

PUPDATES



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Treats this Month

HAPPY TAILS: GUS - PG 2

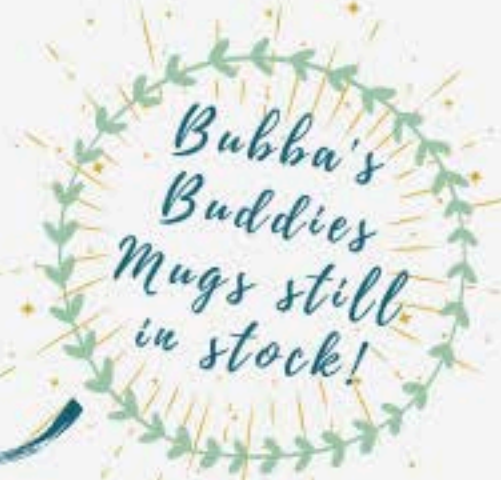
MAY SPECIAL THANKS: - PGS 3-4

SPECIAL REQUEST: PG 4

QCWC apparel is in the shop!



Please see page 4 for a special request!



MAY Hours: Tues-Sat 10am-4pm

As a reminder, please do not park in the lawyer's parking lot north of our shop. Extra parking is available in the south lot.

HAPPY TAILS: GUS

Written by: Shelby Petersen

Meet Gus. Gus is a long-haired dachshund. He is loved dearly by his family, which includes me, my husband Colin, our daughter Alexis, and his two fur-brothers Oliver and Oscar who are also long-haired dachshunds. Unfortunately, Gus was diagnosed with IVDD (Introduction to Intervertebral Disk Disease) when he was 6 years old.

For the first 4 years of Gus' life, he had no problems. He could jump around, run up and down the ramp to the sofa, and run and tussle with his other four-legged family members. Around age 4 we started taking Gus to the chiropractor, because he seemed to be having some back issues and seemed to be in pain periodically. We continued this treatment for about 2 years, and Gus seemed to respond positively to the treatments.

Then in May of 2018 our entire family, fur babies included, were going to attend the Crosstown Bark Around Dachshund Social In Chicago. We drove up on Friday and spent the night in a hotel. Saturday morning, Gus let out a scream after being set down from a trip outside to go potty. It was a scream like I've never heard before.

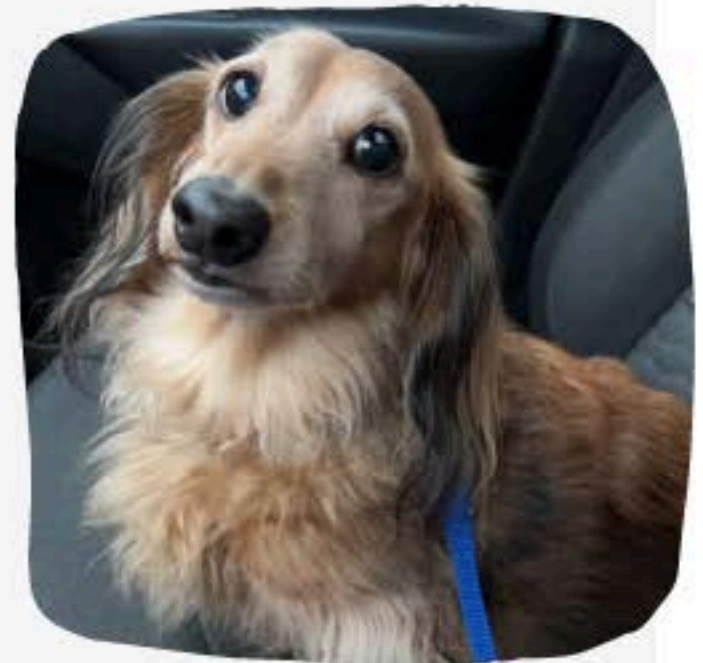
Gus started showing intense pain and back spasms, so we packed up and drove back to the Quad Cities and went directly to the Animal Emergency Center in Bettendorf where the IVDD was diagnosed.

We were given three choices: medication, which would still leave Gus crippled or paralyzed for life; euthanasia; or emergency surgery at the University of Iowa School of Veterinary Medicine in Ames, Iowa to remove a disc in his spine. We knew there was really only one choice for our Gussie Boy.

We chose the emergency surgery, which was performed on May 20th. After one week at the hospital in Ames for recovery and physical rehabilitation (and visits from his family), Gus was able to come back home. This is where Rescued came into the picture.

Prior to this unexpected family crisis, my mother and I had discovered Rescued on a Shop Hop day. My mother is also friends with Nathan Bird who frequently gets involved with projects that benefit RESCUED and had told her about the financial assistance offered to pet owners who need some help with unexpected veterinary costs.

My mom decided that Gus' surgery and hospital care, which had a total bill of \$4,068.00, fit the description of those who Rescued helps and reached out to Erin. Erin authorized \$500 towards the costs. An additional amount was offered, but we decided to use Care Credit to deal with the remaining balance. We were just so appreciative for any help with this costly surgery that would make life great again for Gus.



And that is what happened: life is great again for Gus! When Gus first returned home he had to be assisted with a sling to move around and had to undergo weeks of therapy twice a day. But he healed and hasn't slowed down since.

We took measures to, as we say, "Doxiefy" our house. We have barriers that prevent the dogs from jumping off furniture and ramps throughout the house to allow the dogs to get in the furniture without having to jump. Gus is still doing amazing today! He is now 10 years old and acts like a little pup running around with his fur bothers. You would never know that 4 years ago we questioned if he would ever walk again.

I will continue to support Rescued. Erin is amazing for what she has done to not only help our family but so many other families in the area !



MAY SPECIAL THANKS

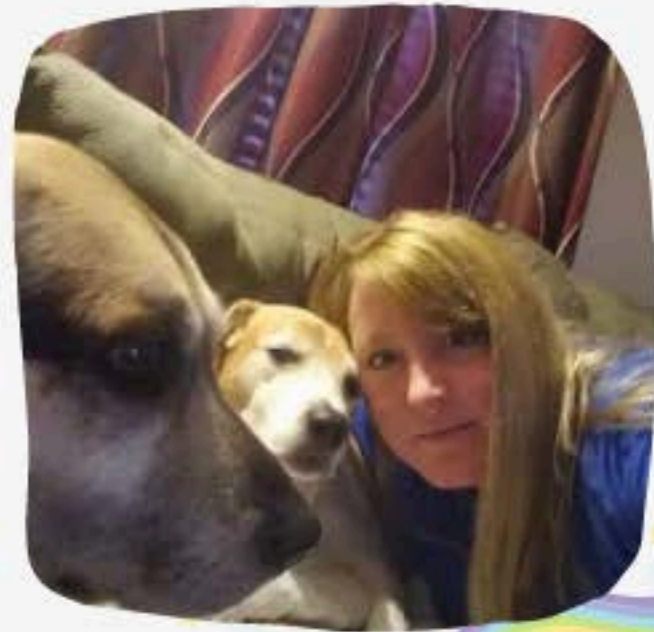
NATHAN BIRD

Thank you Nathan Bird for another Facebook fundraiser memorializing another sweet fur baby who passed the rainbow bridge this year. Daisy Mae passed on March 15th, and Nate hosted a fundraiser for 13 days to honor her memory as well as the 13th birthday that she would have celebrated this year on March 16th.

When Angel Marie passed on in January, Nate raised \$1700 on Facebook in her memory. In Daisy Mae's memory, he raised another \$2025, bringing his total fundraising efforts to \$3725 this year.

Nate writes: "We know the pain and heartbreak of losing Angel and Daisy will never go away, but we're happy knowing that the fundraisers we did in their memories for Rescued will help a lot of local animals in need... Thank you so much to everyone who donated and for all the love and support during a couple of rough months."

Thank you so much for including Rescued once again in this special way of honoring your pups' memories. Our hearts are with you!



KATE PARR

Thank you to Kate Parr for donating \$600 from her first quarter sales!

SHARON MARTIN

Thank you to Sharon Martin for donating \$154 from April's CASI event!

COOT'S COOKIES

Thank you for the dog treats that were donated to hand out at MADE last month!

ALLEY SHOPPERS

Thank you for donating \$5 to the shop from every shirt sold, which totaled \$105!

WESSELS & WIERMAN, P.C.

Thank you for donating \$35 from the office NCAA tournament pool!

ORDER OF KING'S DAUGHTERS

Thank you for the \$25 donated to the shop!

CRAFTED QC

Thank you to Crafted QC for donating the entry fees from April's MADE event, which totaled \$6814.28. And thank you to everyone who showed up to support local business and crafters!



Special Request

We're lookin' at you, fur Parent!



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Do you have a Rescued success story? We want to hear about it!

If your story is chosen for our monthly newsletter, you'll receive a sticker/gift pack. Contact us to share your story.

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