

Fourth Quarter 2013

Coming Soon..... Membership Renewals!

What does your membership to GRRIN mean?

- Contribute to the rescue and rehabilitation of goldens in need through a dedicated non-profit organization
- You get the right to vote at the annual meeting
- 10% discount on all purchases through the GRRIN store
- Invitations to GRRIN play dates, fund raisers and annual Gold Rush reunion
- Subscription to quarterly newsletter

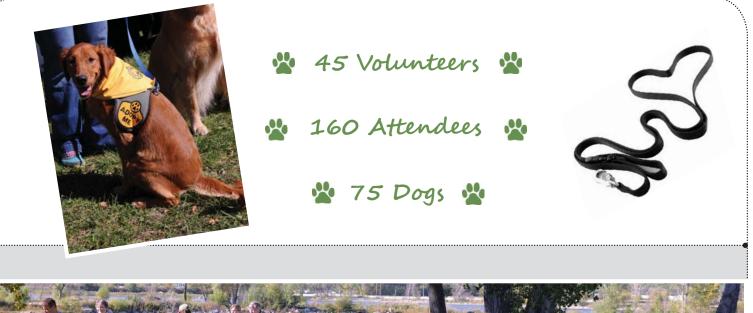






Gold Rush was a success! Sunday, October 13th | Offutt Base Lake Park







A Golden Day for Gold Rush 2013

October 13 dawned sunny and calm with just a hint of Fall in the air. Perfect conditions for Gold Rush 2013! It was a glorious day for GRRIN's annual event celebrating Golden Retrievers and the folks who love them. An estimated 160 guests (including 45 awesome volunteers sporting "Keep Calm and GRRIN ON" sweatshirts) and 75 dogs of all breeds gathered at Offutt Base Lake Park in Bellevue to spend the afternoon catching-up with old friends, enjoying games and activities, grabbing a bite to eat and shopping at the GRRIN store.

Guests were greeted at the park with goody bags filled with treats, toys and other give-aways generously provided by GRRIN, Three Dog Bakery, Nature's Logic, and Petco. GRRIN volunteer and NTV (Kearney) television host Carol Staab served as the perfect emcee for the afternoon's presentations and The String Beans provided background music for the always-popular costume contest and parade of dogs. Special thanks goes to Gary and Kathy Platt with Innovative Dog Training as well as Jessica Ellis and Jac Streich with The Green Spot for fun and informative presentations. We also are very grateful for our two "Ask-a-Vet" experts, Drs. Melody Kaliff, Ralston Vet Clinic, and Bryan Welty, Capitol Animal Clinic, Lincoln, for spending the day consulting with dog owners. In addition, GRRIN's fellow rescue partner, Chet Bressman, brought the Nebraska Humane Society's PAW (Portable Adoption on Wheels) RV to the venue. Gold Rush even had an official photographer, Brenda Orr of Orr Photo, on hand to capture all the fun. Lastly, congratulations goes to JoAnn Farrell, the winner of the silent auction for two roundtrip airline tickets donated by Southwest Airlines with proceeds benefitting GRRIN.

Again, our deepest thanks to everyone who attended and/or contributed time, services and merchandise to Gold Rush 2013. What a wonderful way to reinforce GRRIN's mission to rescue and re-home Golden Retrievers!





Briley (13-31, female, 9 months)

Adopted by: Bonnie & Dave

I found it! I found it! What you may ask? My forever home, of course! I was so lucky to find Bonnie and Dave and it is like we have always been a family. I am doing so well, including with the cat! But mom knew I would!

Their grand daughter and I play all day. And she adores me, and I adore her - it is a mutual admiration society! It's all good. My new parents say they are lucky

to have me - but I know I am the lucky one! We all sit outside in the evening and am getting to know all the neighbors. Dave also plays ball with me twice a day until I am actually tired! They think I am funny when I talk to them or to the television. Thank you to all who took such good care of me and a special thanks to Janez and Chris for all their care while I was looking for my new family! I could not have asked for a happier ending!



Sam (13-35, male, 2 years)

Adopted by: Susan, Dan, Nick, Jake, Gabi, Grace & Becca



Thank you to all the wonderful people at GRRIN who helped find me a forever family! I came to live with Susan & Dan and their 5 kids: Nick, Jake, Gabi, Grace

and Becca. I was adopted in late August and I LOVE it here! My new family gives me a lot of people to play and cuddle with. I really like to follow Susan around and take note of her comings and goings. I wake her up to take me for jogs in the mornings and I don't go to bed until she goes to bed at night.

I think I know the routine of my new family pretty well now. I know which toys are mine and never bother the little girls toys...they are pretty happy about that. Susan & Dan love that I have never had any accidents and I don't tear anything up either...I don't even dig holes! The only thing I need to work on is not pulling on the leash and not going between the legs of any person. I think I'm doing pretty good but sometimes Susan goes a little slower than I'd like to go. I'm learning to slow down and I understand "leave it" when I see a squirrel or a bird. I love getting hugs so I keep forgetting the rule about not going between people's legs but I'm getting better.

I have a Golden Retriever dog friend next door named Stella. Stella is 2 and loves to run around and play. We always have a good time together and then I'm ready to take a nap. I also like to go to my family's cousin's house! They have a HUGE yard so I can run and run and run! Then I go home and take a nap. Life is great!

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Watch for these happy tails stories on grrin.org.



Bailey (13-24, male, 10 years) Adopted by: Jerry & Megan





Max (13-22, male, 6 years) Adopted by: Jim & Judy





Paddington (12-04, male, 3 years)

Adopted by: Mike & Kyle



Coco (13-23, female, 8 years) Adopted by: Ed & Suzanne



Keeping Your Dog Safe This Season

The holidays are upon us and cold weather means new dangers for your dog. Here's a refresher to keep your dog safe this season.

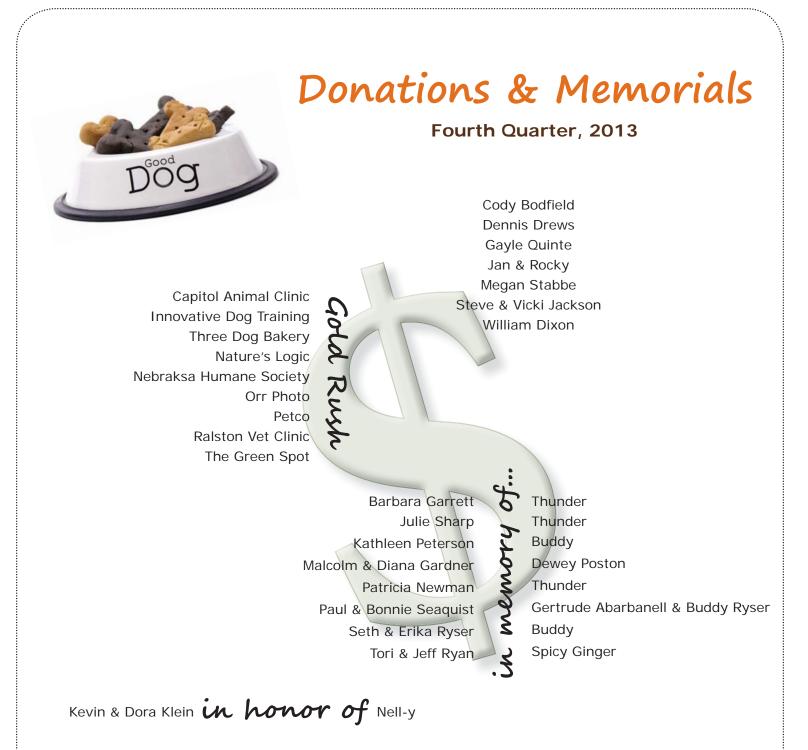
- Holiday ornaments, tinsel, lighting and candles can be of interest to nosy pooches keep them out of reach.
- Gift wrap and ribbons can also be enticing, don't let your dog play or eat them.
- Holiday plants like pine needles, holly, mistletoe, poinsettias can cause digestive problems or can even be toxic if ingested.
- Celebrating with friends and family creates extra food hazards for dogs. Never give your dog chocolate, cooked animal bones, nuts (almonds & pistachios), grapes or raisins.





- Remove salt from paws after going outdoors or use dog booties. Salt can be irritating to the paw pads and dangerous if ingested.
- Antifreeze is like poison for your dog do not let them drink or lick liquid that may contain antifreeze.
- Trim the hair between your dog's toes or ask your groomer to 'scoop' the pads to prevent ice buildup between pads.
- Temperatures below freezing creates the risk of frostbite and hypothermia. If your dog must be outside, remember to keep it brief and provide shelter from the elements, food and fresh water.

Remember to give your dogs plenty of exercise this time of year, even though you may not be able to walk them outdoors. Consider extra training to expel mental energy, such as using an old treadmill for an indoor walk, or setting up an obstacle course in your home (open areas like basements work best). Keep your dog social by going to the dog park, doggy day care or play dates. After all, a tired dog is a good dog!



For more donations & memorials, visit grrin.org and view the previous newsletters.

"The one absolutely unselfish friend that man can have in this selfish world, the one that never deserts him, the one that never proves ungrateful or treacherous, is his dog. . . . He will kiss the hand that has no food to offer; he will lick the wounds and sores that come in encounter with the roughness of the world....When all other friends desert, he remains."



-- George G Vest



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About Us

Founded in 1991, GRRIN s a 501(c)(3) allvolunteer organization. We shelter, rehabilitate and find new homes for Golden Retrievers in distress, provide public education about responsible dog ownership and provide a forum for Golden Retriever fanciers to meet.

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