

Rescuing Golden Retrievers and changing their lives forever.

A Message From Our President

Hello friends, Happy summer. I hope you are finding fun ways to stay cool while keeping your pups active and mentally stimulated.

We have had several instances of being contacted by breeders who have puppies that they have been unable to sell. These puppies have ranged in age between 6 weeks to 6 months old.

I want to thank all of you who donated for the Go Fund Me for Melody, who came in at 6 weeks old and ended up in the ER within an hour of arriving in her foster home.

Our summer fundraising campaign, Fun in the Golden Sun, will launch on July 10th. See details below. We appreciate all of the support our GRR community continues to provide.

Have you seen or read about GRR's Ollie 24-047? He is a 2.5-year-old boy who is looking for his forever family.

Warmest Regards, Michelle

If you know of a Golden in need or one to be rehomed, please always remember to contact our Intake team or call our hotline at 512-659-4653 as our social media pages aren't monitored for posts of dogs in need.

Do you have questions or comments for the Board? We value your input. Please send a note to the Board and include Questions For The Board in the subject line. We will be hearing from you! The next GRR Board meeting is July 20, 2024.

We Still Desperately Need Foster and Respite Families!

Great news! We are seeing an unprecedented amount of young active male Golden Retrievers for adoption in the Golden Sun program.

Even better news: We would like to welcome and invite NEW potential foster families to fill out an application and complete our screening process which includes the application, a vet check, a phone interview and an in-person home visit.

BEST NEWS OF ALL: Your most important role as a foster is to provide kindness, patience, and support while you help prepare your foster dog for its forever home.

Please read our criteria to apply here.

IF YOU QUALIFY -- PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION ONLINE ASAP! If you don't have upcoming travel plans, we will do our best to expedite your application as our need is immediate.

Happening This Month!

GRR 2025 Calendar There are a Few Thumbnails Left! All cover and month photos are sold out, but we do have a few thumbnails available.

Painting with a Purpose Gold Ribbon Rescue Thursday July 11th, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Join us for a relaxing evening of fun and a creative painting experience.

Painting with a Twist Round Rock Studio 1401 S Interstate 35, Suite 140 Renaissance Square 512-502-5885

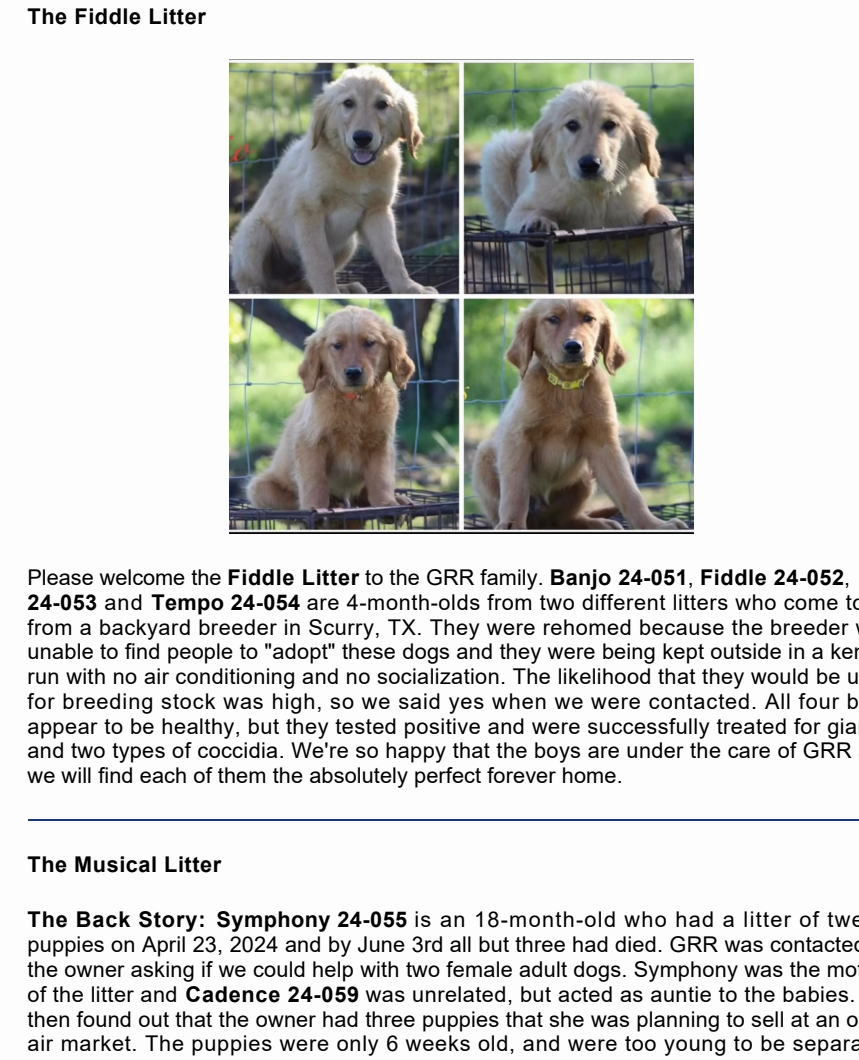
Volunteers Please join us for this high-level overview of Gold Ribbon Rescue. We will discuss volunteer opportunities available. All are welcome to attend.

When: Wednesday, July 17, 2024 Time: 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. RSVP: Please RSVP to Susan if you are planning to attend.

Fun in the Golden Sun Join the meeting now 11689-206-9321, 3845411699 Photo conference ID: 384 541 1699

Head to the Beach! Help Golden Retrievers with Special Needs! Our annual Fun in the Golden Sun fundraiser for our beloved Golden Retrievers with special needs is back!

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!



It's All About the Dogs! Here's Our Roundup!

GRR receives a grant from the Grey Muzzle Organization (GMO) to provide dental care for senior dogs. As part of the grant agreement, GRR must send a quarterly report to GMO featuring a senior dog that has been helped by the grant.

Pink Martini joined the GRR family last February as an over 7-year-old after her previous owner passed away and a new owner took her in. The new owner eventually realized that she could not provide the best possible life for Martie who is a large, active dog.

At Intake, GRR vets anesthetized Martie, took full-mouth X-rays, and did a comprehensive oral exam, including individual evaluation of each tooth, which revealed the need for extractions as well as a thorough cleaning of all her teeth.

After recovering from her dental procedures, Martie was adopted by Artem and Bailey Serganov. They report that she has completely adjusted to life in her new home and is thriving, happy, and super silly.

Thank you to the Serganovs and to GRR for making this success story happen. Learn more about GRR's matronly efforts to provide care, comfort and loving forever homes for needy dogs.

The Fiddle Litter Please welcome the Fiddle Litter to the GRR family! Banjo 24-051, Fiddle 24-052, Riff 24-053 and Tempo 24-054 are 4-month-old boys who were rehomed because the breeder was unable to find people to "adopt" these dogs.

The Musical Litter The Back Story: Symphony 24-055 is an 18-month-old who had a litter of twelve puppies on April 23, 2024 and by June 3rd, but three had died. GRR was contacted by the owner asking if we could help with two female puppies.

Symphony 24-055 Cadence 24-059 In the true meaning of rescue, a GRR volunteer was willing to drop what she was doing and make the 4+ hour trip (one way) to Lufkin to bring all five of the dogs back to Austin.

Melody 24-056 Rhythm 24-057 Calypso 24-058 Buddy 24-060 is a 5-year-old who was rehomed for his own safety. He was a chronic escape artist and the neighbor has a history of shooting stray dogs.

Spade 24-061 and Jax 24-062 GRR. These 3-year-old boys are quite the charmers. Spade is with his foster pending adoption family and Jax is with his foster family.

The Artist Litter We received a call on our hotline from a breeder in Gatesville, TX asking if we could help him with seven puppies for whom he was having trouble finding good homes.

Monet 24-063 Van Gogh 24-064 Picasso 24-065 Michelangelo 24-068 Rembrandt 24-067 Da Vinci 24-068 Matiasse 24-069 Many, many thanks to all of our volunteers who helped bring these sweethearts into GRR care.

My Dream Really Did Come True! I Got Adopted!

Major 24-040, now proudly named Finn, was adopted by our dedicated Gold Ribbon Rescue volunteers, Sandy and Steve, on June 1st.

Finn came to GRR as an 8-week-old puppy with all of the charm and quirks that come with puppyhood. He has quickly shown his unique personality.

Bella 24-029 was adopted on June 2nd by a long-time GRR veterinarian, Dr. Winston, and his family, Belia. Bella was rehomed after the surrendering owner's child became extremely allergic to her.

Letti 24-043 was adopted on June 4th by Jay and Marii Fran. This sweet girl was forced from her home because of a landlord who changed his mind about allowing dogs.

Good boy Hank 24-041 was adopted on June 5th by newbies Matt and Hayley and he has a full pal to teach him the ways of the house! Hank was rehomed due to the severe allergies of his prior mom and his family was heartbroken.

Rose 24-029, now Eve, was adopted on June 12th by her new family, Safena and Faez. They were already looking for a dog with her and large ears. Hope that she will never grow out of her adorably large ears. What a cutie!

We are overjoyed to announce the adoption of Lilly 24-044 on June 17th. Lilly has found her forever home with her new mom, Deb, who is a very loving and patient foster mom.

In honor of a beloved Golden who recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge, Lilly's new name is Lilly-Grace. This beautiful name not only signifies her new life but also honors the memory of Grace, a dear friend of Grace. Congratulations to Deb, Lilly-Grace, and Brinkley on this wonderful new chapter!

We joyfully announce that Treble 24-042, now Jackson, was adopted by Susan on June 16th. In true Golden fashion, despite a horribly neglected previous life before coming to GRR, Jackson is full of life, love and joy with Susan.

Jackson came to GRR from the Kerrville area positive for heartworms, a previous traumatic injury with hind limb weakness, amputation, hip dislocation, severe ear infections with hematomas and cauliflowering and severe dermatitis. This boy was a medical mess. Susan, now with the name Gracie, was his forever person. Now with Susan and Gracie, Jackson is living his best life.

Casper 24-039, now Raiphie, was adopted on June 17th by Hannah. She immediately fell in love with this playful, charming "cuddle monster" and it's easy to see why. Raiphie is still learning not to jump on people uninvited, but he got the green light when Hannah came to bring him home.

Tobi 24-048 was adopted on June 21st by Ivy, her daughter, Kit, and her canine sibling, Coco. Ivy says that Tobi is always in motion so she is difficult to photograph. Tobi loves her new favorite pastimes, playing frisbee and fetch every day.

Riff 24-053 was adopted on June 22nd by Thessaly and Sam. In addition to a new name and a brand new set of parents, Fin (short for Finley) will have new siblings, both canine and human. We are thrilled that Riff has a wonderful life in his future. Congratulations to the new family.

Tempo 24-054, now Luigi, was adopted on June 22nd by long time GRR adopters Patsy and Carl. They and big sister Li Ming (GRR 18-034C) are gently introducing him to the good life. Luigi has started to frolic in his family's backyard and relax in their pool and he has already mastered the art of snuggling! What a wonderful life he will have!

We are so happy to announce the adoption of Kobe 24-045 on June 23rd by Jana and Howard. Kobe's previous owner loved him dearly, but was unable to keep him and chose GRR to find him a new forever home. His new family is fully committed to having Kobe be a part of their family for the rest of his life.

Calypso 24-058 was adopted by Steve and Jessica on June 26th. It's such a happy moment to see this sweet, snuggly puppy in the hands of a family that will really love her and raise her right! Congratulations to Steve and Jessica and their two teens on their adoption of Calypso.

Rhythm 24-057 was adopted by Paige and Austin and their children on June 26th. They were so excited to pick up this sweet little one, one of their three members of the Musical Litter. She is settling in well with her new family and will have a wonderful life. Congratulations to them all!

Banjo 24-051 was adopted on June 27th by Aaron and Kara. They are "super stoked" to welcome this little gem to their family! After patiently napping while his fosters braved traffic from San Antonio to Austin, Banjo is settling in at his new home, which is tricked out in toys. We're so happy for fabulous Banjo!

Melody 24-056 was just a six-week-old baby when she arrived into GRR care with her siblings. She required an emergency vet stay and we weren't sure if she was going to live. Spoiler alert: she's thriving and just got rehomed on June 27th! Melody, now known as Harper, is living her best life with Joyce and Troy, her new parents, and three Golden retriever siblings: Allisox, Marley, and Charles (CLP). This is a match made in heaven and we are so excited for Harper and her beautiful family.

Cadence 24-059 was adopted on June 30th by her FFA family, Tina and Randy. They are keeping the name Cadence because they said it was fun to say and she is a really well! She will have a canine companion who is also a guide dog for Randy and they get along just great! She has been such a joy in addition to this family and they truly love her! Congratulations to Tina and Randy!

We're so happy to announce that sweet little Fiddle 24-052 was adopted on June 30th by Jason and Shanna. They have a 10-year-old-son that will get to grow up with him, and a pool to boot! Fiddle really did enjoy the pool at his foster home, so that's a huge plus! Congratulations to the new family!

Thoughts, Prayers and Remembrance...

Juneau (Dex) 11-168 Tuff 20-254 Olivia (Andrea) 15-137 In Memoriam Michelle Goldberg

We said good-bye to Juneau last night (June 28th) I just can't believe it. I know their time is limited but there was something about Juneau that made him feel invincibly to us. His crowning glory were that tall and his ego, I could be a novel about how wonderful he was and all of the love he gave to us.

I've spent hours looking at photos and videos and have cried more than I thought possible. I hate that many of you also know this pain and I hate that we will go through this many times again, but I would never trade this for all of the amazing years we had with Juneau. It's hard to have imagined how empty our house feels with his gone. Juneau was a first sign for me that I could have known. Run free my beautiful boy.

Olivia (Andrea) 15-137 Susan Rodolf My beautiful, sweet and protective Olivia (Andrea 15-137) passed away on May 20th. I miss her terribly. I had 8 1/2 years wonderful years with her and I have GRR to thank for that. In February 2023, she developed "old dog disease", which made her fall down and sometimes vomit. She recovered, but in April of this year it returned and brought mild dementia, more falls and trouble walking. None of the interventions we tried could help her so it was time to let her go.

Tuff 20-054 Lena Flowers and Kurt Honigschmidt lost their precious Tuff on June 3, 2024. Tuff was one of the former bomb sniffing dogs, that were basically abandoned by their caretaker until their owner saw their condition, evicted the caretaker, who then contacted GRR for help. Tuff was a valued GRR volunteer and he conducted 26 home visits with Lena for GRR. He was a family member who loved to snuggle, a genuine true rescue. Run free sweet boy.