

B.A.R.K.

Fall Newsletter 2023



A POCKET OF VANILLA

It was a cool, brisk November Sunday when a **BARK** board member received a call from a good Samaritan. A small pup was found in a large trash can which contained a Clorox container and various trash. The small dog was pulled from the trash and immediately taken to the good Samaritan's home. The **BARK** board member received pictures and videos of the dog's condition. Helping Hands Humane Shelter in Topeka was not open. Once the videos of the dog were seen, **BARK** knew the dog was in desperate need of veterinarian care. The good Samaritan was told to go to the Topeka Emergency Vet where the **BARK** board member would meet her. It was there the dog received the name Vanilla.

The dog was cared for at the emergency clinic and was treated for severe hypothermia. On Monday Vanilla was transferred to Westport Animal Clinic for more observation. Vanilla was observed for another day at the animal clinic where all the staff fell in love with the small pup. The dog then received all its shots, heartworm testing and neutering. Vanilla found a loving home with two young boys to give him lots of love and attention. It was



Veterinarian at Westport Animal Clinic with Vanilla in their pocket

in this loving home that the dog's name was changed to "Lucky". Indeed, he is a lucky dog!

BARK was pleased that it could step in to assist the local humane shelter in this way. This is what **BARK** can do for shelters and rescues when needed.

Dear Friends of Animals:

We are so thankful for YOU! Your donations make it possible for homeless pets to receive much needed help. **YOU** are valued by many in the rescue community including us because **YOU** are **BARK**.

We hope you will enjoy reading about some of the homeless pets you have helped with the past year.

Some of the dogs have already been adopted and others are still waiting for their own family or still recuperating from their surgeries. As of the newsletter being sent to publication, some dogs are still looking for a home. Please text me (913-579-3800) if you'd be interested in knowing more about the following: Waylon, Tank, Echo, Kiah and Maddie.

Please spread the word to adopt don't shop AND spay/neuter all pets. It is not only healthier for a dog/cat to be spayed/neutered; it prevents unwanted puppies and kittens being born. If only the day would come where so many shelters/pounds and rescues were not needed. If only....

Blessings to you all,

Kathi Barr Thies



Homeless Pets Helped Because of YOUR Donations

A hoarding case of 60+ dogs! Shelters and rescues stepped in to help these dogs. None of the dogs ever received vetting, were malnourished, irritated skin, lowered immune systems.

FRED was one of the dogs rescued by Mid-America Bully Breed Rescue. He was getting picked on by the other dogs per the town sheriff since he was super submissive. He went directly to a foster home where he could learn trust, receive love and heal physically and emotionally. Obviously, he needed lots of vet care which with **YOUR** support, **BARK** was able to contribute, and Fred was eventually adopted.



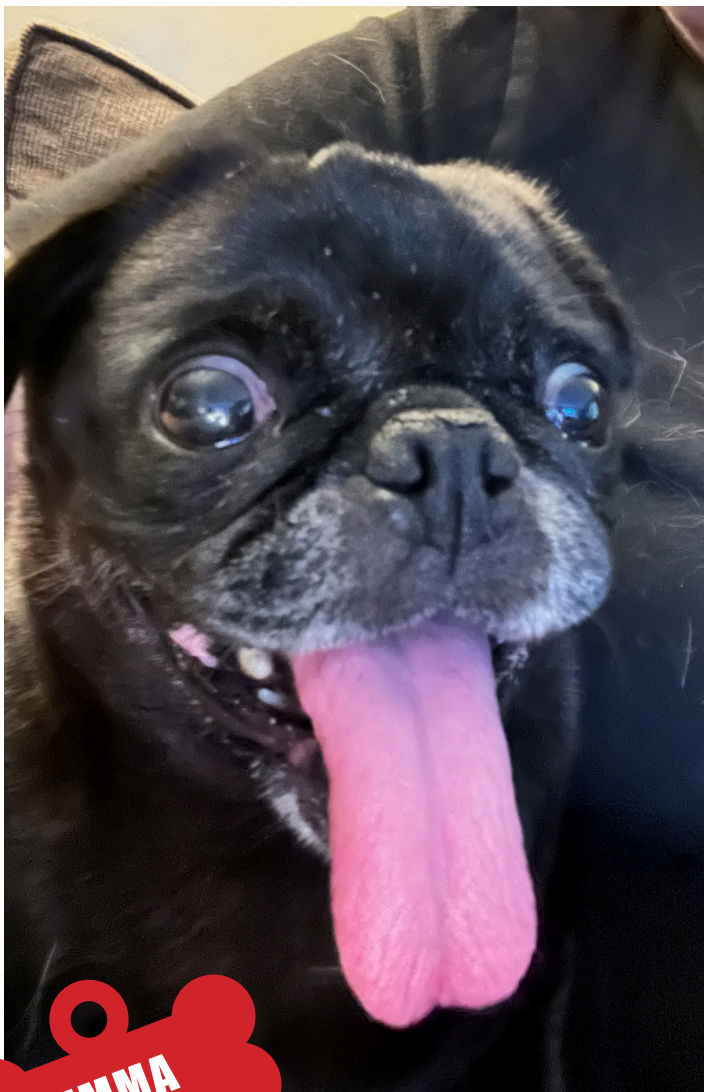
IZZIE came to a city shelter after being hit by a car. Her jaw was fractured and dislocated plus had a broken leg. The shelter was able to fix her leg, but the jaw surgery needed to be done at Kansas State Veterinary School. **YOUR** donations went towards her surgery.



VALERIE was in a rural shelter (Pleasant Hill Animal Control) and needed a tooth extraction, intestinal parasite screen, heartworm test, vaccinations, medications and a nail trim. **BARK** provided her day at the vet and Valerie (renamed Lilly) was adopted.



BENSON with Great Plains SPCA needed reconstructive surgery on his urethra before he could be available for adoption. **BARK** contributed towards the successful surgery and Benson was adopted!



EMMA was rescued by Angels Left Behind from a puppy mill. She needed a full assessment (physical exam, bloodwork, x-rays, H/W test, urinalysis, meds for several infections). **BARK** paid the bill, and she was adopted.

Most rural/small town shelters do not have financial resources or foster homes to help dogs and cats with medical problems so sadly the dogs/cats are scheduled for euthanasia. **WAYLON** (1 year old Mastiff) had an ACL injury and needed surgery. On a Mission KC found out about Waylon and got him transferred to Furry Kids Refuge. **BARK** contributed to his surgery.



Friends are priceless. **BUDDY**'s mom sadly passed away. A friend reached out to the family and said she would take Buddy and look for the perfect home. The friend first took Buddy to the vet to make sure he was healthy and for shots he needed. He did need a dental cleaning including teeth extractions. **BARK** paid for the dental work. The best news is the friend reached out to a family that previously adopted one of her foster dogs. They knew of someone looking for a sweet Yorkie! Now, Buddy has a Yorkie sibling, Rascal. Yes - friends are priceless.



An echocardiogram was necessary for **ROSE** because the shelter vet heard a heart murmur. The echocardiogram diagnosis was moderate pulmonic stenosis which rarely poses a long-term problem. Rose was adopted and the adopter now has all the knowledge from the echocardiogram.



Chain of Hope rescued **TANK** from horrible living conditions. He then needed TPLO surgery on both legs. With YOUR donations, **BARK** contributed towards the surgery.

Many rescues are foster based meaning they don't have a building to house their pets. They rely on their fosters and if there are not enough fosters, they are forced to board the dogs for hopefully a short time while looking for foster home or adopter.

RYDER and **ECHO** are two dogs that needed to be boarded. **BARK** contributed towards their boarding fees. Ryder was adopted and Echo found a foster home where she is still waiting for her forever home.



**OPIE**

OPIE has cataracts and is blind or almost blind. **BARK** paid for him to have an eye consult with an eye specialist to see if cataract surgery would be beneficial to him. Sadly, it would not because he also has degenerative retina. Opie has no problem not seeing and is a happy boy living in his forever home.

Entropion is a medical condition in which the eyelid folds inward. Surgery can correct it. **BARK** contributed towards **BENNY**'s surgery, and he was adopted by a family in Iowa.

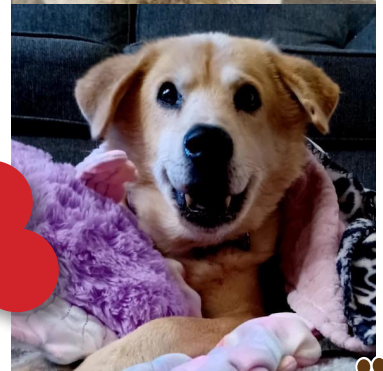
**BENNY**

MADDIE was rescued off the streets by an outreach team. She had ligament damage and needed cranial cruciate ligament surgery on one leg. **BARK** contributed toward her surgery to correct this painful injury.

**MADDIE****MAX****KIAH**

KIAH is a young gal that desperately needed FHO surgery. **BARK** was able to contribute towards her surgery.

Angels Left Behind has been taking care of many stray/homeless semi-feral dogs in the woods of Odessa, Missouri. Max (now a senior dog) was the last dog they were able to capture so no more dogs living in the woods. **SANDMAN** and **MAX** had heartworms which **BARK** helped towards their treatment. Sadly, Sandman had many other health issues and had to be humanely euthanized. All are grateful that he spent his last 6 months in a loving foster home. Max is continuing to thrive in his foster home.

**SANDMAN**

OUR PARTNERS

BARK is eternally grateful to our giving partners. The following give us discounts and/or donate their services. We cannot thank them enough.

Auburn Animal Clinic, Auburn, KS
Eagle Consulting, Topeka, KS
Eye Care for Animals, Overland Park, KS
Heather Garten, Overland Park, KS
Ted Ferguson, Gravois Mills, MO
Gentle Dog Training.com, Overland Park, KS
Hippie Hound Pet Lounge, Topeka, KS
Jayhawk Kennel Club, Lawrence, KS
LionsGate Pet Hospital, Overland Park, KS
Mission Veterinary Allergy & Dermatology Clinic, Mission, KS
Veterinary Allergy & Dermatology Clinic, Overland Park, KS
Westport Animal Clinic, Topeka, KS

Shelters, Rescues, Pounds we have teamed with:

Adopt Rescue Foster, Belton, MO
Angels Left Behind, Belton, MO
Cat Association of Topeka, Topeka, KS
City Pound, Desoto, KS
City Pound, Eldorado, KS
City Pound, Columbus, KS
Chain of Hope, Kansas City, MO
Colby Animal Clinic, Colby, KS
Corgi Connection of Kansas, Milford, KS
Furever Friends, Madison, KS
Furry Kids Refuge, Lee's Summit, MO
Great Plains SPCA, Merriam, KS
Heart of America Humane Society, Overland Park, KS
Helping Hands Humane Society, Topeka, KS
Humane Society of Greater KC, Kansas City, KS
Kansas City Pet Project, Kansas City, MO
Kansas Animal Facilities
Lawrence Humane Society, Lawrence, KS
Lifeline Animal Placement & Protection, Wichita, KS
Mid America Bully Breed Rescue, Kansas City, MO
Midwest Animal ResQ, Raytown, MO
Missouri Pitbull Rescue, Kansas City, MO
Melissa's Second Chances, Shawnee, KS
Paws-N-Claws, Newton, IA
Paws to Love, Wamego, KS
Pawsitive Tails Rescue, Topeka, KS
Pleasant Hill Animal Control, Pleasant Hill, MO
Pratt County Humane Society, Pratt, KS

Rockin' Paw Rescue & AdoptionNetwork, Emporia, KS

Rocky Mountain Cocker Rescue, Parker, CO

Second Chance Animal Refuge Society, Auburn, KS

Shooting Star Horse Rescue, Wakarusa, KS

The Animal Rescue Alliance (T.A.R.A.) – Raytown, MO

The Rescue Project, Kansas City, MO

Topeka Community Cat Fix, Topeka, KS

Unleashed Pet Rescue, Mission, KS

Wichita Humane Society, Wichita, KS

Distributing Supplies



LionsGate Pet Hospital staff with a car load of pet supplies for distribution.

Pet food pantries, community outreach, shelters and rescues are always delighted and thrilled to receive food, beds, blankets, medicine, towels, pet gates, carriers, kennels, bowls, collars, leashes, anything pet related. We receive donations from **LionsGate Pet Hospital** in Overland Park, KS and happily deliver.

LionsGate donates food, heartworm and flea preventive that is almost expired, and they cannot sell. Community outreach groups and pet food pantries are thrilled to receive, and all will be used immediately. Clients of the pet hospital graciously donate their pet supplies they no longer need because of their pet's death. What a beautiful action by grieving families.

We thank and appreciate LionsGate Pet Hospital and their clients for all their support! LionsGate Pet Hospital also makes monetary donations in memory of their client's pets that have passed on. We are honored and humbled by their support.



Angels Heart Resue was delighted to receive donations from LionsGate.



In Remembrance

We honor those who have been memorialized through [BARK](#) this past year. They are:

Ace – pet of Gentry Family
Addie Lynnae – pet of Budke Family
Aja – pet of Marni Laverentz & Garrett Hartman
Ali – pet of Brenda Smith Flores
Athena – pet of Peterson Family
Audrey – pet of Tina & Brian Murray
Baillie – pet of Mullin Family
Bandit – pet of Terry Heintzelman
Bandit – pet of Heather & Mike Miller
Barley – pet of Kagy Family
Baxter – pet of Mark & Jennifer Bailey
Baxter – pet of Jeremy Himmelberg & Tyler Lumpkin
Bear – pet of McFarlane Family
Bella – pet of Dubinsky Family
Bella – pet of Lehr Family
Bella – pet of Joyce Overly
Bella – pet of Jean Smith
Belle – pet of Heeb Family
Bones – pet of Hall Family
Boo – pet of Ruth Dey & Mike Dickmeyer
Boo – pet of Foerster Family
Boston – pet of Goodman Family
Bran – pet of Del Rosario Family
Bruno – pet of Cunningham Family
Brutus – pet of Lucy Sapp & Wendy Farley
Buddy – pet of Niswonger Family
Bunny – pet of Bakke Family
Casey – pet of Mary Louise Gibson
Charley – pet of Eddington Family
Charley Mae – pet of Musick Family
Charlie – pet of Don & Rosie Dearmore
Chewie – pet of John & Carol Meharry
Chico – pet of Reising Family
Chiiquita – pet of Carol Dale
Chooch – pet of Rosita & Roger McCoy
Clarabelle – pet of Anderson Family
Coco – pet of Lee Family
Cody – pet of Barb Keck
Cooper – pet of Blachowicz Family
Cowboy – pet of Hamilton Family
Domino – pet of Rebecca Reising
Duke – pet of Lee Family
Earl – pet of Joe & Leslie McMillian
Eleanor Rigby – pet of Slutsky Family
Ellie – pet of Katy Martin
Emma – pet of Adair Family
Emma – pet of Wyche Family
Ernie – pet of Erickson Family
Finn – pet of Mulleedy Family
Finnegan – pet of Copeland Family
Frank – pet of Lambertz Family
Frankie – pet of Lucille Vallone
Frodo – pet of Jeff Forker & Shelly Charpeutier
Ghost – pet of Ann Baty
Gigi – pet of Jerry Williamson & Sydney Jones
Ginger – pet of Ballard Family
Ginger – pet of Shafer Family
Gisele – pet of Celina & Shane Nelson
Gizmo – pet of Erica Pitts & Darren Voiles
Gonzo – pet of Mitchell Family

Gracie – pet of Judy Weiss-Santucci
Gunner – pet of Cronan Family
Hank – pet of Killman Family
Henry – Laura Franken
Hercules – pet of Dewit Family
Holly – pet of Moad Family
Howie – pet of Nadler Family
Iris – pet of Goodman Family
Jake – pet of Marie Griffin
Jake – pet of Miller Family
Jake – pet of Shoemaker Family
Jerry – pet of Jennings Family
Jetta – pet of Kreimendahl Family
Joe – pet of Lauren & Andrew Pyle
Kasey – pet of Swaim Family
Kelly – pet of Salpistidis Family
Kennedy – pet of Moultrie Family
Kitty – pet of Al Muehlberger
Kiwi – pet of Christiansen Family
Knox – pet of Samantha & Jordan Godberson
Kona – pet of McCormick Family
Lacy – pet of Krebs Family
Lena – pet of Mackenzie Viets & Merek Holzrichter
Lincoln – pet of Holland Family
Lindy Rose – pet of Wood Family
Lissi – pet of Susan Forster
Little Bear – pet of Marilyn Gaar
Lola – pet of Cannon Family
Lola – pet of Frey Family
Lola – pet of Leann Gentry
Lone Ranger – pet of Sondra Scheib
Lucy – pet of Jennifer Klisares
Lucy Lu – pet of Hanna Family
Lulu – pet of Lang Family
Luna – pet of Casas Family
Mac – pet of Lisa & Anthony Stoothoff
Maddie – pet of Havens Family
Madison – pet of Jennifer Douglass
Maggie – pet of Franko Family
Maggie – pet of Johnson Family
Maggie Mae – pet of Sherry & Rich Herbst
Maisy Mae – pet of John & Vickie Walters
Martha My Dear – pet of Slutsky Family
Maya – pet of Gilbert Family
Mayzie – pet of Stigall Family
Miley – pet of Tamara Taylor
Milley – pet of Seibolt Family
Millie – pet of Major Family
Millie – pet of Mulvaney Family
Millie – pet of Rock Family
Missy – pet of Bost Family
Mjolnir – pet of Vlada Pechenaya
Molly – pet of Becky Brinker
Molly – pet of Mr. & Mrs. Lang
Moose – pet of Nate Bryson & Haylee Dancer
Morgan – pet of Gilbert Family
Mozbee – pet of Divine Family
Mozie – pet of Bernadette & Jim Fischer
Mya – pet of Scott & Llor Cook
Nannie Grace – pet of Culbertson Family
Nike – pet of Olthoff Family
Oliver – pet of Hoover Family

Ollie – pet of Brodie Beck
Oreo – pet of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Berman
Oreo – pet of Blackburn Family
Oreo – pet of Ragona Family
Orion – pet of Chuck & Lynn Smit
Pearl – pet of Martin Family
Penny – pet of Adair Family
PJ – pet of Graven Family
Princess – pet of Hartwick Family
Quincee – pet of Teater Family
Rafa – pet of Davis Family
Raymond – per of Enger Family
Reggie – pet of Rogers Family
Riesling – pet of Sharon & Harry Ritter
Riley – pet of Cindy Kogan
Ripley – pet of Eisenfeld-Smith Family
Rita – pet of Kim Holler
Rocky - pet of Thomas Family
Rooney – pet of LoMonaco Family
Rooney – pet of Negahban Family
Rosco – pet of Ed & Shelia Ost
Ruby – pet of Kolquist Family
Sammy – pet of Chang Family
Sammy – pet of Rogers Family
Sasha – pet of Becky Brinker
Shelby – pet of Kat & Jeff Powell
Sinatra – pet of Shafer Family
Skyy – pet of Duffy Family
Smash – pet of Clark Family
Smokey – pet of Martin Cotoc
Smoke – pet of Fowler Family
Smuckers – pet of Hall Family
Sofie – pet of Spallitta Family
Sophie – pet of Michele Berson
Sophie – pet of Amy Grimm
Sophie – pet of Horowitz Family
Stella – pet of Page Family
Stella – pet of DeVolder Family
Stewart – pet of Enger Family
Stiegl – pet of Matt & Denise Miller
Suzi-Q – pet of Janice Carr
Tabi – pet of Marilyn Gaar
Taco – pet of Adams Family
Teddie – pet of Jeff Thompson
Tessa – pet of Lucille Vallone
Theo – pet of Vickie & Steven Williams
Thor – pet of Shafer Family
Tiger – pet of Fred & Roz Goodman
Titan – pet of Giltner Family
Tommy – pet of Hundley/Montgomery Families
Truman – pet of Pam & Mike Lowry
Tucker – pet of Jones Family
Vincent – pet of Wayne & Lisa Reppe
Waffles – pet of Shelly Freeman
Watson – pet of Blucher Family
Yogi – pet of Bard & Chuck Davis
Zada – pet of Laub Family
Zade – pet of Deb Henning
Zeke – pet of Grosdidier Family
Zeke – pet of Wyatt Family

In Honor of

Llor Cook
Amanda Moses





Not all outcomes are what we want. **BERNIE** was a 6-month-old puppy at Humane Society of Greater Kansas City that had elevated liver enzymes. An ultrasound was needed to get a prognosis which **BARK** took care of. The prognosis was not a good one. Bernie had a liver disease and needed a portacaval shunt to give him a good quality of life. The shelter was looking into who could do the specialty surgery when he became unresponsive and rushed to an emergency animal hospital where he needed to be humanely euthanized.

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Our Mission

BARK is an IRS 501(3) (c) charitable corporation. The purpose of **BARK** is to receive and accept funds and property to be administered exclusively for charitable purposes, primarily in connection with the prevention of cruelty to animals. **BARK** acts as a valuable resource for the care of animals, including their food, board, medical needs and social training. **BARK's** goal is to act as the voice for animals in need of care by allocating **ALL funds** toward the support of local humane shelters and other charitable organizations whose purpose is to prevent cruelty to animals.

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