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Amber Newbern demonstrates the great form that helped her team win First Place in AGR’s Fore! Paws Golf Tournament on September 17, 2022. Please see the article on pages 25 - 32 and more photos on page 35.

And they were rolling!
 Shotgun start at 1:30 PM



AGR volunteers and their dogs were in place to cheer on the golfers as the carts were driven out onto the course – in back: Teri Guilbault with Raya, Liz Tataseo with TK and Leslie Carson with Sally; in front: Cindy Tigges with Natasha and Lucy, Judy Birt with Cali Girl and Asher, Lauren Rudin with Bryxx



Cover Design by Connie McCabe – dogs are 21-058 Belle and 21-059 Duke

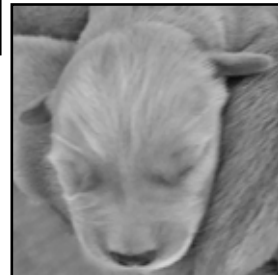
Masthead photo of 22-067 Reggie being fostered by Connie McCabe and Nick Dodson

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Editor's Assistants' Notes



Oh, NO! Our laundry room has again been invaded by aliens – five little human-hand-size squeaky things! They look like a cross between Yoda and little rats. Mom



For the first 2½ to 3 weeks after birth, Golden Retriever puppies cannot see and hearing is muffled—both eyes and ears are closed.

told us they aren't toys, but Golden Retriever puppies. I say "again" because we had a similar invasion in our house 6 ½ years ago. I, **Duffy**, the spokesdog for our pack (that's me on the right in the photo above), remember it well, as I was three years old at the time. Turns out one of those aliens transformed into one of my best buddies, **Vin**, and he looks like a normal Golden Retriever now.

Beautiful **Sophia** (#22-066) seems to really like all of the little creatures and spends all her time with them, ignoring the rest of us. There are three boys and two girls, and they make the weirdest noises! Mom usually keeps a gate up at the laundry room door, but one time she forgot and all of us went in to investigate. There is a big play yard set up in there with an empty wading pool (!) inside. When we got too close to the play yard, **Sophia** actually growled at us! That really surprised us, because we'd all gotten along really well before October 4th when the aliens arrived.

Sophia and the five little squeaky things hang out in the pool even though there is no water in it. How can you play in a pool that doesn't have water in it? **Sophia** seems to enjoy the little squeaky things climbing all over her and playing hide-and-seek under her tail and between her legs.



On October 4th, Mom and Liz watched and hovered and seemed really excited when **Sophia** greeted each arrival. She seemed to know exactly what to do even though she's really young herself. Isn't instinct wonderful?!

Mom sent out a message about the aliens (she called them pup-

pies) to all the Board, Team Managers, and Team Volunteers, along with a few other active volunteers. She asked for suggestions for names and received quite a few from about a dozen different people. Since the puppies had their first vet visit on October 6th and since that day is National Poetry Day, at Kathy Blue's suggestion the aliens were named for famous poets. The girls are now **Manda** (for Amanda Gorman) and **Maya** (for Maya Angelou). The boys are now **Keats** (for John Keats), **Kipling** (for Rudyard Kipling) and **Whitman** (for Walt Whitman). Cool names, huh? As the name was given, the vet shaved a little square of fur on a different location on each puppy (left hip, right hip, left shoulder, right shoulder and center of back, respectively) so that each could be recognized in the future. Mom says that even though the clipped areas will have to be clipped again at least every two weeks (fur grows), it's a better form of identification than tying on ribbon or yarn or putting a collar around the neck of a puppy. Anything around the neck can come off, or can even get too tight or twisted and strangle the puppy.

The puppies will remain in foster care until they are about 12 weeks old (which means until after the holidays), and then they will be placed in their forever homes. If you are interested in possibly adopting one of the puppies, an application needs to be submitted to **AGR** (go to <https://www.arizonagoldenrescue.org/info/adoption>), an application fee of \$25 needs to be paid and a home evaluation will be done. The five families that are the best match for a puppy will be chosen. All vetting from now until the puppies have all their vaccines and are micro-chipped will be covered by **AGR**, and every family that adopts a puppy will be issued an adoption addendum for **AGR** to pay for a spay or neuter to be done when their puppy is a year old. The adoption fee will be \$500 each. It's a deal that can't be beat!

Wags and Woofs

By Deb Orwig, President

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The purpose of my column in this newsletter is to acknowledge those who have gone "above and beyond" for **Arizona Golden Rescue**. So, I first want to give many WAGS and a big WOOF to all the golfers who participated in our *Fore! Paws Golf Tournament* on September 17th and more WAGS and WOOFs to the folks who just attended the tournament dinner, to all who purchased sponsorships, and to all who donated items that were used in our fantastic raffle and silent auction. You all helped us raise a LOT of money – over \$26,600 profit – which will be used to help new rescued dogs. We appreciate you all so much and hope you will support us again next year. We already have a date at **McCormick Ranch Golf Club: Saturday, September 16, 2023, 1:30 PM** shotgun start. Mark it on your calendar so nothing else can intervene.

Speaking of calendars... Connie McCabe has done her usual spectacular job producing our next-year's calendar. The 2023 calendar of *Arizona Golden Rescue* dogs will be available for purchase by the time you read this message. The calendars are \$14 each with \$2.50 extra if you want one mailed. Please use the order form included with this newsletter to order one or more. If you are an Amber, Topaz, Pearl or Gold member of *AGR*, you will get one calendar for free unless you have told us you do not want one.

All our Board and Team Managers work very hard for *AGR*, and many spend many hours doing their job. We could not be as successful as we are as a Rescue without their assistance, dedication, and skills. My thanks to all! There are others I would like to specifically acknowledge: Kathy Blue, Karen Davis, Sharon Flores and Sandra Hansen.

Kathy Blue is our Social Media specialist and primarily manages our Facebook page. She makes sure our Facebook subscribers are aware of upcoming events and dogs that need placement, acknowledges holidays – many odd ones we don't know how she finds – and occasionally runs a fundraising promotion on Facebook. She also responds to inquiries regarding available dogs sent to info@arizonagoldenrescue.org, saving me much time, as otherwise I would have to address these messages. Kathy, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Karen Davis sends out cards to every *AGR* member whose dog passes away. The card is a beautiful one that Connie McCabe designed years ago. I know the recipients of the cards appreciate the thoughtfulness behind the cards. Thank you, Karen, for handling this important job.

Sharon Flores is not only co-manager of our Intake Team, she answers the *AGR* phone in person 12 hours per day (8 AM – 8 PM). Calls can be about anything and everything (“Can you help me find a Rescue that will take 6 kittens?” She did.) The service of a live person answering the phone is something we have received many compliments about. If Sharon has to leave home to do errands, she always returns a call promptly when she gets back, and she is always polite and helpful. Thanks, Sharon, for your valuable service to *AGR*.

Sandra Hansen is another member who does important jobs behind the scenes. Sandra is our Membership Manager. She records information from new members in our database and makes sure that continuing members are kept up to date, especially if someone moves. She also sends out membership renewal reminders every month. In addition to keeping up with Membership, Sandra also handles micro-chip registration. If a dog comes in that has not been micro-chipped, *AGR* has the dog chipped by one of our participating vets. Sandra makes sure that all our regular vets have a supply of our Avid chips. She also takes care of re-registering to *AGR* and the adopter any chips by other companies like AKC Reunite and Home Again that have previously been implanted in one

of the dogs we take in. We always register the chips to *AGR* as the primary and to the adopter as secondary, just in case the adopter moves and does not inform us or the chip company that there is a new address or phone number. We keep micro-chip numbers in our database to ensure the dog will be returned to the adopter if the dog ever gets out – it happens several times a year that Sharon Flores will call me that a dog with XXX chip number has been found. Because Sandra keeps the chip numbers current in the database, we are easily able to identify the dog and the adopter and reunite them. Thank you, Sandra, for all that you do for *AGR*.

I would also like to mention four other ladies who have spent a great deal of time over the summer creating new items for *AGR* to sell: Denise Padavano, Sheri Rodeffer, Marla Spriggs and Connie Wozniak.

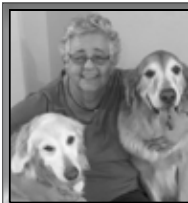
Denise is the other seamstress besides myself who makes micro-wave bowl cozies. By the time the next event at which we can sell merchandise rolls around (October 30 at *Dine Out With The Dogs*), she will have finished 21 sets of these unique and very useful items. We had a good selection of fabric choices before Denise got to work, but we now have a GREAT selection. Be sure to come to one of our fall events (see Carolyn's description of upcoming events on pages 5-6) and have a look. If you don't own a set, you should – they are incredibly useful – and you're going to want some for holiday gifts, too. If you have a specific fabric or color you'd like that we don't have made up, we will do custom orders.

Sheri Rodeffer spent hours upon hours creating a gorgeous quilt that has a German Shepherd Dog theme. I purchased most of the fabric and Sheri did the design, the piecework and the quilting. It sold for \$550 in our golf tournament silent auction. The purchaser was reportedly thrilled with the quilt, and she got to meet Sheri, who came for dinner. Thank you, Sheri, for the incredible job on the quilt!

Marla Spriggs spent her summer making beautiful bookmarks and painting gorgeous Kindness Rocks. Marla is quite the artist and has produced some unique and precious items for our merchandise inventory. Shop early to get the best choice! Thank you, Marla, for donating your time and fantastic artistic talents to benefit *AGR*.

Connie Wozniak continues to create fabulous handbags, table runners, table pads and pot holders. Her most recent endeavor is what we are calling “travel bags.” She made a couple that April Crow custom-ordered featuring Cavalier King Charles fabric, and we decided we like the pattern so much she has been making a few more like these plus some from Golden Retriever fabric. *AGR* adopters will LOVE these! Thanks so much, Connie, for continuing to provide such beautiful, unique items.

Check this out if you want some laughs:
<https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-calendar/>



What's Up DOC?

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Inflation has affected each and every one of us in many ways; **AGR** is no exception. Veterinary service costs are ever increasing and represent almost 90% of our total expenses. Our transporters graciously donate the cost of fuel, vehicle maintenance and their time for transporting dogs from surrendering owners to veterinary offices and to approved adoption applicant homes. Our adoption fees do not begin to cover the costs that our nonprofit incurs, so most of our income is dependent on fundraising efforts and generous donations. No business likes to raise prices, but in the case of our nonprofit we find our financials being impacted by increasing veterinary costs especially. So, in late September, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to increase our adoption fees as of October 1, 2022. The reasons for this increase are as follows:

1. Nationwide, we are one of the lowest fee-wise – most Golden Retriever Rescues charge at least \$500 per dog even for seniors; many do not give a price break for a pair or for a senior. One Rescue charges \$750 per dog regardless of age.
2. Between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 we took in 74 dogs. The average we spent on those 74 was \$2,509 each.
3. 31% of the dogs we took in during that one-year period had expenses over \$2,000, and of those the average spent was \$6,068 per dog. Very, very few, if any, cost us less than the adopter paid.
4. When we take in a puppy or an unsterilized adult, the adoption fee does not begin to cover the vetting; spays are running right around \$400 now and neuters are usually a hundred or so more; valley fever testing is upwards of \$300 or more now.
5. This is Rescue. It's always been Rescue, and we don't see it changing. Many people unload their dogs on Rescue because (they claim) they cannot afford to treat what's wrong with the dog. Yet, people in AZ spent billions of dollars on sports betting and lotteries. Ah, the reality of priorities.
6. With fundraising events, we will still have to raise the bulk of the money we need to pay veterinary bills. However, raising the adoption fees by \$100 per age category will help some.

Effective October 1, 2022, here is the new fee schedule:

0-2 years old	\$500
2-5 years old	\$475
5-9 years old	\$450
9+	\$400

If pairs of dogs are adopted, the second dog is half price; the price for the younger dog is the higher price.

As part of my plan to review and revise the Policies & Procedures documentation, on Tuesday August 23rd I met with most of the Home Evaluation team members – Connie, Deb, Sheila, Liz, and Sharon – to discuss our current home evaluation policies and clarify some of our positions concerning children, various potentially toxic plants, etc. The revised home evaluations policy has been drafted and is awaiting “round #2” of corrections. I plan to have another meeting of all the home evaluators within the next few weeks to discuss these changes and documentation of the individual home evaluations as they are completed.

As of October 10, we have taken in 74 dogs so far in 2022, which is 7 to 8 dogs per month. Of these 74, 39 are male and 35 are female; 42 of the 74 are under the age of two; 48 need to be (or have been since being with **AGR**) neutered or spayed. Every dog we rescue takes a combined effort among the various teams: Intake, Transport, Home Evaluations, Placement, and Health Care. We always welcome new volunteers to help “lessen the load” on our existing volunteers. If you have an interest in volunteering with our Placement team, Home Evaluations Team, or any of the other various teams listed on the inside of the front cover, please contact either Connie McCabe, our Human Resource Director, or me.



Goldens on the Go!

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Ahhhh, fall is approaching with cooler days and glorious evenings. It's time to get out and see all the beautiful colors. No, not from the foliage... but all the beautiful Golden colors! From the lovely ivory of an English Cream to the deepest mahogany of a Red and the full spectrum of shades in between.

What better place to see them all than at an **AGR** event? These events all contribute funds to help us continue with the **AGR** mission. Attending and volunteering to work at our events gives you and your dog(s) a chance to socialize and have fun with other like-minded people.

The **AGR** calendar is filling up... So, grab your planner or calendar and SAVE THESE DATES!

Sunday, October 30th – Dine Out With The Dogs – Noon to 7:30 PM at *Paulie's Little Bite of Italy*, 15456 N 99th Ave, Sun City

AGR will once again enjoy a fun day out at *Paulie's Little Bite of Italy* where **AGR** will receive 20% of food and beverage purchases from diners who indicate they are there to support **AGR**. There

is a comfortable outdoor patio where diners can have their dogs with them as they enjoy great authentic Italian food from Paulie Giglieri's family recipes. A kid's menu and burgers are also available if Italian is not your choice.

Arts and crafts created by our talented members will be available for purchase. It's not too early to start your holiday shopping! Our traditional raffle and silent auction will include items that will be sure to pique your interest. Entertainment will be provided by Peter Wong and a friend who have very talented performing dogs – scheduled to perform about 1 PM. A “Howl-O-Ween” costume contest will also take place. All dogs arriving in costume will be photographed, and then the pictures will be posted on the *AGR* Facebook page. Voting will end at midnight November 7th. The pet with the most “Likes” will be considered the winner. Owners are welcome to be in costume too, but only pets will be voted on. The winner will be awarded a nice prize package.

Saturday & Sunday, Nov 12th & 13th – Phoenix Holiday Pet Expo – 10 AM to 5 PM to be held at Bell Bank Park, 1 Legacy Drive, Mesa. **OUR PARTICIPATION IS CANCELLED!**

We apologize to all of you East Valley members who might have been planning to help out at this two-day event. Due to Deb Orwig's involvement with a momma dog and five puppies and Peter Brown going out of town for business, we just cannot manage to get all our merchandise transported and set up on Friday, November 11th and then staff a booth for two days, let alone pack everything up and transport it back to Deb's house on the 13th. This event brings thousands of visitors to see over a hundred vendors of pet-related merchandise in one location. You should consider attending even though *AGR* will not be there – it's a good show and admission is free.



National Tie One On Day is the day before Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 24th – Arizona Biltmore's Thanksgiving Day “Turkey Trot” – 4K Run, Walk or Stroll the grounds of the Beautiful Biltmore Estate 7 AM – 9 AM, *Arizona Biltmore Hotel*, 2400 E. Missouri Avenue, Phoenix

The Biltmore has teamed up with *AGR* – we will receive a portion of the proceeds from this THANKSGIVING DAY event. We are asking for volunteers with their Golden Retrievers to be at the start and/or finish of this event to entertain and encourage participants, with the dogs wearing donation vests. If you want to participate and run, walk or stroll in this 4K, you can register at www.arizonabiltmore.com/activities/turkey-trot-4K// *AGR* will receive a portion of the entry fee. Refreshments will



be served at the finish line. So, plan on burning off some of those calories that will be consumed later in the day and join us for this fun event.

FRIDAY, November 25th – Arizona Biltmore's “GOLDEN FRIDAY” – 3 PM - 5PM, Arizona Biltmore Hotel, 2400 E. Missouri Avenue, Phoenix

A twist on traditional Black Friday, the Shoppes at the *Arizona Biltmore* will present “Golden Friday.” *The Biltmore* has invited *AGR* to do gift wrapping of gifts purchased there. Afterwards, they will be serving a special “Golden Champagne” inviting shoppers to unwind. For those who participated in the previous *Biltmore's* Spire Bar event at the end of April, this should be just as relaxing and fun. This event will only require a few great gift-wrappers, but we want to include multiple Golden Retrievers wearing donation vests to provide an opportunity for guests to relax and hug on a Golden and, hopefully, place a donation in our Golden Retrievers' vests.

Sunday, December 3rd – PACC911 and All Saints Episcopal Church – 10 AM - 3 PM, 6300 N Central Avenue, Phoenix

As in years past, *AGR* will present crafts for sale and offer plenty of socialization time for our cute Golden Retrievers at this *PACC911* event. Bring your dog(s) and a chair, take a break from the hectic holiday rush and join us for an hour or the entire day. Sharing the *AGR* story, collecting donations in the vests the dogs wear, and helping people purchase our great crafts all help *AGR* continue our mission of rescuing, rehabilitating and rehoming Golden Retrievers and Golden Retrievers-mixes in Arizona.

Saturday, December 10th – The Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade 11 AM - 3 PM, Downtown Glendale



“Oh What Fun It is to Ride...” or stroll in a Christmas parade! The annual *Glendale Hometown Christmas Parade* has been an *AGR* favorite for many years. A relaxed mile stroll through downtown Glendale, seeing thousands of smiling faces, little children squealing when they see the *AGR* dogs coming and putting donations in the vest of our dogs make for a fun morning. Dress yourself and your Golden in red and Christmas décor and join others having fun and getting some exercise, too. A family day of fun everyone can participate in.


Sunday, December 11th – PACC911 and Phoenix Metro Chamber Foundation at Floor and Décor, 5880 West Bell Road, Glendale – Adopt-a-Thon and Craft Sale – 10 AM - 3 PM

Great exposure for *AGR* as we participate in this event. Bring your chair and pup(s) to meet and greet people and share the *AGR* story. Unique holiday gifts can be purchased from among the beautiful crafts that we will have on display for humans, canines and even felines. Wearing Christmas apparel is optional. You will be sure to find some yummy holiday treats to enjoy while there. Come and make it a relaxing break from the holiday madness.

WE ARE STILL IN NEGOTIATION TO HAVE A FEW MORE GIFT-WRAPPING EVENTS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS. THESE WILL BE ONE- OR TWO-DAY EVENTS ONLY.

Additional event information will always be sent to your e-mail from AGRactivityinfo@gmail.com. If you are not receiving this information please check your spam filters.

To volunteer for any of the above events or to get more information, please feel free to call or text me at 602-781-1001 or e-mail me at AZgoldenlady@gmail.com.



The Information Highway

By Adam Cardinal,
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Hidden in Plain Sight

I'm going to start off this newsletter article with a joke. And because I like it, I know it will make many of you groan – but be patient – it does relate to my topic for this issue.

When Boris Johnson was elected Prime Minister, he was very excited to visit to the famous British intelligence unit, MI-5. On his first official visit after making first-round introductions, Boris asked, “Is James Bond here – I’ve always wanted to meet him?” Assuming he was joking the agency rep replied “I’m not sure. Last time I saw him he was incognito.” To which Boris replied, “I forget... is that in Italy or Spain?”

Incognito is defined as *having taken steps to conceal one's identity*. And it's not just a spy thing, it's a hacker thing. We've talked about it before with web links, but this time we are going to address QR codes.

Everything You Need to Know About QR Codes

What does QR stand for?

The “QR” in QR code stands for “quick response.” Meaning, that it can efficiently return data when read by an imaging device or

reader like your smartphone's camera.

What do QR codes look like?

You'll probably recognize a QR code when you see one. It's a bunch of pixels and squares within a larger white square. QR codes typically have black squares, but they can be any color as long as the reader can identify the pattern. QR codes can even contain company logos and unique designs. For example:



What type of information can a QR code contain?

You're probably most familiar with QR codes linking to a webpage – for example, a menu at a restaurant. In 1994, QR codes were initially developed to track parts during the manufacturing process. They were more efficient and easier to recognize than standard barcodes. Now, you're almost guaranteed to see one no matter where you go. QR codes can store URLs, text, images, payment information, and application downloads.

Are QR Codes Dangerous?

Just like most things on the Internet, the short answer is no. However, also like most things on the Internet, cybercriminals can manipulate QR codes and human behavior to cause trouble like phishing attacks, malware downloads, and password stealing.

In January 2022, the FBI issued a public service announcement concerning “Cybercriminals Tampering with QR Codes to Steal Victim Funds.” The statement describes how hackers tamper with QR codes, digitally and physically, to trick people into handing over personal information, location data, and financial information.

While there's cause enough for concern from the FBI to issue an alert, with the proper knowledge, you can recognize a dangerous QR code before you're tricked into handing over information. Like any other type of scam, recognizing the attack before you engage with it is a solid defense.

Before You Scan Your Next QR Code...

Consider your setting. Does it make sense for there to be a QR code where you're scanning it? For example, is there one on a restaurant's table for the menu or on a receipt asking you to leave a review? These settings make sense.

Beware of random QR codes and offers that seem too good to be true. If you're going to be sent money or free products, it won't be because you scanned a QR code.

Is it a random QR code you receive from an unknown sender in your email? Or is it a brightly-colored sticker on a wall? Avoid

out-of-context QR codes.

Look for stickers covering QR codes. One of the slickest ways cybercriminals trick users into handing over information is by placing a phony QR code sticker over a legitimate QR code. Think along the same lines as credit card skimmers at gas pumps and ATMs. Don't assume that it's an updated code or that the sticker is meant to be there. If you're unsure, ask someone at the business about the QR code. If there's no one to ask, you're safer avoiding the QR code altogether.

Consider why you're scanning a QR code. Curiosity may just give the cat a computer virus. Don't scan QR codes just to see what might happen. Only scan QR codes if you trust the source.

Use your phone's native QR scanner/app. It's not just the QR code you need to look out for; malicious QR code readers can trick you into sharing personal information beyond the QR code itself. Most Apple and Android devices have a native QR scanner preinstalled on the device – use that one.

Consider another way to make a payment. If the QR code is for processing a payment, consider making a different form of payment to avoid the transaction being intercepted. For example, complete a transfer through your bank account using Zelle or a stand-alone trusted service like PayPal, Venmo or ApplePay / Google Pay.

QR Code disguising malicious content is nothing new – it's a wrinkle on an exposure we've discussed before: link tampering or URL obfuscation.

An obfuscated URL, also known as a hyperlink trick, is a type of attack where the URL has been obfuscated or concealed to encourage the user to click-through to a spoof Website rather than the intended destination.

Obfuscated URLs are one of the techniques used in a phishing attack. The spoof site is often an identical clone of the original one and the aim is to trick users into divulging login and other personal information. To get the user to the clone sight, hackers will use a phishing e-mail to deliver a link that either hides the destination site or disguises the destination site.

Some tricks aren't concealed at all. They just look reasonable enough to get you to click the link. Some examples:

- The domains "eBay-secure.com" and "authebay.net" and "ebayservers.net" are not associated with eBay. The latter is registered to someone in China with a gmail address.
- "baltimoreorioles.com" is not the web site of the baseball team in Baltimore. The person/company that owns this domain has chosen to hide their identity. The baseball team is "orioles.com".

- The domains "cgi-paypal.us" and "paypal-cgi.us" are not associated with Paypal. Neither is "help-paypalservice.tk" which is registered in the country of Tokelau that, conveniently, does not report the actual owner of domains.
- The domains "www.securecitibank.us" and "www.citi-accountonline.com" and "citisupportteam.biz" are not associated with Citibank.

It's surprisingly easy to create a hyperlink that is written exactly as the correct URL would be but actually directs you elsewhere. For example, this link www.microsoft.com really takes you to the home page of a competitor of Microsoft's. There is no rule that the text a document or webpage displays has to be the real destination. Sometimes, hovering the mouse over a link in both an e-mail program and a web browser will display the destination of the link in the status bar at the bottom of the screen.

There are many URL shortening services like bit.ly, x.co, googl, tiny.cc. These shortening web apps take a long complex URL line, such as "<https://arizonagoldenrescue.org/Membership>", and shrink it down to something more convenient and easily sharable, such as "<http://bit.ly/2wbw48P>".

Does this mean you shouldn't scan QR codes or click on web links? No, but being smart about the risk of any link or scannable code should be your top priority. Any time a link is being used to get you to log in with a user ID or password, to update personal information, or to make a payment, transfer funds or enter payment account information, stop yourself. Take a look at the email or text that includes the link:

- Have you ever gotten a message like this before from this company?
- Does it not include any personalization data (Dear Customer, Sir, etc)?
- Do the messages communicate a sense of urgency (ie "do this right away or something bad will happen").

When in doubt, skip the link – use a bookmark you've created and used successfully in the past, or use a reputable search engine to look up the company's web address and use the link provided there. Most of all, remember, the risk of responding to a malicious QR code or link in a message is much worse than not doing anything at all.

If the message says your payment information on your favorite shopping website is invalid go to the website itself, log in and see if the payment information looks correct. You can also verify that your last transaction processed correctly. You can also always call the company's toll free number or chat with a support person from the company about the message you received and the site you are being directed to. They can very quickly confirm if the message came from them or is actually a phishing attack. Any bank or

credit card issuer will also send you via postal mail a confirmation that there was a problem. They would never rely on an email as an official notice.

Learning under what circumstances to trust and when to be suspicious isn't about being technical or computer savvy. It's about knowing when the message could harm you. Think about that before you click that link or scan that code.



The Human Connection
 By **Connie McCabe,**
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Many hands make light work

According to various sources, this proverb first appeared in English in the early 1300s in an anonymous knightly romance known as Sir Beves of Hampton: "Ascopard be strong and sterk [physically powerful], Mani hondes maketh light werk! [c 1330 Sir Beves (EETS) l. 3352]"

It is such a powerful and universal concept that it was also written as "Many hands make light work" by John Heywood (1497-1580), an English writer known for his plays, poems, and collection of proverbs.

And stated again, in 1721, as a Scottish proverb "Many hands make light work. Because it is but little to every one." I like that one the best.

These are just a few of the many ways to state the obvious. An overwhelming task to few, when shared, becomes a very light task to many.

Which brings me to the point. Bluntly, we need more hands. I love to see so many volunteers show up for the meet-and-greets and gift wrapping. It's wonderful to see all the great people and their beautiful dogs. But we need some people to give just a little more. Not just for the casual appearance at meet-and-greets or other events. We also need people to help lighten the heavy load of putting a large event together.

Many people do not realize it, but some of our bigger events require 8 or more hours the day before to prepare and usually 3 or 4 hours to set it up and another 2 or 3 hours to take it down the day of the event. Not to mention the countless hours that go into gathering and preparing the goodies and prizes and merchandise weeks ahead of time. The amount of work that goes into preparation is tremendous and very tiring when there are only a few to do it. Especially when those few are often in their sixties or even older. And as the years go by, more of the core participants

become unable to do the heavy work of loading, setting up and unloading. So then it takes fewer people even longer to get the job done. We do it for the love of the dogs and the organization, but really, we need help.

No special skills are required, so when the notice comes out that there is an event coming up, please drop us a line and let us know you can give even one hour. We really need some younger people to step up and offer to come help load the trailers, set up the tables and canopies and also help put it all back together again. Just carrying small stuff back and forth would be very helpful. Please consider offering to help set up, or even more importantly, help us load everything when the event is done and we are all exhausted from a full day.

And then there's the human connection of course! Not only will you be helping your fellow volunteers, but you will also be engaging in some great conversation, sharing stories about your pets, and making new friends.

Also, to repeat the plea that was stated in the last issue... we really are in need of transporters (e-mail photocraf@aol.com) and home evaluators (horsecrazymom@msn.com)

Please e-mail Carolyn Brown (azgoldenlady@gmail.com) or me (photocraf@aol.com) and let us know that you're willing to help for the next event or any others. We really look forward to hearing from you.

Health and Safety
 By **Liz Tataseo, Health Care Manager**
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Cancer Screening Tests for dogs

People have available many types of screening tests for specific types of cancer: mammograms, colonoscopies, and various blood tests. Plus, humans can speak about how they are feeling or explain changes in their body. Unfortunately, dogs can't speak, nor do they let us know they don't feel well until cancer has spread extensively. Lumps, bumps, and growths can be seen and these give us a heads-up on some cancers, but the insidious ones – lymphoma, osteosarcoma and hemangiosarcoma – most often are not discovered until it is too late.

Now, vets have a simple blood-screening test that allows them to detect cancer much sooner. It does not detect specific cancers, but rather the molecules that arise from the growth of cancer cells. The Nu.Q Vet Cancer Screening Test developed in collaboration with Texas A & M scientists has been shown to detect cancer chemicals in dogs that yet to have any symptoms of cancer. (VolitionRX

Limited developed the product in conjunction with Texas A & M).

Also, the OncoK9 Cancer screening test (PetDx® – The Liquid Biopsy Company for Pets™) is a San Diego-based molecular diagnostics company. Its flagship product, OncoK9®, enables veterinarians to detect cancer in dogs with a simple blood draw. As a first-in-class multi-cancer early detection (MCED) test, OncoK9 employs cutting-edge genomic analysis that leverages next-generation sequencing (NGS) technology and proprietary bioinformatics algorithms, empowering veterinarians to provide superior care to canine patients).

The screening tests can be used for older dogs when cancer more commonly occurs and for younger breed dogs that have high risk of getting cancer: Golden Retrievers, Boxers, Flat-Coated Retrievers, Beagles, Bernese Mountain dogs, Rottweilers, West Highland Terriers, and Shetland Sheepdogs.

There have been several studies, one with over 1000 dogs, to test the efficacy of the simple blood test. How does it work? When a person or dog develops cancer cells, nucleosomes are released into the blood and can be detected with antibodies specific to nucleosomes. For the three most aggressive cancers mentioned above, the detection rate in this study was 85.4%. Detection for eight of the most common cancers in dogs was 62% (lymphoma, hemangiosarcoma, osteosarcoma, soft tissue sarcoma, mast cell tumor, mammary gland carcinoma, anal sac adenocarcinoma and malignant melanoma). Once nucleosomes are detected, veterinarians can suggest more specific types of tests to look for cancer: ultrasound, x-rays, CT or further blood testing.

The tests can give three types of results:

- Nucleosomes not detected. This result does not totally rule out cancer developing in the future. If other symptoms or signs are present, retesting several months later might be prudent, or other types of testing may be recommended.
- Nucleosomes detected. This result increases the probability that cancer is present. A more detailed and extensive exam will then be needed to determine where cancer might be.
- Sample failed. Bad sample or not produced correctly.

These tests might be most helpful for the specific breeds mentioned that are 7-8 yrs old and older with no symptoms or signs of illness but are prone to cancer.

One of our vets, **Four Legged Friends Animal Hospital**, offers the OncoK9 cancer screening test, and they have information on their website. One of our other vets, **Stetson Hills Animal Hospital**, also offers cancer screening and advises discussing with your vet about testing especially if your dog is 7 or older.

As is usual when something new comes along, you need to decide if this testing is right for you and your dog. The most important action on your part is to know when your dog has changes that occur such as: eating/not eating, difficulty peeing or pooping, energy level, lumps and bumps, limping, difficulty getting up, coughs, breathing difficulties, changes in personality, seizures, unexpected weight gain or loss. If so, see your vet!

The Financial Picture

By Deb Orwig

Summer Fundraiser for Special Needs Dogs

In July, all **AGR** adopters with living dogs received a mailing with a plea for donations to support our 2021-22 Special Needs Dogs, including those mentioned in *Diamonds in the Ruff* columns in the last year. Many (63!) answered with donations for a wonderful total of \$11,927! Donations ranged from \$1 to \$2,500. We counted all donations that were sent without some other kind of dedication between July 1 and August 31. A couple more dated before August 31 arrived a few days into September, adding another \$200 to our fundraiser total. This money certainly helped us get through the summer months! Thanks to all who donated. Please see the list of our generous donors on page 11.

During the summer, we usually take in more dogs than in any other 3-month period, but we have no significant fundraisers between beginning of April after Arizona Gives Day and mid-September's golf tournament. Due to the coronavirus, the golf tournament was cancelled last year for the second consecutive year; many of our regular Meet-and-Greets and other events were also cancelled due to the virus. With a few of our rescues, the money we need to spend to ensure that the dog is healthy is less than the dog's adoption fee. However, for the majority of dogs we have placed in new forever homes, our costs have been more than the adoption fee, and in some cases thousands of dollars more – the average spent on each of 74 dogs taken in between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022 was \$2,509! Our highest adoption fee has been \$400.

We do not begrudge any amount of money we have spent improving the health of our rescued dogs. But the money we have spent above and beyond what was covered by the adoption fees has to be recovered by other means, and those means are our fundraisers.

There are many events coming up between now and the end of March. Please attend if you can; volunteer to help if you can. If you can't do either, please consider sending a donation. For your convenience, there is a return envelope enclosed with this newsletter. We can also accept Zelle transactions – please send to Arizona Golden Rescue and use info@arizonagoldenrescue.org.

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Giving Grid for Independence Day

Thanks to technical efforts by **AGR** member Mike Harman, we were able to try a new fundraising venue this past summer. Connie McCabe contributed the photos Mike used, and he put together an attractive slide show on Giving Grid of the three parvo puppies that were surrendered to **AGR** in May. These puppies collectively cost **AGR** over \$21,000 to bring to health, so we were hoping to recover at least some of this expense. For a first-time use, this venue generated over \$4,000 in donations, so it was a success

from that point of view. However, we will not use the venue again. We heard a lot of complaints that the administrative fee Giving Grid suggested was quite high. Many donors generously paid the fee, but they did not realize they did not have to (the way the fee could be declined wasn't obvious) and, if they did realize that, did not know that **AGR** would not lose part of their donation as a result. Our thanks to Mike for lending his expertise to create the site and to all of you who donated – see page 12.

A Special Donation – \$1,000

My name is Jennifer Miller and my Golden Retriever **Charis** (pronounced: KARE-iss) just won a contest hosted by the **Bar Dog Wine** company. Because of her win, we were able to select a rescue we wanted to donate \$1,000 to. We picked your organization because Golden Retrievers are very near and dear to our hearts and we so appreciate everything you all do to help these beautiful animals with beautiful souls.



My husband, Scott, and I found out about your organization because we lost our Golden of 14½ years and started the search to adopt another one. We were on your waiting list last year to adopt a Golden, but we later ended up adopting a 3-month-old Golden that was being rehomed by a gal who no longer wanted her. We took ourselves off your waiting list, because we had found a dog in need of a home, our **Charis**.

We loved working with your Rescue when we were trying to adopt. All of your volunteers were so kind and professional, and it was apparent that your organization takes great care to ensure that your dogs find good homes. This is why we wanted the \$1,000 win to go to you. We greatly support what you are doing, and we thank you for being the most top-notch Rescue we worked with during our search for our Golden.

We hope this money will help at least make a decent dent in the huge cost of running your organization and funding your rescue efforts for dogs in need. Thanks again for being everyday heroes to the Golden dogs with golden hearts!



Charis Miller,
 the "Victorian Golden"

Giving Grid for Independence Day Donors

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David Rosenfelt Book Signing

On October 11, 2023, Debbie Ball and Deb Orwig with **Cali Girl** represented *Arizona Golden Rescue* at **The Poisoned Pen** bookstore in Scottsdale. Barbara Peters, bookstore owner, and author David Rosenfelt did a presentation about Rosenfelt's newest book in his Andy Carpenter series, *Santa's Little Yelpers*. Audience members had the opportunity to ask questions and then to get any of Rosenfelt's books they had purchased signed by him. Ms. Peters and Mr. Rosenfelt both gave Deb a generous donation for **AGR**, as did a couple other attendees. Rosenfelt said **AGR** could auction off "Name in a Future Book." We will do this at *Dine Out With The Dogs* on October 30th. So that everyone who might want to bid on this can do so, we will accept bids on our Facebook page for the rest of October and at the event.

Reporting period: January 1, 2022 - September 30, 2022

Total Assets as of October 17, 2022: \$322,484.90

	Income	Expenses
Adoption Application Fees	\$ 4,725.00	\$ 1,974.99
Adoption Income	22,776.00	
Calendars		
Sales	301.00	
Sponsorships	2,701.00	
Credit Card & PayPal Expense		902.83
Donations		
General Fund	50,225.42	
Honorary	12,470.00	
Memorial	8,748.00	
Summer Fundraiser	12,127.01	
Event Expense		100.00
Golf Tournament		15,114.87
Donations	5,585.04	
Golf Prizes	2,930.50	
Golfers	12,870.00	
Meals	3,195.00	
Tee Sponsorships	7,850.00	
Silent Auction	9,305.00	
Grants	25,600.00	
Insurance		627.85
Interest	13.30	
Internet Services		637.77
Legal & Professional Fees		10.00
Memberships	21,120.00	
Merchandise & shipping	5,070.13	1,930.10
Newsletter subscriptions	16.00	
Office Expenses		848.66
Paws At The Park	1,460.80	230.49
Auction	1,020.00	
Donations	458.54	
Prizes	810.00	
Postage		1,697.84
Rent or Lease		2,645.46
Stationery & Printing		7,392.19
Telephone		1 47.73
Dog-related Expenses		
Behavioral Training		290.00
Boarding		1,248.00
Food (Rx and for Puppies)		1,359.03
Grooming		85.00
Microchip Expense		638.40
Veterinary Services		143,251.54
TOTAL	\$211,377.74	\$181,132.75
NET INCOME	\$ 30,244.99	
Checking Account as of 10-17-22:		\$211,193.54
The Debbe Begley Memorial Fund as of 10-17-22:		\$ 7,141.32
Savings Account as of 10-17-22:		\$104,150.04
Outstanding Credit Card Balance on 10-17-22:		\$ 18,319.76

The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary.
 – Vidal Sassoon

Money is only a tool. It will take you wherever you wish, but it will not replace you as the driver.
 – Ayn Rand

Diamonds in the Ruff

By Debbie Ball, Director of Operations
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Diamonds in the Ruff are dogs on which **AGR** has had to spend at least \$2,000. In the third quarter 2022, we had zero dogs that met this benchmark, which is remarkable. So, I reviewed the total expenses we have paid for each dog in 2022 through 9/30/22 and have highlighted below three that have not been previously mentioned (as their individual quarter expenses did not exceed \$2K, but overall their 2022 expenses are significant), and one dog whose overall expenses are the highest so far this year. Please consider donating to help with the expenses of a specific dog, or just earmark a donation for *Diamonds in the Ruff*. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law, of course, and will be acknowledged as such.



21-042 Dude is an 8-year-old neutered Goldendoodle that came into Rescue in October 2021. He was surrendered with his lifetime companion (**21-041 Goldie**) due to their owner's health issues and travel desires. In late 2021, he received his initial vetting including vaccines, cocci titer, and a desperately needed grooming. From the time of his intake, **Dude** was in need of having his teeth cleaned,

so in early 2022 he received a dental scaling along with regularly supplied fluconazole as he was diagnosed with valley fever. Both **Dude** and his partner **Goldie** were lovingly fostered and subsequently adopted by Mary in Scottsdale. The 2022 total expenses for **Dude** amounted to **\$2,039**. Mary has already started sending monthly donations to help with this expense and we thank her.

22-007 Trunks came into Rescue at the end of January 2022 as a 4-year-old male purebred Golden who was surrendered by his owner; he had been diagnosed with valley fever in mid 2020 and was put on Diflucan, but the owner could no longer afford the medical expense. **Trunks** had sores on his legs which were kept wrapped so he wouldn't lick them. He was initially vetted at **AMSC** in Scottsdale as an emergency intake due to his condition, as he hadn't eaten any food nor drunk any water in two days. An emergency exam was done along with bloodwork, radiographs, hospitalization and medications. After examination by an internal medicine vet, **Trunks** was diagnosed with a severe case of valley fever, complicated with bone lesions, and MMM (Mas-



titatory Muscle Myositis) meaning the dog cannot fully open his mouth to eat. It was felt best to continue the oral anti-fungal meds and add the infusion medication Abelcet for a more aggressive approach. No cancer was noted and his thyroid tested normal. **Trunks** received a total of 12 transfusion procedures at **VetMed**, with the last one being 3/24/22. He has been faithfully fostered by Liz, our Health Care Manager, who fondly renamed him **TK**. Liz reports that **TK** is doing well, is able to eat three times a day, is gaining weight, and is much more active. Further medical evaluation is needed before we can search for a forever home for **TK**. Expenses so far for **Trunks/TK** have cost **AGR** over **\$19,000**. We are grateful to the **Golden Retriever Foundation's** April Fund for receipt of \$600 in grant monies to assist with his expenses. Also, his foster Liz has graciously donated over \$415 of **TK's** medications since June 2022.



22-010 Finnagin is an 8-year-old male purebred Golden who was turned into the **Queen Creek Animal Hospital** as his owner wanted him euthanized due to extreme allergies. A vet tech that worked there called **AGR** to come to the rescue! In February, **Finn** was vetted at **Academy West Animal Hospital** for bloodwork, vaccines, cocci titer, and a skin scrape, as

his skin was in horrible shape and much of the fur was gone from his chest, belly, and sides halfway down to his tail. In February, March, and May, **Finn** was seen at **Dermatology For Animals** in Scottsdale for an exam, cytology, special shampoo, and various medications for his diagnosis of atopic dermatitis, parasite hypersensitivity, pyoderma, and otitis externa. **Finn** was doing very well as of May and has been fostered and adopted by Mike and Lew in Scottsdale, who conveniently live very close to **Dermatology For Animals!** **Finn's** total expenses in 2022 are **\$2,247**, and we sincerely thank the **Golden Retriever Foundation** for sending us a grant from their April Fund to help cover these expenses.

22-032 Chance is a 3-year-old male mix of Golden Retriever and possibly Shar Pei. He came into Rescue in mid May 2022 after being found as a stray in the desert. The finder did all the requirements of searching for the original owner before turning him over to **AGR**. **Chance** received some initial veterinary work for wound treatment and radiographs of a bad toe at **Desert Ark Vet Hospital**, then a few days later received his regular veterinary work at **Four-Legged Friends** including cocci profile, thyroid profile, 4D SNAP, vaccines, and medications. Since **Chance** was not yet altered, in mid July he was neutered along with a scrotal ablation and amputation of the bad toe that was suspected



of having a nailbed melanoma. Additionally, he has needed medications for thyroid and anemia. **Chance** has been fostered and adopted by Jeff and Kelly in Goodyear. Total expenses for **Chance** cost **AGR \$3,503**. We thank Kelly and Jeff for making a significant donation towards this expense.

MAGIC MOMENTS

By Deb Orwig

*Magic Moments... when a stray Golden Retriever or Golden mix is spotted in a shelter kennel and does a happy dance when taken out; when a neglected backyard dog is surrendered by its owner to a member of our Transport Team and is delivered to a foster family that shows the dog love, comfort, toys and good-quality food for, perhaps, the first time in the dog's life; and the most magical of all... when a rescued dog meets his or her forever family and we see the dog's excitement and the sparkle in the family's eyes. As rescuers, we are privileged to share in these Magic Moments. Below are stories of **Arizona Golden Rescue's** Magic Moments from July 21, 2022 through October 10, 2022. All adoptions finalized after October 10th will be in the next issue.*



21-011 Toyko was only 9 months old when she was surrendered to Rescue by a man who lived with his mother. The mother did not like this young girl peeing in the house and told her son to get rid of the dog, whom he'd had only a couple weeks. Teri and Jeff in Sun City offered to foster this pretty blonde, who wasn't yet spayed. Even though they were just fosters, we allowed them to change her name to **Raya**, because none of us could really figure out "**Toyko**" (was it supposed to be **Tokyo** and just misspelled?). It became apparent from the get-go that **Raya** was a congenital-deformity train wreck. Teri explains: **Raya** came into our lives suddenly when she was surrendered to **AGR** as an emergency intake. This beautiful girl arrived like the wonderful tornado she is and she hasn't stopped since. Shortly after she came to us we noticed that her gait was totally off, so we had her hips examined and were told she would need not one but two total hip replacements. Fortunately for her and us, both surgeries were uneventful, requiring 12 weeks of crated or on-leash recovery. Between the first and second surgeries she started having urinary tract infections, which necessitated a vulvoplasty surgery and more recovery. Along with all that she was spayed too! 18 months later she is now running and playing with her four brothers and sisters and we love her dearly! She definitely keeps us on our toes! Teri has brought **Raya** to several **AGR** events to help recover at least some of **Raya's** significant vet costs – with over \$25,100 in vet bills, she is our all-time most expensive dog. She is a terrific meet-and-greeter and popular at events, so we appreciate Teri's efforts.

21-032 CaliAnne was a breeder reject because she had a deformed right front leg, so the breeder in California couldn't sell this beautiful 14-week-old purebred Golden puppy. We had rescued several dogs from this breeder in the past, so she called us when she knew

the leg would not grow out to be "normal". Connie McCabe and Fred Prose made the 7-hour drive, stayed overnight, then brought the puppy back to Arizona. They were supposed to transport a second dog, but the breeder changed her mind about giving it to us. So, it was a very long trip, the expense of which was covered by Connie and Fred (thank you both) to get just the one dog, but she went to the right home, for sure, with Carolyn and Peter in Surprise. Carolyn wrote: *Since we*

*already had experience with a Golden missing a portion of a front leg from birth (**Cody**), we were more than willing to accept a darling four-month-old with the same birth defect. Of course, she was "just going to be a foster"... staying just long enough to learn how to maneuver and play. That lasted for three months. We failed but she didn't. She and one of her big brothers, **Joey**, became inseparable almost from day one. Her mentor, **Cody**, took a bit longer to warm up to the idea. She brings joy and spunk to everyone she meets. Her thin, almost-clubbed-foot leg has nearly straightened out completely and playing with her brothers has strengthened it immensely. Though I often must remind her there is only room for one queen in the house, and it is not her; her big brown eyes and black-as-coal nose have earned her the title of Princess. I think God only gave her three-and-a-half paws since He knew how much mischief she could get into if she had four. **CaliAnne** is a real snuggler and came with only two-speeds... on or off. She has also earned the nickname of "Hooligan" and can rarely be seen without a ball or stuffed toy in her mouth. Unless her shorter front leg is pointed out, most people don't notice it. They just see that she is a lovely young Golden. Carolyn and Peter took over the expense of her vet care as soon as they decided she would be staying with them permanently, and we appreciate that very much.*



CaliAnne will appear as Miss October in the 2023 *AGR* calendar. Be sure to order yours today.

22-013 Oliver is a cute Goldendoodle who was an already-neutered one-year-old when he came into Rescue. This poor boy had really run the gamut of foster homes until he finally was placed with Kendall and Mike in Scottsdale. He was first acquired at age 6 months by an older lady who could not handle his high energy. Then he was transferred to another family, but they surrendered him to *AGR* because he was too big, too energetic and untrained. They had had a 12-year-old Golden that passed away and quickly realized there was a big difference between an old dog and a 6-month-old puppy. We first transported him to one of our wonderful foster-only homes with Janelle and Colin in Avondale. After they got to know **Oliver** a little, we transferred him to Chris in Goodyear. Chris' adopted girl **Lucy** needed a playmate, but **Oliver** turned out to be too much for **Lucy**, as she had just had surgery and was supposed to remain quiet. Connie and Nick then took a turn at fostering **Oliver**. Their pack was lively enough, but they did not want a fourth resident dog. Kendall and Mike decided they could handle this boy and that he would make a good companion for their previously-adopted Goldendoodle **22-011 Theo**. When **Oliver** was with his second owner, the owner's vet diagnosed **Oliver** with valley fever, so he was started on fluconazole. The VF had settled in his right eye, which made him blind in that eye. While he was staying with Connie and Nick, we had to have the eye removed because it was causing him pain. **Oliver** finally made it to his forever home and is loving life there. He loves to swim, loves all toys and is happy and playful. **Oliver** was given an adoption addendum which provides for a valley fever retest.



22-014 Apollo was a 7-month-old black Goldendoodle who came to *AGR* in February with a broken left hind leg that his owners could not afford to fix. We were told he broke the leg jumping off the stairs onto a hardwood floor. During his recovery from surgery when he had very restricted activity, he was fostered by Connie and Nick in Glendale. After a couple weeks, he was placed with Diane and Todd in Phoenix – they had previously adopted another Goldendoodle, **21-053 Sedona**. Diane's first comment was: *This puppy is so sweet! We all hung out in the back room last night and he was content. Gave him pain meds at bedtime – could tell he was a bit sore from activity of the day! Slept through the night, no issues. I used a small ponytail band and pulled the hair out of his eyes – I think he likes being able to see! I'm going to rotate different toys thru his pen each day... he was happy to check out some new things this morning. Sedona is*

curious and hangs out in the back room, but her nose is a little bent out of shape! I soooo look forward to the day he and Sedona can just run and play together. Just another great reminder to all of us... don't take the small stuff for granted! After placement, **Apollo**, whose name was changed to **Bentley**, still needed our entire standard vet work-up with all vaccines, tests for heartworm and valley fever, and eventual neuter. Unfortunately, he tested positive for valley fever so he was started on fluconazole. When asked about how **Bentley** has fit into their household, Diane wrote: *Bentley came to us shortly after surgery on his left hind leg. Keeping an eight-month-old puppy quiet was a full time job! But he handled it like a trooper and was so happy and loving. Since being cleared by the orthopedic doctor his favorite thing to do is RUN! He had several months of being confined to make up for! He'll chase tennis balls, birds and his sister, Sedona. He is very toy motivated and is especially interested in stuffed animals... game over once the stuffing and noise makers have been properly removed. He and Sedona have become best buddies and are almost always found together in the same room or area of the yard. They love to wrestle, chase and play tug-of-war with one another. Bentley LOVES everyone; whether on a walk, in our home or out and about in public. And he is the happiest, most joyful dog... the laughter, amusement and cheer he has brought into our lives is incomparable. He has no fear, and we lovingly refer to him as the "wild child," as he runs, jumps and plays hard with so much enthusiasm, joy and love for life and his family. Thank you to AGR for bringing this pup into our lives and home... we are better people and happier because of Bentley.* **Bentley** was issued an adoption addendum for a valley fever retest.

22-022 Cali Girl, a beautiful red purebred Golden, ruptured her left ACL at age 10½. Her owners could not afford to get the leg fixed, nor did they have the time for the necessary post-surgery rehab, so they surrendered her to *AGR*. After the surgery was done, this sweet, mellow old girl was fostered by Judy in Phoenix for 8 weeks. Judy took her walking daily and found that **Cali** loves to swim, which was also good exercise for the leg. Placement found what they thought would be a good home for **Cali** with a couple who had adopted several old dogs in the past, but when Deb transported her to this home, she found it wasn't going to work well for **Cali**, so she took **Cali** home thinking that Placement should not have a difficult time finding a forever home. Deb related: *Cali came to our house as a way-point to elsewhere and never left – we in AGR call it "foster failure," but it really isn't a failure, it's a WIN. I was the only transporter available when Connie and Nick went on a two-week cruise, so it fell to me to move Cali from her foster, Judy, who was also going on vacation, to her new home. We offered Judy the opportunity to adopt Cali, but she declined, as she has other dogs and felt she could*



be of greater service to **AGR** as a foster, i.e. a temporary home. So, **Cali** came to stay with us for a while. After 4 days with us, Larry said, "Are you thinking of keeping her?" Well, when the husband asks that question, the answer is a given: YES! **Cali** is nothing like our last female Golden, **Dolly**, whom we adopted at age 9. **Dolly** was stubborn, independent, and had a mind of her own, which often did not agree with mine. **Cali** is a lovely, sweet, compliant, well-trained senior girl who wants nothing more than affection any time someone wants to give it to her. She doesn't interact much with any of our three male Golden, although several times recently I have noticed her trying to get into the melee when the three boys get going with each other. She likes to carry around soft toys, but I've never seen her try to tear one up. Other than that, she just likes hanging out. Her leg has healed well, thanks to Judy's ministrations, and I walk her and one of the boys around our 2/3-mile circle several times a week – she's great on leash and sets a good example for the boy, who usually stays right next to her when walking. We are really enjoying having her with us.



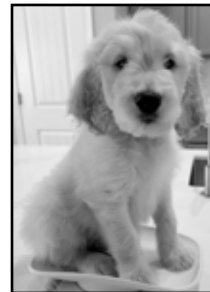
22-028 Canelo is a 6-year-old, already neutered, purebred Golden. He was surrendered because the husband was disabled and cannot work and the wife had too much going on with work and kids. Even though **Canelo** was living with another Golden (**22-029** then **22-042 Luna**, whose story was in the August issue), we found early on that he does not do well with other dogs he doesn't know. So, we

placed him with Scott in Coolidge, a single guy with no other pets. **Canelo** did need some basic vetting and during the exam the vet noticed some white spots in his eyes. These turned out to be cataracts, but at this point they do not obstruct his vision. Scott does not speak Spanish, and that is the only language **Canelo** had ever heard, so there were some communication issues at first, but they seem to have worked those out. **Canelo** spent most of his 6 years living outside, so he wasn't housebroken, but he learned fairly quickly, although Scott wisely crates him and does not give **Canelo** the run of the house if he has to leave. **Canelo** had never had any formal obedience training, so we recommended that Scott register for basic obedience at **Master's Kennels Dog University** in Gilbert. He took **Canelo** to a couple of classes, but there were too many aggressive dogs in the class, which really unnerved **Canelo** and made him more reactive, so they stopped going. To help with some behavior modification training, we sent behaviorist Sharon McKenzie to do an evaluation. Sharon determined that **Canelo** is not himself aggressive, just inexperienced in social settings and has a lack of confidence. She recommended to Scott that he expose **Canelo** to more unfamiliar situations, so that he can become desensitized to a world he has not known before, and she gave some advice for getting **Canelo** acclimated with other dogs and people. We are glad we are able to provide resources such as Sharon when adopters need some extra help.

22-032 Chance was found out in the desert in the middle of nowhere south of the prison in Florence. The finder, who works at the prison, was going home "the back way" when she spotted this big, handsome boy on the side of the road. The dog wasn't microchipped, nor was he wearing a license tag. She took him home, but her resident dogs did not

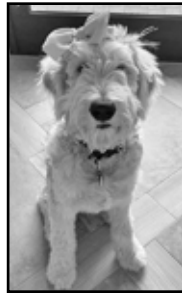


accept him, and after the required 7 days of due diligence to find the owner without success, she called **AGR**. Sharon called Deb to let her know we needed to take in this stray. At the time, **AGR** member Jeff was visiting Deb's. When she told him about the dog, he offered to go get him and took him home to foster. He got along fine with the two resident Golden, and the family named him **Chance**. He was not in great shape. He was quite overweight, had some skin issues, some yucky teeth, was not neutered, and we guessed he had a thyroid problem. In addition, Jeff and his wife, Kelly, had noticed that **Chance** was limping. They looked at his foot and found an unusual growth on the underside of one of his nails, which led us to think it might be a nailbed melanoma. Turns out it was not cancer, just a massive infection, but while **Chance** was under anesthesia for the neuter, the vet amputated the toe just to be safe. The vet did the full-spectrum exam, all vaccines and all tests we normally do at intake of a dog that we have to assume has had nothing. A thyroid test was also done, which indicated that **Chance** needs to be on thyroid supplement medication. He was also started on the green bean diet right away. Kelly related: *Welcoming **Chance** in our home has been quite the adventure, more for him than for us. After finding out a little bit about his past and being found in the desert, we were happy to have him in our home and give him the life he deserves. The first few months this poor guy spent his time here in a "cone of shame" due to an infection in his toe. Once all was said and done and the cone wasn't a part of his daily life, his true personality started to blossom. He's become a great playmate to our two other Golden. They wrestle, chase and have taught each other so much. At times he's more independent and chooses to do his own thing, but he fits perfectly into our pack. Most importantly, he's become quite the cuddle bug.* Jeff said the whole family, including their other two Golden, loves him to pieces. **Chance** has certainly been given a second chance at a great life with a family that adores him. Never again will he have to fend for himself out in the desert.



22-036 Logan, a blond Goldendoodle puppy, was surrendered at age 9 weeks because his owner/breeder couldn't sell him, as the pup had persistent diarrhea and the breeder said he could not afford any more vet bills. Connie transported the puppy to **Academy West Animal Hospital**. He was given an exam and only a Bordetella vaccine, since the breeder

had already given the dog the first DHPP as well as deworming medication. The diarrhea resolved without further treatment. **Logan** was placed with a family in Prescott Valley. The mom had raised a puppy in the past, but the dad had never had a dog. The two young girls, 3 and 8, had been asking for a puppy for a while. The arrival of this pup was a surprise for them. So, when Deb knocked on their door, she said to the older girl, "I have a delivery for you – will you come out to the van and help me bring in the package?" They all trooped out to the van, and when Deb put the puppy in the girl's arms, happy tears started to flow! Deb gave the family lots of puppy-raising tips, as well as a copy of our *Your New Dog Manual* and some newsletter issues. The family renamed the puppy **Booker**, because the dad and the older daughter are obsessed with the Phoenix Suns. When asked for a short statement about how the dog has fit into their life, it was the older daughter, Harper, who wrote this response: **Booker is a great mischievous, playful and loving dog. I have realized it doesn't matter if you get your pet from a breeder or animal shelter, the love they give you is the same. Booker loves to swim, play fetch, and chase me. He has also taught me to be responsible and put in effort. Although he's stubborn, I love him from the bottom of my heart. I couldn't imagine life without him! Whenever I am sad, he comforts me and lays with me. When I see his sweet face, I feel at home and safe.** Wow, **Booker**, you surely have found "your person!" The family has had vetting done at **Prescott Animal Hospital** and will have the neuter done there when **Booker** is a year old.



Booker, now about 7½ months, old tolerates the children dressing him up



Golden puppies are so cute

22-038 Whiskey was 8 weeks old when the owner, who'd had the puppy only a week, surrendered her to **AGR**. She stated that she has some mental health issues and didn't realize she wasn't ready for a puppy. Krista, who had been on our waiting list for a while, was definitely ready for a puppy and her 2-year-old Golden, **Stella**, was ready for a playmate! Because she was such a young puppy, **Whiskey** needed all vaccines. Once she had the whole series, we finalized her adoption with an addendum for the spay when she is a year old. Krista renamed the puppy **Pennie**, as she is the color of the coin. Krista said: *We love our golden, Stella, and she loves us too. But we often thought she would also love to have a sister. We had no idea that a text from AGR on an early Sunday morning would result in welcoming the most amazing surprise to all of our lives. At eight weeks old, Pennie came bursting through the front door with full paws flailing and introducing herself as if she were coming home. At first, we thought she and Stella were twins. But as time went on, we realized Pennie was definitely one of a kind. From the beginning, there was no question that this was her house, as she began using the doggy door, ruling*



Pennie has grown up to be a gorgeous young adult

the yard, and learned where the steps were to begin her swimming lessons in the pool. We realized her purpose was to bring joy, happiness, fun, and craziness to our world. Especially when she looks at you and is curious about what you have to say, and if she needs to help or be included. Also, she can't yawn or stretch without making a sound that resembles what we call a "Pennieasaurus." What we may have thought of as an apprehensive or indecisive decision, became an undeniable, perfect, and unmeasurable blessing that is **Pennie**. We love happy endings!

22-039 Phoebe is a 7-month-old female Golden mix (not a Doodle) puppy. Her owners live in an apartment and realized 5 months after they got the dog that there isn't enough space. They are also expecting a baby soon and know they won't have time for a dog. Since the owners got the puppy off Craig's list, they had her genetically tested and the results were 75% Golden Retriever, 25% unknown. After she was vetted at **Academy West Animal Hospital**, she was placed with Tim in Surprise. Her renamed her **Ginger**. She got along with his resident dog and the neighbor's Goldendoodle. She loves to frolic outside in the grass, and after having been cooped up in an apartment, who can blame her? Now that she has the freedom of a big yard, she started exhibiting typical puppy behaviors. Behaviorist Sharon McKenzie was called in for a consult and offered good advice. Everything seems to be working out, which is great. Happy new life, **Ginger!**



22-041 Harley, judged to be a 3-4-year-old Golden/Lab mix, was picked up as a stray. The finder could not keep her because she lives in an apartment. She did due diligence to locate an owner but had no luck. She said **Harley** is friendly, playful, a lover and a cuddler, but she is afraid to be left alone and barks when she is. So, Placement found a home for her with a retired couple, Jackie and Dave in Tempe. She was younger than the age specified on their application, but she has worked out with them. She had bad ear infections and needed all vaccines except for rabies, which the finder had gotten. She also needed tests for valley fever and heartworm. The family has an electronic dog door which she enjoys going in out. They renamed her **Holly** and recently wrote: *Holly has finally settled in to her forever home but still loves to go in the car. It is her favorite pastime it seems.*

She's very sweet and suffers from separation anxiety, so we bring her with us just about everywhere we go. Once in the car she is quite tranquil, but when one of us exits the car she sings a sad and anxious song. She has her favorite indoor spots, one of which is in front of the fireplace where she can see and check on all her people at once. She follows Jackie from room to room and seems to be seeking accountability from everyone. She loves visitors but is apprehensive about workmen and power equipment (chainsaw, shop vac, drills and anything that is powered by electricity that makes a noise.). At last she is taking to other dogs, and we hope she will be more social as time goes by. She also has let the family know she is terrified of thunderstorms, and we've had some doozies this summer. They bought a Thundershirt for her, but she acted like they were trying to torture her when they tried to put it on. They discussed putting her on anti-anxiety medication with the vet, but decided not to go that route yet. They will just rely on time and patience to help her through her anxieties. We are confident that **Holly** will realize she is in the safest possible place with the best possible people and that those anxieties will eventually fade away.

22-043 Marley is a 4-year-old, rather energetic, ball-obsessed purebred Golden Retriever. The reason for surrender: new baby. They thought **Marley** was too active to be around a baby. This beautiful but somewhat overweight girl had never been spayed. She needed all our standard vetting: vaccines and tests for heartworm and valley fever. Just after she came to **AGR**, she went into heat.



We kept her in boarding at **Academy West Animal Hospital** rather than expect a foster to keep her safe and away from any amorous males that might be in the neighborhood. 20 days later, we moved her to a foster home, but the resident dog did not accept her. He constantly wanted to play; she wasn't interested. She only had eyes for a ball – any ball. The vet at **AW** had started her on fluoxetine for anxiety. The fosters continued the med and stepped down the dosage as recommended. The fosters were gracious enough to keep **Marley** until we found a home with no other dogs, which we did in just a few days. She is now in her forever home with Bobbi in Rio Verde. Bobbi had not had a dog for 16 years and is thrilled to now have **Marley** keeping her company. She takes her everywhere. **Marley** especially enjoys car rides and swimming at Bobbi's friend's house. Since Bobbi mentioned to transporter Connie that she was interested in going hiking with **Marley**, Connie advised that she get **Marley** snake trained at **Partners Dog Training School** in Cave Creek and to purchase a set of dog booties to protect her feet from hot pavement and rough trails. Good advice. A month after her heat cycle had ended, **Marley** was finally spayed; she recovered well from the surgery. When asked for a follow-up statement, Bobbi said: *I've had her now two months. She is one very happy Golden! We walk the golf course in the mornings (where no one is), we play "chuck" the ball in the*

nearest dog park, and she loves riding in the car to any destination! She's by my side nearly constantly. When she's really happy she sits close beside me and makes a noisy "Huuumm." It's the funniest thing I've experienced with a Golden. Her nick name is "Velcro". After being moved to several different places, it sounds like **Marley** is finally where she belongs for good. We're very happy for both Bobbi and **Marley**.



Introduction to the next seven dogs... In early July, **AGR** was contacted by a local breeder of Goldendoodles. Her poodle had recently had a litter of 10 (after having a previous litter of 10 last year). The breeder had been able to sell only three of the puppies and wanted to surrender the other seven to us figuring that we would have a better chance of finding new homes for these 9-week-old puppies. We were not able to place any right away, so Liz offered to foster the four boys and Diane and Todd in Phoenix took the three girls. Just before she left on vacation, Connie did her graphic magic and produced a really attractive ad that was put out on our Facebook page. We got slammed with applications! Deb did most of the home evaluations within just a few days, so we finally had some families from which to choose a good home for each puppy. Each family made an appointment to visit the puppies with either Liz or Diane, depending on whether they wanted a male or a female, respectively. So all had met their puppy before he or she was actually delivered. All the puppies are really nice, appear to be quite smart and are growing well. All needed a complete series of DHPP vaccines and deworming. All will need to be sterilized when they reach a year of age. They have all now been finalized with an addendum for the spay or neuter.



22-044 Ralphie was placed with Malinda and Doug and their son in Surprise. During transport, the puppy pooped and peed in the crate, so Deb had to tolerate the "puppy perfume" during the entire half-hour trip. Yuk. The family was anxiously awaiting the puppy's arrival. Even the grandpa was there to greet the newcomer. After just a few days, Malinda wrote: *He's doing wonderful! We love him so much! We haven't chosen a new name, yet! Working on it! He's sitting by my desk while I work. He's doing great in his crate at night and doing really well with potty training. He doesn't like the heat. He goes potty and then runs back to the door as quickly as possible.* They finally settled on a new name, **Theo**, and he is responding to it well.

22-045 Pumpkin was chosen by Courtney and Mike and children, who live in Peoria. The family had never had a dog, so the kids (ages 10 and 7) were especially excited. Deb spent some time going over the *Your New Dog Manual* and some training techniques. She emphasized that all family members should use the same command for the same behavior. Mom is a teacher and knows how important consistency is to learning. Deb felt that this family will do right by this puppy and that he will have a great life with them. They renamed him **Thor**. That made us chuckle, as it was like a kid putting on his dad's galoshes – a very big name for a little boy. But he will grow into it, as both the poodle mother and the Golden father are large dogs.



22-046 Johnny went home to Anita and Bryan in Cave Creek. They adopted a purebred Golden named **Oakley** from *AGR* at the end of 2015. At the time, Anita's mother was living with them and had a small dog that became the Golden's best buddy. Since then, both the mother and the little dog passed away, so **Oakley** was lonely. When Anita saw the ad on our Facebook page, she immediately applied to adopt one of the

male puppies. **Johnny** chose her when she visited Liz's house. He climbed into her lap and didn't want to leave. A few days after Deb delivered the puppy, Anita wrote: *Pete will be his name. It was my dad's name, and he comes to it without hesitation. So Pete it is. They are doing well. Oak is a good teacher. We had a very good night. Pete went to sleep in the crate in our bedroom with us and Oak last night. Oak lay next to the crate. Pete told us with one yelp when it was potty time and we went out 3 times by 5 am. Quick business trips, with no hesitation, and right back in to bedroom on his own trot with Oak. Back in the crate, piano music on and he was back out. So I would say it was a great night. He has pooped 4 times since arrival, with the last one right after breakfast. He eats and drinks well, while aspiring to get big enough to get to Oakley's water bowl. So he barks at Oak about it. Actually today he is vocal to his toys and my feet also. He is a very good boy and we love him. Both boys are lying at my office door on the cool tile resting now. Pete is very smart, just like Oak.* Anita and Bryan wanted to use their own vet and offered to take over all vetting costs – we appreciate that very much.

22-047 Aladdin was the last male chosen by a prospective adopter, Jennifer in Phoenix. Fortunately, she fell in love with him right away. However, Diane offered to keep the puppy at her house for an extra week because Jennifer's resident dog, one-year-old **Payton**, had contracted kennel cough at the doggy day care he was attending a few days a week. The vet advised keeping the puppy away until three days had passed without **Payton** exhib-

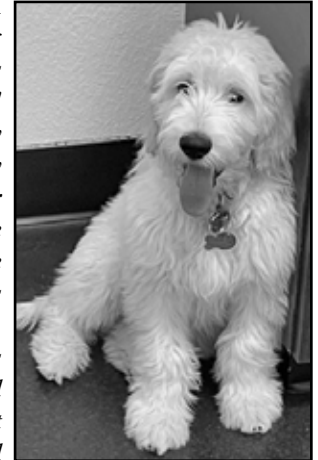
iting any symptoms. Both Jennifer and **Payton** were thrilled to finally have the puppy with them. Jennifer had named him **Charlie** and that is what Diane called him during the week he fostered at her home. At Jennifer's house, **Payton** kept trying to initiate play and would bring a toy over to the puppy and drop it near him. It was the cutest thing! He taught **Charlie** how to use the doggie door in about one minute. When asked how **Charlie** has fit into her life, Jennifer replied: *Charlie has been the best laid-back little man! He has been a best friend to my 1-year-old Golden Retriever. They play non-stop, chasing each other through the house, around the coffee table and out the door through the yard and back again. Charlie wants to do whatever his big brother does. He is a little uncoordinated – he gets excited to see me and he runs and takes off to jump on me when I get home and he jumps too early and misses me and hits the floor, but that doesn't stop him, he still comes to give me kisses! He will play with his brother and while trying to change directions too fast he ends up doing a somersault! So I think he will be athletic one day! He loves to pounce on his brother, who usually lets him win when they play. He wakes me up every morning by jumping onto the bed and giving me kisses around 5:30 am! He is the best at cuddling and loves to be held like a little toddler and he just relaxes in your arms, but at 44 pounds he is getting a little heavy for that! He has been the perfect addition to our little family!*



22-048 Ruby was chosen by Christine, Brendan and their two children, who live in Gilbert. When Deb and Denise arrived with the puppy, they introduced her to the resident dog **Leeloo** in the front courtyard. **Leeloo** wasn't very welcoming to the puppy – kept warning her off when **Ruby** tried to play. The resident cat did not show its face while we were there, but is reportedly now getting along well with the puppy. A few days after the puppy's arrival, Christine wrote: *We are all enjoying getting to know our newest family member! We decided to rename her Summer. Watching her interact with our cat Rocket was fun! I have no doubts they will be friends. I can't wait to see if Summer can get Rocket to play with her. Summer and Leeloo are*



22-047 Aladdin at intake;
now called Charlie -- BIGGER!



still finding their groove but **Summer** is amazing! She shows submission right away if **Leeloo** gives her a reminder. At one point, **Summer** had a broken tooth, but the vet just gave her some antibiotics and said the permanent tooth would push out the broken baby tooth. **Summer** also had a reaction to the vaccines, so the vet gave them one at a time with some days in between.



10-week-old Kaya
with 5-month-old Asha

22-049 Precious was the first puppy chosen by her forever family, Sanja and Admir in Phoenix. They wanted to take her home from foster Diane's house, but that is not how we do things. Deb transported the puppy to them just a couple hours after they met her. The entire family including their two adult sons, was waiting with bated breath for Deb to arrive. Once at the home, introduction to **Asha**, a 5-month-old Goldendoodle was done – it went well,

although **Asha** seemed a little miffed at the competition for attention, but everyone knew she'd get over it. That evening during a family meeting with considerable discussion, the name **Kaya** was chosen as the puppy's new name – Sanja said the name has Scandinavian and Greek origin meaning "pure." When asked to comment on how the puppy has been doing, Sanja replied: *One of life's greatest gifts is getting a dog. Kaya came to us on July 10 at ten weeks old. We were super excited to receive one of 7 Goldendoodle puppies that were rescued just a few days before. We noticed immediately that Kaya was an observer, calm and cautious. We gave her time to adjust and explore her new surroundings. Little Kaya immediately took a liking to her older (by 3 months) Goldendoodle sister, Asha, and the two of them have become fast friends. Watching Kaya play and learn new tricks from Asha is endearing. Counter surfing is one of them but don't tell anyone I shared this with you. When we introduced Kaya to outside activities such as walking, she was unsure and hesitant at first. With a little patience, a few more tries, and carrying her in our arms, Kaya realized that walking is the best thing ever, and*



now she loves our daily adventures. She is still learning to walk properly on the leash, but she is getting there. Kaya has this beautiful soft fur and intelligent eyes that are hidden behind her cute bangs. They remind me of little dark moving buttons, and they will melt your heart every time you look at them. It is such a blessing to get to watch Kaya grow, chase butterflies, run through the yard, and bark at strange sounds. She

is a gentle bundle of joy and Mama's shadow. We feel that Kaya is our little gift from Emma (#09-010) who crossed the bridge in February of this year. Kaya surely made our family complete again. Kaya has already attended her first AGR event – she was one of our meet-and-greeters during the golf tournament registra-

tion and got a lot of attention from the golfers, which she loved. We hope to see her at many more events.



22-050 Sparkle was the last little girl to go to her new home. She now lives with Josefina and David in north Scottsdale in a gorgeous house and large yard and has a male Goldendoodle, **Theodore**, for a companion and mentor. They renamed her **Phoebe**. David



Phoebe's fur seems to be getting curlier as she matures

has scads of photos and some videos of **Theo** and **Phoebe** playing run-and-chase or who's-the-boss – it's hysterical seeing little **Phoebe** (probably about 30 pounds) trying to hump big **Theo**, a tall Goldendoodle, or outrun him on the large patio. They have looked like they are having a wonderful time together. David wrote: *Phoebe has integrated into our family very nicely. She has quickly bonded with her Doodle brother, Theodore (7 years old) and enjoys pouncing on him and pulling on his ears throughout the day (and eating his food when he's not looking). She is assertive, intelligent, and learns quickly. Phoebe enjoys treats, stuffed animals, playing ball, sun bathing, and stealing socks. Happy new life, Phoebe!*



22-051 Lars is an 8-month-old neutered English Cream Golden who was surrendered because the older resident dog was being aggressive towards **Lars**. The owner recently got married and her husband already had the aggressive dog that was found on the reservation. **Lars** gets along with all dogs, cats and kids. He goes to doggy daycare and loves it.

He is described as calm for an 8-month-old puppy. He originally came from a breeder in North Carolina that breeds her dogs to be therapy dogs. The owner described **Lars** as very intelligent and a quick learner. When we transported him to Michelle and Andy in Chandler, it amounted to going from the frying pan into the fire at first, as the resident dog, **Lucky**, made it known quickly that he did not like the new kid on the block. **Lucky** finally settled down after about a half hour. **Lars** needed all his vaccines updated and tests for valley fever and heartworm. He also had an issue with one of his eyes, as well as an ear infection. He was treated for both. Andy recently told us: *We are very grateful that we had the opportunity to adopt Lars. He has been a wonderful addition to our family. After a few days of getting to know him, we decided to rename him Ollie. We thought that name Ollie matched his big-*

gest personality trait, which is, undoubtedly, being goofy. It took **Ollie** and our other dog, **Lucky**, a few days to feel each other out, but they have been inseparable ever since. **Ollie** and **Lucky** play for hours and hours every day with occasional short naps in between. **Ollie** loves to play tug-of-war, to fetch a ball, and to steal whatever toy **Lucky** is currently playing with. **Ollie** is a very sweet, loving dog, who has no idea how big he is, and he thinks he is a lap dog. He loves to be close (very, very close) to his family, and he especially loves belly rubs. When he's not playing, **Ollie** likes to watch soccer and golf on TV. He likes to bring in large rocks from the backyard. We are forever grateful to **Arizona Golden Rescue** for giving us the opportunity to adopt him. **Ollie** has added a lot of smiles and joy to our family. In addition to smiles and joy, **Ollie** brought with him some undesirable puppy behaviors, so we referred the family to behaviorist Sharon McKenzie, who will help them work through and, hopefully, eliminate these behaviors.



22-052 Herman is a 3 ½-month-old male Goldendoodle. The surrendering owner (SO) had legal custody of her 13-year-old grandson and a friend gave them **Herman**. They had the dog only 10 days when the SO realized that the grandson was not bonding with the dog and while he would feed him didn't take any interest in him. Her husband is disabled, and **Herman** was under his feet

and almost tripped him. The friend that gave them the puppy says he had a parvo shot but doesn't have any papers to show that or any other shots, so we had to start all over with the vaccines. We will issue an addendum for a neuter to his adoption finalization. He was placed with Karen and her daughters in Scottsdale. They have mini-Goldendoodle, **Charlie**, and a senior cat named **Ginger**. **Herman** made immediate friends with **Charlie**. They make quite a striking pair because **Charlie** is white and **Herman** is an amber color. They were about the same size when we delivered **Herman**, but now **Herman** is considerably bigger and will end up about twice **Charlie's** size. At first, the family didn't like his name, but it grew on them and they decided not to change it. Here is what Karen related: *Oh where to start... ever since the day we adopted **Herman**, he has been the best addition to our family. His name matches his personality perfectly. From jumping in the pool, to fetch toys, to falling off the couch because he is a bit clumsy, he always makes us laugh. He quickly bonded with his big brother, **Charlie** and is quite playful*



Herman, the dark one, and Charlie, the white one, napping together

with his cat brother, **Ginger**. He loves to go on car rides and eats his food lying down. He experienced the dog park for the first time a few days ago and loved the freedom to run and play with other dogs. We are so lucky to have found **Herman** when we did, and it all fell into place perfectly. He has been the perfect addition to our family. Thank you **Arizona Golden Rescue** for bringing **Herman** to us. We are happy that the dog has worked out so well with this family. He has two animal companions and three ladies who dote on him and give him the attention he deserves.



Henry sad, fearful and on drugs at intake

22-053 Henry was 9 months old at intake. He is a blond Goldendoodle who came with anxieties and fears about everything unfamiliar – noises, places, people – and would cower and try to run away. The owners had purchased him at age 5 months (*Oh, he was so cute, we couldn't resist*) from a pet store. Dogs that are sold in pet stores almost always come from puppy mills, which are horrible places. The dogs they breed are kept in small crates, never exercised, and many develop outright neuroses. Puppies are weaned

away from the mother usually by 4 weeks and not socialized at all. **Henry** exhibited many traits of puppy mill dogs. He was afraid to go outdoors and had to be carried over the threshold and out to the yard to do his business, then would tear back into the house and go to a corner in the kitchen and just shake and quake. The family tried to help him get over his fears and even resorted to getting anti-anxiety medication from their vet. He was on so much of this med when he came to **AGR** that he acted doped up. Our vet said the dog was on way too high a dose and gave the foster instructions for gradually reducing the amount (he is now off this med completely). He was placed in a foster home with Paulina and George in Sun City. When they lived in the Midwest, they used to raise Golden Retrievers, so they were quite used to dealing with puppies but not with one who was afraid of everything. With a lot of time and patience, **Henry** has started to come out of his shell and is learning to be a DOG. The couple grew to love him and decided to adopt him. They have been given an adoption addendum that provides for the neuter surgery when **Henry** is about a year old. Paulina said: ***Henry** has been a blessing and joy to us since he arrived. He has been very helpful in carrying the socks into the laundry room, always comes to sit in the kitchen when I make dinner, and is first to get the mail as it comes through the door slot. The birds used to make him run back into the house, but now he chases birds, a rabbit and grasshoppers. And most of all, at night we finish the day with a group hug and say Thank You for our beloved **Henry**. Wow, **Henry**, did you ever end up in the best possible place!*



Off the anti-anxiety meds now and happy



22-054 Christy is a beautiful 6-year-old purebred Golden whose owner breeds AKC-quality Golden in California. She decided that **Christy** had had enough puppies and wanted to retire her. In the past, we had rescued several dogs from this breeder, so she called us. She actually ended up giving us 5 dogs, which made the trip to CA worth the cost. Connie McCabe, Fred Prose and Chris Spiel

drove to Lancaster, stayed overnight and drove back to AZ the next day with the 5 dogs in Connie's van (one of them had been gifted to Fred by the breeder, as he had adopted two dogs from her before). Bob in Phoenix had recently lost his Golden and he and his Cocker Spaniel, **Bailey**, were lonely. He came to Liz's house to look at the male Goldendoodle puppies she was fostering but decided a puppy was not a good choice for him. When the CA group arrived, Bob was first in line. He related: **Christy** came into **Bailey's** and my lives at just the right time. We had lost our Golden, **Kona**, after almost 13 years. **Bailey** basically shut down, stopped eating and waited at the laundry room door, never leaving till I came home. I knew I had to do something for both **Bailey** and me, as we were missing a big chunk of our life. I just didn't want to go the puppy route again, as I wanted a more mature dog somewhere close to **Bailey's** age. So I reached out to **Arizona Golden Rescue**. They came out, looked at my place and said I was a perfect candidate for adopting one of their rescues. It took about a month. They received four dogs from a breeder in California, one male and three females. I had asked for a male but they had told me that the male did not get along well with other male dogs. That just wouldn't work, as the rest of my family has males and female dogs and we all need to get along. My daughter and I went over to see the two females. When they let the two out, **Christy** came running over and dropped right at my feet wanting to be petted on her belly. I think it was a sign, as the other Golden was curious but didn't come that close till we started playing with the ball. My daughter and I looked at each other and said, "That's the one!" When she was brought to our house and met **Bailey**, it was truly as if she melted right into the family like she had been here since a puppy. By the time I left for work that first Monday, I let her have the run of the house with **Bailey**. I had to pin the doggie door open as she just could not get the flap, and it is still that way today. It didn't take her long to find the dog toy box – she

has taken a few of the toys and made them her own. She and **Bailey** have learned to share all the bones and dog toys with no fighting over any of them. She learned quickly not to play in the water bowls as we put them up high, and she never once tried to get in the pool in the backyard. She basically



took over right where **Kona** left off – it was meant to be. We went on our first trip in the motorhome. She was a great traveler – lay down right next to **Bailey** and would come up next to me every once in a while for that pat on the head. We got to San Diego and this was her first time being on any leashes and she was perfect. I had a single leash with a double lead – they both walk right beside each other never pulling like she had been doing it all her life. We got to the dog area and she got along great with all the other dogs, did her business just like she had been traveling and doing it forever. We took a day and went to dog beach in Coronado and as we got up to the beach I let her off leash. Both **Christy** and **Bailey** stayed right together, ran down to the water, and we played ball – she didn't try to run off, stayed right close, and loved the ocean and lay in the water. She has filled the void in both **Bailey's** and my life after the loss of **Kona**. You would never know that she was a breeding dog and was in a kennel all of her life. She is now on permanent vacation and every day is a holiday for her.

22-055 Josie was the other adult female purebred Golden who came to us from the CA breeder. She is 4 years old and was described as "timid." When we first placed her with Julia and Tom in Phoenix, she was afraid of everything. With patience and love, they are gradually helping her get rid of her fears. Both **Christy** and **Josie** needed vaccines and had some minor medical issues taken care of by **AGR**. Julia and Tom had recently lost their boy, **13-011 Bismarck** and were waiting for **AGR** to take in just the right dog for them. Julia wrote: We changed her name to **Rosie**. We were so used to dogs who loved going on walks that it was strange to find one who didn't. Quiet, gentle **Rosie** came to us with limited exposure to the world including living in a house with humans, but she's come a long way. In the beginning, air gusting through wall vents or the sound of the dishwasher sent her scuttling off in the opposite direction. Now, she is more comfortable with us, the house, and everything the backyard offers. She chases after her ball with abandon and then plops in the play pool to cool off. The front yard is another story, however. Very slowly we are helping her explore the neighborhood. It turns out she is frightened of mailbox pillars and cars parked in driveways or on the street. A long walk is a halting one to the end of the street and back – if we're lucky – but we know she'll eventually come around. Since we've had her, she's developed an interest in the wildlife beyond the fence, she greets us at the door with a bark, and her personality is coming out. I look forward to the day when she's eager to go for a walk, but in the meantime we are simply enjoying her company and having a pup in the house again. We are really a good match for **Rosie**. I'm so delighted to have her and so thankful for **AGR**. When **Rosie** is less stressed about living in the house and relaxes some, **AGR** will have her spay done.





22-056 Sky, at 4 months of age, is one of the two puppies surrendered to us by the CA breeder. Connie and Marshall in Sun City West had adopted **22-017 Abbey** a few months ago and decided 6-year-old **Abbey** needed a playmate. When they found out about the dogs coming from CA, they made it known they wanted a puppy. It had been over 40 years

since they had raised a dog from puppyhood, so they were given lots of puppy-raising and puppy-training advice from Deb, who has raised many. Of course since she is a young puppy, **Sky** needed all her vaccines and will be spayed at **AGR's** expense when she is about a year old. The first night **Sky** was at the FWITA's home, she became a little nervous when a thunderstorm passed by. She kept barking in the crate, so they took her to bed with them and **Abbey**. At first, **Abbey** wasn't at all sure she wanted a buddy and had her nose a little out of joint due to having to share attention from the humans. But she has gotten over this now. Connie said: *We welcomed **Sky** (formerly **Mindy**, formerly **Mandy**, formerly **Sky**) a few months ago. We thought the name **Mandy** was a better fit, but that sounded too much like **Abbey**. We then changed **Mandy** to **Mindy**, which rhymes with her breeder-home sister's name, **Windy**. With much thought, given that her pedigree name is **Sky**, we came back to that, so **Sky** it is. **Sky** completed her live-in status and is now a genuine "pup in residence". We love to watch her "puppy trot" through the house. She loves to play tug-of-war with her sister, **Abbey**. Sometimes that can become a pinning wrestling match in the backyard courtyard. We love that she can be so cheerfully rambunctious, and then stop in her tracks for a cuddly hug. She loves to cuddle with both of us, likewise **Abbey**, which causes some jealousy with both dogs. She is quickly learning the house rules. Her leash training walks will be her next adventure, plus working on her jumping instinct. Calm and quiet like a typical Golden Retriever – not exactly. She's just a puppy, we remind each other. We are so thankful to **AGR** that we became **Sky's** forever home. She's so precious, and we love them both.*



22-017 Abbey and
22-056 Sky

22-057 Teddy, 8 months old, was the last of the puppies transported from the CA breeder. He reportedly was not good with other male dogs, so we placed him with Rhonda and Lorenzo in Avondale; they have a senior female Chihuahua, so no issues there. He, too, needed all his vaccines and will be neutered at **AGR's** expense around his first birthday, which is on



November 25th. A few months ago, Rhonda and Lorenzo had an unpleasant experience with another male Golden – he actually bit Lorenzo and the bite was unprovoked. So we returned that dog to his owner, and the couple waited for a more appropriate dog to come into Rescue. After the first night **Teddy** spent at their home, Rhonda commented: *Everything is wonderful. **Teddy** is such a good boy! We gave him a bath yesterday and he loved it. No accidents in the house. He loves his toys and gets along well with **Hilda**. **Teddy** and Lorenzo are already fast friends.* More recently, Lorenzo wrote: *That low growl you hear may sound menacing, but those who know him know that is just the way **Teddy** is telling you "check out this awesome toy I am showing you!" **Teddy** came to our family in late July. He was eight months old. He was living with a breeder who was in the process of retiring and had surrendered several English Cream Goldies. He was a love from the first minute he entered our home. Best of all he was a "**Teddy**." We did not have to change his name. **Teddy** may look like a big dude adult, but he is very much a puppy. He loves to play all day long. He loves his harder toys that help him strengthen his teeth. He also loves the soft toys he snuggles with at night. **Teddy** loves water. He loves running through our lawn sprinklers. When he arrived we had to be patient with his potty training. Now he is very good about always going outside – even if that is at 2 in the morning! Our whole family, including our senior rescue Chihuahua, **Hilda Billie**, loves **Teddy**. He is a very good boy who gives us so much love in return. Thank you **AGR**!*

22-058 Charlie was the last of our 3rd-quarter adoption finalizations. He was 7 months old at intake. The surrendering owner claimed her husband, her sister and her dogs did not like the puppy. They also had two Chihuahuas, two poodles and two huskies, as well as four children under the age of 6 – too much commotion! The sister was actually the original owner. She kept **Charlie** crated for 10½ hours per day. Finally realizing the confinement was not good for a growing Golden, she turned him over to the family that already had too many dogs and too many kids to pay much attention to **Charlie**. Since the resident dogs were being mean to **Charlie**, within just a couple of days, they called us to come get him. He was placed with Stephanie and Adam in Phoenix. They live in a walk-up apartment with a park nearby and have a cat, who right away let **Charlie** know who was boss. Stephanie works for a vet and often takes **Charlie** to work with her. He developed a rash on his abdomen and tested positive for Giardia, so her boss kindly gave her the employee discount rate for treating the dog. We reimbursed her for the expense, so we are grateful for the vet's consideration. Everything seems to be going well and the cat has declared a truce with the puppy. The family has been given an adoption addendum for **Charlie's** neuter when he is about a year old.



OVER THE RAINBOW

We honor the memory of our human and animal companions who have passed on...



10-014 Bunny Martin



12-093 Diego Decker



14-028 Oshie Rehberger



14-080 Arlo Whitmore



15-082 Bandit Hale



16-042 Mia Kasallis



17-045 Luna Attryde



19-021 Purdy Roberts



22-002 Riley Zaner-Garcia



Bailey Brown

Cole Alexander



The Rainbow Bridge

There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It is called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors.

Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of meadows, hills and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, the pet goes to this place. There is always food and water and warm spring weather. The old and frail animals are young again. Those who are maimed are made whole again. They play all day with each other.

There is only one thing missing. They are not with their special person who loved them on Earth.

So each day they run and play until the day comes when one suddenly stops playing and looks up! The nose twitches! The ears are up! The eyes are staring! And this one suddenly runs from the group!

You have been seen, and when you and your special friend meet, you take him or her in your arms and embrace.

Your face is kissed again and again and again, and you look once more into the eyes of your trusting pet.

Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated.



Marley Compise



Gracie Cipollone



Lola Valente



Sedona Gutowski

And

Albert Ferencz
Beloved father of AGR member Kerri Marchant



11th Annual Fore! Paws Golf Tournament

By Deb Orwig, AGR President



We had a very successful golf tournament thanks to many volunteers, generous donations, and the great golfers and dinner guests who attended – our profit was over **\$26,600!**

AGR's 11th Annual Fore! Paws Golf Tournament was held on September 17, 2022 at the fabulous **McCormick Ranch Golf Club** in Scottsdale. The weather out on the course was excellent (never broke 100°, thankfully). Golfing was followed by a fantastic Golfer Mixed Grill Buffet in the evening. The income derived from the tournament will pay for our ever-increasing vet bills during the last quarter of the year.



Above: Beth Chaffee's golfing group with Lori Ploetner, Sam Ramirez, Joe Fanelli, Beth, and Sal Barbera

Below: Jon Chaffee's golfing group with Lee Letchford, Dan Fitas, Jon, and David Long; this group won Third Place



The tournament could not have happened without countless hours and hard work from many volunteers. Chairing the event was Deb Orwig (photo below)



with assistance from Beth and Jon Chaffee. Solicitations, auction, raffle and registration and administrative duties were handled by Deb. Beth and Jon made the arrangements with the golf club, brought in a lot of the golfers and some of the financial

support, and acquired some of the items used for the silent auction.

Adam Cardinal updated our online registration program, saving us the \$268 fee we have had to pay to rent such a package in the past. Unfortunately, many of the golfers did not complete the online form. Instead, they just called me with their credit card information and their golfer contingent, so I missed getting some contact information for some of the golfers. We'll do better next year.



Adam Cardinal brought his parents, Marion and Robert Cardinal, for dinner at the tournament as a gift for their 61st wedding anniversary

Connie McCabe used her amazing talent to produce the informational postcard, all of the table graphics and course hole signage and took almost all of the photos. The hole signs were truly beautiful works of



Liz Tataseo caught a picture of Connie McCabe taking pictures

art! Above is the sign she made for my canine gang. At 18" x 32" these signs are large, so they are very visible to the golfers. The signs were printed by **Fairway Recognition**, a Canadian company. We have been told that our hole signs are nicer than those at many other tournaments.

Debbie Ball, Carolyn Brown, Jim Cogan, Emilie Duncan, Patty Forte, Rhody Kelman, Sherry Landwehr, Rebecca Mackerman and Jolene Schlichter joined me on the Solicitation Committee, which brought in many items for the raffle, silent auction and golfer goodie bags. It was a pleasure working with all of you! Sherry did all her solicitation by letter and phone call from her home in California! Beth and Jon Chaffee and Chris Spiel were also instrumental in acquiring some item donations. Special thanks to Bob Fuller for offering his advice and expertise on the acquisition of the electric bike we presented in the silent auction



One of two really great silent auction items was an electric bike – the other was a Traeger Wood Pellet Grill with all the accessories; we had both items displayed on the terrace where the golfers were checking in; while golfing, many must have thought about owning one or the other because both got multiple bids, the bike bringing in \$1,000!

– it was our most sought-after and highest-bid item!



Attractively-packaged items from *Top Golf* and *Trader Joe's* at Tatum Blvd/Shea Blvd in Phoenix

Assembling our gorgeous baskets for the raffle and silent auction were Carolyn Brown, Deb Orwig and Liz Tataseo. Liz helped with the arranging of items and packaging the baskets with cellophane, as did Carolyn. Carolyn and Deb made beautiful bows, and Deb produced the golf ball-shaped descriptive labels and bid sheets for the silent auction items. Emilie Duncan spent her time during the basket-making day preparing envelopes with mulligans that were sold to the foursomes at the tournament. At \$5 per mulligan with a limit of one per golfer, the mulligan sale generated \$365.

Numerous volunteers helped stuff the golfers' goodie bags at Deb's house on Wednesday before the tournament: Carolyn Brown, April Crow, Patrick Doyle, Jean Klink, Trishia



Goodie Bag Stuffing Crew: Carolyn Brown, Jean Klink, Jill Prose, Chris Spiel, April Crow, Fred Prose, Jane Triplett, Liz Tataseo and Trishia Murphy



Patrick Doyle checking out the Traeger Wood Pellet Grill, one of our silent auction items; Patrick is always available to help wherever he is needed

Murphy, Deb Orwig, Jill and Fred Prose, Chris Spiel, Liz Tataseo and Jane Triplett. Since we had so many helpers for goodie bag stuffing, we were finished with 96 bags in about an hour! We had many compliments on the contents of the goodie bags, our best ever for a tournament. The list of goodie bag donors is on pages 30-31.

All of the equipment for set-up and all the items for the raffle and silent auction were at the Orwigs' house and had to be loaded into vehicles and the *AGR* trailer, transported to the golf club, unloaded and set

up inside the dining Pavilion and outside on the terrace where registration was to occur. For packing up on Friday and transport on Saturday, we thank the following for their assistance: Carolyn and Peter Brown, Nick Dodson, Patrick Doyle, Connie McCabe, Trishia Murphy, Deb and Larry Orwig, Jill and Fred Prose, Liz Tataseo and Jane Triplett.

Carolyn and Peter Brown, Jim Cogan, Patrick Doyle, Emilie Duncan, Beverly Host, Trishia Murphy, Denise Padavano, Jolene Schlichter, Chris Spiel, Sanja Tetaric, Cindy Tigges, Jane Triplett, Lenni Wilson and Kathi Youhas met Nick Dodson, who drove our trailer, and me at the golf club to help with unloading and set-up on Saturday.



We could never produce a big event like the golf tournament without significant help from Carolyn and Peter Brown

Peter Brown helped so much by stopping by *The Home Depot* on Bell Road in Glendale (on his way from home in Surprise to the golf club in Scottsdale) to pick up the Traeger Wood Pellet Grill, one of our silent auction items. He also delivered the grill the next day to the winning bidder, who lives in Buckeye. Thank you, Peter.



Standing: Joni Cipollone with David, Bob Fuller with Christy, Leslie Carson, Patrick Doyle, Sanja Tetaric with Kaya, Sharon Flores with Riley, Liz Tataseo with TK, Dean Mortimore with Sugar
Kneeling: Judy Birt with Asher and Cali Girl, Cindy Tigges with Natasha, Lauren Rudin with Bryxx

AGR members who handled dogs during golfer check-in were Judy Birt with **Cali Girl** and **Asher Orwig**, Pat-tye Brown with **Parker**, Leslie Carson with **Sally**, Joni Cipollone with **David**, Sharon Flores with **Riley**, Bob Fuller with **Christy**, Teri Guilbault with **Raya**, Dean Mortimore with **Sugar**, Lauren Rudin with

Bryxx, Liz Tataseo with **TK**, Sanja Tetaric with **Kaya**, Cindy and Gary Tigges with **Natasha** and **Lucy**, and Mike Wilson with **Takoda**. Teri Guilbault, Deb Orwig and Mike Wilson checked in the golfers and sold mulligans. Trishia Murphy and Jane Triplett sold raffle tickets during golfer



Golfer check-in: Mike Wilson, Deb Orwig, Teri Guilbault with Raya poking her head out from under the table so golfers could pet her, and Jane Triplett, who sold lots of raffle tickets



Want raffle tickets? See the lady (Trishia Murphy, left; Beverly Farrar-Host, right) wearing a yellow apron!

check-in and also in the Pavilion where the dinner was held. Dinner guest check-in was handled by Carolyn Brown and Deb Orwig. Connie McCabe and Chris Spiel rode around the course in a golf cart with extra cold water and took photos of every foursome.

Chris Spiel also profffered homemade cookies superbly decorated by Chris's sister Sheila Simmerman. Golfers and volunteers donated \$273 for the cookies. Thank you, Sheila, for your time to produce them and to Chris for bringing them.



Chris Spiel brought decorated cookies made by her sister Sheila Simmerman; she also encouraged the sign up of two foursomes, got the putter donated by Cobra, and she sponsored the bar – thanks for all, Chris!

Later in the afternoon, Adam Cardinal, Karie and Jake Lurie, Denise Padavano, Jill and Fred Prose and Jeanne Wegener came to help for the rest of the day and stayed to help with clean-up.



Tana Kerns, Ken Kerns, Kyle Worhack and Zach Worhack represented Hale Pet Doors; the Kerns purchased a Hole Sponsorship, played as a team and donated a large-size Pet Door for our silent auction

Our 96 golfers began checking in around 11:30 AM to be greeted by some of the dogs mentioned above. We also had some special dogs join us during dinnertime: Karey, Kelley and Sheri Rodeffer brought service dogs Joie and Sucey. Asking first if it was OK to pet these two lovely, well-behaved dogs, several of the dinner guests got to see two really beautiful Golden Retrievers.

In addition to the above-listed volunteers, several other people helped with the tournament in various ways.

Arizona Golden Rescue would especially like to thank Dan Jones, Group Golf Coordinator, and the staff at McCormick Ranch Golf Club for their generous support and help; Camelia Lapuste, Restaurant Manager, and the restaurant staff were particularly helpful.

To encourage the golfers to look through their goodie bags to see what they contained (lots of items), before the golfers take off for the course we ask them to look through their goodie bags for a special bright orange golf ball. Whoever



Team Hoppe: Andrew Griesel, Kevin Hoppe, Jill Hoppe and Justean Palmer

Jill Hoppe was the first to register a foursome; she found the orange golf ball in her goodie bag and won a \$50 Amazon.com gift card

found it would receive a \$50 Amazon.com gift card. Since many of the golfers put their goodie bags in their cars before heading out to the course, the ball was not found until the golfers got home, but I did get a call and a photo of the ball from the winner and sent her the gift card.



Costco's booth was set up on the terrace so the golfers could take cookies, muffins and water after they checked in; Kimberly Hulbert represented Costco and stayed until the golfers went out on the course; Costco also donated a \$50 gift card.

A terrific addition to our tournament this year were the food and beverage sponsorships by Costco and Raising Cane's. Kimberly Hulbert came from Costco with cookies, muffins and 10 cases of bottled water. The goodies were available during the golfer check-in. Costco also donated a \$50 gift card.

Raising Cane's not only purchased a Hole Sponsorship, they donated two very nice prepackaged gift baskets. On the course,

they gave out free lemonade and tea samples at hole #9. The representative, Heather Bowman, also brought free-lemonade cards for our volunteers and items for the golfers' goodie bags. She had a Wheel of Fortune



Heather Bowman at the Raising Cane's booth

set up on her booth table. The golfers were able to spin the wheel and get a prize.

As a last-minute addition to some course amenities, Sam Ramirez and his Farmers Insurance Agency offered to



Notice the Cane's drink cup Connie Photoshopped in between the dog's paws

sponsor hole-in-one prizes on the four par 3 holes of the Palm Course. Had anyone gotten a hole-in-one (no one did), they could have won Omaha Steaks for a Year or \$10,000 in cash. We did not have these prizes in place far enough in advance of the tournament to advertise them, but we will in 2023 if Sam agrees to sponsor them again, and I expect more than 96 golfers will compete for these fabulous prizes. Our thanks to Sam Ramirez for this sponsorship.

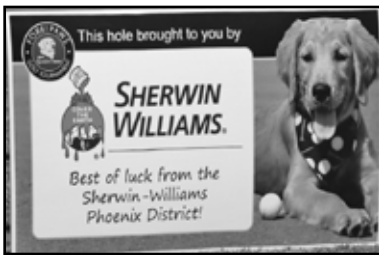




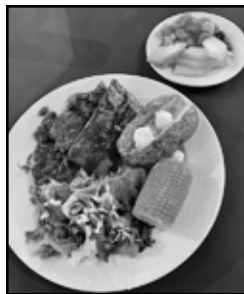
Set-up started at 9:30 AM and continued into the afternoon after the golfers went out on the course. Although the Pavilion is the best venue we've ever used for a golf dinner plus raffle and silent auction, it was a challenge setting

up all our items. The room looked huge when it was empty. I had ordered 16 tables in advance, but these were not enough to comfortably accommodate all our items – we had to set up six more tables. Fortunately, we had the extra tables and tablecloths in our trailer. Carolyn Brown, who is our display specialist, did a great job arranging everything.

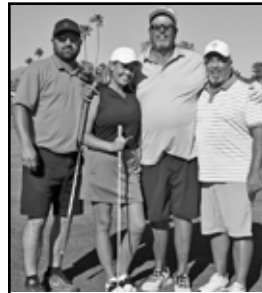
We had some really outstanding golf-theme items in our raffle and silent auction including three golf outings (*Oak Creek Country Club* in Sedona, *Flagstaff Ranch Golf Club* and *McCormick Ranch Golf Club*); a beautiful Ping golf club bag donated by *Van's Golf Shop*; two excellent clubs, a wedge donated by Todd Batt, owner of *All About Golf* in Tempe and a putter via Seann McGinnis from *Cobra*. In addition, *Club Champion* in Scottsdale donated two club fittings and *Second Swing* in Scottsdale donated a club fitting. *Van's Golf Shop* also gave us packages of golf tees and sleeves of 2 golf balls for the golfers' goodie bags. In addition, *Sherwin-Williams Company* donated nice little bags with carabiner hooks containing golf tees, ball markers, and a divot tool. All of these golf items were well received by the golfers.



The no-host bar opened at 5 PM. This year, *AGR* member Chris Spiel sponsored the bar – there were many diners and golfers who were very grateful, so thanks, Chris! Dinner guests started arriving at 5 PM and were able to view the raffle and silent auction and buy raffle tickets or place their bids. After the golfers came in, everyone enjoyed the wonderful Golfers Mixed Grill buffet consisting of Mixed Green Salad with choice of dressings, BBQ Ribs and Chicken, Baked Potatoes, Cowboy Beans, Corn on the Cob, warm rolls, and for dessert Warm Peach Cobbler and Seasonal Fruit. The food was fantastic and plentiful!



After dinner, prizes were awarded in various areas. By the time



First-place winners: Corey Newbern, Amber Newbern, Donnie Kirkes, and Joe Brockman; Amber also won the prize for Closest-To-The-Pin for Women. Amber is an RN who works for *AZ IV Medics*; she purchased a hole sponsorship and donated two IV treatments for our silent auction



Winning First Place with a score of 52 was Team Newbern with Amber and Corey Newbern, Joe Brockman and Donnie Kirkes. Each team member got a \$100 Amazon.com gift card a \$100 *Restaurant.com* gift card and a certificate for a complimentary car wash from *Weiss Bros Express Wash*.



Second Place foursome of Tim and Camden Lime and Tanner and Chris Denney; Tanner also won the prize for Longest Drive for Men

In Second Place with a score of 55 was Team Denney with Chris and Tanner Denney and Tim and Camden Lime; each team member received a \$75 Amazon.com gift card and \$75 *Restaurant.com* gift cards and a car wash certificate.

Third Place was awarded to Team Chaffee (photo on page 25) with a score of 59: Jon Chaffee, Dan Fitas, David Long and Lee Letchford. Each golfer received a \$50 Amazon.com gift card and \$50 in *Restaurant.com* gift cards.



Representing *ONTAZ Companies*, which purchased a hole sponsorship were Duncan McTavish, Sandie McTavish, Marilyn Gense and Jay Gense; Sandie won the prize for the Longest Drive for Women



Also receiving \$50 Amazon.com and *Restaurant.com* gift cards were the winners of Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin for men and women: Tanner Denney for Longest Drive, Men; Sandie McTavish, Lon-



Jason Lowery, Diante Fields, Kasey Fenton and Sarah Krajnak; Diante won the prize for Closest-To-The-Pin for Men



Team Hess is a family affair in both golf and business; Steven Hess, Steve Hess, Larry Hess and Tom Hess; their business, Hesscor, Inc, sponsored a hole

gest Drive, Women; Diante Fields, Closest-to-the-Pin, Men; and Amber Newbern, Closest-to-the-Pin, Women. Congratulations to all!



At the end of the event, equipment, merchandise, leftover raffle and silent auction items, hole signs and water still needed to be packed up and brought to Deb's house.



Sarah Pyper brought two foursomes - "Ladies Only" included Nancy Snowden, Lisa Hill, Sarah Pyper and Margaret de la Ossa; "Men Only" included Mike Boushka, Steve Dorsey, Kevin Fechtmeyer and Don Benner



Karie and Jake Lurie, Connie McCabe, Deb and Larry Orwig, Denise Padavano, Jill and Fred Prose, Liz Tataseo and Jeanne Wegener.



Mary and Bert Engstrom purchased a hole sign in memory of Stormy, an AGR dog; they also donated a superior bottle of Scotch for the silent auction; in addition Bert (at left) golfed with son Chris Engstrom, and friends Tyler Johnson and Chris Shelton



sors. Tail Waggin' Sponsors (i.e., everyone who gave anywhere from \$10 to \$900) donated a total of \$1,512. There were twenty-nine Hole Sponsors for a total of \$6,850; we gave *Sherwin-Wil-*



Field Red Sponsors: Jan & Harry Parsons and Kathleen Donahue, D.O.; Katie made her sponsorship in memory of Goldens she had rescued - Joe, Jake, Samantha, Conrad and Ginger

liams Company a complimentary hole sign due to their contribution for the goodie bags, which was valued at over \$500. Thanks to a \$1,000 Field Red Sponsorship from Kathleen Donahue, DO, and a \$1,500 Field Red Sponsorship from Harold E Parsons, Jr, our total revenue from all sponsorships was \$10,862.

Expenses for the tournament totaled \$15,114.87 and included: \$141.02 for advertising postcards; \$450 for the reusable forest green goodie bags with an AGR logo imprint (we had enough left over to use for next year); \$385 for new hole signs; \$12,704.15



Jack Craven, far left, an AGR member, brought three friends to golf: Larry O'Brien, Jerry Cenamo, and Rob Schlenker; in the silent auction, Larry won the Traeger Wood Pellet Grill and accessories



Bernie Quick, second from right, and Jim Angarella, far right are AGR members who did not know each other before golfing together; the other two in their foursome were Dave Mahoney and Bob Crouse

for golfing and dinners; and \$1,434.70 in miscellaneous expenses.

Income from the tournament totaled \$41,735.54, including: \$12,870 from golfers; \$3,195 collected from dinner-only guests; \$465 from sales of Game Improvement Packages and Mulligans; \$273 from cookie sales; \$2,930.50 from raffle ticket sales; \$9,305 from silent auction sales; \$10,025

from Sponsorships and a total of \$2,672.04 from all other donations. In addition, we sold \$12 in merchandise (one visor), which goes into our General Fund, not into our Golf Tournament revenue. The to-



Carolyn Brown moved from a neighborhood in Surprise where there were several friends who are golfers; she contacted them and they got up a foursome to play: Robert McKinnon, Steve Cohen, Randy Schultz, and Jim Johnson

tal profit from the tournament was \$26,620.67! Our sincere thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of this fundraiser!



AGR members Cindy and Gary Tigges don't golf but they recruited their brother-in-law Bill Winter (far right) to get a foursome to play: Glen Holroyd, Lance Smyth and Brad Tupper

put this date on your calendar now and start recruiting other golfers – we would like to see more than 100 golfers participate in this tournament. If any AGR member would like to join the Golf Committee, please let me know (dorwigaz@cox.net or call 623-693-0589).

Many more photos of the event and the participants are in SmugMug: <https://arizonagoldenrescuemccabe.smugmug.com/AGR-EVENTS/9-17-22-AGR-Golf-Tournament/-fVwNJ9/>



Kevin Cunningham, Reuben Gonzales, Pat Kiser and Mike Howell know Beth Chaffee through her State Farm business

Field Red Sponsorship (\$1,000-1,500)

Kathleen Donahue, D.O.
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Scott Pechersky and son Ben, second from right and far right, are AGR members who brought two friends to play: Dave Park and George Knecht

We have already scheduled our 2023 tournament at **McCormick Ranch Golf Club** in Scottsdale. The date will be **Saturday, September 16, 2023**. Golfers, please



Another AGR member who recruited foursomes to play was Chris Spiel; she brought in Amber Newbern's foursome, which won the tournament, and this one where she is shown with Garrett Stephenson, Joel Larson, Jake Harris and her nephew Kip Simmerman



Matt Cerchial, AGR Member Bob Fuller and John Cerchial; a fourth golfer cancelled at the last minute, so just the three played

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Rick Hobbs, Denise Clough, Heather Dudley and Casey Dudley; Rick is a business associate of Beth Chaffee



By the time Connie McCabe got to Cliff Kelly and Tony Keller with her camera, Bob Borem and Shawn Byrnes had left



Pam Johnson, Karen Gadberry and Chris Johnson – the other member of their group was ill; Pam knows Beth Chaffee through business



Rory Robinson, Karl Lambert, Dean Beaudreau and Scott Smith are friends of Beth and Jon Chaffee

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Debbie Ball's Hole Sign featuring
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Carolyn and Peter Brown chose to feature
their AGR rescue CaliAnne, who will be Miss
October in the AGR 2023 calendar



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Raya Guilbault, the most expensive dog
in AGR history was featured by
Teri and Jeff Guilbault



Karyn and Richard Marchant featured
their AGR rescues Max and Lily

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Medmetrics, the compounding pharmacy AGR uses most



Steve and Lenni Wilson with Casi and Ryan Maynard; Casi is their daughter. The hole sign sponsored by the Wilsons featured their AGR dog Dusty; they also donated a Tail Waggin' Sponsorship and Lenni helped set-up and pack-up on the day of the tournament – great family support!



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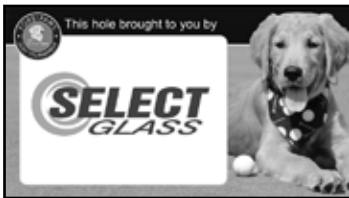
Phoenix Mountain Animal Hospital
 Jason Kanarish, DVM



Jake Lurie and wife Karie came specifically to help at the end of the event – what a breath of fresh air they brought!



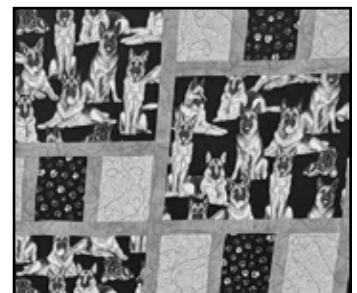
Denise Padavano, AGR Intake Team member, and Jeanne Wegener, new AGR member – both came for dinner and stayed to help pack up



Select Glass – David Ison



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One of our silent auction items was a stunningly beautiful full-size quilt with German Shepherd Dog theme in shades of red, tan, brown and black was made by AGR member Sheri Rodeffer



Stetson Hills Animal Hospital
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One of the most popular raffles was SNACK ATTACK!, which had enough junk food to last anyone for months or a BIG party! The golfing team from Hale Pet Door won it.



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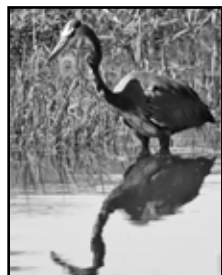
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One of the most popular items in our
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