

# GOLDEN HEARTBEATS A PUBLICATION OF GOLDHEART GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE, INC. P.O. BOX 522 OWINGS MILLS.

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# **A Letter From The President**

Hello Everyone,

This is Barb Schaefer, President of GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue. Well, it's been another great and exciting year in the rescue world. Alot of goldens and golden/mixes coming in and needing a forever home. From Tisha GH# 782 who needed heart surgery to the Tennessee boys who were found living outside in a box GH# 813-817. (Pictured on page 2)

GoldHeart and it's wonderful volunteers who offer to help transport and foster all these needy goldens has once again, I feel, gone above and beyond.

I would like to take time again to thank everyone in the GoldHeart family who is kind enough to make generous donations when the plea goes out for a golden in trouble, whether it is the need for extensive dental work, heart surgery or heartworm treatment. The GoldHeart members always seem ready to give even though we all know these are hard times for everyone.

Please remember to renew your memberships for 2013. Don't forget the annual members meeting on Jan. 12,2013. See the website for the information. This will be a covered dish event as well as a chance for everyone to hear how well GoldHeart has done this year and election of some new officers.

I want to wish everyone and their families, both 2 legged and four legged, a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Barb Schaefer President - GoldHeart









## **WINTER 2012**

# **OUR TENNESSEE BOYS**

These 5 little guys came to us from Tennessee, where they were found living in a box. Three have found their forever homes. The other two deserve the same happy ending. For more information on how to adopt one of them, go to www.goldheart.org for details.





GH 817 Black Collar Available

GH 816 Blue Collar Adopted



GH 814 Bad To The Bone Adopted



GH 813 Puppy Paw Adopted



GH 815 Red Collar Available

Hello Everyone:

This is Barb Schaefer, President of GoldHeart. At the annual meeting in January 2012, we discussed making changed to the outdated by-laws and procedures manual. These changes are as follows:

#### The current Procedures Manual reads:

Address: P.O. Box 34, Phoenix, MD 21131 Suggested Surrender Donation: \$75 Adoption Donation: Puppies up to 5 years = \$200 5 yrs - 8 yrs = \$175 8 yrs - 11 yrs = \$100 Older = No Charge All incoming Goldens will be tattooed.

#### New Procedures Manual will read:

Address: P.O. Box 522, Ownings Mills, MD 21117 Suggested Surrender Donation: \$100 Adoption Donation: Under 12 months = \$400 1 yr - 4 yrs = \$3005 yrs - 7 yrs = \$2508 yrs - 10 yrs = \$20011 yrs - Up = \$100All incoming Goldens will be mircro-chipped.

#### **Current By-Laws read:**

Article 4 Section 6 - Duration Limits of Office

No elected Officer or Director may hold the same elected office for more than 4 consecutive years. No elected Officer or Director may serve on the Board in multiple capacities for a consecutive combined total of 8 years.

#### New By-Laws will read:

Article 4 Section 6 - Duration Limits of Office

Standard term limits will be no more than 4 years in one position or a combined total of 8 years in any elected position without seeking prior approval from the board. It will be possible to extend standard terms by notifying the board of their desire to remain in that position. Majority approval of the board will be required to be nominated for additional terms in said position.

The above changes can be voted on by all members in good standing with the rescue. Please return your vote to the Secretary @ secretary@goldheart.org

# Annual Membership Meeting And Membership Dues!

MEETING LOCATION: Quail Run Assisted Living – 9900 Walther Blvd. Perry Hall, MD 21236

MEETING DATE AND TIME: January 12, 2013 – 12 NOON

Please bring a dish t share for lunch.

Membership dues can be paid at the annual meeting, on-line via PayPal (make note in PayPal "for membership dues"), or via P.O. Box. All membership dues should be paid by the end of the year or at the meeting. Thanks and looking forward to seeing you all!

Happy Holidays!!



# **GoldHeart Logo Shirts**

All orders must be pre-paid.

Contact <u>www.goldheart.org</u> to order.



Denim Long-sleeved Shirt	
Women's Size	Cost
XS – XL	\$29.75
2XL	\$33.75
Men's Size	<u>Cost</u>
S – XL	\$31.75
2XL	\$35.75
3XL – 4XL	\$37.75

Plus \$5 Shipping

 White Polo/Golf Shirt

 Size
 Cost

 S – XL
 \$24.50

 2XL – 3XL
 \$28.50

 4XL
 \$30.50

Plus \$5 Shipping

# **WINTER 2012**



# FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!!! CONTACT WWW.GOLDHEART.ORG FOR DETAILS ON HOW YOU CAN BECOME A FOSTER PARENT.

We are pleased to announce that the 2013 Calendars are here and ready for your purchase. We are also pleased to announce that we are able to keep the price the same as last year. \$15.00 each or 2 for \$25.00, but this year will include the postage. We are happy to pass these savings on to our members for all the kindness you show GoldHeart all year long.

If you would like to purchase a calendar, please contact me at: <a href="mailto:president@goldheart.org">president@goldheart.org</a>

Thank you; Barbara Schaefer President – GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue





GOLDHEART GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE

# Pig Roast Fundraiser A Complete Success!





Here's the final breakdown for this year's Pig Roast Fundraiser...

50/50 = \$135.00 13 Jar Tickets = \$250.00 Center Piece Raffle = \$72.00 Basket of Cheer = \$260.00 (after cost) Shirt Sales = \$261.00 Ticket Sales = \$1080.00 (108 people) Silent Auction = \$985.00 Toy Sales = \$58.00 Donations = \$271.00 Pig Cost = \$250.00

Total After Expense for Pig and Basket of Cheer... \$3168.00

What a terrific day.....and a wonderful success raising money for our beloved Goldens. THANK YOU SO MUCH TO EVERYONE THAT HELPED MAKE IT SUCH A SUCCESS!!!





Bailey (GH 761)

It is with a broken heart that we share with our GoldHeart family that we helped our sweet girly-girl, Bailey cross the rainbow bridge on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Bailey came into rescue just before her 12<sup>th</sup> birthday. She joined our family when her foster parents went on vacation and she came to stay with us for a week while they were away. The whole family fell in love with Bailey and we decided that she needed to become a permanent part of our family and live with us for all her remaining days. Bailey was truly a young and happy soul and blessed us so much in the short time she was with us. She had such a zest for life – she ran and jumped and just loved spending time outside playing frisbee and ball. She constantly carried a tennis ball in her mouth just begging you to take it and toss it for her. To see this girl run and play, there is no way you would believe she was 12 yrs old. She lived this way until the last 2 days of her life with us. She loved living with her two foster brothers - she was an only dog most of her life and truly enjoyed spending her final days romping with her new brothers. She also enjoyed spending time with her new human family, especially her new daddy. We loved this little girl with all our hearts for the 4 short months she blessed our family. We will forever be grateful to GoldHeart for bringing this sweet angel into our lives. Please consider sharing your life with a senior golden - we did it for Bailey but it turned out it was really for us.....

We miss you sweet Bailey Girl, Mark, Janie, Ellie, Harley, and Beringer



Ditto (GH 719) RIP 8/3/2012

# **WINTER 2012**

We are very sad to report the loss of two of our Goldheart Goldens -Chase and Sam who were known to us as Chase Manhattan and Silky

#### Chase GH 130



Chase died in February at the age of 12 while undergoing an operation to remove a large tumor that proved to be cancerous. Chase originally came to Goldheart when he was found roaming the streets and research through normal channels showed no one claiming him as a lost dog even though he was obviously well cared for.

Chase was the first Golden to enter our home after we were approved in 2002 as a Goldheart foster home, but upon seeing him Linda decided instantly that he had found his forever home. Upon getting out of the car and being let loose in our fenced yard he ran full speed "chasing the wind" as Linda put it thus earning his name. He was with us for about 10 years and earned every part of his nickname—The Angel Dog.

Chase was an extremely affectionate and beautiful big, tall, very blonde guy who was often seen at GoldHeart fund raising activities due to his ability to entice donations from folks who wanted to pet him. Linda likes to relate the story of Chase at a fund raiser in Timonium where he, according to 2 people who came to pet him, "stared us down" and they placed a \$100 bill in his donation vest.

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Chase was very tolerant of the many Goldens we have had come through as fosters but had a particular affinity for Sam. Chase and Sam would have their friendly "tussle" after every dinner during which one would lie on the floor while the other "attacked." There was much friendly growling, barking, and clashing of teeth.

A favorite pastime of Chase's was visiting the Belair Bakery on Saturday mornings for a bagel along with his Golden brothers. He would stick his nose in the bag with the bagels to try to assist with the distribution of the goodies.

#### Sam GH 340

Sam came to us as a foster in July, 2006, at the age of 8. His previous owners had taken him to the vet to be euthanized since he was afraid of thunderstorms and had evidently developed cancer. The vet, who had cared for Sam since he was a pup, requested that Sam be signed over to him after which he contacted Goldheart. We agreed to be foster parents for Sam, and, after several unsuccessful attempts to find a permanent home for him,

agreed to become his permanent foster home.

Sam had several operations to remove cancerous tissues and bounced back after every one.

Sammy was a beautiful deep red color with a very silky coat hence his name "Silky Sam." We believe that somewhere in his ancestry was some St. Bernard due to Sam's big (but not fat) size, huge paws, and large snout that looked just like a St Bernard's.

Our other Goldens learned to use the dog door in our sliding screen door quite well. So did Sam except when he was in a hurry during which times he would blast through the dog door knocking the entire screen door out of its tracks and flattening it on to the deck.

Due to his operations and removal of some muscle tissue, Sam could not run but trotted along with his distinctive limp quite well. In addition to "Silky Sam" he was also known as "Sam the Bam the barking man" in recognition of his distinctive barking cadence. Whereas most dogs will let loose with a number of barks in quick succession Sam would bark one time - pause - bark one time - pause - bark one time - pause in a very distinctive manner similar to a telephone ringing on a cyclical basis.

Sam remained in rather good health for 6 years after we took him in but finally let us know he was worn out when he stopped eating and could not stand any longer.

Although we miss Chase and Sam greatly we have brought in other Goldens needing homes; so the cycle of life continues. - Bob and Linda Heil



Buck Martinez GH 202 7/11/03 – 12/6/12

When we adopted Buck GH#202 in August 2004, we never could have imagined how much one Golden Retriever would change our lives. Let's just say he was blessed with more than his share of behavioral issues, and we have yet to meet another golden that can match this guy, including Marley! Buck was fearless, independent and yet, had to be in the middle of everything. If he didn't get his way, you would know it, and often he would find ways to punish you. One time we came home late, went to bed without play-time, and he pulled the comforter off us, carried it out of the bedroom and shredded it to pieces. I know we lost multiple comforters, towels, rolls of toilet paper, packages of napkins, and dozens of play toys in his full and joyful life. Yes, over the years we did get smarter...leveraging good advice from our Goldheart friends, attending classes, reading books, consulting trainers, subscribing to magazines, and countless Internet searches. We even enlisted help from many neighbors and friends as we worked with Buck over the years. Buck was also known for his insatiable appetite and would eat anything. He thought the vegetable garden was just for him, we caught him cooking on the stove a few times, and while visiting a friend, he found and ate some rat poison in the basement, followed by munching down the requisite charcoal at the Vet Hospital. We proudly display his trophy from the DogFest 2010 Cleanest Plate Contest... and just look at him pose in that picture! This guy never met a camera he didn't like. He delighted at being Goldheart's Mr. December 2004 and Mr. September 2012. And through it all, Buck was a leader and gentle friend to his siblings Paige GH#399 and Duke GH#551, and even started to like Bojangles the cat. He was the best GH foster brother to Rusty, Apollo, Murphy, Cody and Hunter, and graced many of our potential adopter's homes, ensuring they were Golden ready. He wore the GH donation vest proudly at several events, and while at work for Goldheart he was always on his best behavior...it was like he knew what he was doing was so very important. Sadly, our hearts were shattered on December 6, when we (including Paige and Duke) helped Buck transition over the Rainbow Bridge. He had many health challenges during his short life, and kidney failure, a complication from his Immune-mediated Thrombocytopenia, which recurred in June after his first diagnosis at age two, took him from us. Buck, brought us so many gifts, and the most important was connecting us with the Goldheart family. There is no question, our many Buck memories will remind us to laugh and will sustain us through the pain of losing this life force and beloved family member. RIP Dearest Buck - until we meet again! -- Mama Marie and Papa Pete



Obie GH 628 Adopted by: Mike and Sharron Florrence 4/26/2010

### FRIENDS OF GOLDHEART

Services

### **WINTER 2012**

#### **Shopping - Pets**

#### You Lucky Dog

1213 Liberty Rd, Suite E (Behind Bob Evans) Eldersburg, MD 21784 410-795-1033 ScooperHero 3114 Royston Avenue Baltimore, MD 21214 410-319-6630 or 1-877-319-6630 contact@scooperhero.com

#### Grooming

www.canaltownelabs.com Kristin Wade

### Dirty Dog Makeover Annette Melhorn Mobile Groomer

#### **Veterinary Clinics**

# Mt. Airy Veterinary Associates

1312 South Main Street Suite 9 Mt. Airy, MD 21771 Healing Hands Animal Hospital 727 East Main Street Salisbury, MD 21804 410-742-4884 Dr. Carol Lewis, DVM **ChurchvilleVet.com** Churchville Veterinary Clinic Greenbrier Veterinary Clinic

Shiloh Veterinary Clinic 100 Morgan Lane York, PA

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.



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# **Boarding and Facilities**

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