



HARLEQUIN HAVEN GREAT DANE RESCUE

NEWSLETTER

Visit our Web site often—your next best friend may be waiting there for you!

Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue
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CLICK TO DONATE BY SEPTEMBER 16!



Your donation could be matched by making it through the Rescue's "charity badge" at Network for Good.

Donate at least the minimum amount of \$10 to help us win a matching grant of \$10,000 from Hanes and SixDegrees.org!

The objective is to get as many donors as possible before September 16.

Our goal is to get into the top six applicants where we get all donations matched! The only way we can do that is to get the highest number of people donating.

Once we reach that goal, we then have a chance to win up to \$10,000 through the match.

The winners are decided by the number of people who do donate, not the size of the donation. Of course,

once we get into the top six then the size of the donation counts for the matching funds.

Please note: duplicate E-mail and postal addresses will not count toward our goal.

The founders of SixDegrees.org operate it in the belief that everyone is connected to others through six or fewer relationships.

We are all connected through HHGDR and our love of dogs.

Be sure to use the charity badge on the Rescue Web site or the link below so that we are credited for your donation.

Please post the charity badge link to everyone in your E-mail address books; ask your friends and coworkers to help also.

Remember—we are all connected!

<http://www.networkforgood.org/pca/Badge.aspx?BadgeId=106392>

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Mark your calendars for Mozart's art gallery show in December!

UNADOPTABLE

I am unadoptable. Why you ask? Because a dumb human stuck his hand in the middle of a fight and I was blamed. I got into a fight with another dog and when the human tried to break it up he got bit. Of course during all the commotion he knew it was me and not the other dog. Yeah, right!

Why me? Why am I to blame for a human mistake? Why must I live with a "bite history" and not the other dog? Because the other dog was his favorite! They say I am dangerous but am I really? If two humans

get into a fight they are not doomed to a life of exile! I did not kill the other dog; I was only fighting to protect myself, yet now I am doomed. How is this fair?

Why do I not have any rights? Why am I not innocent until proven guilty, as in a human court of law? Why do people only listen to other people and not listen to us dogs?

My owners knew me. They knew I was not aggressive, yet they did not love me enough to stand up for me—it was easier to dump me than to protect me!

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**CHECK THE
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AWARENESS
EVENTS IN YOUR
AREA!**

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Yet *I* would have given my life for them—how sad is that?

I was a lucky one; I had the Rescue to fall back on. I am now at the Rescue where I will be safe and loved for the remainder of my life. I will never again be eligible to look for a forever home of my own. But there is something to be said for living at the Rescue. Here we are allowed to tell our side, here we are innocent until proven guilty, here we are loved as much as we love.

For more information see “Tips To Bite Proof Your Family” under “Canines & Humans”

<http://www.hhdane.org/caninehuman/caninehuman.htm>



The whole Rader family gets into the act, accompanied by Toby, while working the H H D G R booth at the Doggie Dive-In at Washington Court House, Ohio.

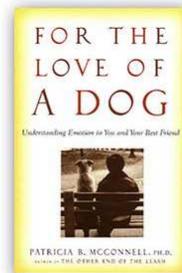


BERT'S BOOKS

Great News! Ruby now has a forever home, so she has passed her “Ruby Reads” column over to me. I hope no one will mind my renaming it. Ruby and I came to the Rescue together from the Pickaway County Cruelty Case. I hope I get adopted too, but while waiting I've been doing some reading. Here are two of my latest finds, both showing the similarities between two- and four-legged folk. Visit my page: <http://www.hhdane.org/danes/bert.htm>

Don't fool yourself: if you yell at your dog for something he did twenty seconds ago, you're not training him; you're merely expressing your own anger.

—Patricia B. McConnell

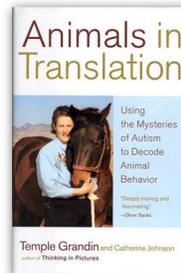


For the Love of a Dog by Patricia B. McConnell is just what I've been looking for to help figure people out!

This book even has photo illustrations comparing the faces and body postures of dogs and humans. (I found the part about “tongue flicks” particularly interesting.) We are much more similar than I ever dreamed!

Dr. McConnell has made her career helping people and animals communicate, working in her clinic, on *Animal Planet*, and as a radio talk show host on Calling All Pets.

She offers thoughtful down-to-earth information and advice, disavowing the “dominance” theories of the hot trainer of the moment.



Temple Grandin's *Animals in Translation: Using the Mysteries of Autism to Decode Animal Behavior* is not a book about training or dogs (although we canines are mentioned).

Rather it's a book about Dr. Grandin's life as an autistic person, and the way she sees the world. Dr. Grandin believes the way her autistic brain works is more similar than regular humans to the way us four-legged folk's brains work.

Grandin is a prolific author and lecturer on both autism and humane slaughter (she loves cows and wants to make their lives—and death—better).

If you'd like to read an unusual book, and do some thinking, then give this one a try!

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 hhdane.mom@gmail.com.

Current and back issues are available from the Web site and by request. <http://www.hhdane.org/>



BONDING WITH YOUR NEWLY-ADOPTED DOG

Dogs are pack animals and need to be part of a pack. Your new dog needs to be part of your family. He considers your family to be his pack he and needs to find where he stands in the pack/family.



Consider your rescue dogs as adopted children. They need extra understanding, love, and patience. To have a loving pet, you need to bond with your pet just as you would with an adopted child. Remember that you don't

know all that your pet has been through prior to your adopting him. Like most children he won't tell you everything.

It is incorrect that only a young puppy will bond with a human family. Research shows us that dogs under four years old will bond easily to a new family. Dogs from four to eight years of age will take longer depending on the personality and experiences of each dog. We have found that no matter the personality or experiences, the Dane or Saint will bond if given love, patience, and understanding.

Tools for Bonding



Experienced rescue folk have shown that the following methods influence bonding and ease the transition when the dog is introduced into your family. Each is a positive influence.

Maximum time together is very important. Adopt the dog on the first day of a long weekend or vacation and spend the maximum time with her. After that, the more time that you spend with her, the stronger the bond.

Quality time works just as well with dogs as it does with children, friends, and spouses. Play any fun game with her while paying attention to only her and nothing else. Do this for a few minutes at a time and repeat several times a day.

A good *obedience course* is a very valuable bonding tool with the added bonus of training your dog to be a good citizen.

Companionship means allowing the dog lie as near to you as possible while you are sitting somewhere, doing anything. Repeat several times a day. (An outside dog, or a dog on a chain, can become aggressive. They are unhappy when they are not part of the family.)

Sleeping close to any family member is important to the dog. Having him sleep close-by maximizes the bonding.

A *regular schedule* is the easiest on both people and dogs. Get up each morning at the same time, feed the dog at the same time, go to bed at the same time. This is normal for calm people and calm dogs.

Patience is the most important tool. Remember that your dog is in new surroundings with new people. He needs time to adjust. Don't push! In most cases the dog has been abandoned by his original family. He will need to learn to trust and

feel secure again.

All of these tools are positive influences. Do as many as are reasonable. No one method is guaranteed.

All images are of adopters with their HHGDR dogs and can be found on the "Success" page of the Web site.

For more tips, see "Canines & Humans"

<http://www.hhdane.org/caninehuman/caninehuman.htm>





VOLUNTEERS—our most sincere thanks!

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See “How to Help” on the HHGDR site to contribute to the care and welfare of the homeless dogs.
<http://www.hhdane.org/>

VOLUNTEERS at work!

Volunteers worked awareness events around Ohio including those in Columbus, Dayton, and Washington Court House.

Check the Web site for events in your area!
<http://www.hhdane.com/events/events.htm>



August Grooming Day at the Rescue brought a number of volunteers out on a fine day. Above ATLAS (left) enjoys the attentions of Polly Pyles, and JAX (right) receives a good brushing from Sherrie & Chris Sims.



RAINBOW BRIDGE—our deepest sympathy

Abby—Lisa Wahoff

Calley—Tim, Jennifer, Tom & Judy Yacks

Dottie Schira—her family

Opal and Pearl—Dale & Tom Bath

Phoenix—Rebecca & James Klabusich

Santana—Sandy Suarez

Sibia Hopper—Jerry Hopper

Willie—Patty & Dan Evans

RECENT ADOPTIONS—congratulations!

Mark your calendars for Mozart's art gallery show in December!

Seth—David & Laura Fate

Dana—Stacey & Joe Dean

Tony—Ed Firth & Cindy Orlasky

Sterling—Brenna & Alex Wright

Emmy—James & Judy Downs

Alex—Melinda Villao & Timothy Goings

Justice—Victory & Frank Dorrian (not pictured)

Mimi—Kenneth & Cecilia Williams (not pictured)



Clockwise from top

**DONORS AND SPONSORS—A huge thank you!**

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Ed Firth	Michelle Minnich	
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	Sara Neumann	

Thank You!



OUR WISH LIST

DOG

Bedding: blankets, *crocheted/knitted afghans & throws**, sheets (all sizes, fitted & flat)

Beds: dog beds, futon frames & mattresses, mattresses (all sizes), rugs/floor mats

Dog food bowls (stainless steel)

*Dog toys**

*Dog treats**

Grooming products: cotton balls, ear cleaner, flea control (spray, dip, powder), shampoos (any & all types)

Medical supplies, including heartworm preventative

Money for vet bills (payable to All Creatures Animal Hospital but mailed to HHGDR so you will be given proper credit for tax deduction)

Slip leads

Stall rakes (apple pickers) & pooper scoopers (scoop & rake or spade style)

CLEANING

Bleach

Carpet Fresh

Cleaning liquids (*Simple Green**, window cleaner, & others)

*Clorox Outdoor bleach cleaner**

Deck/siding scrub brushes

Dish soap (dishwasher and liquid)

Garbage bags (15-20 & 55 gal)

*Gravel or blacktop for grounds**

Industrial squeegees

Laundry soap

Mop buckets with wringers

Mop heads (commercial type)

Paper towels

SPECIAL

*Minivan**

Gift certificates to pet stores, grocery stores, & department stores

Medical supplies (human)

Money for buying supplies & bills (electric bill, water bill, gas, etc.)

**Highest need*

For the most current Wish List, see "How To Help" on the HHGDR Web site.

<http://www.hhdane.org/howtohelp/howtohelp.htm>

NO MORE PUPPY MILLS MAGNETS



Magnets similar to bumper stickers are available through the Rescue. 8 1/2" x 3 1/2", they are free

with \$2 S/H. Contact magnet@hhdane.com to order.

Your financial support is what keeps us going.

Without you, we would not be able to save them.

Thank you one and all, and if we have omitted anyone from our lists, we sincerely apologize.

MOZART'S PAINTINGS AVAILABLE

Mozart, HHGDR spokesdog and resident artist, will be having a gallery show in December at the Mac Worthington Gallery, in Columbus.

In the meantime, Mozart's acrylic on canvas paw paintings can be viewed and purchased on the Mac Worthington Web site at



<http://macworthington.com/featuredartist15.htm>; also on the Rescue Web site under "How to Help."

And remember all proceeds go to help the dogs!



Visit our Web site often—your next best friend may be waiting there for you!

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LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES LIKE YOURS...

We have 50 Great Danes, 8 Saint Bernards, 1 other breed, and 4 mixed breed dogs waiting for new homes. To date we have adopted out 1225 Great Danes and other dogs.

See "How to Help" on the HHGDR site to contribute to the care and welfare of the homeless dogs.
<http://www.hhdane.org/>

HHGDR eBay Fundraising Auctions



Keep an eye on the HHGDR eBay fundraising auctions!

New items usually go up

every week, however the auction is currently **on summer vacation** but will return soon.

Visit <http://www.hhdane.org/> to see all our auctions.

We have many items large and small that would make fabulous gifts!



Along with "pawtographing" clothing and accessories, **Mozart** continues to paint ab-



stract art works. Watch for Mozart's gallery show in December!

A sincere thanks to our supporters who both donated and purchased items!

