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Loving Every One of Your Dog's Ages and Stages

Chicken Soup for the Soul celebrates your dog from puppyhood to the senior years

COS COB, Conn. – Our dogs offer us a lifetime of love. They are our best friends, loyal companions and a source of much amusement over the years. This was the case with Linda C. Wright when she adopted her chocolate-brown Boykin Spaniel puppy, Ginger. Linda shares her story about how she took Ginger to dog obedience school and she failed the course. Although disappointed, Linda couldn't help but hug the mischievous but adorable dog who gave her puppy kisses, wagged her tail and asked for a biscuit.

Chicken Soup for the Soul publishes their latest dog book, *Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life* (Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing, LLC, April 12, 2011, 978-1935096658, \$14.95) containing 101 stories about all the memorable ages and stages of our canine companions' lives. Dog owners cannot get enough of the funny and moving stories featuring our furry friends. The stories will make you laugh, cry and recognize yourself and your pet in these heartwarming and inspiring tales of puppy antics, teenage rebellion, adapting to an aging dog and finally, having to say goodbye.

Animal Fair founder and pet contributor to NBC's *Today Show*, Wendy Diamond, who wrote the foreword to *Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life*, said, "Dogs help us to love, to exercise, to be heard, to be strong, and to laugh. Relish every moment of pet parenting and enjoy these magnificent stories as I did. Each one is a reminder of how powerful, magical and life-changing being a pet parent really is."

From thousands of story submissions, Chicken Soup for the Soul editors have selected touching and irresistibly funny stories, such as the one about Sam, an exuberant Black Lab who loved to play jokes on his pet parents, but who himself couldn't stand being laughed at. There's also a great story about a service dog for a blind woman who lead his pet parent down the pet food aisle in the supermarket because he couldn't resist smelling the dog food!

Whichever stage in dog parenthood you are in, one thing remains true – we are all blessed to have the opportunity to share these special years with our beloved canine friends. The stories in this book remind us of the great gift it is to have our dogs in our lives, the friendships we share, and how the human-animal bond makes us better people every day.

Chicken Soup for the Soul: My Dog's Life (Jack Canfield, Mark Victor Hansen, and Jennifer Quasha) will be released on April 12, 2011. Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing, LLC, publishes all the latest titles in the famous Chicken Soup for the Soul book series which are distributed through Simon & Schuster, Inc. Since 1993, books in the Chicken Soup for the Soul series have sold over 112 million copies, with titles translated into over 40 languages. Chicken Soup for the Soul Publishing also licenses the right to use its famous trademark to high quality licensees. The company is currently implementing a plan to expand into all media, is working with TV networks on several TV shows and is developing a major Internet presence dedicated to life improvement, emotional support, inspiration and wellness. In 2007, USA Today named Chicken Soup for the Soul one of the five most memorable and impactful books in the last quarter century. For more information visit: www.chickensoup.com.

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