



A real story from real people – and supporters of “Giving a New Leash on Life” Campaign.

By: Michelle and Steve Corry

“A few months ago, one of our wine representatives noticed that Steve was wearing his “Rottweiler Rescue” sweatshirt at a staff meeting. After learning that we had adopted a Rottweiler from a nearby shelter, he realized that our story would fit in well with one of the new wines he was distributing called “Stray Dog.”

So, to begin, we are Steve and Michelle Corry from Portland, Maine. We are mostly known as the face of Five Fifty-Five and Petite Jacqueline, two award winning restaurants in the city. Although we’ve been established for ten years, not many people know about our family life or about our passions outside the restaurant industry. Over the last few years, the focus of our lives has broadened. Now, in addition to obsessing about our restaurants, we devote ourselves to raising our two young sons and to raising Rocco, our nine-year-old Rottweiler. When we were approached to talk about our lives in regards to supporting Stray Dog—a wine that helps to advance the ASPCA’s rescue efforts—we were very excited. As restaurateurs, we certainly appreciate good wine; but as parents and animal lovers, we care deeply about rescuing shelter dogs and other pets. We found Rocco at a shelter in Fryberg, Maine on Christmas day, 2004, and our lives have not been the same since. He is a sweet, loving dog, who is enormously patient with our young children, and who is always on-guard to protect our family when we go to sleep. Rocco likes to cuddle, and although we have tried to break this habit, he sleeps with us every night. As a matter of fact, one of us always wakes up to discover his head on one our pillows!

We will be offering Stray Dog at our flagship restaurant, Five fifty-Five, for the month of May, and we will be doing our best to encourage people to support this cause as we continue to tell our story—hopefully over a glass of wine!

All the Best,

Steve and Michelle

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