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# Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue

#### NEWSLETTER

### Our Mission

The Harlequin Haven Great Dane and Saint Bernard Rescue Mission Statement is not just a collection of eloquent words and principles meant to impress people. Words and ideals are meaningless unless put into practice. Every dog at the Rescue has a story to tell. Some are more dramatic than others—Bebe, Ben, and Max are good examples—but all are stories that illustrate that the Rescue practices what it preaches.

## **Guinness II**

#### **His Story**

I don't know how long I had been living in the vehicle when the Montgomery County ACO (Animal Control Officer) rescued me. I remember that I was hungry, thirsty, cold, and very lonely. The temperature outside was in the single digits, and I was curled up in a tattered old blanket trying to keep warm. The ACO knew that I had not been



Guinness II - January 24, 2005

given food or water for a long time because there were no foot or paw prints in the snow surrounding the vehicle, and she could smell the stench of my feces through the closed windows of the vehicle.

The ACO took me to a veterinarian immediately. I was emaciated and extremely dehydrated. My normal weight should have been 120 pounds, but I weighed only 75 pounds.

The ACO and the director of the shelter agreed that I needed to get into Rescue where I could receive proper medical and long term care. They forced my owner to release me, and made arrangements for me to be transported to the Rescue.

Now I am living inside a nice warm building with soft bedding to lie on. Best of all I know that there are people who care about me.



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YOU CAN HELP FULFILL OUR MISSION WITH YOUR DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS

#### **Excuses, Excuses**

If you read the classified ads in your local newspaper, you have probably seen one like this. "Shadow is a good dog around kids, we are moving to town, can't take him with us. We are trying to find a good country home for him, we have had him for years." *Translation: Shadow lives outside. We never bothered to housebreak him* 

That is only one of the many excuses those of us in rescue work hear from people wanting to dump their dogs. Here are some more.

- ◆ He won't stay at home. He runs all over the neighborhood. A fence would spoil the looks of our property.
- ◆ The kids are grown and off to college, and he needs someone to play with. He cramps our style, and we don't want to be bothered with him.
- ♦ He got too big, and it costs too much to feed him. We didn't do our homework on the breed before we bought that cute puppy.
- ♦ We got a new puppy. Out with the old, in with the new.
- ♦ She knocked Great Aunt Agatha down. We thought it was macho to teach her to jump up and put her paws on our shoulders.
- ♦ She is getting old and incontinent. Even though she has been a good and faithful companion, we can't be bothered to take care of her in her old age.

## ADOPTING A PET IS A LIFELONG COMMITMENT



Will you still love me, Will you take care of me when I'm old and gray?

#### LAND SEA CONTAINER DONATED



The Rescue now has a large, secure storage area for dog food thanks to a very generous donation from John Bath. It was delivered and set up just in time to receive a large donation of dog food arranged by Andy & Wendi Beauseau.

#### P & G DONATES IAMS DOG FOOD



#### Ben asks, "When do I get my biscuit?"

The new land sea container was put to use when Procter & Gamble donated approximately 80,000 pounds of lams Dog Food and Biscuits. Because of this generous donation, the Rescue will not have to worry about feeding the dogs for quite some time.

#### CARGO VAN DONATED



Sheryl Eichelberger donated a Chevrolet G20 van to the Rescue. This will come in handy for hauling the larger and heavier loads.

### Memorials

**Haley** Becky and Ivan Martín

**Dillon** Alex and Lynn Kruger

**Taylor** Dean and Scarlett Breeding

Hank, Libby, Haley, and Blue Tom and Dale Bath

> **Stanley** Jodí and Ray Mercer

**Max and Jake**Jon and Holly Witte

**Harley** Jeff Hawkes

**Cammy**Theresa and Scott Meyer

**Shelby** Laura Greene and Kerry Grubb

**Chester**Tuja Stuard and Alex Okker

**Storm** Cheryl Lehman

**Indy** Josephine and Brian Reigelsperger

**Betsy** Janet Carleton and Dale Francis



# Dogs Who've Shared Our Lives

They will not go quietly,
the dogs who've shared our lives.
In subtle ways they let us know
their spirit still survives.

Old habits still make us think we hear a barking at the door, Or step back when we drop a tasty morsel on the floor.

Our feet still go around the place the food dish used to be, And, sometimes, coming home at night, we miss them terribly.

Although time may bring new friends and a new food dish to fill,
That one place in our hearts belongs to them...and always will.

**Author Unknown** 

## In Memory of

Your tax deductible donation of \$25 or more to our rescue places a permanent memorial to your pet on our Web site.

Photos should be e-mailed to *Memory@ hhdane.com* or can be mailed (we will scan your picture for you—if you want the picture returned, send a self addressed stamp envelope). Donations can be accepted through PayPal or by check via snail mail. Be sure to include the text (20 words or less) you would like used with your picture.

To view this page go to: http://www.hhdane.com/memory/memory.htm

#### **Is Your Dog Licensed?**

When your veterinarian handed you the rabies tag for your dog did you think that you had complied with the dog licensing requirements? If you did, you were wrong. A surprising number of people are ignorant of the local laws concerning ownership of a dog.

Each state has dog licensing laws. They may vary in detail, but all require that ownership of a dog be registered. In Ohio, dog licenses are purchased through the County Auditor's Office or its appointed agents. Licenses must be renewed each year by Jan. 31. If you have a new puppy, you must buy a license by the time it reaches three months of age. If you have just acquired a new dog, you have 30 days in which to buy a license. If you live in another state, your veterinarian can advise you about the local dog license laws.

A further requirement of which a lot of people are ignorant is that your dog must wear the tag attached to its collar. There are several good reasons for this.

- Ohio law requires it. The dog warden may impound dogs without tags.
- Sometimes a dog can get away from even the most vigilant owner. If the dog warden picks up a dog wearing a tag, he can call the owner and tell them to come and get their pet. Without a tag, the dog warden has no way of finding the owner. After three days the dog belongs to the dog warden.

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**Adoption List** 

As of February 22, 2005, we have placed 1112 dogs in adoptive homes. There are, however, 55 Great Danes, 11 Saint Bernards, 7 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
Во	07/22/04	Blue, natural ears
Jynx	02/04	White, black markings, blue eyes, natural ears, crooked tail, NOT DEAF
Jarrod	12/24/03	Mismarked mantle, cropped ears
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.
Hershey	09/03	Black, white markings, natural ears
Ben	09/03	White, merle markings, natural ears Not ready. Please read my story on the web site.
Joe	06/03	Blue, cropped ears. Not ready.
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,not ready
Sean	12/02	Black, white markings, cropped ears
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, not ready
Chase	06/02	Mantle, natural ears.
Dakota	05/02	Harlequin, natural ears, blue eyes. Not ready
Martin	07/13/01	Black, white markings, ears cropped but do not stand. Breeder: Pamela & Daryl Shonebarger
l I Jake	05/26/01	Fawn, cropped ears
Cody	03/01	Mantle, cropped ears-do not stand
Simon	02/14/01	Fawn, natural ears
Jax	02/01/01	Black, white markings, natural ears
Rhett	12/00	Brindle, natural ears
Luke	09/00	Fawn mantle, natural ears
Davey	08/00	Black, white markings, natural ears
Buddy	08/00	Black, white markings, natural ears
Maverick	06/12/99	Black, white markings, natural ears Breeder: Ken & Karen Tuszynski
Bob	05/98	Merle, natural ears

Name	DOB	Comments		
Female Great Danes				
Toni	05/27/04	Black, white marks, cropped ears,		
		Breeder: Betty Fitzpatrick		
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		
Dee	11/15/03	Black, natural ears, Breeder: Lance Bahnmiller		
Cheyenne	09/11/03	Fawn, black mask, natural ears, Breeder: Marc S. & Deborah A. Butson		
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,		
Justinie	02/02	Breeder: Monica Overly		
Inga	01/26/02	Black, white markings, cropped ears,		
S		Breeder: Douglas W. Bradshaw & Cheryl F.		
		Miller		
Connie	08/01	Fawn, natural ears, 6 ft. fence required		
Joanie	10/00	Black, cropped ears		
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 02/00	Rough coat Rough coat, blue eyes		
Franky Odie	12/99	Rough coat		
Monty	11/99	Rough coat		
Mikey	05/99	Rough coat		
•	rds- Females	Rough coat		
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		
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- The owner of a dog wearling a current tag will be charged a small fee when claiming his pet and will not be cited into court. The owner of a dog without a tag may pay up to \$100 to get his dog back.
- In many counties the dog wardens will be going door to door checking for licenses and tags. Tickets will be issued to violators.

Another provision of the law should be emphasized—your dog cannot run loose. It must be confined to your property or under reasonable control at all times. This is for your dog's safety and your peace of mind.

#### **Events Volunteers Needed**

Events, such as parades, mingles, and expos, give you an opportunity to show off your dog and help the Rescue.

Four events are regularly scheduled—the Franklin County Animal Shelter Mingle with the Mutts on the first and third Sundays of each month in Columbus, the PETsMART Awareness on the third Sunday of each month at Eastgate in Cincinnati, and Cincy's Mingle with Rescues on the first Sunday of each month at Strictly Dogs Day Care in Cincinnati.

Check the "Events" list on the Web site often and volunteer for as many as you can. If you have never done it before, don't be bashful. There will always be an experienced volunteer present to help you.

http://www.hhdane.com/events/ events.htm

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Name	DOB	Comments		
Mixes-Males				
Sneak	05/02	Dane-Catahoula, merlequin		
Howie	01/01	Dane-Catahoula, merle		
Woody II	10/99	Dane-Lab, fawn		
Woody	02/03/99	Dane–Anatolian Shepherd, fawn. Must be adopted with Scarlet		
<b>Mixes-Femal</b>	es			
Meeka	09/03/02	Dane-Mastiff, brindle		
Dana	12/99	Dane-Mastiff, black, white marking		
Scarlet	02/03/99	Dane–Anatolian Shepherd, fawn, must be adoped with Woody		
Other Purebreds				
Males				
Во	06/00	Boxer, must be adopted with Penny		

#### **Recent Adoptions**

Sandi	Rebecca and Dan Miller
Joy	Bob & Bernie Ball
Cass	Twyla Black
Carrie	Knox Derringer
Cody	Laura Greene & Kerry Grubb
Britney	Nancy Marconett
Dirk	Steve and Amy Miller
Billy	J. J. Clark and Robin McKell
Wilt	Matt Thomas
Indy	Josephine and Brian Reigelsperger
Eli	Melissa Stamper

#### When I Got My New Dog

I asked for strength that I might rear him perfectly; I was given weakness that I might feed him more treats.

I asked for good health that I might rest easy:

I was given a "special needs" dog that I might know nurturing.

I asked for an obedient dog that I might feel proud;

I was given stubbornness that I might feel humble.

I asked for compliance that I might feel masterful;

I was given a clown that I might laugh.

I asked for a companion that I might not feel lonely; I was given a best friend that I would feel loved.

I got nothing I asked for, but everything that I needed.

#### **Volunteers**

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If we have omitted the name of any donor, we apologize.

#### Thank You

HHGDSBR is a 501(c)3 non profit organization. It has no paid employees and is solely dependent on donations and volunteers for its continuing existence.

All donations, large and small, are truly appreciated. There are many ways to help-recently Tony & Pam Kassner and Mike & Marian Burlingham donated shares of stock.

We had two successful raffles last November and December. Keep watching our Web site for more to come.

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