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Close to Home

Rockette today

There is quiet beauty watching two aging horses frolic like kids in the paddock at Rescue Village. Horses enter our barn program when they are rescued from cruelty and neglect. Today, there is not a cloud in the sky and the sun is highlighting beautiful coats. Yet, in March of this year, the skies were gray. Snow and ice was still hanging on.

At a stable in rural Geauga County, animals were suffering. The weather was brutal for five horses boarded outside without food. Their water trough was frozen. Each was hundreds of pounds underweight. Survival was in doubt and rescue was urgent. And so, Chief Humane Agent, Christian Courtwright, brought them to us in a state of emergency … two coming to our barn and three to another stable.

Recovery starts now

A long road to recovery began. Dr. Averi Sauder, a wonderful equine vet, joined the team. She would lead us through the careful and slow rehabilitation process. What they needed most was food. Yet, introducing hay and grain to a starved horse can be fatal. RV staff and volunteers, led by Christian and staff member Adrianne Johnson, joined in their care. During this early stage, the horses were sluggish and depressed. Everyone was determined to turn this around and when all five started to put on some weight, the mood at RV started to brighten. Community members stepped forward to donate to Project S.A.V.E. for the horses. This was an enormous TEAM effort!

Rockette in March

Far from fear

Winter oh so slowly changed to spring and the day came when the horses were ready to go outside. At RV, Beetle and Echo, both over 20 years old, stood still in the paddock. At a boarding stable in the county, Charles, Rockette, and Cowboy began to expand their activity. The days lengthened and their health continued to improve. A metamorphosis was taking place. Dull eyes turned bright. There was spring in their step. Hanging out was replaced by playing, snorting and tail-swishing joy.

Rescue Village is prosecuting the mother and daughter who owned these animals. This kind of cruelty is simply not acceptable.

Five horses have been given a new life filled with love, dignity and care. This is their new day; made possible by a community who takes kindness as its centerline.

from the executive director

It would be great

On a bright Sunday afternoon, a birthday party for an animal-loving "just turned 10" year-old was underway at Rescue Village. Ten girls took a whirlwind tour of the shelter and made cat wands and dog toys. The highlight was the visit to the barn. Beetle and Echo were playing in the paddock. This was a BIG deal. The birthday girl had been coming to the barn every Saturday with her dad. She knew how these two horses, along with three others, had come nearly starved to death.

After cake, it was time for some kitten cuddling. Everyone sat on the floor in a circle and gently held these little ones. I asked, "What is your favorite color for a cat?" The answers started flying: "black," "tiger," "tabby"... until one girl said "purple." Hmmm, purple? I felt like the guy in the AT&T commercial with the kids and their wonderfully inventive answers. When I asked her where she came up with purple, she said, with a slight tone of defensiveness, "I just think that if that happened it would be great." Who could disagree?

What we do at Rescue Village is as down to earth as it gets. The rescue and rehabilitation of the five horses (see front page) involved real people doing things as basic as feeding them after months where they had no food. It meant waiting until they were stable to even clean their coats. It required raising money and getting vet care and mucking stalls ~ hardly as romantic as the image of purple kittens.

It took a whole community with huge imagination to believe that Beetle, Echo, Cowboy, Charlie and Rockette could become powerful ambassadors of rescue. It wasn't just our mission that told us it was possible. It was that sense of wonder that filled a young girl's face when she held a black kitten and imagined it was purple.

We wanted to turn cruelty and neglect on its head. We sensed that if we could band together, and imagine a future where they would never be mistreated again, we could save them.

There is no age limit on imagination. There is no animal that doesn't deserve a chance. Every rescue takes a strong dose of imagination to win, in even the most basic sense of life over death. Still, imagination helps save lives in a bigger sense too. Next time you are fighting an uphill battle, don't forget to dream. To echo the little girl, we just thought that if we could save these horses it would be great. Who could disagree?

Hope Brustein

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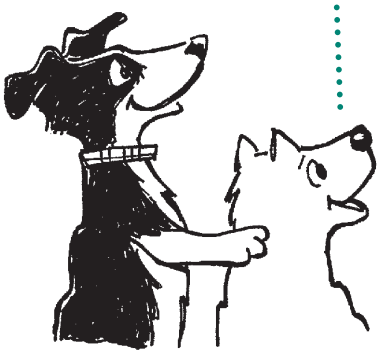

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Caring for Your Senior Pet

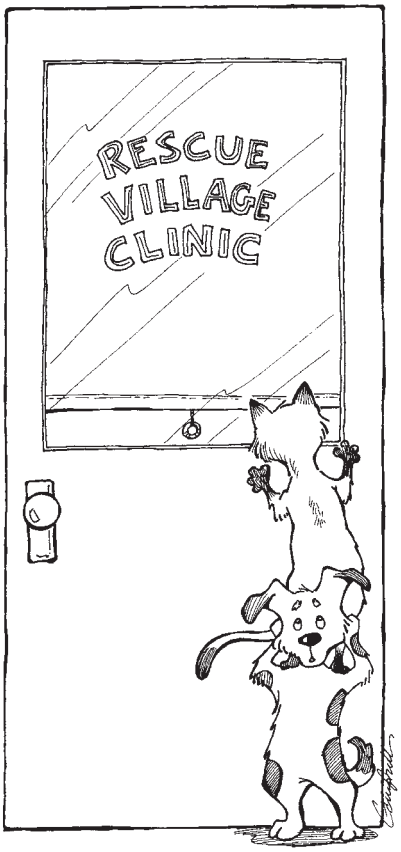
by Medical Director Meg Volpe

When is your dog or cat a senior? Most people have heard the adage that one year in a dog's life is the equivalent of seven years in a human's life. This is a decent place to start but it doesn't take into account all of the factors that contribute to aging. For example, a Great Dane is considered a senior at the age of five years while a cat or small breed dog is generally not in their senior years until they're at least seven or eight years old. While every species/breed reaches their golden years at different rates, it is essential that we be mindful that the time will come when our pets need a little more attention and special care.

There are many factors that influence how well our pets age. These include genetics, body weight, nutrition, environment, and how much veterinary care they have received throughout their lives. Does that list sound familiar? The very things we are told about taking care of ourselves are the things we should be taking care of for our pets. But there are three things that we should pay extra attention to as our dogs and cats age because our pets can't take care of these things by themselves.

1. Take your pets to the vet twice a year as they enter their senior years. Regular, twice yearly, wellness exams allow your veterinarian the opportunity to identify any medical problems early. Your vet can then make recommendations that can significantly impact the length and quality of your pet's life.

2. Good nutrition. I am a firm believer that you get what you pay for when it comes to pet foods. And I also believe that animals should not be fed the same way throughout their lives. Discuss with your veterinarian their feeding recommendations for your pet's unique needs. And remember those needs may change.



3. Exercise. What better way to keep ourselves moving than by moving with our pets? Our pets benefit from regular exercise the same way we do. Short, frequent periods of exercise with proper warm up and cool down periods are always best as our animals get older. Be sure to follow your veterinarian's guidelines in the development of a safe exercise plan for your pet

The discussion of aging in our pets doesn't in any way mean that aging itself is a disease. It is a life stage. And as our pets enter into this life stage, we should be ready and educated that there are many things that we can do to make their senior years *quality* years.

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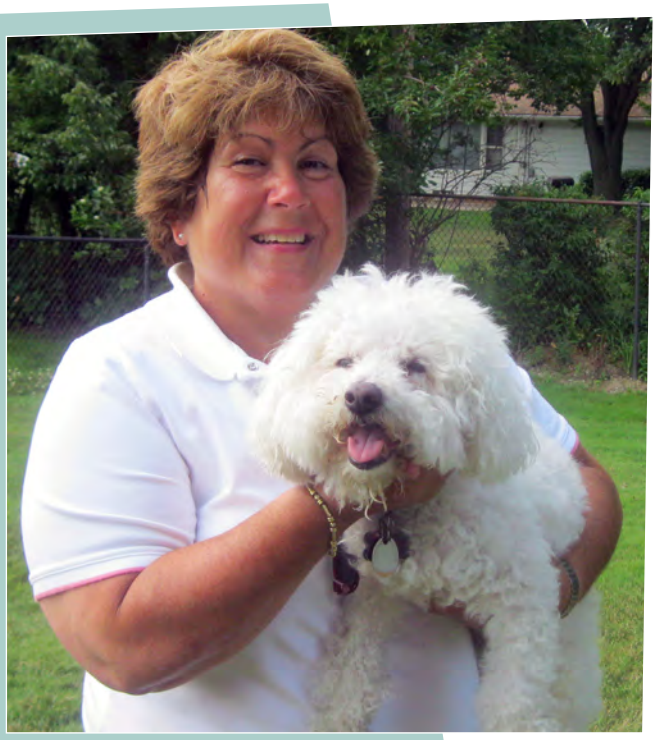

Bossman and Sharon Friedman

Bossman Friedman was no ordinary dog. And his "mom," Sharon Friedman, is no ordinary human. Who has a birthday that draws upwards of 100 people and 70 dogs? That would be Bossman. Who celebrates their own birthday by raising funds to help other animals in need? That would be Bossman. Who masterminds this whole thing and offers unconditional love through time? That would be Sharon. As a team, they lit up each others' lives for 18 years and became known for their kind, gentle, and generous spirit. On November 3rd, 2012, Bossman crossed over the rainbow bridge. This summer would have been his 19th birthday party.

"Bossman's Birthday Party" has been benefitting Rescue Village for over 10 years and even though Bossman passed away, Sharon still had a birthday party in July with Riley, her new rescue "Bichon/Poodle" mix as the emcee. Sharon says, "Bossman loved greeting all of his friends at his parties and knew that the funds raised went to help the less privileged animals and he was grateful to have helped". This little Bichon-Frise will forever be remembered by Sharon and by all of us at Rescue Village and beyond.

from the shelter

Donna the Feral Lifestyles of the Rich and Feral

As a famous (or maybe it's infamous) column writer for a much-coveted spot in our newsletter, Donna the Feral (loved by many/feared by more) felt it was a bit of an injustice that she had not yet had the opportunity to tell of her life and times. With a few choice words and a flip of her tail she began to tell her story.

"I'm petite in frame with a massive spirit," she explained. "I live on a big piece of land at 15463 Chillicothe. People call it Rescue Village. I call it my McMansion. I've lived here for seven years."

Every time Donna comes up to the shelter door, staff members try to meet her every need and desire. "Fresh water?" they question. "Fresh dry food?" "Another type of canned food?" "You need clean dishes?" Eventually they figure it out and then, and only then, are they allowed to touch Donna. BUT ONLY for a moment.

When questioned about her typical day she stiffens visibly, stating, "I am not keen on sharing acreage with dogs that walk humans. I do border patrol at night when all of the people and dogs go away."

Donna lives a good life at Rescue Village. Like so many outdoor cats, she considers the neighborhood her home and the last thing she wants (or needs) is to come inside. We feed her and ensure she has warm and dry shelter at all times.

"Lots of my friends are having babies. Not me! I was spayed at Rescue Village. It's safe, it's easy, and it's cheap," she stated (emphatically). With that, she held her head high and marched back into the woods to resume the "life and times of the rich and feral."

Have you heard that the Rescue Village Capital Campaign is underway? We saw a need to improve our space to enable us to save more lives ... we rallied the experts to *hammer* out a plan to expand and reconfigure the shelter... and we have nailed down the many reasons why this campaign is of such vital importance to our community and to the many deserving animals who live among us. By the end of 2014 we will have raised $2 million and have an expanded and renovated facility. For years to come, Rescue Village will serve as a model for the humane care and guardianship of animals.

Our new campaign logo, and its cast of characters, will be ever present throughout the "Raising the Roof to Save More Lives" campaign. They will serve as "spokesanimals" for the campaign in shelter publications, on the Rescue Village website and perhaps even around the building itself.

We are currently in the Leadership Phase (or Quiet Phase sssshhhhh!) of the campaign. Our team is securing lead gifts to the campaign which is slated to launch its Public Phase in the Fall of 2013. The architects are hard at work finalizing the plan and campaign materials are being developed. Be on the lookout for our cast of characters who will keep you informed about this exciting project that they call *Raising the Roof to Save More Lives!*

For more information call Hope Brustein, Executive Director at 440.338.4819, ext. 16 or Rebecca Bendlak, Campaign Associate at 440.338.4819, ext. 50.

You may also contact them via e-mail at hbrustein@geaugahumane.org or rbendlak@geaugahumane.org.

Mimi & ChiChi

Mimi and ChiChi may look like an odd pair, but they could not be better friends. Upon arrival to Rescue Village, it was clear that they needed to find a home that could take them both. It took no time at all for these unlikely friends to gain popularity. Can you imagine walking into the shelter and seeing a guinea pig and a rabbit snuggling and grooming each other? Though Mimi and ChiChi gained popularity because of their friendship, they had a hard time finding a forever home together. Days turned to weeks and weeks turned to months. Mimi and ChiChi still had each other, but could not find that special person to open their home to both of them. Finally, it happened. Mimi and ChiChi met the one who would let them be friends forever. The two are now living happily in their forever home ... together.

Mimi and ChiChi

Georgie and Gracie

Georgie & Gracie

When you look at this pair, one thing quickly comes to mind: “Who’s who?”. Georgie and Gracie’s fancy tuxedo markings aren’t the only thing they have in common ... they both love each other dearly! When Georgie and Gracie lived at Rescue Village, they spent their days snuggling in the same bed while waiting for that special human who would rescue them both. Not only is it common to see an inseparable pair like Georgie and Gracie, but we also almost always advise that these pairs go to their forever home together. These two were lucky enough to find a nice couple of their own who also recognized the strong bond they had with one another. Their owner writes, “Georgie and Gracie have been wonderful additions to our family and I can’t imagine them apart. I hope that people will recognize the importance of adopting bonded pairs together.” We are so happy that this match made in heaven can continue living their lives, loving each other with their forever family.

"One small cat changes coming home to an empty house into coming home."

Pam Brown

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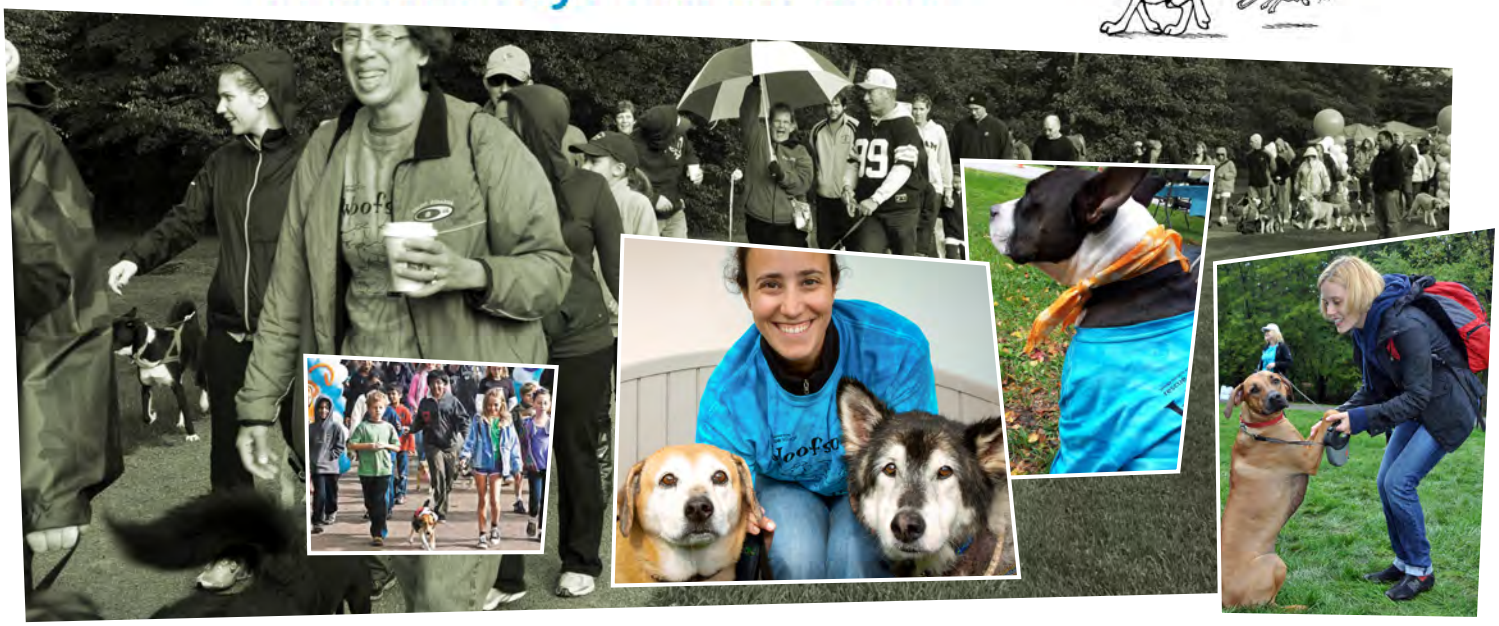

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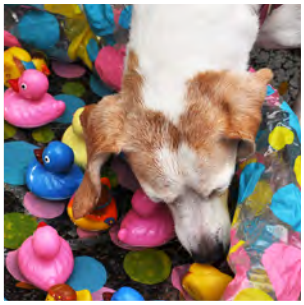

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