

## Testimonial

On October 4, 2006 “Mr. Winston” came to visit Dr. Rose DiLeva after an unfortunate sofa incident left him without the use of his hind legs. “Mr. Winston”, an otherwise healthy 4- year- old “tweeny” short hair dachshund had recently been administered a steroid shot as a result of bulging discs in his spine. Without going into detail, “Mr. Winston” was feeling spunky and jumped off our sofa and in doing so caused further damage to his back which resulted in paralysis of his hind legs. Not knowing what to do, we decided to keep him in his crate overnight and hope that this was just a stinger that would loosen up overnight. In the morning our worst fears came to fruition with no change in Winston’s back legs. After realizing that he would not heal on his own, we explored our options and gravitated to holistic treatment as opposed to the expensive traditional surgery.

After combing the yellow pages, we came across Dr. Rose’s ad and Animal Wellness Center, which caught our attention. We were able to make an appointment just several hours after making contact with her office. Little did we know that “Mr. Winston” was about to embark on an incredible journey that far exceeded our expectations. “Winston” arrived and was checked out by Dr. Rose DiLeva who determined from x-rays that he was suffering from bulging and herniated discs in his lumbar region. She administered a round of **acupuncture** and prescribed a plethora of herbs and organic medicines to administer to “Mr. Winston” on a daily basis. Our four-year-old Dachshund looked like a little old man with all the pills he was about to take. After the first visit we were unable to see a change in his status, which caused mild concern even though we were advised that it could be a short while before the herbs and acupuncture started to perform.

Needless to say, after several weeks “Mr. Winston” has had in our eyes a miraculous recovery **without** the need for invasive surgery. Although he will never be the same spunky little guy that we knew, he now has full functioning back legs that work quite well. At this point in time (11/06), we visit Dr. Rose every 10 days for an acupuncture treatment and are hoping to extend the time between visits in the near future. We have been able to reduce the dosage on some of his herbs during this healing period.

According to Dr. Rose, the most important aspect of our treatment was the early recognition that “Mr. Winston” was a prime candidate for successful acupuncture treatment. We owe Dr. Rose DiLeva and her staff a great deal of gratitude for her assistance in bringing back our dear friend from an injury that caused great concern for us.

Thank you,  
“Mr. Winston’s” parents, Jason & Emily K.