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2022
Newsletter**

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Sunday, June 5 @ 8am until Saturday, June 18 @ 6pm
(all times Central)

Two things limit the number of Boxers we can help. Foster Homes AND money.

As you check out our fabulous Auction items, please bid with your heart. There are so many Senior and medically-challenged Boxers out there that need our help.

All proceeds from this auction go directly to our Rescue Thank you so very much



**Shop Our
Auction!**

Gnats Are Back



Spring and early Summer are a peak time for black fly bites (gnats) in the Upper Midwest

Vets see many cases of black fly bites this time of year, fielding dozens of calls from concerned pet owners. Even if you use a regular flea and tick preventative, your dog may still get bitten. Thankfully, black fly bites aren't usually a serious medical concern.

Black fly bites typically heal without treatment. While they can be sore or itchy, pets recover within a few days. As with any skin lesion, keep the area clean using a pet-safe soap and antibacterial cream, and prevent your pet from licking or scratching.

Firework Safety

Even though we are technically still a few weeks away from all of those 4th of July celebrations, there are always those folks who get the party started early. Below are some tips to ensure that everyone enjoys the holiday safely.

FIREWORK SAFETY

THIS INDEPENDENCE DAY, PLEASE BE COURTEOUS WHEN SETTING OFF FIREWORKS, WHICH MAY BE UPSETTING FOR DOGS AND MILITARY VETERANS

FOR VETERANS:

PERCENTAGES OF VETERANS THAT RETURN WITH PTSD

IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN



11-20%

GULF WAR (DESERT STORM)



10%

VIETNAM



30%

LENGTH OF DEPLOYMENT

12-15 months*

210 days**

12 months

* Includes multiple deployments

** Operation Desert Storm lasted 210 days

LOUD, UNEXPECTED NOISES, such as fireworks can remind combat veterans with PTSD of GUNFIRE OR EXPLOSIONS they had experienced on the battlefield.

Consider your neighbors by not setting them off late at night or close to their homes, or better yet, go to an organized event!

Source: US Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense

FOR DOGS:

1 IN 5 DOGS GO MISSING AFTER BEING SCARED BY FIREWORKS



More dogs go MISSING on the 4th of July than any other day of the year because the loud noises can scare even the BRAVEST dog.

KEEP YOUR BEST FRIEND AT EASE:

- EXERCISE DURING THE DAY.** Ensure your dog gets plenty of exercise during the day to tire them out
- STAY HOME.** Don't bring them to events where fireworks will be set off
- MAKE THEM FEEL SAFE.** Provide a safe place at home with music or the TV playing
- DISTRACTION.** Entertain them with their favorite toys and treats
- ACT NORMAL.** Don't acknowledge the fireworks, as your dog may be looking to you on how to react
- NAME TAGS.** Make sure your dog is wearing their collar with ID tags (better yet, microchipped!)



Source: www.aspc.org

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

Decluttering???

Garage Sale benefitting

We want your stuff!



The sale runs **July 21-23, 2022** in Bloomington, MN
Donations may be dropped off starting Sat., June 25

Items Wanted

- Household goods
- Clothing / Shoes / Accessories
- Baked goods
- Toys / Books
- Tools / Jewelry

NO FURNITURE ACCEPTED

Hangers, Plastic Grocery Bags & LOTS of Brown Paper Grocery Bags Needed

We are looking for good quality, gently used items that will bring in top \$ for our Rescue
All items should

- be clean and free of stains, rips, tears, etc.
- have all parts/accessories and be in good working order

Taking the time to wash items, remove dust, remove dried-on food, touch up scratches, spiff things up really makes a big difference in the eyes of the buyer meaning more \$ for Boxers in need

Donation Drop Off Days/Times	
Sat. June 25	1pm - 5pm
Sun. June 26	1pm - 5pm
June 27-30	NO DROP OFF
Fri. July 1	7pm - 9pm
Sat. July 2	1pm - 5pm
Sun. July 3	1pm - 5pm
July 4-7	NO DROP OFF
Fri. July 8	7pm - 9pm
Sat. July 9	1pm - 5pm
Sun. July 10	1pm - 5pm
July 11-14	NO DROP OFF
Fri. July 15	7pm - 9pm
Sat. July 16	11am - 5pm
Sun. July 17	11am - 5pm
Mon. July 18-Wed. July 20	11am - 7pm



To set-up a drop off time, please call or text 952.456.2581

Arrangements may be made for drop off at a different location prior to June 25

Drop off anytime between these hours each day

Do NOT price your items

Clothing: Please use a hunk of masking tape to indicate Women's, Men's, Teen, Toddler, etc. and the size. Attach tape to front of garment at the waistband or neckline

Shoes: If possible, please use a clothespin or zip tie to attach pairs together and write size on the clothespin

The Rescue reserves the right to turn away items at their discretion

DROP OFF LOCATION: Corner of 96th & Vincent Avenue South, Bloomington 55431

Volunteer Spotlight

Jennifer Mazur-
McCombs



I am a Volunteer Animal Transporter. I have always been an animal lover and my last three dogs were all adopted. I knew the plight of shelter dogs but sadly just could not adopt any more at the time. So, I continued to donate and drop off supplies to shelters, but I wanted to be more involved with the rescue world. In 2013, I saw a plea for drivers to transport local shelter dogs to rescues. It sounded *perfect* for me as I love to drive anyway! I saw a Boxer in need and knew I had to be first to sign up on this one. Boxers are my heart dog and by that point, I had three Boxers and two Boxer-mixes of my own. And that is how my journey began nine years ago!

My first transport was a Boxer named Chuck in March 2013. He was in a horrible shelter with limited time left and got his Freedom Ride to Joliet, Illinois. I wish I could tell you how many dogs I have driven over the years. I take tons of pictures and keep track that way but have never kept count. It has definitely been hundreds! We have driven the usual dogs and cats, but have also transported raccoons, ferrets, bunnies, other small animals, several pigs - both large and small - and even some goats! I say "we", because typically I bring someone along with me. My mom usually comes along and loves transporting with me. She is often my navigator. She gets all her doggie lovin' in on the transports. My husband has joined me on a few transports as well. I tried fostering once. Sadly, that is not my thing, but thankfully that guy is still with me (foster fail, HA!).

We have met some of the *best*, most generous, kind-hearted people when transporting. It is a great feeling to find your place and your people in the rescue world. Transporting is kind of like a paid volunteer position. We get paid in doggie love and kisses. It is definitely worth it!

I also make blankets for a group called Blanketing Boxers with Love. They send blankets to Boxer rescue groups, so each dog has something of their very own to take with them to their forever homes.

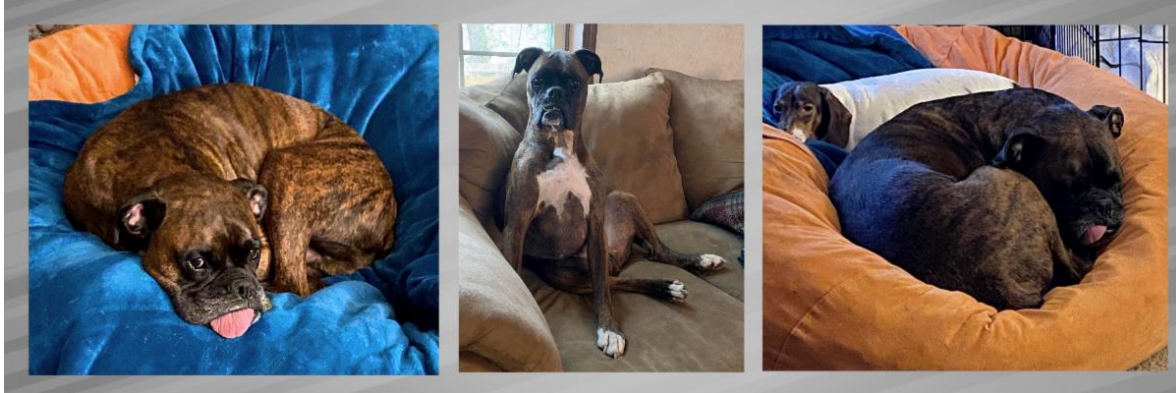
Sometimes I still feel like I am not doing enough. Every aspect of volunteering is so important. Without each "job" we cannot save these lives. That is the most important thing ... saving as many animals as possible and helping them on their journey to the good life!

Recent

Adoptions

BoJango

Adopted 3/26/22



I had previously rescued a Boxer and fell in love with the breed. I applied with RCBR and viewed the website daily looking for the next Boxer to welcome into my home with me and Diva, my Dachshund.

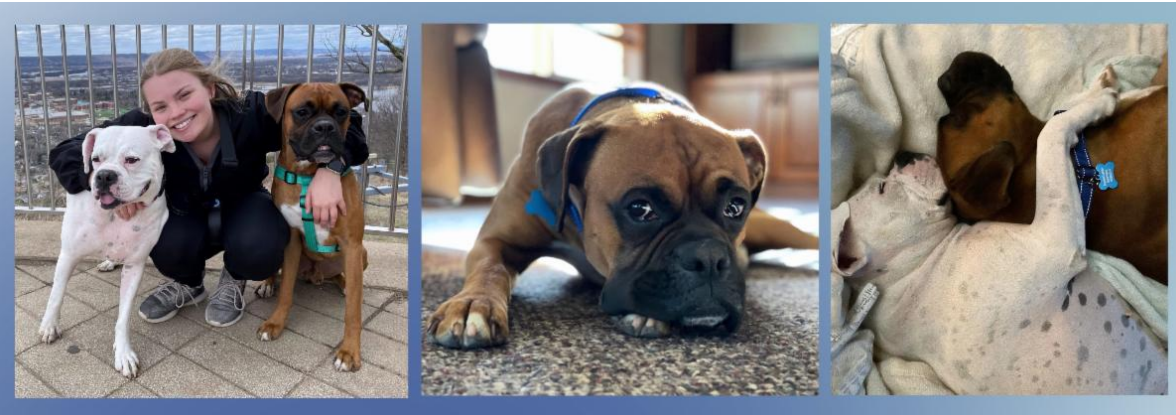
I came across BoJango who had just been rescued by RCBR, and I felt he needed to be in my home. I met Mrs. Lucy to be an FTA (Foster To Adopt) and that was the beginning of our life together. I knew BoJango was home and he seemed to feel that way too. In March, he officially became part of the family.

BoJango came with a X-Large orange bean bag that he *loves* but he is willing to share with Diva. He has so much character, brings laughs and much joy to me and to Diva. He is a big, gentle, loving boy. Quite the combination in my house, but they are pals and cuddle together.

I have a great appreciation for those involved in my foster and adoption process of BoJango, particularly Stacy, Lucy, Duraye, Alicia and Jamie, along with all the other unnamed volunteers with RCBR.

Jake

Adopted 4/17/22



Jake, n/k/a Jax, is living the good life!

Back in March, we lost our Reggie to Lymphoma at only 9-1/2 years old. This loss was *much* more difficult than we ever thought it would be, not only for us, but also for our other Boxer, Journey, whom we adopted from RCBR in 2020. My mother-in-law, an avid animal lover, told me, "When one dog leaves you, it's because another dog needs you." As we struggled without Reggie in our lives, I remembered what my mother-in-law had said and reached out to Stacy with RCBR to have her begin looking for our next Boxer - to help us and give Journey a new playmate.

In less than two weeks, she had a dog that needed fostering who was *exactly* what we were looking for (a younger male Boxer). We picked Jax up early the next morning and immediately fell in love. We are still figuring out Jax's needs, knowing he likely did not come from a good situation, and helping him through his issues. One thing is for sure ... he is the *most* loving dog there is! We know he is absolutely in love with his new home. Journey and Jax are already the best of friends, which absolutely warms our hearts!

Jax is *indeed* living the good life!

Rubble

Adopted 5/10/22



We have always had two Boxers at the same time. Each time one crossed the Rainbow Bridge, we were on the lookout for another. After getting our Boxer puppy Bella, now a year old, we knew our family was not yet complete. We had talked about getting involved with rescue and possibly fostering. We reached out to RCBR about fostering and letting them know what we were looking for. Then, three puppies came into rescue from a mill. Rubble became our foster, and we fell in love with him instantly. Typical of mill dogs, he came with lots of fears. But it is *amazing* how far he has come already! He has conquered the stairs and now walks out the door without assistance or guidance. Rubble was frightened by many things including the wind and seeing his reflection, but our Bella has definitely helped him overcome those fears. They are now best buddies. He is definitely a perfect fit for our family and is the sweetest boy you will ever meet! And so it happened. We became foster failures and adopted Rubble. There was absolutely no reason why he should not become a member of our family. We cannot thank RCBR enough for everything they have done for us and to welcome Rubble.

The Rainbow

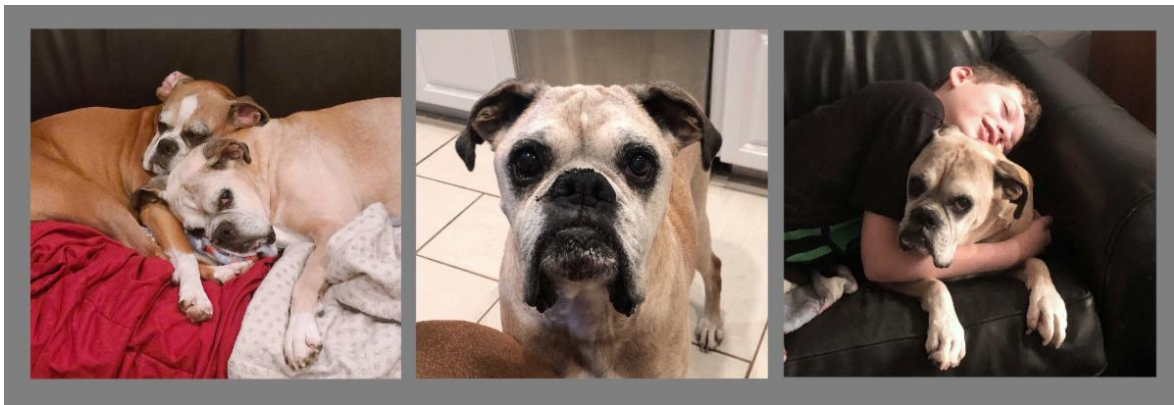


Bridge

... until we meet again ♥

**Apollo
(f/k/a Eli)**

Crossed the Bridge 5/14/22



Eli passed away at age 15 due to complications with his heart. Eli came to us at the beginning of the pandemic and soon became the dignified old gentleman of the house. He was widely loved and supported – by family, friends and neighbors alike. Eli was unbothered by our chickens and liked to cuddle with our younger Boxer, Leia. He was always up for a conversation and would entertain us with his 'woo-wooning' speeches. We are so very thankful to have been chosen as Eli's forever family and are grateful for the time we got to spend with him.

He really completed our family and will be keenly missed.

Upcoming Events

Online Events

Spring

H-U-G-E

Fall

Online Auction

9 am June 5, 2022
to
8 pm June 18, 2022

[Here on
Facebook](#)

Gift Card Raffle

July TBD

Online Auction

Dates TBD

[Facebook Event](#)

*2023 Calendar Sales
begin in October!*

In-Person Events

Garage Sale

July 21, 2022
to
July 23, 2022

Bloomington, MN

Bark In the Park

5 pm - 7 pm
August 18, 2022

[Swanson Dog Park](#)
9150 Central Ave NE

Blaine, MN

Backyard Boxer Bash

2 pm - 5 pm
September 18, 2022

Plymouth, MN

RCBR Event Calendar

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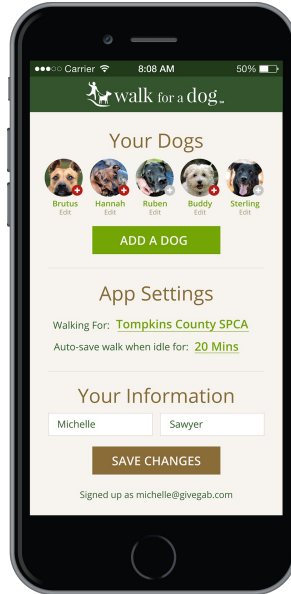
Links to help:

[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 us.

[PayPal Giving Fund](#) - if you prefer to just donate cash, we're set up through this fund.



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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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