

## Great Dane Rescue Inc

# Great Dane Rescue Report

Christmas 2012

### Adoptions

Bo & Scooby - Mary Telstad  
Macey - Paulette Martini  
Gilley - Prscilla Serna  
Ellie - Carrie Zich  
Bruno - Christy Wareing  
Bubba (Miles) - Maureen & Colin Dodd  
Chelsea - Robert Vahala & Krista Rutledge  
Coco - Lisa & James Bower  
Samson - Betty Maskal  
Koda - Greg Hunnicutt  
Brooke - Monique & Dave Anderson  
Toda - Margie & Tommy Schultz  
Diesel - Melissa Hoisington  
Wesley - Jackie & Jamie Pasquade  
Caramel - Scott & Debbie McIntyre  
Lady Darla - Sue Zieske  
Tito - Allison Gould  
Bella - Todd Ensz  
Duke - Jamie Rickert  
Sadie - Karen Graham  
Jack - Bonnie Cunningham

## Every Dane Deserves a Christmas

Your donations help us make sure that every Dane in our care has a Christmas. One hundred percent of your donation is spent saving Danes. We are all volunteers at Great Dane Rescue - every cent that we receive in donations helps us help them.

Did you know that:

A \$5.00 donation buys a bag of treats for a deserving Dane.

A \$10.00 donation buys a toy - sometimes it's the first toy a Dane has ever received.

A \$25.00 donation buys a month's supply of heartworm meds or flea treatment.

A \$50.00 donation buys a 35 lb. bag of dog food - about a month's supply.

A \$100.00 donation pays for a complete set of shots.

A \$250.00 donation pays for a spay or neuter for a Dane.

A \$500.00 donation partially pays for heartworm treatment for an infected Dane.

It's an expensive business saving unwanted or neglected Great Danes. Our adoption fees only cover some of our expenses so we rely on donations so that we can provide for our Danes. Donate now - every Dane deserves a Christmas.

### Adoptions

Hogan - Jim & Stephanie McCullan  
Kila - Alison Schroeder  
Rocky - Susan Hough  
Eli - Lynette DeJong  
Sarah - Kevin Fix  
Poncho - Beth Meyer  
Cabe - Allison Kissner  
Luke - Krista Gee



## Our Angels

Lisa Patteson

Janice Drake in memory of Christopher A. Evans

Kroger Community Awards

Ingrid & Don Boyd

Wendy Williams

Sherry Lark

Lesley Critton

Kathy Garrison in memory of Armani

Beadiful Creations

Lee Ann Walker in memory of Joanne Kwaitkaoski

Carrie Camino

Regina Haney

Schwab grant

Amanda Dukes for Oscar and Kevin's surgeries

Aimee Moulder for Oscar and Kevin's surgeries

Joanne Barnett

Kristan Croom

Olive Archibald

Rachel Parish for Oscar

Emily Dickow

Tania Marr

Mission Fish

Abbott Labs

Just Give

Kelle Huber

GDCA

Aimee Marino

Deborah Halter

PRO Computers

Lee Ann Walker in memory of Ronald R. Draper

Diana Hirota

Shari & Tom Haney

Michele & Chris England

Cynthia Mohacsi in memory of Claudia Morawski

Mary Seals for Armani

Gabrielle Gunther

Jocelyn Elsdon

David Karaffa

Kathy Garrison for Blue's eye surgery

Patrick Mawn

Allison Gould

Rhonda Bailey-Reed in memory of Harley

Heather Gordon

Peter Studnicki

Jay Woodland

Angela Hamel in memory of Cosmo and Abbey

Sherrie Smith



## Visions of spots dancing in my head

Driving north on I-65, heading home after a successful fundraising event in Birmingham. Just the night before I sat up late with a dear friend, sharing a bottle of wine, enjoying a good visit and some Great Dane zen. I can't even begin to describe Blue – a massive blue merle Great Dane. Royal? Regal? Wise? All that and more...And Pink, sweet, sassy girl – I do love a sassy girly Great Dane. It was a great evening.

Up early the next morning for...Santa Paws!

Hollywood Feed hosted the 2012 Great Dane Rescue Inc Santa Paws. And what an event it was! Big dogs, little dogs, and a few kitties – lined up to meet Santa...the real Santa. I'm just sure he was.

Driving north, sunroof open, music blaring and what did I spy? A field, a human, and a MASSIVE Harlequin Great Dane! He ran

through the field toward his human. I was mesmerized. He was powerful, graceful, and magnificent...he was spotted. I do love a spotty Great Dane. I stared...and headed toward the ditch!

Quick course correction and I sped on, the image of that dog and his spots danced in my head...way better than sugar plum fairies! I imagined my own future and the spotty boy that will one day run toward me...and most likely plow through me a time or two. Great Danes do that, you know, especially the young ones.

For now, I'll practice being good so that next year when I go down to Santa Paws I can let Santa know that I'd like to see some spots dancing under my



Christmas tree next year. Until then, I'll keep on dreaming of dancing spots, floppy ears, and that special spotty boy who's out there waiting for me

*Santa Paws was a smashing success this year. A big thanks to everyone involved – Leah, Chuck, Brenda, Christie, Liz and Santa!*

Delores Carter

## Waiting at the bridge

I just want to share with you - we lost our beloved Pachelbell on Oct 7 at 6:30 pm. We miss him so deeply. The house is empty and we are filled with tears. I feel like a lead blanket covers me and a waterfall of tears cascades over me. Our only consolation is that he had a peaceful death and suffered very little in the two days before he died. We were committed to transitioning him as soon as he began to suffer - and we did that. Two years ago he had surgery for cancer and he came through that like a champ. In the end it was his legs - his back legs gave out. This frightened him and he became more restricted. So we helped him to leave us. He is buried on our firepit hill next to his brother Canon (who you may recall died of bone cancer 6 years ago).

I wanted to let you know what an unbelievable gift both Pachelbell and Canon were. We will always be thankful - they gave us so much that we did not even deserve.

*Lynne and Wendell Tenbusch*

We wanted you to know we lost our sweet Belle. She was diagnosed with bone cancer, had the leg removed, had one round of chemo and it spread to her pelvic area. She lived for two months after the amputation. She was the absolute love of our lives and it was an agonizing decision.

We will forever be grateful to GDRI. She changed our lives and made everyone smile whom she met. What a truly beautiful soul-An angel on earth-A gift from heaven.

We can't thank you enough for all you do for the breed.

*Mark & Jill Gamble*



It is with great sadness that I write to you today to tell you that we lost our beautiful Bella to bloat on August 21st. Sorry for the delay in writing but we needed some time to gather our thoughts and process this tremendous loss.

It doesn't seem possible that just 3 short years ago we made the long trip to Sarnia to meet Tina and this "sweet find". Bella has filled our lives with joy and has been a wonderful ambassador to her breed. She has been instrumental in helping Beau (formally Winston) forget his obnoxious teenage spotty boy ways. She has been sweet and loving to everyone and in return we provided her with the best forever home we could. She will be deeply missed by our family, our friends and our neighbors.

Thank you for allowing us the honor of loving this beautiful little girl,

*Debbie, Scott, Kaitlyn, Ben and Beau McIntyre.*

I don't know if you recall a Merle-quin Dane that was adopted about 11 years ago. Her original name was Daphne. We re-named her Prudence. We just wanted to let you know that she died recently. We also wanted to thank you for the opportunity to have such an amazing dog in our lives. She was truly a gift. We miss her terribly.

Thanks again.

*Kris and Bill*

**You stepped into my life**

**You grew into my heart**

**You changed the way I thought**

**The path of life we walked**

**Each step entwined as one**

**And so the day has come**

**When you must go ahead**

**I thank you for the love**

**I thank you for the fun**

**The joy will never end**

**My Dog, My Heart, My Friend.**

### REST IN PEACE

Cash and Tuleigh (Tanya Nelson)

Pachelbell (Lynn & Wendell Tenbusch)

Belle (Mark & Jill Gamble)

Bella (Scott & Debbie McIntyre)

Prudence (Kris & Bill)

Annabelle (Sandy Suarez)

## A Special Thank You

GDRI would like to thank Ms. Sally Sinow and the PAWS Club at LACE SCHOOL in Darien, Illinois. The PAWS club fundraises for animal charities and GDRI was lucky enough to be selected. At a recent candy fundraiser, the club raised approximately \$700 for GDRI! Great work - it is truly appreciated. Our Danes thank you!







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## Shopping to support GDRI

**Barking Cat Jewelry** has a clever line of pet-themed pendants with messages like Adopt Don't Shop, Who Rescued Who, Sleeps With Dogs, and Crazy Cat Lady - just to name a few. They make great holiday gifts. I know, because I love mine!!! When you place a piece of jewelry in your shopping bag, you will be prompted to fill in our group name - Great Dane Rescue Inc. Barking Cat Jewelry donates 20% of your purchases (excluding shipping) back to GDRI.

Barkingcatjewelry.com



**Christmas gifts...**GDRI has a wide range of gift ideas for the Dane lover. T-shirts, dane-etched wine and beer glasses, gift sets and more. Our **2013 Calendar** makes a great stocking stuffer and is filled with photos of rescued Danes.

<http://www.greatdanerescueinc.com/shop/>

**Merry Christmas and  
Happy Holi-danes!**

