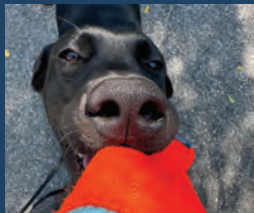
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PENTAGON FORCE PROTECTION AGENCY



JANUARY 2024

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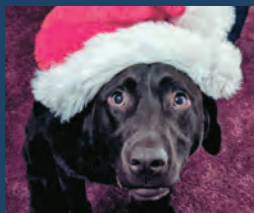


HONZA

Honza is an eight year old Belgian Malinois with seven years in service and is trained for explosives detection. Honza lives on a sheep farm and loves the working sheep dog on the farm. His favorite treat is a Starbucks™ “Pup Cup” and his favorite toy is “Gordon”, his stuffed Sloth.

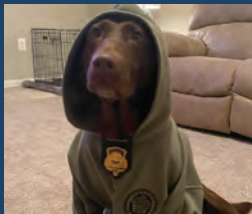


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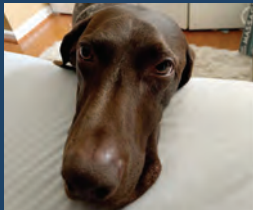


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BOSS
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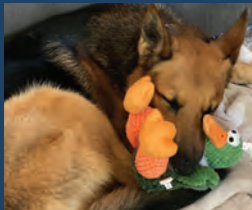


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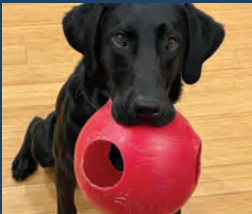


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BOUGIE
Bougie, pronounced “Booshie”, is a two year old Labrador Retriever with one year in service and is trained in explosives and person borne explosives detection. Bougie is affectionately named “Thunder foot” because of the loud stomping noise he makes during every search. He is a big fan of hot dogs and his favorite toy, a large foam ring.

K-9 Unit Team Page



AKITA
7 Year Old, German Short Haired Pointer



BENTLEY
3 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



BOKI
7 Year Old, German Short Haired Pointer



BOSS
8 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



BOSS II
3 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



BOUGIE
2 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



BRIGI
5 Year Old, Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd



BROOKE
9 Year Old, German Shepherd



CHESTER
4 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



CHIEF
1 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



GUNNER
9 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



HELI
5 Year Old, Belgian Malinois



HERSHEY
4 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



HONZA
8 Year Old, Belgian Malinois



ISA
1 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



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6 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



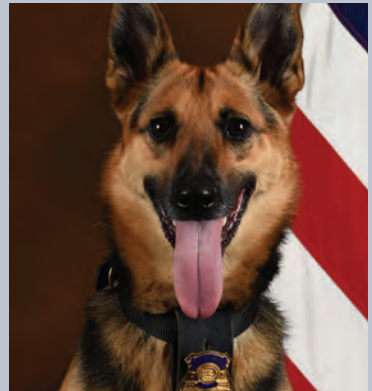
LARRY
7 Year Old, German Short Haired Pointer



MOKEI
5 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



REX
3 Year Old, Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd



RIVER
8 Year Old, Belgian Malinois/German Shepherd



ROCKY
6 Year Old, German Shepherd



SCUBA
2 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



SKY
3 Year Old, Labrador Retriever



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ROCKY

Rocky is a six year old German Shepherd with four years in service and is trained in explosives detection. Rocky enjoys locating and herding his friend, the family cat, back into the house when it escapes. His favorite treat is chicken and whipped cream and his favorite toy is a limited-edition Kong® Ball.

2024 is a leap year. Leap years have an extra day added to the end of the shortest month, February. This so-called intercalary day, February 29, is commonly referred to as leap day.
Leap years have 366 days instead of the usual 365 days and occur almost every four years.



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The Pentagon Police Canine (K-9) Unit was established in July 1998 to take a more proactive approach to the growing threat of terrorism. The K-9 teams assigned to the Pentagon protection support for the Secretary of Defense, visiting dignitaries, and all Department of Defense personnel at the Pentagon and in the National Capital Region. In addition to numerous proactive assignments for explosive detection, the K-9 Unit also provides support to other law enforcement agencies throughout the National Capital Region.

The growth of the K-9 Unit from only four teams to its current size has been surpassed by the functional growth. The program has evolved from the original military working dog detection model into a blend of multiple training and detection methodologies that took the best practices from existing programs and tailored them to meet the Pentagon Force Protection Agency's (PFPFA) unique requirements.

The K-9 Unit is comprised of specially trained dogs used to detect explosives and personnel borne improvised explosives devices. The Unit is organized into teams (canine and handler) that provide both proactive and reactive law enforcement functions designed to ensure a safe working environment at the Pentagon reservation and other DoD delegated facilities. Members of the K-9 Unit conduct security sweeps of delivery, construction, unattended vehicles, suspicious packages or bomb threats, and official ceremonies and functions. PFPFA has the only Person-Borne Improvised Explosive Device Detection (PBIED) program in the DoD that has won numerous K-9 Olympic events in detection.

Law enforcement agencies use man's best friend to assist in a variety of tasks. They not only make their jobs easier. They make them safer. Many of those tasks require a honed set of skills taught by professional dog trainers and take months to master.



PFPFA K-9 UNIT FACTS

In July 1998, the K-9 Unit started with four handlers and in 2023, the Unit grew to 24 K-9 handlers.
There have been 64 total K-9 teams who have served since the Unit was established.
The Unit still has one of the original plank holders, Sgt. Sarah Austin, from the inception of the Unit in 1998.
Four female officers have served on the Unit since 1998.
Officer Eric Harris has had the most K-9 dogs in the Unit with five certified dogs.
The Unit has had two K-9's who were combat veterans prior to their service with PFPFA; K-9 Emmie and K-9 Jake.
Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta's dog named Bravo, received an honorary PFPFA K-9 badge during the Agency's 10-year Anniversary Commemoration ceremony in 2012. To date, Bravo is the only non-law enforcement dog that has a PFPFA badge.
PFPFA has had multiple breeds of dogs that included a Border Collie, a Springer Spaniel, a Weimaraner, Labradors, German Shepherders, Belgian Malinois, and German Short Haired Pointers.
The Unit has several dogs that were imported internationally with their own official passports. Some of the dogs were imported from the following countries: Germany, Czech Republic, Austria, Hungary, Holland, United Kingdom, Mexico, Brazil, Slovakia and Poland.
The dogs are between one and two years old when the Unit receives them and they typically serve until approximately 10 years of age.
Each dog lives with their assigned handler and are a part of every aspect of the officer's home life. This relationship is necessary to provide the most effective rapport and provides for an efficient response time to incidents when K-9 support is needed.
Once a dog retires, most handlers keep their dog as a member of their family.
The K-9 Unit opened its new facility on the Pentagon Reservation in July 2023.