

2027

**RESCUE
CALENDAR**



**Golden Retriever Rescue
of Illinois**



Belle



Belle is indeed a real beauty! Initially a frightened breeder release, she is now confident, joyful, and enjoying a second puppyhood with her little sister, Sophie. Our family is blessed to be part of their pack!

Mary & Brian Slocum



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JANUARY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	 Butterball & Wrigley	 Millie	 Ali	 Ruby	1 New Year's Day Reis LaPorte Maggie Bergdolld Taffy Taxman	2
3 Teddy Abraham	4	5	6	7 Tara Meer	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Goldie the Spaniel Rosenfeld Dudley LaPorte Rigel Harrison	16
17	18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Ainsley L	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25	26 Eve L Bei Bei Bergdolld Rosie Burklow	27	28	29	30

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Ted (Teddy Bear) loves nothing better than a fresh snowfall to roll in. He seems to never get cold, and getting him inside from the snow becomes a real challenge.
Pam Perry



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FEBRUARY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	1 Sadie LaPorte Garnet Avery Sambuca Drosset-Zoruba Wrinkles Bono	2 <i>Groundhog Day</i>	3 <i>National Golden Retriever Day</i> Teddy White	4 Cody Levine Payton Burklow Shai Meer	5 Chardonnay Drosset-Zoruba	6
7 Stasia Sodoma	8	9	10	11	12 <i>Lincoln's Birthday</i> Goldie Bowman Chewy Jouzapaitis	13
14 <i>Valentine's Day</i> Rags Sullivan	15 <i>Presidents' Day</i>	16	17	18	19 Bruno Trapani	20 Gigi Schweitzer
21 Bonnie Meer	22	23	24 Maddy Macnamara	25	26	27
28 Marshmallow Richmond	 Finley	 Katie	 Iris	 Tyson	 Madison Marie	 Buddy

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Goldilocks

I fell in love with Goldilocks as soon as the AGaG rescue sent me her picture. She is a very sweet and loving dog. She has made my life complete.
Mary Brueckner



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MARCH 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Tango	1  Bjorgen Avery	2	3	4  Banner Kosik Twombly O'Connor	5  Payton Macnamara	6
7  Cocoa Schweitzer	8  Lady Rosenfeld	9  Mei-Mei Bowman	10	11  Cheech Sythe Lucky Eshelman	12	13
14 <i>Daylight Saving Begins</i>	15  Jake Kosik	16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>  Bei Bei Bergdolld	18	19  Poppy Levine  Boo Boo B	20
21	22	23  Baymax O'Connor Reggie Harrison  Mia Lanucha	24	25	26 <i>Good Friday</i>	27
28 <i>Easter</i>  Zeppelin  Shadow Burklow	29	30	31	 Alina	 Murphy	 Happy Birthday  In Memoriam

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We went to our local dog park after a few particularly housebound, rainy days. It was muddier than I anticipated, and my water-loving golden boy took full advantage. The entire dog park marveled at his absolute joy!

Brooke Ferguson



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APRIL 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	 Sophie	 Simba & Evan	 Honey	1 Callie Lutz	2	3
4	5 Molly SeilerCeynow	6 Tanner K	7 Dempsey Macnamara	8	9	10
11 Madison Marie	12	13 Nikki Messina Wrigley K	14 Sassy Abraham	15	16 Marvin Kowalski Buttons Sythe	17
18	19 Charlie White	20	21 <i>Passover Begins</i>	22 Haley Lanucha-Dietrick	23 Missy Schuler	24 JD
25	26	27 Happy Sullivan Marty Sullivan-Roth	28 Maybe Trapani	29	30 Jedi Avery	 Sage & Ellie

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Is there anything cuter than a golden retriever puppy? Baymax (Pepper of Maddie's litter) joined our family in May 2025 and has brought so much joy and laughter to our home. He is truly helping his AGaG brother Lincoln, age four and former breeder, to act like a puppy, too!

Carolyn & Jack O'Connor



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MAY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam						1 Bonnie Schweitzer Leo Millunchick Candace Avery Ozzie Avery
2 Maxine Muszanowski Rosie Muszanowski	3	4	5 <i>Cinco de Mayo</i> Claire Lutz	6	7	8 April Meer Cider Murray
9 <i>Mother's Day</i> Myka-Kelly Levine Sebastian Muszanowski	10 Molly Rehbock	11	12	13 King Lucky Skylar Burklow	14 Copper Schweitzer	15 Haley B
16 Teddy-Glennon	17 Alice	18 Ruthie Ford Shadow Muszanowski	19 Flynn Gilgallon Craig	20 <i>National Rescue Dog Day</i>	21 Dutchess B	22 Camden L
23 30	24 Malibu Drosset-Zoruba 31 <i>Memorial Day</i> Al Kowalski Gimli Meer	25	26	27 Shadow	28	29 Luna Lanucha-Dietrick Charlie Millunchick Maggie Bergdold

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Bruno is a joyful golden who lives for hiking trails, fellow goldies, and charming every human he meets. Each morning, he proudly delivers socks, his sweet reminder that it's breakfast time. Between rolling in the grass and savoring belly rubs, Bruno greets every day like it's the greatest one yet.

Heidi Raia



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JUNE 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam		1	2	3	4	WB Fancis
6 Alice Lanucha	7	8 Buddy Muszanowski Lana Meer	9 Abra Callie Millunchick	10 Skip Saraga David O'Connor	11	12
13	14 <i>Flag Day</i> Lexie Taffy Rehbock	15 Brooklyn Burklow Linus Meer	16 Chloe Shira Levine	17	18	19 <i>Juneteenth</i>
20 <i>Father's Day</i> Haven Jouzapaitis	21 Taffy Kosik	22	23	24	25	26
27 Sundance Lowry	28	29	30			

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Whisky

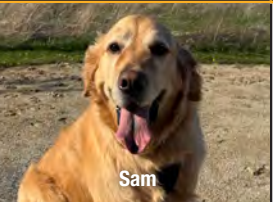
Whisky enjoys swimming, nature and playing with his golden retriever sisters, Sangria and Malibu. He adores his parents, enjoys walks and is deeply cherished by the family, who are grateful to have him.

Jennifer Drosset & Sergio Zoruba



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JULY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Happy Birthday  In Memoriam	 Dunkin & Brandi	 Mija	 Sam	1  Suri Abraham	2  Tequila Drosset-Zoruba	3
4 Independence Day	5  Dixie Sythe-Topielec	6	7  Henry White	8	9  Sam Muszanowski	10
11  Max Macnamara	12  Dino Topielec	13  Buck Muszanowski Gertie Muszanowski Major Wille	14  Maeve	15	16  Wookie Levine	17  Bauer Warner
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28  Murphy Trapani	29  Milly Kowalski	30	31  Sammy

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Brooklyn lives up to goldens' reputation for being water dogs; the girl has yet to meet a body of water she doesn't want to jump into. Here, she takes a break from water frolics during a lake vacation.

Jen Burklow



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AUGUST 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  Lincoln O'Connor	2	3	4	5	6  Pancho Sythe-Topielec Tebow	7  Ella Rehbock
8	9  Allison Kowalski	10	11  Tazzie Abraham	12  Kaner Taxman  Foster Delilah Harrison	13	14  Daisy LaPorte
15	16  Bella Conavay	17	18	19	20  Allie Eshelman	21  Buddy Bowman
22  Kahlua Drosset-Zoruba	23	24	25	26	27  Girl Scout Sally	28
29  Holly Berry Hound Lowry	30	31  Otis SeilerCeynow	  			 Happy Birthday  In Memoriam

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Rocky has been a pure joy since we adopted him in September 2024. He and his adopted sister, Daisy, became fast friends making each other's lives more fulfilling all while mentoring each other in different ways. We are so grateful he found us!

Sue Kimberling



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SEPTEMBER 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	 Teddy	 Frankie	1 Bei Bei Bergdolld Leo Trapani	2 Trekk Saraga	3	4
5 Duke B	6 Labor Day	7 Maggie Bergdolld	8	9	10	11 Patriot Day Goose Trapani
12 Annie Nubis Abraham	13	14	15	16	17 Lexi Seiler	18
19	20	21 Angelica Levine	22	23 Luke Saraga	24	25
26	27 Fergie	28 Mac Gyver Trapani	29	30 Polo Sythe-Topielec	 Quinn	 Bodi

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After one year with Yofi (Jordyn), we can't imagine our lives without her! Anyone who meets Yofi can't help but smile. Whether she's playing in the park with her friends, romping at the beach, or parading around the neighborhood with a big stick, Yofi is our golden ray of sunshine.

Nancy & Jake Amestoy



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OCTOBER 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	 Milo	 Jack	 Odie	 Galia	1 <i>Rosh Hashanah Begins</i> Artie Kowalski Ginger	2
3	4	5	6 Eleanor	7 Lily Levine	8 Archie Sullivan-Roth	9
10 <i>Yom Kippur Begins</i>	11 <i>Columbus Day</i> Moses SeilerCeynow	12	13	14	15	16 Polo Sythe-Topielec
17 Captain Trapani	18	19	20 Buddy Schweitzer Sirius Harrison	21	22 Sangria Drosset-Zoruba The Dude Schweitzer	23
24 Tanner K Bella Schweitzer 31 <i>Halloween</i>	25 Noel Daley	26 Missy Schweitzer	27 Chloe Lutz Frankie	28 Clifford SeilerCeynow	29	30

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Lexi (Lexington) is all heart and full of love. She adores people, especially kids, and lights up when her favorite humans arrive, howling and crying with excitement. Fully recovered from TPLO surgery and full of life, she's sweet, loyal, and guaranteed to make every homecoming feel like a celebration.

Eric Hale



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NOVEMBER 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Happy Birthday In Memoriam	1 Tyler Burklow	2 Aurora SeilerCeynow Laney Schweitzer	3	4 Mattie Samantha Topielec	5	6
7 Daylight Saving Ends	8	9 Dixie Sythe-Topielec	10	11 Veterans' Day Shamus Shana Richmond	12	13 Peaches Sodoma
14 Beau Trapani	15	16	17	18 Orion Harrison	19	20
21 Whisky Drosset-Zoruba	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Day Daisy Bowman	26	27
28 Foster Grady Levine	29 Kyko Sythe	30				

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Aurora is our sweet AGaG golden rescued from China who is now enjoying her new life. She's hilariously stubborn and requires a few cookies to cooperate for any picture taking! Thanks to AGaG for our third great golden.

Beth Seiler & Ken Ceynow



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DECEMBER 2027

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Happy Birthday In Memoriam	 Chesney	 Kaylee	1 Buzz Schweitzer Johnny Ellie Kosik Prince Cross Abraham	2 Shadow B	3 Yoshi	4
5	6 Sawyer Burklow Gracie Kowalski	7 Olive Taxman	8 Coco LaPorte	9	10	11
12 Jordie Abraham	13	14	15	16	17 Lucy B	18 Foxy Lady Muszanowski
19	20	21 Noel Daley	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Hanukkah Begins Yofi Meer	25 Christmas Day Samantha Topielec
26	27	28	29 Gracie Muszanowski	30	31 New Year's Eve	 Dustin

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Moxie

Moxie (Waffles) is three years old and the love of our life!! He adores his de-fluffed sloth and spider monkey, sticks, rubber balls, snuggles, delivering socks, and back scratches over his tail to do his waggbutt dance. He is our sweet and joyful goofball who brightens our life everyday.

Elaine Biester

Ellie (Eagle) is the sweetest girl! She came to us this past fall. She is goofy and calm and loves meeting new people. She brings so much joy to everyone she meets, and we are so grateful to have her in our family!

Kaitlin Cordes



Holly

Holly was a rescue from the streets of Turkey eight years ago. She was believed to be six years of age at that time. We got the call to adopt her on January 29. We gave her a good life and she brought us immense joy. She recently passed away.

Chris Chisholm



Ellie



Linus

Linus (Ranger) is pure joy. He is playful, sweet and energetic. He has a beautiful way of interacting with each member of our family (two humans and two golden girls).

All of our lives are richer with him in it!

Michael & Tami Meer





Faith

On those lucky days when we can linger at her favorite park, Faith will luxuriate in the cool grass and enjoy the breeze. But she'll always roll on her back when I try to get her to leave, looking for one more belly rub! I don't blame her.

Matthew Bright

Nao Nao trots through life with sticks to collect, balls to abandon, and a "happy dance" ready after every good meal. He gallops to the door for walks, flops dramatically when begging fails, and melts against you when he rests. Nine years in, he's still pure joy wrapped in fur.

Griffin Sferruzza



Poppy

Poppy (Buca) was adopted from AGaG in 2022. She loves swimming, fetching the ball, playing in the snow, and playing with her kitty cat brother, Felix. She is the sweetest girl and loves to meet new people wherever she goes.

Adam Maley

Sarge, the English Cream, is six and Teddy is eight. Both are AGaG adoptees and are inseparably bonded brothers.

Bob Stastny



Nao Nao



Sarge & Teddy



Tex

Tex (Indie) went through three fosters before we were introduced to him. He has made a fantastic, funny, crazy, love filled addition to our family! He settled in wonderfully! He loves his doggy friends and is besties with our three year old neighbor!!

Kathy and Mark Alford

Tucker (Prescott) came to me as a foster on May 18, 2023. Soon after, I realized what a perfect fit he was to our home, so I adopted him.

Bob Cline



Tucker



Chance

Chance came to us in January 2021 from Turkey. He enjoys long walks wherever we happen to be and car rides to the beach for a walk in the sand. His favorite pastime involves guarding the backyard from squirrels and rabbits.

Adam Biernacki

Molly Mae is the Queen of Lake Michigan - and sometimes the Court Jester. Her Royal Highness loves to pounce and frolic, has an irrepressible spirit and is always up for adventures, chasing rabbits and playing with her tennis balls. Thanks to As Good as Gold who brought us this golden beauty.

Jim Rosenberg



Molly Mae



Bella (Isabella) has been such a wonderful addition to our family! She is such a sweet girl who would rather love on everyone than play with other dogs. She attends daycare once a week and celebrated her third birthday in style!

Kat Newcomb

Bella

While coming out to adopt a puppy, we got to meet their mama, Frankie (River), (still a puppy herself!) and it was love at first sight. Our other puppy, Kevin, connected with her instantly. It was the most amazing plot twist, and she has been a perfect addition to our family.

Judith Murzyn



Frankie



Flora (Aphrodite) was a timid AGaG rescue from a commercial breeder, shut down with little interaction. When her mentor dog passed, I sought out a new companion. We fostered, then adopted Cholly (formerly Colby), a lively, loving AGaG rescue from a shelter in KY. He has brought so much joy into both our lives.

Rhona Taylor

Flora & Cholly

I met Bruno in the winter of 2022 while fostering for AGaG. He's the biggest, most beautiful golden I've ever met and he completely stole my heart. He LOVES the outdoors and getting to the lake for a swim and makes me laugh/cry at LEAST once a day!

Michael Gilbertson



Bruno



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The key to the success of AGaG, general donations are utilized for general operating expenses including medical care for all AGaG dogs, dog supplies and equipment, and general supplies. In addition to helping needy golden retrievers, your donation can also serve as a caring tribute to someone special:

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Donations made to Elsa's Fund will be used to pay for veterinary care of dogs eight years of age or older and to offset the waived adoption fee for families who adopt through our Golden Years program.

Bentley's Fund

Bentley's Fund, formerly The Long Term Care Fund, was established in May 2010 to care for golden retrievers who enjoy a good quality of life but are unadoptable due to age and/or medical conditions. Your donation to Bentley's Fund will help ensure that unadoptable goldens will continue to receive excellent and appropriate medical care while living in a loving foster home.

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On the front cover:

Delilah: Before we even met Delilah, we were smitten. Prior to picking her up in western Illinois, we were able to 'meet' her virtually through her amazing foster mom, Alice, and see what a sweetheart she is ... affectionate, playful, and the perfect cuddler. And seriously ... who can resist that sweet face?

Michael Conklin & Steven Wilhelm