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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy Spring Everyone. I hope everyone is doing well and staying safe.

Right now we are all going through really hard times and GoldHeart is doing everything we can to continue with our motto of No Golden Left Behind. Thankfully after what seemed to be a mad rush (9 goldens in 2 weeks time) the phone has been quiet. Luckily we had some fantastic fosters and FTA homes step up.

With that many dogs coming in the vet bills have been high. All the females need spayed, the youngest one coming in at 6 months of age needed surgery on her leg. We are grateful to Leo's Helping Paws for giving us a grant to help out and our longtime supporters Rick and Kathryn with the cost of that surgery.

I see on FaceBook that a lot of folks are turning their pets over to the shelters because they are having to make a choice of buying food, paying bills or feeding their pets. Here in Pa where I live we have a lot of Pet Food Pantry's. People also don't realize that the local shelters will give you food for your pets. Please check your area for pantry's if you find yourself in this situation or please contact one of our board members and we will do what we can to help you find what you need.

As you may not know with the Covid-19 pandemic may fundraisers have already been cancelled or put on hold. This will definitely put a strain on the finances for GoldHeart. A lot of the small fundraisers at the state parks, wineries and fairs help a lot. We will post them on the website when they are rescheduled and hope to see you all there. We may try to do some online things so please watch the website regularly for any announcements.

Again, we know that everyone has been hit hard by this pandemic and pray that everyone is doing okay. We pray that this will soon be over and things go back to a new normal whatever that may be.

Once again quite a few of our GoldHeart families have lost their furry family member and we send our prayers out to them and hope they are doing as well as can be expected.

Stay safe and be well my GoldHeart family

Barb Scahefer President GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue

DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS RESTRICTIONS, THERE ARE NO EVENTS SCHEDULED AT THIS TIME. WE WILL ANNOUNCE FUTURE GATHERINGS AS SOON AS WE CAN.

HAPPY ENDINGS

In September of 2019 one of our volunteers was contacted by another rescue that needed help with 2 dogs that were pulled from a bad situation. They had no one at the time who could take care of a pregnant female. GoldHeart immediately came to the rescue and so did I and my husband. 11 years ago we took in a very pregnant Maggie GH#490 and her partner in crime Bo GH# 490. Maggie came to us and Bo went to an FTA. We had the pleasure of helping Maggie raise 11 puppies. (along with a lot of friends who helped bottle feed)

<u>Sept. 30, 2019</u> - Welcome Joe GH# 1126 and Ripple GH# 1127. These 2 precious golden came in scared and confused. Moved around from place to place and long car rides. Mom was due soon. Joe and Ripple barely had time to settle in when:



JOE (GH-1126)



RIPPLE (GH-1127)

Oct 4, 2019—Welcome Holly GH# 1128—Breeze GH# 1129 and CeeCee GH# 1130. Everyone was born healthy and mom and dad were doing fine.



HOLLY (GH-1128)



RIPPLE & CEECEE (GH-1130)



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Unfortunately we found after about 3 weeks that Joe was dog aggressive so I immediately contacted the Happy Hounds Prison Program and they had a spot for Joe. Joe was a fantastic dog and the training he got from the prison program was the best chance at a great life for him. When Joe was paroled he was adopted by a fantastic family and all is well. They absolutely adore him.

Once the girls were old enough they all found wonderful forever homes. CeeCee and her mom got to go together and they live with their new sister Bailey. All the girls and mom try to get together for regular play dates. I thank everyone for giving this family of 5 the greatest chance in life that any golden could have.

Another great experience of raising puppies. It is always so exciting to see everyone grow up healthy and strong.

Barb Schaefer President GoldHeart



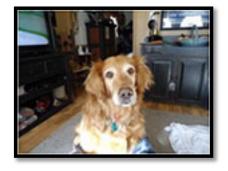
RIP Sandy

Our beloved golden Sandy, was adopted from Goldheart on July 10, 2007. She gave us such love and joy until she passed on July 1, 2019. Thank you GoldHeart for making her adoption possible. We miss her so much.

The Reardon Family



SANDY GH-431



TWINKIE GH-931

Twinkie came to us about 5 years ago thanks to GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue. She was a little on the heavy side, weighing 120 pounds. She started eating correctly and getting exercise by going to the park and walking about 1/2 mile twice a day. She ended up losing 26 pounds in about a year. She loved everything (including cats) but she was always ready to say hello to people she met during her walks. Her favorite things to do were destroying stuffed animals and especially sleeping. Twinkie was definitely one of a kind, will be deeply missed and never forgotten.

A special THANK YOU to Dr Mary and Joe. They truly made this process bearable.

Ken & Carol Seitz

Dexter, a.k.a. Bad to the Bone

From the moment we set eyes on him as a young pup and watched him casually plop down in his water bowl during a "just taking a look" visit of a litter that Barb Schaefer was fostering in late 2012, we fell in love with Dexter (then known as Bad to the Bone), and that was that. He joined our family that day, and we never looked back.

He was Mr. Personality. Dexter never met a blowing leaf that he didn't exuberantly bark at, or an indestructible dog bed that he didn't make short work of, or a towel that he didn't mischievously swipe from the laundry room to claim as his own before we retrieved it and put it back, to let the game start all over again. He loved taking long walks and reading his "pee-mail" at every hydrant and sign post along the way. He was an expert at catching – whether a ball, or a kong, or a piece of fruit or veggie tossed his way. He figured out how to toss a cookie off his nose into the air so that he could catch it mid-flight, a party trick that he enjoyed performing for anyone who would watch. He loved belly rubs, and butt scratches, and relaxing while nuzzling his nose into "slipper pillows". He could hurdle a family room ottoman with or without a running start.

A nasty case of hemangiosarcoma took him from us far too soon, at only age 7, but we treasure the final Christmas we enjoyed with him, our handsome, crazy, wacky boy. He was tremendously loved and leaves a huge, doggy-sized hole in our family, and with others who knew him. We are forever grateful to GoldHeart for bringing Dexter into our lives and hearts.



DEXTER GH-814

Nikola Juhasz, Michael Vogeley and family



SHILOH GH-344

Shiloh (formerly Mr. March in the 2008 GH Calendar!) came to us in August 2006 as an 18 month old 99 lb giant, still with playful puppy habits. He had a "rap sheet" from his first Goldheart adoption family, that beat us to him, but they gave him up quickly...we were offered the opportunity to foster to adopt and jumped at the chance. Our 9 year old male lab mix had previously met Shiloh at a Petsmart-GoldHeart adoption day, and the boys immediately hit it off. With a little training, in a very short time Shiloh became a Perfect Gentleman! We failed as foster parents, and Shiloh officially joined our family in January 2007. He loved to run and roughhouse with his doggy brother Argo, yet was ever so gentle with our infant daughter...even sounding his baby alarm by barking when our daughter was crying. His favorite activity though, was his frequent desire to cuddle with his humans by forcing his huge head in between their arm and body.... whereby a person could not help but give him love! We always traveled with our dogs, and Shiloh would often be the center of attention, freely giving and receiving love from strangers, plus taking advantage of photo ops too!

He passed peacefully in our home with Vet Assistance on 2-19-20, just a few days short of his 15th birthday, which would have been 3-01-20.

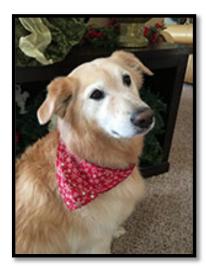
Shiloh truly had a Golden Heart, and will always hold a special place in our hearts. RIP our beautiful Shi-baby.....The Sabenorio Family

RIP PACEY July 2004 - July 2019

"We sure miss Pacey, but we are glad we got a chance to show him what it's like to be loved. He was our security supervisor. He would walk the house at night about 8 pm going into each room to make sure everything was ok. He followed me everywhere I went, even to the bathroom. Pacey would wait patiently and then follow me back to the living room. Quite a guy. He had a pretty smile when it was treat time."

Pacey was rescued in October 2015 and had the best last chapter with the Dunn family.





CODIE GH-693

We were blessed with a girl named Codie over 8 years ago. When we decided it was time to bring a furry family member into our home, soon after my mom was at a social event and heard Codie's foster mom, Marie, talking about a dog who was ready for adoption, and my mom couldn't help but approach her about my family. Thank you, mom!!! Marie brought her to meet us, and said: "she is home". I'll never forget that day. She was a funny little girl. She was known to steal food off the kitchen island if she could reach it. She loved her walks, and along the way she'd be happy to see some dogs and not so happy to see others. Definitely a big bark, but never a bite. We swore she had an internal clock because at 7 pm she would start talking to us. We'd say "cuddle time!" and she'd run to the couch and wait for us to sit with her. We would fight over who got the seat next to her.

She loved her "cousin" Addie who lived next door. They were besties for sure. The two of them would even dress up for Halloween and never complain. She was incredibly fast giving squirrels a run for their money! We loved to watch her run, but always prayed she'd never catch one. In the end, Codie was a fighter. She died from liver failure, but fought the disease for over a year. Her doctors called her a miracle dog. From day one, Codie brought so much love and fun into our lives. She completed our family and will be forever missed.

The Lamon Family with their Girl Codie

DEAR LORD...TAKE GOOD CARE OF THEM ALL. AMENI



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Everyone at GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc. would like to thank you for your continuing support and generous contributions to our organization. We could not survive without them.

