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The Biggest Loser - The Golden Way

Maggie Moo--The Biggest Winner at Losing (Weight)

Elsa normally writes her ever-popular advice column for the newsletter, however, she decided to mix things up and is interviewing Maggie Moo instead.

ELSA: Good afternoon Ms. Moo. May I call you Maggie?

MAGGIE: Certainly, I much prefer to be called Maggie.

ELSA: Can you tell me--why were you surrendered to Love a Golden Rescue?

MAGGIE: My former owner died, and no one in the family wanted to take care of me.

ELSA: That must have been heartbreaking! When was it that you came to rescue?

MAGGIE: In October of 2010...

ELSA: Do you remember what you were like, right before you got rescued by Love a Golden?

MAGGIE: Yes, at that time I weighed 117 pounds. I was filthy, matted and did not smell too good. I didn't feel well at all. I heard people say I looked like a coffee table, a cartoon character... it was embarrassing. It was horrible!

ELSA: I'm so sorry you had to endure that. How old are you, Maggie?

MAGGIE: I am told I am 12 years old. Back in October 2010, I felt a lot older, but now I feel like I am younger than 12. I've got a youthful spring in my step!

ELSA: How did you get so overweight? What was happening in your life that allowed things to get so out-of-control?

MAGGIE: I love food! My owner fed me a coffee can of dry dog food and 4 cans of Alpo a day, and of course I really enjoyed it and ate it all up. I did not realize my waistline was getting out of control. I know my owners thought they were doing the right thing—since I loved to eat—but really the overeating was slowly killing me...

ELSA: That is a lot of food! I imagine when you came to rescue it was a shock to not eat so much? Did you think Love a Golden was trying to starve you to death?

MAGGIE: Yes, it was a shock in the beginning. At first, I was eating Pro Plan which was delicious, but I did not get very much, and I was always hungry. After being in rescue for a while, my food was changed to OM Weight Management. I could eat more, as it is low in calories, and it helped put me on my road to losing weight. I also get a few green beans with my supper. The treats I receive are low calorie too.

ELSA: When you were so overweight, were there things you could not do?

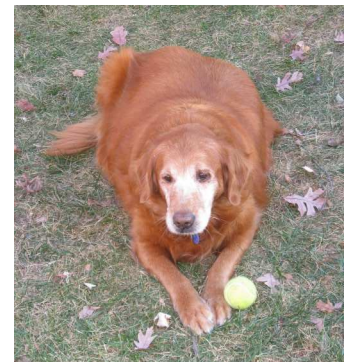
MAGGIE: Yes. I could not climb a flight of stairs. I could do a couple of stairs to the deck but would get out of breath. I also could not walk on slick floors for fear of falling.

ELSA: How is your mobility now?

MAGGIE: I can climb a flight of stairs, and I no longer have any problems with floors.

ELSA: Do you have any medical problems?

MAGGIE: I do have a thyroid issue, and I am on medication for that. Otherwise, I am a healthy lady.



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ELSA: Have you done anything else to lose weight?

MAGGIE: Yes, at first I went on one walk every day and could barely make it around the circle where my foster home is. I would huff and puff and was so glad when I got home. As I lost weight and got to feeling better, I went on two walks a day. Now most days I go on three walks a day...

ELSA: How long are your walks now?

MAGGIE: My morning walk is around the circle, not far at all. My midday walk on cooler days is a mile, but if it is hot, I go ½ mile. My evening walk is about 1/3rd of a mile. My dog walkers are dedicated, and usually we take a Golden friend to walk with me which is fun.

ELSA: How do you feel about these walks?

MAGGIE: I love them! If I think my foster family has forgotten that it's time for a walk, I do become a pest and bother them until they put the leash on me, and we head out the door. I take my weight loss very seriously. I'm on a mission!

ELSA: Has your weight loss been tracked?

MAGGIE: Yes, I am taken to the vet to be weighed every two weeks; my average weight loss is 1 pound a week, which is slow and steady. Each time I am always weighed on the same scale for consistency.

ELSA: Now for the big question, how much do you weigh today?

MAGGIE: I now weigh 75.5 pounds, a weight loss of 41.5 pounds. Isn't that incredible! I am quite proud of myself!

ELSA: That is wonderful! Congratulations! Have you done anything fun since losing all that weight?

MAGGIE: Yes, just recently I spent a few days at the lake, and I was allowed to go in the water. It felt so good, and I swam like a fish! I could never have even climbed down on the rocks if I had not lost all that weight.

ELSA: Other than rock climbing (chuckling) and swimming, do you have any other new hobbies?

MAGGIE: Yes I have found I like to chase tennis balls, and I also play with the other dogs in my foster home.

ELSA: Do you have advice for other dogs that have an ever-expanding waist line?

MAGGIE: Yes, cross your paws and hope your owner realizes you have a problem and does something to help you. I am so thankful; I am a new woman now that I'm slimmer, and I just love life! If you're a dog that feels like you are overweight, ask your vet to help and come up with a weight loss plan. It will change your life. Just like on that TV show, "The Biggest Loser." (In fact, I watch that show and dream of everyone watching *me* get on the scale as they cheer and clap for me.)

ELSA: What is your proudest moment?

MAGGIE: When people started to tell me I had a waist line and looked good. I was promised a spa day and just recently had it. I'm not going to tell you all the wonderful treatments I enjoyed, but I will say I relished all the grooming and the personalized pampering that took place.

ELSA: Thank you for being so honest about your weight, and good luck in the future.



Foster Home Opportunity

Please consider opening your home for this rewarding opportunity.
We are always in need of individuals or families wanting to help the
Goldens in our care.

Contact us at:
adoption@loveagolden.com if you are willing to open your home.

President's Message

Hi,

It is hard to believe it is already June, and we're halfway through 2011. We have taken in twenty-nine dogs so far this year, of those nine were seniors. We have had several seniors come to rescue whose owners passed away, and the family did not want them. It is so sad for these older dogs, but they do adjust well and move on with their lives...

We have also helped seven females get out of the breeding system, and they will no longer have a life of having puppies; they all seem so grateful to have a new life.

Thank you to all who donated to our annual Valentine Appeal, which was a great success. Your generous donations allow us to help give the Golden Retrievers we receive the best possible vet treatment they can have.

The Illinois Trivia held on May 14th was a rousing success. Marcia and Melody did a great job. Thank you ladies for all that you did to make the trivia night fun as well as successful. Our Missouri Trivia is coming up on August 6th in St Charles. Please watch our web page for more details and a registration form. (A form can be found in this newsletter for your convenience.) We hope to see you there. Our silent auction committee is busy working on collecting donations to make baskets. If you would like to donate, please e-mail adoption@loveagolden.com.

Love a Golden Rescue is part of the St Louis Pet Lovers Coalition. There is a campaign underway to have people pledge to do whatever they can to educate, so there are no unwanted litters. Please take a look at the web page; there are some interesting facts about the St Louis area. Also, please pledge. The goal is to have 1000 people pledge by the end of the year (refer to the link for more information). <http://www.stlpetlover.org/no-unwanted-litters.htm>

Thank you for supporting Love a Golden Rescue. I hope you have a great summer...

Golden thoughts,
Jan

HAPPY ENDINGS

Emmalee (now Emma)



We have been teaching Emma how to catch a Frisbee in the air, and I wanted to send a picture of her in action – but of course she would not do it when I had the camera out! Finally we got one – sort of. She is really fast and likes to run laps around the house. She is also having fun chasing ground squirrels. We love having Emma as part of the family – she is a joy to us every day!

Max is an awesome dog! We are fortunate to have him, and he acts like he feels the same about us.



Chuck (now Amos)

Amos waited a long time for his perfect forever home, and he found it with a friend Aggie; they are best friends. He loves this couch in our bedroom!

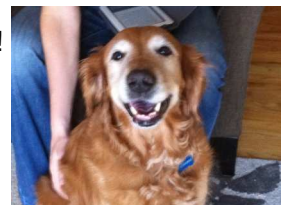


Spell (now Bentley)

I just wanted to let you know how Bentley is doing! He is fantastic, growing like a weed! He weighs in at right around 70-pounds, and his coat is just beautiful! He is so well behaved. He loves to shake hands, it's simply adorable!



We have had **Charm** for almost 3 months now, and we love, love, love her! She brings us so much joy... And we think she is pretty happy here too! She enjoys her walks, rolling in the grass and playing with all of her fun toys. Thank you Love A Golden Rescue... We are so lucky to have Charm in our family!



HAPPY ENDINGS- CONTINUED

Dyson:

I really, really like it here. I'm having a lot of fun. Now where did that squirrel go?

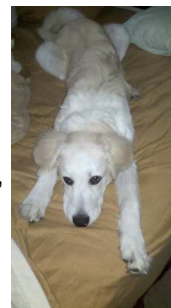


Here is our beloved **Louie** at 50 weeks. Our little behemoth weighs 83-pounds and is the love of our life!



Treat (now Casper)

Our sweet boy. He was the star of obedience class last week. At home, he still likes to eat shoes, though.



Pattie Ann enjoys her new home she shares with other Golden Retrievers.



Buddy is doing great in his new home.

Norman is so much better with storms - I think the calmness of the pack is really helping him.



Glory (now Violet) We are doing great, and Violet is very spoiled and happy. She loved playing and eating the snow. She and Harry are great together. He won't roughhouse with her. He treats her like a little china doll, just sniffs and will lie down by her. I am so happy to have her.

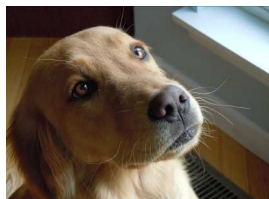


Zelda is growing up fast.



Pride (now Dublin)

Dublin is doing great!! He has grown a lot, and is very lean and lanky. He still has his big soft ears! He is all puppy with lots of energy but a very gentle dog. He and our Riley are best buds.



Maddie helps with the wildlife and is so sweet. She goes up to my blind raccoon Gracie and lets Gracie pet her ears!

Chelsey with her new sister Bella They are getting along fabulously and both love walking together even side by side!!



Goldie Boy (now Shadow) enjoying a dip in the lake.

Hazel (now Izzy) is growing up fast. She's now eight-months old.



PIC ME! - Goldens currently available for adoption.

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

Bennie is approximately 18-months old and a very exciting guy that is happy about life. He is eager to please and full of energy. Bennie is very lovable, playful and willing to learn rules and boundaries. He is still very much a puppy.



Ashley is five years old. She is a little girl, a perfect size! She has settled into her foster home quite nicely. Ashley will crate at night and if you need to go somewhere. She gets along very well with other dogs, but really prefers to be with you.



Find the Golden!



The Golden in last edition was hidden in the Recent Events on page 10 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.

Needed

Quick Release type buckle collars. Large and medium sizes.
These collars will be used for Goldens coming into Love a Golden Rescue.

Please e-mail adoption@loveagolden.com if you can donate towards the purchase, or you can buy collars and mail the collars to:

Love a Golden Rescue
P.O. Box 27621
St. Louis MO 63146-0621



Trivia Night

Our annual Trivia Night at Knights of Columbus, 20 Westbury Drive, St Charles, Mo 63301 is coming up on August 6th. Sponsoring a table is a marvelous way to honor a family member (two-legged or four-legged) or to memorialize a loved-one who is gone. Signing up a team is another way to help out Love a Golden. (It's a lot of fun, too!)



Thank you for supporting Love A Golden Rescue!

Table Sponsorship - as a memorial or to honor \$50.00

Table Sponsorship - to promote your business \$100.00

(Please include the desired wording on your customized table sign and include any business cards and/or marketing materials. Any photos for the sign may be sent to: adoption@loveagolden.com)

Enter a Team (\$160---a team of 8) Includes draft beer & soda

To register:

Team Captain:

Captain's e-mail.....

Phone number

Amount Enclosed \$.....

Please mail this form along with payment, checks payable to LAGR to:

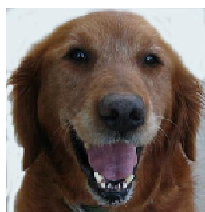
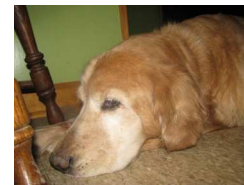
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For more information, please visit:

www.loveagolden.com/TriviaFLYER2011.pdf

IN LOVING MEMORY

Annie came to LAGR when she was 8. Although she was only with us for 6 years, she enriched our lives immeasurably. Always well-mannered, always eager to be with her people... and now always in our hearts. (Annie: Beginning on May 28, "carrot time" is all the time, and now you get to not only run after the bunnies and squirrels, you also get to catch them!) Michael and Sioux R.



On April 26, 2011 Maggie (Ruth) crossed over the bridge. She has been our sweetheart since 2006. Maggie was 12 or 13 years old. She came to us as a probable puppy mill dog. She gradually learned to trust us, and with her buddy's help (Minnie- Yes, we got her a dog companion) became our constant companion. Always wanting head scratches, ear and chin rubs, she soon became our resident sweetheart trekking after us wherever we went. She had gradually gone blind and deaf over the last year. Increased health issues caused us to make the decision on that day that she was suffering, and it was time to let her run free where she can see, hear and feel no pain. With tears we said goodbye to our beloved companion. She has given us such joy! We will miss her tremendously.

Bailey was dearly loved and had a wonderful life which ended all too soon.

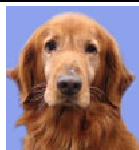


We adopted Cedar in May of 2005. We learned he had developed Heart Arrhythmia in May of 2008. VSS saved his life and gave us three more wonderful years.

On Monday, March 7th, Cedar suffered a major seizure which caused severe brain damage. He was in a coma, and the outlook was bleak. He stayed overnight to determine if there was any improvement, but he never came out of the coma. He crossed the rainbow bridge on Tuesday, March 8th. My heart is filled with sadness, but I know

(Cedar with his sister Holly) he is in doggy heaven.

Rest in peace Sawyer.



Max, 4 1/2 years old, crossed the bridge on March 4th due to aggressive Lymphoma that chemo couldn't control. We were blessed to get him as a puppy at 3 1/2 months. Thanks to LAGR's fostering & training, he was already housebroken and following commands. He never got in the way of all my oxygen tubing either. Because of Max, others wanted to rescue Golden Retrievers too, which meant he was extra special and good to everyone who met him! He was always Ron's buddy, but when Ron had a baseball-sized aneurysm removed in November 2010 and then a stroke, Max protected me, for two months, while Ron was in the hospital and then rehab. Max knew when Ron finally came home to be careful and not excite his master. We were shocked that this Lymphoma came on so suddenly in February. Two months and he was gone. Max will be missed and we will rescue another Golden again. Thank you LAGR for all you do! Ron & Marla H.

It is with great sadness to say we had to send Stoney Bear, who we adopted in 2005, to the Bridge. He was 13-years old and in the last two years he battled eye cancer, and finally what the vet believed was bladder cancer.



Bayley 8/1/00 – 5/09/11 Bayley is now pain-free from his arthritis and is having fun running and playing.

Faith went to the Bridge the week of June 6th, 2011, probably due to cancer. She was the third dog to come to LAGR in 2001, and her foster family fell in love and adopted her. She loved to be near you and is greatly missed.

The Rescuer's Rainbow Bridge

Unlike most days at Rainbow Bridge, this day dawned cold and gray, damp as a swamp and as dismal as could be imagined. All the recent arrivals were confused and concerned. They had no idea what to think for they had never experienced a day like this before. But the animals that had spent some time waiting for their beloved people knew exactly what was happening and began to gather at the pathway leading to the Bridge to watch. They knew that this was something special.

It wasn't too long before an elderly animal came into view; head hung heavy and low with tail dragging along the ground. The other animals on the pathway, the ones who had been at Rainbow Bridge for a while, knew the story of this sad creature immediately. They had seen it happen far too many times.

Although it was obvious the animal's heart was leaden, and he was totally overcome with emotional pain and hurt, there was no sign of injury or any illness. Unlike the pets waiting at the Bridge, this dog had not been restored to his prime. He was full of neither health nor vigor. He approached slowly and painfully, watching all the pets that were by now watching him.

He knew he was out of place here. This was no resting place for him. He felt instinctively that the sooner he could cross over, the happier he would be. But alas, as he came closer to the Bridge, his way was barred by the appearance of an Angel who spoke softly to the old dog and apologized sorrowfully, telling him that he would not be able to pass. Only those animals who were with their special people could pass over the Rainbow Bridge. He had no special beloved people...not here at the Bridge nor on Earth below.

With no place else to turn, the poor elderly dog looked toward the fields before the Bridge. There, in a separate area nearby, he spotted a group of other sad-eyed animals like himself...elderly and infirm. Unlike the pets waiting for their special people, these animals weren't playing but were simply lying on the green grass, forlornly and miserably staring out at the pathway leading to the Bridge. The recent arrival knew he had no choice but to join them. And so, he took his place among them, just watching the pathway and waiting.

One of the newest arrivals at the Bridge, who was waiting for his special people, could not understand what he had just witnessed and asked one of the pets who had been there for some time to explain it to him.

"That poor dog was abandoned, sent to the pound when his owner grew tired of him. The way you see him now, with graying fur and sad, cloudy eyes, was exactly the way he was when he was put into the kennels. He never, ever made it out and passed on, only with the love and comfort that the kennel workers could give him as he left his miserable and unloved existence on Earth for good. Because he had no family or special person to give his love, he has nobody to escort him across the Bridge."

The first animal thought about this for a minute and then asked, "So what will happen now?"

As he was about to receive his answer, the clouds suddenly parted and the all-invasive gloom lifted. Coming toward the Bridge could be seen a single figure...a person who, on Earth, had seemed quite ordinary...a person who, just like the elderly dog, had just left Earth forever. This figure turned toward a group of the sad animals and extended outstretched palms. The sweetest sounds they had ever heard echoed gently above them and all were bathed in a pure and golden light. Instantly, each was young and healthy again, just as they had been in the prime of life.

From within the gathering of pets waiting for their special people, a group of animals emerged and moved toward the pathway. As they came close to the passing figure, each bowed low and each received a tender pat on the head or a scratch behind the ears. Their eyes grew even brighter as the figure softly murmured each name. Then, the newly-restored pets fell into line behind the figure and quietly followed this person to the Bridge, where they all crossed together.

The recent arrival, who had been watching, was amazed. "What happened?"

"That was a rescuer," came the answer. "That person spent a lifetime trying to help pets of all kinds. The ones you saw bowing in respect were those who found new homes because of such unselfish work. They will cross when their families arrive. Those you saw restored were ones who never found homes. When a rescuer arrives, they are permitted to perform one final act of rescue. They are allowed to escort those poor pets that couldn't be placed on Earth across the Rainbow Bridge. You see, all animals are special to them...just as they are special to all animals."

"I think I like rescuers," said the recent arrival.

"So does God," was the reply.

-Author Unknown-

LOVE A GOLDEN RESCUE - BENEFACTORS

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

Adoptions

Jan & Ray Knoche
 Jeff & Jane Gierer
 Tom & Mary Jane Campbell
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Loretta Go	Charlie Brown
Chris Hursey	Mags
Joshua McDowell	Maxx
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In Memory and Honor

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Paul & Gina Stroh	In memory of Divot Stroh
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Janet O'Neil	In memory of Mulligan, Rory & Buddy
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Kathleen Peterson	In memory of Gypsy
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Mary Ann Broemmelsick	In memory of Murphy
The Austin Family	In memory of Nicky
D A Divilbiss	In memory of Penny
The Upton Family	In memory of Shelby
Paul & Kathy Rizzo	In memory of Shredder, Abbey & Taylor
Chris & Tim Hebron	In memory of Honeymoon & In Honor of Zoey
Rebecca Bethard	In memory of River
Judy Travis	In memory of Rori

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RECENTS EVENTS

Love a Golden Rescue volunteers were busy at many events this spring.

On April 9th, several of us attended an event at the new Purina Event Center in Gray Summit, Missouri to see Victoria Stillwell. It was a very nice evening.



This year we decided to try something different for our Garage Sale. We reserved a space at what was named "Cornbread's Largest Garage Sale." It was held at the Family Arena in St Charles on April 7th. It rained early in the morning but did clear up, and we did well selling our items, finding this to be a great way to take part in a garage sale. We just showed up with our things, and someone else did the organizing and advertising. There were a lot of people in attendance.



Each year we take part in the Valley of Flowers Parade in Florissant. This year it was held on Mother's Day, and we had a great group of Golden Retrievers who just loved to be petted by the crowd. The people on the parade route love to see the dogs each year.



We were signed up to be part of the Petropolis event in Chesterfield Valley on May 14th. It was raining, cold and windy, but we were one of the few groups that showed up. The attendance was poor, and after several hours, wet and cold, we called it a day. Thanks to Kathy Riggs, Christy & James Mitchell and Jan Knoche who endured this horrible weather.

On May 14th this year, we had our 3rd annual trivia night in Illinois, and it was a great success. We had a record number of tables, and we are hoping to beat that number next year. Thank you to all who attended. Everyone enjoyed the evening very much (except maybe for the cell phone cheater. Maybe we are a little old or technologically challenged and never considered to use a cell phone for that purpose.) We worked on the sound issue, and everyone could hear better. If anyone has suggestions on how to fix our background noise, please let us know. We would greatly appreciate any help. Thanks to everyone who donated items and baskets for the event. We hope to see everyone next year for trivia!! All the Golden Retrievers give everyone who attended a big paws up!! - Melody and Marcia

On Saturday May 21st, we attended Bark in the Park in Forest Park, which is a Humane Society of Missouri annual event. Again it was raining in the morning but stopped for the event. Thankfully, we were under a big tent at this event and had an enjoyable day meeting people and watching Tessa (who is now adopted) try to get away with as much mischief as she could.

The following day it was Pet Fest, on Sunday May 22nd. This was a Rally to Rescue event put on by Midwest Doberman Rescue. At this event, we dealt with wind and spent a lot of time holding down the tent (literally). If anyone has 10-pound weights to donate to us, they would be greatly appreciated. We will use them to weigh our tent down in the future. Maggie Moo, Tessa and Duchess represented LAGR along with Barb Burke, Loretta Go, Michele Bailey and Jan Knoche.



Love A Golden Rescue's 10th reunion picnic was more than fun – it was a rootin-tootin good time! The western-themed event was held on June 18th in Vago Park. A morning storm no doubt awakened some of the attendees, but by 11 am Mother Nature smiled on 65 carefree canines and their 107 humans. Country music, bolos, bandanas and creative added to the festive atmosphere as the always popular games The Photo and Paw Print Parlors captured the special moments with souvenirs. Loads of mighty fine vittles were served up by Ray's "Chuck wagon" and thanks to one of our volunteers who baked about 400 treats!, our gorgeous rescued friends had big smiles and peanut butter breath. The day ended with many happy winners of the great silent auction and attendance prizes and, yes, the dogs were tired.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

8/6/11 - Trivia Night. St. Charles, MO. (See page 6 for more information)

8/25/11 - Yappy Hour Meet and Greet 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Laumeier Sculpture Park

12580 Rott Road St. Louis, MO.

9/11/11 - Trails for Tails 9am - 1pm

Frontier Park, St. Charles, MO.

Adoption Days

Come see our available Golden Retrievers.

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 (except November and December 2010)

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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