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Adoption Corner



Daisy in CO

Hello, my name is Daisy. I'm not just

President's Letter

Dear Friends and Fellow Volunteers,

Having worked on Intake, the Volunteer Committee, as a State Contact and as Treasurer, I am very proud to be able to continue to serve as president of this organization. I know that with your support, we will make a difference in the lives of many Havanese during the coming year.

Havanese Rescue Inc began its mission in 2004 and has grown by leaps and bounds since then. In its first year, HRI took in 33 Havanese.

This year, we have already brought in 91 dogs and are well on our way to matching, if not surpassing, last year's record number of 162 pups.

another pretty face, although I've heard people say my big brown eyes have a special sparkle for the people I love. I'm your typical Havanese velcro dog, wanting to be near those I love at all times.

Lately, I've started napping on my foster mom's foot - just to make sure she doesn't sneak out without my knowing.

My foster home has lots of other pups and even kitties that I get along with just fine. If I need to communicate, I have a low, growly-grumble voice that I can talk to you with.

I have epilepsy, which only means that I eat food that is really good for me and I take medicine twice a day. I think my mom hides it in my food, I'm not sure because I don't even realize when I've taken it.

Ideally, my forever home would be peaceful with low stress, and have someone home with me all day. I'd also like to have another pup or even a kitty to play with. In return, I promise to keep you company and dance for treats.

<u>HavToHavIt General</u> <u>Store</u>

Hurry! There's not much time left to pre-order your 2012 HRI Calendars for only \$21. Plus you'll get *Free Shipping*!

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During the first half of this year, we have already paid more than \$60,000 for veterinary care alone. Add in shelter fees, supplies, grooming, transport, etc. and you can see that helping Havanese in need is not an inexpensive task.

We are so blessed to have such wonderful volunteers. Our foster parents go above and beyond for the Havanese in their care. Whether they take in one dog or several dogs, pup after pup, or dogs with special needs, they all generously give their time, experience, love and money. One of my goals for this year is to find additional foster homes so that we can help more Havanese.

Our State Contacts and Committee members spend countless hours working to better the lives of Havanese in need.

I would like to give a special thanks to Sue Curtis for the beautiful banners and table runners she has designed and donated to HRI, and to Pat Casson who has donated her wonderful handcrafted items that we sell in the HavToHavIt store, with all proceeds going to HRI.

A huge thank you goes to Daniel Tosh who donated the entire proceeds of his recent benefit performance in Omaha, NE to four different rescue organizations. HRI was the lucky recipient of \$15,000!

Thank you to HCA for their donation of \$2,000 at the 2011 National Specialty in North Carolina.

Our grant application to the AKC Humane Fund was approved and we received \$1,000 from them.

Thanks to Diane Silver, we were awarded \$1,000 through a Pedigree grant.

Some of our volunteers and adopters have donated money through a matching gift program at their work place.

I would like to welcome our new board members Eva Bowers, Nancy Rogers, Andria Westphal and Joyce McKennedy. I look forward to working with them along with Pam, Bonnie, Karen, Charlene, Diana and Lindsey. Jen and Mary deserve special thanks for their unflagging devotion to HRI and their service on the Board.

Sally Cotumaccio, HRI President

Who We Are -- Volunteers



2012 Wall Calendar



Michela Abeln and her foster, Rascal

Seven years ago a handful of people formed Havanese Rescue Inc as an independent charitable non-profit organization to rescue and re-home Havanese in need of our care.





2012 Desktop Calendar



Joyce Holzapfel and Zoe

HRI now comprises 554 volunteers and their families who work hard to improve the lives of our dogs: they are the heart and soul of HRI. They are from every walk of life, from big cities and small ones across the United States - they share their experiences, their ideas and their expertise with each other and the entire



Quilt Winners

HRI Quilt Havs at Home: Lynn Curtis, one of our Southern California volunteers!



Terri Pike with Havs at Home
Quilt

Havanese Quilters' Bloomin' Havanese: Adrienne Schneiweiss of Florida who was present to hear her name called and couldn't have been grinning any bigger!

organization.

Volunteers respond at a moment's notice when necessary for small or large tasks that need to be tackled. They plan months in advance for big events, and educate the public on a daily basis through our website.

From using their computer skills; graphic design talents; interviewing and counseling techniques; to visiting homes and shelters; processing applications; transporting, fostering, evaluating, loving and finding homes for the dogs that come into HRI - each of the volunteers of Havanese Rescue Inc has the same goal in mind, to make a



Ursula Bassolino, Stacy Roussos and Jazzy

difference in the life of each dog that enters Havanese Rescue.

Havanese Rescue volunteers ROCK!



Adrienne and Ralph Schneiweiss

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Letter From Home by Nala and Simba

Hello everyone! Nala, here! My brother Simba and I would like to tell you a little bit about our lives now that we have found our furever home. We were happy to be adopted by a family of six. They didn't even know that they really wanted two dogs, until Simba and I came along. You see, Simba and



Nala and Simba

I are a team and you don't mess with success. Our furever family not only wanted us, but they needed us! We can't figure out how they ever got through their day before we joined the family!

Starting at sunrise, we wake up Dad so that he isn't late for work. We also have four kids to look after. Our teen needs us to send him off to school each day with kisses, and when he gets home, he needs us to cheer him up with lots of toys and play. Simba decided our teen needed a best friend and has happily accepted this position.

Our 6th grade girl is learning about responsibility. She feeds us each day. We play with her also, and she has learned many tricks quickly. We also have a 6th grade boy and a 4th grade girl who need their faces washed several times a day. We often help mom patrol the kitchen by checking the floor for crumbs.

Mom is home with us every day. We keep track of her and keep her company. We allow her to brush us because we know that it relaxes her and gives her enjoyment. Besides, the leftover treats she gives us when she is done could spoil if we didn't take care of it. Ah, the sacrifices one must make for love.

We must keep our family happy and fit. Luckily, we're cute and they are easily amused. We keep them in shape by insisting that they take a walk after dinner. They would be couch potatoes if not for us! In the evening, it's my job to keep my Mom's lap warm, while Simba takes care of his teen. It's the perfect way to

end the day.

Simba and I want to thank Havanese Rescue and our foster family, Claudia and Bruce, for taking such good care of us and for finding us the perfect furever home. We are furever grateful.

Kisses and tail wags, Nala and Simba

National Specialty



Nona Dietrich and Louise Donner

This year's National Specialty was held in Durham, NC. If you were unable to make it, not only did we miss you, but there was so much that you missed! Imagine yourself surrounded by this country's most beautiful Havanese and the people who love them, meeting new friends that you've only known by email, social networks or reputation and reconnecting with friends you haven't seen in a while.



Popi and Angela Eglinger

The shopping was fabulous! The <u>HavToHavIt</u> store became mobile and had items available for purchase right then and there. It was an awesome opportunity to see the products 'live.' Each night there was a dinner with an auction and drawing.

Tickets were a hot commodity with everyone's efforts to outbid friends for their favorite auction items they just couldn't live without.

The following is a rundown of the amount of money raised to take care of our dogs in HRI:

> The HRI Reception brought in \$10,835.

The Quilt Drawing brought in \$5,550.

The on-site HavToHavIt store grossed \$10,782.25.

Great memories were made. Not all of them can be revealed in this article. It's much like Las Vegas, "What Happens at Nationals, Stays at Nationals."

Be sure you plan to make next year's Nationals in Minnesota so that you, too, can leave with wonderful memories.



Jennifer French and Freddie

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