## "SPOT ON!"

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## "SPOT ON!" THANKS...



## THE HERO'S CHAIN OF LOVE

A wonderfully sweet "chain of love" was formed by so many of you and surrounded the poor abandoned pointer puppies when they were first discovered starving on the side of the road (one sadly already lost to traffic) and gently held them tight during their dreadful battle against the deadly parvo virus. That same faithful "chain of love" comforted each one of us and helped lift sweet Ando to the bridge when the virus became too much for his little body, then it shared our joy as Claire, Buckley (Sylar), Luke (Hiro), and Daphne each found their wonderful forever home.


Now this magical "chain of love" has formed around each of our Heroes' adopted homes from New York, to St Louis, OKC and Austin as they reach out to one other in support upon the horrible discovery that their new puppies are facing yet another tragedy. Each one of these precious little ones has a horrible congenital hip abnormality and needs major surgery, either FHO or a full hip replacement and in some cases... both.

Never underestimate the strength and the power of the "chain of love" all of you helped build for these pups. Because of it, they found wonderful families who are going to do whatever it takes to keep these little ones comfortable and happy for the rest of their lives. Don't let the chain of love ever end.

## THE HERO'S CHAIN OF LOVE

You don't owe me a thing, l've been there too. Someone once helped me out, Just the way I'm helping you. If you really want to pay me back, Here's what you do -
Don't let the chain of love end with you.

- Clay Walker

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES - WE NEED YOU!
COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN - If you are a FEDERAL EMPLOYEE or know someone who is, please have them choose ROCKYSPOT \# 76783 as their designated charity of choice in their payroll deductions. CFC donations are what save lives! We could not do this without the support of our wonderful Federal Employees. THANK YOU!

RockySpot Rescue mourned with the rest of the animal community when we lost a dear friend and generous supporter Micki Lockhart. She will be missed by many.


## NEVERLAND REVISITED: "ALL YOU NEED IS TRUST AND A LITLLE BIT OF PIXIE DUST."

Five years ago, a very pregnant lab mix was abandoned at an illegal dump on the creek bank, left to deliver her pups amongst the garbage. Born under the roots of an old tree, on the slope of the bank surrounded in trash, a little yellow lab pup and his littermates lived contentedly as their mom nearly starved to death trapped in the tree roots by the never ending cycle of waste dumped upon them. It was almost magic that allowed RockySpot to even find them, much less get them out. Once safely carried away from the rubbish, the black lab mom was named Wendy and all her pups were called names from Peter Pan, including Tinkerbell and the lost boys. All members of the family quickly found homes and we thought "Neverland" was behind them and they would never see it again... but as Wendy once said, "Never is a very long time."

Tragically, last month two of the Lost Boys were abandoned at the shelter after a new human baby was born into their home. Facing a fate worse than a trash-filled Neverland, RockySpot brought Dakota and Bear (formerly known as Nibs and Twin) back safely to the rescue only to discover the two are bonded so tightly they can never be separated. Who can blame them after all they have been through? The love between these two dogs is touching and enchanting. Unfortunately both dogs are in danger again. Dakota's hips are almost non existent and he needs a total hip replacement, without which he will be in too much pain to live... and if Dakota does not live...neither will Bear who loves him more than life.

PLEASE help us help Dakota and Bear so they never have to see NEVERLAND again! Without YOUR help, Dakota and Bear have no hope and will be lost forever. As Peter Pan once said "All you need is trust and a little bit of pixie dust!" We have the trust... we just need the pixie dust!

Donate to Dakota and Bears fund online or send to RSR, PO BOX 98, NEWCASTLE, OK 73065

## GOODBYE PETEY BUD

Petey was turned into the shelter at 14 yrs old with his 8 yr old, very bonded son Two Bit. Both boys were heartworm positive, and Petey Bud had terminal cancer. Although it was time to let Petey go, the board members felt Two Bit would adjust better at the rescue if his dad was with him even for a short while. And a short while it was. Just over a week later, Petey Bud left peacefully for the bridge in his sleep with Two Bit by his side. God Speed Petey Bud we hope you know you were surrounded in love and that Two Bit is going to be just fine until he sees you again!


## "TWO BIT" - Adult Male, White with Black, Dalmation

My name is Two Bit and I was turned into the shelter with my dad Petey Bud who was very old and had cancer and we both were heartworm positive. He did not have long left but the nice rescue let him spend it with me. You see I was his keeper and I always took care of him for the past $6-7$ yrs and I still needed to do so. I was with him, never leaving his side until he went to the bridge one night in his sleep. Before he left he told me it was all going to be ok that that now I was going to have someone to take care of ME for a change. I loved my dad and I miss him horribly. I need Heartworm treatment and someont to care for me while I heal. Are you the one that he was talking about taking care of me now? Please... Love,
Two Bit


A New Leash On Life


## NEW LEASH ON LIFE PEN PALS

Tyler, Macy and Copper JUST GRADUATED from the New Leash on Life's Prison Pen Pal training program! Already good with cats and kids, now Tyler, Macy and Copper are totally obedience trained and are the WHOLE package! This is what their handlers say about them!
"TYLER will bond with you QUICK and not leave your side if his life depended on it. If you are looking for a good family dog. Tyler is the one! Her responds to commands well and is ready to go on rides and would love to go to the lake or camping. You will not have to worry about him wondering off and the great part is he is a great alarm clock if a stranger comes around but would NEVER bite. After a bad day, Tyler will put a smile on your face and lift your spirits. You could not ask for better company! I know you would love him as much as I did!" - Roy
"COPPER is a very high energy dog. He likes to play a lot but he does nips softly when playing as they say that is his breed. He is afraid of thunder but loves the water. The best place for him would be a fenced inside/outside home on a farm or in the country with teenagers to play with who will take him to the pond sometimes to swim. He needs a lot of room to run and play in the water. He is very housebroken and will tell you when he wants in or out. He is very nice to cuddle with and loves to take naps in the afternoon. Copper will make an active home a wonderful dog!" - Mike
"When we received MACY, right off she bonded with me and the others. She is very easy to train as she loves to be around people and she is very affectionate. She loves to run and does not mind baths. She is a great companion. She loves to be brushed when not playing and stays by your side as she loves the human touch and is friendly and loving to everyone. When she needs to go out she will let you know by coming and laying her head on your lap and with a low whine she will then walk to the door. She would be good with any size family or even with little children. She is not aggressive at all even when eating. She is very loyal and knows her commands and will stay when you tell her to and loves a lot of attention. She won't get on the furniture unless you tell her and she does not bark a lot. She would be great even in an apt as long as she got play time. She is the all around good dog who will steal your heart!" - John


Don't let these dogs spend their lives in the kennels. COME ADOPT THEM! They could not be any more perfect for you now! Visit our new PRISON OBEDIENCE
 TRAINED DOGS online at http//www.rockyspot.com!


"Jim Dandy to the Rescue! GO, Jim Dandy! GO, Jim Dandy!"



Or in THIS case it is Holly and Audrey
to the Rescue! Driving 17 hrs one way from North Carolina, these two long time, long distance, dedicated, invaluable RSR supporters/ volunteers came for some hands on support... and more importantly to adopt the most needy and unadoptable dogs we have! Davidson, who had been at the rescue for 5 long years, Sugar, a long term senior slowly losing the use or her legs, and Sydney, a skinny girl who was diagnosed with cancer. Holly and Audrey have done so much from so far away for so long.

From our quarterly newsletter publication, yearly fundraisers, correspondence mail, and monthly financials to everything in between - all from North Carolina - to now coming to adopt hard-to-place dogs! Ladies, we honestly could not do this without you! ...GO, HOLLY \& AUDREYI GO, HOLLY \& AUDREY! We think you are JUST DANDY!

## Davidson (Davis)

Kevin and I consider ourselves lucky. We couldn't have asked for a better dog, he is absolutely wonderful. He has settled in. We have had no accidents in the house and he has found his spot on the couch and bed. He has learned come, lay down, \& wait along with sit and shake that he already knew. He knows the invisible fence and even when he doesn't have the collar on he won't go past his boundaries without us telling him it is OK. He loves to hang
 out in the garage with Kevin all day long. He has found this new game called "Make the Bed". Every morning when I make the bed he jumps on and off the bed and digs at the covers and borrows into the pillows. It is so much fun. Attached is a picture of him with his sunglasses on. Kevin says that they need to look like cool dudes when they ride around in his truck, but I won't let him ride without the sunglasses if he is going to be sticking his head out the window. He likes them because he knows when we put them on that he is going for a ride. I have to say he is one of the best dogs we have ever had and we consider ourselves blessed. - Kevin, Audrey and Davis (Davidson)


## Sugar (Sugar Bear)

We've renamed Sugar to Sugar Bear as we already had a Sugar and she is fuzzy like a bear. We went to the vet last week she has spondylosis and spinal spurs. The consensus is that she is in a lot of pain and is very stoic about it. My friend who is a physical therapist is going to evaluate Sugar Bear to see what we can do to alleviate pain and increase strength in her legs. The good news is that her blood work looked great, and she is gaining strength at a remarkable pace. She started out not walking more than several feet at a time before falling or having to take a break.
She is already up to 3 city blocks every night with only one or two rests. She is a serious witch about her walks too! She knows she goes after Sydney comes back to the dog room and you about can't get Sydney put back with Sugar's pushing out the gate!!! I'm stunned she wants to walk at all. I put her out front one night just to let her sniff something new and she started off down the driveway so I just went with her and now every night she gets cranky about getting her turn. Very cute :) She's eating fairly well. She has the softest fur. It feels so good to pet her. - Holly, Sidney, Sugar Bear and the rest of the crew


Sydney
Sydney loved going for a walk with the pack too. She has demanded two a day. She goes for a long walk with my main crew and then goes again with Sugar. We were doing just Sugar, but Sydney kept having such barking fits about being left behind she now goes for two walks. I guess you can say she is slowly getting us trained. FYI, she thinks Lowes is the greatest place on earth. All those people waiting to pet her. Not a big fan of Petsmart as there is too much sharing of the human love there. I haven't taken her to the vet yet as we know from the ultra sound that she is just riddled with cancer, so no news there. We usually eat dinner on our front porch and Sydney has already figured out her new daddy will hold her for hours if she crawls up on him and snuggles in. She likes the front porch as it is higher as she can supervise things. Sydney and my Nadia are going to a fundraiser tonight for the
 Humane Society. I'm sure Sydney will be the Belle of the ball. - Holly, Sidney, Sugar Bear and the rest of the crew

## "SPOT ON!" FOOD FOR THOUGHT...

## PURINA PROPLAN RALLY TO RESCUE

Due to new packaging on Purina ProPlan dog food, our local Purina plant found they had an abundance of unusable food in their warehouse in the old packaging. This excess food had no where to go and needed rescued! Never fear! Purina ProPlan Rally to Rescue stepped up and contacted all their Ambassadors to help. Being one of 11 Rally to Rescue Ambassadors in Oklahoma, RockySpot was more than willing to help with this rescue effort and found room for as much of the food as we could. THANK YOU PURINA for giving us this opportunity and helping US help homeless animals.

Rally to Rescue® recognizes the importance of the work pet rescuers do to help protect homeless pets, and are committed to doing their part to help in this mission. Rally to Rescue® helps rescue organizations across the country give rescued pets the nutrition and care they need and the loving homes they deserve. To learn more about Purina ProPlan Rally to Rescue visit their website at http://www.rallytorescue.org/


## STATUS QUO in Court

After RockySpot was forced to file suit against The City of Newcastle and presented them with a Proposed Settlement, we were forced again to file for a default judgment due to lack of response by the City. In this matter the judge ordered a status quo until the City responds. We will keep you updated if any progress is made into settling this matter. THANK YOU FOR STANDING BEHIND US IN OUR FIGHT TO STAY OPENI


## "YODA", Adult Female Black Labrador Retriever/German Shepherd

I am a very happy loving EXTREMELY GOOD house dog. I do jump short fences but I never leave. I will love my family forever. I am soooo smart and obedient they say. I am good with EVERYTHING.. VERY PATIENT WITH EVERYTHING TOO.. happy go lucky! Calm and loving yet athletic and outgoing. I am the BEST family dog ever! I am a black lab mix who is around 4 or so. Just hanging out here waiting on the BESTEST family to see the BESTEST dog here and take me home with them! Are you the BESTESTI??! ok ok.. I come clean.. I do have ONE fault... I am VERY VERY protective of my family. If I don't know you and my family is not home.. you will not get past my door. Just wanted to give you that heads up. I have never biten anyone.. but who knows what I would do if you tried to hurt my loved ones..... I would be sooooo upset...


## "NADIA" <br> Senior Female, White with Black Dalmation, 50 lbs .

Hi I am Nadia! I am your soulmate and you don't even know it yet! I am a great low maintenance LOVEABLE funny playful older gal who will keep you laughing and loving life. Good with kids, cats and other dogs I am the whole shebang! I was found wander the streets with a Lab. He ran off but I, being the smart one of the lot, ran right up to give hugs and kisses to those who found me. No one says they are missing a Lab or a Dal so I guess I need a new home! Come see me.. you will LOVE me.. no doubt. Everyone does!
More pics of me to follow! These were taken before I was move to the rescue!


## "BABY CANDY" (LIBBY), Adult Female, Black w/Brown, Golden, Chestnut Rottweiler, 64 lbs.

Candy here. They call me Baby Candy .. first it was so folks would not be so scared of me..being a Rottie and all.. you know how hard it is to live down a bad breed rap.. But now they call me that because I am SUCH a baby.. shhh.. don't tell anyone. I need to keep SOME of that Rottie Rap don't I? I mean.. what would the other Rotties think?? But they got my number here. They now sometimes call me Libby cause that was my name before. I am a big lover at heart.. not a mean bone in me.. and I am scared of my own shadow if it follows too close. sigh.. but what's a girl to do??? That is, after all.. a scary ROTTIE shadow following mell I love to be petted and I love love all the other dogs here. They give me confidencel! You see.. there is safety in numbers, right?
Since I was found roaming the streets I never really had it so safe.. Let me tell you, it is ONE BIG SCARY world out there on the streets. (((shudder))) and I will never ever forget it.. but I am trying. It is rather cozy and safe here. I sleep in the bedroom w/humans at night and they protect me so I can rest. Yeah. it is going to be ok. I am now brave enough to go to my OWN home and protect my OWN humans when they sleep. Do you need a scary looking outside but pudding inside puppy to sleep with? COME SEE MEI I am truly a beauty. I may be SHY, but I am not modest *grin*


## "RODNEY"

## Senior Male, White with Black, Dalmation

Hot Rod Rodney is my name and loving you is my game! I am slightly handicapped senior boy who lost his legs and just found them again! All I needed was some pain meds and some help to get up sometimes so I could build my muscles back. You should see me nowl I and even go up a ramp and small steps all by myself. I will follow you all over the yard now and into the house and lay by your feet as I look up at you and smile and sigh with happiness. Life is SOOO much better now. WHOO HOOO! Life Rocks! Come live it with mel Lets explore things and just hang out together. I never had this before and I LOVE it and am taking advantage of every day I can walk and laugh and live and love! I am a chow hound about $9-10$ yrs young and read to HOT ROD anywhere you wanna go! ZOOM ZOOM


## "FILLY"

## Adult Female, White with Tan/Yellow/Fawn English Pointer

My name is Filly and I was found wandering the neighborhood looking for love! I am HW Positive and need a foster home so I can be treated and kept calm in a crate for $3-4$ weeks. THEN I will need a home FOREVERI Yeah! No more looking for love for me for I will have FOUND it. I am a very young very happy very bouncy little girl who loves everyone and all dogs and LIFE in general. Come get me!

"MOLLY" - Adult Female, White with Black
Dalmation, 48 lbs.
My name is Molly. I am a tad confused on why I am here as I know I have had a great family since I was born in 2005. They had a baby that I loved and then they got a tiny yappy chi that I did not like to share my food with. They say I hurt her so I had to go. am so scared as I have no clue what happened or why my family is gone. I am housebroken and good with most dogs, and kids.. and I love to be petted. They say a 'rescue" rescued me from the shelter but I am so scared I think I need rescued again! Will you come rescue me?
Check back later for pics of me cleaned up and maybe not so scared... sigh

## RSR GOODBYES...

THE END OF AN ERA... AND A GLORIOUS DAY AT THE BRIDGE With hearts as heavy as the darkest night and tears to fill an ocean, we had to finally say goodbye to the last two original remaining RockySpot foundation Dalmatians, Candy Sun Up Girl who was 15.5 years old and her son Poki Dobbin's Paw Prints who was 13.5. While this chapter has closed here at the rescue, another has opened at the Rainbow Bridge where Candy's mate and Print's dad, who left us in 2007 and who they both loved beyond belief, Pacifica's Mr Poki Dobbin met his family once again. The joy was so strong it filled all of our hearts. The Rainbow Bridge is a little brighter now and the activity level just went up a notch. We will see you all there someday our dear, dear friends. You are the reason we exist
 and will always be in our heart and on our minds.

## RAINBOW BRIDGE

Dominique - The Arnold Family Bandit - The York Family Alice/Lady Bug - The Trahan Family Cindy - The Trahan Family Dorothy/Dot - The Salisbury Family Shadow/Reno - The Williams Family Twister/Tooters - The Perkins Family Wiley - The Goldstein Family Tootie - The Roselle Family Prints - The Monnard Family Candy - The Monnard Family Donnie/Buttons - The Dunn Family Simon/Rocky - The Alley-Alldaffer Brindle - The Lesher Family Petey Bud - The RSR Family Rosalin - The Sears Family Coach - The DeGeere Family


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