

HARLEQUIN HAVEN GREAT DANE RESCUE

NEWSLETTER

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FEATURED DOGS @ HHGDR

FELIX: I was found roaming the busy streets of Columbus, Ohio, playing dodge 'em with the cars and trucks. I am so fortunate that I ended up at Harlequin Haven where I am safe and loved!

I am a very loving dog—and sometimes a bit too over zealous about showing my love. Grandma says that I play too rough to be in a home with small children as I am a very high energy Dane puppy! I'd love a family to play with me and take me to obedience class and help me learn to be the perfect Dane! http://hhdane.org/danes/felix.htm.



ULYSSES: I was dumped on a rural country road in Rowan County, Kentucky, along with my sister ULYSSA (she's adopted). Thank you to the kind people along the way, and to Harlequin Haven for taking me in!

I am a very sweet and loving boy and would love a forever family that would treat me like a Dane is supposed to be treated--with love and kindness.

I have a lot of energy for a so-called older boy, and would love a family that would play and romp with me! Are you that family? http://hhdane.org/danes/ulysses.htm.



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PAW JOGGERS RESCUE RUN

The Paw Joggers Rescue Run will be held on Sunday October 20, at 9 AM in Sharon Woods Park, northeast of Cincinnati.

Your dog can also participate! Events include 5K Run/Walk or 2K Walk,

or even a Virtual Run. All participants get shirts, even the 4-legged ones. Your entry fee will be donated to the beneficiary of your choice (please designate HHGDR!).

Advance registration ends October 1. Preregistration guarantees a personalized race bib and shirt size. http://pawjoggersrescuerun.com



HHGDR is a non-profit 501(c)(3) all-volunteerrun organization. Donations are taxdeductible!



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.

VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION







L-R, Moose and Priya at the Montgomery County Animal Resource Center Mingle with the Mutts. Beth Sedlock with Boca and Brutus at PetPeople in Powell. John Board gives Helina a good rub down during a monthly Grooming Day at the Rescue.

CHOICES... Deciding Where to Get Your Next Dog.

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

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. http://www.hhdane.org/

There are many choices in today's world of where to get your next dog. You can go to a breeder, and add to the homeless population. You can look on Craigslist and worry that the person getting rid of the dog is lying about why they are getting rid of their dog. You can go to a county animal shelter or humane society and adopt, which does save a life, but rarely do they know much about the dog.

Or you can adopt from a rescue where the dogs are typically temperament tested, vet-

ted, personalities are known, and by doing so help save another dog's life. Rescues are nokill, plus with each dog adopted they are able to bring in another dog and save its life.

A reputable rescue works to make the right match so that the dog will have the forever home they dream of, and will support an adopter for the life of their dog. There is no shortage of available dogs, no matter what the breed, but we in the rescue world ask people to think hard before making their decision.

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 1,470 dogs in carefully screened forever homes. HHGDR serves Ohio, extreme northern Kentucky, and parts of eastern Indiana. Currently 13 dogs are available for adoption. In addi-

tion, 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.



NO-KILL: ARE THEY REALLY?

What is a no-kill shelter? Who is really a no-kill shelter? In today's rescue/shelter society everyone wants to be called a nokill and for good reason. The county animal shelters and humane societies want to be called no-kill so more people donate to them and they'll qualify for more grants. Are they really nokill? Well I guess, the best answer is "sorta."

The public wants to see every animal saved no matter what the issue. If the dog has cancer or other major health problem or has a bite history the shelters may send them to rescues who then are burdened with sick, aggressive, unadoptable dogs. In 2012 Ohio laws changed, labeling as aggressive a dog that has a single bite history. Yet most Ohio shelters continue to send these dogs to rescues, but they are really not adoptable. After all, are you going to adopt a dog that has bitten someone? Can you afford aggressive dog insurance?

Most shelters send dogs to rescue that have major health issues—where the chance of the dog making a recovery is nil. The same shelters then claim to be no-kill and the public jumps on their band wagon donating and supporting them. While the rescues struggle to make ends meet.

County animal shelters receive funding through the dog and kennel fund as well as do many of the humane societies. Some humane societies are even given operating expenses through the county. And the public often donates money and food. Rescues don't have the same support systems, yet spend thousands of dollars every year to care for these less adoptable dogs, struggling to feed and medically care for them.

So I guess the truth is yes, most claiming to be no-kill are that. But how many get that name because they have dumped on the less fortunate rescues? Yes, those same rescues that struggle every day to save just one more dog? How many rescues are overloaded with the old and too sick to be adopted while the county animal shelters and humane societies keep the healthiest and sweetest dogs to adopt out? So their adoption numbers

HHGDR ADOPTION SUCCESS STORY!



Christine Cosgrove on Facebook:

Best decision adopting our girl Molly (LANI when she was with you) over 3 years ago. She's a wonderful (and spoiled) family member, and has recently become a big sister! http://hhdane.org/success/laniakamolly.htm

soar while rescues decline?

In recent months we have received from shelters these dogs—FRED, HEDY, and IVAN. All are dogs which the shelters knew had health and age issues—all working against them being adoptable. Yet we did not turn our back on these loving dogs. We as a rescue have worked diligently to bring these dogs back to health, and hopefully one day will be able to find them a loving forever home for them to live out their final years.

Can you help us to continue to feed and provide medical care for these 3 loving dogs and the others in our care?

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT—Ed Luksic

Bio: Originally from Pennsylvania; in Cincinnati, Ohio, for 11 years. Field Representative for MRO doing release of medical records for UC Physicians.

Owned by: 1 dog: BERKLEY, my fourth Dane.

Current HHGDR work: Primarily offsite tasks: awareness days at Petsmart and other events throughout the city.

HHGDR history: Adopted CASEY in 2003, then BERKLEY in 2009. First began volunteering by coming to Grooming Day, followed by doing awareness days and other local events.

High points: Using BERK as a Dane ambassador all over the city and spreading the word of the good work done by HHGDR. So many people stop us and ask about this wonderful breed. Had my story about CASEY and BERKLEY printed in <u>Happy Tails</u> paperback book series.





VOLUNTEERS—We Couldn't Do it Without You!

Kathy Amrein Mary Jo Hudson Sandra Seidman
Dori Baker Doug & Mary Hull Lauren & Amy Seither

Brenda Batyske Jim Keiser Betty Smith

Jen Bavry Ryan Liersemann Barbara & Brian Spatz

Meghan & John BoardColleen LohnErin StifflerJonathan & Eline BrandtEd LuksicMarty ValentineAlisa BrooksBeth MackLynn WallichKaren CallinanNancy MarconettRandy Ware

Melissa CannonThomas MattinglyRandy & Becky WareJanet CarletonMoira McCarthyMarsha WheelerJan CazinChriste McGarryJo WilliamsDon CorsmeierKelly, Mark, Jackson, Naomi & BellaJudy & Tom Yacks

Mame, Craig, Summer & Bentley

Merino

Sue Young-Sparks

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Monika Dail Donna Mills Attorney

Jane Dickinson Jackie Morris Mary Beth Gettins

Ken & Kelly EikerMichele MyattEd FirthAmanda OwenVeterinariansDale FrancisJenni ReinhartMark BurroughsWilliam GentryNancy SchmidtMark HayesMary Beth GettinsDavid ScottFrank Norvell

Melinda Goings Mike & Beth Sedlock Lee Schrader
Steve Schrader

Volunteers perform **all** the tasks for the Rescue—there are no paid staff! Some jobs require visiting the Rescue itself, many others do not. Grooming Days at the Rescue are held monthly. Awareness events held around the state.

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.

Petco: Northbend Rd, Cincinnati; Westgate Mall, Fairview Park, Cleveland-area.

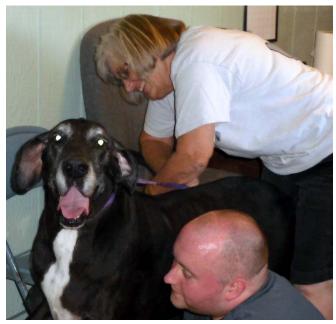
PetPeople: Powell.

Timothy Goings

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

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

We would love to have you—please email the Rescue at info@hhdane.org for a volunteer application.



HEDY smiles at the camera. She's enjoying the extra attention that Grooming Day brings! John Board and Judy Yacks work on her.



RAINBOW BRIDGE—Our Sympathy

BROOKE—Anne Gillespie

DIESEL—David Wiggins

DIRK-Amy & Steve Miller

Frank Homan—Holly Homan Witte

GUNNER-Daina Rice

JESSICA aka MAGGIE—Barry & Diane Tucker

Lux Lymber—Anne Goodwin

Maddigan—Doug & Mary Hull

Мімі—Ken & Jo Williams

TROY and LENNON—Dale & Tom Bath

Woody-Nancy Marconett

RECENT ADOPTIONS—Congratulations!

BRIANNA and VICTOR—Beth Mack Hugh—Erin & Carlos Stiffler

RANDI-Pam & Don Wolf

Zuri-Michelle Botts

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









Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue

DONORS & SPONSORS—Thank You!

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CHASE

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Ed Luksic
Anne Lymber
Courtney Lymber
Beth Mack

Mama Bird Pet Sitting LLC, in memory of

CHASE

Nancy Marconett, in memory of Woody

Thomas Mattingly

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Michele & Graham Myatt

Cindy Orlasky Kevin Phillips Matthew Rahde

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Daina Rice, in memory of GUNNER RICE

Dennis & Kristin Romak

Rylee-Ann Romero, for Marshall and Carrie

Cheryl Ryan, for VICTOR Sam's Club Eastgate Amanda Sanchez Sidney Sauerbrunn

Elizabeth & Michael Sedlock

Sandra & Gabriel Seidman, in memory of

Dave Fries

Betty Shonebarger, in memory of Charlie

Smith and BACCHUS

Janet Shumaker Betty Smith

Donald Smith, for VICTOR

Erin Stiffler

Karen Trimbell, in memory of Lux LYMBER Bonnie, Lily, Mario, Tiggy, Bassie, Gunner, and furiends Twining, in memory of

CHASE

Marsha Wheeler

Hollis Wiggins, in memory of DIESEL

Jo & Ken Williams

Holly Homan Witte, in loving memory of her

father Frank Homan

Holly Homan Witte, in loving memory of

DION

Pam & Don Wolf Craig Yacks Judy & Tom Yacks

Thank You!

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

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



FACEBOOK AUCTION—Ends Friday, September 28

The Caring Hearts Auction Group is holding a benefit auction for Harlequin Haven through its Facebook group, **now thru Friday 9/28**.

You must join this auction group to participate.

More than one hundred items—Longaberger baskets, Mozart Dane crafts, homemade dog treats, collars, many Dane and dog-themed items, notecards, art prints, custom art work, vintage and handcrafted jewelry, and much more!

The folks in this group both donate the items and bid. All the money comes to HHGDR! Thank you Caring Hearts!

Find this group on Facebook, and join at https://www.facebook.com/groups/190953954411141/



ADOPTABLE DANES—See them at www.hhdane.org



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

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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 13 Great Danes and 1 labradane awaiting new homes. To date HHGDR has adopted out 1,473 dogs.

ART WITH A MISSION-Mozart Dane's Art



Shades Of Paw-tumn by Mozart. 16 x 20", acrylic on canvas, \$175.

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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