

Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue

HHGDR Newsletter

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COVID-19 Impact at the Rescue-July Update

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- 11 dogs / 1 horse in need of forever homes
- 6 Sanctuary Dogs
- HHGDR has adopted out 1604 dogs/horses
- FAQ at hhdane.org/faq/ faqmain.htm



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We want you to know that here at HHGDR, we continue to follow the Ohio recommendations for best practice in managing COVID-19.

While we are once again open for volunteers, viewing dogs, and adoptions, we do have **safety protocols** in place:

- When an appointment is scheduled, the potential adopter are asked questions related to their potential exposure to COVID-19, and the same questions are asked again in a phone call the night before their visit.
- Before entering the premises, all visitors' temperatures are taken with a notouch thermometer.
- All viewings of dogs are conducted outside.
- All volunteers wear masks.
- Visitors are requested to wear masks, but not required to, since business is conducted outside in a small group.
- Hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes are on hand.
- We are taking extra care in our enhanced cleaning procedures.

We are adjusting to **new routines**, and happily the dogs at HHGDR are once again able to spend time with the volunteers, brushing up on their social skills while getting more oneon-one time along with extra ear scratches. All the pups are enjoying the open space of outside viewing and the longer days of summer while saying goodbye to their pals who have found their forever homes and greeting their new play buddies.

If you HAVE, can FIND, or COULD donate **any of the items listed below**, it would really be appreciated.

While many grocery items are returning to store shelves, we continue to have difficulty finding cans of green beans that we use to help our "chunky monkeys" feel full. Some stores continue to limit the purchase of dog treats and premium food. Canned chicken and premium canned dog food added to kibble help entice our pickier dogs to eat. Our cleaning routines continue to be more rigorous and cleaning supplies, like bleach and disinfectants, can be difficult to find.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and support during this difficult time.



Volunteers Wendy and Aubrey Beauseau work with adoptable Dane IAGO under a popup pavilion at the Rescue.

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 <u>janet.carleton@gmail.com</u>.

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

Reminder! Piggest Raffle Ever! is still going on!

Adopt a "pig" in the PIGGEST Raffle Ever for 3 chances to win on Cincinnati's Flying Pig Marathon weekend in October (rescheduled from May). Tickets will be drawn on Sunday, October 11. Need not be present to win.

Pigs are \$5 and the entire \$5 goes to the charity of your choice. If your adopted pig is selected when thousands of toy pigs are dropped in downtown Cincinnati, you could win big!

1st place is \$10,000 cash (half to the winning ticket holder; half to the charity who sold the ticket); **2nd place \$5,000** (also half to the winning ticket holder; half to the charity who sold the ticket); and 3rd place, a Cincinnati Get-Away Experience.

Featured Dane—KALEA

I was one of several Danes seized in the cruelty case in Montgomery County, Ohio, in September 2013. When I arrived at the Rescue I had just had puppies and also had a severe case of bordetella that turned into pneumonia. I weighed only 86 pounds (should have been at least 100).

By March 2014 all my puppies had found homes and then it was my turn to be adopted!

Unfortunately in March 2020, I lost my forever home—my dad became ill and mom brought SILAS and me back to the Rescue so we could find new homes.

I am shy when I first meet you, but very loving once I get to know you, I also love to play with toys (the more toys the better)! I really love really big antlers and horns. I also had my left eye removed due to glaucoma, but don't worry—that hasn't slowed me down one bit!

See my story at <u>https://hhdane.com/danes/</u> kalea.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 1,604 dogs and horses in carefully screened forever homes. HHGDR serves Ohio, extreme north-

ern Kentucky, and parts of eastern Indiana. Currently 11 dogs and 1 horse 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.



Every purchase helps a charity. Choose

HHGDR from the dropdown menu and we get

the \$5 price. The Rescue has sold 2 winning

tickets in the past few years-this year it

Just go to http://www.piggestraffle.com/,

and be sure to pick HHGDR. Thank you!

THE CINCINNATI FLYING PIG MARATHON

could be you!



Living With Deaf Danes by Ed Luksic

I've had 6 Great Danes in my life so far—4 have been deaf or, at least partially so. I've been asked several times if they are harder to control or train. In my opinion, they have actually been easier to an extent. Being deaf, they seemed to pay more attention to me and my actions. I don't have the advantage of being able to call them when I want them to come but, most of the time, they will check on you for a clue. They can learn hand signals. For example, I flash the lights off and on if it's dark.

My first deaf Dane, Doc, was just a pup that a breeder was going to put down for being deaf. I had just lost my first Dane, SHEBA, and when I heard that I thought "Ain't gonna happen!" So I went to see about him and they said to give them \$25 dollars and take him home. Well, this pup turned out to be 165 pounds of pure joy (except for the one time when he jumped onto the kitchen table and ate half a roast that my ex just cooked). He was my best friend and hiking buddy. The one thing I noticed was him watching my movements and patterns to what I did. I stored that in my memory bank.

My second "deafie" was BERKLEY. BERK turned out to be my soul dog. Not only did he pay attention to my movements and actions but he anticipated them. He knew by watching which

shoes I put on whether I was going to work (he'd go and lay on the couch) or he might be going for a walk (zoomie time and ran to stand by his leash). If he saw me pick up my car keys he would run to stand by his goggles. I still miss him greatly.

FELISA was next on the list. I actually went to the Rescue to look at FIA and also FELISA. When I took FELISA outside to see if she would run with me she just walked over to my truck, sniffed the door handle, stood up and put her paws on my door. Well, that was it! She came home with me and has been the calmest, most laid back Dane I ever had. Nothing bothers that girl. Again I saw that attention to my movement and actions.

Later, when I saw IAN, I noticed he had almost the same marking on his left side that FELISA has. I went back and forth on whether I wanted 2 Danes at the same time. Right before Christmas I decided to bring him home, too. He turned out to be pretty opposite of FELISA. FELISA will lay around and watch for the hints I make as to what I'm going to do next, where I might be going, and such.

IAN, on the other hand, is a true Velcro Dane! With having only one eye, I guess he figures he might miss something so he is just constantly by my side (or under my feet). When I sit down at my computer they will jockey around to see which one gets to lay closest to me which usually ends in a tie, one way or another. One time, when I was playing my piano, IAN laid right under my bench. He must have left his paw slide under my pedal and when I pushed down on it he yipped and jumped up! Of course, being under my bench, he hit his head on it and yipped again! He just backed up and glared at the bench then laid back down, although a little farther away!

So, really, the only drawback to having a deaf Dane is whenever you are farther away from them (which to a Dane is practically never) and want to get their attention, it takes a little extra effort. However you can always flick the lights off and on, use a flashlight, or throw their favorite toy close to them. Other than that they are just like any other Dane and maybe a little bit better because, as I said earlier, I think they pay closer attention to you. They can be sound asleep but if I leave the room it will be under a minute before they come looking for me. And you can still talk to them...they just read the love in your eyes!

If anyone has any reservations about having a deaf Dane, I say "Try it, you'll like it!".

Note: You might notice that Ed's deaf dogs are white or mostly white harlequins. Congenital deafness is tied to the genes for merle and piebald in many breeds of dogs. For more see https://www.whitekissesgreatdanerescue.com/double-merle-awareness



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

We are *especially* looking for volunteers to come to the Rescue in Bethel, Ohio, on weekends to help with cleaning, grooming, and appointments.

HHGDR would love to put you to work helping the homeless dogs! Send an email to <u>in-</u><u>fo@hhdane.org</u> today for a volunteer application!

Our Awareness Events by City: Postponed

We are unsure when events will start back up again. Please check the website for dates at <u>https://</u> <u>hhdane.com/events/events.htm</u>.

Mingle with Our Mutts

Dayton (Montgomery Co. Animal Resource Center)

Moochie & Co

Columbus (Polaris Mall)

Petsmart

- Cincinnati (Western Hills)
- Columbus (Easton)

Pet Valu

Westerville

Trailer Doors Fixed! Steve Grubich gets 'er done!



Volunteer Roll Call

- Wendi, Andy, Brenna & Aubrey Beauseau
- Jason Brown
- Janet Carleton
- Don Corsmeier
- Gina Crain
- Monika Dail
- Ken & Kelly Eiker
- Dale Francis
- William Gentry
- Melinda & Tim Goings
- Steve & Kim Grubich
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- Marsha Wheeler
- ♦ Jo Williams
- Mike Winters
- Chris Yacks
- Judy & Tom Yacks
- Attorney: Mary Beth Gettins

Thank You!

Recent Adoptions—Happy Tails!



Facebook Stars

We would love pictures/ videos of our adopted dogs for our Facebook page! Send your pics and we can show the world how happy your Rescue Dane is!

Please send them to dale@hhdane.com.



NATASHA-Susan & Jeff Warden NICHOLAS-Meghan Brewster & Sean Harshman

Memorials-Shared Sorrow

BLUE KADEN-Anne Gillespie KIRA-Tuja Stuard

LEIGH-Jen & Tony Bavry

MARISSA-Chip Jones



Thank you for supporting the dogs!

We couldn't do it without you!

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Donors and Sponsors—Thank You!

Amy Adams

Thomas Arnold

Jennifer & Tony Bavry

Wendi & Andy Beauseau

Cheryl Becker, Jessica's Birthday Fundraiser

Sarah Blouch

John Board

Brett Bogan, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday

Nancy E Brennan, in honor of Christe McGarry's birthday

Joan & Jeff Brown

Krista Brown, Kaitlin's Birthday Fundraiser

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THANK YOU!

Marsha Wheeler

From the Rainbow Bridge Danes: Nancy Marconett

Hi everybody, we wanted to let you know that Nancy is safe here with us now.

We heard a commotion at the Bridge and all the Danes were excited. We found out that our friend Nancy was coming to see us. There was a stampede to the gate, with tails wagging, and there she was, we were all so happy to see her, not a still tail in heaven. After all that she had done for us over the years, we all have stories of appreciation to share with her. She told us that she had missed us, and had cookies for everybody.

We realize that this can be a sad time for her family and friends, but please know that she is happy and no longer bothered by the challenges and limitations of the world. The Lord gave humans dominion over the animals of the world. Nancy understood that means that we are responsible for their health and happiness. That's why we love her so much.

With all our Love and Admiration, The Greatful Danes of the "Final Forever Home"

Contributed by Jim Frenelle, in memory of Nancy Marconett (1929–2019)

Help Save the Earth and the Homeless Danes!

We are now offering *upcycled* feed bag tote bags handcrafted with love by a dedicated volunteer. Sizes and pictures vary. Your choice, and supplies are limited. Email <u>info@hhdane.org</u> prior to paying to be sure of availability. \$10, plus shipping. Find them at <u>http://hhdane.com/howtohelp/howtohelp.htm</u>







Our Wish List

Dogs

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

Beds by Kuranda (use this link)

Chicken, canned and premium canned dog food

Dog toys/chews*

Dog treats*

Ear cleaner

Green beans, canned

Money for dog food, vet bills, supplies, utilities

CLEANING

Cleaning products (bleach, disinfectant (Lysol or other), dish soap (hand and dishwasher), 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

*For most current Wish List and specifics, please see website.

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Great Dane Playtime!

LEON and LULU want to find their forever homes and play in their own backyards! But until then they will play at the Rescue.

Volunteer Brenna Beauseau romps with LULU, while LEON offers play bows during a photo shoot.

See how to adopt on the website at <u>https://hhdane.com/danes/</u> <u>leon.htm</u> and <u>https://</u> <u>hhdane.com/danes/lulu.htm</u>.

