

LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE

Golden News



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Golden Opportunities

A STRONG FOUNDATION OF VOLUNTEERS IS VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE.

Volunteering in any capacity can be a very beneficial experience. According to a study published in the Journal of Health and Social Behavior, volunteering is positively related to psychological well-being and self reported health. Animal rescue groups are a great place to volunteer because many are non-profit and rely on volunteers to perform basic functions to keep the organization running. The need for assistance at Love a Golden Rescue makes the process of volunteering quite simple.

Love a Golden Rescue has been a successful volunteer organization for over eleven years. It is with the help of all of our volunteers that has led to this success. We are a group of unpaid volunteers who love our Goldens and want to help other Goldens and “Golden Wanna-bes” have the loving homes they deserve. Many of us live in the St. Louis, MO. area.

Love a Golden Rescue needs volunteers to continue rescuing viable dogs. Volunteering is fun and very rewarding. Please consider becoming an active part of our group. Your time, talents and support are very much appreciated. A big Golden thank you goes to all of our current volunteers. Love a Golden Rescue could not accomplish what we have without your help and support. Please read through the opportunities and contact us at adoption@loveagolden.com if you can and want to join us.

FOSTERING – We are always in need of foster homes. We have dogs on a waiting list that need our help, but nowhere to go with them – please consider this.

TEMPORARY FOSTERING – Second to fostering is a program for being a temporary foster. In this case, you would foster while the dog is recovering from the spay/neuter surgery or while the regular foster family is out of town. This can be as short as a few days or a week or two. Then the dog would be transferred to another foster home until he/she is adopted.

TRANSPORTING – Picking up Goldens that come to our group can sometimes be a real challenge. This can involve taking them to the vet for care – i.e. shots, spay, neuter, etc., then to a foster home. Another need is to pick up and return a dog to attend an adoption event. Getting the dogs out in public increases their chances of finding a forever home. If you have time you could spare to help, it would be wonderful!

ADOPTION EVENTS - Volunteering at adoption events is a way to help, also. Showing off available dogs gives them a better chance to be adopted. It is also a great time for us to meet, greet, and socialize with each other.

PROGRAM SUPPORT – Attending our fund raising events is a great need. This helps keep our group’s name visible and helps raise our revenue so our goals continue to be met. Doing the rescue work comes with a cost. We need to continually raise money to cover these expenses. In order to do this, we really do need EVERYONE’S help!

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GENERAL HELP – We always need dog biscuit bakers and craft makers. We sell these items at craft fairs and bake sales to support Love a Golden Rescue. If you have other talents/hobbies, please let us know.

Did we mention fostering? This worthwhile opportunity is very rewarding. What does fostering mean? A dog that comes into our system needs to have a stable environment, so they can learn or maintain how good living in a home can be. You take an available dog into your home and care for him/her until they are adopted. Sometimes they need to go to the vet for medical needs, sometimes they just need tender loving care. Don't worry, all the vet expenses are paid by Love a Golden Rescue. Many times the dogs blend into your home very quickly; others take time to adapt. It is very rewarding to see how these dogs evolve and experience "the good life." Please consider becoming a foster family.

Contact adoption@loveagolden.com for more information.

Our foster families always have good things to say about their foster Golden Retrievers. Here are a few quotes from some of them:

"It is amazing how our foster Golden Retrievers have transformed from being shy and skittish, to fun loving, exuberant pets."

"It is rewarding to see Golden Retrievers who have come in very sick and require medication and close monitoring, heal and then become the best pets anyone could ask for."

"Our foster dog did not know what treats or toys were. Our own dog showed him what these new things were all about."

"Our one foster was a puppy mill female. She would not come out of the crate for a long time. Eventually she got brave and came out. After being adopted, she now travels all over, even to Canada!"

You can see by reading these comments how gratifying and rewarding fostering can be. Please consider joining our team of foster families.

Golden Retriever Nationals- The Event of Events!

Has your dream always been to watch the best and most beautiful Golden Retrievers in the United States competing in all kinds of events? We are most fortunate that the premier golden retriever annual event—the Golden Retriever 2012 National Specialty—will be held at Purina Farms and August A. Busch Wildlife Conservation area on September 4th-13th.

Here are the Top Ten Reasons You Should Attend:

10. You can be part of the select group at the 2013 LAGR Volunteer meeting to tell of your experience. (Not a volunteer? Sign up now!)
9. You have wanted to see the new Purina Farms buildings and this is a great opportunity.
8. You can check out the pricey RVs of the big name breeders and, if you are lucky, see some of their puppies.
7. People watching—one of your favorite movies is "Best in Show" and you like to match people with their dogs' events as well as visit the grooming stations.

6. Vicarious exercise— you feel so much healthier when you watch the agility trainers and their dogs.
5. This is the place to buy official logo National Specialty items. Of course, you will wear it to the 2013 Volunteer Meeting.
4. You deserve a mental health day from work and will be rejuvenated by being surrounded by all the gorgeous Golden Retrievers doing confirmation, agility, and fieldwork.
3. Shop all the vendors for unique items and talk to members of other rescue groups too. Be sure to visit the LAGR table!
2. Experience the heartwarming rescue parade on Friday 9/8 at noon.
1. To reaffirm that, in your heart, you have the best Golden Retriever in the world.

Visit www.grc.org for schedules and more information.

See you there!

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President's Message

Hi,

I'm extending a very special thank you to all who donated to our annual Valentine Appeal. Donors were especially giving this year—an incredible response, making the 2012 appeal a great success so far. (It's not too late to send in your Valentine Appeal card.) Your generous donations ensure that we're able to help Golden Retrievers, especially the seniors and the ones with special needs. These unfortunate dogs often require extensive (and expensive) care. Seniors are near and dear to Love a Golden Rescue's heart, and we have wonderful "repeaters" who repeatedly adopt our seniors.

Our rescue's biggest need at the moment is foster homes. Love a Golden Rescue cannot grow without foster homes, because we cannot rescue if we don't have anywhere for the dogs to go once they are surrendered to us. We do board younger dogs—if absolutely necessary—but this is not something we like to do. When we do have to do it, we do so grudgingly after exhausting all other options.

If you haven't tried it yet, please consider becoming a foster for a dog. It is amazingly rewarding to watch a Golden blossom like a rose. In many cases, some of them have not had a good life before coming to Love a Golden Rescue. As they get the care and attention they deserve, their petals begin to open up and when they're in their full bloom, they find their forever home. Yes, fostering often tugs at our heartstrings, but it's always incredibly rewarding. Each foster parent represents several stepping stones in a dog's journey to their forever home.

Often when I pick up a dog that's coming into rescue, or I help with the intake of a dog picked up by another volunteer, it breaks my heart. The dog looks sad, not groomed, unloved...they're over or underweight. I look into their eyes and see the longing they have—all they want is to be loved. The next time I see them—usually a few weeks later at Petco, they are not the same dogs we rescued. Often I don't even recognize them. The power of love, good food and good grooming has a great impact. When I take them to the vet, and I put their new collar (complete with Love a Golden Rescue tags) and their new leash on them, I tell each dog, "This is the beginning of your new life," and they seem to know it. Seeing them flourish in their foster homes is evidence: they have begun their new life.

At the end of April, we had our Illinois Trivia Night. It was a rousing success, thanks to Marcia and Melody and all of the other volunteers and participants who helped put "fun" in fundraising. Our Missouri Trivia Night is August 18th. Watch our web page for details. Our silent auction team is busy collecting donations. If you would like to donate, please email adoption@loveagolden.com.

Again, thank you to all of our supporters and volunteers; we could not do the work we do without everyone's help. Without you, where would all these wonderful Golden Retrievers be?

Golden thoughts,
Jan

ASK ELSA



Dear Elsa,

I will be going to the beach with my family. Do you have any tips to make this a fun and safe visit?

Soon-to-Be-a-Beach Bum,

Montana

Dear Montana,

That sounds like a lot of fun. I have been to lakes but never the ocean. I have heard from more worldly, well-traveled Golden Retrievers that the oceans are filled with salt. In fact, the salt content is pretty high. This can cause skin problems, ear problems and problems with your eyes. Salt may cause itching and scratching for a long time after the swimming is over.

To prevent a salt buildup, ask your people to hose you off after you leave the ocean to get the salt off your body. A full shampoo, if possible, would be ideal to ensure there is no salt left on your skin. They should pay special attention to your ears and eyes for soreness. A thorough soak in the tub would be especially good when your vacation is over. I have heard of dogs swallowing too much water and getting sick from the salt water. So remember—remind your family to bring along a cooler of water for you to drink when you're thirsty. After all, you cannot quench your thirst in the ocean.

Beaches are certainly ideal places to stay cool but always be aware that oceans may pose their own problems for you. Take care when going in the ocean; it's a good idea to wear a life jacket. Even if you are a good swimmer, the waves can make you tired. Since there are usually no shade trees on or around the beach, your people should bring a beach umbrella or a tent, so you can get away from the rays of the sun when you're not in the water.

Also, the ocean may be large, but it is used for many different things, like boating. That means sometimes the water may be contaminated with oil. Your people need to research the beach where you are going; this way they can be sure it is safe for you. They should also follow the signs where it is safe to swim.

Envious (I'm not going to the beach),
Elsa

LAGR 2013 Calendar

Love a Golden Rescue is producing a 2013 calendar featuring adopted Golden Retrievers and Golden mixes who are Golden look-alikes. The calendar will be available for sale beginning in September at the Golden Retriever Nationals as well as other LAGR events. Please watch our website for further information.

HAPPY ENDINGS

Midas at Great Sand Dunes National Park.



Barkley (formerly Kasey) is doing great! We LOVE him. He is so sweet and has so much personality. We can't imagine life without him! I take him for a 2-mile run every morning at 6am, which is good for him to get his energy out and for me to get some exercise.



Two LAGR alumni Luke & Patti Ann with their brother Rammy.



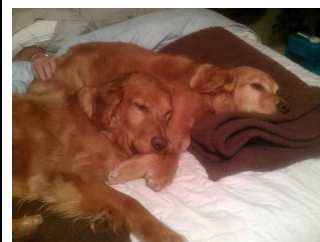
Amos (formerly Chuck) with his soul-mate Aggie. They play together, sleep together, eat together, and

even go to school together! He is the best dog and is so happy. We are really so grateful that we were able to adopt him. He completes our pack.

Austin taking a nap!



Brewski (formerly Codie) and Gracie are two LAGR alumni enjoying their time together. Their family recently adopted Brewski.



Cheyanne and Rowdy truly are perfect in almost every way. I am thinking of getting them certified for therapy dogs... Like I said... Perfection with a fur coat!



Daisee in her new home the same day she was adopted.

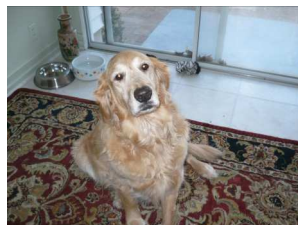
Dillon is doing great. He loves going for walks and car rides.



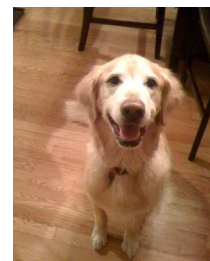
Dolly and George napping together! George was adopted several years ago as a very troubled boy. Here he is with his new LAGR sister; he has overcome his problems with the help of lots of love... Dolly is such a sweet girl and very playful! She really is a "doll"!



Lexy (formerly Cheyanna) We are blessed with a great dog! She has such good manners!



Mister Hank, one year after his emergency surgery for bloat. His family is so thankful they were home that evening.



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Happy Endings - continued

Rosie (formerly Eliza) is chilling out on 3 beds.



Sydnee is the apple of her Mom's eye.



Eli (aka Quinn): I have been so very happy in my new home that I haven't had time to tell all my friends at LAGR how great life is and how spoiled I am. I fell in love with my adopted mom the minute I saw her and could hardly wait to go live with them. I soon learned not to potty in the house (after my mom removed the expensive Oriental rug). My favorite activity, besides teasing my 2 house cat buddies and riding in the car, is to play with my football in my backyard. I am still shy with strangers, however my mom takes me to the car wash all the time where I know everyone, and I always get some treats from behind the counter. I greet people with a "high five" with my front paw. I have a lot of other dogs in the neighborhood to play with, especially several other Golden Retrievers.



At night, I am very warm and comfy as I sleep between my adopted mom and dad, along with my 2 cat buddies, in the middle of the bed. Thank you LAGR for bringing me this loving family.



Taz and Mae are two tripods spending time together enjoying a spring morning. Taz is 10 and lost his leg when he was 8 months old due to a birth defect, Mae is 7 and lost hers in January 2012 after scar tissue grew around her sciatic nerve. They both live full lives.

Spike has two squirrels on his property. He says, "I love chasing them up the tree. My family tells me it's funny to watch, and I am such a wonderful part of our family. Everyone loves me so much!!"



Find the Golden!



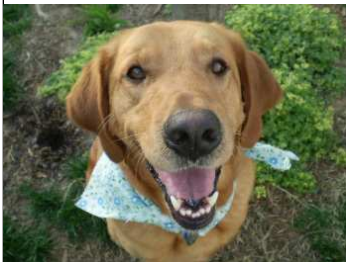
The Golden in last edition was hidden on the front page - (top of page 1) Did you find it? The Golden is making its way through the newsletter and will be hidden somewhere in this edition. Have fun reading through the entire newsletter to find it. The location will be revealed in the next edition.

PIC ME! - Golden retrievers currently available for adoption.

All of our adoptable Golden retrievers can be found on our web site at: www.loveagolden.com

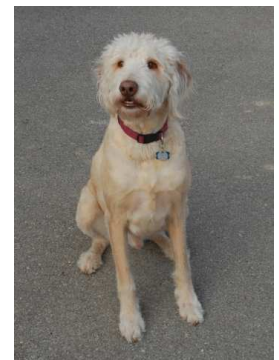
Josi

I love people and I'll be your "paws-on" friend. I am about 1 ½ years old. I'm well behaved in my foster home along with the resident dog. I would do very well as an only dog too – that way I will get all the attention! I'm housetrained and will crate when needed, although I prefer to be with you.



Bradie

My name is Bradie. I am 7 years old. I am a Labradoodle and a big boy at 90 lb. I am looking for a home with someone who is home most of the time or can take me to work with them. I do not like being on my own. I get nervous and would do better with an older couple who will give me a lot of loving.

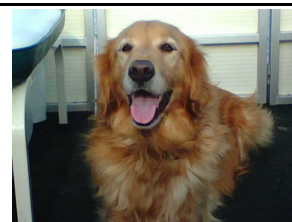


IN LOVING MEMORY



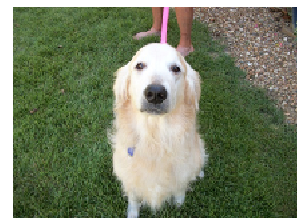
Charlie Brown went to the bridge on 6th February 2012. He was waiting for his forever home but was loved by his foster home. His foster home wrote, "I loved that fella so much. My heart is broken. There was something so calming about coming home to him and burying my face in his fur with a big hug. He really stole my heart."

We adopted Leilani in April 2004. She was a beautiful golden girl (named April). She was a wonderful, sweet, gentle girl and we enjoyed her company for the years she was with us. This past Christmas she stopped eating and began to lose weight. It was found she had cancer of the spleen, which had already spread to her lungs. Less than a week later, she was having trouble breathing, and began bleeding from her nose. She was our friend and travel-mate and loved going to Wisconsin on summer weekends. She loved riding on the golf cart, watching the squirrels from the cottage porch, and the geese off the pontoon boat. She was just our speed (kind of slow!) and loved bringing in the newspaper, going to the dog park, and was always excited to greet the neighbors and her "kids" (our grandchildren). She would keep us company on the porch, watching a storm roll in, and the thunder never fazed her. She loved to demolish dropped socks and the occasional doggie bed. She was loveable and perfect, and we are missing her every day. We know she loved us and the life she had with us, but we surely wish her time with us could have been many years longer.



Our hearts are heavy because our sweet girl, Miki, passed away suddenly. Miki came to us when she was 17 weeks old in August of 06. She was running in the wind with the sun on her beautiful face when she collapsed. My husband was with her when it happened. He drove her to the vet, but it was too late she was already gone. She was a beautiful sweet girl. We are all so heart broken that she is gone so soon!

Molly passed in February due to a sudden illness. She enjoyed her new home with trips to Northern Minnesota with her brothers. There were lots of new adventures up there. She was a very sweet girl and will be missed.



Shania was adopted nine years ago; she was such a very sweet girl. Shania was well loved and will be greatly missed by the family.

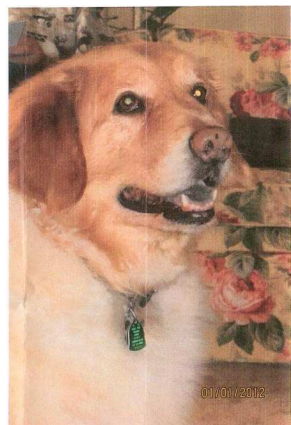
On May 2, Fidget made his journey to the bridge. He was dearly loved, and there will not be a day I don't think about my "Fidget Bear"....he will be forever loved. God speed my good friend, I love you.



Spencer went to the bridge on June 2, 2012. His owner is heartbroken as he was his best friend but takes comfort in knowing that he will be able to "run like the wind" in his new playground.

IN LOVING MEMORY - CONTINUED

It is with a heavy heart that I write this to you today. Fred Oller, who was adopted from Love a Golden Rescue in 2003, passed away recently at the age of 11 from stomach cancer. He passed away quietly in my parents' home, in his sleep, hours after checking in on my parents.



I thought it was important, in Fred's memory, to write to you and share with you how blessed we all were with having Fred in our lives. I thank God every day for your organization, and for my parent's opportunity to adopt Fred. This is so hard to write, but I think it is so important to share with you. My father, truly a man loved and respected by so many people, fell in love with Golden Retrievers while his mother was being taken care of in a local nursing home. Someone who came to visit their relatives would always bring their Golden Retrievers, and they were shared with the other visitors and residents of the nursing home. Shortly after my grandmother passed away, my father was diagnosed with multiple myeloma cancer. The prognosis at best was we would have 5 years left with him. It was 6 months after he finished his chemotherapy that we were sitting in the living room, talking about Golden Retrievers. I told him about your organization and suggested we check out your website. What could the harm be? My father had said he loved the light golden haired Golden Retrievers, so I started viewing your adoptable Golden Retrievers.

My childhood nickname for my dad was Fred, given to him by a friend of his, and the name had always stuck. While I was looking on your site, I came across an 18-month old, light golden haired boy named Fred. It was a sign, my first clue, that Fred was a special angel, the One that would come to us through God, and the One for my father. I copied the picture, and brought it down to Dad. He kept staring at the picture and carrying it around with him. He finally said, "Well, no harm in going ahead and filling out the questionnaire," so we did that as well. By late November 2003, Fred came to live with my parents and was truly a blessing to them, to all of us, since the day he trotted into their home.

Fred was truly loved by all of us, and everyone who came to the house. EVERYONE loved Fred! My sisters and I would bring our own dogs over to visit, and Fred was playful. He "spoke" to my father and mother, and he would tell them what he wanted. Fred had different barks that meant treat, outside, toy, etc., and he had his own truck purchased for him. Fred was known by the tellers at the bank, who would even send him Christmas cards. He was well known at PetSmart and at his groomers, where he went monthly for his "spa days."

There has never been a moment in our lives where Fred brought any unhappiness to anyone he came into contact with. He truly is an angel. His relationship with my father could not have been stronger and more loving. The happiness and joy they shared together all of these years has truly been a special gift. He gave my father something else to look forward to in life, someone to love, and to not be afraid to play and be joyful with. The first thing Daddy thought of when he woke up was Fred, not his terminal illness. I believe, in all my heart, Fred was sent to Dad from God. He is truly a large reason why my father has been in remission all this time. Remember, we were told we had 5 years, and now it has been 11 years--and holding--since his diagnosis.

So, my thoughts today are of the healing powers of the love that comes from our beloved pets. My heart is broken, my whole family is at a loss, and my father is heartbroken, so terribly heartbroken.



LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE - SUPPORTERS

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

Adoptions

Kevin & Robin Hoelting	Addie
Alison & David Curfman	Caia
Jim & Donna Zellerman	Canyon
Name held on request	Cheyanna
Susan & Paul Jefferson	Chloee
John & Michele Swanson	Clay
Bob & Sandy Kleberger	Codee
The Ames Family	Codie
Thomas & Judith Cadwallader	Daisee
Kathy & Paul Rizzo	Dolly
Julie Hutchinson & Jon McGinnis	Fletcher
Adam & Alison Tsacoumogos	Kasey
Jennifer Shake	Kodak
Jan & Ray Knoche	Mae
Laura Costello	Millie
Jan & Ken Hensick	Miss Lola
Becky & Craven Mitchell	Reilly
Michelle Whitener	Sidney

Foster Buddies

Joe & Vickey Stohldrier	Bradie
Ann Allen	Codie
Barb Rain	Jessie
Pam Bogle	Josi

Donations

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In Memory and Honor

In honor of George Kathy & Paul Rizzo
In honor of Hunter & Doogan
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In honor of Marla & Neal Fix
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In honor of Ron Edwards
 Catherine Cleveland
In memory of Abbey Linda & Bill Rowe
In memory of Bobby Bauer Steve Stream
In memory of Brandy Buxton
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In memory of Brandy Geluso
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In memory of Buddy Weeks
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In memory of Charles Stufflebean
 Lois Koenen
 Rita Lippert
In memory of Charlie Brown Judith Northcutt
In memory of Charlotte Bailey
 Carol Hund
 Roxie Klein
In memory of Chaska Debbie Davis
In memory of Chewbly Waggly Barbara Rain
In memory of Daisy Barbara Burke
In memory of Dexter Stinnett Ron Edwards
In memory of Dieker Sharon & Jeff Guenther
In memory of Divot Gina & Paul Stroh

RECENTS EVENTS

On April 22, Love a Golden Rescue participated in the annual Earth Day festival held in Forest Park in St. Louis. Huge crowds attended in spite of the cool, breezy and intermittent rain showers. This was a good day for our group. We handed out many of our cards, answered lots of questions and sold many homemade dog treats as well as other craft items. Thanks to Julie and Jon for getting us involved with this event.

On April 29 this year, we had our annual trivia night in Illinois. We were down in the number of people attending because there was a huge storm that came through. Some of the people coming from the St. Louis side of the river got hail damage to their houses and vehicles. They were real troopers for coming out after all of that. Thank you to all who attended. Everyone enjoyed the evening very much. Thanks to everyone who donated items and baskets for the event. We hope to see everyone next year for trivia! All the Golden's give everyone who attended a big paws up!!

In May, we participated in the "Cornbread's Largest Garage Sale" held at the Family Arena in St. Charles. We did well selling our items. This is a great way to take part in a garage sale. We just show up with our things, and someone else did the organizing and advertising. There were a lot of people in attendance.

Also in May, we attended Bark in the Park in Forest Park, which is a Humane Society of Missouri annual event.

In June, Girl Scout troop 3279 helped LAGR. The girls donated their time which goes toward earning their Bronze Star award. For their project, the Girl Scout troop baked dog treats and made crafts and signs. To complete the project, they made arrangements with a local Petco store to set up tables to sell their items for donations of cash as well as material items from their "wish list", all of which were donated to LAGR.



Thank you Troop 3279!



Love a Golden Rescue's 11th reunion picnic was more fun than walking the plank – it was fair sailin' and the trade winds were blowin! The Pirate-themed event was held on June 16th in Vago Park. Mother Nature smiled her hot sun on 68 carefree canines and their 114 humans. We had a treasure hunt complete with a treasure map and comely wenches showin' the way! We had a caricaturist, drawing all those great doggy faces. We also had bodacious swashbucklin' games for the dogs. Captain ARRRR Ray and his galley crew had a fine feast for the humans. Lastly, Jamaican Jan auctioned her wares at her silent auction. It was a good time for all.



Trivia Night

Our St. Charles Trivia Night is coming soon. On August 18th, the fun will happen. It is always an enjoyable evening--good food, great company and lots of baskets to bid on or buy raffle tickets for. Here are some simple ways you can help bring in the donations to help our beautiful Golden Retrievers and make this evening a great success.

For example, where do you get your hair cut/colored/styled? Your salon might readily agree to donating a gift certificate for a free hair-cut or coloring session.

Do you have a friend or relative who owns a business--a copy center, a restaurant, a shop--or are you a business owner? How about a gift certificate or a gift basket? It doesn't hurt to ask. (If you're asking yourself as the business owner, the answer will undoubtedly be "yes," right?)

Do you have some audio books that you no longer want to keep? Those always make up a well-received basket. Yes, they're gently used but greatly appreciated.. How about a nice piece of art--a painting or a coffee table sculpture? It might still be chic, but since you changed your home's wallpaper and furniture, the art doesn't fit anymore. It would definitely fit at our trivia night.

Do you have a special area of expertise or interest, such as gardening, BBQing, ways to pamper one's self, chocolate, scrapbook-ing? We are always looking for a few unique baskets to auction. Over the years, we've discovered that "products" (photo shoot packages, a lovely lamp or mirror from a furniture store) go better than tables filled with nothing but baskets. So, we need a nice mix--some products to auction off and some products for the raffle.

Please send any ideas or offers of raffle/auction items to: sroslawski@yahoo.com. You can also email adoption@loveagolden.com . Think about the Golden Retrievers who need us. With everyone's generous help, we can pay their vet bills and get them into their forever homes.

Trivia Night to Benefit Love a Golden Rescue

A Night of Food, Fun & Trivia August 18th, 2012 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

To be held at the Knights of Columbus, 20 Westbury Drive, St Charles, MO. 63301

Cost \$160 a table of 8: For PayPal payment of \$160.00, go to www.loveagolden.com/Events.htm

(Register by mail prior to August 11th, pay just \$150.00 a table)

(Do not have a full table? Call 314-576-3685)

Includes draft beer & soda

(Feel free to bring in your own snacks, but outside alcohol cannot be brought in; mixed drinks and wine available at bar prices)

Trivia Night Registration Form (Sign up early)

Name:Phone #

_____ Yes! I will be attending. Please reserve:

_____ Number of tables @ \$160.00 (8 players per table)

_____ Register before August 11th by mail table \$150.00 (8 players per table)

_____ No, I am unable to attend, but will donate

**Please make check payable to
LAGR and mail to:**

**Love a Golden Rescue
P.O. Box 27621
St Louis, MO 63146**

**Any questions e-mail:
adoption@loveagolden.com**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Trivia Night

8/18/2012 6:30 PM St. Charles MO.
(see flyer in this issue on page 10)

Golden Nationals

9/4/2012-9/13/2012

Events will be held at Purina Farms in Gray Summit, MO. 63309 and August A. Busch Wildlife Conservation Area St. Charles, MO. 63304 (see article in this issue on page 2)

Adoption Days

Come see our available Golden.

Adoption Days are held at the following locations and times:

Second Sunday of each month - Noon until 3:00 PM
PETCO in St. Charles located near Zumbuhl and Hwy 70.

Last Sunday of each month - Noon until 3:00 PM
PETCO located at Clarkson and Baxter Roads.

See the LAGR calendar on the web site for details on all the events: www.loveagolden.com/events.htm

For information on any of these events, please email adoption@loveagolden.com.

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www.loveagolden.com/newsletter.htm

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Interested in volunteering with Love a Golden Rescue?

**Then fill out a volunteer application form on-line at: www.loveagolden.com/volunteerform.htm
or send an e-mail to lagrvolunteer@loveagolden.com**

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