



# Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue

## NEWSLETTER

### Holiday Greetings from the Danes and Saints at Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue



### We Need Your Help

At this time of the year when everyone is preparing for the holidays, please take time to remember the Danes and Saints that are still at the Rescue. We know that this is the season when you are besieged by many worthy causes with requests for donations, but please give a thought to sponsoring a homeless Dane or Saint or making a donation to the Rescue.

HHGDSBR is a no-kill rescue. Dogs which are not adopted will live here for the rest of their lives. We provide food, veterinary care, and shelter for all of them. Those of you who have large breed dogs know veterinary and medical care alone is expensive. You also know that utility costs are going up. These costs must be met from donations.

We also have a wish list of supplies that are needed for the comfort of the dogs and ordinary maintenance. You can see the complete list by going to our Web

Site at [www.hhdane.com](http://www.hhdane.com) and clicking on the link "Our Wish List."

We also ask your help in finding suitable homes for the dogs. We have been accused of being too strict in our requirements for adoption, but these dogs have already been abandoned by at least one owner, and we want to make sure that they find forever homes.

Make checks payable to HHGDSBR and mail to:  
11567 State Route 774  
Bethel, OH 45106-8634

OR

You can make a donation using your credit card by going to our Web Site at [www.hhdane.com](http://www.hhdane.com) and clicking on the link to:

*PayPal*

## Donors and Sponsors

Scott Altenofen  
Bernie Ball  
Wendi & Andy Beauseau  
Donald & Patricia Blum  
Joseph & Kimberly Coffey  
Robert & Annette Condon  
Christe Creedon  
Adam & Amber Darbutt  
Jane Dickinson  
Chuck Esposito  
Donna Fanta  
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Dana Harrington  
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Kristy Kornmann  
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Constance Megison  
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Sams Club, Eastgage  
Sams Club, Landon  
Sams Club, Ridge  
Tracy Sleeter of Griffin Design  
Christopher Stringer  
Cindy, Jenna & Carley  
Swormstedt  
Tim and Mary Wilbers  
Tedd & Sandra Wilcox  
in memory of Dana  
Holly Witte  
Ellen Wolchek

We try very hard to include the names of all who have donated or sponsored since the last newsletter was published. If we have missed you, we sincerely apologize.

## Volunteers

Stephanie Agostini  
Ruth Altenhofen  
Scott Altenhofen  
Patti & Bob Baird  
Bernie Ball  
Susan Beeler  
Becky Bell  
Melody, Danielle & William  
Brackney  
  
Scarlett & Dean Breeding  
Becky and John Cartmell  
Debi Coffee  
Christe Creedon  
Jane Dickinson  
Chuck Esposito  
Tom & Carolyn French  
Thelma Goris  
Scarlett Jackson  
Susan Kinser-Castator  
Nancy Marconett  
Nikol Marsh  
Lori Rader  
Sharon Reynolds  
Sandra Seidman  
Sonja & Gabriel Venzin  
and son Anthony  
  
Denise Weide  
Holly Witte  
Steve Woodin & son  
**Attorney**  
Greg Ruehlmann  
**Computer Consultant**  
Judy Wilson  
**Veterinarians**  
Dan Meakin  
Jeff Sutton  
Jennifer Lewando  
Lee Schrader  
Steve Schrader  
Care Center

## Recent Adoptions

Mari	Kelle & Patrick Giese
Kaytee (aka Katie)	Tim, Mary & Allen Wilbers
Katie (aka) Sheba)	Keith Giessler
Boris	Laura Lavielle
Penny	Chad Clarridge & Melissa Borowske
Truman	Lindsay Nofziger & Michael Plagge
Boomer	Patricia Hollihan

## Adoptions

As of November 8, 2002 we have placed 948 dogs in adoptive homes. There are, however, 32 Great Danes, 6 Mixes, 20 Saint Bernards, and 1 Toy Manchester Terrier waiting for suitable homes. Please help us to find good homes for these loving and deserving dogs. All are spayed or neutered, heartworm tested, on heartworm preventative, have received all shots except rabies, have received medical treatment as needed, and have been temperament tested. **A fenced yard is required to adopt a dog. Invisible or electric fences are not acceptable.**

For adoption fees and a complete list of dogs available for adoption go to our Web Site at [www.hhdane.com](http://www.hhdane.com).

## Kajon's Dog Gone Designs

As you do your holiday shopping for your dog loving friends check out Kajon's Dog Gone Designs. Go the HHGDSBR home page at [www.hhdane.com](http://www.hhdane.com) and click on the link to Dog Related Gifts. Towards the bottom of that page there is a link to Kajon's Dog Gone Designs. HHGDSBR receives 30% of all sales purchased through this link.

# MEMORIALS

THEY MAY BE GONE FROM  
OUR HOMES, BUT THEY WILL  
LIVE IN OUR HEARTS FOREVER.

**Kohl (aka Tiny)**  
Jean and Chuck Inwood

**Cleo**  
Sharon Reynolds and  
Thelma Goris

**Miranda and Merlin**  
Tom and Dale Bath

**Desi**  
Amy Gregory

**Kelsey**  
Bernie Ball

**Tyson**  
Vicky Dearth

**Zeus**  
Tom and Elizabeth Cooper

**Destiny**  
Debi and John Coffee

**Dana**  
Tedd and Sandra Wilcox

**Mingle with the Mutts  
at the Franklin County Animal  
Shelter**  
1731 Alum Creek Dr.  
Columbus, OH

This will be a monthly event so please bring your dog and visit with us on the third Sunday of every month from noon until 2 P.M. Sorry there will be no adoptable dogs at this event. For more details e-mail Jane Dickinson at [JDickinson@Lakeshore.com](mailto:JDickinson@Lakeshore.com)

**Dane/Saint Awareness  
at Pet Supply Plus**  
7712-D Montgomery Rd.  
Cincinnati, OH

Christe Creedon is organizing a Rescue Awareness Day on November 10 from 1 PM to 4 PM. She hopes to make this a regular event. If you want to help, contact her at [c Creedon@compucor.com](mailto:c Creedon@compucor.com).

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## Picnic in June 2003?

Last June the picnic was canceled because there were not enough reservations. Because we have to reserve the State Park by January 15, we want to know if enough of you are interested in having a picnic next year. Let us know before January 15 by emailing your opinion to [picnic@hhdane.com](mailto:picnic@hhdane.com) or sending a card or letter to:

HHGDSBR

11567 St. Rt. 774

Bethel, OH 45106-8634

**This is for information only. It is not to make a reservation.**

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## PAINT DAY AT THE RESCUE



**Dale mixing paint while  
Stephanie, Bernie, Melody and  
Sandra supervise.**

October 27 was a work day at the Rescue. Painting was the task of the day. Melody Brackney, William Brackney, Sandra Seidman, Becky Bell, Stephanie Agostini,

Bernie Ball, and Nancy Marconett came to help. Everyone worked hard from 11 a.m. to about 4 p.m. at which time everyone cleaned up and enjoyed a hearty carry-in meal.

## Want to Help?

Beginning in January 2003 we are going to try to have a work day at the Rescue on the fourth Sunday of every month. There is plenty of work to be done—bathing and grooming dogs, cleaning, painting, filing, etc.

The plan is to work from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. and then enjoy a meal and social hour with everyone bringing a covered dish.

Dale will be posting notices of these special days on the e-mail lists.

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## Dog Day at the Park



### Jack Greeting Pete

Sunday, October 13 was “Dog Day at the Park” at Cox Arboretum in Dayton, Ohio. Volunteers who came to help Nikol Marsh were Scarlett and Dean Breeding with both of their dogs, Patti and Bob Baird with Marley, Debi Coffee, Melody Brackney with Jack, William Brackney and Steve Woodin and his son with Tigger.

**The Rescue will be closed  
from December 15 to  
January 4.**

# The Christmas Pup



When I was about 8 weeks old a lady picked me to be a Christmas present for her grandson. She tied a big, red ribbon around my neck, put me in a wicker basket and took me to my new home.

The little boy was delighted to find me under the Christmas tree. He squealed with delight, grabbed me and held me tightly. A little too tightly, but I'm not one to complain about getting attention. We had a wonderful time playing with the toys that grandma had brought with me.

The boy's mother told him that he would have to take care of me, because she sure wasn't going to do it. The boy promised that he would feed me, walk me and clean up after me.

For the first month or so the boy kept his promise and we had good times playing together in spite of the fact that I had to sleep in the garage. After a while, though, he found other things to do and spent less time with me. His mother had to remind him to feed me and take me outside for exercise and nature calls.

By the time I was 6 months old I knew something was wrong. There were constant arguments between the boy and his mother. Sometimes the father would join the battle and send the boy to his room. Everyone was angry!

One day we all got into the car and drove a long way out into the country. When we stopped, we all got out. I thought we were going to play or at least

take a walk. I heard the father say that I needed room to run, and someone would pick me up and give me a home. Then they all got back in the car and drove away. I tried to follow, but I couldn't run fast enough to catch up with them.

I was heartbroken and scared. I didn't know what I was going to do. I walked and walked until I was so tired that I had to lie down. I must have fallen asleep, because when I woke up it was getting dark.

I was getting really hungry and scared. Then a car turned into the lane and stopped. A man got out and came over to me. He looked me over and said "Either you're lost or someone dumped you. I already have five dogs so I can't take you with me, but I'll bring you food." A little while later he did bring me some food. There was a small creek across the road where I could get water to drink.

I stayed there and the man brought more food and petted me some, but he wouldn't take me with him.

Late in the second day a woman drove up and stopped. The man was there as if he were expecting her. She got out and talked with the man for a while, then she opened the back door of her station wagon. She gave me some treats and put a collar and lead on me. At first I didn't want to get into the car because I remembered what happened the last time I got into a car. She talked to me in a kind voice and petted me. Finally I decided I could trust her so I went with her.

I don't know how long we drove because I fell asleep. It felt so good to be warm and comfortable again. I woke up when I heard a lot of dogs barking. We had stopped and the woman was getting out of the car. Another woman was coming toward us and I heard her say "He's just a baby! Let's get him inside."

There were a lot of other dogs in the house and at first it was kind of scary. Then I realized that everyone was welcoming me and I felt much better.

Now I am at the Great Dane Rescue, and I know that there are people who care about me. Dale says she will make sure that I get a home with people who will love me and take care of me

**Puppies, kittens, dogs and cats are living creatures. No animal should be used as a gift.**

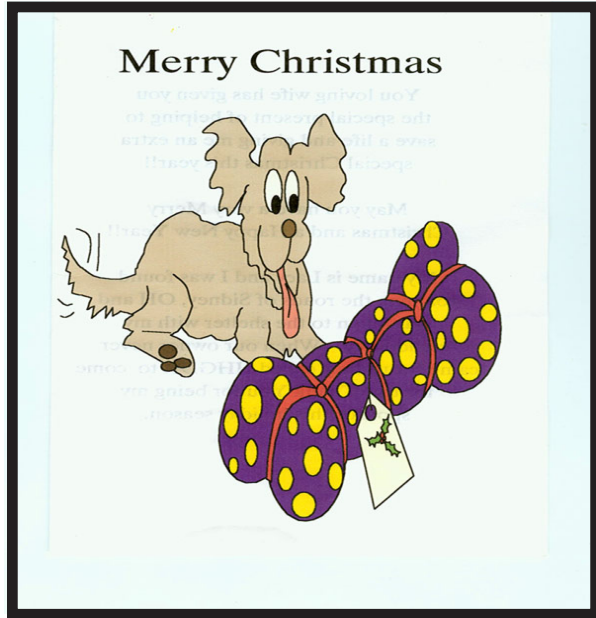


## Sponsorship, Another Way of Giving

If you can't adopt a Great Dane or Saint Bernard, you can still help pay for the food, housing and medical expenses of one. Sponsoring a homeless dog is a great way to open your heart to one. You can sponsor a dog for yourself or as a gift or memorial to someone else.

You can sponsor a dog for one year by donating \$10 per month for a year or \$100 single donation. In return you will receive a certificate and your choice of an 8.5 x 11 letter and picture from your dog or a greeting card suitable for your type of sponsorship. We will also let you know when your dog has been adopted. Just fill out the sponsorship form and send it with your donation.

### Examples



**The front of the card will vary according to the type of gift or remembrance specified by you.  
 Inside: A picture of your dog and his or her story with a message appropriate for the type of gift**



### Sponsorship Form

I would like to sponsor a homeless dog for (\$10 per month) or (\$100 per year)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

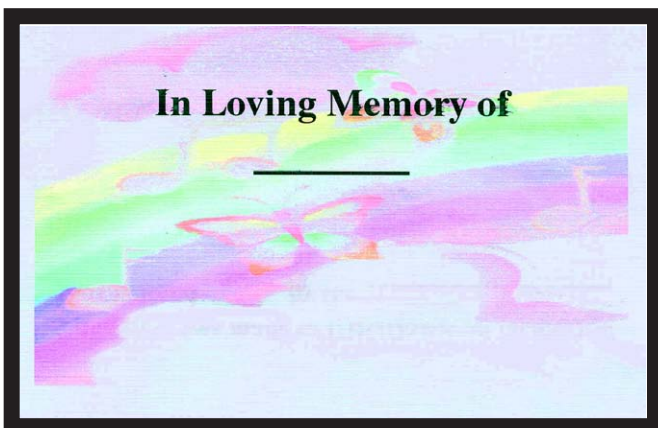
City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose a  
 Dane \_\_\_ Saint \_\_\_ Mix \_\_\_ for me.

I would like to receive:  
 \_\_\_ Certificate plus Greeting Card  
 \_\_\_ Certificate plus letter from my dog  
 For \_\_\_ self \_\_\_ gift \_\_\_ memorial  
 Please make checks payable Harlequin Haven and send to:

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