

Front Lines

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Pets on the Payroll

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This handsome gentleman with the white mustache is Boots and he's turning 11 this month. He's from Griggs Farm in Billerica, Massachusetts, and his owner is the boss, Bill Griggs. But Boots earns his keep, Natalie Kelsey said, adding: "Boots is our supervisor and keeps the mice and rabbits down, makes sure we hang the moss baskets correctly and generally keeps us in line. He's the boss' son, but got his job with talent, not nepotism."

I can't argue with that—the proof is in the photos! **GP**

