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The Barking Lot

The Official Newsletter of 2nd Chance Vizsla Rescue, Inc.

Upcoming Events:

Watch for your e-vite to our 1st Annual Rescue Reunion in September, date TBD. Come prepared to have a lot of fun and meet new people and dogs!

Letter from our president, Rita:

As one door closes another opens - this time to a new path of better opportunity. The very day the door closed (August 29, 2012), I started working on a new and better organization with my trusted friend Judy Wagner, C.P.A. We quickly came up with the name Second Chance Vizsla Rescue. Judy suggested that we use "2nd" instead of spelling it out as that would place us in a better position alphabetically.

The very next week we applied to the state for nonprofit status and were approved. By the end of January 2013, with hard work from Judy and my assistance, the application for 501(c)(3) status was mailed to the IRS. The IRS approved our application, with amazing speed, on February 27, 2013. Judy said in all her years as a C.P.A. she had never seen the IRS work so quickly.

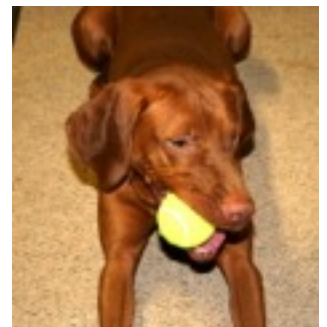
In less than a week I picked up our first foster dog, Vincent. Vincent is the poster dog on our logo. By January we had taken in 4 dogs total and they were all adopted no later than February. Please visit our website at www.2ndchancevizslarescue.org to read their success stories.

2CVR will cover Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, & New Mexico. I do not plan on bringing dogs in from Kansas. The only time I will consider taking a Kansas dog is if I am asked as a favor. I will not leave a dog that is in need.

I want to thank all of you for your support in this new venture. Your support has given me the courage and strength to continue on with my goal to save the abandoned and abused Vizsla. More than one half of the active volunteers from my previous rescue organization have followed me on this new journey. And we have picked up a few more new volunteers on the way. I want to thank all of you for your contribution in getting 2nd Chance Vizsla Rescue, Inc. off the ground and running.

Our new newsletter, The Barking Lot, is a project in the making as I am searching for an editor to get things going. In the meantime, Mary Ellen Keskimaki has generously volunteered as a temporary Editor. Any suggestions and/or help you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Anyone who would take on Editor would be greatly appreciated. I would be happy to accept articles, photos, & suggestions to make "The Barking Lot" a successful publication.

A BIG HURRAH AND THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE 2ND CHANCE VIZSLA RESCUE, INC. POSSIBLE.





Dedicated to those who are involved in Rescue:

THE RESCUER

Unlike most days at Rainbow Bridge, this day dawned cold and gray, damp as a swamp and as dismal as could be imagined. All the recent arrivals had no idea what to think, as they had never experienced a day like this before. But the animals who had been waiting for their beloved people knew exactly what was going on and started to gather at the pathway leading to THE BRIDGE to watch. It wasn't long before an elderly dog came into view, head hung low and tail dragging. The other dogs, the ones who had been there for a while, knew what his story was right away, for they had seen this happen far too often. He approached slowly, obviously in great emotional pain, but with no sign of injury or illness. Unlike all the other dogs waiting at THE BRIDGE, this one had not been restored to youth and made healthy and vigorous again. As he walked toward THE BRIDGE, he watched all of the other dogs watching him. He knew he was out of place here and the sooner he could cross over, the happier he would be. But, alas, as he approached THE BRIDGE, his way was barred by the appearance of an Angel who apologized, but told him that he would not be able to pass. Only dogs who were with their people could pass over the Rainbow Bridge.

With no place else to turn to, the elderly dog turned toward the fields before THE BRIDGE and saw a group of other dogs like himself, also elderly. They weren't playing, but rather simply lying on the green grass, staring out at the pathway leading to THE BRIDGE. And so, he took his place among them, watching the pathway and waiting.

One of the newest arrivals at THE BRIDGE didn't understand what he just witnessed and asked one of the dogs that had been there for a while to explain it to him. "You see, this dog was a rescue. He was turned in to rescue just as you see him now, an older dog with his fur graying and his eyes clouding. He never made it out of rescue and passed on with only the love of his Rescuer to comfort him as he left his earthly existence. Because he had no family to give his love to, he has no one to escort him across THE BRIDGE."

The first dog thought about this and then asked, "So what will happen now?" As he was about to receive his answer, the clouds suddenly parted and the gloom lifted. Approaching THE BRIDGE could be seen a single person, a woman. Among the older dogs, the whole group was suddenly bathed in a golden light and they were all young and healthy again, and they began to frolic around the field. A second group of dogs from those waiting came to the pathway and bowed low as the woman neared. At each bowed head, she offered a pat on the head or a scratch behind the ears. The newly restored dogs fell into a line behind the woman, and followed her over THE BRIDGE. "What happened?" "That was a Rescuer. The dogs you saw bowing in respect were those who found new homes because of her work. They will cross when their families arrive. Those you saw restored were those who never found homes. When a Rescuer arrives, they are allowed to perform one final act of rescue. They are allowed to escort those animals that they couldn't place on earth across THE RAINBOW BRIDGE."



Author Unknown

Volunteer Spotlight

JENNIFER AXTMAN



My name is Jennifer Axtman. I live in Loveland with my husband, 2 male Vizslas, 2 elder cats and our newest additions, twin boys. We have been Vizsla owners for 7.5 happy years. We have fallen in love with the breed and will always be Vizsla owners. We have two brothers, Indy & Deuce. They are 7.5 years old. Our favorite pastime with them is hiking. They love it. We also really enjoy just snuggling with them and loving on them. We walk twice a day, every day, rain or shine. Now that we have two human babies, Deuce & Indy have really changed and well so has everything we do. They are very concerned when the babies cry; pretty cute. Deuce likes stealing their pacifiers. The other day he came up to me with two pacifiers in his mouth; silly boy. In the picture from left to right is Deuce, our son Henry and Lincoln and our other V, Indy; all boys. I am outnumbered in my home but love every minute with my boys.

My husband and I were at a canine event in Fort Collins almost 5 years ago with our two Vizslas when we stumbled upon the Vizsla rescue tent. I saw all these red dogs and couldn't believe my eyes. That is the day I met Rita and other volunteers and joined the rescue. I would do anything to help find this amazing breed a forever home.



One of the things I do as a volunteer is to interview potential Vizsla adopters in their homes. I meet the whole family, get a tour of the home and property and ask lots of questions to make sure that a Vizsla would be a good fit in their home and lives. I can't think of one experience that really stands out. But the thing I do notice when meeting these families is their understanding and love of bringing a rescued Vizsla into their home. I can usually tell pretty fast if they would be great Vizsla parents.

The most heart wrenching aspect of being a volunteer is hearing the horror stories about how these dogs came to be in Vizsla rescue. I can't believe anyone would ever want to hurt or neglect an animal especially these amazing red dogs.

The most rewarding part of being a volunteer is getting the updates from Rita with pictures of the families I interviewed with their new Vizsla buddy. The dogs and families look so happy and it warms my heart knowing that the dog will be loved and respected for many years to come.

There was one person I interviewed that made me sick. She was looking for a dog that wouldn't bark or shed. Absolutely crazy. So glad she did not qualify to become a rescue parent.

I am a website designer and I work from home so I can enjoy my new sons and my dogs. Rita asked me if I would design a logo for the new organization and website. After several weeks I came up with the logo we are using now. The dog in the logo is our first rescued Vizsla, Vincent. Rita wanted to honor him by designing a logo around him.

2nd Chance Vizsla Rescue
Financial Report
September 9 - December 31, 2012

REVENUE

Donations, Personal \$3,485.00
TOTAL REVENUE: \$3,485.00

EXPENSES

Veterinarian \$213.61
Bank fees \$58.75
Dues \$50.00
TOTAL EXPENSES: \$322.36

CASH BALANCE: \$3,162.64



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Who's Who in 2CVR

Officers/Directors:

Founder/CEO/President - Rita Prindle

VP - Rick Prindle

Secretary - Cathy Lund

Treasurer - Kathy Kregal

Rita Prindle - Chairperson

Denise Lashmett

Larry Smallwood

Judy Wagner C.P.A. - non voting

Financial Consultant -

Judy Wagner, CPA

Legal Counsel B

**Newsletter Editor - Mary Ellen Keskimaki
(temporary)**

Fund Raiser Coordinator - Open

Grant Writer - Kristen Wrona,

Transport Coordinator - Open

Adaptor Follow Up - Donna Wolosin

Adoption Team:

- Rita Prindle - Chairperson

- receive adoption apps, review & assign HV

**Telephone Interviewers - Donna Wolosin, Gayle Buske, Dani
Commendador, & Denise Lashmett**

**-call approved adoptive family after positive HV prior to final
adoption must have information on fostered dogs in order to make a
suggestion as to which dog will be a good match w/family**

**-e-mail Rita with telephone report for her decision whether
adoption is ok or not**

- Foster Liaison - Open

**- work closely w/Chairman, assign rescues to foster homes, receive
rescue profiles/success stories/pictures from foster families**