



Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue

NEWSLETTER

Picnic Canceled Grooming Day Instead



John and Eunice Ravenna Groom Gretel

This year's picnic was canceled because the Rescue had to guarantee the caterer at least one hundred reservations and by May 20 (the deadline) we had not received enough to meet this goal.

Several volunteers decided that they would have a picnic of a different kind. On June 9 they came to HHGDSBR to work. After spending the morning grooming Saint Bernards and Great Danes everyone enjoyed an impromptu carry-in picnic.

Those who came to work were the Stameys (Andrea, Mark, Samantha and Cassie), Eunice and John Ravenna, Denise Weide, Holly Witte, Nancy Marconett, and of course Dale Bath was there to supervise and keep everyone on their toes.

John and Eunice met Wyatt, and it was love at first sight. They came back on June 22 with Tasha to make sure the two dogs would be compatible, and at that time adopted Wyatt. When Wyatt got in their car to go home, there were smiles all around. We love happy endings!

Health and Safety

Now that Summer has arrived with a vengeance, remember that heat stroke is a very real danger to your pet. Dogs don't sweat, but must rely upon panting to control their body temperatures. Even a few moments in a closed vehicle can be fatal or cause brain damage. If you crate your dog or cat while traveling, use a wire cage even though the vehicle is air conditioned. Better yet, leave your pet at home or in a reliable boarding kennel.

If your pet spends much time outdoors, make sure that there is plenty of shade and fresh cool water available. Walk your dog in the morning or evening, not in the heat of midday. Avoid strenuous exercise or games during the heat of the day.

Symptoms of heat stroke begin with rapid, frantic, noisy breathing. The tongue and mucous membranes are bright red, vomiting may occur, and rectal temperature is high. Call your veterinarian immediately.

Another hazard was reported to us by Christe Creedon. A friend of hers recently lost her Lab when his head became stuck in a chip bag and he suffocated. A freak accident? Maybe not. We all know how dogs love to raid the waste basket when we are not around. A few crumbs of chips in the bottom of a bag can be in irresistible temptation. Why not make it a habit to cut the bags before disposing of them? While you're at it, look around your home for other tempting hazards. We've heard about child-proofing the house. We should do the same for our mischievous pets.

In the Summer, 1998 issue of the newsletter I wrote an article about my big boy Thor getting his paw caught in the fence. If I had not been at home when this happened, I might have lost him. I am repeating

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In Memoriam

Derik

Tom and Dale Bath

Copper

Tom and Dale Bath

Donielle

Tom and Dale Bath

Bailey

Nikol Marsh

Duke

Tom and Dale Bath

Termite

Dan O'Connell

Toby

Felicia, Seth and Darrin Lewellen

Don't Say Good-Bye

by Denise Weide

It's hard to say good-bye to one who means the world to you;
The friend who's always by your side whenever you feel blue.
The one who shares the happiness that simple pleasures bring-
Like strolling slowly through the park on sunny days of Spring.

It's hard to say good-bye to one who's loyalty is such
He feels the need to guard you from a stranger's harmful touch.
The one who, in his younger days, would never hesitate
To challenge any enemy to keep his loved ones safe.

It's hard to say good-bye to one who's growing older now,
With cloudy eyes and muzzle gray. You start to wonder how
The one who once protected you now needs protecting, too.
You know your time with him is short, his days remaining few.

It's much too hard to say good-bye to such a faithful friend;
But when he leaves this world behind, it needn't be the end.
For the one who always loved you more than any human could
Will be waiting at The Bridge for you, so be this understood-

Don't say "Good-Bye!" but, "See you later-till we meet again!"
The day will come when you will be together in the end.
For the one who gave his all to you throughout his lifetime long
Could be no other being than your precious, loving DOG.

(Health and Safety continued)

this story to emphasize the importance of not leaving your dog outside when you are not at home. Even though your yard is fenced and the gates securely padlocked, your dog may not be safe. There are other dangers as well. Periodically there are reports in the newspapers of people cruising the streets looking for dogs (especially large ones) to sell to laboratories for research and experimentation. With no one at home it would be easy to use bolt cutters to enter the yard and take the dog.

Where the health and safety of your children and pets are concerned, it pays to be a little paranoid.

Worthington Pet Parade



Information Booth

On April 27 several volunteers participated in a Pet Parade in Worthington, Ohio. The Rescue was represented by about 8 dogs walking in the parade.

Scarlett Breeding and her Dane, Sarah, won a blue ribbon in the look alike contest. Others attending were Felicia Lewellen; Sherri Lechner and her friend, Lola; Liz Morris and her daughters, Maggie and Rachel, with Brandy; Trevor and Amy Ocock with their Saint, Maxie; Jane Dickinson with her Dane, Cybil; and Amy Lopez with Christy.



Scarlett and Sarah With Their Blue Ribbon

Donors and Sponsors

The dictionary defines generosity as readiness or liberality in giving. Please note that the amount or size of the gift does not define the character of the giver. All gifts and donations are received with gratitude. The following people have sent gifts, donations or are sponsoring a Dane or Saint Bernard in our Rescue. Thank you everyone!

Christine Albert
Tom and Carole Asbury
Attachmate Corp.—Systemwide
Bob and Patricia Baird
Rebecca Bell
Sara and Kasey Bird
Jeffery and Erica Blumenthal
Melody Brackney
Dean and Scarlett Breeding
Marian and Mike Burlingham
Karen and Kenneth Clark
Joseph and Kimberly Coffey
Annette and Robert Condon
Christe Creedon
Jane Dickinson
Donna Fanta
Harry Finks
Brian and Angie Gold
Russell Grigg and Scott Cameron
Susan Hopple
Alba and Rachel Hurlbut
Robin and Doug Iredale
Jon and Tracy Jennings
Robin Jensen
Tammy Kinkade
Darrin, Felicia and Seth Lewellen
Sharon Lewis
Theresa Marchwinski
Nancy Marconett—in memory of Derik
Nikol Marsh
Bethany Marshall and Jason Lum
Tom Mattingly
Shawn and Stacy Miller
Lori Rader
Eunice and John Ravenna
Robert and Carolyn Reis
Stephanie Richards
Lillian Rudolph
Ridge Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Wood

Sandra and Gabe Seidman
Scott Shanline
David Smith
Julie Spraker
Christopher Stringer
Sonja and Gabriel Venzin
Denise Weide
John Winningham
Holly Witte
Melissa and Shawn Wiseman
Dawn Yoder

If we have omitted anyone, we apologize.

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Van Cleve Elementary School Students Raise Money for Rescue



Bob Jagielski and Melinda Entertain Students

Dane and Saint representatives of HHGDSBR visited Van Cleve Elementary School in Troy, Ohio on May 17 to thank the students for raising \$608 to donate to the Rescue.

Rob and Lara Jagielski brought their adopted Saints, Kash and Melinda. John and Becky Cartmell came with their adopted Dane-mix, Oliver. Christe Creedon, who coordinated the visitation, brought her beloved adopted Dane, Coco.



Coco Loves the Attention!

Recent Adoptions

Drew Angi & Brian Gold
Phoebe Robin & Doug Iredale
Rosie Erin & Alan Wexler
Tammy Shawn & Tracy Miller
Maddy Susan & Blake Moyer
Alicia Brenda Rushman
Joey Lillian Rudolph
Teko James & Constance Cales
Lenny Anji & Mark Erickson
Jack John & Marilouise Roth
Missy Kimberly & Chris
 Persiani
DC Annette & Bob Condon
April Doris Forsyth
Miranda Doug & Paula Trappe
Babe Christine & James Fields
Spike II Melody & Danielle
 Brackney
Wyatt John & Eunice Ravenna
Jerry Robert & Sonia Derge
Jake Janet & Robert Hornsby

“Dogs have given us their absolute all. We are the center of their universe. We are the focus of their love and faith and trust. They serve us in return for scraps. It is without a doubt the best deal man has ever made.”

Roger Caras

Volunteers

Patti Baird
 William, Danielle, & Melody
 Brackney
 Becky Bell
 Scarlett Breeding
 Becky & John Cartmell
 Pellegrino Ciccarello
 Debi & John Coffee
 Christe Creedon
 Jane Dickinson
 Terry Felty
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Adoption List

As of June 24, 2002 we have placed 919 dogs in adoptive homes. There are, however, 36 Great Danes, 8 Mixes, 19 Saint Bernards, 1 Toy Manchester Terrier and 1 Toy Fox 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, have received medical treatment as needed, and have been temperament tested. **A fenced yard is required to adopt a dog. Invisible fences or electric fences are not acceptable.**

Adoption Fees: Purebreds (6 months and under)-\$250, (under 4 years)-\$195, (4 years and up)-\$95. Mixes (under 6 months)-\$135, (6 months and up)-\$95

Male Great Danes

Name	DOB	Comments
Pups, Male	05/03/02	1 Black, 2 Fawns, natural ears, Breeder: Denisa L. Nantz*****
Kohl	12/00	Black, natural ears
Dave	12/25/00	Fawn, natural ears (deformed tail), Breeders: Nancy J. Bonar, John M. Butts, Sharon C. Butts** Sire: Vztop Brakn' Limits V Matinee Dam: CH Keystones Special Effects
Luke	09/00	Fawn mantle, natural ears, NOT READY
Muldoon	06/01/00	Brindle, natural ears
Roy	06/01	Black, white markings, natural ears
Hutch	01/11/00	Merle, natural ears
Lazarus	11/99	Black, white marking, natural ears
Timmy	08/99	Harlequin - natural ears
Murphy	07/99	Mantle, natural ears
Alex	06/99	Fawn, cropped ears
Moose	11/98	Black, white markings, natural ears
Boris	08/98	Black, white markings, natural ears
Bobby	01/98	Merle mantle, natural ears

Female Great Danes

Pups, Female	05/03/02	2 Black, 4 Blue, natural ears, Breeder: Denisa L. Nantz*****
Nikki	09/00	Black, white markings, natural ears
Nala	06/06/00	Black, natural ears
Cheyenne	03/24/00	Black, white markings, cropped ears
Pixie	03/20/00	Merle, natural ears
Isabelle	03/20/00	Black, white markings, natural ears
Mona	02/00	Merle, cropped ears
Tiffany	05/01	Black, white markings, natural ears
Amanda	08/99	Harlequin, deaf, natural ears
Jasmine	03/99	White, merle markings, natural ears, deaf
Nicole	09/04/98	Merle, natural ears
Sheena	07/03/98	Merle, cropped ears. Breeder: Cathy Frost**
Bella	11/18/97	Black, white markings, natural ears, Breeder: Jeanette Johnson***** NOT READY

Name	DOB	Comments
<i>(Dane Females Continued)</i>		
Mercedes	12/97	Fawn, cropped ears
Shelby	10/93	Black, white marks, natural ears

Saint Bernards

Males

Barry	10/00	rough coat
Barney	02/00	rough coat
Odie	12/99	rough coat
Monty	11/99	rough coat
Mikey	05/99	rough coat
Shane	10/98	rough coat, children 12 yrs and up
Cass	09/96	rough coat

Females

Shylo	06/07/00	rough coat
Tina	04/00	rough coat
Sandi	06/01	rough coat
Andi	12/99	rough coat
Dee	12/99	rough coat
Brandy	11/99	smooth coat
Roxy	11/99	smooth coat
Shasta	10/99	rough coat
Betty	05/99	rough coat
Misty	10/27/98	rough coat, Breeder: Linda Sue Hornsby***
Greta	05/97	rough coat
Gretel	01/93	rough coat

Mixes- Males

V W	05/00	Dane Mix, Fawn
Rictor	03/00	Dane-Boxer, Fawn
Seymour	01/22/00	Dane-Newfoundland
Jack	01/10/00	Saint-?? Brown and white
Woody II	10/99	Dane-Lab, Fawn
Woody	02/03/99	Dane-Akita, Fawn

Mixes-Females

Scarlet	02/03/99	Dane-Anatolian Shepherd, Fawn
Molly	12/96	Dane-Great Pyrenees, Merle

Other Purebreds-Males

Sport	11/16/00	Toy Fox Terrier
Spike	08/01/00	Toy Manchester Terrier

Any breeders which are named in the Adoption List have:

* refused to take back their dogs, refused to be responsible for them while in rescue and/or ignored our letters.

** refused to be responsible for them while in rescue (medical bills, food, care, etc.) and/or ignored our letters.

***disappeared and we have been unable to locate them.

****rescue received dog directly from breeder

*****rescue felt it was in the best interest of the dog not to contact breeder and/or we have dealt with this breeder in the past and they have refused to be responsible fore the dogs at that time.

(volunteers continued)

Angi Gold
 Thelma Goris
 Robert and Lara Jagielski
 Jon & Tracy Jennings
 Sheri Lechner & friend Lola
 Felicia & Darrin Lewellen
 Amy Lopez
 Mel King
 Nancy Marconett
 Nikol Marsh
 Linda McGarry
 Liz, Maggie & Rachel Morris
 Tom Mattingly
 Trevor & Amy Ocock
 Eunice & John Ravenna
 Sharon Reynolds
 Lillian Rudolph
 Andrea & Mark Stamey
 Christine & Adam Vrooman
 Denise Weide
 Holly & Jon Witte

Attorney

Greg Ruehlmann

Web Page and Computer

Judy Wilson

Veterinarians

Dan Meakin
 Jeff Sutton
 Jennifer Lewando
 Lee Schrader
 Steve Schrader
 Care Center

If we have omitted your name, we apologize.

What Does it Take to be a Volunteer?

No one person possesses the skills or talents to do everything, but everyone has something to contribute. By combining these individual gifts the work can be done. Ask yourself, "What can I do to help?" Take the time to give your talents to the Rescue.

Dayton Events



Patti Baird with Marley

Dayton volunteers had a busy weekend on Saturday, June 15 and Sunday June 16. On Saturday Nikol Marsh and Melody Brackney with her children, William and Danielle, volunteered to work at the SISCA Walk for Strays.

On Sunday Nikol accompanied by her Dane, Murphy, and Patti Baird with her Dane, Marley, volunteered to attend the Family Fun With the Animals Day at Bonniebrook Country Farm in Centerville.

This event is a day of fun to benefit the Therapeutic Riding Institute. There were equestrian demonstrations throughout the day. Both dog training clubs in Dayton were there, and one gave an agility demonstration. Several other breed rescues were present as well as an Assistance Dog Program and the Miami Valley Pet Therapy Association.

The event was free for both the rescue/animal related groups and the public. Nikol reported it was a perfect day to have the dogs out and there were just enough passersby to keep them busy without stressing the dogs.

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You, too, can help publicize the Rescue by participating in parades, dog walks and similar functions. Watch your newspapers for opportunities. The Rescue has pamphlets and leaflets to help you to set up a table or booth, and we can send out appeals by e-mails for volunteers in your area to help you.

Letters and Pictures From Homes



Iris the Baby-sitter

Our beautiful Harlequin Great Dane, Iris, has asked me to send this e-mail on her behalf. She wanted everyone to know how well she is doing and how happy she is. Iris has been at her forever home for 18 months and is living the good life. On her one year anniversary my husband and I brought home a new human baby to join the family Iris has earned the title "The Baby-sitter." Iris now resides with a Mom and Dad, three human brothers, one doggie brother (Otis), and two cats (Annabella and Cali). She even found a new friend in my son's 4-H project—a goat named Ajax. We send our best wishes for all the Danes, Saints, and mixes who still need good homes.

Holly

Hi Dale and others,

I wanted to write and thank you for bringing Betsy into our lives last October. She is a wonderful girl! My fiance, Dale Francis, and I do love her dearly.

There were a few rough times in the beginning. She would not let me out of her sight (literally)! I stayed home from work for a few days, then graduated to half days, then just coming home at lunch. Now she loves Dale almost as much as she loves me. Some days she even goes to work with him.

She is extremely obedient and a great ambassador for the breed. When we go to someone else's house, she chooses to lie down out of the way and keep an eye on things. At home she is a clown!

Janet

(More Letters and Pictures From Homes)



Phoebe, Doug and Ed

Hi Dale,

Just thought you would be interested in hearing how Miss Phoebe is doing. She is settling in just fine and has stolen everyone's hearts. My little cat, Indi, just loves her (the other two only tolerate her). She and Edward, our Shar Pei/Beagle mix, are getting along OK, although I don't think either would shed a tear if the other just went away. They are both jealous types, and each is always trying to steal attention from the other.

Thanks again for allowing Phoebe to join our family. She has quickly become very important to all of us—we can't imagine life without her! Hope you enjoy the pictures.

Robin

Hi Dale,

Annette does not have e-mail, and she wanted me to send you a note about DC. He is doing wonderfully, full of energy, but he also sleeps well. All the dogs have just been ignoring him, but today Jewel (the one who growled at him all the way home from the Rescue) started chasing him in the yard. They played and played and DC got worn out before Jewel did.

He is a smart dog and likes lots of loving. He is also a food hound—very excited at feeding time. Are his eyes unusually blue or is that typical for the white Danes? Every one loves him!

Jane 7

Subject: Wyatt's first week.

He is very smart!!! He and John do lessons every day, and walk every morning. He has learned "sit" and "stay." He has also figured out the use of toys—but not yet balls. We are working on that. He also quickly figured out that our bed is the softest in the house.

He still needs to learn not to move all the shoes into the living room, and not to rip up the newspaper. I think he'll figure that out soon.

*Eunice and John
Tasha and Wyatt*



Keno and Connor

Hi Dale,

Thought I would bring you up to date. Keno is the extrovert and Connor the introvert, which works well. It is funny...I was so concerned about Keno (formerly D.O.G.) and whether I could handle him. He has turned out to be the apple of everyone's eye. He doesn't know a stranger, has such an adorable, loving personality, and is bigger than any Dane I've ever seen. Yet he is such a spoiled "mommy's boy." How in the world anyone could ever have mistreated him (or any animal) is beyond all comprehension. Keep up the good work, Dale.

We wish we had room to print all the letters and pictures that have been sent. Keep them coming, though. Sometimes we become depressed because of the cruelty and neglect that we see. We love to be reminded of why we do rescue work. Thanks

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