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HOMeward BOUND GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE AND SANCTUARY, INC.

What's Inside

Some dogs arrive too late to reverse their medical conditions. To ensure that their remaining days are filled with love, we rely on foster angels like Alex Russell and Judy Kent. Whether it's short-term, permanent, or hospice care – learn why fostering is one of our most rewarding volunteer opportunities.

Puppies are rare at Homeward Bound. When they do arrive, early socialization is critical to ensuring that they grow to be well-adjusted dogs. This means daily opportunities for handling, interaction and introductions to new environments. Read about the importance of puppy socialization and our amazing den mother, Megan Cook, inside.

You'll also find all the exciting details for this year's Annual Kibble & Bids™ event – a very special Crystal Celebration commemorating Homeward Bound's 15th anniversary. Plus, milestones highlighting 15 years of saving Golden lives. Kibble & Bids™ has moved up on the schedule with a brand new location! We hope you will join us as we raise a toast in support of the dogs and appreciation of you – the heart of Homeward Bound.

PLEASE PASS ALONG!

You can help us to expand our reach by sharing our newsletter with friends, family and co-workers! Thank you!



A Heart For Hospice Humbles

BY: Rob Kessel

(Rob Kessel is a long-time Homeward Bound volunteer, who fosters and works with some of the dogs most in need of rehabilitation and training to make them adoptable.)

You know, I fall so hopelessly in love with some of the dogs at Homeward Bound that I would like to require that any potential adopter first prove to me that they deserve to take home such a special companion. So it is with Danny, although his case was a little different. Danny wasn't made available for adoption because he has a growth in his mouth. It was removed but came back very quickly. There is no additional practical treatment for this type of cancer, so for Danny - it becomes a quality of life question. He's doing extremely well right now, but eventually the tumor will change that outlook. Fortunately, his mass seems to be growing slowly, and Danny can enjoy his time with us now.

At ten years young, Danny fit in well in Homeward Bound's senior yard. It seemed that he might stay there with us as a Sanctuary dog. But Homeward Bound has a couple of volunteers that foster dogs such as Danny; one of them, Alex Russell, agreed to take him

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Our Mission

Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary, Inc. is an all-volunteer organization which rescues and heals displaced, abandoned, and homeless Golden Retriever and Golden mixes, regardless of their age or health. Homeward Bound secures safe, loving homes through a comprehensive adoption program, and also provides lifetime sanctuary for Golden Retrievers that cannot be adopted.

Homeward Bound also provides education on proper animal care and on the benefits of, and need for, rescue and sanctuary. In the event of a disaster, Homeward Bound will provide assistance to other rescue groups and the families of dogs impacted by the disaster.

Homeward Bound will continue to serve as a model rescue organization, addressing animal welfare needs throughout California and neighboring states, and strives to be a national leader in rescue, sanctuary and education.

DOGS RESCUED IN 2015 TO DATE:
146

VET EXPENSES IN 2015 TO DATE:
\$74,800



A Message From Our President

In June, we wrapped up our annual "Double the Gold Challenge." Every dollar raised during this campaign is matched by our waiting "Fund of Love" thanks to the generosity of donors of all sizes. Together, these campaigns raised just over \$114,000 which is used to help support the annual medical care of the dogs in our program. Every single donation – no matter the size – makes such a difference. Thank you.

Those that were able to join us in May for the return of the Golf "Fore" Golden Retrievers event were not disappointed! The weather was beautiful, the dogs were adorable, and the libations were plentiful! Kudos to event organizer Mark Carlos and team who brought this together on such short notice. A special thanks to Sierra View Country Club as well for their generosity.

As we celebrate our 15th-anniversary year, we hope you will join us for a very special Kibble & Bids™ Crystal Celebration which has moved up on the calendar and in location! This year's event will take place at the historic and beautiful Old Sugar Mill just minutes from Sacramento in Clarksburg, CA. Please set aside Sunday, August 23rd for a very special evening. Kibble & Bids™ is our largest event of the year raising critical funds for the dogs – and the work of Candy Courtney and her dedicated team never fails to delight!

Finally, inside these pages, you'll find a timeline of our key milestones along the way. We have so much to look back on and be thankful for. And even more great things ahead in the future!

On behalf of more than 8,000 dogs that you have helped along their Golden journeys, thank you for fifteen years of unbelievable support.

~ Jody Jones, President



Photo Credit: Rob Kessel

Alex has two dogs of her own, one a 17-year-old named Buddy whose owner died and left instructions to euthanize the dog. Alex had other ideas. Her Charlie came to her as a very sick puppy that she nursed back to health and then couldn't bear to give up. So he's now a permanent part of her pack, as well.

the old and sick dogs that might otherwise be passed over? Talk to her and you'll hear about life coming full circle and what a privilege it is to help her dogs navigate that final stage. You'll hear about the quiet, but profound joy of witnessing an old dog get comfortable on a new bed. She'll explain her delight at watching Oliver wait patiently for his clean blanket and then settle down for a nice, long nap. And she'll tell you about talking to them calmly when the time comes, so they are not afraid as they take their first hesitant steps toward the Rainbow Bridge.

I was humbled today. The world needs more people like Alex.

Alex on: The Circle of Life:

"Folks often ask me how I can take dogs into my home when I know they are going to die. I love all dogs, but the old ones just pull at my heart. It seems that no one wants an old dog - especially one that is ill. But they are so very easy to adjust to a new home and are thankful for everything. The dogs that come here become part of my family and so when it is time to go over "Rainbow Bridge" I am always with them. Then I have them cremated and bring the ashes back here to spread in my back yard. This is the "circle of life". They are not alone - but are with me; they are loved and they don't need to be afraid.

I have been told how special I am because of what I do for the dogs, but I am the lucky one because of everything these dogs give to me." ~ Alex

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home. I was elated at this news but figured I should check her out to, well - you know, make sure it was a good match!

I met with Alex and asked about her experience in what is, essentially, hospice for the Homeward Bound dogs she fosters. I found out that she has been taking the sick dogs in the last stage of their lives for almost the entire 11 years she has been associated with Homeward Bound. Her very first foster was a black and white dog named Patches that was definitely not a Golden, but most assuredly had a Golden heart according to Jody Jones, President of Homeward Bound. Alex has fostered many, many dogs over the years with Oliver, a heartworm positive old guy, being her latest guest. Until Danny, that is.

Did I mention the miracles? Alex says that some of her fosters pass quickly, but most are with her at least a year - well exceeding the Doc's prognosis. And then there was the one who was given only a few weeks and ended up enjoying Alex's hospitality for three full years.

I wondered how this was all possible. Alex's view is that the dogs come in not understanding what is happening to their bodies, and why they are living in a new place, but they soon learn that they are a valued part of a new family. The atmosphere is laid back and mellow, and the sick dogs just blend right in. All their needs are taken care of, so they can focus their energies on what's going on within their bodies.

Most folks want to adopt a perfect, younger dog. So why does Alex take in



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Kibble & Bids™ 2015, a Crystal Anniversary Celebration

Summer breeze will make you feel fine, while glowing are the Golden Retrievers in your mind!

Please join us as Homeward Bound celebrates 15 years of amazing accomplishments at the historic Old Sugar Mill in a beautiful country setting. Help us support Homeward Bound while enjoying cool delta breezes on the Old Sugar Mill's river side plaza. Indulge in catered appetizers and a sumptuous dinner followed by a memorable program, a very special anniversary toast, and exciting live auction.

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IN KEEPING WITH OUR 15TH ANNIVERSARY THEME:

- Enjoy an outstanding selection from our "Favorite 15" wineries and breweries
- Be tempted by our 115 extra special silent auction items
- Bid on 15 exceptional library and celebration wines of French and domestic origin ranging in value from \$90.00 to \$350.00
- Take a chance on 15 premium raffle items
- Prepare your bid paddles for 15 spectacular items in our live auction. Look for details in your program or on our website.
- Purchase a key for your chance to win a spectacular on-trend \$1,500 jewelry item from Ben Bridge Jewelers: A gorgeous rose gold necklace with diamonds and a pear shaped morganite - a spectacular light peach/pink gemstone!



YOU'RE INVITED

a crystal celebration
15th Annual
**Kibble
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Sunday
August 23rd
4-8pm

warm summer evening
cool delta breeze

DINNER
LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS
WINE & BEER TASTING

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Old Sugar Mill
just minutes from Sacramento
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TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!

Tickets are \$115. Sales are limited and tickets must be purchased in advance. Deadline for ticket purchase is August 19th.

HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

Purchase by phone: 916-655-1410

Purchase online, or by mail. Click on the Kibble & Bids™ link on our website at: www.hbgrr.org to download the form or purchase securely online.

Purchase tickets in person at the Homeward Bound Sanctuary.

SUPPORT OUR SPECIAL "SUGAR SHACK ACRES" PROJECT

"Sugar Shack Acres" is our senior sanctuary where dogs who cannot be adopted due to age or illness remain with us.

With your help, we will raise and grade the yard, add a cabana for covered outdoor lounging, and enhance interior accommodations so our sugar-faced sanctuary dogs can live out their days in all the comforts of home, surrounded by love.

Purchase your yard square of "sugar" improvements for \$40!



A SPECIAL EVENING IS PLANNED FOR YOU:

4-5PM: Sponsors will be greeted by special golden greeters while enjoying our signature concierge check-in and an elegant wine and cheese party hosted by Homeward Bound and Clarksburg Wine Co. Be treated to special passed appetizers and enjoy early access to our premium silent auction and exciting raffle offerings. Don't forget to check out our special project table and get your jewelry keys before they sell out!

5PM: All guests will be welcomed on the plaza and lawn. Enjoy a splendid appetizer buffet and the music of the Templetons while perusing our exceptional, silent auction offerings and our all-new premium raffle. Don't miss your opportunity to purchase a key – one of only 115 – for a chance to win a \$1,500 sparkling, on-trend jewelry item sponsored by Ben Bridge Jewelers.

6PM: Dinner is served! Rayna's Gourmet Catering will offer a stunning presentation of gourmet items to fit every taste, including an amazing selection of salads and sides, a fresh-cooked pasta station offering vegetarian selections and gluten-free upon request. Plus, a carving station with tri-tip and pork loin for a hearty meal.

Following Dinner: A very special sparkling toast to 15 years of rescue success! Our memorable program takes a look back at our history, while Jody Jones, President offers a peek into the future of Homeward Bound.

Auction Time: Our much anticipated live auction will be conducted by award-winning auctioneer Joe Gates with assistance from the talented Cambi Brown, reporter for "Good Day" and CBS13. Bid on prime vacation and entertainment opportunities, fun treats, and this year's special project.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO SPONSOR!

Become a Sponsor of Kibble & Bids™ with opportunities to fit every budget. Each level includes sponsor tickets, a special gift, entry to our Exclusive Sponsor Hour, complimentary valet parking, our signature no-wait concierge check-in, and special recognition. We welcome individual, corporate and business sponsors. Sponsor levels, benefits and purchasing options are available on our website.

For questions about sponsoring, contact Candy Courtney at: kibbleandbids@homewardboundgoldens.org

GET YOUR KIBBLE & BIDS MERCHANDISE!

This year's premium merchandise features the outstanding design of Lisa Baraya, graphic designer. Merchandise is available now at our online Cafe Press Store. www.cafepress.com/homewardbound

Or purchase yours at the event, including a couple of very special limited edition items.



Milestones: 15 Years of Helping Golden Retrievers on Their Journeys...Homeward Bound

From 1998 until 2002, Mike and Jody Jones operated the rescue out of their home. In 2002, a previous adopter - Pam Miller - connected the Jones' to her mother, Norma Latham, the owner of an 8-acre parcel of land, house and barn in Elverta, CA. Leasing the property initially, they made the move. Jody lived in a trailer until the current tenant left and Mike was able to close their former residence. The dogs were housed in a metal barn. It poured rain for three straight weeks. After four months, Mike and Jody moved into the house - without heating or air conditioning. They nearly froze. Andrea Lewis and Jeff Fuller donated the funds for the first two dog yards. Pam and Bruce Miller owned PBM Construction; they donated a crew and materials to install the floor, insulation and sheetrock in the barn that now serves as a kennel, office, kitchen and grooming area. Hundreds of fence posts and thousands of feet of fencing were installed. Plumbing and electrical were brought up to code. The dogs had heating and air conditioning; the Jones' did not!



711 Dogs Rescued

Dog Walker Club established; Amy and Reed Borchers assume leadership of the Youth Volunteer Program; early work in the Memorial Garden is donated by volunteers from HP, Golden 1, Del Campo High School Students, and Sac State students; Mike Jones plants shade trees; First year of Santa photos; One out of every seven Golden Retrievers or Golden mixes rescued in the 10 western states was rescued by Homeward Bound according to Golden Retriever Rescue Club of America



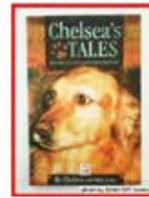
416 Dogs Rescued

Dr. Codde opens her own office near HBGRR; Memorial Path installed; Kitchen upgrade completed; Devoted volunteer and board member, Dick Brothers, passes.



403 Dogs Rescued

Golden Touch: A Senior to Senior Connection Program established to help place golden olides: First Kibble & Bids™ event



454 Dogs Rescued

Kennels are built: The Park is plowed and framed; First Double the Gold Challenge launched; SSPCA selects Jody and Mike Jones for their first annual Humanitarian of the Year Award; Mike publishes "Chelsea's Tales: Memoirs of a Rescued Golden Retriever"



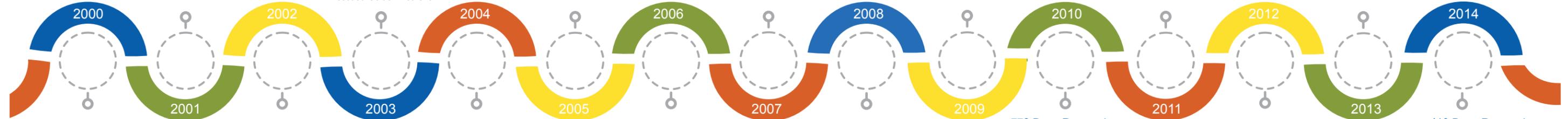
562 Dogs Rescued

Kennel Remodel: HP volunteer team builds west fence creating property boundary



852 Dogs Rescued

Record number of dogs rescued; The Senior Sanctuary area is started; An on-site Vet Clinic is built; Two more yards are added; A grooming tub is donated by Jeff Mansu and Gary Drach; Chelsea - the inspiration for HBGRR - passes at age 14



255 Dogs Rescued

Incorporated as a nonprofit; operating out of the Jones' home



496 Dogs Rescued

The current Elverta property is leased; Jody lives alone in a trailer for weeks; Not a single fence post; Dogs are housed in a metal barn



402 Dogs Rescued

Dr. Codde begins donating volunteer hours; Nancy Nickle donates funds for an in-ground therapy pool; New mission adopted; First Golf Fore Golden event



388 Dogs Rescued

True to her word, Norma Latham gives the Jones' first right to purchase the property; "As long as we have our health, HB will continue to flourish at 7485 Natomas Rd. Elverta, CA"; Golden Retriever Club of America National Rescue Committee awards Jody & Mike Jones the Starfish Award



810 Dogs Rescued

Rescue numbers soar during the Great Recession; Golden Retriever Club of America National Rescue Committee awards the Starfish Award to Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue



778 Dogs Rescued

New Volunteer Orientation Program begun; Training Pavilion built and classes offered; Blood Count machine purchased to do blood work on site; Finally - an office!; Memorial Garden Plan drafted; First Holiday Challenge and Pancake Breakfast events; National Save Our Seniors (SOS) Program launched



531 Dogs Rescued

New transport van purchased; Memorial Garden takes shape; First year of the Holiday Giving Tree



410 Dogs Rescued

Kennel renovations: Walking path upgraded; Puppy Palace is built to keep the little ones safely separated; Eagle Scout Troops build new shelters



2015 In Progress

HBGRR featured in "From Property to Family," by Andrei Markovits and Katherine Crosby; TLC (Team Lead Committee) formed; Shelter enhancements to the yards; 15 years!

Then Along Came Ozzy

BY: Judy Kent

Most of the time Jody and I keep a dog in our little office. Sometimes it's a special needs dog, sometimes a senior and sometimes it's just because the kennels are full. Happily, I fall in love with each one of them. But in spite of what most of the other volunteers think, and as much as I might like to do so, it's rare for me to take one home with me.

But then along came Ozzy.

The first office dog that stole my heart was a ten-year-old, tall, handsome boy named Tequila. He went to a permanent foster home. Then there was the very sweet, shy Daisy, who had seizure disorder. She found a home with two little girls. Then Snowy came into the picture. She was snatched up by my friend Anna Schweissinger, who then came back and took the lovely and talented Ginger Rogers right out from under my nose. The beautiful Ruthie lived with us for awhile and became the cover girl for our 2013 annual report. She found a home with a lovely lady who will dote on her for her lifetime. Loki snuck in when I wasn't



looking. I didn't even know that he had my heart until he died unexpectedly.

Then along came Ozzy.

Ozzy is an 11-year-old boy with a bad coat, bad teeth, scars on his face and part of his ear missing. In the office, he slept. He ate. And he slept. He weighed in at 85 pounds and could barely walk from the office to the yard without stumbling. Jody suggested that he hang out in the outer office with Dia. I suggested that he stay with us. Jody thought he might do well in the north yard with the other seniors, but somehow he never made it across the parking lot. He stayed in our office, and he slept.

He had one very interesting quirk though. If I walked him to the parking lot, he tried to get into every car out there. He was pretty sure that one of those cars was here to pick him up. And one of them was - mine. One Monday afternoon, as I was ready to head home, I put him on a leash, opened the car door and he crawled in as best he could until I lifted the rest of him up onto the seat.

Two months later he is 10 pounds lighter, walks two miles a day, has developed a soft, golden coat and his tail is always wagging. Every time I look at Ozzy I am reminded of the resilience of our Golden Retrievers. With a little bit of love and attention, they seem to have the ability to forget the past and live in the moment. I'm so grateful that Ozzy came along!

Bringing Up Puppy: The Importance of Socialization

Socialization helps to prepare dogs for the human world; a world that includes different types of people, environments, sights, noises, smells, animals and other dogs.

For most young animals, there are crucial "socialization windows" early on when they are naturally more accepting of new things they encounter in their environment - until they reach a certain age. When they reach that age, they become much more suspicious of things they haven't yet experienced.

Puppies are most accepting of new experiences between 3 and 12 weeks old. According to the American Veterinary Society of Animal Behavior (AVSAB), sociability outweighs fear during this period, making it "the primary window of opportunity for puppies to adapt to new people, animals, and experiences."

After that age, they become much more cautious of anything they haven't yet encountered. A pup that has not been properly socialized by this point may have permanent difficulty adapting to certain unfamiliar experiences.

"Basically, an adult dog's temperament and behavior habits, both good and bad, are shaped during puppyhood, very early puppyhood," says veterinarian and leading animal behaviorist Dr. Ian Dunbar, author of "Before & After Getting Your Puppy". Further, Dunbar notes that behavior issues are the number one cause of relinquishment to shelters.



Puppies are not frequent guests of Homeward Bound. When they do arrive, they (and we) are blessed to have a dedicated volunteer who acts as their den mother

situations being careful not to overwhelm them and always making it fun!

Lucky are the families that take home one of Megan's pups. And that includes Megan - who finally succumbed herself. Meet Ein (as in "Einstein," pictured center) - the smartest puppy on the planet. At least, that is according to his proud mom!



We're grateful for Megan's dedication and care. Want to know more about the commitment required to raise a well-adjusted puppy? Just ask her!

For assistance with socialization, certified trainer, Kathryn Baines, offers classes at Homeward Bound. Contact her at: grdogtraining@gmail.com.

from the point of their arrival, to their eventual adoption.

com. Or, visit the links below for helpful tips.

Megan Cook has raised more than her share of puppies at Homeward Bound, including dual litters numbering up to twelve puppies at a time! The Puppy Palace we created last year allows us to raise the pups safely without exposing them to potential health risks. Arriving daily, Megan cleans, feeds and cares for them. Equally important, she gently exposes them to human touch, appropriate play, and new

www.homewardboundgoldens.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Puppy-Handling-and-Socialization1.pdf

www.aspc.org/pet-care/virtual-pet-behaviorist/dog-behavior/socializing-your-puppy

Turn KIBBLE INTO CASH for the pups at Homeward Bound. For every large bag of Nature's Select Premium Pet Food purchased, Nature's Select will donate \$3.00 back to Homeward Bound. Nature's Select provides FREE HOME DELIVERY in the greater Northern California area. It's all-natural, holistic pet food from a local, family-owned and operated company.

"The Homeward Bound dogs are doing great since we started feeding them Nature's Select. We love the convenience of having the food delivered to us, as well as the generous donations the "Kibble Into Cash" program provides."

- Jody Jones, President, Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary



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Double The Gold Challenge – You Did It!

Every Spring we ask good people to come together to make a big difference for the dogs. Through gifts of all sizes, our supporters continue to inspire and astound us with their generosity.

The results of this year's matching "Fund of Love" and "Double the Gold Challenge" fundraising campaigns are in, and you have done it again! Together, the campaigns raised just over \$114,000 to help support the annual medical care provided to hundreds of dogs rescued by Homeward Bound. More than 345 people contributed to the "Double The Gold Challenge," matched by our waiting "Fund of Love." Donations amounts ranged from \$5-\$10,000. We know that every donation comes from the heart – no matter the size – and each one makes a difference in our ability to care for the dogs. Here's an example of what your contributions support:

- \$5 buys an e-collar or a bag of pill pockets
- \$10 buys padding for casts
- \$15 buys 1 vial of eye drops for dogs with vision issues
- \$20 buys medicated shampoo
- \$25 will treat 10 dogs for skin infections
- \$50 allows us to treat 6 dogs for kennel cough
- \$100 buys rabies vaccines for 25 dogs
- \$125 pays for one month of cancer drugs
- \$150 pays for neuter or spay
- \$200 pays for one digital x-ray
- \$250 pays for one tissue biopsy
- \$350 allows us to test 30 dogs for heartworm and tick related diseases
- \$1,000 covers one surgical mass removal

Every dollar counts! We appreciate every donation received and are grateful to have such a dedicated base of supporters that always responds when we ask for help. Thank you for your golden hearts and for helping us in our work to rescue this breed we all love so much.

"Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does." ~ William James



What A Day On The Links!

Thanks to everyone who came out for this year's Golf "Fore" Goldens event! We had a fabulous day on the links with beautiful weather and even more beautiful Goldens!

A special thanks to our event organizer, Mark Carlos. You told us you missed this event, and he pulled it together, with the help of our dedicated volunteers, in record time.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to Sierra View Country Club which went above and beyond to ensure that our event was a hole in one!

We hope to see you all again next year!



2015 VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC



Mark the Date...For The 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Picnic!
Sunday, October 4th • 11:00AM - 2:00PM
At Homeward Bound

Celebrating You...and All You Do!
 An opportunity to reconnect with our team members from far and wide!

Well-behaved dog companions are invited to visit in The Park under the watchful eye of our dog Sheriff and her posse!

Enjoy great food, friends, and try your luck in our raffle!

For Info: Contact Jana at: events@homewardboundgoldens.org

Quotables:

"This is the best Disneyland ride in the world!" ~ Kathy Vagg on adopting Daisy, mother of four beautiful Golden puppies, raised and adopted from Homeward Bound this spring. Now it's Daisy's turn to hang up her mom duties and enjoy being spoiled rotten - she's earned it!



How to Reach Us

Your help and ideas are always welcome! Contact team leaders below if you are interested in helping in any of these areas:

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Dates To Remember

Kibble & Bids™ - Sunday, August 23
Volunteer Appreciation Picnic - Sunday, October 4
Santa Photos - Sat/Sun, November 21-22
The Giving Tree - Begins Friday, November 27

Help Wanted

Volunteer Positions Currently in High Demand:

- **Taxi Drivers:** Start a dog on its journey home!
- **Feeders:** A dog's best friend. Physically demanding, but so rewarding!
- **Walkers:** Build bonds of trust through walking, playing, training, and grooming. Help prepare the dogs for their forever homes.
- **Kennel Repair:** Are you a handy man or woman? Your skills are needed!

Our Golden Wish List

You can also shop our **Amazon Wish List**. You'll find the link on our website!

For Our Goldens:

Nature's Select Dog Food (donate with your online purchase)
Large Pill Pockets
Dog Cookies
Rubber-backed Rugs
Petco & PetSmart Gift Cards

Office Supplies

Postage Stamps
8 1/2 x 11 Copy Paper
Professional Printing Services

General Maintenance & Laundry

Paper Towels
Garbage Bags (heavy duty & extra heavy duty)

Facilities Supplies

Lowe's or Home Depot Gift Cards

For Landscaping & Our Memorial Garden

Green Acres Nursery Gift Certificates
Donations of Dirt and Gravel
Shredded Cedar Bark/Mulch