



March 2022 Newsletter

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Donations Needed for RCBR's April Online Auction



Seeking Donations for Our
April Online Auction



Did you know our online auctions are one
of our best fundraisers each year?



Donations needed no later than April 1
(auction starts April 19)

A few Boxers helped by our auctions



Donation drop-offs in Minnesota

- ❖ Stacy – Owatonna
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rcbr.lucyblake@gmail.com

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Volunteer Spotlight

Chris Jorgensen



Approximately 10 years ago, I was bit by a pit bull and went through rabies shots. I have always been more of a cat person; however, this experience made me afraid of dogs. Determined to get over this fear, I began volunteering at a local rescue. After a few months with the rescue, I signed up to transport "a gray dog." I get to the meeting place and – you guessed it – it is a pit bull. As the other driver gets the dog out and walks her over to my car, I am panicked! The dog jumps on me and covers me in kisses. I was in love with this velveteen gray girl. She was the beginning of my love of transporting rescue dogs. I wish I would have kept count of how many animals I have transported. I live in Madison, Wisconsin, and have driven throughout Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri to pick up rescue animals. Before the pandemic, I transported for several rescues, a few times a month. I am always on the lookout for a good book on Audible or Libby for my trips.

I still love kitties and fostered about 40 kittens total throughout quarantine. Unfortunately, I live in an apartment that does not allow dogs so I share my home with two cats, Zazoo and Zoey. I am a co-parent to a friend's Bernese Mountain Dog, Larry. Lots of cuddles and kisses. One of the biggest lessons I have learned through rescue is patience. The animal lets you know when they are ready. Every animal needs a different amount of time to jump out of the car or accept a good tummy rub. As humans, we just want to help them find a better life, but sometimes we need to slow down and listen to the animal.

You will see communication from me as RCBR's Volunteer Coordinator. I am currently working on gathering all contact information and areas of volunteering interest for each volunteer, so the Rescue has it all in one place. One of the best parts of volunteering is meeting the volunteers. It is amazing what good people are out there!

February Adoptions

Vanilla Cupcake and her "sprinkle" Marley



I'm Nancy and I started on this rescue journey back in 2019 when I lost my best friend, a rescued Boxer named Peanut. Rescuing Peanut made me aware of those "puppy mills".

When I lost her it devastated me, but I knew I would never heal completely and there were dogs out there who needed to be saved. I hospice-fostered shortly after losing Peanut and during that time, I came across RCBR. I had adopted previously through RCBR and kept in touch with Stacy.

Stacy reached out to me in October 2021 and asked if I would be willing to foster a medical needs dog since she was located nearby. I already had two crazy rescue Boxers at home, Perdi and Loki, but how could I say no! When I saw Cupcake's picture, I instantly fell in love with her and her story broke my heart.

Fast forward to November 4 - freedom day for Cupcake. I drove to Baltimore, Maryland to get this sweet soul. She was underweight, scared, and had a lot of skin problems. She was found in a parking lot so who knows if she was even taken care of previously. You could *clearly* see that she was a mill mom. After several weeks, she started gaining weight and I was excited and happy for her!

One night while lying in bed with her, I felt her stomach move. I did not think much of it and thought it was gas bubbles. Days went by and she was getting bigger and bigger, and her belly was still moving. I finally put two and two together and thought, "No way! She can't be pregnant." I knew nothing about dog pregnancies. I was *completely* clueless! I took her in for an x-ray and **SURPRISE** - Cupcake was pregnant and **due within the week!** Eeekkkkk!! I panicked like crazy because I knew *nothing* about a dog giving birth. I was scared but Cupcake was a rockstar and did amazing all on her own!

After helping out Cupcake with all of her medical needs, seeing her go through birthing, and caring for her, I just could not let her go. She needed to be with my family and me. She is finally in a loving and caring home and getting the best care ever! She will never have to worry about being out on the streets again or having any more puppies. She can finally be free and act like a dog.

We also rescued one of Cupcake's puppies, the only girl - Marley. After seeing how close and loving Cupcake was to her puppies (and of course falling in love with all the cuteness of them myself) I knew deep down that she needed one of the puppies to stay with her. Cupcake can now live a happy and loving life with one of her own.

Introducing ... The Sprinkles! a/k/a Vanilla Cupcake's puppies

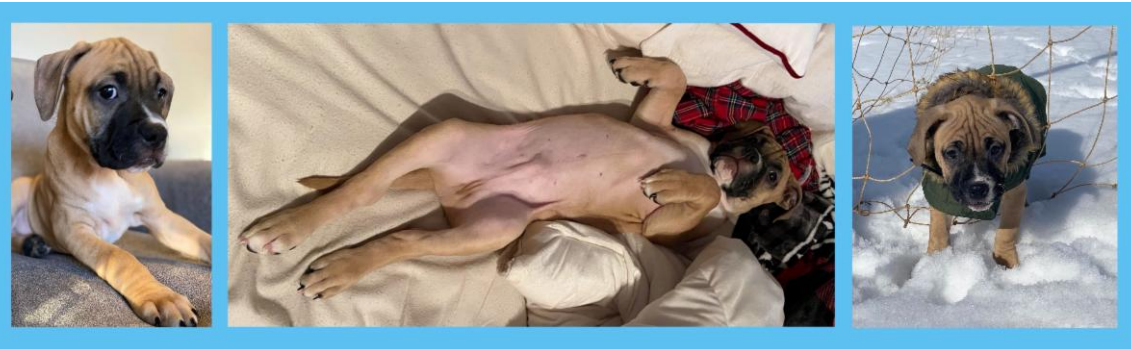
Cooperton II n/k/a Gus
Adopted 2/13/22



Cooperton II (n/k/a Gus) is a great addition to our family. He is a fun, sweet, and playful dog. He is doing well with potty training and sleeping through the night. When he is not sleeping, he likes to play with his squeaky chew toys and balls. He also enjoys going for rides in the car and meeting new people and dogs. One of our favorite things to do with him is snuggle. We are so happy to have him as a part of our family.

Thank you RCBR family for your love and dedication in caring for and transporting Gus to his forever home!

Jasper Jr.
Adopted 2/13/22



Jasper is loving his new home. He is so cuddly and loves to chill with his human siblings. Jasper is still working on the potty training but he has learned our rules. He aims to please and his big dog brother is even teaching him some commands like sit, stay, and the kid's favorite - dance.

We feel blessed that Jasper was placed in our home. He truly is the best dog.

Karma (n/k/a Norman)
Adopted 2/13/22



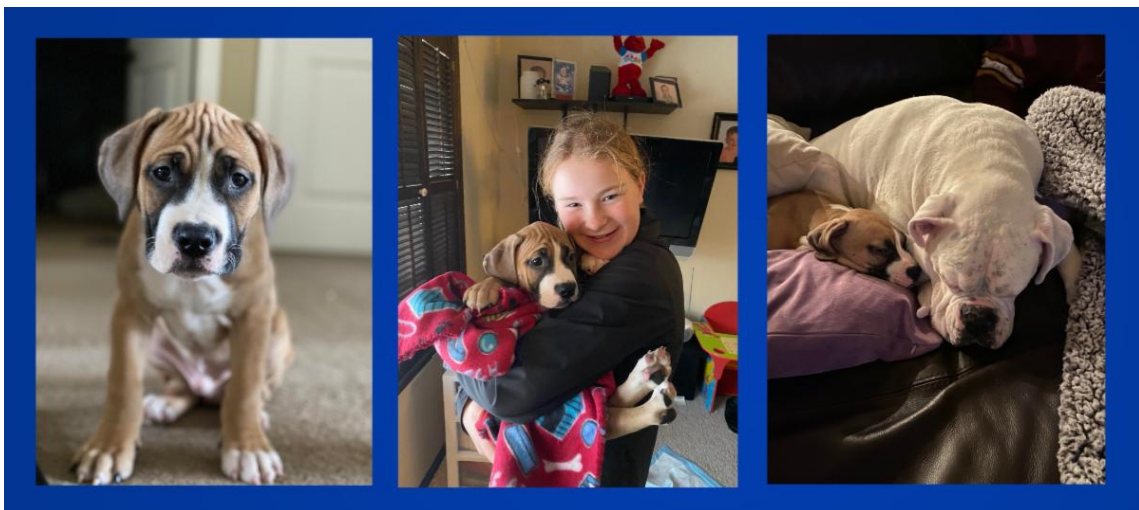
Welcome Stormin Norman, a/k/a Chicken Pig, to your new family! My husband and I have enjoyed adopting/rescuing older Boxers over the last few years. Our 9-year-old rescue,

Angel, also came from RCBR. She was in rough shape and was nursed back to health by the wonderful volunteers at RCBR. She recovered far beyond what we could ever have expected. So we found ourselves with a playful senior Boxer, Angel, without a playmate. What is a person to do?

We set out and did what *any* normal Boxer lover would do. Search for our family's perfect match. We hit a few dead ends with dogs that were just not quite the right fit. Then our prayers were answered when sweet Vanilla Cupcake's puppies (the "Sprinkles") were born. My dog trainer/sitter let us know that our Angel is very good with puppies as well as adult dogs. After weeks of watching these sweet pups grow, we were able to bring home our new family member, Norman.

Norman and Angel are having the time of their lives! Angel gets to relive the puppyhood she never had, and Norman has a great loving teacher to guide him. He is the first to greet you when you arrive and needs to make sure that you know how special you are to him. It only took him about a week to potty train with Angel helping show him what to do. Norman is unsure of the cats in the house and the scary stairs, while very fascinated watching the bearded dragons. We often catch him running to their room to stare at them. His disposition is a perfect balance for our home, and we are so happy to have this little snoring/snorting puppy that identifies himself as a pig in our family.

Tosh (n/k/a Norman Tosh) Adopted 2/13/22



My husband and I fell in love with our neighbor's Boxer puppy about 17 years ago. We then went to get a Boxer puppy (Bailey) from a breeder in Missouri. That was our first experience with a breeder. About a year later, we decided Bailey needed a buddy so we got a Boxer from another breeder in Arkansas. The puppy was flown in and we met her at the airport. Her name was Lily. At about the age of one, Lily started to have what seemed to be seizures. Later that year, they thought she had a spinal stroke. She ended up in the emergency room with the loss of use in two legs. We brought her to the University of Minnesota where she lost the use of a third leg. Lily eventually regained use of two of her back legs but was extremely weak. With much thought, we ended up helping her cross the Rainbow Bridge before her second birthday. I contacted the breeder who turned out to not even be a Boxer breeder and was just selling these puppies as a favor to someone!

The experience with Lily was so heartbreaking! We knew we needed another dog for Bailey and decided we wanted a local breeder so we could go visit and make sure it was legitimate. We found a breeder in northern Minnesota and ended up getting two Boxers over the years from them. They are just wonderful!

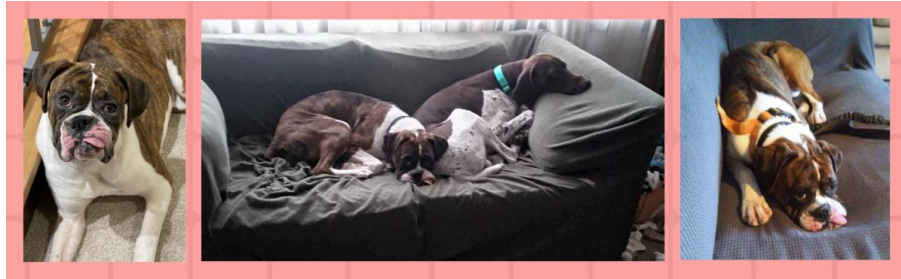
Our first dog Bailey developed degenerative myelopathy. She lived until just before her 11th birthday. I later learned the breeder we got her from was not very reputable. This experience is what led me to look into rescue. My two dogs at the time were not the best

socially, so I decided to start out helping with home visits and a bit with transport. It is amazing to see these wonderful dogs even though they have lived through so much.

Fast forward to today. We have a white male Boxer, Duke, who is 7 1/2 years old. Meg is an almost 6-year-old Boxer mix. My youngest daughter is 11 and has issues with sleep and being alone. We thought a dog might be something to help her through these issues. Now, Norman sleeps with her and is teaching her responsibility.

RCBR has been wonderful to work with. I love that they rescue the neediest dogs. Vanilla Cupcake needed some serious love, and they stepped up. When they found out she was pregnant, we were thrilled to be able to rescue and get a puppy. I will always rescue in the future. I hope as my kids get older we will be able to rescue the older, more needy dogs. I swear the dogs know how lucky they are! RCBR is a great organization, and I appreciate all the work they do. It can be a thankless job. I do not know if people quite understand all the work that goes into rescuing just one dog. Thank you RCBR for all you do!

Amy
Adopted 2/17/21



Do you believe in love at first sight? I transported Amy in January. She kept looking at me with those big brown eyes. I dropped her off to the next driver and went home. I could not stop thinking about her. I asked Stacy if she was available for adoption and learned she would be. I filled out the application immediately. We lost our almost 15-year-old GSP in December. If you would have asked me the day before I transported Amy if I was ever going to get another dog, I would have said I was not ready. I believe Belle sent her to us. She is just perfect.

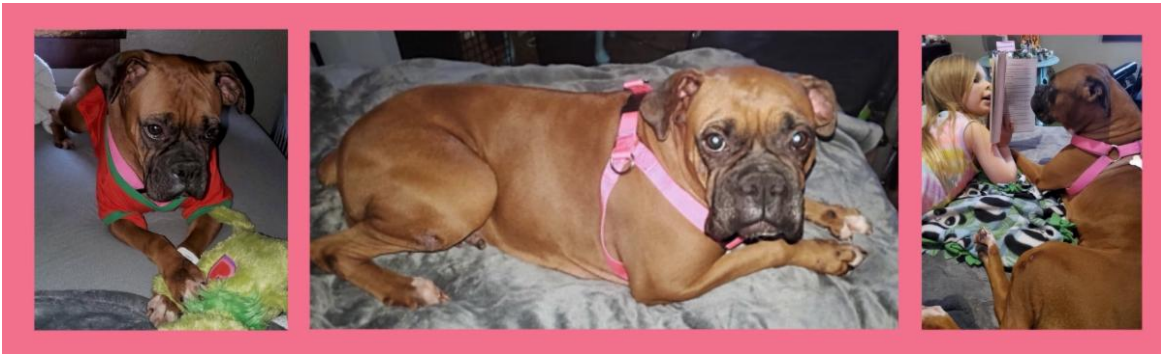
Bacon (n/k/a Baxter)
Adopted 2/19/22



Five-year-old Baxter (f/k/a Bacon) came to us on February 19 from being a stud dog. Brodie (RCBR alumni, age 11) has been with me for almost a year. He had a Boxer sister that passed away in November. Brodie is such a wonderful boy, so well behaved, but needed a companion. I wanted a friend for him but also a dog that could learn from Brodie. Baxter is a great match for us! Baxter is young, energetic and brings out the youth in Brodie. Brodie is an excellent example to Baxter as he navigates all things new in being a part of a family. He is learning how to be a dog and enjoy the good life. We are so happy to welcome Baxter into our family!!

Joy (n/k/a Honey)

Adopted 2/25/21



Honey is one of the Tremendous 12 that were rescued and brought to RCBR in December. I was introduced to RCBR when my sister adopted Omar. When they were looking for fosters, I decided to apply. She came into our home very scared. Having spent her whole life in a kennel, she knew nothing about love or being a dog. She has very slowly come out of her shell. She spends 90% of her day clung to my side and the other 10% with her four human siblings. It did not take long for us to know she absolutely was not going anywhere! She is still very scared of new people but is very curious. She wants to love everyone. She is absolutely the sweetest and so very smart. She was completely housebroken in about two weeks and has recently started playing with toys. We couldn't love her more, and she has settled into our crazy family like she was made for us!



February Rainbow Bridge

... until we meet again♥

Alix (RCBR's Max) Crossed the Bridge 2/15/22



We adopted Alix, a/k/a Max, in August 2020. He was pretty high strung in the beginning but eventually eased into our routine and easily became part of our family.

Alix was a BIG boy with a kind and loving heart. He loved his family, his people, and his fur sisters. He was always generous with hugs and kisses and always, always up for a walk. He was protective and caring of his family and welcomed our friends and family. Alix also adored car rides, especially rides that resulted in walks in new places. He was gentle and loving, stubborn but caring of those he loved.

Alix developed DM (degenerative myelopathy) and lost almost all mobility in his back end. Saying goodbye to him was excruciatingly painful for us. But we know he is whole now and happy across the Bridge.

Such a good boy, Alix. Such a good boy.

Upcoming events

Online Spring Auction

on Facebook

8 a.m. April 19, 2022

through

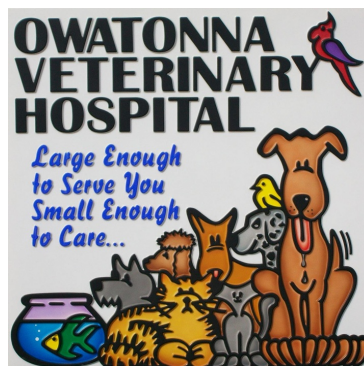
8 p.m. April 30, 2022

RCBR Event Calendar

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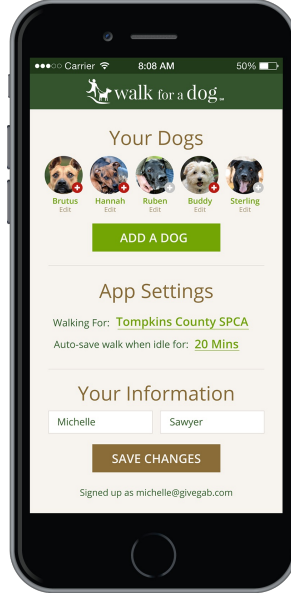
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Mission Statement

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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