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- 4 in need of homes
- 9 Sanctuary Dogs
- HHGDR has adopted out 1645 dogs/horses
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Dear Santa from the Homeless Dogs at Rescue

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus and all of the elves this year? We hope the smell of Mrs. Claus's treats and cookies, and the sounds of the elves whistling carols as they ready all the toys, are echoing throughout the North Pole.

Grandma and the volunteers are always telling us what good dogs we are and every year you find lots of toys and treats in your magical bag for homeless dogs like us. It is amazing and we are very grateful, Santa. Many of the dogs who come to live with us have never had such delicious treats or cool toys to play with while waiting for our forever homes. It's fun to see their surprise on Christmas morning and which toys become their favorites. In the past, you always choose appropriate toys for us, the right size and strong enough to hold up to our strong chews. That makes Grandma very happy because toys are cheaper than surgery for a blockage!

You brought us so many toys last year that we think there are other homeless dogs who could use our share instead of us this year. But we would love an extra treat or two during the day. Treats are also good for training and rewards after grooming. We know you have a generous heart, Santa, so our paws are crossed, and we are hoping that we will find some of the items on our Christmas wish lists. And remember, Santa, your elves don't have to wrap anything. It's easier on Grandma and the volunteers and safer for our friends who like to eat paper!

You also know, Santa, we are orphans, and

realistic enough to know that some of us may never find our forever home. We are always thankful for anything you bring us. As Grandma says, it is not polite to beg or be greedy. We have heard volunteers talking about sending money or gift cards to their grandchildren because they are not sure what to buy them, so if that's easier we'd be happy to use those since we love to shop on the internet!!

Thank you very much, Santa, for reading our letter again this year. We sure hope you or Mrs. Claus can bake us extra yummy treats this year. Of course, we will gladly settle for store bought treats and biscuits and we have even put a list of a few of the treats we like and a few of the stores that sell them to make your life a bit easier. We are not too picky—any brand is fine with us!

We wish you, Mrs. Claus, and all the elves a very happy holiday!

*Hugs, Slobbers, and Love from
All the VERY GOOD dogs at HHGDR*

(Please see page 2 for TREAT lists!)



ODETTE is a mature lady who would love to snuggle with you on your couch!

<https://hhdane.com/danes/odette.htm>

HHGDR Mission Statement

To educate people about spay/neuter and the need for sterilization of all pets, proper health care of a pet, and nutritional requirements.

To promote humane principles, to protect homeless, abandoned, and mistreated Great Danes, and other animals as space allows.

To work with animal shelters and humane societies to protect Great Danes.

To locate life-long homes for the homeless Great Danes and any other animal in our care.

The Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue Newsletter is published four times a year by the Rescue.

Submit items of interest to Newsletter Editor Janet Carleton at janet.carleton@gmail.com.

Current and back issues are available from the website and by request.



2023 Holiday Treat Wish List



Treats & Biscuits

- * Betsy Farm Grillers Dog Treats
- * Blue Buffalo Nudges Natural Jerky Treats
- * Blue Buffalo Nudges Treats
- * Blue Buffalo True Chews Premium Jerky
- * Milk-Bone Flavor Snacks Biscuits
- * Milk-Bone Original Biscuits
- * Milk-Bone Soft & Chewy Snacks
- * Newman's Own Snack Sticks
- * Pup-Peroni Dog Treats
- * Three Dog Bakery Animal Crackers
- * Three Dog Bakery Soft Baked Assort-Mutt Treats

Made in the USA Toy Sources

- * <http://smile.amazon.com/>
- * <https://www.walmart.com/>
- * <https://www.chewy.com> (HHGDR has a general Chewy Wish List at https://www.chewy.com/g/harlequin-haven-great-dane-rescue_b98756857)

ASK RIVA—Wisdom from a Rescue Dog

Dear Riva,

Q. Who decides what dog is right for me?

A. The directors and other knowledgeable volunteers who know the dogs and can match your lifestyle and family for several potential matches. Please read our [adoption procedures](#).

Q. Why are you only open on Saturdays and Sundays?

A. Those are the only days that we can get enough volunteers every week—it takes a lot of people power to get the facilities and dogs ready, and conduct the adoption appointments.

Q. Why do you charge so much for the dogs? I can't afford that price. Aren't you paid to care for the dogs and the medical care is all done for free?

A. Our adoption fee does not cover the cost that we incur with most dogs. Very few



come in with any medical history so we have to start from scratch with vaccinations, worming, etc. We do not get federal, state, or county funding—our funding comes from donations and adoption fees.

See more in our FAQ at <https://hhdane.com/faq/faqmain.htm>

About the Rescue

HHGDR has operated as a volunteer-run Rescue since 1992. It became a registered **501(c)3 nonprofit** in 1998, and to date has placed **1,645** dogs and horses in carefully screened forever homes. HHGDR serves Ohio and extreme northern

Kentucky. Currently 4 are available for adoption. In addition, the Rescue houses 9 Sanctuary Dogs living out their lives in the safe environment of the Rescue (the latter unadoptable for health, age, or other conditions).

In 2022, HHGDR spent more than \$23,000 on vet bills alone. *Contributions are always welcome and are tax-deductible.*

Contact the Rescue at info@hhdane.org.



BRIE



MILEY



GARRETT

Recent Adoptions— Yay!

BRIE—Monika Dail

GARRETT—Sandra & Steve Nichols

MILEY—Sarah & Edward Blouch

Planned Giving

Planned gifts are a vital pathway to the financial future of HHGDR. To honor the Danes with your long-term gift is perhaps the most compelling way you can make a difference in their lives. We are very thankful to any-

one who remembers Harlequin Haven in a will, trust, life insurance policy, and/or other planned gift.

Please check with your attorney or other professional consultant to be sure your plans conform to all relevant laws.

Training... is Very Important

We strongly encourage all adopters to enroll in an obedience class. Even if you already know how to train, it is important for your dog to be trained in a group. This helps with bonding to you and teaches your dog how to

get along with strangers— human and canine. Large strong dogs need to know good manners!

Look for positive trainers. The Association of Professional Dog Trainers site,

<https://apdt.com/>, can help with your search.

Visit the HHGDR website for more educational materials. <https://hhdane.com>



Volunteers—It Wouldn't Happen Without You!

Volunteers...

Perform all tasks for the Rescue—there are no paid staff. Some tasks require visiting the Rescue, many others do not.

Currently we are *especially* looking for volunteers to come to the Rescue in Bethel, Ohio, on weekends to help with cleaning, grooming, and appointments.

HHGDR would love to put you to work helping the homeless dogs! Send an email to info@hhdane.org today for a volunteer application!

External Awareness Events

Awareness events are on hold until further notice. Thank you for understanding.

Volunteer Roll

Wendi, Andy, Brenna & Aubrey Beauseau

John Board

Jason Brown

Janet Carleton

Don Corsmeier

Ken Eiker

Jenn Flecksteiner

Dale Francis

Jim Frenelle

William Gentry

Mary Beth Gettins

Steve & Kim Grubich

Beth Mack

Kathy Marsh

Brad Mathews

Christe McGarry

Amanda Owen

Isabel Sauerbrunn

David Scott

Beth Sedlock

Barbara & Brian Spatz

Becky Ware

Jo Williams

Mike Winters

Chris Yacks

Judy & Tom Yacks

Attorney: Mary Beth Gettins

Your name as a volunteer here—email for an application!

Decorate our Holiday Tree



Help us decorate our online tree! Your tax-deductible donation of \$10 or more gets an ornament on our tree.

Clicking on the ornament shows a photo of your

choice and caption (up to 20 words). Your photo could be of a loved one, your pet, or even a family group.

Email photos to info@hhdane.org. Donations can be accepted through PayPal on the Rescue site or a check via USPS mail.

View the tree at <https://hhdane.com/tree/tree.htm>.



Volunteer Judy Yacks paints trim on the Rescue office doorway.



ASHER



HARPER



LUNA



BRYAN



BRYCE

Recent Adoptions— Big Congrats!

ASHER—Erika & Sylvain Marsillac

BRYAN and BRYCE—Kathy Amrein

HARPER—Ken & Kelly Eiker

LUNA—Barbara & Peter J. D’Onofrio

See Success Stories at <https://hhdane.com/success/success.htm>

#GivingTuesday2023 - Tuesday 11/28

You can still donate! Donations can come through this Facebook event, or directly from the HHGDR website!

The annual #GivingTuesday event is on 11/28! If you are able to donate, please consider Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue, a 501(c)3 charity, in your plans to give on #GivingTuesday2023.

This year we are asking for help with the cost of fence construction and repair. Based on our current number of Adoptable Danes and Sanctuary Dogs we want to raise \$5000 to cover the cost of repairing sections of our fence.

It’s of the utmost importance to keep our dogs safe inside!

More details on our [Facebook page](#). No donation is too small, so please consider the Danes this #GivingTuesday!

Please visit our [Facebook Page](#) to make a contribution to our campaign on #GivingTuesday .



Donors and Sponsors—Thank You!



**Don't forget to
renew your Ohio
dog license!**

*Thank you for all
donations large
and small!
We could not
save the dogs
without you.*



Amy Adams	Justin Goff	Heather McManes, for KLEO
Richard Balsley	Tim & Melinda Goings	Charles Miller, for KLEO
Robin Bartley, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday	Annette Goodwin	Alice Minic
Kami Basham	Great Dane Club of America	Erin Moore, in honor of Daina Gregor's birthday
Jennifer & Tony Bavry	Bernice & Kimmie Gregor, for KLEO	Marianne Moots
Wendi & Andy Beauseau	Daina Gregor, for KLEO	Tim Mornard, in honor of Shel's birthday
Laura & Belle	Stephen & Kimberly Grubich	Mt. Healthy Animal Hospital, in loving memory of Dr. Robert Neubauer
Bob Blewitt	Heather Harvey, in honor of Kami Basham's birthday	Kim Murphy
Sarah & Ed Blouch, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday, and for CAHIRA	Betsey Henry, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day	Amanda Neal, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day
John Board	Holly Homan, in loving memory of Rose	Jennifer Negron, in honor of Daina Gregor's birthday
Kimberly Borchardt, in honor of Jim Spiro's birthday	Hailey Householder	Sky Nellor
Gayle Browning	Householder Family	Cindy Orlasky, in loving memory of Rosie, Tony and Lakisha
Janet Carleton	Liz Hubbard, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day	Elissa Orsine
Pellegrino Ciccarello	Lisa & Ben Huelskamp	Frank Palmisano Sr., in hon- or of Christe McGarry's birthday
Joseph & Kimberly Coffey	Becky Hughes, in honor of Raylynn's birthday	Tamela Payne, for CAHIRA
Janna Conley	Humble Book Bundle	PayPal giving fund
Donald Corsmeier	Stephanie James	Racheal Pitsinger
Mame & Craig Corson, in loving memory of BRODY	Carol Jones, in honor of Daina Gregor's birthday	Rescue Bank
Monika Dail	Paul Kohne	Carla Rice, in honor of Daina Gregor's birthday
Phyllis Dawkins, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday	Kara Koverman, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day	Chad Robinson
Wendy Decapite, in honor of Kami Basham's birthday	Alyssa Lane	Rylee-Ann Romero
Victory Dorrian, for KALEA	Daniel Lombardo	Raymond Sargent, in honor of Daina Gregor's birth- day
Ken & Kelly Eiker, in loving memory of MYLO	Christe McGarry, in loving memory of KENDAL and MURPHY	Sidney Sauerbrunn
Donna Fanta	Linda McGarry, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day	Alex Scaden, in honor of Shel's birthday
Heather Fassel	Linda McGarry, in honor of Christe McGarry's birth- day	Elizabeth & Michael Sedlock
Ed Firth, in loving memory of ROSIE, TONY, and LAKISHA		
Dale Francis		
Mary Beth Gettins		
Gettins Law		
Anne Gillespie		

Donors & Sponsors continued

Sandra & Gabriel Seidman, in memory of Edythe Jaffee

Lucy Sinisi Bauer, in honor of Kami Basham's birthday

Kathy Slaven, Beth's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

Erin & Stephen Smith

Brian & Barbara Spatz

Linda Sponsler, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday

Veronica Stanwyck

Judy & Walter Stein

Rocco the Mini Bernedoodle

Marci Traes, in honor of Daina Gregor's birthday

United Pet Fund

Gabriel & Sonja Venzin, in loving memory of TIMMY

Lynn Wallich

Walmart

Rebecca & Duff Ware, for KLEO

Dee Weide, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday

Renee Weldy

Jodi Wells, in honor of Steve Wells birthday

Marsha Wheeler, in loving memory of Nina; for KALEA; in honor of Beth Sedlock's birthday

Derek Williams

Jo & Ken Williams

Chris Yacks

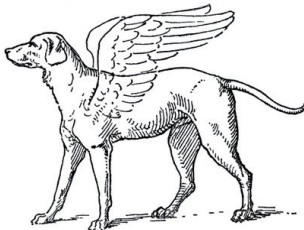
Craig Yacks

Judy & Tom Yacks

Vintheadane

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
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Memorials—Our Sympathies



ARIANNA—Tom & Dale Bath

BRODY aka NINA—Mame & Craig Corson

GYPSY—Kim Murphy-McMillen

KANE—Marilyn Everhart

OWEN aka ODIN—Barbara & Peter J. D'Onofrio

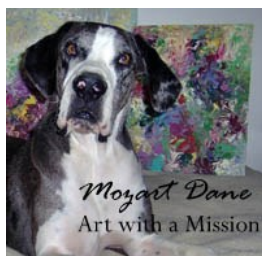
POPPY—Autumn Goldsmith & Hansel Henry

PRESLEY—Monika Dail

WALLACE aka TERRANCE—Seth & Amy Walton

ZURI—Michele Jessop

MOZART DANE, Artist



MOZART DANE, artist, was purchased at the Ohio Amish Dog Auction but was discarded soon after at a county dog pound.

MOZART's paw-paintings raise much-needed funds for HHGDR, and many grace their buyers' homes. Of the more than 400 paintings originally created by Mozart, only about 20 of these beautiful one-of-a-kind art works remain available to be purchased.

While MOZART has crossed the Rainbow Bridge, his spirit lives on as he helps educate the public and bring attention to the plight of dogs who continue to languish in puppy mills.

See the **remaining paintings** available for purchase at https://hhdane.com/mozart/mozart_paintings.asp

See **Mozart's Mission Facebook** page at facebook.com/MozartDane



Budding Scarlet Paw-mpernel Flowers. Acrylic on canvas. 12x12", \$100.



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-run non-profit shelter

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**Happy Holidays
from our adoptable
dogs!**

See them all at:

[https://hhdane.com/
danes/1danelist.htm](https://hhdane.com/danes/1danelist.htm)
