

September 2021 Newsletter

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One Year

Zane has been with an RCBR *foster* home for one year.



We have had little interest in him in the last 365 days.

This boy wants *nothing* more than to come home with you and be your companion in his golden years.

We know you are out there ...

Zane's forever, please come forward! He is ready for you!

#RememberMeThursday September 23, 2021

Since its inception, Remember Me
Thursday® has touched over one
billion people across the world by
advocating for pet adoption. Rescue
pets have a profound impact on our
lives and to remember them, we
launched our annual Remember Me
Thursday® contest to give back to the
organizations who perform life-saving

Click below to enter *your* rescue pet's story to win pet food <u>and</u> money for your favorite shelter or rescue.

Remember to nominate your favorite rescue or shelter to win!

My Story



The Impact of COVID on Veterinary Medicine

It is no secret that pet parents are frustrated with how long it is taking to get their pet seen by a veterinarian.

Whether it is waiting 6 - 8 hours at the ER or several days, weeks, and even months for their regular vet, significant delays in timely veterinary care are becoming all too common.

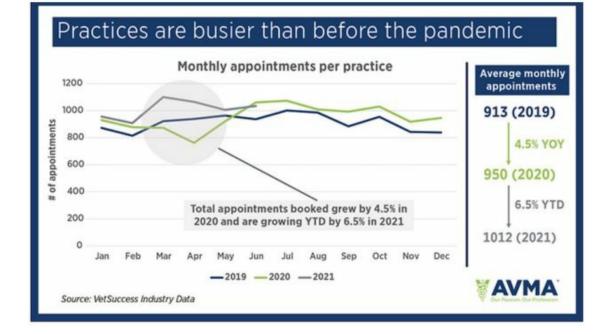
Truthfully, the veterinary profession is facing a **serious** crisis right now. Many households adopted a pet during the pandemic, which is awesome because pets contribute so much to our lives.

But during that same time, a significant number of veterinarians left the workplace to care for their own families.

Clinics lost support staff and had to cut back on available hours to accommodate the additional burdens COVID placed on daily practice. Animal hospitals gave up supplies and equipment to human facilities. Animal drugs/medications took a back seat during the pandemic. The combination of more pets and fewer veterinarians/staff/available hours resulted in general practices quickly becoming overwhelmed.

The daytime emergencies historically handled by general practitioners are being referred to ER facilities. Their inability to handle these daytime emergencies/urgent cases, in turn, result in the ERs quickly becoming overwhelmed. The ERs have really taken a hit, and many veterinarians and support staff are abandoning the profession altogether due to burn-out.

The bottom line is veterinary practices and facilities are doing the best they can with what they have to work with, but it still is in recovery mode.



So, what can you as a pet owner do to help?

Your vet and staff really *are* trying, and *want* to see your pet as quickly as possible. Treatment has seen a shift to prioritizing those cases requiring the most critical attention.

Schedule your pet's wellness visits well in advance.

When adopting a new pet, determine when their vaccinations are due, and schedule that appointment in advance rather than waiting.

Avoid situations that might result in an emergency visit.

Be vigilant at dog parks.

For example, do not risk a dog bite to your pet or an injury resulting from rough play.

Make sure the garbage can is secure.

Child safety locks also work great to prevent your pet from accessing the garbage.

Keep all human medication out of reach of your pet.

Make sure to give those preventives every month year-round.

Transition to new foods slowly to avoid GI upset.

Watch the table scraps/new treats.

The veterinary profession will emerge stronger than before but it's going to take a while.

Be patient.

Two Birds ... One Stone

Get a jump on your holiday shopping (or treat yourself!) while helping RCBR at the same time!

Teresa from 2nd Hand Boxers Sign is donating 40% from her Etsy store sales to RCBR from September 19 through October 2.

Click below to go to her Etsy store!

Fundraiser

September 19 - October 2
40% of my sales
will be donated to
Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue



Etsy store

2ndhandboxerssign

Spokane, Washington

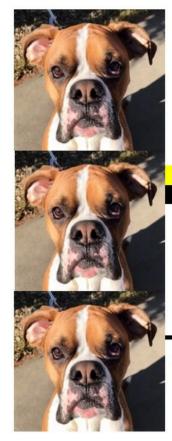
345 Sales | ★★★★★

Thank you for your support of my Etsy store where 30 % of my sales are donated to Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue every day

~ Teresa



Etsy Store



Seeking Donations for November Online Auction



One of RCBRs largest fundraising events each year

Collection Locations / Contact Information

Bloomington, MN - Duraye dmarshelle@gmail.com

St. Anthony, MN - Lucy rcbr.LucyBlake@gmail.com

Owatonna, MN - Stacy
RejectionCollectionBoxerRescue@gmail.com

- Donations wanted by <u>OCTOBER 1</u>
- Get donations to Duraye, Lucy or Stacy
 OR
- Send a quality photo of your item/s to dmarshelle@gmail.com and you send item/s to the winner/s when auction is over



Stop by the KS95 Pet Pawlooza
Keg & Case Market
Meet adoptable Boxers
Various food vendors
Free parking
Live music
Saturday, September 18
2 p.m. - 5 p.m.





928 West 7th St. St. Paul, MN



If you can't make the Pet Pawlooza, you will have another chance to join us at the 10th Annual Canine Carnival!

My Pit Bull is Family is a Minneapolis-based non-profit organization with one mission – to keep families together by ending housing and insurance discrimination and by providing community-based resources. Through their work they are able to keep families together by providing the nation's largest rental database that accepts all dogs, assisting families through the North Minneapolis Pet Resource Center, and through their many educational community events across the country.



Sociable Cider Werks
1500 Filmore St. NE
Minneapolis, MN

Sunday, October 3 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Drink for Dogs

<u>Unleashed Hounds & Hops</u>

200 East Lyndale Ave. North

Minneapolis, MN 55405

Thursday, October 7

4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Get your drink (and eat!) on and help RCBR!

Unleashed will donate 10% of all
food and beverage sales
between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m.

For more information, click below!



Unleashed Hounds & Hops is Minnesota's first combination dog park, taproom, and eatery!

Midwest winters and summers can be brutal!
Unleashed exists to provide a safe and temperature/weather-controlled

environment for dogs to play and socialize. But we didn't stop there!

Not only will you find the best place for your pup to play,
you will find hand-selected local beers and a curated menu that humans love.

More Info

Volunteer Spotlight Duraye Marshelle



It all started with a Boxer named Boots.

My parents had Boots when I was born and my love for the breed was instant. As a child, I was always bringing home stray dogs and cats. In fifth grade, I took Pinky, the classroom white rat, home over the Christmas break. People often asked if I was going to be a Veterinarian when I grew up. Even back then, I knew I could not do that as it would be too heartbreaking for me to see people not caring for their pets like I think they should be cared for.

Fast forward many, many years, and look where I am today – involved in Rescue.

Talk about heartbreaking!

I officially became involved in Rescue in 2011, volunteering on Minnesota Boxer Rescue's Board as Fundraising Coordinator for three years and President for one year. Even when stepping away from direct Rescue involvement, my love for helping animals never changed, and I have never stopped doing whatever I could, whenever I could. It did not take me too long to become fully active once again; this time as Secretary for Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue in 2019. Volunteering for, and connecting with, many different Rescues during my hiatus, RCBR's mission really spoke to me – helping senior Boxers and those with substantial medical needs. Exactly the dogs I adopt; the ones that are not easily adopted. I have always been for the underdog – pun intended – and former puppy mill breeder qirls really have my heart. I am lucky enough to have 18 doggos waiting at the Rainbow Bridge for me, all but one of which were adopted. And I'm currently owned by four more beautiful Boxers: Minka, Violet, Zuzu, and Bootsie.

Boots and Bootsie – I didn't name her – how's *that* for full circle?

Rescue is not for the faint of heart. You may lose your mind, but you will fill your heart and soul.



August Rainbow Bridge

... until we meet again

Daisy DukeCrossed the Bridge 7/28/21

No words seem to be enough to describe what a wonderful dog Daisy Duke was, or the amount of loss we feel from her passing. We had Daisy for 14 short months. During that time she struggled with health issues. We thought she had nine lives until a bleeding mass in her chest took her from us.



Despite her health struggles, she was always happy, gentle, and loving. Daisy would greet everyone coming in the door with full-body wiggles. She would flip her food bowl over and nose it around the kitchen every time someone else was eating. She gave the best hugs by leaning her head into your chest and smelling all your smells. She had a warm and gentle spirit. She loved our kids and was always happy to tag along on their adventures.

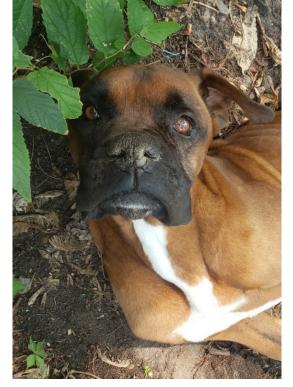
Even though our time was short with our girl, she changed us. Daisy was a bright light in our lives. She completed our family. We feel a sense of pride having given her the love and care she deserved. What she gave to us was so much more. My only regret is that we did not meet her sooner.

The Lunzer family

Popeye

Crossed the Bridge 8/1/21

It is hard for me to put into words how hard and fast we fell in love with Popeye. He came to us at a hard time. The night he arrived we had to rush our bunny off to the vet and she, unfortunately, passed away. Everything in me wanted to crawl in bed and sob over her, but Popeye needed us. He challenged us greatly with many potty messes. Helping him walk to the yard, getting peed on several times while walking. I think the intense amount of care we had to give him over just one month grew our bond quickly. Despite the inability to use his back legs, he always insisted on being wherever we were. Even if we were only gone for seconds he would get up and drag himself to where we were. He loved to bask in the sun and dinner time was always a joy. At times he loved to play and he



would box like the Boxer he was. He absolutely loved to chew on anything *BUT* a dog toy.

We did not know how much time he had left so he got many snacks even though we are normally a strictly "no human food for dogs" household. It truly tickled me when we would get takeout and my husband would say, "Hey, give this to Popeye." The day he passed is not something I will be able to get over for a long time. It was so sudden. He did not deserve to die without his closest people there. Even if we had turned around we would have never made it in time. We left him thinking he would be back home that night with us. We made arrangements for future care while we left town because we never thought he would be gone so soon. We loved him fiercely and miss him so much it hurts. I hope he knew how much we loved him even up to his last breath.

TuckerCrossed the bridge 7/28/21

Tucker came to live with us a little over a year ago. He loved riding in the car, loved treats from the bank, and loved attention from everyone. He liked to ride in the Polaris with Jim and his fur brother, Charlie, but he rode in the back on a bed so he was more comfortable. Most of all, Tucker liked when we got down on the floor with him. He would inch over little by little until he was in my lap getting belly rubs, kisses, and special treats. He is missed by all, but the most by me as he was always with me in the house. Forever my friend!



~ Kathy

BOXER COFFEE CO. BOXER BOXER

Love coffee?? Want to support RCBR?!

rejection collection

We applied for support from **Boxer Coffee Company**, and they responded. We are among fifteen Boxer Rescues they are supporting, nationwide. They give a full 20% of the profit from their delicious coffees to us and fourteen other rescues, for one year.

Shipping is always **FREE** in the U.S. from Boxer Coffee Company. Visit their website to order!

Shop Boxer Coffee!

Upcoming Events

In-Person Events

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2022 Calendar

Goes on sale in October! Exact date TBD

Fall Online Auction

Saturday, November 6 through Saturday, November 20

Stay tuned for more info!

Give to the Max Minnesota Day

Thursday November 18

All-day!

Avon Fundraiser

December Dates TBD

Watch for our Facebook Event

Events Calendar

Thank you to our Partners



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More Info Here

Links to help:

Walk for a Dog / Wooftrax - walk your dog and earn points that translate to donations for RCBR.

Amazon Wishlist - purchase from our wishlist and have it sent directly to us.

Amazon Smiles - select RCBR and Amazon will donate a percentage of your order total to





<u>PayPal Giving Fund</u> - if you prefer to just donate cash, we're set up through this fund.







iGive.com

iGive automatically helps your favorite cause, every time you shop. Please consider adding the iGive button to your browser to help us earn donations when you shop. It's easy and free to use. Also available in your app stores for shopping on the go!

More Info

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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