



## Adoptions

Molly to Tina Price  
 Brutus to Christine Erbskorn  
 Cain to Lea Mitchell  
 Major to Sue Stephenson and Alan Estes  
 Mocha to Tim Gholston  
 Luna to Vikki Duncan  
 Sloan to Amanda Ruthven and Ian Park  
 Callie to Diane and Guy York  
 Joker to Iain Forsyth  
 Dahlia to Tricia Pellegrini  
 Deuce to Kathy Dundon  
 Thor to Jim Savage  
 Valerie to Brenda Serre  
 Deuce to Elizabeth Georgia  
 Rufus to Audrey Preston  
 Jax to Al Snyder  
 Hazel to Julia Sullivan  
 McCarty  
 Winnie to Karen Hunt  
 Sullivan to Carole Weir  
 Dallas to Theresa Kruse  
 Tre to Kevin and Tracey Keenan  
 Bonnie to Shirley Naples  
 Gunner to Ann Pallett  
 Dally to John Gastineau and Lynn Prescott  
 Hailey to Todd Grant  
 Georgia Grey to Dave and Liz Fink  
 Mazie to Kimberly Willard  
 Jack to Laura Brueckmann  
 Delilah to Tina Tiernay  
 Patches to Chuck Knerem

## Katie's Story

**A very special puppy needed us...and you all stepped up to help.** GDRI agreed to take this pretty little Dane pup from another rescue. The story is that a girl got her from a friend and "I believe she has a broken leg"!!! so she surrendered her to West Hancock Canine Rescue in IL. Katie is only 8 weeks old, 20 pounds, deaf, emaciated, full of fleas, her back right leg is broken in 3 places and has a fractured pelvis. To complicate matters, she is dragging her "good" leg. Columbia Missouri's vet college and their outstanding team of orthopedic specialists operated on her right away and sadly they had to amputate the

broken leg in order to ease the pressure on her fractured pelvis.

Katie's now in our care and we are working on the nerve damage and on her good leg so that it is working properly. We do not know yet what the costs will be to rehabilitate Katie and get her walking, running and getting into trouble like any good spotty puppy should.

Your kindness and generosity made saving Katie possible. Thank you!



## From our adopters

Lily, now know as Libby, is doing great! She has gained a few pounds and loves my husband like crazy. At first, she was very afraid of new people - it was like she was afraid they were going to take her away. We are so grateful to have her. She is such a kind, smart and very loving little girl.

Lorene

Meadow is great. We love her dearly. She goes where I go and she is the best thing that's ever happened to me. You did a great job picking her for me. I wouldn't trade her for a million bucks.

June

*Editor's note: Carla's magic at work again!*

It would be so great to come to Fun Day but we've moved to Winnipeg. Bubba - formerly Butch which he absolutely didn't suit being such a big sweetie - is doing great. Thanks for all of your hard work. Without you all, our lives would not have been the same. Thank you for Bubba.

Liz

## Our Angels

Thomas Read, the Mahon's,  
Mark Berry, Marguerite  
Fowle, Leonard and Kay  
Campbell, Marian Fritzke,  
Alden and Gus Taylor, Julie  
Young in memory of Nancy  
Dickinson

Alan Yorker

Trisha Cooney

GSD Rescue

Renee Ebert 'for Winston, in  
memory of Tucker'

The Veltoven Family

The Urbanek Family

Rich & Linda Gates

Barb Young

C.O.O.R. Intermediate

School (funds from their  
casual day!)

Peak Performance Hypnosis  
in memory of HRH the

Princess Gaysie May

Synflex

Carla and George Heath in  
memory of Daun's mom,

Ranger and Harley

Lyndsey and Wendy Watson

in memory of Daun's mom

and Ranger

Antoinette Soffes

Kari Maples, Say Woolf!

Photography

Tricia Cooney

Kirk Huddleston in memory

of Lois Foster and Otto

## Hemi-globin to the rescue!

About 5:30 last night, our vet's office called. A Dane had been spayed and had a growth removed. They noticed in recovery that she wasn't snapping back so they x-rayed and found that she was bleeding out. No blood anywhere to be found for this dog. The vet wanted to know if one of our dogs could be a donor. Well I threw Hemi in the van and drove as fast as I could (someone gave me the finger, LOL!) in rush hour. They started taking Hemi's blood and he was pretty good

for awhile but then he needed a bit of sedation to stay still. The lady who owns Angel (the Dane in need) came into the room in tears and hugged and thanked us for helping. I called to check on Angel and she's gone home. Yay! I told them to please tell her mom and dad that if she starts acting up and doing bad things, that it is because she now has a little piece of Hemi Roo Coval in her.

*Brad and Jeanette Coval*

*Pilot on arrival in rescue*

## Pilot aka

## GD Resq's Sky's the Limit CGC, RN

Last weekend there was a 4 day Dog Show in Kalamazoo. Pilot was entered in all 4 days for Rally Obedience, Novice level. His scores for the 4 days were: 93, 83, 84, 85. He only needed 3 qualifying scores over 70 for his first title. So, Pilot's official name is now, GDResq's Sky's the Limit CGC, RN.

The second day we were in the middle of our run. Smack dab in the middle of the ring...the station is HALT SIT Walk around your dog. We halt, he sits (eventually) as I begin to walk around him, he starts to stand and lets rip one of the loudest belches I've ever heard come out of a dog. The entire room heard it...laughter was

everywhere. Even the judge had a difficult time containing her laughter. As for me??? I nearly peed my pants but I managed...after all, I live with this nut...I'm used to it.

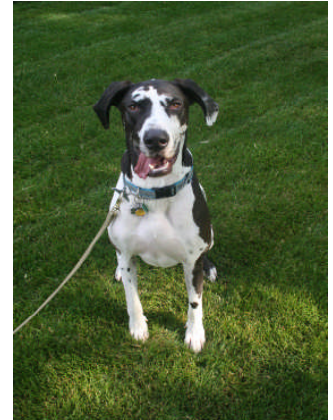
*Jeanne Lewis*

## A little bit of praise...

I met your representatives at the Frankenmuth Dog Bowl. They were so great to me. I had questions about my Dane and they were ready and willing to help me out. So much so that I went home and brought my Dane back so they could meet

him. I would love to come to Fun Day but I have to work. But I am watching your calendar and I will come to an event soon. I was really impressed with your reps. Thank you for your support of a new owner of this breed.

*Keasha Tuttle*



*Hemi*



*Pilot today*



*Editor's note:*

*We have the greatest volunteers!  
They work tirelessly for our Danes.*

## Our Deepest Sympathy...

### Odie

Mark Twain once said "everyone complains about the weather but no one does anything about it". I'd like to think that we changed the weather today. Let me explain:

Clear skies: Odie licked all of the clouds away

If you see those wispy little clouds, Odie was in a hurry that day but at least it isn't raining.

Partly sunny: Don't worry Odie will get to the clouds, even God rested.

Cloudy: Odie didn't get to your part of the world but he will.

Raining: Sorry, just Odie getting a drink.

Thunderstorms: What goes in must come out.

Windy: Odie is just very happy today and is panting.

Snow: Don't look for help with that one. Odie was from the south.

Yep, I am convinced we have a new influence on the weather. Odie was sent to take care of that today. If you wonder what he's doing, just look up.

Thank you in advance for all of your kind words.

*Matt and Jan*



*Odie*

### Conrad

It is with a broken heart that I inform you that our precious boy left us this morning at 3:30 am. We loved him so much and he was just beginning to bloom the last few weeks...finally playing with some toys and demanding that Ron rub his ears while I would rub his butt. We are so lost today...but thank you again for the opportunity to have loved this boy so much. I have a huge hole in my heart right now...does it ever get any easier to lose these gentle souls???

*Sherry Pendleton*

### Rosie

02-01-2000 to 05-01-2008

Rosie was euthanized on May 1st. It was one of the hardest things I have had to do. She was such a wonderful dog, protector and friend. She stayed right by my side after my husband passed away. I will truly miss her but I am glad that I had the opportunity to have her in my life. I thank you for giving us that opportunity.

*Georgia Pritchard*

### Kizzy

Unfortunately I'm contacting you because Kizzy died this evening at about 7:20 pm. She was an amazing dog and we loved her so much. We both feel so happy that at the very least we were able to make her last few years good ones. If any dog deserved some good years it was Kizzy.

This was the best first dog that anyone could have asked for...Thank you so much for allowing us the two short years we had with her.

*Emma and Spencer*

#### In Memory

Odie (Matt and Jan Wilkens)

Miss Ellie (Matt and Jan Wilkens)

Jojo (Lyndsey and Wendy Watson)

Conrad (Sherry Pendleton)

Rosie (Georgia Pritchard)

Kizzy (Emma and Spencer Fitzpatrick)

Cleo (Lany & Roger Grow)

Ahmed (Cindy Mahocsi)

Mickey (Nancy Paffhausen)

Gaysie Mae (Ana Greavu)

Zack (Lany & Roger Grow)

LA (Lynn Richards)

Dudley (Matt and Jan Wilkins)

Ch. Rojon's Resolute and Winhurst's In Vogue

## Our Angels (continued)

Pam Kuehnle at Great Dane Gallery

Crystal Banks in memory of Atlas

Carol Keenan, Beau and Finn

Jody Loop (via Great Dane Gallery Fundraiser)

Cynthia A Younes (Great Dane Gallery Fundraiser)

Dalia Silva for Dahlia's medical bills

Lucy's Dog House

Pedigree Dog Food Rescue Fund

Igive

Kristie McWherter

Dave & Liz Fink

Karen Graham

Mary Seals

Michael Bethel for Deuce

Christine McGann

Julie Basile in memory of Lucy, Nicole Butler's Dane

Andrew Giacobone, in memory of Beverley Beitler and Gideon

Mary Treado for her Pfizer grant



# Sandy's Spot

It's been a busy summer. I can't believe that it's already August and Fun Day was two whole months ago. We had a fabulous Fun Day as always. The weather was perfect - hot, but perfect. We had a wonderful turn-out, lot's of adopters and Danes. The food was wonderful, the raffle table had some terrific prizes. All-in-all, it was a terrific day. And to add to the perfection, we raised close to \$3000.00!!!

I would like to offer a special thanks to Carla who organized

everything. We couldn't do it without her.

I know that I say this in every newsletter but I have to say it again. We could not do what we do without you. Your support makes all the difference. I was astounded by the outpouring of support when we asked you to help us help Katie. Unbelievable! Thank you. You made a difference in the life of a young dog - she's now in the care of one of our wonderful foster homes. She's safe. We will

post updates on our website to keep you up-to-date on how she's doing.

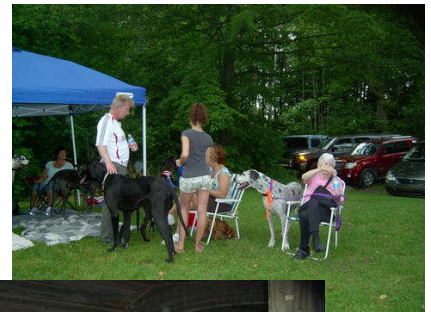
We've got lot's on the go - our Yankee Candle fundraiser - Christmas in August - additional fundraisers for Katie and our auction is coming up soon. Be sure to visit our website for all the details. ([www.greatdanerescueinc.com](http://www.greatdanerescueinc.com))

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

*Sandy*



# Fun Day 2008



## News from Ontario

Once again GDRI participated in the K9 Rescue Me Walkathon at Woofstock. Unfortunately, being the same weekend as our Fun Day in Michigan we were unable to have a booth at the event, but that did not affect the enthusiasm of our fabulous GDRI supporters! In one day we managed to earn over \$900! I would like to thank Jen Ego of K9 Rescue Me for putting on such a professional event. I would also like to thank Deb Brown and congratulate her on being our top fundraiser! Thank you to Ian Park for volunteering and to Amanda Ruthven of The Panache Pooch ([www.thepanachepooch.com](http://www.thepanachepooch.com)) and our friends at the Spotted Canvas ([www.spottedcanvas.com](http://www.spottedcanvas.com)) for collecting donations for GDRI at their booth.

Most of all I would like to thank a very special contributor! A.J. is in Grade One and donated \$50 of his very own savings to help Danes in need. I have had the pleasure of knowing this very special little boy for over three years now and his unbelievable thoughtfulness and generosity at such a young age never ceases to absolutely amaze me. Thank you A.J.!

If you would like to learn more about the walk and plan your participation for next year (we will be there with bells on!) please visit [www.k9rescueme.com](http://www.k9rescueme.com) for more information.

*Lyndsey*

GDRI was out again in Ontario with Helping Homeless Pets to participate in the very first year of "Barkham" a dog themed area dedicated to dogs, their owners and the special bond between the two. There was a K9 Idol contest, Best Dressed contest, trick competition and so much more. What we enjoyed though was the opportunity to talk to the public about Dane Rescue and especially a subject near and dear to my heart, special needs adoption. Prada made her booth dog debut at this event and made us very proud for a 7 month old baby girl and Carson helped show her how to teach people all the truly wonderful qualities about not only Great Danes, but deaf Great Danes. We got to talk at a special rescue information presentation as well as at our booth and the dynamic duo shined and debunked many of the silly myths out there about deaf dogs and aggression, health and temperament. Thank you Helping Homeless Pets for this opportunity and we look forward to participating next year. Thank you to my mom Wendy, Prada and Carson for a truly enjoyable day! For more information on HHP events and the great work they do, visit [www.helpinghomelesspets.com](http://www.helpinghomelesspets.com)

*Lyndsey*



*Prada*

GDRI has had a busy summer in Ontario. We were also out at the Dog Days of Scugog and Niagara Dogfest in July.

Dog Days of Scugog was a wonderful outdoor event. It was Wendy's and my first time assembling the tent - you would have had to be there to believe it. By the time we were done, we had half the park helping us. Scugog is a two-day show - Saturday was hot and sunny and we talked to lots of folks about our wonderful dogs. Prada and Big Giz drew the crowds in for us. Sunday, it poured rain. Jo Anne and Caesar, Donna and Gandy, Wendy and Prada and I were soaked to the skin by the time the show closed.

Next up was Niagara Dogfest - an indoor show so no tent required. Prada was our booth dog and she was wonderful. There were lots of dogs and their people in attendance. We managed to raise a wee bit of cash and chatted with potential adopters all day.

*Deb*

## Upcoming Events in Ontario

Saturday, September 27th

Markham Applefest

Markham Museum

10:00-5:00

<http://www.guidingstar.ca/Applefest.htm>

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November 7-16th

The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair  
(With Helping Homeless Pets)

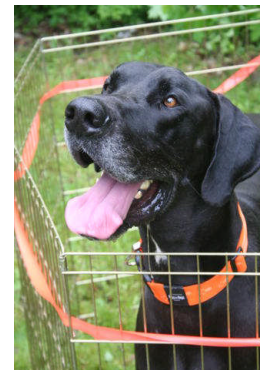
Direct Energy Centre,  
Toronto

[Wwww.royalfair.org](http://www.royalfair.org)

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Saturday, December 6th

Pawsitively Christmas  
Selkirk, Ontario  
(more information to come!)



Wolfie - see page 7 for more info on adopting this wonderful Dane.

## News from Alabama



***3rd Annual Great Dane Rescue Inc.***  
***Wine & Treat Tasting***  
 Molly & Max  
 Birmingham's Pet Boutique  
 4274 Cahaba Heights Court  
 Suite 120, Birmingham, AL  
 August 21st  
 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
 There will be a raffle, silent auction & great wine.  
 Treats for the dogs too!



## Katie's Angels

Bob Kaprocki  
 Daniel Brunson  
 Karen Graham  
 Maureen Dodd  
 Pamela Miller  
 Tricia Pellegrini  
 Ginette Weilnau  
 Antoinette Soffes  
 Sheryl White  
 Cindy Andree  
 Teresita Warfel  
 Kelly Kulauzovic  
 Midwest Small Breed Rescue  
 Deb Brown  
 Jeffrey Hayfield  
 Lesley Critton  
 Pamela Dort  
 Nicole Russell, MAGDRL  
 Dan Dibbern  
 Lori Bowles

Maureen Dodd  
 Steven Miller  
 Donna and Dean Marks  
 Deb Shutter  
 Tina Pliska  
 Kim Kapanka  
 Amanda and Brian Walsh  
 Claudette Greenstein  
 Claudette Chipman  
 Beth Ann Meyer  
 Sandra Rhoads  
 Cindy Mohacsi  
 Julian's  
 Most Rev. Wm. Bushnell and  
 Geraldine Bushnell  
 Eric Schultz and Lori Dames  
 Cheryl Dexter, Coast-to-Coast  
 Dachshund Rescue  
 Donna Meyer  
 Terry Wiley on behalf of  
 Sweetpea, Teddy and Max



## Ode to a Rescue Dane...

You brought me home smiling and proud

A Great Dane puppy exclaimed aloud.

I was just a baby who needed to be trained.

"Wow, this dog is too much work you started to complain."

I had some accidents, but didn't mean too

I'm just a baby who needs to chew.

You hit me and kick me, somehow that's training to you

I'm confused and scared, not sure what to do.

Now I shy from your hand, afraid of your touch,

Abuse and neglect, I've had too much.

You look at me with coldness in your eye,

Where is the love and affection of days gone by?

I'm not worth the expense you

mutter to me,

I don't understand, did you think I was free?

No more doctor visits when I feel sick,

No comforting hand for me to lick.

Now I stand here feeling dejected as can be,

Oh, how I wish someone would set me free.

Then one morning I'm no longer to stay,

So off to a shelter to be out of your way.

After a few days, a gentle voice I hear,

Promises of a home, food, and nothing to fear.

You took me into your home where I was fed,

You gave attention, food, and a comfortable bed.

Physical and emotional wounds begin to heal,

Timidly I allow myself to feel.

As the days go by the past begins to fog,

You tell me to be proud for I am a **RESCUED DOG**.

Now every night as I drift off to sleep,

Feeling loved and knowing my life is not cheap.

The last thought of the day, I always think,

Thank you Lord for the people of Great Dane Rescue Inc.

*Brad Coval*



*Brooke*

## A Special Dane looking for his forever home

**Wolfie's** a good boy but he has never been properly socialized or given the affection he is starved for. He's great with people, I've had him around all age groups and not had any problems. I've been able to dremel his nails and take rawhide and/or food out of his mouth since day one. He does want to be the alpha dog so he needs a person that knows how to deal with a strong male. As long as he knows you're the boss he's fine. He is a very proud/confident dog and I think he would be very good in obedience and/or agility. He really is a BIG sweet boy. He just needs a chance for a forever home.



*Wolfie*

## Dahlia goes on the lam

Mike and Tricia are not likely to forget Dahlia's 'gotcha' day anytime soon. You may remember Dahlia - she was the very sick Dane who came into rescue with Blastomycosis. She was very ill for a very long time but thanks to the care she received at her foster home, she pulled through and was eventually ready to go to her forever home.

Enter Mike and Tricia. They met Dahlia and her foster home and it was love at first

site. But when they got home with Dahlia, she slipped her collar and was off and running.

Mike and Tricia did all the right things - alerted the police and the local humane society. They also called Dahlia's foster parents - Stephanie and Jamey (who got in their car and drove for hours to get there).

Long story short, Dahlia was on the lam overnight. There had been sightings but no one could catch her. They eventually found her and she

came for Stephanie. Dahlia was sore and tired from her ordeal but none the worse for wear.

A special thanks to Mike Citta, a GDRI adopter, for helping in the hunt. According to Tricia, his help was above and beyond what they ever expected.

As for Dahlia, she's happy and healthy in her forever home with Mike and Tricia.

*I looked at all the caged animals in the shelter...the cast-offs of human society. I saw in their eyes love and hope, fear and dread, sadness, and betrayal. I was angry. "God," I said, "this is terrible! Why don't you do something?" God was silent for a moment, and then spoke softly, "I have done something," was the reply. "I created you."*

~Jim Willis

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Properly trained, a man can be  
dog's best friend.

*Corey Ford*

## *Great Dane Rescue Inc. Annual Auction*

11th Annual!  
Sept 6th, 7:30 p.m.  
Plymouth orchards  
Cider Mill  
10685 Warren  
Plymouth, MI 48170

Meet in the parking  
lot at 7:30 p.m.

Items include Louise  
Peterson bronze, signed  
shirt by all the band  
members  
of Lynyrd Skynyrd and The  
Marshall Tucker Band,  
antiques, framed prints,  
beds and much more. (Visa  
and MasterCard accepted)

See you there!