



“ SPOT ON !”

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TIME TO TAKE A POWDER!!!

Thank you to ALL Of YOU who cross posted, worried and stood by us with emotional, physical and financial support to get this baby out of pain and his legs straightened so he CAN stand up if he wishes! And **ESPECIALLY** to those who offered to take him into their homes and their rescue programs when he was in crisis! But mostly to Jill, his foster mom, for doing a lot of soul searching and finally listening to her heart!



CONGRATS JILL AND POWDER!

(From Powder's former foster mom)

"After much thought and careful consideration I have decided to keep [and adopt]

"Powder" permanently. As I have taken the time to reflect on the last 7months, I have realized just how far "Powder" has come and how he has settled in here and considers it home.

When I brought him home many months ago he was a skinny, very shy man and anything "new" was beyond scary. Whereas now, new things aren't close to scary, but are fun and enjoyable. He trusts me to take him places like the pet-store and do such simple things like a nail trim with little reservation, whereas months ago these trips and tasks involved much muscle and time.

With the exception of his chewing he is a great dog! He has become a great companion and playmate for my Newfie and gets along well with the Chihuahuas and ignores the birds. I think he has made himself at home and as long as I kennel him when I am away from the house I think he feels he is "at home" and I agree." – Jill

YOU ARE INVITED!

Busy schedules and finances prohibit you from helping the homeless dogs as much as you would like and still wish there was something else you could do? **Well here is the answer!**

What: DOGGIE SUMMER CAMP (for ONE homeless dog)
Where: YOUR HOME
When: JULY 14 – 26, 2011
Cost: Love and Care

Yes it is that time of year again when the calm, serene mountains of Colorado are calling our fearless leaders (Chuck and Theresa) to take a break from the 40+ dogs, and their full time jobs to get some much needed R&R in order to keep doing what they do best! **Save dogs!**

And since this was such a success last year, the dogs are trembling with excitement for their own adventure – at your house!

But this is all just a dream unless dog care at the kennels can be minimized. By taking one homeless dog into your home for a very short time, you will ensure the wellbeing of those who keep this rescue going. If you can consider helping out, RSR will supply all food and meds and bedding/crates... all you supply is the care and love for one week!

You can pick up your "camper" any time before 7/14 and return anytime starting 7/26.

Are you ready for a week or so of unconditional love! Email dals@rockyspot.com or call 405-640-5298 today to reserve YOUR furry camper today!!



GENTLE GOOD-BYES

KATIE MAE

June 2002, an urgent call from the Moore OK shelter blessed our lives for many years to come. As an owner turn in, smelling of death, almost hairless body covered in nasty oozing sores, infected ear matter running down the neck, and with eyes almost matted shut, Katie came bouncing out the door to greet us, grinning a big rotten toothed grin from ear to ear! Oh but what a happy dog Miss Katie was no matter her condition and hard as it was to hug her, we had to. As bad as she looked and as bad as she smelled she would grin and flirt with you as if she was the most beautiful dog in the world and indeed she was. Indeed she was.



Behind that rough exterior was the most beautiful soul ever. Within months Katie was beautiful outside as well as inside and yet she stayed at the rescue, unadopted, for many, many years. When our Katie girl finally found her forever home we were elated. However, for no reason of her own, it was short lived when her owner suddenly left town. Now as a senior, she was back where she started, homeless again. But surrounded by more love than some dogs have in a lifetime! Thank you to our volunteer, Maggie, for loving Katie from the start and for loving her to the end. God speed Katie Mae as we KNOW you are charming and flirting your way around the rainbow bridge today!



SUNNY DELIGHT

Just over three very short years ago, a tiny little senior Beagle/Dalmatian cross with a cutest little beagle body and voice (ARROOOOOO!) yet with a lovely little Dalmatian head and beautiful spots, sat all alone and scared in a local kill shelter. Being both a Beagle and Dalmatian rescue here at the kennels, it was only natural that we took that little lady in to be our combined mascot!! She may have been a senior but she was a spunky little senior who easily took control of everything (and everyone) here at the rescue. She was named Sunny D (as in Sunny Delight) and what a delight she was!

Our vice president Marie loved her dearly and as Sunny D started to lose her sight and hearing, Marie took her home with her to spend her final years more quietly. Three and a half years to the day she came into our lives, Sunny D left us for the green pastures of the rainbow bridge. On a real quiet day we can almost hear her sweet AROOOOS from here. God Speed our cute funny little lady. God Speed

MCSCRUFF

McScruff brightened our hearts in July 2008 when our neighbors left him behind and he left a huge hole in our hearts in October 2010 when he escaped the gate at the rescue unnoticed and went on walkabout with a wayward beagle. At feeding time the beagle came home but McScruff was never seen again. Many tears and weeks of man hours searching a 10 mile radius and posting dozens and dozens of signs, and ads in papers and using lost dog services has not turned up our funny little scruffy boy. Collared tagged and micro chipped with a hefty reward for his return, to no avail. Many, many phone calls and many, many "found" homeless scruffy dogs later still no McScruff.



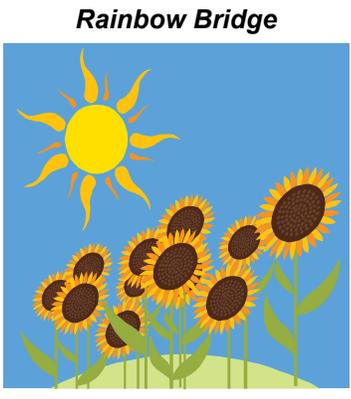
Although our hearts are broken, things happen for a reason. Because of McScruff's walkabout, RSR has been instrumental in saving at least 2 dozen lost scruffy dogs from the outpouring of phone calls helping us look. Owners were found, lives were saved, and hearts are soothed knowing we did not lose McScruff in vain.

We have to believe our sweet silly happy scruffy boy is asleep in the middle of someone's bed at night and filling their lives with joy when awake. He did ours and it is only fair he can bless someone else's life as well. WE love you SCRUFF! As do many lost scruffy dogs whom you leaving, saved, including Monster Mcquire, Monty, Amelia, Jack, Astin and Pinky to whom we tell your tale every day!

Let us know if you would like to honor McScruff by sponsoring or by giving one of the found in the search dogs above a home! See them at <http://www.rockyspot.com>



Bogey – The Jordan Family
Nash – The Smith Family
Boomer – The Fleming Family
Lucky – The Alldaffer Family
Louie – The Lewis Family
Sergeant – The Lezama Family
Sampson – The Maston Family
Frisky – The Hyatt Family
Max – The Thomas Family
Timmy – The Eklund Family
Katie – The Eklund/RSR Family



Patty – The Goldring Family
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Mattie – The Madison Family
Rocky – The Fire Family
Cleo – The Karam Ennis Family
Tulsa – The Eklund Family
Dottie – The Hyatt Family
Weebie – The Newton Family
Cricket – The Jagasaway Family
Sunny D – The RSR/OKBR/Maston Family
Patches “Piggy Poo” -- The Perkins Family

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- to those who go the extra mile with their physical support blood sweat and tears which is more valuable than you'll ever know!
- to those who sponsored a dog this past year to pay for that one dogs care and upkeep!
- to those dependable monthly donations we could not survive without
- to those who donate for special medical needs so we can treat the ill and injured
- to those who remember the homeless pups every Christmas with gifts, or monetary support WOOF WOOF!
- to the many others whose major efforts help US help THEM (we know who you are!)

A big RUFF RUFF thank you to Steve at Dog Days Heat & Air for fighting with us to keep our crippled HVAC unit alive as long as possible

Visit Dog Day's at <http://www.dogdaysheatandair.com> for your heat and air needs

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OZZIE'S WORLD

Ozzie is not a RSR dog but because we are a combined rescue with OK Beagle Rescue we HAVE to tell his story. Coming to RSR as a very feral pup from the OKC animal shelter, Ozzie and his sister Harriet would let NO ONE near them. Running and hiding and had to be captured for love and petting. NEVER trusting anyone ever, that is until one day a little 2 yr old girl came to see Harriet and it was love at first sight. Harriet was not scared at all and ran up and rolled over for the little girl to pet her. What a pair! Harriet had a home and overcame all her fears with her little mom.

As happy as we were for Harriet, Ozzie was lost without his sister. He stayed at the rescue unadoptable and alone for the next 5 years. Slowly he learned to take treats from us and SOMETIMES we could pat him on the head if we were careful enough. But no one would want Ozzie like that so we were resigned to him being a RSR fixture. Just when you least expect it miracles happen! Someone wanted Ozzie and his feralness did not deter them! What strong brave and PATIENT people! Ozzie has a home! AND guess what? Ozzie is changing! WHO SAID YOU CAN'T TEACH AN OLD DOG NEW TRICKS! YOU GO OZZIE!

(From Ozzie's mom)

Ozzie seems to be settling in here. He's begun "making his bed," shoving his blankets around to get comfortable. He's begun carrying his food around. And he's begun to use all the rooms in the house. He's fond of the ones with big windows. He's turned out to have quite a voice. Every evening when Jim comes home, he barks, bays, and otherwise sings for about three minutes. He expects to get a ride in the truck, and of course, he gets one. Occasionally two! You'd almost swear he can tell time, since he starts checking the windows about 4:30, which is the earliest we can expect Jim. He just comes loose when he hears the truck, racing for the window, barking, wagging, and dancing. He really lets Jim have it through the open window screen, but he buttons right up when Jim walks into the house. Skitters behind the couch and peeks out from the back. One eye. Jim says Ozzie's ears have three positions, no way; hmmm maybe, and come on, let's go! We laugh a lot at our funny guy!



A BIG THANK YOU TO PILOTS n PAW, an organization that links animal rescue organizations with private pilots who volunteer to fly animals across the country (<http://pilotsnpaws.org/>). And ESPECIALLY a big thank you and hug to Sam, Niko's pilot for getting him from OKC to Kansas City on his first leg of his transport to Karen in Michigan

THANK YOU SAM

LOVE THE SECOND TIME AROUND

When Karen lost her Emerson "Pie", her loyal and devoted friend, his absence left a deep void in Karen's world. Knowing that nothing would ever compare to The Best Dog Ever (another Emerson nickname) many long lonely months later, Karen took a big giant leap of faith and asked us to help her find another companion. Accepting the fact that there would never be "another Em" who was so 'undog' like that it was joked he was a little old man trapped in a spotted dog's body, Karen started preparing herself for actually sharing her life with another dog and questioning how deep she could love again AND would another ever love HER as much again. We will let this picture answer that.

From Karen; "I will always be grateful to have been gifted with Pie's presence and will forever treasure our times together. Peace, my friend." Peace to both, finally. We know there is a "Pie" in the sky smiling down on Karen and Niko today



Meet Karen and Nikolai (Niko)

Love the second time around is just as beautiful



FUNDRAISERS

A Breath of Warm Air

It has been a rough “weather” year for the RSR pups! The HVAC unit in the kennels, installed 5 yrs ago, proved way too small to handle 24 dogs, 12 swinging doggie doors and the heat of the summer. Every year limping along with dozens of extra fans and portable a/c units, we desperately fought to keep the temps in the kennels bearable. Unfortunately over the years, this extra burden proved too much and our precious overworked HVAC unit went belly up last fall.

Missing the sweltering heat by just weeks we made due with only fans when it was too hot and heat lamps when it was too cool as we tried to raise funds for a new bigger unit before the dead of winter. With the funds well out of reach, we held our breath to hold back panic while the bitter cold of an ice storm slowly descended on us. With just a week to spare before frozen pipes, and frozen dogs, ANGELS blessed us!

Angels by the name of **Linda and Doug Riebel** who fixed our old unit JUST IN TIME before we had “pupsicles” instead of pups!!! THANK YOU so much!! What a warm breath of air you guys were!

If you would like to donate to our HVAC fundraiser to help us add another unit to our too small one before summer hits go to <http://www.rockspot.com> and click a paypal link putting HVAC in the comments!



Art for the Love of Animals

Art for the Love of Animals exists because of a desire of one woman to help with the funding of animal rescue. 100% of the profits from the art purchased from this site go to animal rescue groups.

If you, too, would like to help with animal rescue, browse through the gallery and order your favorite pictures. You'll not only get a beautiful piece of artwork, but you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you have directly helped a very worthy cause. Thank you Judith Box for your dedication to Rescue and for helping RockySpot over many a “rocky spot.”

Visit *Art for the Love of Animals* at (<http://www.blank-box.com/>)

HAVE A HEART

Have a Heart and help us **Save a Heart** ... or five! Currently we have FIVE Dalmatians with Heartworm disease and treatment is not only severe but expensive. Heartworms are parasitic roundworms spread through the bites of mosquitoes and if left untreated, are fatal to dogs. Once infected, the heart fills with worms causing less and less room for blood to pump thru the heart and eventually causes a long painful death.

Heartworms can be easily prevented with a monthly preventative medication given to dogs orally. But thousands of dogs here in Oklahoma do not get that medication. Speedy, Heidi, Lana, Tebow and Deborah came into our program HW positive and are not adoptable until they are treated. Unfortunately, treatment costs are several hundred dollars per dog and funds are just not there.

HAVE A HEART and help us save these dogs. Our goal is to raise \$1,500 to fund the treatment for our five heartworm-infected dogs so they can find a home this year. If you can't help us raise the money consider being a temporary "heart home" by providing a quiet calm place for the critical 4-8 weeks recuperation after treatment. These five precious hearts need you.

These five precious hearts NEED you to heal them. Please go to <http://www.rockspot.com> to sponsor one!



IN HONOR AND IN MEMORY

A special THANK YOU to everyone who has donated IN HONOR and/or IN MEMORY of someone special.

Danny & Robyn Morgan	In Honor of John & Barbara Smicklas
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Mary Barbieri	In Memory of her Aunt Irene
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-Mark Rogers	
-Doug Rogers	



Featured Dogs



Chex is less than a year old, a Shepherd mix, but mostly shepherd looking. He was dumped on the road in front of the rescue one night and has spent most of his life here at the rescue. He plays well with other dogs and would run and romp all day long if he could. He loves to carry objects in his mouth - like balls, toys, etc. This object interest could be very useful for anyone wanting to train him for specialized duties.

He craves affection and attention and would respond well to any formal training. He is at the age now where he should be in a home where he can focus his love on his family



Faith - Hey I am a little tiny young girl who they say was Street Raped. as I already had a litter of pups way to young and I don't think they lived. I am just a baby myself! Very happy little girl.. Very playful and sweet too! I am under a year old and just 28lbs .. not much bigger than the beagles I live with (ok maybe a little taller as I can "almost" stand over them) I HAD to gain some weight and get healthy again (boy having babies is HARD WORK) AND I come with a prepaid Obedience Class from a wonderful couple in Texas! I will be here so when you are ready for me..



Lacy -I'm not a beagle - but I am VERY lucky to be here with all these nice people. I was picked up on the side of the road, and it's a good thing too - who knows what would have happened out there? I really like people - being petted or just curled up beside them. I'm also a playful girl with these other dogs, and eagerly run after the ball, though sometimes I won't bring it back! I know how to sit, and am good on a leash.

They say black don't get adopted as fast as all the other ones - but I'm out to prove them wrong! I get along well with other dogs, and am very pretty (don't you agree?). What more could you ask for? Come see me today!



My name is **Doug** and I have grown some since the pics. They say I must be Saint Bernard and maybe Pyre-nees mix as I am such a big and cuddly and happy pup! Still a youngster yet totally housebroken and trustworthy. I prefer dogs my size but I can be gentle with a little one too if I HAVE to. I love love love people. Come get me from this kennel before I grow up totally ok?

Hi! They call me **Ollie!** I'm a really sweet guy who loves getting attention. I'm pretty smart. In fact, I'm too smart for cats so I'd rather not live with them. However I do well with other dogs. And kids and people and LOVE.. oh yeah I do VERY well with lovins.. I am a very calm boy who just wants to be with you. I probably could learn to like cats if you really really wanted me to. Anything for you... Won't you take me home with you?



Hans is a good boy who doesn't quite know what to think of this "rescue" business. I tried living at the kennels, but for some reasons I didn't want to come in the dog door, not even for air conditioning or food! I slimmed down a bit, but the people noticed I wasn't happy.

Now I've been upgraded to a "house dog" where it's apparent that I DO know how to use the dog door, and know how to "sit" and "wave" (both paws together while balancing on my bottom). All these other dogs are okay for now, but I'm really hoping for a forever family soon!



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

“Welcome, New RSR
Family Members!”

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- SEPT *Destiny* – The Baker Family, Ft Worth, TX
McScruff – The Monnard Family, Newcastle, OK
Ozzie – The Henderson Family, Anadarko, OK
Victoria – The Perez/McCain Family, Oklahoma City, OK
Ocie – The Fry Family, Tulsa, OK
Myrtle & Otis – The Hurst Family, Tulsa, OK
Cindy – The Mayrath Family, Denton, TX
- OCT *Nakisha* – The Miner Family, Moore, OK
Katie – The Eklund Family, Oklahoma City, OK
- NOV *Treaty* – The Cagle Family, Oklahoma City, OK
Chloe Dew – The Rice Family, Lawton, OK
Amelia – The McAulay Family, Moore, OK
- DEC *Filly* – The Venteicher Family, Southlake, TX
Megan – The Burch Family, Oklahoma City, OK
Sonny D – The Washington Family, Edmond, OK
Dot – The Eastman Family, Tulsa, OK
Millie & Nestea – The Brackeen Family, Shawnee, OK
Jan – The Hays Family, Norman, OK