



# Home of the Long Dog

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**Buster**

## From the President and Eli:

We want to be put out of business. We are probably the only business that would be thrilled to not have any business. Of course with regards to rescue that means their wouldn't be any dogs to help. Since we are still in business, we have to make life and possible death decisions on a weekly basis. It is hard to sleep at night.

How do we choose which dogs to help? For those of us volunteering with Nebraska Dachshund Rescue, it is a constant resource balancing question. We have to make tough choices and go to bed at night asking ourselves did we make the right decision. Will the dog we said no to find the help that he or she needs? With dachshunds being in high demand by pet stores they are being over-bred. There are many, many breeders out there who want

to get rid of their breeding dogs when they no longer provide a value to them. When the breeding dog starts costing the breeder money, it is time for the dog to go. Breeders who are retiring their dog "livestock" (exactly how they are treated) will call rescue groups and just say if you want them, come and get them and get them quickly. Breeders do not often want to send pictures because we will be able to see the horrendous circumstances in which they are currently kept.

Our rescue group has been bombarded with requests from breeders, with only one so far taking loving care of our dog. There are many dogs who are bred inappropriately, who are then tossed aside because they have genetic defects. We have one that came in recently named Maddie. She is deaf and blind in one eye. We are still waiting to see if she can get any sight

out of one eye.

Our board consists of members who vote on our initiatives from different perspectives. All of our board members want to help every dog in need, but luckily we have our board members who keep us in line. They keep our feet on the ground with regards to expenses, number of volunteers and the number of foster homes we have available.

Our long term goal is to help every dog that is in need that we come in contact with, but right now we have to make tough choices because of resources. Please help educate your friends and family about reputable breeders and the option that rescues and shelters provide. We want to be put out of business all together.

## The Long Dogs take over the Bakery

On June 28th, Nebraska Dachshund Rescue held the first of hopefully many Meet and Greets at 3 Dog Bakery. It was great weather for a June day. The rescues were able to say hello to all the shoppers strolling by. Many of them even stopped to pet and find out about all the dachshunds.

Benny was lucky enough to go home with a family that already went through the adoption application process. The family came all the way from Des Moines to find him. Lilli strolled the mall a bit and did some window shopping while Toby and Sonny lounged in the grass. Thanks

to all the foster families for coming out to the Meet and Greet.





## From Paisley's eyes

Paisley is one of the puppy mill dogs NDR rescued. Her foster family shared what Paisley had to tell us: "What a strange world! Everything smells so different and it is so quiet. I must admit I don't miss the sound of all those other dogs barking constantly. The nice lady with the calm voice and the girl put me a large tub of warm water and massaged my bony body. I wasn't afraid at all, and it felt so good to have a towel rubbed all over me!!

Years ago, I once heard a dog mention that he had been to a place called a "home", and that there were people there who treated him like he was important, or like a human. He said you could have all the food you want, and there was always a warm and safe place to sleep. He said also, in a home they love you. All the other dogs laughed at him, and said homes didn't exist, but after that, I always dreamed that one day I might see a home or be in one.

After the bath, when we were done, I laid down with the lady on the softest cloth I have ever felt-I think they said it was a blanket and would be mine to keep! She snuggled me close, and I sighed and fell asleep with the lady's arms wrapped around me, and for the first time in my life, I didn't dream of anything"

Paisley



## Dog Days of Summer

Sarah McLain from the Bellevue area held a lemonade stand on a hot June day. This young entrepreneur donated all the money she raised from her stand to the Nebraska Dachshund Rescue. All the rescues thank you Sarah for your hard work and wish they could have been there to lick up any spills that might have happened. We love how you decorated your stand too! Hopefully you had as much fun as you look like you are in your picture. Again thank you for thinking of the dachshunds.



Sarah is pictured with her brothers, Victor and Jack along with their own dachshunds Max and Cocoa Puff

*"My goal in life is to be as good a person as my dog already thinks I am" - Unknown*

## Always looking for help

NDR has worked with several other rescue groups to help bring in 7 dachshunds from a puppy mill breeder. The mill dogs just came in to rescue on July 11th so we have yet to have them all up on our website or even find out their personalities or struggles yet. We are excited to be able to help these 7 but know that we face a new challenge before us. We are all volunteers that juggle the rescue,

families, work and what life deals us day-to-day. With our newest challenge, we find that we are needing dedicated volunteers that can help us. Please consider volunteering for our rescue. We are looking for Foster Advocates, foster homes and someone to help with transportation. If you are not able to volunteer your time or not located near us, please consider being a sponsor to one of the rescues we have in our care. If you have a

special talent in creating items, we are always looking for items to use for raffle prizes or to sell at events that we participate in. If anything, please share with others about NDR or adopting rescue animals rather than purchasing a pet store dog. Please take a look at our website for more information or email us with any questions.

## Donate by shopping on line through iGive

A new way to donate to Nebraska Dachshund Rescue is to shop online through iGive website. Go to [www.igive.com](http://www.igive.com) and signup. List Nebraska Dachshund Rescue as your charity and then shop. There are over 640 stores listed (QVC, HSN, Eddie Bauer, etc). The key is to remember to access the stores online through the iGive website. NDR will receive a donation from those companies. In addition, if you sign up and use the service within 30 days of signing, NDR will receive an additional \$5 donation.

Over \$25 dollars has been raised for NDR by going through Goodsearch for internet searching and shopping. Keep up the good work and always remember to search the web using [goodsearch.com](http://goodsearch.com) and choosing Nebraska Dachshund rescue for your charity. (See June's newsletter for complete details)

## Spotlight on a rescue: Lilli

Lilli is a 4 yr old short hair red dachshund. She is an owner surrender. Lilli's back end is paralyzed. From what we know, she most likely had a ruptured disc. When she came into rescue, she was evaluated for possible surgery, but didn't have sensation in her back legs. Surgery wasn't recommended since we did not know how long she has been without feeling in the backend. To be able to have the best success with surgery, it is recommended to have surgery within 24 hours of losing that sensation. So with that knowledge, NDR went in search of a cart and donations to cover the expense.

Lilli's cart was purchased through K-9carts.com. They have been a big help making sure her cart fits her the best it can. Since Lilli has received her cart, there has been no stopping her. She may not like getting into the cart, but there is no stopping her once she is moving. She thinks toes are speed bumps and goes "off roading" when she feels like it. When she is not in her cart, she scoots around like she is in her cart. She definitely does not let the fact that her back legs don't work stop her from being the active 4 year old she should be. She also loves to play with her toys, roll around and plays with other dogs. She loves to bark, especially when

the doorbell rings on TV. She acts like an attack dog when new dogs come around, but she just wants to give them a good sniff down. Lilli does need extra care. She needs her bladder expressed at least 3 times a day. Her bowel movements happened when they happen. She can (and has) sores on her feet from dragging them. She is more prone to bladder infections. Her forever home would have to block any stairs in their home for fear of her tumbling down them. With all that though, she is a joy to have and loves life. You can see this in her face and how she acts.



Lilli in her new wheels



One more of Lilli

## Spotlight on a volunteer: Cheryl

Cheryl is the President of Nebraska Dachshund Rescue. Her own dachshund, Eli, is the inspiration behind forming a rescue group for dachshunds. Cheryl has been involved in rescue before with a golden retriever rescue group. Her rescue knowledge has helped NDR move toward becoming a successful one too. Along with her rescue knowledge, she is a very active and successful trainer. She teaches owly-growly classes, which has helped our own Mandie become a more mannered

little lady. With this wealth of knowledge in rescue and training she is a great resource of information. If she isn't teaching or mentoring the rescue board members, you can find her taking care of her own house full of dogs and rescues. She also fits in time for her kids and grandkids too. She does this all on top of working her full-time

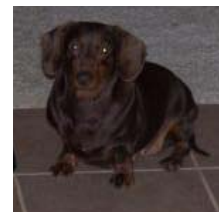
job to fill those dog bowls. Cheryl is also behind the inspirations for the Weenies in Waikiki theme for NDR's first official fundraiser, which is going to be great fun! Thanks Cheryl for all your hard work and dedication. Over 45 dogs have been rescued for a better life and more than 20 have found their forever homes



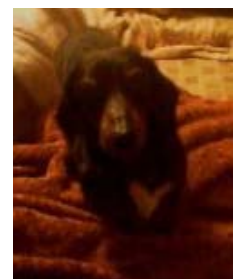
Eli



Flash



Coco



Quincy



Mandie

## A Big Dachshund Bark out to....

\*Tom and Karen Martin with TK Training Solution for their monetary donation

\*The Durgin Family for donating the bandanas for the rescues

\*Vicki Luoma from Minnesota donating money to finish paying off Lilli's cart

\*The many generous people who have proven

to us that our PayPal "donate" button works on our website. Thanks so much!

\*Sarah McLain for donating from her lemonade stand

\*Heart United for assisting us with the puppy mill breeder rescue

\*The Spay and Neuter clinic for always taking

great care of our rescues

\*Dachshund Anonymous meetup group for always helping and supporting us

\*Nicole at Camp BowWow for donating a portion of her proceeds of her playgroup

\*All of our foster families for taking great care of our rescues



**Checkers**



**Bailey**



**Henry**



**Jackson**



**Sonny**



**Lex**

## How to find a reputable breeder

What in fact, is a "reputable breeder"? Because just about anyone can throw two dogs together and produce puppies. A few guidelines for choosing a reputable breeder.

A reputable breeder:

- Takes responsible care of all of his or her dogs (breeding stock & puppies), and provides: A) Sufficient companionship, affection, interaction & attention B) Nutritious quality dog food & fresh clean water C) Adequate shelter D) Immunization E) Proper vet care F) Parasite prevention/treatment F) Grooming G) Exercise H) Socialization
- Belongs to a national (and/or local) breed club.
- Abides by their breed club's Code of Ethics.
- Tests their breeding stock for any congenital diseases, conditions (i.e.: hip dysplasia, Von Willebrand's Disease, retinal dysplasia, etc.), and strives to eliminate genetic problems by breeding only sound dogs (shown to be free of any serious physical conditions and/or temperament problems).
- Only breeds dogs that have excellent temperaments.
- Is very knowledgeable about their breed.
- Strives to better their breed.
- Immunizes their puppies' Sires and Dams (& their Puppies) against: Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parvo, Para influenza, Corona & Rabies.
- Screens potential owners thoroughly, and does not sell to those who are unsuitable.
- Educates potential owners, and discloses any pertinent information about their breed.
- Encourages the neutering of all "pet quality" dogs (and all dogs that will not be shown in conformation). Spay/neuter contracts should be issued with the sale of all pet quality dogs.
- Offers new puppy owners guidance and support (for the puppy's entire lifetime).
- NEVER sells puppies to puppy brokers, pet shops or puppy outlets of any kind (including so-called "Kennel Clubs"). Period.
- Shows, trials and/or titles their dogs.
- Supports or participates in breed rescue work whenever possible.
- Never breeds out of greed (and never over-breeds).
- Will take back a puppy or dog that doesn't work out.

Please forward this newsletter to any Dachshund lover or rescue supporter you know. We are grateful for your help in passing on information about Nebraska Dachshund Rescue.

Please email us at [nebdoxrescue@hotmail.com](mailto:nebdoxrescue@hotmail.com) with inquires about the rescue group or how you can help.