#### September 2024

# PUPDATES



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### **AN EVENT-FULL FALL**

In addition to fundraisers, events are a great way to show your support for Rescued, have some fun with your pets, AND maybe even buy a treat for yourself! Check out our upcoming events on pages four and five. We have so many great things coming up this fall and we'd love to see you.



#### To date, Rescued has donated over



\$802,830 to pets in need!



September Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-4pm On-street parking to the east of the store, and the lot in back.



### HAPPY TAILS: LAYLA AND ROCO

#### Written by: Kathy Wiggins

When you look at these two cuties, it's hard to imagine that three weeks ago both Layla and Roco were lethargic, vomiting, and had bloody diarrhea. Parvovirus was wreaking havoc on their young systems. It took the combined effort of multiple individuals and organizations to bring them back from the brink of death, and it was no easy task.

It all began when a couple of local dog lovers went on Facebook and discovered two 3-month-old Pit Bull mix puppies in need of a new home. The potential adopters were assured the puppies had received all of their necessary shots and would be healthy upon adoption.

Sadly, that was not the case, and within days of adoption, the little pups were obviously ill and getting worse. Because Layla and Roco were vomiting and not eating, the adopters took them to the Animal Emergency Clinic in Bettendorf. There, a Parvovirus snap test was performed, returning a positive result. The pups were put on IV treatment, along with antibiotics. The clinic explained that treatment for this disease requires long-term care and that they were not set up for this. It was suggested that <u>Quad Cities Animal Welfare Center</u> (QCAWC) in Milan be contacted for possible help with the situation.

When the adopters spoke with QCAWC, they explained how attached they already were to Layla and Roco and only wanted what was best for them. QCAWC agreed to take over ownership of the pups, providing the necessary medical care and, eventually, if they survived, putting them up for adoption.

After two weeks of intensive veterinary care, which included more antibiotics and IVs at QCAWC, the duo tested negative for Parvovirus. The total cost for their treatment was \$2,000, with Rescued contributing \$500. They were then cleared for their vaccinations and spaying and neutering. Once that is completed, Layla and Roco will be anxiously awaiting their new forever families at QCAWC.

These two little pups' lives were saved and positively changed because of the team effort of the concerned original adopters, the treatment received at the Emergency Animal Clinic, the medical care and comfort provided by QCAWC, and the financial assistance from Rescued.

Of course, a simple, inexpensive series of shots could have been given to the pups when they were as young as six weeks old. These shots would have helped prevent the disease in the pups and eliminated the need for the time-consuming and expensive treatment. Parvovirus is a highly contagious disease in dogs, especially puppies. It is transmitted through contact with infected feces. The feces do not have to be visible since the disease can survive on surfaces, including the ground, fur, people's hands, kennels, and clothing, for months.

QCAWC offers vaccinations on designated days of the week. Veterinary clinics will also vaccinate puppies and dogs against this potentially deadly disease. It's so much less expensive and saves the suffering of puppies and dogs if preventive shots are administered at a young age rather than waiting until the disease has been contracted.







### SMALL BIZ SPOTLIGHT: THE SNAP WAGON







Rachel and Kelsey are the dynamic duo behind <u>The Snap Wagon</u> <u>Photo Booth</u>, a fun and creative photo booth! The team started their business in October of 2023. They are the QC's only trailer turned photo booth

Rachel and Kelsey met through Jaycees of the Quad Cities, a nonprofit here in the QC. We want to give back as much as possible to the do-gooders in our community because that is truly the foundation of where our friendship and business started!

Rachel and Kelsey are inspired by all the encouragement from our colleagues, friends, peers, and the overall public! The Quad Cities is an absolutely amazing community and we have been granted so many opportunities through the connections we've been so lucky to make!

When asked what their favorite thing is about their photo booth, they commented, "Hands down, the laughs we hear as people are taking photos with the favorite people. It fills our cups!"

Finally, the pair offer this advice for newbies starting out in the biz: "When you fail to plan, you plan to fail. Always have a plan. And when something knocks you down that may not have been part of the plan, get back up again and add it to the plan!"

You can find The Snap Wagon on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>TikTok</u> and online at <u>www.thesnapwagonqc.com</u> AND they will be on-site at our <u>anniversary event September 21</u>. Come check them out!

Also at our anniversary celebration will be Theresa Laxy with Paws for Healing. Theresa is an animal healer / reiki master, and she treats all kinds of animals. Come check her out!







## EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS



September 7 is Corgi Fest! <u>Sassie Cassie Art &</u> <u>Design</u> has assembled so many fun vendors for this event. AND, there's corgi races, too! Check out the <u>Facebook event</u> for more info.



Our <u>9th anniversary event is Saturday</u>, <u>September 21</u>. So many fun things happening, too! Come celebrate with us!



SAVE THE DATE: October 6 is the third annual Wag-O-Ween event! You won't want to miss it!



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Our 2nd annual <u>"Playin' a Round" event</u> has been moved to next year. Check out the <u>event on</u> <u>Facebook</u> to get signed up and learn all the details.

<u>Sexton Ford</u> will be sponsoring \$10,000 for a hole-in-one!



# THANK YOU

- Faith Lutheran Church for collecting pet food and supplies for us along with \$100 in monetary donations.
- <u>Glenroads & LeClaire Veterinary Clinics</u> for donating \$120 and collecting donations for us at their Back to School Bash.
- <u>Cunnick-Collins Life Celebration Center</u> for hosting the Pawsitively Purrfect Pets in Need Pet Expo which raised nearly \$1,000. A big thanks to Tracy Thumann who organized ALL this! And, if you need an event center, reach out to Tracy at Cunnick-Collins Life Celebration Center at 563-391-0129

Thank you to all the volunteers and vendors at the Pawsitively Purrfect Pets in Need Pet Expo, too!

Performance Sound & DJ	
The Flavor Train food truck	
Kona Ice of Davenport	
Jump'in Joeys bounce houses	
Pumped Party Co.	
Jason Hamilton, Balloon Artist & Magician	
The Snap Wagon Photo Booth	
Quad Cities Pet Cremation	
Whitehaven Vet Center	
Almost Home Speak Dog, Doggie Daycare	
Pet Supplies Plus	
MJ Pawtography	
Artist Allen Holloway	
Card My Yard Quad Cities	
Happy Joe's	
lossi Construction Inc	
Contented Canines	

Not a day goes by that we don't think about Kris Westmorland or see the impact she had on Rescued. Kris founded Rescued with Erin Granet in 2015 and was in regularly when we first



opened. Kris was the kindest, most generous person with the biggest heart and Rescued would absolutely not exist without her. Kris loved giving, and that giving spirit is what propels Rescued today. Rest in peace, Kris! We miss and love you.



