



Bink, our Christmas Angel, Needs Your Help!

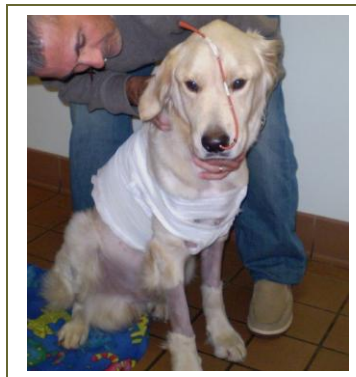
Bink's story prior to coming to CFGRR is a tragic one. Bink (*see pictures at right*) had been hit by a car in the Jacksonville, NC area and instead of being taken to a vet for care, was taken to the local kill shelter where he laid in a dog run without care and in pain for over a week. By the time CFGRR got this sweet boy, he had a temperature exceeding 104 degrees, had difficulty breathing, was skin and bones and had no use of his back left leg as it had been dislocated due to his accident.

After a week of intensive care at Hanover Regional Animal Hospital, he was taken to Needham Animal Hospital for an ultra sound, which confirmed a very severe case of pneumonia. One week after getting Bink, he was rushed to Eastern Carolina Veterinary Referral for exploratory surgery in his chest. Bink had been having continual fluid build up every day and the only way to see why was to operate. We knew it was risky and he was already in poor health, but the fighting spirit of this dog could not be ignored. Our worst fears came to pass when we were told that his entire right lung had to be removed. Normally, the statistics on a dog surviving the removal of the right lung aren't good. However, our angel Bink has defied all those odds and a month after surgery is continuing to progress. He is off oxygen and IV's and will soon be receiving the hip surgery needed to ease his pain and discomfort in that area.

He is a fighter and everyone that has been involved with his care up to this point has fallen in love with this calm and gentle boy. At this point, it is expected that Bink will remain in the hospital through Christmas. Recovery from a surgery such as this is slow, but Bink is hitting all expected targets and doing well all considering.

Our hope is that those of you that are able will be willing to make a donation to Bink's care. His veterinary bills are expected to exceed \$5,000. For those of you that have donated, we so appreciate your help! Bink appreciates your help and the opportunity for a second chance! Donations can be made out to CFGRR, noted as "Bink" and sent to CFGRR, PO Box 12697, Wilmington, NC 28405.

Bink is also in need of a Forever Home after he is released from the hospital. He will need a home environment that is full of love for this special needs boy and where his activity will be no more than moderately active.



Pic Me!

Goldens currently available for adoption

Please contact CFGRR for more information about adopting one of these Goldens and giving them the Forever Home they deserve.



Jasmine is a 1-2 year old who likes other dogs and leash walks. She is a shy girl and needs a home with patience and love to help her through her insecurities.

See more dogs available for adoption on page 5

In Memory of Those Who Have Crossed the Rainbow Bridge

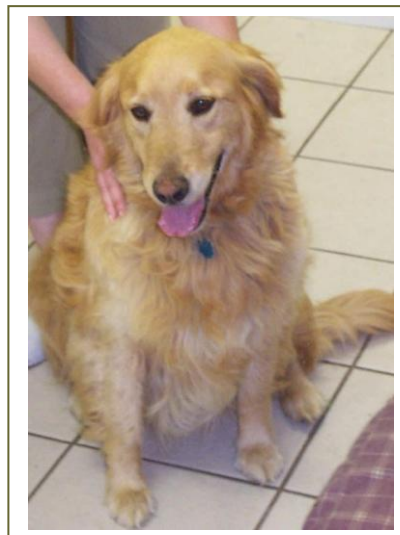


"It came to me that every time I lose a dog they take a piece of my heart with them. And every new dog that comes into my life, gifts me with a piece of their heart. If I live long enough, all of the components of my heart will be dog, and I will become as generous and loving as they are." ~ Author Unknown



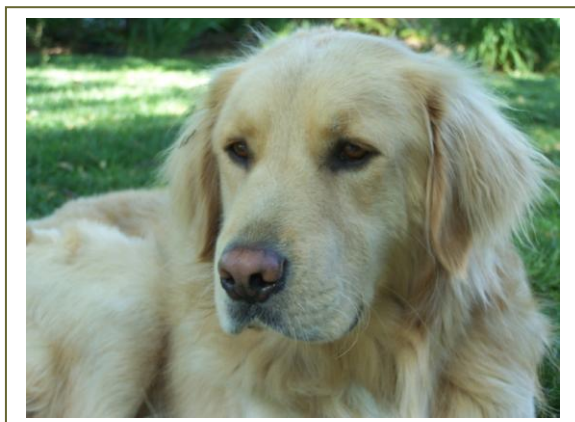
Toby
10/13/97 - 11/1/09

Beloved pet of Lisa and Danny Merritt.



Daisy

Beloved pet of Eric and Gail Imhof.



Sweet Baby Max

Beloved pet of Traci Massey and Paul Booth crossed the Rainbow Bridge on October 30, 2009.

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CFGRR Tail Wags (Thanks)

DONATIONS

General Rescue Fund

- Copie and Ernie Finch
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Bink Donations

- Chris and Diana Abbood
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SPECIAL THANKS

- Paul Whitehouse
- Chris and Diana Abbood
- Lindsay Rowe
- Hanover Regional Animal Hospital
- Needham Animal Hospital
- Eastern Carolina Veterinary Referral
- Pets Pal Inn
- Meadowsweet Dog Kennel
- Aunt Kerry's Pet Stop
- Danny Merritt
- Larry Damon
- Laura Brown
- April Naylor
- Lindsay Rowe
- Gary Traflet

FOUND: FOREVER HOMES!

ADOPTIONS AS OF NOVEMBER, 2009

- Traci - Orlaith
- Gail and Eric - Halea
- Tom and Patricia - Seth
- Lyle - Bailey/Cheyenne
- Nick and Donna - Grady
- Richard and Katie - Marley
- Jacci and Eileen - Oliver/Ollie



FOSTER HOMES – THANKS SO VERY MUCH!!

- Kae Lively
- Lyle Fisher
- Pam and Jerry Lipka
- Dana Mergens
- Jacci Hohnstein and Eileen Ramsdale
- Donald and Robin Kane
- Nick and Donna Gentile
- Karyn Crichton
- Anne and Mike Boozell

If you wish to make a donation to help the rescued Golden Retrievers, please make your check payable to CFGRR, Inc. and mail to:

P.O. Box 12697

Wilmington, NC 28405

Please indicate which fund your gift is for – General Rescue Fund or the Amber Senior Fund.

Thank you!

DogFest

Despite rain for the third year in a row, as you can see from the pictures below, DogFest was considered a success! Over 300 visitors and 50 vendors and rescues were there to support CFGRR along with the BiPed Foundation. A special thanks to our sponsors: PawPrints Magazine, Dog Living Magazine, Star News Media, PPD, Aunt Kerry's Pet Stop, PetSmart, Banfield and Keep on Wagging for their support as well as all the vendors and businesses that donated toward our cause. Over \$4,000 was raised as a result of this event!



Be a Foster Friend

Can't foster right now? How about sponsoring a Golden that is being boarded? Sponsors are urgently needed for temporary boarding. Our foster homes stay full, and having a spot for a dog from the shelter often means the difference between life...and death. Won't you consider sponsoring a deserving Golden today? It's gratifying and much appreciated by our Golden's.

You can sponsor a dog for as little as \$10, which covers one day's boarding cost at a kennel. Dogs that have to be boarded at the vet's office generally cost CFGRR \$20 a day. The amount you donate is totally up to you.

All dogs deserve to be loved by their own forever family, but our dogs don't yet have that luxury. Consider sponsoring one of our dogs. We'll list your name on our Web site next to their picture as long as they are in our program and in our quarterly newsletter.

If you would like to sponsor a particular dog, please indicate the dog's name on your check. Thank you for helping us help the Golden's!

Holiday Dangers for Dogs

The smell of a Christmas or Hanukkah dinner permeating throughout your home is likely to whip your four-legged friend into a food frenzy. Unfortunately, that holiday meal could be lethal for your pet. A few reminders to ensure that the holidays will be happy and healthy for the entire family and keep those extra pounds off your pet!

- Don't give your pet different foods than they would normally get
- Feeding turkey to your dog can cause abdominal pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Don't give your turkey or chicken bones
- Foods high in sodium (especially peanuts and chips) and other fatty foods like poultry skin and beef or pork fat can cause pancreatitis, a potentially life-threatening inflammation of the pancreas
- Never give your dog chocolate or alcoholic beverages of any type!

When decorating your home for the Holidays, please be mindful of the other holiday dangers including tinsel, poinsettia plants, mistletoe, ornament hangers and electrical cords.

Hope you and your pets have a safe holiday!

Pic Me! (continued)



Colby is a 2-3 year old boy and is housetrained, crate trained, likes car rides and loves tummy rubs. He needs a home without other dogs or cats.

Max is a 10 year old Golden Boy that is housetrained and very loving. All he wants for Christmas is his Forever Home. Can you open your heart and home to this sweet senior?



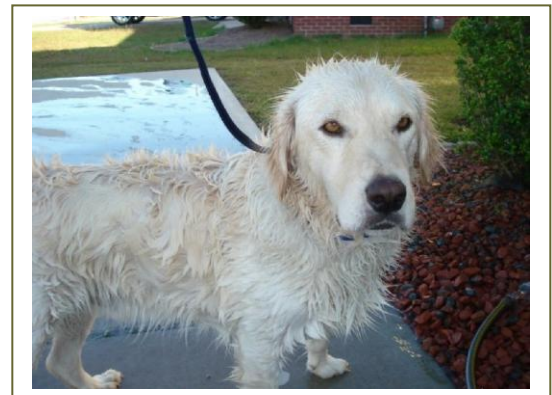
2010 CFGRR Calendars For Sale

The annual CFGRR calendars make great Christmas gifts! We have a few left so place your order now! Calendars are \$15 each plus \$2.50 s/h and can also be picked up at Aunt Kerry's Pet Stop or Pets Pal Inn. If ordering by mail, send check to: CFGRR, PO Box 12697, Wilmington, NC 28405.

More Cute CFGRR Pics



Recently adopted Orlaith, gets some rest with one eye open guarding her new Christmas toy



Handsome Riley

Belk's Charity Event Update

A special THANK YOU to Lisa Thaden for being our top ticket sales person! Lisa sold 33 tickets! Shopping is always fun and this little fund raiser allowed us to raise \$190.00!


Charitable Travel Tax Deduction Reminder

If you are a volunteer who assists CFGRR with picking up dogs who are being rescued, transporting CFGRR rescues for medical treatment, etc. you may be able to take a charitable travel tax deduction on your tax return.

Charitable donations are an itemized deduction on your individual tax return. Transportation or travel expenses, including meals and lodging, incurred when performing services away from home on behalf of a charitable organization are deductible as long as there is no personal benefit involved. In 2008 and 2009, an individual who uses their automobile for gratuitous services to a charitable organization may use the statutory standard mileage rate of 14 cents per mile, plus parking fees and tolls, in lieu of using actual expenses. Documentation of travel is very important. Keep all your receipts and use a mileage log to record charitable mileage.

CFGRR Golden Gallery



 denotes a CFGRR rescue

This month featuring CFGRR Board Members' dogs



Baily (NRGRR rescue) and Mason pose for a photo at Wrightsville Beach (Priscilla Skare)



Julie and Tim Robey with Madison, Hootie and Ally

Sweet Daisy gets a little help from her Chewman (Alecia Barbee)



Rusty thinks rolling and scratching his back on the grass feels GREAT—makes me want to try it! (Lisa Merritt)



Goldie tells Cider, "Really, I'm sure I put that bone around here for safe keeping..." (Pam Jaschke)

Best brothers Toby (RIP) and Elvis snuggling up for a nap—double-time ZZZZ's (Lisa Merritt)



Madelyn and Gwendolyn posing so nicely! (Terri Andress)

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Upcoming Events

2010 Play Dates at Meadowsweet Dog Kennels, 1 - 3 pm

February 20

March 27

May 1

September 18

November 13

Hot Dog Fundraiser, Bridal Expo, CFCC Schwartz Center

January 10, 12 noon - 3 pm

Monty's Home Pet Expo, CFCC Schwartz Center

February 21, 11 am - 4 pm

Event details can be found on the web site at
www.cfgoldenrescue.com

Cape Fear Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc. is a non-profit, volunteer-staffed organization dedicated to the rescue and placement of Golden Retrievers. CFGRR is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization under the IRS tax code.

The Golden Retrievers we receive are given necessary veterinary care and are placed in foster homes until their "forever homes" are found. Please contact us about volunteer opportunities.



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