



Golden Retriever Rescue
of Illinois

As Good as Gold Newsletter

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Greetings!

Announcements

Save the Date - Annual Reunion Picnic

This year's annual reunion picnic will be held on September 25th in conjunction with our Parade Your Pooch - All Breed Fun Walk at Grove 27 in Busse Woods, Elk Grove Village. Attend one or both! Details and registration information will be available later in the summer.



Would you like to make a donation to help one or more of AGaG's rescued goldens? Please click [here](#) to make a difference!

Wine and Candle Photo Contest

Don't miss your chance to have your favorite dog, Golden Retriever or Golden mix, on this year's wine or candle products. It's easy and free to submit your photo.

AS GOOD AS GOLD VINEYARDS



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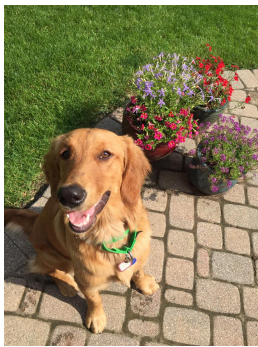
Please review the [photo submission guidelines](#) to ensure your photos will qualify. We need to ensure they will print well when you win.



[Shop As Good as Gold's Web Store!](#)



[Can you provide a temporary home with Foster Care?](#)



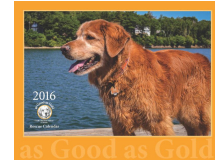
[Meet our Volunteers and Goldens](#)

To submit: Send a photo, including your dog's first and last name, age, and brief story via e-mail to jeking@customcreationsunlimited.com or for large images, use the free service from www.wetransfer.com.

The deadline is July 2nd so get your submission in quickly. Any questions or problems, please contact [Jim King](#).

2017 Rescue Calendars.....Top 5 Reasons to Preorder

5. You're busy....order now so you don't forget.
4. One stop shopping... for the most unique holiday gifts for family, friends & coworkers.
3. Skip store shopping ... even the hardest to please will love it.
2. A chance to gaze into the face of a goofy, sweet golden every day of the year.
1. An opportunity to support our golden rescues ... it is all about the dogs!



Click here to [preorder](#) your calendars! Thank you as always for your generous support of As Good As Gold.

Tails From the Backseat - Marsha Hofner Campbell

Peaches

Ten years in the same loving home is a long time. Sadly, Peaches' owner was ill and could no longer care for her. Fortunately, As Good as Gold heard her story and welcomed this sweet girl into the fold.

After Laurie told her resident pup, Chazz, to expect another foster sibling to take up temporary residence in his home, she met with Peaches' relinquishing owner. Laurie helped this slightly overweight sugar faced dog into her Back Seat, and they were off to begin Peaches' Tale of accepting new caretakers and preparing to join a new forever family.



It took Peaches a while to feel secure and comfortable in her unfamiliar environment. She gave Chazz a growl and snarl when he enthusiastically tried to welcome her. This negative behavior was her adamant reminder that slow introductions are best and you just can't hurry love! Peaches soon acquiesced, accepted his friendship and now follows him everywhere. They are the dynamic duo seeking new adventures on their walks, chasing around the back yard

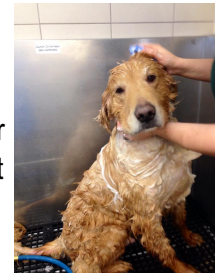
and at day's end, they often can be found snoozing close together. At ten years old, Peaches has the stamina of a much younger dog. She has increased her leash walking endurance from three blocks to fast paced 1 1/2 mile jaunts. Chasing tennis balls has become a more interesting game now that Peaches slides in for the catch and learned to quickly return it and beg for another throw. Occasionally Peaches goes on a "Search and Destroy" mission and finds a stuffed toy which she immediately attacks, kills and removes the squeaker. All of this physical activity, along with a healthy diet has helped her earn a slimmer figure. She loves human companionship, especially with children, and seems to sense how to interact with each age group. Whether Kent and Laurie are away from home for five minutes or five hours, Peaches' greetings when they return consist of little whines, whimpers and groans as if to say, "I'm so glad you're home! I love you, I love you!" This sweet girl then gives kisses freely and exuberantly. Everyone who has met Peaches has fallen in love with her fun outgoing personality. She may be of slightly mixed breed heritage, but her temperament is 100% Golden Retriever.

*Sometimes we need someone to simply be there.
Not to fix anything, or do anything in particular,
but just to let us feel that we are cared for and supported.*
-Unknown-

FUNdraising For the Pups - Carol Peterson and Joe Lunn

Golden Guardians Monthly Giving Program

Golden Guardians are golden retriever lovers who make a recurring gift each month to make sure rescued goldens receive everything they need while in foster care. [CLICK HERE](#) to join this special group of donors today! Monthly giving is easy - you choose the amount automatically charged to your credit or debit card and where your gift should be used. Each month you'll receive an e-mail receipt when your donation is charged and a story and photo of a rescued dog whose life was changed by your gift. Cooper says thank you!



Matching Gifts Save Lives!

You can double or even triple the impact of your support for rescued goldens by contacting your employer to request a matching gift form. Please click on the image below to see if your company offers a matching gift program. Many of the programs match donations dollar for dollar, others will match charitable gifts made by spouses and retirees, and some will make a gift for your volunteer time. Thank you!



Sunday, July 31 - A Day at the Races!

Tickets Going Fast - Get Yours Today

Regular adult (\$45) and children's (\$20) tickets are available for As Good as Gold's Day at the Races on Sunday, July 31. Join us for an afternoon in our private tent in the Park Pavilion at beautiful Arlington International Racecourse. Starting at 12:30 p.m., you'll be treated to a buffet lunch, raffle, and silent auction. Three levels of Sponsorship (\$500, \$250 and \$150) also remain available.

For tickets or sponsorships go to <https://asgoodasgold.ejoinme.org/races>



Throughout the afternoon, you'll be treated to the racing of some of the world's finest thoroughbred horses! Place your bets at nearby betting machines and drown your sorrows at a nearby cash bar in the event your favorite horse doesn't win! Dress casually for a hot summer day or participate in our Best Hat Competition!

Do you have a gift card or auction item you would like to donate for A Day at the Races? Contact Laurie Zurn at lconavay@gmail.com.

Got Goldens now on clearance!

Many of our popular got goldens? t-shirts are now on clearance. What did you think I meant? We're clearing out the old to make way for the new. Older got goldens t-shirts will be on clearance until they are gone. Available sizes will vary but when they're gone, they are gone. These will not be re-ordered.



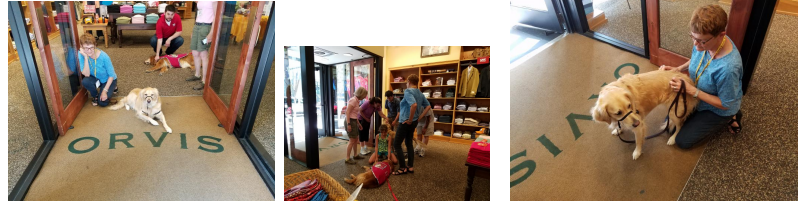
This is your chance to get great merchandise at never-seen-before prices. Long sleeve and short sleeve shirts are available. Find yours at <https://shopasgoodasgold.com/specials>.

Upcoming Meet & Greets - Susan Lunn

Visit us on June 25:

Petco, 412 W Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Petco, 1700 E. College, Normal, 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m..



Golden Opportunities to Help More

iGive/AmazonSmiles

By going to the www.iGIVE.org website, selecting As Good as Gold as your designated charity, and then picking AmazonSmiles from the sites list of retailers, you will trigger *TWO DONATIONS*, both the 0.5% of purchase price from AmazonSmiles and an additional 0.8% iGIVE donation for a combined 1.3% donation to As Good as Gold. This works for all Amazon products except digital Kindle downloads.

When ordering Kindle downloads from Amazon, do so through the www.Fundinco.org website. They will credit As Good as Gold with a donation.



Fabric Donations Welcome

As Good as Gold needs sports fabric donations so that volunteers can sew bandanas that help us get donations to help defer expenses. Please contact Dianne Schultz if you can donate Cubs, White Sox, Bears, Packers, Blackhawks or Bulls fabric. Contact Dianne at davideschultz@wowway.com if you can donate.



Time to Walk for the Pups

This is the best time of the year to be out walking with your dog and, at the same time, earning donations for As Good as Gold. By downloading the Woolfrax application to your Apple or Android device and indicating As Good as Gold as your charity, every walk you take helps to earn donations. Go to www.wooftrax.com to get started!



As Good as Gold Videos - *Watch & Share!*

Did you miss the amazing videos from A Golden Night or just want to watch them again? You can now view all three videos online:

[Overview AGaG Video](#)

[Stecker Fund Video](#)

[2015 Adopted Dogs](#)

A big thank you to the volunteers and supporters of As Good as Gold who made these videos possible!



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