



Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue

NEWSLETTER

Dealing with Heartworm Disease at the Rescue

In earlier newsletters we have told you about dogs—Dusty, Bebe, Ben, and Max—that have come into the Rescue with severe injuries needing complicated surgeries and long term care. We have also told you about others that have come to us so malnourished and emaciated that they could barely stand on their own. In this issue we will tell you about an ongoing problem that the Rescue must deal with—heartworm disease.

Every dog that comes into the Rescue is tested for heartworm disease, and every year we have one or two that are heartworm positive and must be treated. This year has started off worse than usual. Three heartworm positive dogs have come into the Rescue. **Brent**, **Sasha**, and **Stanley** have different backgrounds, but they have one thing in common—their owners neglected to give the heartworm preventive.

Heartworm disease is fatal unless treated. The treatment is difficult, risky, and expensive. Treatment requires careful medical care and complete rest for five to six weeks. Treatment for large dogs can cost \$600 or more. The Summer Raffle is dedicated to raising funds to pay for treating these dogs plus any more that might need it.



Brent



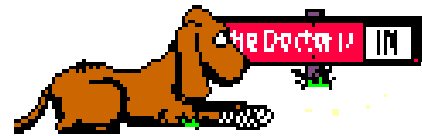
Sasha



Stanley

Can you help pay our vet bills?

Next Project Canine Infirmary



The treatment for heartworm disease in a dog is a risky business. It is extremely important that the dog be confined and not allowed any vigorous activity. Such activity causes the heart to pump faster, and bits of the dead heartworms can block pulmonary or coronary blood vessels. This can be fatal. An infirmary would make the post treatment care of such a patient a lot safer for the dog and much easier for the care giver.

In the Fall 2004 newsletter we reported that an RV had been donated to the Rescue to be converted into an infirmary. This will make it possible to quarantine new dogs until we are sure that they are healthy enough to be moved in with the other dogs. Dogs recovering from surgery will have a quiet place to recuperate. A separate space will make it easier and safer to treat a dog needing special care.

To convert the RV will require money and volunteer workers. The inside will have to be stripped of carpet and remodeled to provide space and storage for equipment and supplies. Water, gas and electricity will have to be connected, and it will need to be air-conditioned. Several colossal crates and Kuranda Dog Beds will be needed. A ramp will have to be built to make it easier to move a dog on a litter in and out.

The Rescue is trying to raise money with various fundraising efforts. Please support these efforts with your donations and sponsorships.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Summer 2005 Raffle—Big Prizes



First Prize

A patriotic singing bear holding a gift certificate for a luxurious, relaxing two night stay at Indian Bear Lodge in scenic Walhonding, Ohio.

Second Prize

A musical dog toy holding a \$100 Speedway gift card.



Third Prize

A collectible "Southern Living at Home" exclusive iron basket filled with dog biscuits.

Fourth Prize

Flowers, Treats and Money
Stainless steel dog bowl containing a \$25 Meijer gift card, mint rawhides, dog biscuit, a Pedigree Jumbone, and a sunflower floral arrangement



See page 7 for details on how you can participate. All proceeds will go to help dogs like Brent, Sasha, and Stanley.

In Memory of

Tori, Mercedes, Rictor and Howie
Tom and Dale Bath

Jake

Josephine and Brian Reigelsperger

Mick and Harley

Nancy Marconett

Ike

Knox Derringer

Kate

Bob and Nancy Stanley

Drizzit

Wendi and Andy Beauseau

Abby

James and Sandra Kearse

Cody

Sharon Reynolds and Thelma Goris

Mason aka Reggie

Roncy Roehm

We all know when we make the decision to bring a dog into our homes and our hearts that one day we will have to say good-bye. That day may come sooner than expected or it may come after many years of loving companionship. That doesn't make it any easier when the time comes.

There is no way to prepare for the loss of a pet. The only thing we can do is to love them and take care of them the best that we can, and when the time comes, let them go to the Rainbow Bridge knowing that one day we will see them again.



Donors and Sponsors

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
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| Karen & Linford Detweiler | Melody Meadows | Amy & Dustin Young |
| Jane & Ken Dickinson | Constance Megison | |
| Beth Dotson | Amy & Steve Miller | |

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THANK YOU, MERCI, GRACIAS

It doesn't matter which language we choose, words seem inadequate. Your donations and gifts, large and small, keep the Rescue going. There are so many things we want to do for the dogs, but the vet bills, utility bills, and maintenance bills have to be paid before we can start on any new projects.

There are other ways you can help. Jon Witte donated a truck-load of mulch. He used one of his own trucks, and then helped to unload it when he got to the Rescue. Wayne and Donna Fanta arranged for a donation through a charitable gift foundation. If you belong to or have influence with a charitable fund or foundation, you could help in that way. Check

out our Wish List on the Web Site or participate in the raffles and any of the fundraising events. However you choose to support the dogs, your gifts and donations are deeply appreciated.

Volunteers

Scott Altenhoffen
 Becca Baker
 Bernie & Bob Ball
 Becky Bell
 Twyla Black & daughter
 Linda Brawley
 Christy & Stephanie Bucher
 Dick & Tessa Burrell
 Adam Burt
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 Knox Derringer
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 Karolyn & Jim Ferenelle
 Sandy Fisher
 Thelma Goris
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 Stanley & Betty Kraus
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 Cari Ludnosky
 Nancy Marconett
 Christe McGarry
 Linda McGarry
 Amy Miller
 Kelly Morgan
 Dori Reinhart-Baker &
 Jenni
 Shawna Rockwood
 Sandra Seidman
 Betty Shonebarger
 Lena Skov
 Jim & Sarah Slusher
 Charlie Smith

Adoption List

As of May 26, 2005, we have placed 1126 dogs in adoptive homes. There are, however, 62 Great Danes, 10 Saint Bernards, 5 Mixes, and a Boxer waiting for suitable homes..

A fenced yard is required to adopt a dog. Invisible or electric fences are not acceptable.

Male Great Danes

| Name | DOB | Comments |
|-------------|----------|---|
| Mozart | 09/07/04 | Mantle merle, natural ears Breeder: Marvin A. Graber |
| Wagner | 09/04 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Bo | 07/22/04 | Blue, natural ears |
| Ronny | 05/04 | Merlequin, natural ears. Not ready |
| Jynx | 02/04 | White, black markings, blue eyes, natural ears, crooked tail, NOT DEAF |
| Jarrold | 12/24/03 | Mismarked mantle, cropped ears |
| Brett | 11/03 | Black, natural ears |
| Stanley | 11/03 | Black, white markings, natural ears. Not Ready |
| Norton | 10/08/03 | Harlequin, merle patches, natural ears, Breeder: Lea O'Sullivan |
| Mike | 10/03 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Wylie | 10/03 | White, merle markings, natural ears, DEAF. |
| Ben | 09/03 | White, merle markings, natural ears Please read my story on the web site. |
| Joe | 06/03 | Blue, cropped ears.. |
| Alex | 05/03 | Black, natural ears. Not ready |
| Riley | 02/25/03 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Donny | 02/03 | Black, white markings, cropped ears. Not ready at this time. |
| Colt | 01/28/03 | Black, white markings, natural ears Breeder: Sherri Butcher |
| Charlie | 01/03 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Brent | 12/16/02 | Black, white markings, cropped ears Not ready |
| Chet | 12/02 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Guinness | 10/02 | Black, natural ears. |
| Guinness II | 10/02 | Black, white markings, cropped ears |
| Max | 10/02 | Brindle, cropped ears-do not stand |
| Chase | 06/02 | Mantle, natural ears |
| Bentley | 03/02 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Martin | 07/13/01 | Black, white markings, ears cropped but do not stand. Breeder: Pamela & Daryl Shonebarger |
| Jake | 05/26/01 | Fawn, cropped ears |
| Simon | 02/14/01 | Fawn, natural ears |
| Jax | 02/01/01 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Bailey | 08/18/00 | Fawn, natural ears |
| Luke | 09/00 | Fawn mantle, natural ears |
| Buddy | 08/00 | Black, white markings, natural ears |

| Name | DOB | Comments |
|-----------------------------|------------|---|
| Davey | 08/00 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Maverick | 06/12/99 | Black, white markings, natural ears Breeder: Ken & Karen Tuszynski |
| Harvey | 03/99 | Black, white markings, natural ears Not ready |
| Bob | 05/98 | Merle, natural ears |
| Female Great Danes | | |
| Nala | 12/04 | Fawn, black mask, natural ears |
| Dori | 10/04 | Black, white marks, natural ears Not ready |
| Mandy | 04/04 | Merle, natural ears |
| Jenni | 03/04 | Merle, natural ears |
| Carrie | 03/04 | Merle, natural ears, not ready |
| Sasha | 02/04 | Black, white marks, natural ears, not ready |
| Raven | 01/04 | Black, cropped ears |
| Sophie | 12/17/03 | Merle, natural ears, Breeder: Bryan McCarty |
| Zoe | 10/18/03 | Blue Harlequin, natural ears |
| Cheyenne | 09/11/03 | Fawn, black mask, natural ears, Breeder: Marc S. & Deborah A. Butson |
| Ariel | 03/03 | White, merle markings, cropped ears do not stand, DEAF |
| Gracie | 01/15/03 | Merle, white marks, natural ears, 6 ft. fence required, Breeder: Nancy Lewis |
| Duchess | 11/13/02 | Merle, white markings, natural ears Breeder: John M. & Billie Stockmaster |
| Cindy | 10/29/02 | White, black markings, natural ears, 6 ft. fence required |
| Samantha | 04/02 | Black, white markings, cropped ears-do not stand |
| Leila | 03/02 | Black, white markings, natural ears |
| Jasmine | 02/02 | Merlequin, natural ears, docked tail, Breeder: Monica Overly |
| Inga | 01/26/02 | Black, white markings, cropped ears, Breeder: Douglas W. Bradshaw & Cheryl F. Miller |
| Connie | 08/01 | Fawn, natural ears, 6 ft. fence required |
| Jeannie | 09/00 | Fawn, natural ears |
| Bebe | 05/00 | Harlequin, natural ears, rear leg amputated |
| Kelsey | 11/00 | Merle, white markings, cropped ears |
| Penny | 09/99 | Black, white markings, cropped ears, must be adopted with Bo |
| Nicole | 09/04/98 | Merle, natural ears |
| Saint Bernards-Males | | |
| Barry | 10/00 | Rough coat |
| Barney | 02/00 | Rough coat |
| Franky | 02/00 | Rough coat, blue eyes |
| Odie | 12/99 | Rough coat |
| Mikey | 05/99 | Rough coat |

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Allison Truax
 Sonja Venzin
 John & Melodie Whitacre
 Jeff & Betty Whittington
 Judy Yacks
 Amy & Dustin Young

Attorneys

Greg Ruehlmann
 Timothy Smith

Veterinarians

Dan Meakin
 Lee Schrader
 Steve Schrader

Computer Consultants

Janet Carleton
 Jeff Whittington

Volunteers Keep Busy

We don't have the space to go into the activities of each volunteer. So we will try to hit some of the highlights to give you an idea of the different things our volunteers do.

Jane Dickinson organizes the Mingle with the Mutts at the Franklin County Animal Shelter. These Mingles are held the first and third Sundays each month. She also does Awareness Days at PetsMart at Easton in Columbus.

Bernie Ball does Awareness at PetsMart at Eastgate in Cincinnati on the third Sunday of each month.

Jeff and Betty Whittington conduct Awareness Days at Pet Supply Plus in Cincinnati on a regular basis.

Lena Skov takes care of the Awareness Days at PetsMart Fairlawn in Akron.

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| Name | DOB | Comments |
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| Saint Bernards- Females | | |
| Rosie | 05/00 | Rough coat |
| Tina | 04/00 | Rough coat |
| Casey | 04/00 | Smooth coat |
| Betty | 05/99 | Rough coat |
| Gracie | 09/14/97 | Rough coat |
| Mixes-Males | | |
| Sneak | 05/02 | Dane-Catahoula, merlequin |
| Woody II | 10/99 | Dane-Lab, fawn |
| Mixes-Females | | |
| Dana | 12/99 | Dane-Mastiff, black, white marking |
| Gypsy | 08/01/99 | Dane-German Shepherd mix, fawn |
| Pixie | 08/01/99 | Dane-German Shepherd mix, fawn |
| Other Purebreds | | |
| Males | | |
| Bo | 06/00 | Boxer, must be adopted with Penny |

Recent Adoptions

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|---------------------------|---|
| Faith aka Daisy | Jeff and Betty Whittington |
| Bosco aka Muldoone | Christine Vrooman and Pellegrino Ciccarello |
| Meeka | Christy and Rick Bucher |
| Rhett | Josephine and Brian Reigelsperger |
| Toni | Shirley and John Doran |
| Sean | Bill and Patty Douglas |
| Dakota | John and Jeanette Holmer |
| Dee | Robin McKell and Jeff Clark |
| Hershey | Amanda and Josh Hoffman |
| Joanie | Mary Beth Gettins and Sydney Sauerbrunn |
| Monty | Keith Walsh |

A Dog Owner's Prayer

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| Oh Lord, don't let me once forget How I love my trusty pet. Help me learn to disregard Canine craters in my yard. | Shield my neighbor's cat from view. Guide my steps around the doo. Train me not to curse and scowl When it's puppy's night to howl. |
| Show me how to be a buddy Even when my sofa's muddy. Don't allow my pooch to munch Postal carriers for lunch. | Grant I shan't awake in fear With a cold nose in my ear. Give me patience without end. Help me be my dog's "best friend". |

Author Unknown



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Karen Callinan is our representative at various pet functions in Toledo, Ohio.

Becky Bell covers dog related events in Northern Kentucky for us.

Sometimes these volunteers work these events by themselves with only their own dogs. All of them would welcome the participation of other volunteers and their dogs. Check out the coming events page on the Rescue Web Site and make plans to be there to help.

Each year for the past several years volunteers have taken their dogs to Troy Elementary School to reward the children for raising money to donate to the Rescue. This year was no exception. Christe McGarry and her mother, Linda McGarry, organize this event which is eagerly anticipated by the children.

On May 20, 21, and 22 Amy and Dustin Young had a garage sale at their home to benefit the Rescue.

Becky Bell always enjoys an opportunity to show off her Dane, Bob. This year they participated in the SPCA Doggie Dash in Cincinnati on May 21.

Do you live in an area where there are no other Dane adopter/volunteers near you? Watch your local newspaper for events or parades you and your dog can attend. If you know far enough in advance, the Rescue will be glad to send you business cards to hand out. We can also post your event on the Web Site and maybe get some volunteers to join you.

Thank you all for your spirit of helpfulness.

Important Upcoming Events

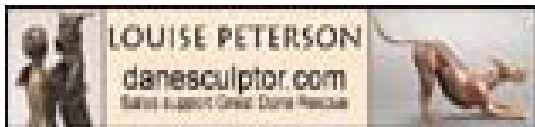
Saturday and Sunday
June 18 and 19 - noon to 6 PM
Child Wellness Fair
Coney Island, Kellogg Ave.
Cincinnati, OH

We will need many volunteers and their adopted dogs to talk to the public and man our booth. This event is expected to draw over 60,000 people in two days. There will be TV and radio coverage. Please let us know if you can help.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
June 24, 25, and 26
Great Dane Specialty Show
Wagonwheel Campground KOA
6787 Baker Rd.
Shelby, OH 44875

Louise Peterson (<http://www.danesculptor.com>) has asked us to man her booth at this event. In return she will donate 25% of all sales. This is a fundraiser that has a lot of promise for a large amount of money for the rescue dogs.

We will need a lot of volunteers for this event. SORRY! YOU CANNOT BRING YOUR DOGS TO THIS EVENT. Please let us know ASAP if you can help with this event.



Mark Your Calendar for More Upcoming Events

HHGDSBR Picnic
Sunday, September 11
at Strictly Dogs in Cincinnati

We will begin at 1 PM with a mingling session and share a pot luck lunch at 1:30. We are planning contests and games for the afternoon. Watch the Events page on the Web Site for further details.

FUNDRAISER

FIRST ANNUAL GOLF SCRAMBLE

Saturday, September 24
Starts at 8:00 AM
Rain Date - Saturday, October 1

Indian Ridge Golf Club
2600 Oxford-Millville Road
Oxford, OH 45056

For information about entering go to
www.hhdane.com and click on
HHGDSBR 1st Annual Golf Scramble!!

More Events

First and Third Sundays Each Month
noon to 2 PM

Mingle with the Mutts at
Franklin County Animal Shelter
1731 Alum Creek Drive
Columbus, OH

Saturday, June 18
noon to 2 PM
PetsMart Fairlawn
3750 W. Market Street
Akron, OH 44333

Sunday, June 26
11 AM to 6 PM
PetFest 2005
Boone Woods Park
Burlington, KY

Summer 2005 Raffle Details

The winning tickets will be drawn June 26

The tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. If you wish to mail your money, send to:

Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue
11567 State Route 774
Bethel, OH 45106

If you wish to buy tickets on line go to our Web Site at www.hhdane.com and click on the link

Ready for Summer Raffle 2005

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