

## Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue

# HHGDR Newsletter

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- 11 Dogs / 1 horse in need of forever homes
- 6 Sanctuary Dogs
- HHGDR has adopted out 1588 dogs/horses
- FAQ at hhdane.org/faq/ faqmain.htm



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## Are You Ready (to Add Another Dog)? by Judy Yacks

Are you and your family ready to add a second (or third, or fourth) dog to your family?

At HHGDR, we are always happy when a previous adopter returns to adopt a second Dane. After all, who wouldn't want to double the pleasure of living with a goofy, loving, gentle giant? But remember, that also means double the vet bills, heartworm preventative, and food. We understand it's a big decision and to help you, here are some things to consider before taking the plunge. With enough forethought and planning, you can make this a positive decision.

First, and maybe foremost, does your current pet want a buddy? Dogs are pack animals and generally, want a companion. But, does yours? How does she react around other dogs? Does he clearly enjoy being around others or is he fearful?

Another consideration is the sex of the dog. Generally speaking, opposites do better, and it is believed that males are actually inhibited towards aggression to females. Some believe that two females are not a good mix, but personally speaking, I have not experienced it.

For this, and other reasons, HHGDR requires all dogs living in your home come to meet their potential housemate. And often, it is the current dog who chooses their new buddy!

Are you able to take a few days off to help your new dog settle in, learn the routine and begin the bonding experience? It helps so much if you can be around to observe all the interactions and intervene immediately to correct the situation and establish yourself as the one at the top of the pecking order. Like raising a child, be sure you have set your expectations before they become teenagers!

Your first focus needs to be on your long-time fur baby, so while you are bonding and falling in love with your new dog, be sure not to ignore your existing pet. You don't want them to feel ignored, left out, or replaced.

See more helpful articles on our site, including <u>Bonding with Your Dog</u> and <u>Cost of Owning a Giant Breed Dog</u>. And then check out our current adoptable dogs!



Adopted "siblings" NED and RIVA snuggle. Photo: Judy Yacks.



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## 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.

## Dogs #ComingSoon for Adoption

## **GABRIANNA**

My owners called Harlequin Haven when I got sick, I was vomiting, had diarrhea and was unable to eat or drink. They said they could not afford to take me to a vet! Lucky for me HHGDR agreed to take me! I was hospitalized because I have Parvo. I have been in the hospital for a week and I am still struggling to eat

Update 8/19: I was released from the hospital this afternoon and I am now resting at the Rescue. I am still isolated since I am still contagious.

Update 8/25: Wow! It is great to feel good again! I am making up for not feeling good! I eat 4 meals a day, plus snacks and am still hungry! I also just want to play play play but I gotta stay in isolation for another week so I don't spread the parvo!

Update 9/16: Today I went to the vet to be spayed! I know I'll feel a little sick at first, but compared to the parvo, it will be a



breeze. Plus it means that I will be available for adoption very soon! I cannot wait to find my very own forever family (I'll still love you Grandma!)

Follow Gabrianna on her page at: <a href="https://">https://</a> hhdane.org/danes/gabrianna.htm

#### **RENEE**

I was found roaming the country roads in Brown County and taken to the county shelter. When my stray time was up I was brought to Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue. Yeah, I was shocked too, since I am a far cry from being a Great Dane but Grandma felt sorry for me!

I am old, with no teeth and my tongue hangs out but Grandma says I am sweet as sugar and cute as an old button! Hey whatever works, cause I was scared to death at the shelter! I'm went with GABRI-

ANNA to be spayed today, and will be available for adoption very soon!

Follow RENEE on her page at: <a href="https://">https://</a> <a href="https://">hhdane.org/other/renee.htm</a>



## **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 1,588 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 <a href="mailto:info@hhdane.org">info@hhdane.org</a>.

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## Tips for Keeping Your Pet Safe This Fall by Judy Yacks

Fall is upon us, and along with it, cooler weather, football (snacks), and the fun holidays of Halloween and Thanksgiving (more food)! By taking precautions, your special "furiends" can enjoy the pleasures of autumn right along with you.

**First** and most importantly, **antifreeze!** Ingesting antifreeze is deadly! Cats and dogs can be drawn to lick the sweet tasting substance. Be sure to check your car for leaks and keep all toxic bottles away from your pets.

**Exposure!** It doesn't have to be winter to be cold and it can be especially hard on puppies, senior pets, and small animals.

Keep the **candy bowl and trick or treat bag** out of reach. Along with chocolate, especially dark chocolate, candy with artificial sweeteners (xylitol) is toxic.

Make sure your pet can't **escape** from your main entrance and while you are at it, check their ID tags and update if necessary. Being unaware for just 1 second can result in your pet slipping out the door as you welcome guests for Thanksgiving or open it for Trick or Treaters.

Fleas, ticks, and mosquitos don't go by calendars, so it is important to continue to use flea, tick, and heartworm prevention.

**Rodents** are sneaking into homes to avoid the cold. Use extreme caution with **poisons**. They can kill your pet as well as the rodent.

The crisp, cooler air of autumn beckons you to enjoy walks and extra outdoor time with your best buddy before the really cold weather hits. Heeding these tips will help keep them safe to enjoy those walks with you!





NADIA, former Sanctuary Dog. Photo courtesy Judy Yacks.









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

## Recent Adoptions — Happy Tails

PAISLEY—Gina & Andrew Crain
PIPPA—Andy & Wendi Beauseau
VANESSA—Anne & Robert Till
WILLOW—Sarah & Edward Blouch

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## **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

See exact dates/times on the Events page at <a href="https://hhdane.com/events/events.htm">https://hhdane.com/events/events.htm</a>

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

HHGDR would love to put you to work helping the homeless dogs! Send an email to <a href="mailto:info@hhdane.org">info@hhdane.org</a> for a volunteer application!

## **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
- 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
- Nancy Schmidt
- David Scott
- Mike & Beth Sedlock
- Sandra Seidman
- Barbara & Brian Spatz
- Kathie Walmsley
- · Randy & Becky Ware
- · Marsha Wheeler
- Jo & Ken Williams
- Mike Winters
- · Chris Yacks
- · Judy & Tom Yacks
- Attorney: Mary Beth Gettins









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

## Memorials—Our Deepest Sympathy

BEAUREGARD aka BEAU—Anne & Rob Till
BILLY aka BUD—Steve & Kathy Kraus
BRUTUS—Beth & Mike Sedlock
LARISSA—Dori & Brad Baker
LIZZY—Norma & Dan Kirkpatrick



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

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## Arts in the Park Craft Show Thanks by Amy Miller



HHGDR volunteers pulled together once again for the September 8th Arts in the Park at Newtown Park in Lawrenceburg, Indiana. The craft show was a huge success, raising \$540!

We had lots of shoppers happy to support us and the Rescue! We sold table runners, bucket bags, cloth bowl wraps for taking hot bowls out of the microwave, jewelry, baked goods, pot holders, bibs, mahogany nuts, various holiday decor, dog treats, and bandanas, and crocheted blankets.

We could not have done it without the support of volunteers—whether it was for setting up, tearing down, help during the day, or those that spent hours making the lovely items we sold.

Special thanks to Mary Beth Gettins, Myreda Johnson, Nancy Schmidt, Beth Sedlock, Sandra Seidman, Kathie Walmsley, Jo Williams, and Judy & Tom Yacks. These folks made, donated, transported donations, took pictures of the event, and helped the day of the show.

A very special thanks from HHGDR to all that helped with the craft show, and especially to Amy Miller for organizing the whole event again this year!

#### **Peanut Butter Treats**

These dog treats come to us from HHGDR adopter and volunteer Beth Mack. They have always been popular at events!

- 2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1 Tbsp. baking powder
- 1 cup peanut butter (be sure it does not contain xylito!!)
- 1 cup milk



Preheat oven to 375. Combine flour and baking powder in one bowl. In another, mix peanut butter and milk; combine until reaches smooth consistency. Add to dry ingredients and mix well. Place dough on lightly floured surface and knead. Roll dough to 1/4" thickness; cut out with cookie cutter. Bake for 20 minutes on greased baking sheet until lightly browned. Cool on rack, then store in airtight container. These freeze very well.

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## Donors and Sponsors—Thank You!

Rossetti, Tracey's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

**Amy Adams** 

Crystina Aller

Courtney Anderson, Kayleigh's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

Jennifer & Tony Bavry

Wendi & Andy Beauseau

Mindy Blackwell, Kayleigh's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

Sarah Blouch

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Maria Cole

Annette Condon

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Gina & Andrew Crain

Sue Cummins

Monika Dail

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Householder Family

Lisa Huelskamp, in honor of MOXIE / in memory of GIBSON

Doug & Mary Hull

Humble Book Bundle

Ashlynn Igel

Jonathan & Tracy Jennings

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Donna Joseph, in honor of Sandra & Gabriel Seidman 60th wedding anniversary, and Gabriel Seidman's 90th birthday

Peggy Kaplan, in loving memory of Claire Kaplan

Tracey Karenda, Tracey's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

Pamela Kassner & family

John Kienle

Kenneth Kline

Kevin Lackey

Alyssa Lane

David Levin, in honor of Sandra & Gabriel Seidman 60th wedding anniversary, and Gabriel Seidman's 90th birthday

Jeffrey & Amelia Levin, in honor of Sandra & Gabriel Seidman 60th wedding anniversary, and Gabriel Seidman's 90th birthday

Barbara Lewis

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Beth Mack

Nancy Marconett

Kayleigh Marie, Kayleigh's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

Lynette Martin

Amber Mast, Kayleigh's birthday fundraiser for HHGDR

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Kelly & Mark Merino

Ellen Merrill

**Amy Miller** 

Kathleen Miller-Walmsley

Alice Minic

Valerie Morimoto, in loving memory of BRUTUS Sedlock

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Mt. Healthy Animal Hospital clients

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Nadine Natale

Donna & Greg Phillips

Racheal Pitsinger

Elizabeth Reed

Kimberly Reed

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Alice & John Rummell

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Sam's Club Eastgate

Kim Sander

Sidney Sauerbrunn

Nancy Schmidt

Elizabeth & Michael Sedlock

Sandra & Gabriel Seidman, in honor of F. 100th birthday

Mary Simon

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Sharon Smith

Brian & Barbara Spatz

Veronica Stanwyck

Judy & Walter Stein

Erica Thatcher, in loving memory of Brutus Sedlock

Neal Tiemann

Anne & Robert Till

United Pet Fund

Gabriel & Sonja Venzin

Walmart Evandale

Marsha Wheeler

Alexander Williams, in honor of Ivy

Jo & Ken Williams

Judy & Tom Yacks

## Thank You!



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## Harlequin Haven FAQs

## Q. Where do your dogs come from?

**A.** Our dogs come mainly from animal shelters where they have been picked up as strays, and also directly from individual owners who can no longer care for their dogs.

## Q. Why do you charge so much for the dogs?

**A.** Our adoption fee does not cover the cost that we incur with most dogs. Very few come in with any medical history so we have to start from scratch with vaccinations, worming, etc. We do not get federal, state, or county funding—our funding comes from donations and adoption fees.

#### Q. Do we really need references?

**A.** Yes, you do. We carefully check all references to be sure that you and your family would be the best possible "forever" home for one of our dogs.

## Q. Who decides whether I can adopt?

**A.** As a 501(3)(c) non-profit, HHGDR has a board of directors and a review committee which meet once a week to make decisions on HHGDR matters, including reviewing adoption applications.

#### Q. Do they have their shots?

**A.** All vaccinations are given including rabies and lyme. The dogs have also been wormed, heartworm checked, and placed on heartworm preventative.

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

## MOZART DANE, Artist

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

Mozart's paw-paintings raise much-needed funds for HHGDR, and many grace their buyers' homes. Of the more than 400 paintings originally created by Mozart, only about 30 remain available to be purchased.

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  $\underline{\text{Mozart's Mission at HHGDR}}$  on Facebook and see about purchasing his paintings at  $\underline{\text{https://hhdane.org/mozart/mozart paintings.asp}}$ .

## **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 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

**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.

## Harlequin Haven Great Dane Rescue

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A no-kill 501(c)3 all-volunteer -run non-profit shelter



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## 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 <a href="http://hhdane.com/howtohelp/howtohelp.htm">http://hhdane.com/howtohelp/howtohelp.htm</a>





