

## Requesting submissions for the Goodwill Ambassador!!! The award will be presented at Nationals

Dogs are many different things to many different people, but once in a while a very extraordinary dog passes through our lives. He may have been the one dog that made an Alzheimer patient smile for the first time in years or a dog that lay at the feet of several shy preschoolers as one by one they gained the courage to read to the wonderful sweet dog. Maybe he is owned by a family member or a friend but if this special mini has touched the life of one person or a thousand people, we want to hear your story!

There is no act of kindness too small to submit, because the lives touched by our precious minis are all worth sharing. We will present every one of the stories at Nationals. The winning dog will be voted on by a team of volunteers, and will be honored during the Nationals events with a very special award. Mid America Miniature American Shepherd Club will be sponsoring this award for 2015. Eligible dogs must be registered as a Miniature American Shepherd. Entries due 7/1/15.

Send your stories and if possible include a few photos to  
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Here is a list of the things we hope to see but not limited to:

- Helps someone who is deaf hear the phone, door etc
- Companion for an elderly person
- Companion for a child with emotional challenges
- A dog that has helped to fill the void of a lost family member
- Therapy dog who visits abused children's homes
- Therapy dog who visits nursing homes
- a R.E.A.D certified dog
- A TDI certified dog
- A dog that has done a heroic deed that included a service to a person or community
- A dog whose friendship and presence gave an autistic child the courage to speak
- A dog who found a lost alzheimers family member who had wandered away
- A dog who alerted someone to an impending danger
- A dog who brings smiles and laughter to a classroom full of children with disabilities
- A dog who is mascot of a team of special olympic athletes

And more.....



Pictured is the Award for our 2013 Goodwill Ambassador winner