



Changing Lives

Harold "Bud" Donner

Pilot, World Traveler, Havanese Lover

by Stacy DeJoseph



Harold "Bud" Donner (left)

It is an honor to write an article about someone that everyone loves, that person is Bud Donner. Bud is a true gentleman--intelligent, accomplished, well-traveled, quick-witted, and generous.

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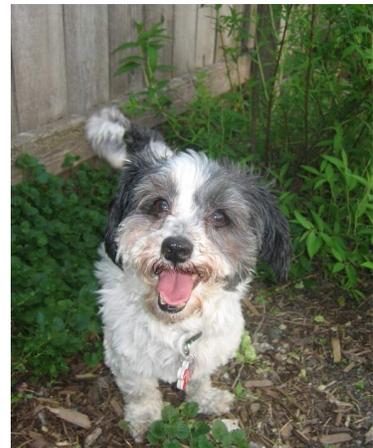
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Adoption Corner Climbing Ivy

by Lu Wyland



Cute, sparkly, smart, athletic and loving of attention. Those are great descriptors for six year

Bud grew up on Long Island, New York. He and his bride, Louise, met in high school and will soon celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. They have two daughters, four grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

This well-rounded man has had many life experiences. After serving as a pilot in the U.S. Air Force for nine years, Bud flew for Continental Airlines for 17 years. Positions with the N.T.S.B. and the F.A.A. as an accident investigator followed. Retired from government service, he currently works as an aviation safety consultant for Airbus. These positions and vacations have taken him to at least 35 countries, among them Russia, China, Egypt, Italy, Germany, Spain, England, Holland, France, India, Colombia, Peru, Brazil, Angola, Tunisia, South Africa, Viet Nam, Japan, and Korea.

Some of Bud's many hobbies and interests have included sailing, touring through Europe on a bicycle, photography, and cooking. He is the only person I've ever known to own a hot air balloon business, and he and Louise flew in the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta.

Beyond his love of Havanese and family, he "adores" his Mazda Miata he's on his third. Touring with different Miata clubs keeps him regularly cruising around our country and Canada. These tours likely can't compare though to being a co-driver in a 1929 Mercedes in the Mille Miglia, a 1,000 mile rally in Italy.

Bud is dedicated to his dogs, our breed, and always to our little rescue Havanese. On many occasions, he has driven hundreds of miles to transport rescue dogs, conducted home visits for potential adopters or new volunteers, fostered rescue Havanese, gone to shelters to identify dogs, or happily placed a rescue "graduate" with a loving family.

Both Bud and Louise are the HRI State Contacts for Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia. During the past two years Bud has been a member of the Board of Directors of HRI, serving as our first male member and treasurer. His work has been outstanding and it has been a true pleasure to work with him. He is retiring next month from the treasurer position, but will continue his fine work with our organization.

Bud Donner is always there, responding to rescue's needs. He does his work quietly and well, with integrity and without fanfare. One of our greatest supporters, he gives from his heart (and wallet) whether asked or not. Bud is tremendously respected and loved. He is an HRI angel.

old Ivy but only if we add LOVABLE.

Ivy was one of ten Havanese released from a puppy mill where she'd spent her life producing puppies. She was in very poor condition when she came into rescue with very infected teeth which led to eye and ear infections. In addition, Ivy had a serious bladder infection and a large hernia related to numerous litters. She has received all the medical treatment she needed for her health problems.

From the start, Ivy was amazingly resilient. She greeted women without reserve. She remains shy and fearful around some men but not all. Her tail is up and wagging much of the time. And unlike some former puppy mill dogs who try to blend into the background, Ivy loves attention! She looks around at times to see if anyone's watching her.

Ivy's a smart little dog. You can almost see the wheels turning as she tries to figure out the world. And remember I said, "agile" early on? Ivy has been found at the top of the cat climber, on top of the counter looking out the window and, conversely, on top of the patio table looking inside the house as her foster mom pours her morning coffee.

Ivy loves playing with boy dogs in particular. A canine companion will be important for her as she still looks to them to learn what is expected in different situations.

Forum Quilt

Undercover(s): The Story of the Havanese Forum Member's Quilt

By Suzy McQuown with Julie Jorgensen



Following the overwhelming response to the quilt made by the women of the Havanese Forum last year, when many were able to actually see and touch the beautiful piece in Virginia at Nationals, a decision was made by the group to make two pieces in 2009, one to be donated to HRI and the other to the Havanese Fancier's of Canada Rescue.

Following a vote, the enchanting theme entitled "Four Seasons" was chosen and design work began almost immediately. Generous members helped with the funds necessary to finish the quilts and a drawing for a custom portrait pillow was conducted on a video cam complete with an unbiased choosing of the winner by Riley the Havanese.

Ivy continues to work on house training. She's much like a new puppy in that she needs to go out frequently. It could be behavioral, but also seems quite possible that Ivy doesn't have as much muscle control having carried so many litters over the years.

If you have time to spend with Ivy, it's hard to imagine a more loving and rewarding dog to adopt into your family. She will repay your attention and love with more of the same as well as undying devotion. This little girl deserves a family to call her very own.

Click [here](#)

to learn more about Ivy.



Letters From Home Montana's Bandit Accused of Stealing His Owner's Heart

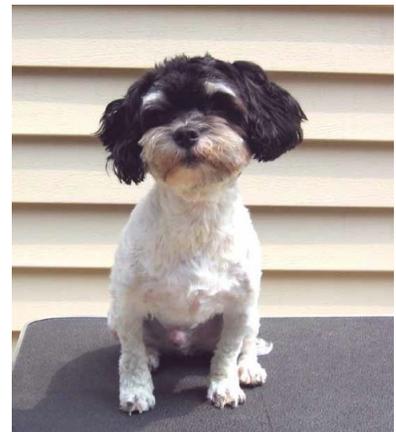
As blocks were submitted, careful consideration was given to placement and balance, and the result are two splendid pieces full of beauty, care, and much, much love. The HRI Quilt is dedicated to the memory of Dorothy Goodale, a strong supporter of the Havanese breed who passed away this year.

Havanese Rescue is indebted to each of the Forum Quilters and to those who donated their effort, time and funds to this project, one of our major fundraisers. As the number of Havanese entering HRI continues to grow, your hours of design, cutting and piecing, assembly and quilting, along with the money raised from the drawing where some very lucky person will win your lovely quilt, assures that every Havanese who needs us will be taken into our loving arms and open hearts.

HRI Quilt

Havanese Antics Quilt Prances Onto the Scene

By Lu Wyland



Bandit's arrival into my life was a series of both unfortunate and fortunate events. Born in Hungary, he was flown to the U.S. and bounced from pet shop to pet shop until landing into the loving arms of HRI and adoptive parents Bud and Louise Donner. I began my search for a companion following the death of my dog, Crickey-Marie a few months prior. An email of inquiry to your organization was quickly answered, and the process of communication and introduction to Bandit began. I learned about the Havanese breed and received updates and photos of year-old, curly-haired, bright-eyed, 12 pound Bandit.

What were the chances that I could use frequent flier miles and find a convenient schedule to get from Missoula, Montana to suburban Washington, DC.? Amazingly, perfect flights were available and off I flew across the country to pick up a Havanese puppy. I had concerns, but the love I felt for this guy far outweighed them and from the time I entered the Donner's home I knew Bandit, with his inquisitive eyes and mischievous personality, and I



Somebody is going to be incredibly lucky. Seventeen people pooled their talent to create the beautiful [Havanese Antics quilt](#)

to benefit the dogs of Havanese Rescue Inc. Anyone can enter to win this original Havanese quilt.

This year's theme, Havanese Antics, inspired both discussion and memories on the quilt lists that resulted in some of the most delightful quilt blocks that have been seen in quite some time. Appliqued images of Havanese shredding, dancing, perching on couches, wrestling, running, riding and so much more adorn the quilt. At the center is a stunning block of a sable Havanese head, embellished with embroidery. Around the Havanese are patchwork blocks, many embroidered with descriptions that flavor our Havanese world.

The Havanese Antics quilt was carefully quilted by Pat Limburg. Each block has as many as four different colored threads in the quilting. It was done to enhance each block but not compete with the work the artist created in her block's design.

would spend the rest of our lives together.

Even though Bandit is a small dog, he is sturdy and strong. He is also smarter than I am and has his own vocabulary. Without any special training, he knows intuitively how to behave at the local nursing home when we visit. Bandit is so gentle, while remaining independent and spirited. He loves to run and I often drive to the reservoir to allow him to run like mad. Other times, we sedately walk in the park and feed the ducks. And, many days, Bandit travels to the office with me where I work part time as an attorney for several Indian tribes.

I am truly enjoying this precious little dog who started out on the other side of the world and who came to me from clear across the country. Havanese rock!

Evelyn Stevenson, owned and loved by Bandit

HavToHavIt General Store



Measuring 61" x 72", the quilt has a sleeve on the back to provide support in displaying this quilt in your home or business.

This is the 7th year the Havanese community has had the opportunity to win a gorgeous handmade quilt (or two or three!) to help support Havanese in rescue. A lot of love goes into each block, a perfect reflection for the love our Havanese bring to our homes. Everyone's a winner when they participate in the creation or support of this project with their donations for tickets.

Gotta Be in Pictures

The HRI Rescue Calendar

You've seen their adorable faces and followed their stories on the HRI website or in quilt ads. Once again, at public request the Havanese Rescue Calendar is available.

If you recall the last three rescue calendars, your Havanese (or other dog) can "be in pictures" too! Yes, for a small contribution, HRI's calendar will allow you to submit a small photo of your dog to be printed on the calendar day you specify. It's a great way to honor your pet's birthday, championship, "gotcha day," or to simply show off their wonderful holiday duds.

All funds, of course, will go to support the continuing and growing efforts of HRI. More specific information will follow regarding pricing. For now, please take a look through your digital photos and select a few perfect shots that you'd like to see on the calendar. What a perfect holiday surprise for the Hav-Loving friend or family member.

It is time to reserve your dates now.
Only one photo and pet name per date
so don't delay and miss out on your 1st choice.

Instructions:

Email: havfriends@gmail.com with your name, address, phone number, your 1st choice and 2nd choice date, and the pet's name for that date.

Attach that pet's digital jpeg photo image to the email and click "Send" ~ one entry for each pet photo/date. Each pet photo/date entry costs \$ 10.00.

Chill at the [HavtoHavIt General Store](#)

! Cool new dog toys and sweet tees!

*The McCartney and Co.
Havanese Happy Face design
will bring a smile to everyone
around you. And our breed is
just that - happy - isn't it!*

Donations

Everyone hears about the economy...few stop to think about what it means to pets. Pet relinquishment is increasing rapidly. Please help when you can.



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