# 2021 Newsletter 3rd Quarter Edition

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## 3rd Quarter 2021 Highlights

Seven dogs joined Appalachian Great Pyrenees Rescue in 3rd quarter 2021: Ace, AnnaBelle, Bo, Delilah, Dixie, Leroy, and Willow. We also had four kittens join us: Hercules, Latte, Loki, and Thor.

The following eleven dogs are very happy in their new forever homes: Amos, Argie, Buzz, Callie, Dixie, Faith, Hope, Polar, Remy, Walter and Willow. All four kitties were also adopted.

Sadly, we said goodbye to Banjo, one of our Pyrs in long term foster care. Banjo came to AGPR in 2015 at a little over four years of age. He was deaf due to severe ear issues. After several ear surgeries, Banjo's ears were pain free. His long term

foster gave Banjo a wonderful life. Banjo enjoyed his days helping his "dad" out on his farm—visiting the goats and helping with chores during the day and enjoying his evenings in a loving home. We are so happy that Banjo's second half of his life was happy and pain free. He will be sadly missed!



Congratulations to the Pyrs and kittens adopted in the third quarter of 2021 and thank you to their new families!

### 7th Annual AGPR Calendar Photo Contest

Once again, a wonderful response to our annual calendar photo contest!
Our goal was to raise \$10,000 gross.
Thanks to all our supporters we succeeded!

Our final results? The contest grossed \$11,520 with a net of \$10,099.55 (GoGoPhoto and Stripe do take a small percentage).

124 participants voted on 34 Great Pyr entries. There were over 11,000 votes cast, resulting in 15 winners. There were also 56 dates reserved for Pyr photos.

We ordered 125 calendars which sold quickly. Two additional orders were placed for a total of 200 calendars (only two remain). Many thanks to all of you who "played" and supported AGPR! We are so very grateful.



# 7th Annual AGPR Calendar Photo Contest (cont'd)



January



**February** 



March



April



May



June



July



August



September



October



November



December

### **Outdoor Kennel Installation**

In March 2021, \$4380 was raised from a Facebook birthday fundraiser thanks to two matching funds challenges. This birthday gift was put to good use to build new large outdoor kennel runs. 1000 paver stones were also pur-

chased to lay in many of the outdoor runs to help during "mud ed, paver stones laid and mulch season". spread. Once completed, a

On July 11, eighteen volunteers arrived at the rescue kennels ready to work. And work we did! In the matter of a few hours,

three larger kennels were erected, paver stones laid and mulch spread. Once completed, a number of lucky dogs were introduced to their new "digs" and the new kennels were quickly christened.













# **Congratulations to our 3Q Adoptees**



Left: Argie and Walter - the brothers were adopted together (to previous AGPR adopters ) where they have lots of room to run. Lucky boys!

Right: Faith and Hope - these adorable sisters, who are inseparable, were also adopted together to a previous AGPR adopter. These girls manage to keep their new parents on their toes!



## Congratulations to our 3Q Adoptees (cont'd)



Left: Handsome Amos found his new home with one of our dedicated volunteers. Life is so very good!

Right: The lovely Miss Dixie loves sharing her home with a handsome male Pyr. She looks happy, doesn't she?



Right: Buzz was one of the sixteen dogs that came to AGPR from a hoarding situation in March 2021. Buzz is very happy in his new home and loves to take care of his human baby.





Left: Remy came to AGPR as a puppy and has grown into a handsome young boy. He shares his house with a lovely female lab and five cats.

Right: Polar - from apartment to AGPR to a lovely big farm environment where he plays outside during the day and enjoys the homelife at night.



## Congratulations to our 3Q Adoptees (cont'd)



Left: Callie was with AGPR for six years due to her discriminating taste in humans. There was only one man in her life one of our volunteers - and she was willing to wait for him to retire. She's happy now!

Right: Willow came to AGPR in bad shape and look at her now. She loves taking care of her three little humans.



## "A Pyr in Need" Recurring Donation Program Update

A big thank you to those of you who are participating in our "A Pyr In Need" Recurring Donation program (Ariele, Bob, Elizabeth, Frank, James, Jan, Karen, Lauren, Louise, Nelle, Patti, and Susan - no last names needed, you know who you are)!

Every month, new Great Pyrenees dogs are surrendered to AGPR and we never want to have to say "no" to a Pyr In Need.

Our canine "kids" cost money to care for - food, supplies, and medical expenses can add up quickly. Which is why recurring donations are critical to the health of our organization.

Interested in learning more? Information is posted on our website, <a href="https://agprescue.org/recurring">https://agprescue.org/recurring</a>

### -donations/.

We thank you so much for your support!

P.S. Take a look at our "Meet Harley" story, one of the dogs who benefits from the Recurring Donation Program: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7oqj3j0jaGk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7oqj3j0jaGk</a> {Note: the video does contain some photos of Harley's skin issues}





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#### **Upcoming Events:**

### Petco's Photos with Santa 1520 N Parham Road

Richmond, VA 23229 December 19, 2021 (1:00—3:00)

AGPRescue is a 501(c)(3) organization - all donations are tax deductible.

### Introducing the AGPR Chewy.com Wishlist

As every pet parent knows, pets need stuff....a lot of stuff. From food and treats to toys, beds and beyond. There's a whole bunch of gear that goes into helping give pets their best lives. Rescues like ours rely on donations for these items. We are often asked "What do the Pyrs need at Appalachian Great Pyrenees Rescue?"

Chewy.com's Wish List makes it easy. We've recently set up a page for AGPR and created a list of items from Chewy's vast assortment of what we could use - anything from dog food (mostly canned) to toys and treats to gift cards and martingale collars. This makes it easy for anyone interested in sending gift packages - you can shop from the list.

Chewy will deliver those products right to our Office door. Think of it

as a direct line to Appalachian Great Pyrenees Rescue, giving you the chance to make a difference by sending the right supplies at just the right time.

Interested in checking out the list? Here's the link:

### https://tiny.cc/Chewy4AGPR

P.S. Chewy.com does NOT provide us with sender information, so we'd love to hear from you and thank you. A simple email sent to <a href="mailto:agpr-news@verizon.net">agpr-news@verizon.net</a> saying "a Chewy gift box is on its way" would be appreciated.



## Helping our Pyrs by Shopping





Details on how to sign up for AmazonSmile and Kroger have been posted on our website: <a href="https://agprescue.org/fundraising/">https://agprescue.org/fundraising/</a>

For more information on how you can help, e-mail us at <u>AGPR-news@verizon.net</u>.

Thank you.