



March 2021 Newsletter

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Pyper's Promise: No Place Like Home

Sometimes "rescuing" a dog means keeping the dog at home. Many families are forced to make the heartbreaking decision to surrender their beloved pet of many years because the family is going through a rough patch and cannot afford expensive medical treatment. Perhaps the dog is having behavioral issues and the family has lost hope and cannot afford the cost of a trainer to help the situation. Maybe it is just a temporary financial hardship that will resolve itself in time, but the dog needs food and supplies now.

I think we can all understand and perhaps picture ourselves in the same boat with what COVID-19 has done to the economy and family security.

This is why Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue has a program in the works to help in situations like this. If the four-legged family member is well-cared for and otherwise loved, why should surrender be the only option? Think of the time you have benefitted from your dog's wet nose pressed up against your face, the sloppy kisses, and the full-body snuggles in times of stress.

The name of the program, ***Pyper's Promise: No Place Like Home***, comes from a family that RCBR has already helped. Pyper's family contacted RCBR in November 2020, wanting to surrender her. When talking with the family, their love for Pyper was blatantly clear. The only reason they even considered surrendering her was Pyper was now having medical issues they felt they could no longer afford, and they wanted what was best for her. This led them to think about surrendering her to a rescue where they could take care of her. Instead of accepting the surrender application, RCBR felt it was in Pyper's best interest to keep her with her family, where she was already dearly loved so much, and where she was already at home. So RCBR sent Pyper some much-needed supplies the family couldn't afford. By RCBR financially helping this family, Pyper was able to live the last few months of her life with her family, and they were able to be there when it was her time to be helped over the bridge.

Pyper's Promise: No Place Like Home is in the very early stages of development and there are numerous details to work out. Stay tuned and we will share more information as soon as we can.

St. Patrick's Day

In February's newsletter, we asked everyone to submit photos of their boxers decked out in their St. Paddy's finest threads. Below are the adorable results!

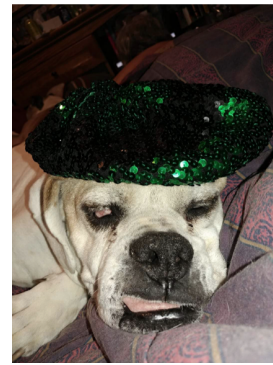
Thank you for your participation! Stay tuned for more photo requests in the future.



Peanut



Lexi



Dinah

Her mom said Packer
green is the only green
Lexi will be sporting!

Volunteer Spotlight

Nicole & Chris Dick



Hello everyone! My name is Nicole Dick, and I have been enamored with Boxers since sometime around 1998 when I met a friend that had two of them. I'll never forget their names; Nika and Rocko.

In 2003, the blessing of a Boxer was brought into my life when a family member bought my daughter a fancy, breeder puppy that we named Harley (pictured; top left). Harley brought us so much joy with his Boxer antics and was my daughter's best friend. After some time, we decided that Harley and my sister's American Bulldog, Caitie, would become parents. Enter our next Boxer love (this time a mix!), Morgan (pictured; top middle with the Pug). Morgan was an even **better** best friend to my daughter than Harley; which hardly seems possible!

By the time I met my husband Chris in 2012, Harley and Morgan were gone. I had my Pug, "Little Dog", and really wanted to bring a Boxer back into my life. I found Minnesota Boxer Rescue on the internet (I think!?) and we became approved adopters. After meeting several dogs, I saw "Jerry" online and just knew I had to have him. Chris, my daughter, our Pug, and I went one evening to meet "Jerry" who was known to his fosters as "Max" and that was it. I was smitten. Chris ... not so much, initially. He just didn't

know what it meant to have the love of a Boxer. He quickly learned and our first rescue quickly became his very best friend (pictured; top right).

Once Chris fell in love, we knew we wanted to give back to the breed and organization that blessed our lives so greatly. We soon became a foster family for Minnesota Boxer Rescue and over the next six years or so we fostered somewhere around 30 Boxers in our home. Two of those times turned into forever, and we adopted our sweet girl Bella Rue (pictured; bottom left) when Max headed to the Rainbow Bridge. Sometime after that, Braxton came to us from Kentucky, and using his southern charm, convinced us that he was where he belonged (pictured; bottom right). When Bella Rue became ill and was diagnosed with Cancer, we took a break for a bit and spent some time with just her, Brax, and our Pug.

While Rue was sick, we also moved. In choosing our new home, a big part of our consideration was – will this home provide good space for fostering more Boxers! And we found one that is really perfect for it. After losing Bella Rue, we began fostering again; this time with RCBR. In the last year, we were able to find forever homes for three amazing, aging, sweet Boxers, saw one through to his journey over the bridge, and had an imposter steal our hearts and move in forever. That imposter is Frankie Doyle, otherwise known as RCBR's January (pictured; middle right). She might be a Boxer. Or she might be an American Bulldog. Or she may be both. Regardless, we needed her, and she needs us. While Frankie adjusts and undergoes needed surgeries and training, we will take a break from fostering again to give her the attention she needs and deserves.

Knowing what we know now, rescue is the only way we will go. The amount of love, fulfillment, and the importance of helping these otherwise helpless dogs is priceless.

How Else Can I Help RCBR?

Would you like to help RCBR, but you're unable to foster or assist with transports?

Below are three easy peasy ways you can help RCBR without ever leaving the house ... or even getting off the couch! Read through their descriptions and the instructions for getting yourself set up to benefit RCBR!



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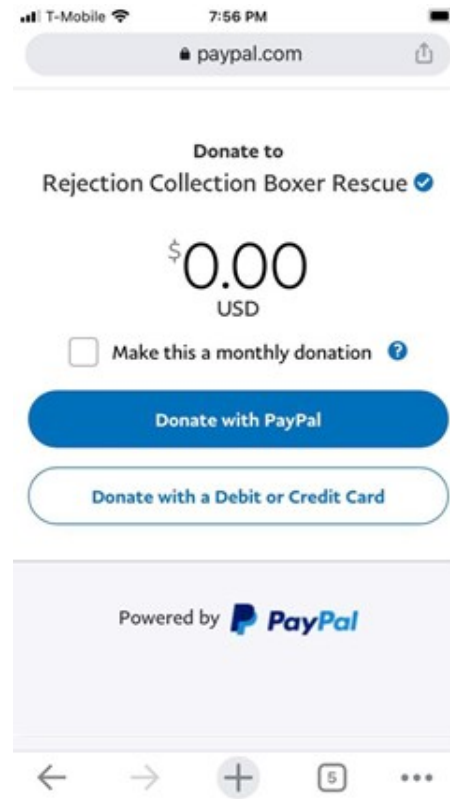
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February 2021 Adoptions



Archie
Adopted 2/2/21

It seems like Archie was destined to be a foster fail. From the moment I saw his sweet eyes and the beginning gray hairs on his face, I knew it was going to be tough to let him go. I told myself I would only keep him for the two weeks I had planned to, but Archie had other ideas. He immediately made himself at home. My other dogs loved him and seemed to think he had lived with us all along. He spent a couple of nights in a crate but it soon became clear he was



Bruce
Adopted 2/13/21

Meet Walton M(oose) Doggins: Walt (formerly called Bruce). Our Valentine's Sweetheart Dog. A textbook adoption as so many go. One chapter ending with the loss of a beloved long-time solo family pet. The next chapter beginning with a young dog in need of a fresh start whose super power is to ease grief and loss. We shot an arrow into the rescue universe and RBCR's Cupid, Lucy Blake (truly a fairy dog mom), found us a match practically overnight.

house trained and then he was either curled up next to me or sleeping in my bed. Since I live on a farm with horses, a donkey, cats, and other dogs, Archie had to be able to fit into this life. Of course, Archie had no problems and quickly acclimated to farm life. He loves all the other animals and really loves being able to run free with me when I'm out doing farm chores.

Now I cannot imagine what life was like without my sweet Archie, and I'm so glad he was a foster fail.

And did she ever deliver!

A mere one week later, enter Walt, an 18-month old Boxer, surrendered by his owner who didn't have time or space to properly care for him. He was transported by volunteer, Jim Wilder, who trucked him up in style on February 13. And we were instantly smitten! Walt is not our first Boxer, but unlike his predecessors, he truly believes he is a lap dog. This big Boxer boy is a gentle soul with a baritone voice and a tail! We are looking forward to many years of enjoying our "baby Moose"! Thanks to all that helped find us our Valentine crush!

Mary and Brian



Kobe

Adopted 2/23/21

Kobe is a sweetheart that fits into our family wonderfully. He is energetic and playful. He is a hugger!

We still have work to do on getting him socialized but are looking at a great future with him.



Lexi

(formerly Dayzee)

Adopted 2/12/21

It's been about 10 years since I lost Austin, my last Boxer buddy, to cancer, and I've so missed him ever since. He went everywhere and did everything with me. I then had two cats, one of which I lost this last summer to a sudden illness. Now being semi-retired and down to one cat, it seemed like a perfect time to put my dog search back on the front burner and to rescue one was the only way to go.

It felt like forever waiting for that special Boxer that got along with cats. Then Lexi (formerly known as Dayzee) came along. She was well worth the wait. I was in love the first time I met her and she passed the cat test with flying colors. She is a sweet timid girl learning simple commands like sit really quickly. We are now working on learning how to play. She gets excited and her little wiggly butt gets going so I know she's got it in her. We are having such fun together. I thank everyone at RCBR for all they do for these beautiful little wiggly butts and for finding me the perfect match.



Loki

Adopted 2/6/21

(Loki is in back with the brown patch on right ear)
We added a four-legged fur baby named Loki to our family. After losing our Lucky Ducky, who we rescued through RCBR in November, we realized the house wasn't the same with only one dog. Finishing up with radiation and having multiple doctor appointments to go to, I thought maybe we shouldn't adopt another one until we are home more often. Months went by and our energetic Perdi Pie needed a companion. We started actively looking, watching rescues for another Boxer. A handsome boy was being given up to a shelter in Kentucky. We were contacted and we automatically said YES!! We were able to name him which was really cool for the kids. We picked up our boy on February 6. Loki and Perdi act like they have been together since birth. They do their zooms around the house and make everyone laugh hysterically. Loki loves to be out in the snow! He hops around which causes the snow to form tiny snowballs and then he eats them. It's the cutest thing ever. He is a giant snuggle bug, and I love it! Loki has made our family complete. The saying stands true - "one person's garbage is

Sandee and Lexi

another one's treasure!" Loki is our treasure for sure, so thank you to whoever gave him up! Thank you RCBR for asking us if we would be interested in him!



Maurice

Adopted 2/13/21

Our southern gentleman, Maurice, joined a family of two cats in a land full of snow and cold. Initially, we weren't sure who was least excited about this change, him or the cats.

Fast forward a week and a half and we are finding our routine. Regular walks around the city and he is getting familiar with his new neighborhood. He is a kind and curious fella whose badges of honor include Loudest Snorer and Stinkiest Farter.

Maurice is the first dog for Andy and I, and he has been a wonderful addition to our family. We are thankful to the support RCBR provided to him in Tennessee, and are looking forward to the future as a family of five.

Amanda & Andy



Sadie

Adopted 2/13/21

We realized after we pulled in to meet Sadie (in front) and take her home that we hadn't thought to bring a crate, lest she and our boy, Nick needed some space for the ride home. When it was time to load up the car, the dogs had been together on leashes, in a busy parking lot, for only a few minutes (it was FREEZING!). We loaded them up in the back of the SUV together, and shut the hatch. Within a few minutes of getting back on the highway, Sadie and Nick were both sound asleep, snoring in unison. Just like that, Sadie and her new brother were best friends.

Sadie settled into our home just as quickly. Within two days, the cats were no longer something to chase after. Sadie loves to give kisses and enthusiastically joined the wake up committee, getting our 9 and 10 year olds up with lots of kisses and wiggles. Sadie figured out the back yard was a *wonderful* place to chase after Nick until they both exhausted all their zoomies. Sadie has only been with us a month, but it truly feels like she's been here forever. She was the missing piece of our puzzle, and we are thrilled we found her.

We are so thankful to RCBR (especially her foster mom, Lucy) for taking such good care of Sadie and trusting us to adopt her.

The Riley Family

February



Rainbow Bridge

... until we meet again

Dinah **Crossed the Bridge 1/18/21**

Dinah was an old gal brought to RCBR in January 2020. She had strength issues with her back legs and seizures that required daily meds. She was expected to be a permanent hospice foster. Then along came Dick and Jeanie, who were looking for a senior companion for their senior Lab. They wanted a hospice case. Dinah's back legs actually were doing so much better with regular walks that after meeting with Dick and Jeanie, it was decided to move her there. They adopted her on April 20.

Unfortunately, she passed away on January 18. She absolutely loved their Lab, and you couldn't separate the two. Jeanie just adored her little 'pattycake' Dinah who loved going for walks with her new Dad and cuddling with him at home. Jeanie really wanted to write a memorial but sadly their senior Lab is not doing so well without his buddy. Don't worry ... Dinah will be waiting at the Bridge for you.



Grace **Crossed the Bridge 2/19/21**

Under a year of loving you, but enough love and laughter to fill up the earth ten times. My sweet old lady crossed the bridge to the side where all my other loves are waiting to welcome her - Lola, Frankie, Samson, and all the thousands of animals I've loved in this life. It never gets easier. It never feels right. It's never an easy decision. It's never the right time.

Grace, it was my absolute pleasure to be loved by you. Please remind the rest of the zoo how much I loved them and how much we still talk about them here on this side of the Bridge.

Run free my sweet old angel.



Grant **Crossed the Bridge 2/12/21**

On February 12 we lost our sweet Grant very suddenly. We only had the pleasure of loving Grant for 8 months, but he has left a big hole in our hearts. Grant was the definition of a velcro dog. There was nowhere I went without him beside me - including climbing in the tub to

supervise while I was changing the shower curtain. Grant was the second Senior we adopted and even though neither was with us long enough, we would never second guess our decision to adopt a Senior dog. We are very grateful to RCBR for choosing us to be Grant's parents. He is deeply missed and will never be forgotten.



Maggie Crossed the Bridge 2/22/21

Ten months ago we found this amazing Boxer rescue group and were given the chance to adopt not one, but **two** senior sisters from Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue.

Unfortunately, after some recent health battles, Miss Maggie has crossed over the Rainbow Bridge.

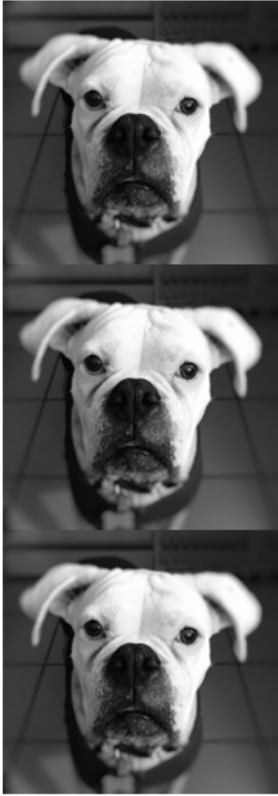


Zoey Crossed the Bridge February 2021

We were with Zoey all day, every day. She had quite a routine. She went with Tom for a ride around the farm every morning and then on a long walk with me! She developed a lump on her back that turned out to be cancer. Zoey just went to sleep in my arms and was no longer in pain.



Donations are being accepted through March 28!



Seeking Donations for Upcoming Online Auction



Collection Locations / Contact Information

Bloomington, MN - Duraye
dmarshelle@gmail.com

St. Anthony, MN - Lucy
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- Donations wanted by March 28
- Feel free to send a quality photo of your item/s to dmarshelle@gmail.com and then send item to the winner

* Auction will be held mid-April



Upcoming Events

Meet & Greets



Deuce

Chuck & Don's

Edina, Minnesota
Sunday, March 14
11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

April

date(s) and location(s) to be determined

Online Events

Watch our social media for Event and shopping links!

Rodan + Fields Fundraiser

Friday, March 19 -
Sunday, March 28



Vinny



Leo

Farmasi Fundraiser

Friday, April 2 -
Sunday, April 11

Pampered Chef Fundraiser

Friday, April 16 -
Sunday, April 25

Spring Online Auction

Saturday, April 17 -
Saturday, April 24



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Events Calendar



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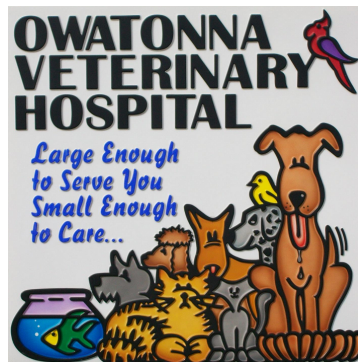
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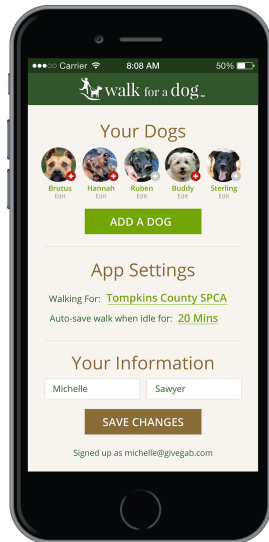
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Mission Statement

Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue (RCBR) is a non-profit, all-volunteer, foster-based organization dedicated to providing loving homes for Boxer dogs - especially seniors, medically challenged, and those needing to start over again in an unfamiliar world.

We offer quality care for whatever time is left; it is not about the quantity of days, but rather the quality and amount of love that can be shared during those days.

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