



Kansas treatment has dog celebrating second New Year

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Courtesy of Barbara Bias Coal was diagnosed with neuro distemper in December 2014 and was not given a good prognosis. Owner Barbara Bias credits a treatment received at Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine with curing Coal.



HUNTINGTON - Huntington resident Barbara Bias began fostering Coal, a small, sick dog, on Nov. 19, 2014.

What started as a diagnosis of kennel cough quickly changed to neuro distemper, and many felt Coal wouldn't survive this more serious illness.

But Bias wasn't ready to give up on her "sweet doggie."

Bias' friend Deb Simms started searching online for a cure for distemper. Simms found Kind Hearts in Action, a 501(c)3 charity dedicated to saving dogs from distemper. Since December 2008, Save Dogs From Canine Distemper, a project of Kind Hearts In Action, has been tracking the effectiveness of the Newcastle Disease Vaccine treatments discovered by a veterinarian in Lancaster, California, according to the organization's website.

The organization was formed by Ed Bond, whose dog was saved by Dr. Al Sears' treatments, according to the website.

Bond referred Coal to Dr. Ken Harkin at the Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Harkin was conducting a study on animals with neuro distemper, and Bias was asked to bring Coal to the college for treatment beginning Jan. 2, 2015.

Bias said Coal started showing improvement immediately and was referred to "Coal from West Virginia."

Bias and Coal returned to the college for a follow-up on April 17, 2015, and were told Coal was disease-free.

"Coal's new life began Jan. 2, 2015, and now a year later he is celebrating his New Year as a very active and happy 2-year-old doggie," Bias said.



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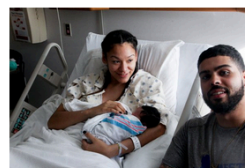
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