The **Mercer Clinic Holiday Pet Basket** program was started in 1995 by Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital staff members of the “VOICE” staff newsletter. It has grown due to need over the years from only 25 baskets to 130 baskets last year. As one might imagine, in order to produce 130 baskets filled with gifts, it takes many people helping and contributing to make it a success. We wish to remind everyone that every year we rely on the kindness of others to help these very special pets who are more than a pet. Instead, they are the constant companions and family members to the less fortunate. Please help keep this wonderful tradition alive by contributing any time of year to the Mercer Veterinary Clinic Holiday Pet Baskets. All of the clients and pets love this annual event, just like Beethoven and Ruby (see photo above) whose story you can view on our new website at [http://www.mercerclinic.org](http://www.mercerclinic.org) and click on Holiday Pet Basket donation.

To donate items or to make a financial donation (which is tax deductible) for the Holiday Pet Baskets and the Mercer Vet Clinic for the Pets of the Homeless, we accept contributions all year round. To donate items for the Mercer Clinic, please e-mail Eileen Samitz at emsamitz@ucdavis.edu. Monetary donations help us the most in order to purchase the many items that we need for the baskets and to supply the clinic with needed medications, supplies, diagnostic services and surgical medical care for the patients.

To see what Mercer Clinic is all about please visit our **Photo Gallery** slide show on our website at: [http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/clubs/mercer/photo_gallery.cfm](http://www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/clubs/mercer/photo_gallery.cfm).

Mercer Veterinary Clinic and the Elves of the Holiday Pet Baskets wish to thank all the company and individual participants in our program and we also wish everyone a wonderful and happy holiday season.

**Yes! I support the Mercer Clinic for the Pets of the Homeless Holiday Pet Basket event!**

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