



GRRINNEWS

WELCOME 2017!

First Quarter 2017 | Happy Tails, Golden Hearts



2016INREVIEW

Happy 2017 from all of us at GRRIN! Reflecting back on 2016, our 25th year of rescue, we are feeling truly grateful for all the love and support we have had over the years. It is that continued support that led us through some really great initiatives and accomplishments in this past year.

In 2016 GRRIN participated in a huge rescue effort across U.S. borders enabling us to bring 5 dogs from Turkey here to America for a better life. We saw several special needs Golden Retrievers - including Bogie, our wonder dog who suffered a spinal embolism - get adopted and settled into their forever homes.

We had a lot of fun as well! Annual GRRIN events, including the Annual Training and Gold Rush were a huge hit and well attended. We also celebrated our 25th anniversary with a lovely Gala!

Additionally, GRRIN started some excellent

new initiatives in 2016, including the Canine Cancer Memorial on our website and donations through Amazon Smile. Look for these great efforts to continue here in 2017.

And now, here's a quick look at how you contributed to GRRIN in 2016:

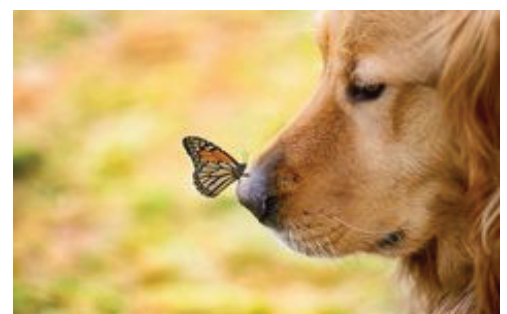
100 volunteers!
36 dogs in foster care, 12 seniors
28 adoptions
118 applications
51 home visits
\$31,942 donations
\$3,735 member dues
\$7,950 adoption fees
\$3,082 grants
\$13,224 fundraising
\$2,571 GRRIN store sales
\$5,910 Turkey dog rescue expense
\$22,682 dog expenses

Thank you all for your continued support of GRRIN! Here's to a great 2017!

COMINGIN2017

We have some great things planned!

1. Keep an eye on our website as we will continue adding cancer memorials and featuring success stories.
2. There'll be more events by Outreach Coordinator Pam! We're excited to be participating at the larger dog expos as well.
3. The continuation of our foster dog meet and greets at Nature Dog on Maple and The Bookworm (sadly, Three Dog Bakery closed, we'd like to thank them for hosting us all this time!).
4. More fun events for Golden lovers, such as Pups on the Patio (turn the page to see our first one scheduled!). Please come join us even if you don't have a GRRIN dog - we love all Golden Retrievers! Let us know if you can share an outdoor venue for our dogs and their humans.





Q1 DONATIONS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND CONTRIBUTIONS!

IN HONOR + MEMORY

William & Eric Andres, in memory of Micki Andres | Mike Awsiekiewicz & Marsha Peal, in memory of Shonie | John Binderup & Patty Carrell, in memory of Maddie (06-06) | Ted & Judy Brass, in memory of Missy & Casey | Dave Buechler, in memory of Bonny Buechler | Gregg Christensen, in memory of Sheyenne | Chris Fletcher, in memory of Charlie (00-33) & Zeke (02-19) | Jayne Gentzler, in memory of Shelby | Owen Henderson & Julia Tracy, in memory of Matthew Henderson & Rocket | Leigh Houfek, in memory of Cooper, Cliff & Hazel | Betty Johnson, in memory of Maggie & Madison | Cindy Jones, in memory of Milo (15-10) | Bill Keil, in memory of George | Greg Korycki & Milo's AZ fan club, in memory of Milo | Tom Kumke & Joan Till, in memory of Thor | Doug & Susie Mahoney, in memory of Sophie | Grant & Maria Mathey, in memory of Bailey | Chad & Susan McCord, in memory of Bella | David & Lisa McElhose, in memory of Dexter | Anthony & Diane Metz, in memory of Honey, Glory & Sugar | Toni Molloy, in memory of Cheyenne (03-42) & Duchess (02-36) | Diane Mumford, in memory of Chelsea & Abbie | Pam Nathan, in memory of Jake Sharp | Marilyn Niemeyer, in memory of "Tri" and Mark Niemeyer | Thomas & Kimberly Olson, in memory of Harley (06-13) | Lee & Sherralyn Peacock, in memory of Mack | Mike & Terry Ralph, in memory of Amber Dawn, Chloe, Rue & Puck | Jim & Jeri Regan, in memory of Gracie (10-50) | Jeff & Tori Ryan, in memory of Roxie (04-48) | Dr. Donald & Donna Sattlem, in memory of Heidi | Alyce Scott, in memory of Aby & Doe | Rick & Chris Small, in memory of Sam & Lily | Seri Stastny, in memory of Missy & Nugget | Karen Stevens, in memory of Kodiak & Dalton | Gary & Connie Stevenson, in memory of Rudy & Zeuss | Paul & Lori Synhorst, in memory of Kallie | Steve Triplett & Sandy Steele-Triplett, in memory of Sophie | Barry & Lynn Trumble, in memory of Spirit, Indy (05-47) & Sparkle | Rita & Ken Vetter, in memory of Riley | Doug & Debra Wallace, in memory of Pearl | Diane Weber, in memory of my father, Robert Hoback | Julie White, in memory of Rusty (14-31) & Rosie (02-33) | Sharon White, in memory of Cash | Matt & Sara Wickencamp, in memory of Sammie (07-52) | Denise Wiemer, in memory of Robert Hoback | Laurie Wilson, in memory of Mitzi, Socks, Brandy, Wizard, Maggie & Jack | Rich & Kathy Woodward, in memory of Katie | Dorothy Wright, in memory of Rex | Wayne & Linda Raschke, in memory of Daisy, in honor of Sophie | Roccaforte Electric Co., in memory of Hadley & Micki, in honor of Maia | Michelle Wright, in honor and memory of all my GRRIN dogs-past, present & future | Jim & Mary Jane Fitch, in honor of Rocky (14-24) | Kevin & Dora Klein, in honor of Nell-y (10-14) | Kevin & Amy Koehler, in honor of Heenooh | Lorraine Lechtenberg, in honor of Suzanne O'Hearn's 65th birthday | Elizabeth & James Marriott, in honor of Buddy & Sophie | Bruce & Bobbie Moore, in honor of Bailey (12-05) | Gary & Nancy Scheet, in honor of Stella | Ernest Yount & Windy Benigno, in honor of Frosty (13-20) | Joseph & Rhonda Zugmire, in honor of Sadie (11-18) | Geraldine Beckmann, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | Alan Bowman, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | Dale & Elizabeth Bowman, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | John & Lois Kenkel, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | Vaughn & Lois Lawrence, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | Cathie Sutton, in memory of Mary Ann Bowman | Laura Anderson, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Corrie Colangelo, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Susan Crawford, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Christine Martinez, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Kristi Nelson, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Aaron Ostrander, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Eric Raider, in memory of Joshua Ostrander | Lisa Thompson, in memory of Joshua Ostrander

GENERAL DONATIONS

Nate Anderson & Chelsea Bloom Anderson | Gaylen & Gay Lynn Baker | Nancy Bowen | Gary Brown | Rod & Connie Buchanan | Dave Buechler | Corky & Doris Buell | Chris Christensen | Clearview Pet Care Center | David & Julie Churilla | William & Kelly Courtney | William & Patricia Coddington | Michael Cronin | Chris & Janez Egan | Martha Gilchrist | Kathy Glenn & Curt Bright | Dave & Rhonda Heineman | Kenneth & Merry Hinton | Theresa Houston | Virginia Hun | Mindy Koch | Roger Kubalek | Ruth Kupfer & Mary Lingelbach | Myron & Celia Lazar | Jeff Lucke

JoAnnMacDonald|Ronald&PatriciaMartin|Adrenne
Messier|DanielMoravec|JoeMuller&NancyMorris
|DougNickell|Thomas&KimberlyOlson|Margaret
Ory | Danielle Pedersen | Harry Quinlan | Vickie
Rogge | MarieRomano | Richard&Janette | Sandy
Scott | Jill Shefte | Brett Sundberg | JamesThele
|Dan&KarenThroener|PhyllisTitus|UnionPacific
|DianeWeber|JohnWeston|Bob&NancyYechout

** We'd like to say a special THANKS to Jamie
Barker, who is so generous to our cause every
year!

AMAZONSMILES:\$59.33

GoodShop \$15.02

Keep on shopping folks!

Our apologies if we missed you! Please send correc-
tions to newsletter@grrin.org



IN MEMORY
ACROSSTHERAINBOWBRIDGE



MAX (15-01)

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE PARY ANIMALS!

OMAHA GIVES, PUPS ON THE PATIO

WHEN: 5-8pm

WEDNESDAY

WHERE: **Pizza West, 12040 McDermott Plz #300**
(I-80 Exit 442) La Vista, NE 68128

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Omaha's 5th annual 24-hour charitable challenge is set for Wednesday, May 24. The giving begins at midnight with a minimum \$10 donation and hourly drawings and prizes make your donations go further. So start gathering your circles and get ready for another great big give-together! GRRIN will celebrate with a Pups on the Patio gathering .

Don't miss any GRRIN events! Make sure to check out the calendar on our website. We are taking part in many new events scheduled this summer, including the Wine & Howl fundraiser June 3 at Deer Springs Winery and the Pick A Pooch expo on July 15 at Ralston Arena.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WANTED! GRRIN Store Manager! Do you like to shop? Are you organized? We need you! Sadly, our GRRIN store manager is retiring and we need someone to take her place. If you have room to store a few bins of merchandise, want to be involved in finding fun new things for us to sell, and can manage a few events per year, then please contact us to learn more by sending an email to volunteer@grrin.org.

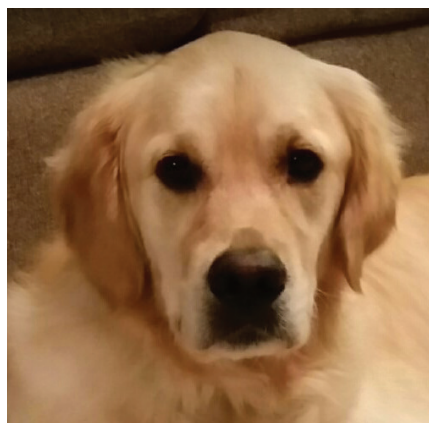
Max came into GRRIN's care in January of 2015. He was 15 years old. He lived happily with Seth & Erika, who, due to his age, thought they'd only have a couple months to spoil him and love him. As each month went by, they were pleased that he was still with them. He was always so happy, spunky and mischievous!

In October 2016, Max celebrated his 17th birthday! He had a doggy party and enjoyed cake, treats, and lots of belly rubs. People he met always commented on how young he looked and his sweet puppy face.

On February 3rd, 2017, after 751 days in GRRIN's care, Seth & Erika finally had to say goodbye to Max. As strong as his mind was, his body could no longer keep up. It was such a difficult day, but his family feels so grateful for getting several years with him. Seth & Erika would like to thank GRRIN for providing the wonderful vet care for Max!

HAPPYTAILS.happytails.HAPPYTAILS.happytails.

Our goal at GRRIN is to get every foster dog to their forever home. Each "Happy Tail" is a reflection of the caring effort shared by volunteers and the families who open their homes to a rescue. Here are some of their stories...



FINN 16-25

ADOPTEDBY:Marianne&Glen

Happy New Year and 2017! Finn here and I am so happy to be in my forever home! I was adopted by Marianne and Glen on December 12th, just in time to go to two Christmas gatherings! They say I was a big hit (they can take me anywhere).

I love people and I love my new forever home, where I have the run of the house. My parents are retired and home most of the time, which I really like. They call me a perfect dog and tell me how much I am loved. I am so happy in my forever home. Thanks to all the GRRIN volunteers who made this possible.

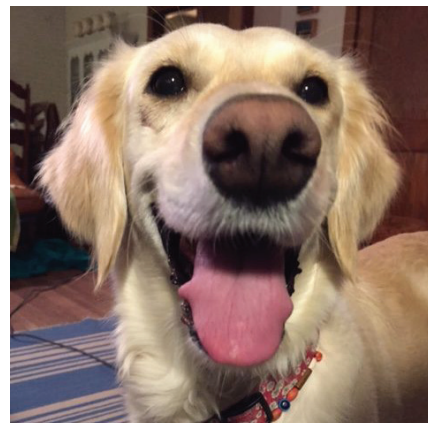


SAMMY 16-21

ADOPTED BY: Jim & Jean

Hi – Sammy here! I am so happy to finally be in my furever home with Jim and Jean! I still do not like to be left alone and am making some adjustments, but other than that, settling in well.

Jim is my best buddy and we go for daily walks. There were a lot of people over during the holidays and I was not used to that, so I have to learn to be a better family member during those times. I love my new parents and am grateful to them for adopting me and to GRRIN for helping me find them. I am looking forward to this new year and wish every golden a loving, happy home like I have.

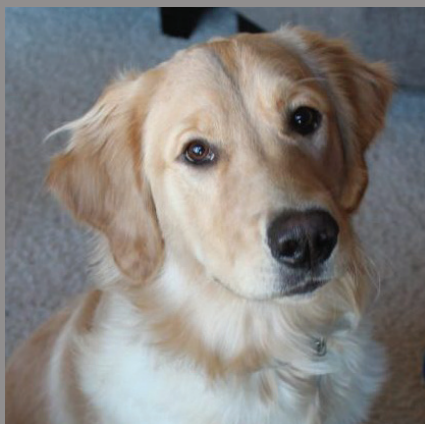


VALENTINE 16-12

ADOPTEDBY:Ben,Andrea&kids

My name is Valentine, and I'm one of the dogs who came to Nebraska from Turkey. I had quite a bit of adjusting after my long trip. I was used to living outdoors and taking care of myself. I quickly learned English and simple commands like "sit" and "come." My foster family was very patient with me - the human kids even taught me how to play with a soccer ball! I also learned how to play with my fur-brother and cuddle on the couch. Because I fit in so well with my foster family, I got to stay with them permanently!

I'll need special dental care for the rest of my life so I'm paying them back by keeping them warm at night sleeping right between mom and dad in the big bed. Mom says I'm making up for lost time when I had to sleep on the streets of Turkey, but I've already forgotten what that's like thanks to GRRIN!



CHARLIE 17-01

(aka Cooper)

ADOPTEDBY:Jason&Margaret

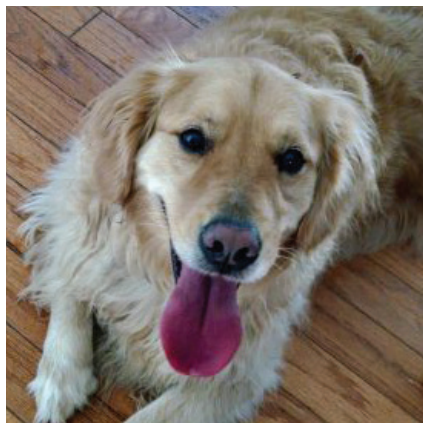
2017 has been good to me! I got a new family and a new name. It turns out that there was another Cooper right across the street from my new home, so my family decided to change my name to Charlie. I like it! It fits me!

My new family is great! It includes a mom, dad, brother, sister and 2 cats to keep me company. I am learning my place in the family; I am the youngest one here. I know tricks; sit, lay down and shake.

I am still a puppy; I like to chase things, especially bunnies and birds. Running helps me to burn off the energy I have. I also get to go on 2 mile run/walks a lot.

The only thing I really need work on is chewing up paper. I can't help myself I love paper! One time I even got into some homework. Whoops!

The cats are not hiding under the bed all the time now. They are starting to come out to see what I am all about. Some day we might be friends, who knows? Thanks to GRRIN, I am a happy boy!



RILEY 17-04

(aka Cosmo)

ADOPTEDBY:Chelley&Mike

Riley here, formerly Cosmo. Mom say's Riley is a much better name for me and I like it! My new Mom and Dad are "foster failures" because they took one look at me and knew they could never let me go. They tell me what a good boy I am because I know sit, shake, lay down and stay and I'm learning new tricks all the time!

I am an only child but it's ok with me because I get ALL the attention from my new parents. I have friends on either side of my yard that like to play with me and bark at the squirrels. I love my ropes and tennis balls and especially walking to the park to play with them. Mom brushes me all the time and gives me belly rubs that put me to sleep! After moving around I am very happy to have found my furever home and thankful to my friends at GRRIN for all the help they gave me.



NALA 16-16

PERMANENT FOSTER

Nala here and I am happy to report that I have taken up permanent residency with my foster parents, Gary and Connie! I think I will thrive staying in my same home while I continue to receive physical therapy treatments.

I am living the good life now in my long-term foster home with my doggie brother Marley and my doggie sister BooBoo. Everyone loves me very much and are taking great care of me.

I go for 2 or 3 short walks a day, and am trying to lose some weight. I love green beans, apples, carrots and belly rubs! Thanks to GRRIN for taking me in!



Golden Retriever Rescue in Nebraska

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ABOUTUS

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.

MAILING LISTS

We do not share our mailing list with other organizations. If you're moving, please let us know your new address so our postage is used productively. Please send an email to newsletter@grrin.org if you prefer to be removed from the list.

Quarter 1 Quick Stats: 9 Goldens Adopted | 3 Goldens in Foster Care



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