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- 16 Great Danes/ 2 horses in need of forever homes
- 6 Sanctuary Dogs
- HHGDR has adopted out 1580 dogs/horses
- FAQ at hhdane.org/faq/faqmain.htm



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Is Loving Dogs in Your DNA? by Judy Yacks

Have you ever responded to the question, “Why do you love dogs so much?” with a shrug and, “I don’t know, maybe it’s in my genes.” It seems you may be right! Researchers studied the genetic makeup of more than 35,000 twin pairs both identical and non-identical. They found that genes had a significant influence on their attraction to dogs.

To quote the study: “The researchers found concordance rates of dog ownership to be much larger in identical twins than in non-identical ones—supporting the view that genetics indeed plays a major role in the choice of owning a dog.”

The study, published in *Scientific Reports* and led by Tove Fall, a professor of molecular epidemiology at the Department of Medical Sciences and the Science for Life Laboratory at Uppsala University, stated: “We were surprised to see that a person's genetic make-up appears to be a significant

influence in whether they own a dog. As such, these findings have major implications in several different fields related to understanding dog-human interaction throughout history and in modern times.”

[More information on the study from Uppsala University.](#)



NADIA, past HHGDR Sanctuary Dane, and young friend. Courtesy Judy Yacks.

Arts in the Park—Crafts Needed

Join HHGDR on Saturday, September 8 at Newtown Park in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, for Arts in the Park!

This craft show features handmade items or items with embellishments that appear handcrafted. In the past we have sold table runners, baby bibs, crocheted items (booties, blankets, sweaters), jewelry, baked goods, holiday décor, wreaths, nuts, works by Mozart, magnets, dog items, cards, recyclable feed bags, pottery, and more.

Food items have also done very well. Breads,

brownies, cookies—folks like to eat! People always comment that we have the best variety. Please let me know if you have any of these items or something similar. Nothing will be refused. The more we have the more we can potentially make for the dogs!

We will also need volunteers to staff the booth, set up, and tear down. In past years, this event has been a success due to the generous donors, and volunteers who donate their time on the day of the event.

Please contact [Amy](#) to get involved!

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.

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.

Current and back issues are available from the website and by request.

State Laws that Protect Animals Left in Parked Vehicles



Michigan State University College of Law's *Animal Legal & Historical Center* offers the resource "Table of State Laws that Protect Animals Left in Parked Vehicles," compiled by Rebecca F. Wisch. [\[LINK\]](#)

According to it, "Approximately 31 states have laws that deal with animals left in unattended vehicles. Most of these laws provide that the animal must be confined or unattended in a parked or stationary vehicle."

And Ohio is among them!

Ohio Revised Code § 959.133

Immunity for damage resulting from forcible entry of motor vehicle for purpose of removing animal

(A) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, a person shall be immune from civil liability for any damage resulting from the forcible entry of a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing an animal from the vehicle if the person does all of the following:

(1) Determines the vehicle is locked or there is otherwise no reasonable method for the animal to exit the vehicle.

(2) Has a good faith belief that forcible entry into the vehicle is necessary because the animal is in imminent danger of suffering harm if not immediately removed from the vehicle and, based upon the circumstances known to the person at the time, the belief is a reasonable one.

(3) Has made a good faith effort to contact the local law enforcement agency, the fire department, or a 9-1-1 operator prior to forcibly entering the vehicle. If contact is not possible prior to forcibly entering the vehicle, the person shall make contact as soon as possible after forcibly entering the vehicle.

(4) Makes a good faith effort to place a notice on the vehicle's windshield with the person's contact information, the reason the entry was made, the location of the animal, and the fact that the authorities have been notified.

(5) Remains with the animal in a safe location until law enforcement or emergency responders arrive.

(6) Used not more force to enter the vehicle and remove the animal from the vehicle than was necessary under the circumstances.

(B) Nothing in this section shall affect the person's civil liability if the person attempts to render aid to the animal in addition to what is authorized by this section.

(C) A person shall not be immune from civil liability for any damage resulting from the forcible entry of a motor vehicle for the purpose of removing an animal from the vehicle if the person's actions constitute recklessness or willful or wanton misconduct with regard to the forcible entry of the motor vehicle.

(D) As used in this section, "harm" means injury or death.

Added by 131st General Assembly File No. TBD, SB 215, §1, eff. 8/31/2016.

<http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/959.133v1>

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 1,580 dogs and horses in carefully screened forever homes. HHGDR serves Ohio, extreme north-

ern Kentucky, and parts of eastern Indiana. Currently 16 dogs and 2 horses 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 2017, HHGDR spent more than \$20,700 on vet bills alone. Contributions are always welcome and are tax-deductible.

Contact the Rescue at info@hhdane.org.

Tips for Keeping Your Pet Safe This Summer by Judy Yacks

Picnics, beaches, hiking... all fun activities that we look forward to in the summer. By taking precautions, your special “furiends” can enjoy the summer right along with you.

- **Dogs get much thirstier** in the heat than we do, so make sure they have access to plenty of water and shade. And don't forget to take along a bottle of water for your pet when you grab yours on your way outside.
- **Signs of dehydration** include dry gums and excessive drooling. While we sweat, dogs pant and drink water to bring down their body temperature. Signs of overheating and heat stroke: include heavy panting, dry or bright red gums, thick drool, vomiting, diarrhea, and wobbly legs.
- **If your pet is overheated**, move them to a cooler space and immediately begin to gradually lower their body temperature by applying COOL water all over their body or soak in a COOL bath. Just as you would treat a human, place wet towels over the back of the neck, armpits, and groin area. Heat stroke can be a life or death situation. Cooling shirts are available if your dog is prone to overheating.
- **Not all pets can swim.** Do not leave your pets unsupervised around a pool. Never try and force your pet into the water.
- **Fleas, ticks, spiders, mosquitos, snakes...**pests for sure and they all create their own set of issues. Observe your pet after a bee sting for an allergic reaction. Never use insect repellent meant for people on your pets. Dogs and cats are very sensitive to DEET. *And don't forget heartworm preventative!*
- **Food and drinks at picnics** and cookouts can be poisonous to pets. Avoid foods with raisins, grapes, onions, chocolate, products made with sweetener xylitol, alcoholic beverages,



Photo courtesy Judy Yacks.

corn on the cob, and any food with bones, which could pose a choking hazard.

- **The heat on a sidewalk** from the blazing sun can blister your dogs' feet. Walk them early in the day or in the evening when temperatures are a little cooler.
- **Never leave your pet alone in a car.** A car can heat to over 100 degrees in less than 10 minutes putting your pet in grave danger. And if common sense is not enough, it is illegal in at least 16 states.

Summer should be a time of bonding fun and memory building with your pet. Heeding these tips will help keep her safe!

See our Canine Care page for more at <https://hhdane.org/care/caremain.htm>

Recent Adoptions —Happy Tails

CALLIE—Meagan Pope

TESSA—Mary Butts

VALENTIN—Angela & Sam Harden



CALLIE



VALENTIN



TESSA

Attention Volunteers:
We would love photos of
your activities! Please send
them to the Rescue.



FABIAN looks happy to be working his first PetSmart Easton (Columbus) awareness event with his adopters Tim & Melinda Goings.

Volunteer Roll Call

- Wendi, Brenna & Aubrey Beauseau
- Jason Brown
- Janet Carleton
- Don Corsmeier
- Monika Dail
- Ken & Kelly Eiker
- Dale Francis
- William Gentry
- Mary Beth Gettins
- Melinda & Tim Goings
- Thelma Goris
- Steve & Kim Grubich
- Doug & Mary Hull
- Ed Luksic
- Beth Mack
- Nancy Marconett
- Kathy Marsh
- Brad Mathews
- Moira McCarthy
- Christe McGarry
- Kelly, Mark, Jackson, Naomi & Bella Merino
- Amy & Steve Miller
- Amanda Owen
- David Scott
- Mike & Beth Sedlock
- Sandra Seidman
- Barbara & Brian Spatz
- Randy & Becky Ware
- Marsha Wheeler
- Jo & Ken Williams
- Mike Winters
- Judy & Tom Yacks
- Attorney
- Mary Beth Gettins
- Veterinarians
- David Fox
- Mark Hayes
- Dan Meakin
- Frank Norvell

Volunteers perform all tasks for the Rescue—there are no paid staff.

Volunteers transport supplies and dogs, clean the Rescue facility, groom dogs, raise funds, write grants, staff awareness events, write newsletters, and manage social media. Some tasks require visiting the Rescue, many others do not.

Awareness events are held at festivals and pet supply stores. Volunteers set up with educational material provided by the Rescue and bring their dogs along. Passers-by meet the successfully adopted dogs and hear about those that still need forever homes.

Volunteers also educate on the pet store/puppy mill connection and the need for spay/neuter of all pets.

HHGDR would love to put you to work helping the homeless dogs! Send an email to info@hhdane.org today for a volunteer application!

Awareness Events by City

Mingle with Our Mutts

- Dayton (Montgomery Co. Animal Resource Center)

Moochie & Co

- Columbus (Polaris Mall)

PetPeople **NEW!**

- Cleveland (River Common, Rocky River)

Petsmart

- Cincinnati (Western Hills)
- Columbus (Easton)

Pet Valu

- Westerville

MOZART DANE, Artist



MOZART DANE, artist, was purchased at the Ohio Amish Dog Auction but was discarded soon after at a county dog pound.

As a “product” of a Mennonite dog breeder, Mozart was terrified and didn't know what to expect of humans and life outside a cage—he had been raised as livestock rather than a pet. Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue came to MOZART'S rescue by offering him a safe and healthy environment with lots of love.

MOZART began painting with his paws, making cards, decorative tiles and paw stamped clothing. He loved his cheese treats while creating and his art continued to mature.

MOZART'S acrylic paintings raise much-needed funds for HHGDR and many grace their buyers' homes. Of the more than 400 paintings originally created by Mozart, only 32 remain.

While MOZART has crossed the Rainbow Bridge, his spirit lives on as he helps educate the public and bring attention to the plight of dogs who continue to languish in puppy mills.

You can follow MOZART'S art on Facebook at [MOZART'S Mission at HHGDR](https://www.facebook.com/Mozart's-Mission-at-HHGDR) and see about purchasing his paintings at https://hhdane.org/mozart/mozart_paintings.asp.



Paintings on a green theme from MOZART DANE. From top clockwise: *Mo's Memories of Mom*, 18x24", \$275; *It's Not a Mo-rage*, 18x24", \$215; and *Mo-nkey Business*, 16x20", \$175.



LORIE



TERRANCE



LORNE

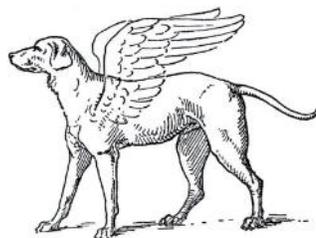


KEELEY

See their stories and how to adopt them at <http://hhdane.org/danes/1danelist.htm>

Memorials—Our Deepest Sympathy

- BELLA—Annette Condon
- CLAIRE—Peggy & Rick Kaplan
- ELTON and PENELOPE—Michelle & Graham Myatt
- LARRY—Jean & Jim Zillox



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

Donors and Sponsors—Thank You!

Amy Adams	Erin Elysse, in honor of Tara Kittle's birthday	Tara Kittle	Rescue Bank
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Dianna Dane	Ashlynn Igel	Racheal Pitsinger	Dee Weide, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday
Phyllis Dawkins, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday	Myreda Johnson, in memory of my sister Jeannie Gorgas	Hannah Rastopsoff	Marsha Wheeler
Scott Dyer, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday	Peggy Kaplan, in loving memory of Claire Kaplan		Alexander Williams, in honor of IVY
Ken & Kelly Eiker			Alexander Williams
			Jo & Ken Williams
			Dan Worstell, in honor of Tara Kittle's birthday
			Judy & Tom Yacks

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To Fence Or Not To Fence...

...How Much Do You Love Me?

My owner said he loved me, and would always keep me safe, yet he would not provide a fence!

My owner said I would never leave the yard, that I was trained to come when called, and that I did not need a fence!

My owner said he would walk me every day, and I would never be outside alone, and I did not need a fence!

My owner said a lot of things all of which were untrue, this I learned as I lay here dying on the side of the road. Alone.

Harlequin Haven FAQs

Q. Who decides what dog is right for me?

A. The directors and other knowledgeable volunteers who know the dogs and can match your lifestyle and family for several potential matches. Please read our [adoption procedures](#).

Q. Why can't I adopt a dog as gift for my girlfriend (father, fiancé, grandmother, etc.)?

A. It is extremely important to match the individual dog with the individual person, so we must have the adopter themselves apply, interview with us, and meet the dogs. If you really want to make a "gift," buy the adopter some pet accessories or offer to pay the adoption fee. See "[Dogs and Puppies as Gifts](#)"

Q. I live in a rough neighborhood—are Danes good guard dogs?

No. If you want protection, get an alarm system. If you want to love and be loved in return, get a dog. Danes will typically help a thief carry your items out, as long as that person is nice to the dog.

See more FAQ questions and answers at <https://hhdane.org/faq/faqmain.htm>.



Birthday Fundraisers on Facebook

Did you know that Facebook users can solicit birthday donations for a charity of their choice right through Facebook? Please consider designating HHGDR as your charity!

[Here's more information from Facebook.](#)

Our Wish List

DOGS

Bedding: fitted sheets (all sizes); Crocheted or knitted afghans and throws

Beds by Kuranda ([use this link](#))

Dog toys/chews*

Dog treats*

Ear cleaner

Money for dog food, vet bills, supplies, utilities

CLEANING

Cleaning products (bleach, disinfectant (Lysol

or other), dish soap (hand and dish-washer), laundry soap, Simple Green)

Deck/siding scrub brushes

Garbage bags (15-20 & 55 gal.)

Mops: buckets (commercial with wringers);

Mop heads (commercial type)

Paper towels

OFFICE & BUILDING SUPPLIES

Fans (20")

Gravel for grounds

Pooper scoopers (large scoop 9.5x10x38" & spade style)

Rugs: throw rugs & floor mats

Stamps

Tape (duct & packing)

SPECIAL

Gift certificates to stores (pet, grocery, dept)

Medical supplies for humans

Soft drinks or bottled water for volunteers

For most current Wish List, see website.

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MORE THAN DANES

Yes, Harlequin Haven's main residents and clients are Great Danes, but did you know that HHGDR also occasionally offers other breeds of dogs, and also horses for adoption?

Currently available are a darling Chihuahua, a beagle mix, a toy fox terrier, and a horse.

You can see them all listed on the Adoptable Dogs page at <https://hhdane.org/danes/1danelist.htm>.

