



"SPOT ON!"

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LEADING THE PACK...

At home
for the
holidays...



PEABODY GOT TO GO HOME!!!

Featured in the last newsletter as the scared little soul who lost her home to today's troubled economy, Peabody now has the best holiday ever! Not only did she have a wonderful offer of a foster home (Thank you Phillip and Carol!) but her OLD home finally found a place to live where they could come get her! What a happy shaking ball of shaggy hair she was when she saw her family again! No longer lost... and very much alive and happy! CONGRATS TO YOU, PEA!!!

BUT THAT IS NOT ALL!

Also featured last newsletter, Ellie, who has been at RSR for over 3 LONG years and our poor 3 legged spotted love Bud who, in a home for 4 yrs before being abandoned yet again, were both ADOPTED!! Home for the Holidays has a whole new meaning this year for these 3 very lucky puppies!



RSR is having PUPPIES!

...The Human Kind! Two of our long time volunteers Renee Jobe and Angie Dempsey are both having BABY BOYS soon. We wonder if they will have spots! YOU GO GIRLS! We will miss you like the dickens while you are out caring for the little ones and can't wait till you are back in our pack again! WOOF WOOF!



Stay ahead of the holiday shopping craziness... SEND OUT OUR "SPOT ON!" HOLIDAY GREETING CARDS!

These beautiful 5"x7" card & envelope sets (10 per pack) were created and packaged with love - **only \$10 for 10** - what a bargain!

ORDER ONLINE NOW, or orders are also accepted by check* by sending your order to: RockySpot Rescue, 2008 Holiday Cards, PO Box 98, Newcastle OK 73065
For purchasing information, email us at Dals@RockySpot.org

*Shipping is \$2 for the first box, \$1 for each additional box



THIS QUARTER'S "SPOT ON!" HAPPY ENDING...



NEW (but actually OLD!) HOME FOR YOGI...

After many long months of healing from being hit by a car, broken, and left to drown in the rain for three days in an alley, Yogi slowly accepted his new chance at life and waited patiently for a home. Yogi never gave up waiting. Waiting... waiting. But soon, we discovered there would be no new home for Yogi. It was just not in the cards. We know now some things are just not meant to be.

Meanwhile, after months of relentlessly searching for his lost Samson, Bruce's hope was all but gone. Giving in to the grief, slowly healing, and coming out the other side, he was determined not to replace Samson, but to adopt another and offer it some of the love he still had for the best friend of 12 yrs that he had lost. Sadly, Bruce began his online search to offer another dog a new home. But his search was futile. Again, some things are just not meant to be.

Although NEW homes were not meant to be for Yogi or Bruce, OLD homes WERE meant to be!! Right there in FULL color was HIS spotted baby looking back at him from the RockySpot Website. It said YOGI, but the face was SAMSON! HIS SAMSON! Bruce could NOT believe his eyes!

What a reunion this was! What joy for both! After a scramble of securing the fence and making the home safer for a still surprisingly spry and inquisitive senior Dal like Samson (Yogi), it was indeed an OLD HOME REUNION finally!

We have learned that sometimes OLD homes are better than NEW ones.

Bruce and Samson are now part of the extended RSR family and want to thank EVERYONE who helped them get their lives back. Without you... even old homes would never be!



**Do you have a love story
you would like to share?**

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR IT!!!

Email your "RSR Love Letter"
to Theresa at:
Dals@RockySpot.org

or mail it to us at:
RockySpot Rescue
PO Box 98
Newcastle, OK 73065

THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS PRACTICALLY HERE...

If you are experiencing economical crisis and are having trouble feeding or vetting your RSR fur baby, please let us know. We don't want your baby to end up back here.

Remember, WE ARE FAMILY and we are here for you and them. Let us help YOU keep your pet. Tell us what you need!



"SPOT ON!" THANKS...

We need to thank those of you who have not forgotten RSR in these troubled times. We realize how hard times are on everyone and those of you who remember those that so many others have forgotten, despite your own economic issues are a blessing to this rescue.

Without your faithful donations to feed and shelter these lost souls, RockySpot would no longer be here. You know who you are and you know how much we need you and depend on you.

Together we will make it. THANK YOU.



RSR'S SWEET GOODBYES...

Tara and Tina

It is with bitter sweet sadness RockySpot Rescue says goodbye to two very special seniors who joined our family this year. Only in rescue 3 months, Tina and Tara have left hollow sounds in our hearts and big wet tear stains on our cheeks.

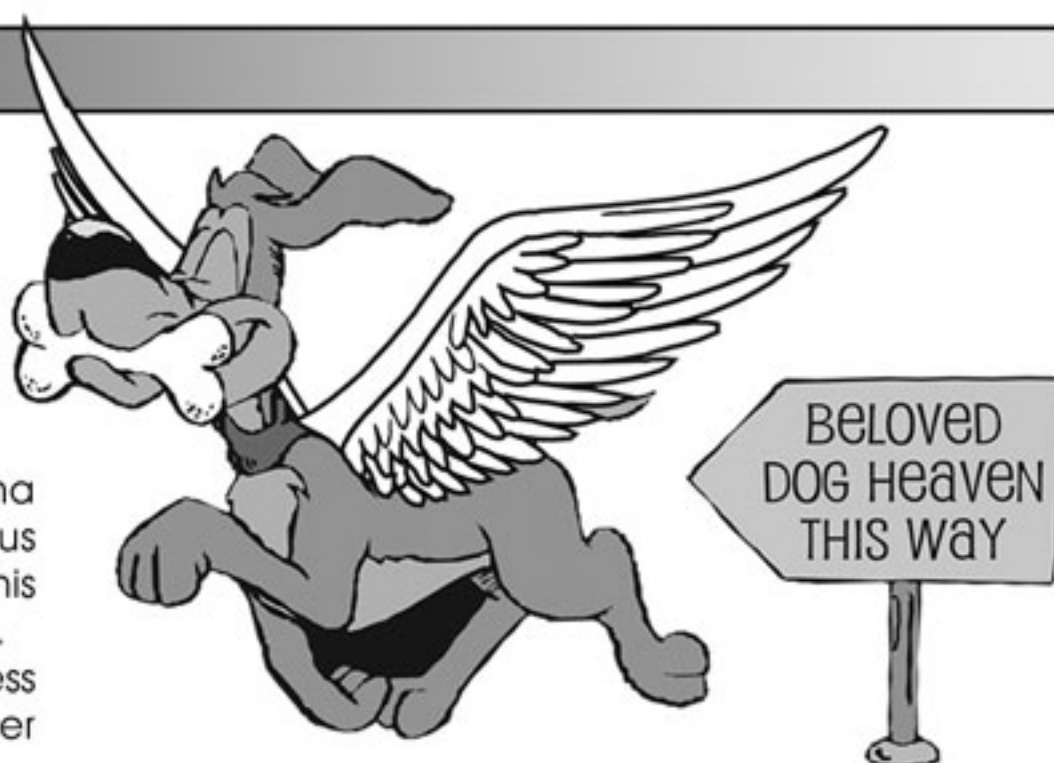
Old and obese, with a massive scar across one shoulder, Tina slipped quietly in our door and immediately surrounded us with her love. One can not even begin to imagine what this sweet soul had to endure to obtain such a horrific life mark. As her weight decreased, the scar became less and less noticeable, at least for those around her as Tina never noticed it anyway.

It never phased Tiny Tina's sweet, calm, loving spirit or her quiet little smile. She was a soul mate dog who would follow you from room to room just to be close to you. How anyone could have ever abandoned this wonderful dog is a mystery! As was Tina's time with us. Although always in the house at our feet, somehow pneumonia invaded her lungs and try as they might, all the vets in the world could not save her. Our sweet Tina slipped away from us as quietly as she came. Maybe her time with us was to remind us that even the old and scarred are still beautiful. That she was sweet Tina.. just beautiful.

When Tara's owner passed away, the family came to the house and took everything, everything that is except Tara. Confused and scared she was left all alone on the front porch of her abandoned home. Here she waited faithfully for days for her owner who would never return. Once in rescue, most of Tara's time was spent curled up on a soft dog bed watching out the front window, occasionally thumping her tail, and winking a beautiful twinkling blue eye at those that spoke to her. Accepting her new home with dignity, this beautiful liver spotted love slowly showed us a shy flirty spirit just full of sparkle and grace. She lovingly became our "Tara Ta-Ta."

Then one sunny day, Tara abandoned her normal watchful post inside at the window, and joined the others out in the play yard. She spent the day alone, extremely content and seemingly amused by the antics one of our freer spirited beagles that played as if solely for Tara's enjoyment alone. That was Tara's last day in the sun. We know her dearly departed owner came for her that day, (maybe amusing Tara with playful antics in the front yard) and giving Tara time to say goodbye to everyone. As much as it pained us to lose such a wonderful spirit, how can we be sad knowing what a joyous reunion they must have had? Just the memory of the happiness on her face that day is enough.

GOD SPEED our sweet Tiny Tina and Tara Ta Ta. You both have left soft footprints in all our hearts and graced our lives with your spirits.



RSR's Holiday WISH LIST...



- Large dog biscuits and treats
- Heavy-duty/durable dog toys
- Kuranda beds, 20x30 or 25x35
- Furry dog pads for the beds
- Dog meds:
 - Cholodin
 - Cosequin
 - Select Anti Oxidant
 - HW preventative
 - Tape wormer
- Gas and phone cards
- Bull fence panels

Senior Serenade

1996: Disney's 102 Dalmatians hits the big screen! What an exciting live action movie this was! All those lovely spotted puppies who EVERYONE wanted, and many got. So many abandoned spotted puppies whose owners discovered they were not exactly as they appeared on the big screen. As sad as it was, we can thank Disney for the birth of RockySpot Rescue. Over the years, thousands of young Dalmatians were pulled from local kill shelters and placed in new loving homes. What a busy time it has been!

2008: Twelve years later, Dalmatians are STILL being pulled from kill shelters, only not in the massive numbers as before, but they are no longer young and easily adopted. They are now seniors. Still results from the Movie. Only now no one wants to offer them a new home. Nothing has changed, only time.

Top 10 Reasons to Adopt or Foster a Senior!

- Older dogs are **HOUSETRAINED**. Most already know house manners and won't need a lot of training time. Less work for you!
- Older dogs won't **CHEW THINGS**. They are not teething. They have had years of experience to now know better than to chew things that are not theirs.
- Older dogs can **FOCUS WELL**. They have mellowed which allows them focus on things and to learn quicker. They are so much easier to train as they understand better.
- Older dogs have **LEARNED WHAT "NO" MEANS**. They have had years of experience to fall back on and NO was the first word they learned. They respect the word and the meaning!
- Older dogs **SETTLE IN EASILY**. They have learned what it takes to get along with others and become part of the pack whether it be human or animal. They know the ropes!
- Older dogs are **GOOD AT GIVING LOVE**. They are grateful for the second chance they are given and will repay it ten fold with their love. They will worship you from day one.
- Older dogs let you **SEE WHAT YOU ARE GETTING**. Unlike puppies, older dogs have grown into their shape and personality. Younger dogs can change and become something you did not want. What you see with an older dog is what you will get. No surprises here!
- Older dogs are **INSTANT COMPANIONS**. Ready to hike, take car trips, and almost any other thing you like doing. They have done it already so they know the drill!
- Older dogs leave you **TIME FOR YOURSELF**. They do not make the kinds of demands on your time and attention that younger dogs do. They enjoy being with you more than anything but they are comfortable with themselves and being alone sometimes too.
- Older dogs let you get a **GOODS NIGHT SLEEP**. They are accustomed to human schedules and don't need night-time feedings, comforting, or bathroom breaks. They know you need your rest too!



Do you want to see our happy new families, all of our dogs ready for adoption, and more? Visit us online at:

www.RockySpot.org

Or, if you have a picture you would like to share,
email us at: Dals@RockySpot.org

RSR'S HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER PROJECT...

RockySpot Rescue will be teaming up this year with Oklahoma Beagle Rescue and Petsmart to offer digital photos of your pet with Santa from 11 am to 4 pm on the following dates and locations in the metro Oklahoma City area!

ROCKYSPOT RESCUE

YUKON PETSMART

(I-40 and Garth Brooks Blvd):

11 am - 4 pm

- Saturday 12/6
- Sunday 12/7
- Saturday 12/13
- Sunday 12/14
- Sunday 12/21

NORTHSIDE OKC PETSMART

(Memorial and Penn):

11 am - 4 pm

- Saturday 12/6
- Saturday 12/13

OKLAHOMA BEAGLE RESCUE

NORMAN PETSMART

(I-35 between Main & Lindsey):

11 am - 4 pm

- Saturday 12/6
- Sunday 12/7

SOUTHSIDE OKC PETSMART

(I-240 and Penn): 11 am - 4 pm

- Sunday 12/14

WESTSIDE OKC PETSMART

(I-40 and MacArthur): 11 am - 4 pm

- Saturday 12/20
- Sunday 12/21



NOTE:

**WE NEED SANTAS AND ELVES
to work these events...**

**Let us know if you would like
to help!**

Petsmart will donate \$5 of the proceeds from each sitting to our efforts.

Bring all your babies, (human and fur) come help save a spotted (or not spotted) life by supporting this important fundraiser. We will have antlers, hats and neck décor for your pets photos (and maybe a Dal or Beagle too!) We hope to see you there! Please check our websites at www.rockyspot.org and www.okbr.org for updates.

RSR DOGS READY FOR ADOPTION...

...See all of our dogs that need a home at www.RockySpot.org



"SIERRA"

**Adult female, White - with Black
Dalmation**

I am a young 4-5 yr old female who has been neglected and needs some meds, good food and some TIME to heal. They say I am a very good girl.. most of the time! But I DO love that food.. yum yum! I have Heartworms they are working on getting rid of. Once they are gone I am good as new! Please don't forget about me when you are looking for a love of your life dog. I will try hard to get well so I can be that for you! Check back on me often! Soon I will be ready for my new home. A MUCH BETTER home than I had before I hope!



"ZOE"

**Adult male, Black - with white
Great Dane**

Can YOU handle 125lbs of pure love and beauty? Sure you can!! I am what they call a Mantle Dane.. that is just my color. I live with a lot of Dalmatians and since I am their color they all think I am one of them.. SHHHHH don't blow my cover.

I need a quiet home that will take me and play ball with me and let me cuddle with them othertimes. I am GREAT in the house and/or in a crate. I am ok with other dogs too.. but I prefer to be the only dog or at least with dogs my size which for some reason is not so scary! I do tend to get jealous of other dogs getting my attention, esp females. No small dogs please! ...or cats - just don't like them. What can I say? They should go back to Mars or wherever they came from.. (shudder)

SO come rescue me again please. I am soulmate dog.. I will crawl in your lap and sleep with you and everything.. I can fill the shoes of small dogs I promise.. Just try me.



"BUFFY"

Adoptable Together?

We were very lucky to have 4 such fine kids to raise - we miss them really bad. (Especially the twins who loved to dress us up all the time!)

They were very sad to leave us behind but they lost their home and had to move to an apartment without me and Buffy. We put on brave fronts and are doing well.

I hope Buffy and I find a home soon...



"TUFFY"

Senior female, White - with Black, 50 Pounds, Dalmatian

I just lost my wonderful home. I raised 4 kids.. miss them really bad.. especially the twins who loved to dress me up all the time. I hear they lost our house - I originally came to Rescue in 2002 when I was much younger. I was a very lucky lady to have had such a great home till now. I need another home. They say I am the sweetest easiest most loving dog in the world and ANYONE would want me!

Senior male, White - with Black, Dalmatian

I helped Buffy raise some wonderful kids. We can do it again if you have kids that need raising! I am just like Buffy.. low maintenance and gentle and loving. I first came to rescue in June of 2003 when I was a tad younger too. BUT I am still the same good boy. We NEED a home to help with.. if you have kids we are the dogs for you! Come get one of us ok? It would make our dreams come true.

Adoptable Together?



Can you find a place in your home for us.. we are ok with kitties too!! Let me know so I can make the arrangements for my Lady and myself...

"ROMEO" Adult male, Chihuahua/Beagle, Black w/Tan

"JULIET" Adult female, White - with Black, Dalmatian

Well hello there! I am Romeo. My best friend is a princess dal named Juliet. We are both very much a pair and need to go together. I love her and she loves me. She calls me her 'wittle wottwieler' because not only am I a Rott color but I am just as big hearted when it comes to protecting things I love. I am a lap dog (about 15 lbs) - don't get me wrong - I would HATE to be a Rott size and miss out on all that lap time! ughh!! That would be horrible! Nothing better than a warm lap and belly rubs.. I even like to play rarr rarr rarr with your hand acting all mean but will stop to lick it sometimes so you know I am still playing!

Juliet needs me to protect her.. what can I say? So I have to keep practicing how to act and sound mean if I need too. BUT I am still a very little tiny guy with a big big heart. We both are extremely housebroken and can use a doggie door! We are calm, quiet and gentle. You won't even know we are here unless you call our names and want us!! Then we are ALL about being with you!!



"ROMEO"



"JULIET"

"ASHES" Adult male, White - with Black, Dalmatian

Ashes is my name as they say I look like I just crawled out of a burning fireplace! All covered in black soot! (Hey they could have named me SOOT! LOL) I like the name Ashes.. it is pretty! I am a very calm loving gal who has the cutiest little howly soft bark they say. I am smart.. I am housebroken and I am not hyper but I am not a stick in the mud either. Just a good good girl. So far I am fine with all folks and kids (I lived with a 1 and a 3 yr old for a bit!) and fine with all the dogs here. I know the rules without being told and from the looks of my belly I love food too! I am not FAT.. just fluffy.. sigh.. but they say they have me on a diet anyway.. bah humbug!

If you are looking for a wonderful addition to your family.. that is ME! I am so easy I will fit like a glove. COME SEE ME! Ashes: 'cause I am HOT HOT HOT!



"ASHES"



"CHIFFON"

**Adult female, White - with Black
Dalmatian**

Need information...



"KATIE"

**Adult female, White - with Black, 58 Pounds
Dalmatian**

Now how did I end up back here??? I remember a looong time ago I was in this place, and from what I hear people say my old daddy disappeared and left me and Magic alone. Now I'm back as a senior looking for a new home. Well surely SOMEONE will love me.

I'm a very sweet girl who doesn't act her age at all. I'm crate trained (and love to take naps in there on my big pillow), well-behaved, and enjoy chasing my squeaky ball around the house and yard. I'll even play with the others dogs, but I get tired pretty easily. Though I'm mostly deaf I respond to a dog whistle and can hear my squeaky ball. What I really need is just a nice soft place to retire - maybe a long-term foster home to live out my years? What do you say - I promise I won't be much trouble.



"PJ"

**Adult Male, 40 Pounds
Dalmatian**

I was found as a very shy stray living off the scraps Papa John's Pizza Place was so nice to give me. That is why they call me PJ now! I am an older gal but not too old to survive in the wild on my own for so long. I am a great dog who is very sweet and determined. I can survive no matter what! I do stress a tiny bit when I think I am abandoned again but nothing serious (hey you would sit there and worry and chew that blanket too if you have been abandoned like I have) I just have my own personal blanket that I just say is 'holy' as it keeps me safe. Kinda like a security blankie.. a holy one.. and getting more holes every day.. *grin*

I am good with other dogs, good in the house and good with life. Come see me!

I am PJ!!! And I am now in a great foster home in Tulsa! So if you are in that area COME SEE ME!



"WIZARD"

**Adult male, White - with Black, 49 Pounds
Dalmatian**

My mom went to jail they say. She had been gone for 3 yrs, had not come for me and the folks that were keeping me had to take me to the shelter. I am about 5 yrs old and I love kids of all ages. I am also housebroken & a great watch dog. I am finally Heartworm Negative! YIPPIE! But the vet says although I appear to be a happy, healthy-loving doggie, I might have Cushing Disease. I am told by the volunteers here that I am one of the best dogs they have ever had come to rescue. *Grin*

I have a foster home but I still have to live with 13 dogs and be in a crate most of the time. It is nicer than the kennels again but still not home... sigh. I just want a home to adore as I am that sort of dog. I ADORE my people and will follow you everywhere. Off leash or on leash.. you are MINE! Take me home please!

"WELCOME, New RSR Family Members!" 4th Quarter, 2008



JULY:

- Kelly - Barberi Family, Staten Island, NY
- Gwen - The Smith Family, Kellyville, OK
- Budder - Kaledo-Marlatt Family, Texarkana, AR

AUGUST:

- Yogi (Samson) - Swan Family, Oklahoma City, OK
- Peabody - Tull Family, Oklahoma City, OK

SEPTEMBER:

- Bud (Hank) - Stull Family, Norman, OK
- Ellie - Barnum Family, Oklahoma City, OK
- Tucker - Edwards Family, Norman, OK
- Quizno (Mason) - Kodman Family, OKC, OK

Rainbow Bridge:

- Chaos - The Dunham Family
- Sheba (Sara) - The Owen Family
- Bandit Cat - The York Family
- Liv - The Tyler Family
- Tiny Tina - The RSR/OKBR Family
- Tara Ta Ta - The RSR/OKBR Family
- Pacey - The Jolly Family
- Mercedes - The Maston Family
- Axle - The Blevins Family
- Guinness - The Crain Family
- Puppy (Patch) - The Miner Family
- Bo (Marty) - The Geary Family
- Pepper - The Whitenack Family



**Please help us by
congratulating these
adopted dogs, and by
welcoming their new
families into OUR extended
RSR family!**