



# GOLDEN HEARTBEATS

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IS SANTA  
COMING  
ALREADY???



IT SNOWED  
TOO EARLY!!!



## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

WOW!!!!!! Looks like the Dog Days of summer are over and winter certainly came early for some of us.

Right now the fall decorations are up but all too soon it will be time to put those away and get out the Christmas decorations and shop for all those Christmas gifts. Please be very careful in your selections of doggie toys. Nothing with buttons or other small objects that can be chewed off and ingested. Don't want any unnecessary surgeries before the holidays.

But speaking of the holidays, why not let GoldHeart be your one stop shopping place. If you are involved with GoldHeart then you must be a dog lover and hopefully that means you have plenty of dog lovers amongst your family and friends. The GoldHeart 2012 calendars are in and ready for shipping. The calendars are of a whimsical nature this year and are fantastic. This year it is a 13 month calendar. The price is the same as last year. \$15 each or 2 for \$25 plus the cost of shipping. Please e-mail [president@goldheart.org](mailto:president@goldheart.org) to get your calendars. Thank you all who sent in those wonderful photos of your GoldHeart goldens, we tried to use as many of the photos as we could. Thank you, Ashley Snyder for all your hard work putting this calendar together for us.

We also have the restaurant gift certificates this year. Get a \$50 gift certificate for \$20.00. There are over 10,000 participating restaurants. You can go to [www.goldheart.org](http://www.goldheart.org) and read the information on how it works. Get your gift certificates by contacting Donna Blake at [treasurer@goldheart.org](mailto:treasurer@goldheart.org) .

If you would like a GoldHeart shirt, our secretary Janie Heishman will send you information on how to order these 3 button down Henleys or a denim shirt with the GoldHeart logo embroidered on it. Contact [secretary@goldheart.org](mailto:secretary@goldheart.org) .

If anyone would like any GoldHeart baseball caps, coasters, key chains or car magnets for stocking stuffers you can also contact me at [president@goldheart.org](mailto:president@goldheart.org)

This has been a busy year for GoldHeart. Lots of goldens coming in with medical needs. Molly GH #737 came in with no use of her back legs. So far we are up to about \$8500.00 worth of expenses for her. She is doing very well at this point and her prognosis is looking good. Her foster family Bob and Lynette Kaufmann certainly have had their hands full with her and their own gang of 4. A lot of GoldHeart members and complete strangers have donated money towards Molly's care and surgery and we can't thank you all enough for those donations. All of your financial help and your love for this breed is what helps to keep this rescue going. Without your continued support we could not do what we do for these precious pups. You can follow updates on Molly and read her story at <http://mollymiracle.blogspot.com> or go to our Facebook page. Her foster mom tries to make a daily update.

My biggest "Thank You" of all this year is to the wonderful group of volunteers that show up at all the fundraisers that we manage to come up with. It takes a lot of effort on everyone's part to put these things together and make them run smoothly. This year we had quite a few low cost vaccine clinics, we had the Pet Expo, Pet-a-Palooza, Dogs Day in the Park, WoofStock, Wine Tasting Event, The Sunday Brunch, the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Karaoke and Dance party and of course the annual GoldHeart Picnic. A lot of money was raised at these events and it took a lot of planning, time and effort to pull them off. So, I want to Thank You all again for always being there when the plea goes out for volunteers.

But, the year is not over and we still need you. We will be arranging Photo's with Santa, gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble and at least 2 more vaccine clinics. Please keep an eye on the website to find out about the upcoming events.

Last but not least, 2012 elections are coming up. The positions up for election are:

President

Secretary

Application coordinator

It has been a wonderful 2 years for me being the President of GoldHeart and I hope I can count on your vote to continue for another 2 years.

Janie Heishman—current secretary has agreed to run again and would like your support

LaDonna Puryear---current applications coordinator is running again and would like your support.

If you have someone you would like to nominate please e-mail [secretary@goldheart.org](mailto:secretary@goldheart.org) No one can be nominated without their knowledge. All nominations must be in by Dec. 31,2011.

The annual members meeting will be in Jan. Time, place and date will be announced. The annual meeting is a meeting for members to voice their opinions and ideas, and to vote on officers. You must be a member in good standing to vote. A member in good standing is a member whose dues are up to date, is in good standing with all local and federal laws and regulations pertaining to animals and who participates in at least 4 GoldHeart events a year.

Thank you all again for your continued support of this great rescue and for helping to make GoldHeart a huge success.

Hope everyone has wonderful, safe holidays and gets to enjoy lots of family fun and keep those four legged, furry family members safe.

Also, remember those furry family members who crossed over the Rainbow Bridge this past year, keep all those families in your holiday prayers.

Barb Schaefer  
President  
GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue



## YEARLY DUES FOR 2012 ARE NOW DUE. PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CHECK OR PAYPAL.



### Photos with Santa!

Naughty or nice, your pets deserve to get a photo with Santa.  
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Dec 17, Goldheart Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.



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The Joys and Tears Of Fostering  
Barb & Bill Schaefer

In Nov 2003 I filled out an application with GoldHeart to foster a golden. I knew that my experience as a loving dog owner, groomer and pet sitter would help me out.

As we anxiously waited for our home visit and approval to come through, I thought "WOW" I could probably adopt a child faster than this.

After what seemed to be forever, our approval came through along with a call about my very first foster. His name was Simba and he had been tied to a doghouse for 4 years. I waited for the volunteer to bring him. What a beautiful boy he was. Of course, not housebroken but with the other dogs here that went well and he learned quickly. Simba was adopted out in our own neighborhood so we got to see him often.

Simba was our first success and it just went on from there. Hence the joy of fostering.

Many, many foster dogs later (about 58) Bill and I are still fostering. Some fit in very well and others just managed to get along. Most are in wonderful homes now. Some we even get to see on a regular basis. The joys.

Some have been real challenges and brought tears and joy. Maggie and her 11 puppies. From emergency surgery to round the clock feedings. 3 years later Maggie is in a fantastic home and so are the puppies. The tears and the joy of fostering.

In October of 2009 we took in Maggie GH# 599 and Makai GH# 600. A 10 year old brother and sister whose owner passed away. Very obese and barely able to move, we took them in knowing we would probably never get them adopted out. We worked on their weight and took walks around the yard and neighborhood. The weight came off and they were doing great. Makai started out at 167 pounds and Maggie was 145. Maggie got down to 118 pounds and Makai was down to 102. They could run through the yard and finally do the steps. One day a lady came that was interested in both and it seemed like it was going to happen. Maggie had an appointment at the vets the next day to have a lump checked and unfortunately it was cancer. We decided we could not separate them so they would remain with Bill and I. We lost our Maggie in April 2010. Makai was lost without his sister. We lost Makai in July 2010 because of a very enlarged heart and a tumor at the base of the heart. Here you have the many, many tears side of fostering..

In Nov 2009, Black Friday to be exact, Mr. Archie GH# 611 arrived. 13 weeks old and a ball of fuzz and a bundle of energy. No one bothered to tell Archie he is a sick little boy. Archie was diagnosed with a Grade 6 heart murmur. After raising funds for surgery we found that Archie has a rare heart defect that is causing the heart murmur and no surgery will correct his problem. The tears again. At around 7 months of age it was a board decision to make Archie a Long Term Foster and allow him to remain with Bill and me. This was a wonderful day for me because I found myself in love with this little guy. He fits in well with his foster brother and sister. So again we have the joys of fostering. The joy of fostering.

On Nov 2, 2010 we got an e-mail about Toby. A beautiful 2 ½ year old who was in renal failure and the owners could not afford to treat him. Toby was immediately made a Long Term Foster because of his health and the fact that he could not be neutered. Toby was given the best treatment thanks to the kindness of members and strangers who heard about his illness. Toby lived with Bill and I and our golden gang for a little more than 2 months and made a big impact on our family. He loved his ball and he loved Bill. He stole Bills heart. On Jan. 14, 2011 we decided it was time to let Toby cross over that Rainbow Bridge where his spirit could be free from illness and he could be healthy and strong. What a heartbreaking day for Bill and I. Again, the tears of fostering.

Fostering has been a wonderful and rewarding experience for us. Yes, some are a real challenge and others are absolutely wonderful from the minute they walk through your door and look to you for that TLC and reassurance that they are going to be okay.

If you would like more information about fostering please feel free to contact Bill or I.  
[babischaef@comcast.net](mailto:babischaef@comcast.net)

Thank you GoldHeart for allowing us to do this great service for the many, many goldens in need.  
Barb Schaefer (Bill Schaefer)  
President  
GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue



**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS  
FOR FOSTER HOMES!**

# THE PICNIC - 2011

This year's picnic, held at the Schaefer home was one for the ages. With 45 four legged visitors and their two legged escorts, the turnout was wonderful.



The silent auction was a tremendous hit. The new 2012 GoldHeart Calendar was a hit as well. Members brought covered dishes, and the main attraction was a Pig Roast. Thank you to all that brought such tasty goodies.

A highlight of the day was the winged visitor from across the road. The old joke came to mind as the chicken did make it across. In case you ever wondered if they can fly.....you saw it in person that afternoon. Then again, it was either take to the air, or be one of the tasty goodies.

A wonderful day for a wonderful cause....thank you to everyone that was there to support GoldHeart!





## 2012 GOLDHEART CALENDARS

13 MONTH GOLDHEART  
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4XL	\$30.50

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to order.



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Plus \$5 Shipping

# 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL KARAOKE DANCE

October 8, 2011



Everyone  
singin' and  
dancin'...

...helping to raise funds for our Golden family members!!!



The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Karaoke Dance Party was held October 8, 2011. It was a tremendous success, raising \$3000.00 for GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue.

There was plenty of food, door prizes, a raffle and silent auction.

GoldHeart would like to give 4 paws up to:

Bill and Barb Schaefer  
Janie and Mark Heishman  
Faye and Larry Fink  
Connie and Dave Fischer

Thank you for all the hard work you put in to make the event a success.



# HOLIDAY GIFT WRAPPING FOR GOLDHEART!

This year we will once again be doing gift wrapping at a few Barnes & Noble stores.

Watch your emails for a notice about the dates and times to volunteer.

You can also contact LaDonna Puryear in Maryland at: [looks4path@aol.com](mailto:looks4path@aol.com) or by phone at: 410-342-4115. For Pennsylvania, contact Barb Schaefer at: [president@goldheart.org](mailto:president@goldheart.org).

Call or Email to volunteer. It's for a great cause, and we need your help.



## FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!!!



**HEY YOU!!**  
**DOGS LIKE US NEED**

**A PLACE TO STAY FOR A COUPLE OF WEEKS**

**WE COME IN ALL SIZES**

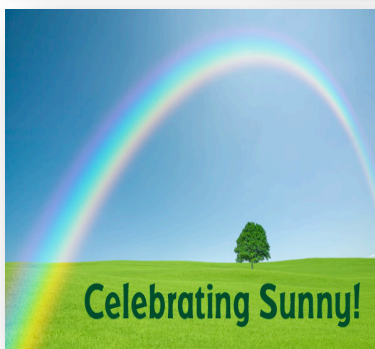
**SOMETIMES WE COME IN PAIRS**

**WE'RE HAPPY TO HELP YOU CLEAN**

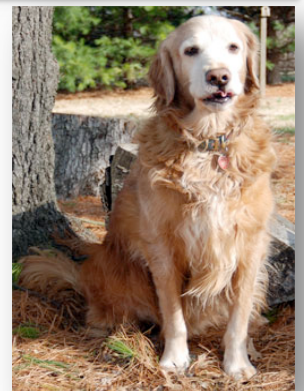
**WE CAN BE THE LIFE OF THE PARTY**

**TALK TO A VOLUNTEER TODAY ABOUT FOSTERING... IT'S FREE & THE REWARDS LAST A LIFETIME**

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We are very sad to say that our beloved Sunny (GH #003) recently passed over the Rainbow Bridge to a peaceful place, no longer in pain. We know he is dancing around the fields with Baron, discussing so many things while they play. "Sunny, we love and miss you and Baron's K9 is SO filled with your SUNNY sunshine, we will feel you everyday!"



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Everyone at GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc. would like to wish you a very Happy Holiday season. We hope that this special time of year brings you closer to your loved ones, both two and four legged. Thank you for your continuing support and generous contributions to our organization. We could not survive without them.

