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Davie Meinert is an African director and filmmaker who rescued Pegasus, a 4-week-old Great Dane pup from a backyard breeder, reports Jessica Schmitz of Barkpost.

"Most of her siblings died after birth or were deformed," wrote Meinert, in his extremely moving video. Pegasus, herself, was born with a pigment deficiency, "I was told that if she lived, she'd go deaf and blind."

Meinert told Schmitz, "Rescuing her was a way for me to be sure she'd be looked after. For me, she had already been born – nothing was going to change that. By rescuing her, at least I could be certain that she wouldn't be discarded."

Meinert decided that, more than take in Pegasus, he would treasure every moment with her. For him, the best way to do that was with a camera. "I decided to record every day we had left. This is what I ended up with…" He wanted to celebrate each day with Pegasus, and what he ended up with is a beautiful video diary that shows the defiant dog growing stronger each day. Amazing work, both of you!

To learn more about depigmentation disorders in dogs, click here >>

Video posted by Dave Meinert.

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