



# HARLEQUIN HAVEN GREAT DANE RESCUE NEWSLETTER

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your next best friend may be  
waiting there for you!

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## NEW DOGS @ HHGDR

### GABRIELLA

I was adopted from the Franklin County (Ohio) Animal Shelter on Christmas Eve but arrived at HHGDR 6 months later very thin. I had a lot of weight to gain first, but I am now ready to find my forever home!

<http://hhdane.org/danes/gabriella.htm>



### FRED

My owner was diagnosed with ALS and had to release me to the Franklin County (Ohio) Animal Shelter when he could no longer care for me. I am a very sweet and gentle boy and just need a forever family.

<http://hhdane.org/danes/fred.htm>



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## EBAY SALES SUPPORT HHGDR

HHGDR volunteers are again selling donated items on eBay to benefit the Rescue. Recent items included Dane note cards, restaurant gift cards, T-shirts, holiday items, crib sheets, and more! Be sure to check often, and remember, 100% of the funds go to support the homeless Danes. All items can be viewed from the Rescue's page at <http://myworld.ebay.com/hhgdsbr>



*HHGDR is a non-profit  
501(c)(3) all-volunteer-  
run organization.  
Donations are tax-  
deductible!*



## HHGDR ADOPTION SUCCESS STORIES!

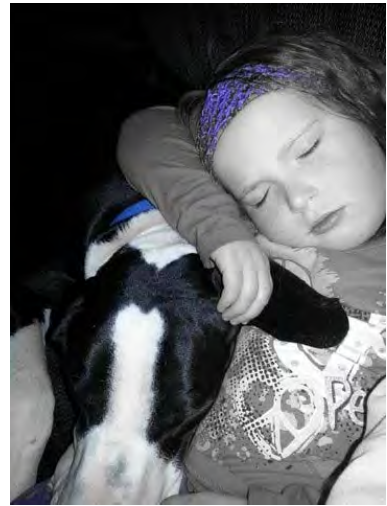
### ZEKE aka OZORA by Jan Cazin

ZEKE is loving his new home! We have had him for almost a year now, and we don't know how we lived without him. He and his Irish Wolfhound brother Murphy are best friends, and they do a great job of keeping each other company.

ZEKE still gets into trouble from time to time (mostly eating things he shouldn't eat), but as you can see in the pictures we can't stay mad at him because he is just too sweet and loving.

One of the best things about ZEKE is how nicely he looks out for his people sisters. ZEKE always lets us know if anyone gets even remotely close to our house. Thank you so much Harlequin Haven for helping us find the just right Great Dane for our family.

Read his story at <http://hhdane.org/success/ozora.htm>.



ZEKE, formerly OZORA, snuggles with his sister.

### 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.

## NEED TO KNOW: PET TRUSTS & PET PROTECTION AGREEMENTS

"Nowadays, people consider their pets to be members of the family. And while no one likes to think about it, when family members depend on you, you need to think about how to provide for them when you're no longer around." This how the article "All in the Family: Why Pet Trusts are So Popular" from the financial planning site, LearnVest begins.

The article goes on to say legal options include having a lawyer draw up a "free-standing trust" or one can go the route of a "Pet Protection Agreement," which is available online. And that both pet trusts and Pet Protection Agreements can take effect if you are incapacitated in life, and best of all, cannot be contested after your death (unlike a will).

According to the Animal Legal & Historical

Center, Ohio and Indiana each enacted laws legalizing pet trusts in 2007 and 2005. Unfortunately a few states, including Kentucky, have not enacted such laws.

Whatever your choices on how to make provisions for your 4-legged kids, be sure to put it in writing! And, if any of your dogs were adopted from HHGDR, make sure that the first thing a guardian does is notify the Rescue.

For additional information see the LearnVest article at <http://www.learnvest.com/2013/06/all-in-the-family-why-pet-trusts-are-so-popular/>

and the Animal Legal & Historical Center's map of "states with companion animal (pet) trust laws" at <http://www.animallaw.info/articles/armpuspetrusts.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 more than 1,460 dogs in carefully screened forever homes. HHGDR serves Ohio, extreme northern Kentucky, and parts of eastern Indiana. Currently 18 dogs are available for adoption. In addition,

the Rescue houses Sanctuary Dogs living out their lives in the safe environment of the Rescue (the latter unadoptable for health, age, or other conditions). In 2012, HHGDR spent more than \$20,000 on vet bills alone. Contributions are always welcome and are tax-deductible.

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](mailto:janet.carleton@gmail.com).

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



## HHGDR ADOPTION SUCCESS STORIES!

### JEREMIAH by Karen Callinan

He chose us as soon as he entered the room, tail wagging furiously. He put his head in my husband's lap, and soon after, in mine as well. We were thrilled. We knew up front that we were JEREMIAH's 11th home. We were determined to make ours his final home.

In the days following his adoption, we slowly introduced our handsome boy to our friends and neighbors. Some he took to immediately, and others he growled at and hung back. We consulted a dog behaviorist who came to our home and worked with the three of us. He recommended giving treats to those people JEREMIAH was reluctant to meet.



*JEREMIAH poses with a fan at the Old West End Festival.*

It worked like a charm, and now our boy greets everyone, with or without treats. We think he realizes that the strangers want to pet his lovely self, and are not taking him away.

We are frequently asked, "Why did he have 10 other homes?" We can only guess. Often large dogs intimidate people. If a frightened dog growls at someone, and that person has little or no experience with dogs, especially large dogs, that person's first reaction may be to get rid of the dog. We will probably never know.

June 1–2 was Toledo's Old West End Festival. Because of his unique coloring and gentle demeanor, JEREMIAH was constantly photographed and we had many requests to pet him. We were able to tell people of Harlequin Haven's great work with Great Danes, and how rescued dogs make wonderful pets! JEREMIAH is a wonderful success story. Eleven must be his lucky number!

Read his story at <http://hhdane.org/success/jeremiah.htm>.

### PASHA by Lynn Wallich & Mary Jo Hudson

In June 2012, PASHA came into our lives and totally made our household complete. She was then a 7-month-old playful puppy who happily adjusted to her two 4-legged siblings (Annie, who is 5 and Shirley, who is 9). PASHA loves to play with Annie and Shirley, when Shirley initiates it.

This piece could go on forever, considering how happy we are with her, but instead, I will simply say *thank you Harlequin Haven* for giving this household a



*PASHA takes a break from play with her sisters.*

chance to raise and care for a beautiful dog named PASHA!

Read her story at <http://hhdane.org/success/pasha.htm>.

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT—Janet Carleton

**Bio:** Originally from Massachusetts; in the Athens, Ohio, area for 15 years. Digital Initiatives coordinator for Ohio University Libraries. Spouse is Dale Francis, also a volunteer.

**Owned by:** 5 dogs: DORI, HAYLEY, HOLLY, MICAH, PONG; 4 cats, Annie, Jeter, JoJo, LC.

**Current HHGDR work:** Primarily offsite tasks: social media, newsletter, grants, website, general tech support.

**HHGDR history:** Adopted BETSY in 2002, first began volunteering by revamping the website, followed by eBay and the newsletter.

**High points:** Sharing the Danes' stories by bringing HHGDR into the social media world.

\* Featured at the request of the HHGDR Director.





## VOLUNTEERS—We are so Grateful!

We would love to have you—please email the Rescue at [info@hhdane.org](mailto:info@hhdane.org) for a volunteer application.

Check the Rescue website for events in your area! <http://hhdane.org/events/events.htm>



At the top, Bella Merino meets and educates the public at Moochie & Co. Polaris with her adopted Dane BALoo, while Jonathan and Eline Brandt do the same at Moochie & Co. Easton with their Dane DANA.

- Kathy Amrein
- Dori Baker
- Brenda Batyske
- Jen Bavry
- Jonathan & Eline Brandt
- Alisa Brooks
- Jason Brown
- Karen Callinan
- Melissa Cannon
- Janet Carleton
- Don Corsmeier
- Mame, Craig, Summer & Bentley Corson
- Monika Dail
- Jennifer Epstein
- Ed Firth
- Dale Francis
- William Gentry
- Mary Beth Gettins
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- Sue Young-Sparks
- Attorney*
- Mary Beth Gettins
- Veterinarians*
- Mark Burroughs
- Mark Hayes
- Frank Norvell
- Lee Schrader
- Steve Schrader

Volunteers perform **all** the tasks for the Rescue—there are no paid staff! Some tasks require visiting the Rescue itself, many others do not.

### Find Regular Awareness Events at These Ohio Locations:

**Mingle with Our Mutts:** Franklin County Animal Shelter (Columbus) & Montgomery County Animal Resource Center (Dayton).

**Moochie & Co:** Easton Town Center and Polaris Mall, Columbus; Tuttle Mall, Dublin.

**PetPeople:** Powell.

**Petsmart:** Easton, Columbus; Colerain Towne Center & Western Hills, Cincinnati.

**Pet Supplies Plus:** Westlake.

Please check our Events page for details at <http://hhdane.org/events/events.htm>.



### RAINBOW BRIDGE—Our Deepest Sympathy

BADEN, CHASE, DONNY, and TREY—Tom & Dale Bath

CHIEF—Pookie Kostuk

CINDY and NALA—Beth Mack

DION—Holly Witte

EINSTEIN aka GARTH—Pam & Don Wolf

JOEY—Ryan Liersemann

KOHL—Amy & Dustin Young

LILLY—Ken & Kelly Eiker

MINDY—Jeff & Betty Whittington

TAZ—Lauren Seither

WILLI MOE—Craig & Mame Corson

WILLIE—Amy & Steve Miller

### RECENT ADOPTIONS—Congratulations!

AVERY—Mary Simon

DRAKE—John Mitchell

ETHAN—Janna Conley & Jeremy Hubbard

MYLES—Ken & Jo Williams

PAYTON and XIN—Sarah & Reed Daulton

XANNON—Cianna Kirkland & Derrick Fording



XANNON



DRAKE



PAYTON

XIN



MYLES



AVERY



ETHAN

See "How to Help" on the HHGDR site to contribute to the care and welfare of the homeless dogs.

HHGDR advocates for the SPAY and NEUTER of all pets. There aren't enough homes for them all!



## DONORS & SPONSORS—Thank You!

Dori Baker  
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Donna Conn  
Kevin Lackey  
Chip Leader  
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Beth Mack  
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and TREY  
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Mother's Day  
PetSMART Charities  
Timothy Ponstingle  
Pro Plan Rally to Rescue  
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Dogs  
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Lynn Wallich  
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Marsha Wheeler  
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Nellie Cline  
Charlie Wilson  
Judy & Tom Yacks  
Amy & Dustin Young, in memory of KOHL

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



## HOW TO HELP

### Cell Phones & Ink Cartridges

Old cell phones and empty inkjet and laser cartridges all can be redeemed by HHGDR for cash.

We've found a place that recycles these items and also gives us money for each one.



Redeeming these "worthless" items really helps us!

For a list of cartridges and phones currently being accepted, see <http://hhdane.org/howtohelp/cartridge.htm>

### Sponsor a Homeless Dog

Would you love to adopt a dog, but just can't right now? Sponsoring a homeless dog like MASON is a great way to open your heart to a rescued dog, even if you can't open your home to one. Sponsorships also make great gifts!

Sponsorship is \$10 per month or \$100 per year. HHGDR will choose a dog for you and send you 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.



Just fill out the sponsorship form and send it along with your sponsorship donation or donate online from <http://hhdane.org/howtohelp/sponsor/sponsorinfo.htm>

### Our Highest Priority Wish List

- Dog Treats
- Dog Toys (*Hard Boiled Softies; JW baseball & bowling pin, & Cuz; Wubba*)
- Crocheted or knitted afghans, throws, and quilts

For the complete Wish List, see "How To Help" on the website. Thank You!

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



## MOZART'S ART



Red Hum-Mo-ngbird Vine by MOZART. 8 x 10", acrylic on canvas, \$55



Pure Paw-ssion by MOZART. 24 x 36", acrylic on canvas, \$400



Mozart's Buttercups by MOZART. 11 x 14", acrylic on canvas, \$140



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HHGDR is a no-kill 501(c)3 all-volunteer-run non-profit shelter.

**LOOKING FOR FOREVER HOMES LIKE YOURS...**

*We have 16 Great Danes awaiting new homes. To date HHGDR has adopted out 1,461 dogs.*

## ART WITH A MISSION—Mozart Dane's Art



Paw-s by the Lake by MOZART. 20 x 24", acrylic on canvas, \$200.

MOZART paints with his paws to help support the Rescue and provide for the homeless dogs. He is the Rescue Spokesdog against puppy mills, pet stores, and for spay/neuter.

Mo has retired from exhibiting at festivals, but still has many lovely art works to offer. Paintings can make a wonderful and unique gift for all animal-lovers.

Paintings can be viewed and purchased from the HHGDR site. Lay-away and gift certificates also available.

Read Mo's story at <http://hhdane.org/mozart>.



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