



Fourth Quarter 2014

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

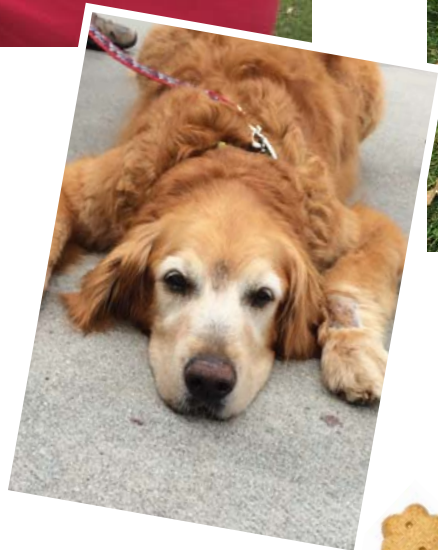


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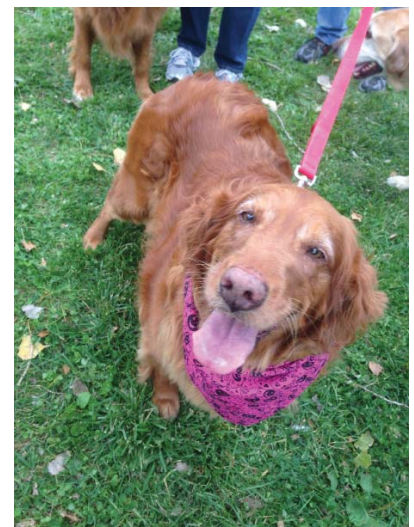


Gold Rush was a success!

Sunday, October 12th | Offutt Base Lake Park



Thank you
volunteers!





A Golden Day for Gold Rush 2014

It was breezy and a bit cool, but that certainly didn't stop approximately 91 guests, 49 volunteers and, most importantly, 70 dogs (including 33 GRRIN Golden Retrievers) from enjoying Gold Rush 2014! From adorable puppies to distinguished senior Golden Retrievers, the canines once again ruled the day at Offutt Base Lake Park in Bellevue. Gold Rush had something for everyone:

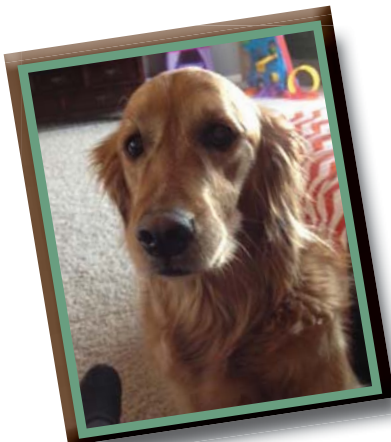
- Vendors Three Dog Bakery and The Green Spot with canine products and samples
- Dr. Melody Kaliff with Animal Clinic Suburban who provided Ask-a-Vet advice
- The GRRIN store open for business with great merchandise
- Current GRRIN foster dogs on-hand to greet guests
- Games and activities for dogs, adults and kids
- Informational programs including a presentation by Cheryl Wilson with the AKC Canine Good Citizen program and a visit from an Offutt Air Force Base military dog and his handlers
- The ever-popular Halloween costume contest for dogs and
- Last but not least, the wonderful parade of rescued Golden Retrievers

A big thank you goes to Curt Bright and The String Beans for providing music throughout the day and also to Ricky Woods of Star 104.5 for serving as Gold Rush emcee. Finally, congratulations to Cathi Smetana, the winner of the silent auction for two roundtrip tickets generously donated by Southwest Airlines with proceeds to benefit GRRIN.

Again, our deepest thanks to everyone who attended and volunteered for Gold Rush 2014. What a wonderful way to reinforce GRRIN's mission to rescue and re-home Golden Retrievers. We look forward to seeing everyone at Gold Rush 2015!

Happy Tails

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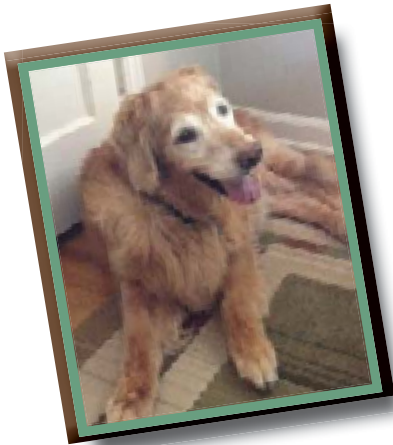


Daisy (14-06) Adopted by: Bob, Susan & the boys

Hi everyone! When my new mom and dad, Bob & Susan, first came to GRRIN they thought they wanted a much younger dog, but then they met ME. Bob grew up with Golden Retrievers and must have realized I have that perfect "mature" personality that he remembered. And I really appreciate that this family has older kids (teenaged twins and a smart college student) who treat me with a lot of respect. I want everyone to know that I am very grateful for Bob & Susan and the friends of GRRIN who found me a "forever" home.

Sadie (14-14) Adopted by: Seri

She has such a sweet personality and is so well mannered that she is a hit with everyone. Sadie has playdates with the neighbor children about once a week. They play fetch with her, make sure she has plenty of water, or just relax under a tree reading. Also she has playdates with cousins Kierra (a boxer), & Hennesey (a yellow lab). She is really getting in shape too. We walk every day & I think she has lost about 3-4 lbs. When I first got her, Sadie had a hard time walking very far as she would get really winded. But now she is walking about 1-2 miles & will even trot a little. She is perfect & couldn't have asked for a better companion!! Thanks to GRRIN, she is my furever friend!



Buffy (14-07)

Hi. My name is Buffy, and I came to Nebraska from Iowa last March. I was 11 years old then, and went to live with Judy. Judy never could believe I was that old, because I am still really active and love to go on walks. But I've been having a few medical problems, and the nice people at GRRIN and Judy have decided that I'm just going to stay with her for the rest of my life. I think they call this "hospice" instead of adoption, but I don't care. Judy and I are happy together, and I like my life with GRRIN.



Buddy (14-10)

Adopted by: Jeff, Katie & Kyle

This is Buddy checking back in! I finally have my own furever home thanks to GRRIN and my great foster Danielle. I am the happiest guy around here! I am quite the snuggler and I even get to sleep in Kyle's bed with him. So nice...He is such a great big brother. Our favorite game is to play flashlight tag. He has even shown his friends how good I am at it. We can play for a long time!

Katie and Jeff are great teachers, letting me know it's ok to go down stairs and I've even learned how to jog and Katie has to keep up with ME! That is something for this old guy, huh? And guess what? I get to start therapy dog training in January. I guess they think I am good with people. I also get to be part of the Reading Pups Program. YAY!

Thanks again to everyone at GRRIN for making my life so wonderful. I am in great health now. I would not be here without all of you!!!

Thank you to Margie Ory, Seri Stastny, Catherine Kennedy and Danielle Pederson for your generous donations to help pay for Buddy's heart worm treatment. Please share this story and encourage others to make sure that their pets receive a monthly heartworm preventative. Heartworms are transmitted by mosquitos that carry the heartworm larvae. These larvae mature and grow inside your beloved family member and can grow to be 12 inches long, eventually traveling to the heart and lungs of their host. The treatment is dangerous to the pet and very expensive – it is much easier to remember to give a monthly preventative and have your dog tested once a year.





Remie (14-16) Adopted by: Greg & Brooke

I am such a happy guy! I have a new home! I have a mom and dad, Greg and Brooke, who take great care of me! I also have two brothers and a sister too! I love it! Garrett and Avery play with me a lot. Emmett is just a little guy and plays too. I have to be careful with him because he is a small guy and I am so big. I don't want to knock him over you know. I even get to tuck them in at night and wake them in the morning with big dog kisses!

I am so thankful for GRRIN and my foster family, Dave and Michelle, for giving me a furever home! You are my heroes!



Husker (13-41)

Adopted by: Ken

Husker here! I came to GRRIN almost a year ago from a rescue group in Iowa. They thought I was a sweetheart but didn't have room for me so a nice guy named Jeff came and picked me up. I had a mini-vacation at Jeff's and one with Elbert, but I ended up with Scott, Kelly, and their son Zach. They were a great foster family and really worked with me once they learned that I was nervous about certain things. I was ready for a forever home for a long time, but a lot of people passed me by because I don't look like most Golden Retrievers. That's ok, I ended up where I was supposed to be – with Ken! Ken saw my photo on Petfinder and decided I was the right dog for him. He needed a companion and a dog that would love to run around his huge back yard. The first time I went to Ken's house, I knew I'd found my "furever" home and so did he. Thanks to GRRIN for sticking by a dog with a funny face and a quirky personality!



Strider (AKA Odie) (14-14)

Adopted by: Cat & John

Hello! I used to be Odie but my new name is Strider. I was adopted by Cat, John, and their resident dog Tatiana, and I love my new home. Cat says I am "naughty" and "incorrigible" but that's what makes me so much fun. I like to steal the cat beds and drive Tatiana nuts.

I've heard the words "very intelligent" used about me because I like to watch Zoboomafu on TV – I especially like the horses and will wait patiently for them to appear. I think my new family named me Strider because they just keep taking me and my antics in stride, but they love me as I am and wouldn't give me up for anything.





Jake (14-15)

Adopted by: Patty & John

This is Jake reporting in! Life is Good! I wasn't sure what to expect after my first human went to Hospice. I stayed a few months with a family known by my vet, but it wasn't working out so well. They called GRRIN, and Jeff and Cherie took me home for a few days. They let me know things can be better. Patty and John really seemed to like me. They have another older golden named Maddie who is the queen of the house.

There's a lot to do around here. I'm trying to teach the squirrels this is my yard now. John says he doesn't need an alarm clock now since I'm tall enough to put my head on his shoulder and snuggle into his neck for a morning wake-up call. I'm happy to show my love to new people and neighbors with a "big dog lean." It's all good, and I'm a happy boy. But back to those squirrels...



Rocky (14-24) Adopted by: Jim & Mary Jane

Hi from Rocky! I am so happy hanging out with my new family. I have lots of grandchildren who play with me and I adore them. My life has been very interesting. I was born with part of my front paw missing. It is really deformed but that does not stop me from running in the yard and playing. However, I do get tired more easily than most dogs my age and I cannot walk very far at a time.



So, let me tell you about my life. I was living with a family who took very good care of me, but they worked all day and were pretty busy so I spent a lot of time in a crate. Don't get me wrong, when I was out of my crate my family loved me very much and played with me as much as they could.

They decided that the best thing for me would be to go to GRRIN. Well, lucky me!! We are having so much fun together and I go with them where ever they go. We are on the road a lot but it's great!! They are checking into the possibility of getting a prosthetic foot for me. We have to go to Denver for that but hey road trip! Thank you GRRIN for helping me find my new home.

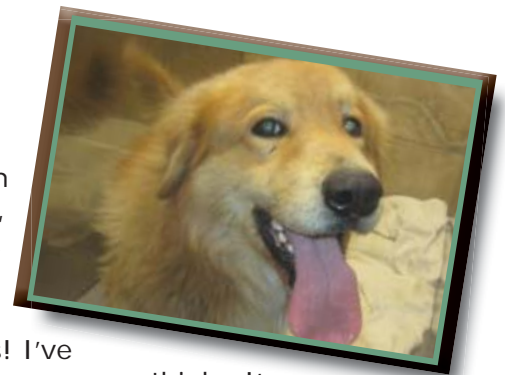


Dakota AKA Teddy Bear

(14-08) Adopted by: Todd & Laura

Hi everybody! I'm Dakota but my former name was Teddy Bear. I came from Oklahoma where I'd lived outdoors my entire life. After that experience, let's just say I don't like thunderstorms! The good folks from a rescue in OK took me in and then asked GRRIN for help with my foster care. I quickly learned house manners and the rules of living indoors.

Then Todd and Laura came along and it was love at first sight for all of us! I've had a few challenges in my new home including some medical stuff but everyone thinks I'm getting better. No matter what happens, Todd and Laura say they'll always be my "forever" family – and they even took me to the Gold Rush adoption parade so they could show off my fabulous smile!





GRRIN has lost a dear friend. Debra L Walz passed September 17th, 2014, and our hearts are with her husband Dan and loving family. Deb had many talents, but the one we know best was her passion for Golden Retrievers. She was a loyal volunteer, former member of the GRRIN Board of Directors, strong supporter, and fierce advocate for Goldens in need. Meeting Deb at the Rainbow Bridge were Woita, Shammy, Max, Sophie, and Selka. Gunner and Sasha remain with Dan.

Donations & Memorials

Fourth Quarter, 2014



Amanda Lausen
Bruce & Bobbie Moore
Daniel & Margaret Moravec
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Thomas & Linda Hanson *in memory of* Casey (Bob & Mary Lampert)

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





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About Us

Founded in 1991, GRRIN is a 501(c)(3) all-volunteer 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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Goldens Adopted
Year to Date

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Goldens Currently
in Foster Care



"Scratch a dog and you'll find a
permanent job."

-- Franklin P Jones