



## 2020 Membership Renewal Drive (January - March 2020)

If you have not renewed your annual membership, we hope that you will continue to support GoldHeart through a tax-deductible membership donation of just \$30.

The website membership page <https://goldheart.org/about-goldheart/membership/> covers the annual membership renewal process. Payment is convenient and easy with PayPal, or you can always mail in a check, payable to GoldHeart, at PO Box 394, Chester, MD 21619. If we have not heard from you in awhile and you want to update us, those instructions are also included at the page/link above. For example, we would like to hear from you if you have changed your address (physical or email), or perhaps you now have some time to volunteer with us.

As always, thank you for being part of the GoldHeart team and supporting our efforts to rescue and re-home our foster dogs into loving forever homes.

## 2020 Annual Membership Meeting

The Annual General Membership Meeting will be held **Saturday January 18, 2020**, starting at **11 am** and should conclude about 12 noon, and will be followed by a closed board meeting. *We had hoped to hold on the 25th, as announced previously in December, but this date conflicted with the Pet Expo.*

**Meeting Location:** Fraternal Order of Police - Maryland State Police, Lodge 76  
9004 Harford Road, Parkville, Maryland 21234

NO DOGS ALLOWED -- SORRY!

**Meeting Agenda:** Officer/Coordinator updates, 2-year term elections, positions are listed below (no other nominations received), and there will be a vote covering a few bylaw changes to align to current practices that were discussed

and/or previously voted on by the Board/membership, but not officially incorporated into the bylaws. To review the bylaw changes [click here](#).

**President** (Barb Schaefer, incumbent)

**Secretary** (Marie Martinez incumbent)

**Board Member – Adoption Application Coordinator** (LaDonna Puryear, incumbent)



## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**The 2020 Pet Expo is right around the corner.**

We encourage our members and dogs (that do well in public venues) to attend and visit the GoldHeart booth. Barb Schaefer is starting to set up the volunteer schedule. If you are interested in helping Friday, Saturday or Sunday, please send an email with your availability to [president@goldheart.org](mailto:president@goldheart.org).

The [Maryland Pet Expo](#) is again in Timonium, MD and runs January 24-26, 2020.

## **Thanks to our GoldHeart Elves!**

The Goldheart Elves were hard at work in December making adorable Christmas Memories for you and your pets with our two **Pet Photos with Santa** events. The Timonium and Abingdon Pet Value stores each generously hosted a day of Pet Photos. Chris Hoffman, our jolly Santa posed with all his furry friends. Elaine Goodman and Ladonna Puryear, Santa's helpful elves, kept all the pets smiling with squeaky toys and treats. Ann Matejeka, our amazing, unflappable photographer sent everyone home with a beautiful 4 x 6 photograph (see a few below). Thanks to all who volunteered to help out and thanks to everyone who came out to get their fur-babies photos taken.

Huge thanks also go out to all the GoldHeart Elves (Brian Dale, Linda Heil, Jackie Astomborski, Barb Schaefer, Ann Matejick, Elaine Goodman, Kathy Holmes, Lorraine Buckmaster, Chris Hoffman and LaDonna Puryear) who **gift wrapped at Barnes & Noble** in White Marsh on December 22 and December, 23, raising hundreds of dollars to support our foster dogs!



Santa Chris Hoffman with  
Pups Daisy GH1038 and  
Bubba aka Bob GH986

Don't forget, you can view all  
GoldHeart upcoming events  
at our website [calendar](#).



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