THE GUARDIAN





THE GOLDEN CAR RALLY FOR GOLDEN RESCUE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

THIS WAY TO FUN!

GOLDENRESCUE.CA



Only \$100 per

person

Bring Your Golden! Includes Steak BBQ **Start-Line: Horseshoe Resort**

(just north of Barrie)

Teams: Ideally four to a car

Start Times: Between 11 am and 2 pm Rally Duration: Approximately 3.5 hrs

FINISH LINE PARTY:

- Georgian Bay shore (near Port Severn)
- Great swimming for you & your furkids
- Begins when you arrive until 11 pm
- · Cocktails, live band, BBQ
- Awards at 9 pm

\$100 per person

Includes rally, steak or vegetarian bbq, beer/ wine/soft drinks, live music, awards/trophies and lots of fun and laughs!

Please e-mail to RSVP and for a start time: board@goldenrescue.ca

'What to bring' and rally details will be mailed closer to the date. If you would like overnight accommodations in the area, please email <u>board@goldenrescue.ca</u> and we will send a list of options.

Dogs welcome on rally and at party





CANADIAN GOLDEN RETRIEVER ADOPTION SERVICE INC.

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Gus #2699 ~ Gus is one grateful boy! He absolutely loves both his foster and forever families for giving him a second chance. He now enjoys two homes ~ a home and a cottage. Lately, Gus has been spending time teaching his new dad to play fetch and he thinks his dad is finally starting to get the hang of it. Gus was recently introduced to horses. He's a tad confused with them as they look like large dogs yet they won't play with him. He loves country life and we love him! Karen

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Mission Statement

Golden Rescue gives second chances to Goldens in need.

Our mission is simple and straightforward because that's who we are and that's what we do. Our volunteer-run organization, led by a volunteer, working board of directors, is dedicated to ensuring that each and every rescued Golden receives exceptional care, regardless of the extent of their needs. We provide veterinary care, rehabilitation, behaviour training, and numerous other services to help our Goldens prepare for their second chance with a loving forever family. We also help educate people about the virtues of rescue as rescue is our favourite breed.

At the root of everything we do are our core values ~ integrity, kindness, compassion ~ all delivered without judgment. These are our guiding principles that drive our purpose and sustain our ability to continually wrap our arms around Goldens who so desperately need our help.

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We would like to thank all of our contributing writers and photographers... too many to list. Betty, who loves her furkids, has given up many weekends and evenings to design and assemble this newsletter so that we Golden lovers can read all about the golden world we live in.



Betty with Shadow #1342 & Kona



Project Air Buddy

In January of 2006, we fostered, then adopted three-yearold Buddy #605. He was a handsome, gentle giant (once weighing 120 pounds because of his Great Pyrenees mix) with mesmerizing golden eyes and a beautiful singing voice when his dad played the guitar! At the age of 14, we had to say good-bye to our loyal companion who had taught us so much about trust,



Buddy #605

patience, and unconditional love. Our hearts were broken and our house was so empty and quiet.

After an agonizing six months without a dog, we applied to Golden Rescue to adopt a female. We were told about Jenny #2667, who was coming from Istanbul with Kassie and Riley on September 15th, 2017. We were aware of the Rescue Mission of Love but had not realized the magnitude of the problem.

Jenny and her companions were flown here thanks to the tremendous fundraising efforts of a wonderful woman named Nancy and 'Jenny's Journey' in memory of her three Goldens who had passed. We were so inspired by 'Jenny's Journey' that

we knew we must try to bring another Golden to safety in Canada. So, we started 'Project Air Buddy' in memory of our dear Buddy and in celebration of our adoption of Jenny #2667 who has filled our hearts and home with unconditional love and joy! Greeting Jenny as she was released from her crate at the airport and seeing her tail wag with delight was an experience we will never forget! She immediately laid on her back for a belly rub. It was love at first sight! She is sweet, well behaved, quiet, funny, and loves her walks and car

rides. Her knowledge of English is pretty good now too! Everyone who meets her is amazed at how calm she is! She has settled in beautifully and we are in the process of qualifying her for the St. John's Ambulance Therapy Dog Program to spread her joy to those in need!

We are humbled by the generosity of friends, family, and Golden lovers who have helped raise over \$1,200 for Project Air Buddy!

On May 10th, 2018, we welcomed Bud #2777 (now Bodhi) to Toronto, along with 17 beautiful souls from Istanbul! There was an incredible energy that day, being surrounded by volunteers and families eagerly awaiting their arrival. It gave us



Bodhi #2777

such joy to be a part of Bud's journey and to see him so loved! What a beautiful boy! He even gives his paw like our Jenny! We couldn't be happier!

In loving memory of Buddy #605, Cynthia & Joe

DONORS TO THE 'AIR BUDDY PROJECT':

Nancy Beatty In Memory of Casev #1957 Patricia Bianco Carol & Doug Brillinger Betty & Al Brisco In Memory of Shadow Sandra Byers

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In Memory of Kyla

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Carolyn White In Memory of Casey #1957



Jenny #2667



WHEN And WHERE WILL I Find Golden Rescue EVENTS?

Awareness events all over the place! Join us, have fun, and help our Goldens!

June 2nd

LCBO Tag Day

11 am – 5 pm

- Collingwood, 1 First St
- Alliston, 39 Young St
- Barrie, 461 Big Bay Point
- Owen Sound, 1613 9th Ave East
- Orillia, 293 Coldwater Rd
- Washago, 8409 County Rd 169

June 2nd

Slobberfest

9 am – 2 pm Toronto Beaches, Leuty Pavilion

June 6th

Paint Nite

7 pm

Kitchener, Core Lounge, 401 New Dundee Rd

June 9th

LCBO Tag Day

11 am - 5 pm

- Sudbury, 2400 Long Lake Rd
- GTA, 10 Scrivener Square
- GTA, 65 Wicksteed Ave (Eglinton/Laird)
- GTA, 15830 Bayview, Aurora
- GTA, 2 Cooper St (Queen's Quay)
- GTA, Oakville/Mississauga to be confirmed

June 16th

Dogs4Youth

9 am – 3 pm Grimsby, Peach King Centre, 160 Livingstone Ave

June 23rd

Grimsby Canadian Tire Tag Day

11 am – 5 pm 44 Livingstone Ave

June 23rd

LCBO Tag Day

11 am – 5 pm

- Belleville, 470 Dundas St East
- Trenton, 150 Front St
- Kingston, 1089 Midland Ave

July 21st & 22nd

Dog Days of Scugog

9 am - 4 pm

Scugog Shores Museum

August 18th

Peterborough Pawtacular

10 am – 4 pm The Morrow Building 151 Lansdowne St

August 18th

Kathleen Edwards Benefit Concert

2 pm – 9 pm Pakenham (west of Ottawa)

August 18th

Gimli #489's Golden Rescue Walk/Run With Your Bestie

8 am

Spencer Park, Burlington

September 8th

St. Jacobs Markets

7 am – 4 pm St. Jacobs

September 15th

Golden Rescue Annual Picnic Viamede Resort, Stoney Lake

September 15th

LCBO Tag Day

11 am – 5 pm

- London, 109 Fanshawe Park Rd
- London, 3050 Wonderland Rd South

September 16th

Barktoberfest

8 am – 4 pm Pinery Antique Flea Market, Grand Bend

September 22nd

LCBO Tag Day

11 am - 5 pm

- Ancaster, 737 Golf Links Rd
- St. Catharines, 343 Glendale Ave
- Niagara Falls, 3714 Portage Rd

September 22nd & 23rd

Buzzfest

11 am – 5 pm Terra Cotta

September 29th

Golden Rescue Car Rally

Horseshoe Valley/Port Severn

October 12th - 14th

Bala Cranberry Festival

Bala

October 20th

LCBO Tag Day

11 am – 5pm

• Lindsay, 449 Kent St West

- Peterborough, 400 Lansdowne St East
- Cobourg, 1111 Elgin St West

4 Weekends in December

The Pickering Markets Pickering

Photo Contest

A Golden Celebration in Photos

Categories:

Aging Gracefully

Chillaxin'

Joy

1st

Laughter

Mischief
No Limits

Wet/Snow Nose

Wet Hair...Don't Care

'Caption This'

Email entries to:

photocontest@goldenrescue.ca

Deadline:

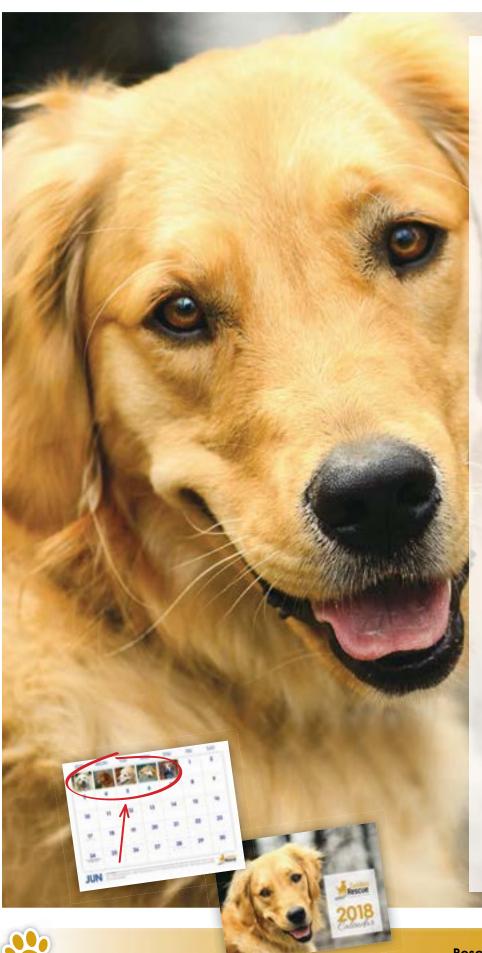
August 30th

Rules:

- Photos of all Goldens welcome (not just Golden Rescue Goldens).
- Please label your photos with your Golden's name (and rescue number if a GR rescue).
- Only submit one photo per category
- A single photo may not be entered in more than one category.
- For the 'caption this' category, please provide the caption.

The 'outstanding' photos in each category will be announced at the Golden Rescue Picnic on September 15th.





Buy a Date!

You'll never forget their special day if it's printed in the calendar...

Buy a commemorative date in the 2019 Calendar for your loved ones and support Goldens in need at the same time!

- Happy Birthday Shadow #1342
- In memory of Bailey #1212
- Happy Gotcha Day Jake #424

Download an order form online or use the enclosed order form. Order as many as you'd like!

Cost: \$20 per date or \$50 if you'd like a small photo in the same month (limited spaces available so first-come...)

DEADLINE: July 30th (for photo submissions and commemorative dates)

Say Cheese!

We need Golden pictures for future newsletters, our 2019 calendar or for our website and marketing materials.

Here are some photo tips:

- Set your digital camera or phone to highest settings (largest photo size)
- Please don't make photos smaller (or compress them) for email

Please e-mail photos to photos@goldenrescue.ca

Please make sure you tell us who's who and their rescue numbers.



Rescue Hotline: 416-657-2445 1-866-712-8444

Golden Angels

In each and every issue, we'd like to recognize some outstanding volunteers. Here, you will meet golden angels with golden hearts. 42

Shadow #1342



Cindy & friend



Robyne & friend



Lucy #2757 in transit

Cindy Wallach

Cindy started volunteering for Golden Rescue over 10 years ago. A Golden lover for most of her life, Cindy loves working with Golden Rescue. After she retired as a school principal in 2007, she saw the GR booth at Kempenfest and knew this is what she wanted to do. At the time, Cindy had four Goldens of her own but started to foster anyway. That's quite a house full but Cindy loved it. In 2012, Cindy went back to work in Montreal as a replacement principal for a few years and had to leave GR during that time. In 2015, her heart was broken when her lovely little girl Sedona #1338 crossed the Rainbow Bridge. This traumatic event brought Cindy back to us and we are so grateful. Apart from spreading the good word about GR wherever she goes, Cindy helps in many areas ~ fostering, fundraising, managing our microchip database, home visits, behaviour evaluations, and working on the education and placement teams. No matter what she's involved with, she always says it's the best volunteer job ever! Many Goldens have been in Cindy's life and she has loved every one of them whether they were her own or a foster. What a big heart she has. Thank you, Cindy for all you do ~ we so grateful you've come to our rescue!

Robyne Ahmed

Robyn is a volunteer coordinator who coordinates other Golden Rescue volunteers and she loves what she does. Robyn says and we quote, "I find the work I do with Golden Rescue so rewarding. I love that I'm somehow making a difference in Goldens' lives, helping them on their way to a loving, safe home. I feel especially proud of the Rescue Mission of Love as my Golden Cailey #2612 came from Istanbul." Robyn first started volunteering with Golden Rescue at LCBO Tag Days with her Golden Willow and she started doing more and more. Robyn lives in the Ottawa area and has helped in so many ways including LCBO tag days, transports, home visits, foster interviews, and of course her important current role as a Volunteer Coordinator. We are so lucky Robyne is a Golden lover and a valuable asset on the GR team. Of course, Cailey couldn't agree more.

THANK YOU TO All Out Golden Angels!

Long-Distance Transporters

Golden Rescue has an amazing transport team. These volunteers answer the call every single time transport is needed...whether it be an emergency that needs dealt with immediately or less urgent transports. The one's we'd like to tell you about now are the 'long distance' transporters. These are the angels who are willing to get up at the crack of dawn, drive great distances (8 to 12 hours), wait for hours at an airport for arriving Goldens, and spend a largely sleepless night in a hotel with their often-smelly, exhausted but grateful Golden who is experiencing their first night in a foreign land. The next morning these weary travellers prepare for the long journey home, which often includes a delay at customs. Whether it be New York, Boston or Chicago, this group is there every single time they are needed. Thank you, Cheryl-Anne, Jane, Janet, Janice, Kevin, Michelle, Monica, Patti, Paul, Robin, Tony, Val, Viive! Our out-of-country Goldens especially thank you ~ it would be impossible to implement our 'Rescue Mission of Love' without you.





WELCOME TO THE GOLDEN FAMILY







Abby #2726

2-year-old female Adopted by Ava & Ben

Bauer #2720

8-year-old male Adopted by Kim & Peter

Ben #2762

5-year-old male Adopted by Vicki & Dan

Benson #2768

2-year-old male Adopted by Sara & Bevan

Brady #2728

7-year-old male Adopted by Susan

Cleo #2734

8-month-old female Adopted by Sherry & Evan

Cobi #2748

6-year-old female Adopted by Lee & Donna





Cooper #2749

6-year-old male Adopted by Kathy & Tim

Daisy #2755

5-year-old female Adopted by Patricia & Brian

Daisy Mae #2767

7-month-old female Adopted by Jennifer & Harry

Diva #2732

5-year-old female Adopted by Marcia

Elsa #2729

6-year-old female Adopted by Susan & Rick

Gordie #2718

7-year-old male Adopted by Wendy & Michael

Gus #2699

7-year-old male Adopted by Karen & Thomas

Izzv #2750

1.5-year-old female Adopted by Elaine & David

Jake #2763

9-year-old male Adopted by Liz & Dave

Jenny #2667

4-year-old female Adopted by Cynthia & Joe





Juno #2751

6-month-old female Adopted by Trish & Alan

Leo #2735

6-month-old male Adopted by Alex & Dale

Lexi #2731

6-year-old female Adopted by Brenda & Norm

Lori #2725

5-year-old female Adopted by Hillary & Jim

Lucv #2752

1.5-year-old female Adopted by Chelsey & Tanner

Lucy #2757

6-month-old female Adopted by Patti & Harry

Lyka #2721

4-year-old female Adopted by Elizabeth

Mabel #2744

11-year-old female Adopted by Stephanie & Al

Murdoch #2741

2-year-old male Adopted by Faye & Callum

Murphy #2724

2.5-year-old female Adopted by Dianne & Glenn





Oscar #2733

1-year-old male Adopted by Lynda & Henry

Petey #2746

3-year-old male Adopted by Lori & Kevin

Ringo #2742

2-year-old male Adopted by Kelly & Mark

Rocky #2723

3-year-old male Adopted by Tracy & Mike

Roxy #2727

9-year-old female Adopted by Brittany

Scarlet #2747

2-year-old female Adopted by Tom

Willa #2730

6-year-old female Adopted by Donna & Garnet

Zeus #2739

11-year-old male Adopted by Barbara & John





Foster Families

We continue to have Goldens coming into our care! We particularly need foster families throughout Ontario and Quebec who are willing to take Goldens with medical or behavioural issues, families without any other dogs or cats in-house or families who are willing to foster a pair.

Fostering a Golden and helping him/ her through a transitional phase is an incredibly rewarding experience because you're the first step in their new life. If you are interested in fostering, please fill out a foster application online at www.goldenrescue.ca. Once you've filled out an application, a volunteer will contact you to clarify any points, answer any questions you might have, and arrange for a home visit.

Thank you for coming to the rescue of a needy Golden!



Goldens Can Benefit from Your Reward Points

We are thrilled to announce Golden Rescue's alliances with Aeroplan, CIBC Rewards, Scotia Rewards, Shoppers Optimum, and Vancity Rewards. Now you can donate your reward points from these programs to Golden Rescue.

Reward points received by Golden Rescue will be redeemed as gift certificates for fundraising or to purchase enticing gifts for auction at our annual picnic or prizes for our Wishbone lottery. Your points donation is also eligible for a charitable tax receipt. Watch for more information on Facebook and our website, but for now, here's what you need to know...

To donate Aeroplan rewards: Log in to your account online. Click on "Use Your Miles" and then "Donate" and then search for Golden Rescue, or simply copy this URL into your browser, which will take you directly to the Golden Rescue donation page. https://beyondmiles.aeroplan.com/eng/charity/1130

Also, each charitable donation made through a member donation will be topped up by a 10% contribution from Aeroplan. This applies for all donations to all accounts, all the time.

To donate CIBC & Scotia Rewards: Log in to your account, select a CanadaHelps reward amount, and follow the instructions provided.

To donate Vancity Rewards (Vancity is a Vancouver-based financial company)

Log in to your account or call 1.866.661.3377. Provide the Charitable Registration Number: 88810 1128 RR0001 and the number of points you wish to donate.

To donate Shopper's Optimum: Log in to your account, click "Donate/Transfer Points" and Golden Rescue is in the drop down under "Donate Points to a Charity"

Please consider making your points work for our Goldens ~ yet another way to help future Goldens in need.







MEET & GREET

Masha #2440

Just like Raymond, everybody loves Masha. She sits on the grass of our front yard looking over her kingdom enjoying life. She doesn't need a leash as she is such a calm, good girl. Passers-by visit and pet her and come to get a kiss. She is a very popular girl. Yes, Masha is loved by everyone...human, canine, and feline alike. She's an absolute superstar and you have made us very happy by allowing us to be her forever family.



MEET & GREET

Buddy #2625



Buddy arrived in our home with a weight problem. With better food, and less of it, along with an active, healthy lifestyle, he has lost 28 pounds. Wow!!! One of his responsibilities is to bring in firewood ~ a job he does with great aplomb. He takes his job

so seriously that people stop to stare at him as they can't believe the size of the log he is dragging home. Buddy says, "Hey, if a job's worth doing, it's worth doing well". Our family is so grateful to Golden Rescue for finding us



GOLDEN MOMENTS®



After woods 'deleafing'

Help Us Help Goldens - Consider Volunteering!

Golden Rescue continues to grow and evolve...and we're looking for volunteers! Might that be you? We run solely with volunteers ~ a wonderfully dedicated group sharing a common vision to safeguard the wellbeing of every Golden in our care. Our work is hugely rewarding and we would love to hear from you. We currently have needs in a number of areas.

CASUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Foster Families

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Events

Bring your Golden or just yourself and help out at one of our many events throughout the year ~ all with the double goal of raising funds and building awareness for Golden Rescue. The events are fun and everyone ~ and we mean everyone ~ loves to talk to our volunteers about our sweet Goldens. You never have to ask for a donation ~ we simply have a 'Please Donate' sign and donation jar in full view. **Estimated time commitment:** totally dependent upon your time & availability

Home Visits

Potential foster or adoptive families require a home visit. You would visit these temporary and permanent family homes and spend about 30 minutes, engaging in conversation and asking some questions from the questionnaire we provide to you to guide the conversation. When you return home, you are asked to fill out the home visit form and email it to the volunteer who contacted you. **Estimated time commitment:** totally dependent upon your time & availability

TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

Wishbone Lottery Team

The Wishbone Lottery is our biggest, most important fundraiser. In fact, without it, we would be seriously hampered with our rescue efforts as the more money we raise, the more

Goldens we can help. Over the last four years we have been successful selling tickets but to continue this success we need your help. If you are organized and computer proficient, this may be right up your alley. Here's how it works. You would get a list of GR supporters and contact them to help us sell tickets. We have a team to support your efforts and it is mostly done by email.

Time commitment: 10-15 hours at the onset of the lottery (likely June) and then a few hours here and there to follow-up

Graphic Designers

Are you an experienced graphic designer looking for a rewarding volunteer role? Are you interested in creating dynamic, contemporary visuals for our readers to call them to action? We're looking for a couple of graphic designers who understand our periodic need for speed and fast turnarounds (although not all assignments are time sensitive), have a flair for contemporary design, can create and distribute eblasts through Mailchimp, and can work with Wordpress (the power behind our website). Writing our eblasts and other communication pieces is not a requirement right now - content/copy will be sent to you for design – but if you ever want to give writing a try, we're all about bringing out your best! The primary purpose of this role is to create visuals for key communication pieces for general e-distribution and our website as an integral member of the Communications team. If you have the talent and the time, we would love to hear from you! Estimated time commitment: 10-20 hours/month

Picnic Games Coordinator

Our annual picnic is a highlight for many people and Goldens alike! Two popular segments include the games and the best-dressed contest. We need an enthusiastic volunteer to organize and run the games. Attendance at the picnic on September 15th is essential. The games coordinator from previous years will guide and mentor you. **Time commitment:** 5 hours prep time and the day at the picnic

Event Coordinators (Ottawa & Montreal areas)

Are you an organized 'go getter' with a positive, can-do attitude? We are looking for a couple of people in the Ottawa and Montreal

areas to help us find and coordinate a few events. You will work closely with our Events Director, who will provide you with all the training and support you will need. You need computer skills and familiarity with Google Drive would be an asset (but not necessary). **Time commitment**: 20 hours per month during the time of events

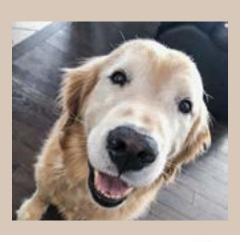
Do you think you can help us help Goldens? They're counting on you...and so are we. If any of these opportunities are of interest to you, please email teamresources@goldenrescue.ca THANK YOU!

Meet & Greet

Bauer #2720

Bauer found his way to our forever country home and since he arrived, the smile has not left his handsome goofy face. He took his role as Harlow's big brother seriously and almost instantly became daddy's boy and follows him around like his shadow. Bauer loves to go on adventure walks and playing catch. He has brought so much love and joy into our home. Thank you, Golden Rescue!

Kim, Peter & Harlow





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The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. Mahatma Gandhi

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MEET & GREET

Mykos #2703

Mykos came from the streets of Istanbul. We swear that his constant smile is to show his gratitude for being saved. When he puts his paw on our arm, you can just tell he's saying thank you, thank you, thank you. We, on the other hand, think it's a miracle this beautiful boy found us. He is so smart that he learned his English commands quickly. His genuine

affection and good behaviour makes him seem like an angel from heaven. New to snow, he got used to it in a second and loves it. He loves the great Canadian outdoors and he loves his walks. In fact, when he's ready to go, he brings a boot to his dad as if to say "Let's go... it's time to rock and roll". The name Mykos means love, beauty, and freedom...a name he suits to a tee.

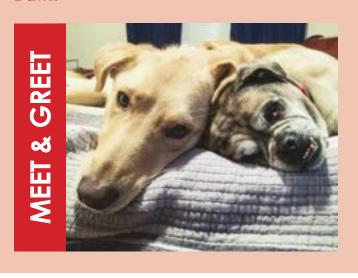
Adriana & Lou



Cami #2509

Cami came to Canada from Istanbul with a very crooked leg. It looked like he would need surgery but as time went on, he seemed to be coping with this imperfection with little or no problem so surgery was shelved. Today he runs like the wind and his back leg has built up lots of muscle and seems to rarely bother him. He has also gained 20 much-needed pounds and is a healthy, happy boy. He now has a beautiful, full, and soft coat ~ a far cry from what his coat looked like when he first arrived in Canada. This goofy, grateful Golden has fit in beautifully with his new pack and we love him dearly.

Dawn





to all Retriever Believers ~ you truly have GOLDEN hearts!

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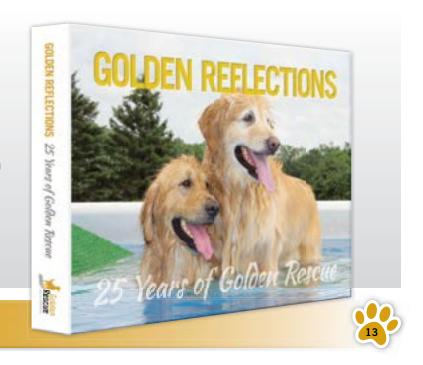
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Dear Goldie: I have been in my forever home for over a year and a half but just lately have started munching on (dare I say it)...poop. My mom recently changed the kind of food I eat, could that have something to do with it? It's fine with me but she gives me a really disgusted look whenever I indulge myself, so I'd really like to know why I do it. Thanks, Angie

Dear Angie: Humans hate it when you do this. They think it IS disgusting. When we were moms ourselves, we used to eat our puppies' poop to keep the nest clean so we think it's okay. Humans don't find it the least bit amusing. My vet says sometimes we eat poop when we lack certain enzymes but sometimes it can cause digestive problems or even infection. So, my advice is don't do it if you can. It has been suggested that humans put meat tenderizer in our food, which makes poop taste terrible but the best way to stop us is to pick up our poop regularly.

Dear Goldie: We were walking past a car the other day that had a dog in it and it was really hot. My mom was really worried and wanted to break the window. What should she have done? Cooper

Dear Cooper: This is a horrible problem and should be taken seriously but here's what officials suggest:

Take down the make, model, and licence plate of the car (if possible, take a video of the dog inside the car and get the licence plate in the video)

Try to find the owner ~ ask around the best you can.

Call 9-1-1. Wait beside the car until someone arrives from the 911 call.

Do not break the window unless authorities are there.

This is what they're recommending; however, if you think the dog is in dire straits, do whatever you need to do to save a life. As soon as you get the dog out, give it shade and water and try to get their paws into water, as that's what will cool them down the best.

Dear Goldie: How important is flea & tick and heartworm prevention? Callie

Dear Callie: It is very important to get this medication. Apart from the itching, discomfort, and loss of hair, dogs will eat fleas to get them off their skin and this can cause tapeworms and other problems. Ticks are even worse and can cause lime disease and other serious infections that, left untreated, could be fatal. And right now, ticks are prevalent. So, please encourage your family to get flea/tick prevention. By the way, I get my monthly dose in a beef-tasting chewable, which is really yummy.

Dear Goldie: I think I sleep a lot. I don't want to be a lazy Golden but I find myself nodding off a number of times a day. I can be easily woken so maybe that's okay but I just want be sure I'm active enough. Lazy Daisy

Dear Daisy: Dogs sleep on average 12 to 14 hours a day. Big dogs sleep more than small dogs so Goldens tend to be on the high side of sleep. When we were puppies and learning how to be grown-up Goldens, we could sleep up to 20 hours a day. We also sleep differently than humans because of our natural protective instincts so we are on alert even when we sleep.

That's why we can be easily wakened.
Don't worry about it. As long as you are
getting good exercise and good human
interaction, sleep all you need. You're not
lazy...you're just a typical goofy Golden.

Dear Goldie: My dad used to throw a tennis ball for me all the time. Lately my tennis ball is nowhere to be seen. What's up with that? Tennis the Menace

Dear TM: Tennis balls are a no-no for bigger dogs like Goldens. A number of our Goldens have died due to choking on a tennis ball. What happens is, when catching or chewing a ball, it can get lodged in the throat and your dog won't be able to breathe. Oprah also lost one of her Goldens due to choking. So, Golden Rescue has been trying to get the word out to get rid of all tennis balls or balls of a similar size (i.e. chuck-its) and substitute it for bigger balls or frisbees. In fact, balls are not allowed at their picnic. As far as I'm concerned, you don't have to get fancy ~ a stick will do.

Dear Goldie: My mom has put a big object in my food lately that makes it difficult to get at all my food right away. I eventually get at all of it but it takes time and I have to keep moving it around. Sheesh...should I complain? Kibble-quibble

Dear K-Q: There is little doubt in my mind that it's there to slow you down. I suspect you eat your food in 2.3 seconds flat and your mom is just trying to help your digestion. I know you love your food (hey, we all do) but slowing down is better for you. If you don't want anything foreign in your bowl, try to slow down by yourself. I know, I know, Donovan once said "Might as well try and catch the wind". Haha!





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The GR store is chock full of quality logo'ed merchandise which not only helps our fundraising efforts but, perhaps more importantly, helps to raise awareness of the organization. T-shirts, jackets, hoodies, rain jackets, windbreakers, all in a variety of colors and sizes, have the GR logo, helping us get our message out there. Other items like fridge magnets, bumper stickers, and licence plate holders also help tell our story.

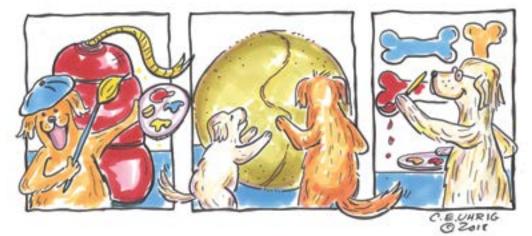
Of course the store also has our stunning coffee table book 'Golden Reflections', high-quality notecards, plus a number of other gift items perfect for a birthday or special occasion for either your two or four-legged friends. The site is easy to navigate and your order is processed immediately.

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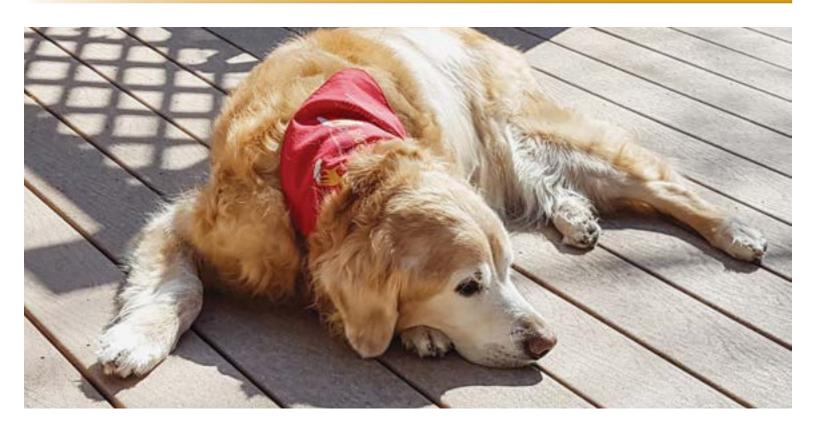
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KAHIL GIBRAN (1ST DRAFT)

A young woman stepped forward from the throng and asked, "O' great prophet, tell us how we might find love that is unconditional, unwavering, and unending."

The prophet did not answer right away. He looked off into the distance, gathering his thoughts. Silence descended upon the crowd. Then he turned his gaze upon the young woman and said, "Get a dog."





Jasper #2426 His story...since he joined

When we both retired from our jobs in 2010, our family dog had passed away a few years earlier and we decided that we would have no more animals so that we would have the freedom to travel. Instead, I got my dog fix with the dogs in our extended family and through my volunteer work with the Regina Humane Society (RHS). In 2015, we fostered a little King Charles Spaniel for the RHS with failing eyesight and a broken pelvis. He stole our hearts but he had severe separation anxiety and nothing we tried (short of staying home 24/7) helped him. It turns out the magic came in a forever family with another little dog who has become his best buddy and the calming influence he needed. But having another dog in our house lit my desire to adopt.

I've always loved Golden Retriever faces. They just look so kind and gentle. I watched for a Golden at the RHS but with no luck. So, I searched for a Golden Rescue organization but none exist close to us. I reached out to Golden Rescue in Ontario and filled out an application. We were planning a road trip to Ontario and Quebec in the fall of 2016 and were hopeful that we might be able to adopt a Golden and bring him home with us. It was a long shot, but worth a try.

We had decided we wanted to adopt an older dog, health issues and all. Besides being the hardest dogs to find a home for, our thoughts were that a senior dog looking for a home has either had a hard life or a loving family who, for whatever reason, could no longer care for him. We knew that adopting a senior was not to be taken lightly as they not only need love and patience, but also a commitment to provide the necessary time and financial resources to help them through any struggles they encounter in their senior years.

Through some extraordinary measures taken by GR, we were matched with 11-year-old Jasper and, after meeting him and his amazing foster family, we fell in love. He jumped into our backseat and we started the four-day journey home. We knew we had struck gold when he didn't cry, whine or misbehave in any way on that 2,700 km journey.

Jasper was severely underweight (47 lbs) when he was found and had serious dental and ear infections. Golden Rescue and his amazing foster family helped him on his road to recovery and we are forever grateful to them for that. He's had his share of health problems since, but we knew that was likely going in. He's now a healthy 65 lbs on a special low-fat diet due a serious bout of pancreatitis a month after we adopted him and getting daily physical therapy to help him

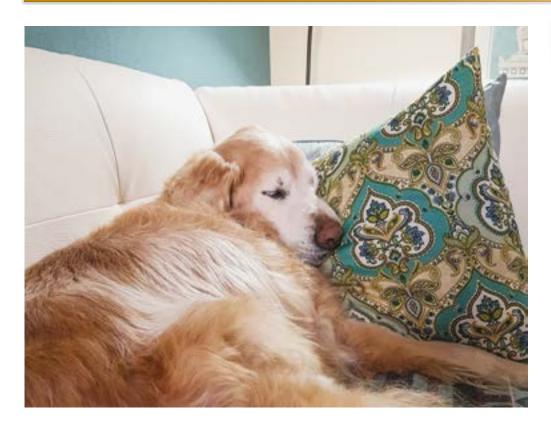
with his mobility. He's paid us back in love and loyalty many times over.

Jasper also struggled with separation anxiety at first. Although the anxiety is gone, he still struggles with a fear of abandonment. He is our constant companion, but when we do go out without him, he sleeps against the door we leave by until we get home. Even when he's outside in the yard, he feels the need to keep us in sight and is constantly checking back to make sure that we're still there.

As I'm sure is the case for many rescues, we are curious about Jasper's past. He has some interesting quirks. For example, he doesn't like small rooms like bathrooms and laundry rooms. He doesn't play with toys. He doesn't like having his picture taken (which is why he is asleep in most of his photos). He likes licking hands and feet but will not kiss the face. And he sure doesn't live up to the 'retriever' name ~ absolutely refusing to retrieve anything. The only time you'll see him with a toy in his mouth is when he's greeting someone. He loves company and greets anyone entering the house with a whimper and a welcome gift of a toy or a shoe...whatever is close by.

Jasper's favourite things are food, pets, walks, snoozes, snow cones in the winter,







and...did I say food? We divide his daily food into three to help with his pancreatitis. If he had his way, he'd be eating a meal every three hours with snacks in between. He's developed the habit of smacking his lips when he thinks it's time to be fed.

It hurts our hearts to think how he must have struggled as a stray. Besides food, he loves his creature comforts. He has a bed in the kitchen, a bed in the office, and two in the bedroom as he likes to change it up in the middle of the night. His favourite snooze spot is on the couch with his head on a pillow.

The highlight of Jasper's walks is when he meets other dogs. We think he had other dog siblings in his previous life as it just makes his heart sing to be able to sniff noses with them. He also is very insulted when dogs and their people walk by without stopping to greet us ~ he stops and looks behind at them walking away, with an insulted look on his face. Luckily, he has several rescue buddies in our extended family.

We have an RV and do a lot of camping in the summer. Jasper has a bit of a love/hate relationship with camping. He loves the walks and all the new stuff to sniff and he loves going into lake but only up to his armpits. He likes being where I am, so inside the camper if I'm there or outside if I'm there. But he doesn't like the stairs into and out of the camper. We have purchased a six-foot-long ramp for this summer and are hoping it will make it easier on him.

We have taken Jasper to training to improve his listening skills and our teaching skills. He's also been certified as a St. John's Ambulance Therapy Dog. However, after a few months 'on the job', we saw that it was more stressful for him than we had anticipated and we retired him.

Jasper is approaching 13 years and he finds that his rear-end is getting harder to maneuver. He has struggled with stairs and he'd prefer to stand or lay than sit. Some days, walks are harder than others and we have to be careful to avoid deep snow and ice. But we've had him in physical therapy and we do his stretching and exercises daily. He is making progress and it makes us feel good to see him feeling better.

Jasper has become my constant companion. His love, loyalty, and quirky personality make me grateful every day. Thank you, Golden Rescue, for saving him and making our Golden dream possible!

Anna, Jasper's mom



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MEET & GREET

Cailey #2612

When Cailey arrived from Istanbul, we weren't sure what to expect. We had no idea what her life had been like, how long she had been on the street or how she had been treated. She seemed pretty content to be with us but she had to be wondering whether it was just temporary. She was timid of other dogs and a



little growly with friends' dogs. Now, eight months later, we think she knows we are her forever family. She approaches other dogs on the street for the regular sniff greeting and the dogs she growled at are now her best friends and they curl up and sleep together. She runs, plays, and comes to us with a smile on her face. We're so grateful she is relaxed and happy. She loves to cuddle and give hugs and we actively encourage both. Her personality is really shining through. She is goofy and a little mischievous. Her love of people and gentleness after being abandoned and left to her own devices truly astounds us. Recently on a walk, we met an elderly lady in a wheelchair. Cailey can sometimes get excited when she greets people but she gently walked up to the lady and just stood beside her. I thought maybe we were blocking her way, but then I noticed that the lady was touching Cailey's neck. Cailey just stood there calmly and when the lady took her hand away, she gently backed away. Thank you, Golden Rescue (and we think there was a little intervention from an angel) for choosing us to be Cailey's forever family.

Robyne & Abdel

St. Mildred's-Lightbourn School Presentation



On April 10th, Golden Rescue had the pleasure of talking to the Grade 5 class at St. Mildred's-Lightbourn School. Our wonderful volunteers (two and four-legged) gave the students insight into the importance of rescue. As they entered the classroom with all the Goldens, the girls gave a big singsongy "Ahhhhh" and surrounded the Goldens and petted and hugged every inch of them as clouds of dog hair permeated the air. It was a joyous scene. Golden Rescue takes education seriously and we seek venues where we can advocate responsible pet ownership and talk about why 'rescue' is our favourite breed. The students loved the presentation but we suspect they enjoyed communing with the eight Golden goofballs even more. One of our volunteers said, "We left behind good will and mounds of Golden hair".

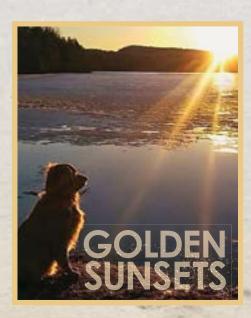
Thank you to our Golden angels who went:

- Colleen & Brianna with Bella #2677
- Julie with Angie #2443
- Janice with Bentley #2058 & Theo #2480
- Liz with Izzy #2581
- Betty-Ann, Mike & Garry with Max #2312, Willie & Winston

If you are affiliated with a school that might enjoy hosting a Golden Rescue presentation, please contact us at board@goldenrescue.ca.



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Gibson #1842

Gibson, a brave big boy, came to us in May 2013. He liked his meals on time or would howl. He loved his biscuits, radio, and the car. He liked being warmed up with a towel rub every time he came inside. He gave the best hugs and liked to wrap his paws around our ankles and roll his head on our feet for attention. He gave the most aggressive paw. Gibby, it is quiet here...you are missed. Margaret & Gord



Lestat #2116

Lestat passed peacefully in our arms. Our precious boy was stoic and the three of us tried our best. He was unable to walk and there were underlying heart issues. Needless to say, we are devastated. Lestat taught us kindness and we will always remember him for that, among many other things. 'No' was not in Lestat's vocabulary. Santiago called him Menace the Ripper. He loved to chew duvet covers, gloves,

and dish towels. No matter how many times we said 'no', he would just look at us and think 'don't you two get it...!'m in charge'. Yes, he was. We loved him dearly. Jan & Santiago

Lestat #2116

Sweet Lestat was quite the character and is sorely missed by his family and by all who knew him. He left pawprints on all our hearts. Patti & Viive



Lily #2253

Your precious, sweet face and whiskers will live in our hearts forever. Lily crossed the Rainbow Bridge way too soon; however, in her two years with Cynthia and Sandy, she had a charmed life. RIP sweet girl ~ you were proof that angels do live among us. **Patti & Viive**



Miles #2608

Miles lost his battle with cancer and will be missed by all who knew him. Pat, Miles had the best time of his life with you and your furkids. Run free Miles and pick up all the sticks you can find. **Patti**



Sunshine #2252

Sunshine was a beautiful girl who brought so much love and joy to you, Jane and Burt. In the short time you had her, she had the best life and will be sadly missed. Run free Sunshine! **Patti**

Trouble #1841

Trouble turned 12 on March 25th and she died around 2:10 pm the next day. She had cancer in several places. We were with her when Dr. Anne Butler eased her onto her next journey. Trouble always received the very best love and care from Dr. Will Fleury and Dr. Anne Butler and the rest of the team at Byron Vet Clinic, London. We have nothing but the highest admiration for them and we are deeply grateful to them. We are indebted, as well, to Golden Rescue™ and to Jayne Rees and her husband, Trouble's foster family. Her favourite day of the week was Tuesday because she got to carry out her St. John Ambulance Therapy Dog service at Stratford Community Living. Given her past, I think the word INDOMITABLE describes Trouble perfectly. Karin, Peter & Sawyer #1741



"If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I de I want to go where they went." Will Rogers



2018 Rescue PICNIC

Have you heard the latest? It's about Golden Rescue's picnic. This year, the weather is going to be picture-perfect (yes, we are perpetual, positive thinkers) and plans are in place for a picnic-paloosa of fun and games.

SAVE THIS DATE:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

and get ready to load up the car and your Goldens for an action-packed day at the majestic Viamede Resort ~ nature's paradise in the Kawarthas.



HERE'S OUR TENTATIVE ITINERARY:

8 AM ~ REGISTRATION OPENS

10 AM ~ GAMES OR HIKE WITH BEN, TOBY & DAISY

11 AM ~ PHOTO CONTEST

11:30 AM TO 2 PM ~ BBQ LUNCH

12 NOON ~ OPENING CEREMONIES & "LEAVE IT OR STEAL IT"

1 PM ~ LIVE AUCTION

2 PM ~ GAMES OR HIKE WITH BEN, TOBY & DAISY

2:30 PM ~ RAINBOW BRIDGE

3 PM ~ BEST DRESSED CONTEST

3:30 PM ~ SILENT AUCTION & 50-50 WINNERS ANNOUNCED

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