

December 2021 Newsletter

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Christmas truly is one of the most wonderful times of the year. For many, there are warm parties, cozy homes, fond traditions to celebrate and gifts to be shared. It's a joyous time of celebration.

For many of the animal rescues, it is a time of reflection for all the animals that have been saved and all the hearts and

hands that have worked tirelessly to accomplish this task.

Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue appreciates every single one of you and all you do. It may have been serving on the Board of Directors, heading up a fundraising event, driving transport, fostering and/or adopting, volunteering or donating to a cause near and dear to our hearts. But whatever you did, no matter how small or how big, you matter to us and to the Boxers.

RCBR wishes each and every one of you a wonderful Holiday Season. Relax and enjoy with family and friends because the New Year is coming on fast!

What will you do in 2022 to help save our beloved Boxers?

~ Your Board of Directors



Volunteer Spotlight Stacy Burton



Meet the Co-Founder and President of Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue: Stacy Burton

For the past 13 years, I have been a stay-at-home mom of three human kids: Teagan is 13, Brady is 12 and Sophia is 8. I have been married to my best friend, Mike, for 14 years. Our family started fostering boxers eight years ago because I **LOVED** the breed, and I thought it was something I could do while being a stay-at-home mom. We volunteered with several different Boxer and animal rescues and fostered a countless number of dogs. I absolutely loved it for many reasons and would not change a thing.

To me, fostering dogs is good for the whole family. It teaches kids how to have patience, discipline, compassion, and respect. It is amazing to see my children form bonds and relationships with these dogs.

My heart really belongs with those senior, special needs, and puppy mill Boxers. It is inspiring to see their transformation once the animal begins to come out of its shell and trust humans. It is also gratifying to me to give a Boxer quality end-of-life.

A few years ago, I did a lot of soul-searching. I was 35 years old. I had devoted the previous 10 years of my life to my husband and children. Now all my kids were going to be in school full-time that Fall. I **LOVE** my children, and I feel *beyond* blessed I was able to devote so much time focusing on them, but now I was ready to also find what makes me happy. What fills my soul. What makes me feel accomplished and complete. Rescue. Boxer rescue is what fills my cup. I could not imagine my life going forward without it.

Several amazing women and I discussed starting our own Boxer rescue for quite some time, but the timing had never been right. Now it was. We started Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue in July 2019, a rescue focused on senior and special needs Boxers. The rescue grew fast ... faster than any of us could have ever

dreamed! It was because of all the amazing like-minded people that were able to come together to save these dogs. Because of our amazing village, we have been able to save about 255 dogs and counting. Thank you to everyone for helping make my dreams come true. Without you all, none of this would be possible. Without you, we wouldn't be able to save all these Boxers.

Now, in addition to the rescue, I also have a full-time career as a victim's advocate at a crisis center, helping victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault. I also have my house full of rescue dogs and continue to foster dogs.

Hit up our online store for new merchandise and grab a **HOT DEAL** on a 2022 Calendar!

Through December 31 ...

• Buy *any* wearable shown in our online store and add a 2022 Calendar for just \$10 (that's a \$5 savings)!

... BUT ...

 You <u>must</u> reach out to RCBR <u>directly</u> to receive this deal (via email or Facebook message). This offer is **NOT** available when ordering via our online store.



Holiday Safety Reminder from Boxy Brown's

Dog Kisses Are Nice, But Skip the Mistletoe

Keep Your Pets Safe During the Holidays

The Holiday Season has begun! If you have pets, you might want to skip the mistletoe and holly. Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. And many varieties of lilies can cause kidney failure in cats if ingested. Also beware of candles and lights. Pets can easily knock them over and chew on them, leading to fires or shock. Happy holidays, everyone! And stay safe!





At Boxy Brown's Coffee Co., we use the sale of our coffee and apparel to help Boxers find new homes. 20% of our profits benefit the Boxer Rescues you'll find listed on our home page.

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November Adoptions



Holly Adopted 11/20/21

We came across Holly, now known as Belle, almost by accident and that is how we knew it was meant to be! We had been looking for a sister for our dog, Bo, for awhile and had been looking through (primarily Boxer) rescues for quite some time. We found another sweet girl at RCBR we were interested in. However, she found a great home that fit her a little better than ours. We were about to start searching again when Alicia reached out to us with a new rescue! Holly fit what we were looking for perfectly!

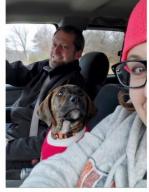
Not even a month later, Holly and her "little" brother spend all their time together, whether they are wrestling or napping. She loves giving hugs and kisses to everyone she meets. She is the perfect Boxer mix of sweet, mellow, goofy and crazy. She is definitely a spoiled little lady. Her dad cannot resist coming home with new toys ALL the time! We love how quickly Bo welcomed her in and how he already seems to look out for her. He likes to "nose" her as if to say "are ya comin'?" to include her in everything that is new to her. She has been the perfect addition to our little family!

Amber, Arie, Bo, & Belle















Mac'N and Cheese Adopted 11/13/21

Oh, Mac'N and Cheese. Some background: My husband never had human children and when we met 10 years ago, we decided we would not go that route. My human child was already a teenager, I had a 4-year old Pug and life was settled. About eight years ago, we added an adopted Boxer to the family and then found that being a part of rescue was in our hearts. Over the years, we fostered somewhere between 40 to 50 and have adopted four. We thought we would like to raise a puppy, so we put our names on puppy lists with two rescues. A couple puppies came along but the timing was off. That is, until ... RCBR got a call about a box of puppies abandoned in Ohio with no Mom. We thought we may take one of them as ours. I drove from Minnesota to Wisconsin to transport the two neonatal pups the rest of the way to their foster home in Bloomington. A week later, we had the two pups for a weekend visit and knew the pair completed our family ... again. So, here we are. Mac'N and Cheese turned out to be just 2% Boxer but they joined our family. These Mastiff/mutt mixes are the baby brothers to Braxton, 9 year old Boxer/mutt mix and Frankie, our girl who we suspect is mostly Bulldog. So, sometimes you rescue Boxers and other times you end up with other breeds. Our experience is that breed does not actually matter, because in rescue, the right dog always ends up in the right place at the right time. We are so grateful for RCBR, those who transported Mac'N and Cheese, and especially Barbie, who got them through the very fragile first week or so of their lives.



November Rainbow Bridge

... until we meet again



Zuzu (formerly known as Bella) Crossed the Bridge 11/23/21

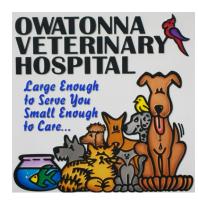
There are dogs that are in your life for darn near all of theirs. There are dogs that pass through for a little bit of time. I have had many of both. All have grabbed my heart and held it in their paws. Zuzu was one of the latter, holding my heart for a mere 16 months. Less time does not equal less love. Less time does not equal less hurt, less heartache. As with so many dogs that find themselves in Rescue, her life was not the best for her first 10 years, but I tried to make up for that in those 16 months. Zuzu was a quiet, silly and snuggly love bug, and she had a wondrous look in her eyes that simply drew you in. I was so blessed that you chose me, Zuzu.

I loved you so very much, and you will remain in my heart for the rest of my life. ~ Duraye

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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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