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"Just a Dog"

From time to time, people tell me, "lighten up, it's just a dog," or, "that's a lot of money for just a dog." They don't understand the distance traveled, the time spent, or the costs involved for "just a dog."

Some of my proudest moments have come about with "just a dog." Many hours have passed and my only company was "just a dog," but I did not once feel slighted.

Some of my saddest moments have been comforted by "just a dog," and in those days of darkness, the gentle touch of "just a dog" gave me reason to overcome the day.

If you too think it's "just a dog," then you will probably understand phrases like "just a friend," "just a sunrise," or "just a promise." "Just a dog" brings into my life the very essence of friendship, trust and pure unbridled joy. "Just a dog" brings out the compassion and patience that make me a better person.

Because of "just a dog" I will rise early, take long walks and look longingly to the future. So for me and folks like me, it's not "just a dog" but an embodiment of all the hopes and dreams of the future, the fond memories of the past, and the pure joy of the moment. "Just a dog" brings out what's good in me and diverts my thoughts away from myself and the worries of the day.

I hope that someday they can understand that it's not "just a dog" but the thing that gives me humanity and keeps me from being "just a person." So the next time you hear the phrase "just a dog" just smile, because they "just don't understand."

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Rescue Beagles Finding a New Home!

We had an amazing year in 2010 and placed 60 beagles into loving homes. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to those volunteers who were foster homes for so many little ones waiting for their forever home. Phyllis and Chet Miller fostered Thelma and Louise for the longest time— 9 months! We were finally able to find them a home with Shelly Goergen and her family where they could go and live together. Without the support and patience of Phyllis and Chet, these little girls would not have made it. They are now in their forever home with Shelly and her family, along with a beagle brother Rudy.



Thelma and Louise in their new and loving forever home

As many of you have seen on our Home Page, Molly was a beagle that came to us after being hit by a car. Her family left her at the vet's office and rescue was her last hope. Molly's rear leg had to be amputated and CBR paid for this medical procedure. Volunteers Greg Williams and Maggie Welch took Molly into their home and helped her



Molly, strong as all the other dogs, with 3 legs!

through post surgery care. Molly was adopted out to her forever home with Paul Decrescentis and now regularly visits the dog park with her brother Patch. Paul tells us that Maggie doesn't seem to know that she only has three legs and keeps up with the other dogs just fine!



Molly (left) hanging with her brother, Patch.

Carol and Ed Larmore did a bit of fostering over the holidays and had Sammy for about a week while his foster home was out of town visiting family for Christmas. Sammy came to CBR from an awful environment. He was kept in a crate 24/7 and was only allowed out for about an hour a day. He lived in his own filth, had extremely long nails and was very emaciated. Working with Beagles and More (a Missouri beagle rescue), we were able to get Sammy out to Colorado on the CARE transport. Sammy was very much a puppy and even after living through such a terrible beginning to life, he was still sweet and loving.



Sweet, busy Sammy playing with toys.

Rescue Beagles Finding a New Home! continued...

During his short time with the Larmores, he was inquisitive and such a happy little guy. He loved playing with the other beagles, especially the youngest named Rocket. The Larmores always thought Rocket was a big time play dog, but Sammy proved them wrong! He was like the Energizer Bunny x 10! The only time he would slow down and rest was when they would put him in his crate for a bit of time out. He would then curl up and sleep while the rest of the family also took a rest. Sammy learned quite a bit while he was with them since the three beagles they have were wonderful teachers and showed him the routine they had at home. Their favorite phrase during the



Sammy at the Lamore's house

time Sammy was with them was “Sammy, no!” He was quick to understand but they had to keep a constant eye on him to be sure he stayed out of trouble. After his foster mom Angi picked him up, it was “Peace on Earth” at the Larmore home! Sammy, who is now Scamper, was finally adopted earlier this year and is now in his forever home. We just know he’s going to grow up to be an amazing dog!

We continue to work with small beagle rescue groups in Kansas and Missouri along with the CARE volunteers (Colorado Animal Rescue Express) who transport them to Colorado. These little ones have no chance at finding homes where they are and we are so grateful that we can bring them to Colorado and give them a second chance at life.

Pill Pocket Treats- Make Treats for Hiding Pills

Getting your dog to take his medicine is no easy feat. That’s why so many dog owners are looking for tips that can make the job a little easier. You can give pills by the classic method— open your dog’s mouth, pop the pill into the back of his mouth and encouraging him to swallow. You can also try hiding the pill. Some common methods include the pill crusher or pill gun.

In the mid-60’s, when Disney’s favorite nanny, Mary Poppins, told us that, “A spoonful of sugar makes the medicine go down,” she was on to something. The delightfully sweet taste of sugar helps mask the unpalatable taste of medicine, so the children will accept it willingly. The same principle holds true for dogs, although we don’t recommend using sugar. If your dog is reluctant to take his medicine, try hiding a pill in foods like cheese or cream cheese.

Here is another great-tasting solution— use a pill pocket. There are many brands of pill pockets on the market. You can get them at many vet offices and pet stores. Pill pockets are basically a soft pliable treat with an “open” pouch that allows you to hide a pill inside. They come in different flavors and when it comes to making your dog swallow a pill, they can really work wonders. Try this simple homemade recipe:

Homemade Liverwurst Pill Pockets

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup plain shredded wheat cereal
- 3 oz Liverwurst (room temperature)
- 2 oz cream cheese (room temperature)

Instructions:

Place shredded wheat in a bag and crush using a rolling pin, mix liverwurst and cream cheese together until smooth, mix with shredded wheat, roll into small balls (the size of gum drops), store in refrigerator in a re-sealable plastic bag or container. Treats will last about 7-10 days.

News Bytes

Garage Sale



The Colorado Beagle Rescue annual garage sale will be on Friday, May 20 and Saturday, May 21 at Carol Larmore's home (4755 W. 102nd Place in Westminster). If you are doing some Spring cleaning and have good, clean and reusable items you would like to donate,

please call Carol at 303-466-3534 and you can schedule a time to drop off the items. It would be very helpful if you can also price the items for us. This is one of our big fundraisers for the year and we always get a good crowd on both days of the sale, so please be generous.



Our young volunteer Grace Diamond will once again have her bake sale on Saturday, May 21, to benefit the beagles. Last year, Grace raised close to \$100 and donated all her proceeds to CBR. She will have some pretty yummy things to sell, along with bottled water and juice.

If you are able to work the garage sale, please let Carol know. Lunch will be provided on both days. We will start setting up at 6:00 a.m. on

both days and take down at 3:00 p.m. So, please mark your calendars and come by--you never know what treasure you might find at the CBR garage sale!!



Annual Picnic



We will be having the Colorado Beagle Rescue annual picnic on June 25! Invitations will be sent out in May, so be watching for yours. As always, we will have a nice lunch for everyone attending and our regular games of best costume, best trick and musical plates. The trading post will also be set up so you can buy all those beagle items you just can't live without.

The theme this year is "Beagles in Outer Space," so work on your costumes and be sure to teach your beagle an amazing trick. Prizes will be awarded, so don't be left out!

Christmas Fundraiser

We did very well with our Barnes & Noble gift wrapping fundraiser over the Christmas holidays. The rescue beagles were the stars and worked their magic in getting people to donate. Seems like everyone who saw our beagles wanted to come over to get some kisses and give some pets. Volunteers also had fun wrapping packages and sharing beagle stories with customers. Be sure to sign up for this fundraising opportunity. We always have fun with this and it gives great exposure to Beagle Rescue!



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Full Circle

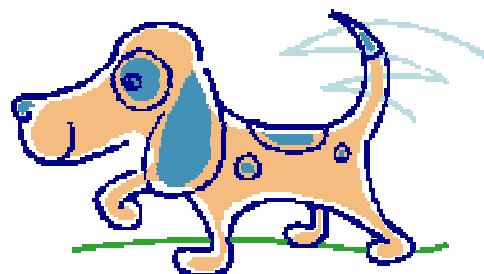
CBR has found that it has come full circle in working with some of our families. Many families who adopted from us when we were just forming as an organization have had to put their beloved rescue beagles to sleep and are coming back to us wanting to adopt another! This makes us so happy and grateful of being given another opportunity of bringing another beagle into a loving home. Just to let you know how far we have come, we recently placed rescue beagle #1,190, and that's not counting the number of beagles we have been able to help in shelter situations! We are so very proud of Colorado Beagle Rescue and we also know that without the help of our dedicated volunteers and families many little beagles would have not been given a second chance at life.

We can only do this with the help that we receive in donations. Last year alone, we had medical expenses of over \$23,000. These expenses included surgeries; spay/neuter operations and teeth cleaning along with various infections that had to be treated. Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to place healthy beagles into forever homes! Three cheers for Beagle Rescue and here's to continuing to do this good work and making a difference for so many deserving dogs.



Website

We are working with Gozmo to modernize our website! We are very excited about this and are hoping to make the CBR website even more wonderful and informative. We will still have our current website available until the new one is ready to go. We currently have many beagles in search of their forever homes so please tell friends and family about this great organization and how to check us out online. Don't forget to bookmark us at www.coloradobeaglerescue.org



Email Alert

If your email address has changed or you just recently setup an email address, please send CBR the update ASAP. Sending the Bugler by email will save CBR money....money that can be used to help rescue beagles!

To be added to our email list:
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Thank you for your support!

As always, thank you for your dedication and support. We are always looking for more volunteers and much needed donations so please help us spread the word about CBR!