

### LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE

# **Golden News**

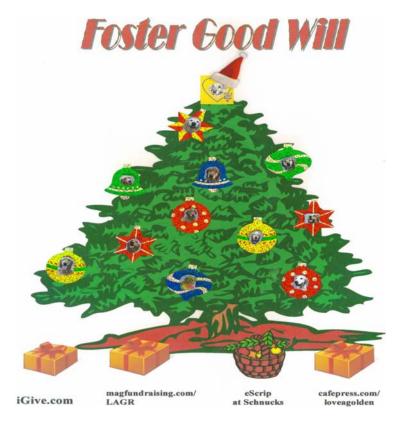


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# Special Holiday Color Edition



The hectic holiday season is fast approaching. Your shopping can help Love A Golden Rescue if you shop at the sites noted above.

iGive features over 650 stores and Love A Golden receives a percentage of your sale (just be sure to choose Love A Golden Rescue as your charity when you register on the website!

www.magfundraising.com/LAGR gives great discounts on magazines and has such a variety that you can find a gift for anyone!

www.cafepress.com/loveagolden has gobs of very cute items for pets and pet lovers .

Build-a-Bear also is a great friend to our rescue so take your children and grandchildren to one of their stores for a fun experience.

For food...'tis the season...use your eScrip card at Schnucks (and buy some Anheuser Busch products as they sent us a great golf bag for our silent auction in 2007!)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi, WOW! Summer is over and 2007 is rapidly coming to a close. It is hard to imagine, Love a Golden Rescue will be seven years old in January 2008 How time flies.

It seems like only yesterday when six people got together with a vision of rescuing Goldens in Eastern Missouri, SE lowa and Southern Illinois. It was estimated that we would help twenty dogs in our 1st year. Everyone was very surprised when we had fifty intakes at the end of that year of operations. Earlier this year we took in our 500th Golden who was Lilla. She is now happily in her forever home.

We have helped all ages of dogs from—puppies who were born in rescue to seniors who just needed love and good medical attention. We have helped very sick dogs, some with special needs and all sizes and colors. All this has been done with the dedication of many wonderful volunteers.

A big thank you to adopters, volunteers, friends, past and present Board Members all of whom have made Love a Golden Rescue a success.

Happy Holidays

Jan Knoche

# **Golden Pennies**





We have already collected over 250,000 pennies to help our Goldens.

Help us reach our next goal of 300,000 pennies

We have over 85,321 already toward our goal

To assist Our Golden Retrievers, who were strays, who have been rescued from shelters or whose families could no longer care for them.

Our rescue provides vet care and foster homes prior to their adoptions by loving homes.

Bring your pennies to the next Love A Golden Event!!!!

Thanks to Katie Schierbach who collected \$30.00 in pennies

# Love a Golden Rescue Board of Directors

Janet Knoche - President
Kathy Riggs - Vice President
Jennifer Hershey - Secretary
Janet Knoche - Treasurer
Michele Swanson - Volunteer Coordinator
Diane Pierce - Board Member
Wendy Ragan - Board Member

A special thank you to
Kathy Hackmann
for all the years of service to
Love a Golden Rescue
as President and Board Member

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From the Volunteers and all the Dogs of Love a Golden Rescue

# HAPPY ENDINGS



**DUNCAN LOVES THE BED AND HIS BROTHER -- EVEN IF** THEY DO FIGHT OVER TOYS OR JUST FIGHT TO ANNOY ONE AN-OTHER. DUNCAN IS **DOING GREAT HE HAS PUT A LITTLE WEIGHT ON AND IS BEING PRETTY GOOD** ALTHOUGH HE HAS

HIS DESTRUCTIVE MOMENTS -- HE LIKES TO PULL STUFFING OUT A HIS TOYS.

**MAGGIE IS DOING GREAT! WE ABSOLUTELY** LOVE HER AS DOES EVERY-ONE WHO MEETS HER! SHE **DID GREAT AT OUR PARTY** AND AT ALL THE SOCCER **GAMES SHE HAS BEEN** TO. SHE HAS JUST MELTED IN WITH OUR FAMILY. IT **SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE HAD** HER FOREVER! SHE HAS **TURNED INTO OUITE THE DADDY'S GIRL** 



RIFLE IS DOING GREAT! **WE HAVE BEEN WALKING EVERYDAY. HE REALLY** LOVES IT. HE DOES VERY **WELL ON A LEASH - EVEN SQUIRRELS AND LOOSE** DOGS DON'T BOTHER HIM. **WE ARE GOING TO GET** HIM A PACK SO THAT WHEN WE GO ON LONGER HIKES, HE'LL BE ABLE TO **CARRY HIS OWN WATER** AND FOOD.





**GIRARD IS** HAVING A WONDERFUL TIME IN HIS **NEW HOME** WHICH HE **SHARES WITH** HIS LAGR SISTER LILLY



**KELSEY AND PIERE THIS MORNING HAVING SOME** YUMMY BONES. THEY ARE **BUDDIES - THEY DO CHORES WITH ME TO-GETHER. GO FOR RIDES** TOGETHER. WATCH TV (OK, WE'RE THE ONES WATCHING TV) AND GO TO **BED TOGETHER. I WOULD NEVER BELIEVE THEY'VE ONLY BEEN DOG FRIENDS** FOR A WEEK. THANKS GUYS FOR ALL YOUR HARD

WORK - WE ARE ALWAYS THANKFUL FOR THE GRAY FACED GOLDENS.



KRISTY WITH HER **NEW MOM** ON A HIKE, **SHE IS ONE SPOILT GIRL!** 

**ANGEL ENJOYS AN OUTING ON A BEAUTIFUL FALL** DAY.



MINNIE (WHOSE **RESCUE NAME** WAS GOLDIE) AND **MAGGIE (WHOSE RESCUE NAME** WAS RUTH) **ENJOY THEIR VACATION WITH** THEIR FAMILY IN SANIBEL FLORIDA. MINNIE

**ENJOYED POOL-**



SIDE, BUT MAGGIE PREFERRED TO BE IN A LITTLE WATER.

# **PIC ME! - -** Goldens currently available for adoption.

All of our adoptable Goldens can be found on our web site at: http://www.loveagolden.com/AvailableDogs.htm

#### SUNSHINE



Sunshine has a sweet and gentle personality. She is very loving and likes to be petted. She will gently touch you with a front paw to seek attention. She is a red girl with a touch of gray. Sunshine has a special dolly who she likes to have with her. She is approximately 9 years old. She has been a house

dog. She is eager for a family of her own again.

#### GUS

Gus is a gentle boy who has some special needs and hopes for a very special home to love him as he is. Gus likes to be petted, and his tail gently wags most of the time. He is a large red-colored Golden, probably around 7 years old. He is a hand-



some boy, with irresistible big brown eyes. He has had some epileptic seizures which are currently controlled by phenobarbi-

tol. He is a little slow at comprehending things sometimes (perhaps due to neurological damage from prior seizures before coming to rescue). However, Gus enjoys life with his foster family and is very happy. He likes being with other dogs. Gus would like his very own family who will take care of him and appreciate his warmth.

#### ISAAC

Isaac is a large red senior Golden. He was turned into a shelter when his prior family built a new home and no longer wanted dogs in the house. The shelter told us that he was the sweetest dog but, not surprisingly, very depressed being in a shelter. He is happy now in his foster home but would really like a home of



his very own again soon. He has been a great house guest in his foster home. He is a gentle boy who wants to be petted but also likes to go outside and check out what's going on in the yard. The shelter told us that he is around 10 years old. He looks and acts like he might be a bit younger than that. Isaac would like a home where he is loved and won't be cast aside again.

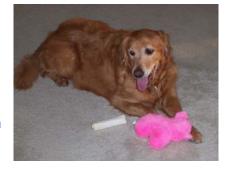
#### MADDY SERVING HER COUNTRY



Madison (aka Maddy) was fostered by a single soldier at Fort Leonard Wood and after 3 months he couldn't let her go. Maddy had found her forever home. With the help of Love A Golden, Maddy was able to support her soldier



through 2 overseas deployments. Since transferring from Missouri, Maddy has been all over the country serving the Army in keeping up her sol-



dier's morale! In return she's enjoying lots of love and attention. Since leaving Missouri Maddy has lived in Texas, and now in Rhode Island. The weather is much cooler in New England and she's enjoying it. There are several National Parks and Maddy is enjoying hiking the trails. She did great even when she had to retreat to the car in the face of Hurricane Noe!!

## LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE - BENEFACTORS

Love A Golden Rescue would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our benefactors who, since the publication of our last newsletter, have given new "forever homes" to our homeless Goldens and who have generously helped our Goldens with their financial support, gifts in kind and donated services.

## **Adoptions**

The Day's Leanne Frank David & Diane Pierce Ronald Nelson Name held on request Krystal Salamon & Keith Runge Randy & Lorraine Tiffin Lisa & Cordel Harris Nancy & Bryan Williams Linda & Mark Meissner Jennifer Merlo Glenn & Judy Harbison Lisa Crabtree Jean Moody Bob & Sandy Kleberger Michael & Linda Austrin Tracey & John Cain	Barley Bessie Cody Dakota II Honeybear Jackson Jay Jasmine Jessica Kelsey Maggie Moose Olivia Pal Rifle Sanford Simon Smooch
Darcy Underwood	Sweetie

## In Memory

Karen Bellville In memory of Taylor Jennifer Hershey In memory of Presley & Trudy

#### **Foster Buddies**

Pam Bogle	Bella & Simor
Beth Triplett	Cody
Kent Holcomb	Dixie
James Nave	Gus
Linda Hylton	Isaac
Jon & Barbara Meline	Simba
Jeny & Joe	Simon
Wanda Cross	Simon

#### **Donations**

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Love a Golden dog Cassie was one of the ten finalists in the Rally to Rescue "Doing more for Pets Contest" Many of you voted for her and a big thanks. The finals were held on October 12th at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles. Jan Knoche represented Love a Golden Rescue at the event as the guest of Nestle Purina.

The winner of the contest was Rummy, a blind husky who had a very touching story but the real winner was dog rescue everywhere and getting the word out.

**Emily Proctor of CSI Miami presented the awards.** 

- Jan and Emily Proctor



#### HI, MY NAME IS SIMON.

#### JUST A SHORT TIME AGO...

I'M ALONE—ABANDONED ALONG A RURAL ROAD.

I'M SCARED—CARS ARE WHIZZING BY.

I'M THIRSTY—ACTUALLY, DEHYDRATED.

I'M HUNGRY—LITERALLY, STARVING.

I'M INJURED—CLOSE TO DEATH.

#### WON'T SOMEBODY PLEASE HELP???

#### **HELP ARRIVES...**

MR. TOW-TRUCK-MAN STOPS.

WANDA CONTACTS LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE (LAGR).

HAROLD DRIVES ME A REALLY FAR PLACE.

LADY DOCTOR PERFORMS EXPENSIVE, LIFE-SAVING SURGERY.

RAY AND JAN WITH LAGR TEND TO MY EVERY NEED.

#### TODAY...

I'M GETTING BETTER EVERY DAY. I THINK I'M GONNA MAKE IT.

#### TWO WEEKS LATER...

THE AUSTRIN FAMILY ADOPTS ME, I HAVE MY OWN FOREVER HOME THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED SIMON.

**Written by Sue Prouhet** 

#### **GOLDEN TRIVIA**

10098 dogs rescued, of these 8638 were purebred

Amount spent on Veterinary Expenses \$3,865,609.00

50% of dogs need to be spayed/neutered on surrender

775 dogs needed to be treated for Heartworms 6,307 volunteers served the 90 rescues

These are staggering figures for our breed alone.

(As reported by Golden Retriever Club of America Rescue Committee from 90 reporting Golden Rescue in the US for 2006)

#### **GOLDEN BRAG**

Little Elsa came to rescue when she was 4 lb a very sick puppy, full of ticks and then she developed distemper. After a very hard start, she has recovered and on Sunday November 4th she graduated as a Touch Therapy dog with Support Dogs, Inc.

(If you have a brag send to: adoption@loveagolden.com)



#### **TENNIS BALLS NEEDED**

Love A Golden needs tennis balls for gift items and baskets.

Bring to any Love A Golden adoption event or contact us at adoption@loveagolden.com

## RECENT L.A.G.R. HAPPENINGS

## Petapalooza





Petapalooza was held on September 30th at Dusable Park in St Charles. It was a great success. Thirteen different groups attended. Three groups did adoptions that day and 8 digs were adopted to great new families. Others groups did Meet & Greet. Each rescue had a lot of interest and received applications to adopt their dogs.

The games and contests were a hit. The costume contest was won by a Scotty dressed as a Scotsman, too cute! Buffy the mascot for the Rascals was a great hit and followed Michele Johnson everywhere. It was a great day, we saw several LAGR alumni which we always love. A big thank you to our dedicated volunteers who helped in so many ways.



# LOVE A GOLDEN ADOPTION DAY AT CABELAS

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

12/1 9 AM — 4 PM Pattonville Craft Show Creve Coeur Rd.

Pattonville, MO

Adoption Days are held each month at the Petco stores in Olivette and St. Charles (2nd Sunday) from Noon until 3:00 PM and at the Petco Store (Clarkson and Baxter Rds.) & at the Canine Center (9850 Manchester, Rock Hill, MO) both on the last Sunday of the month from Noon until 3:00 PM.

See LAGR calendar on the web site for details on all the above events:

http://www.loveagolden.com/Calendar.htm

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#### www.loveagolden.com/Newsletter.htm

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or send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:volunteer@loveagolden.com">volunteer@loveagolden.com</a>

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