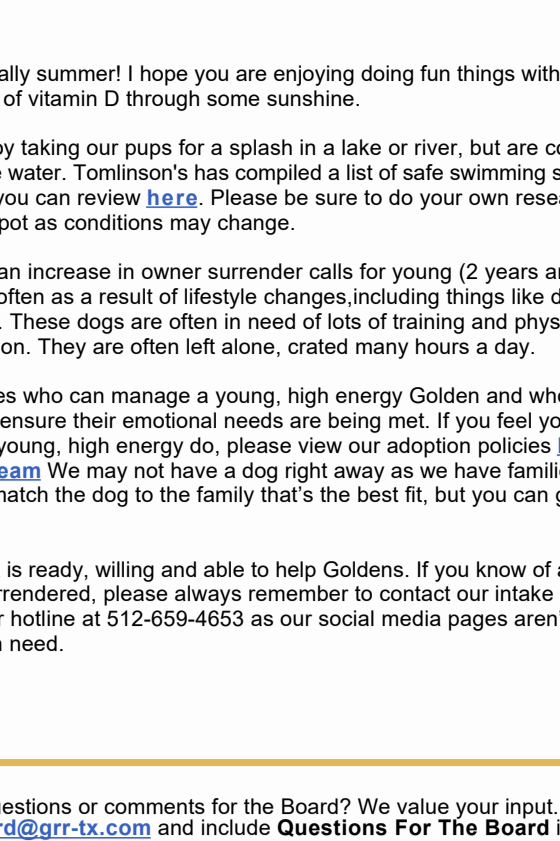


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June 2022

A Message From Our President



Hello Friends,

It's almost officially summer! I hope you are enjoying doing fun things with your families and getting lots of vitamin D through some sunbathing.

Many of us enjoy taking our pups for a splash in a lake or river, but are concerned about the safety of the water. Tomlinson's has compiled a list of safe swimming spots in Texas for your dogs that you can review [here](#). Please be sure to do your own research on the safety of your spot as conditions may change.

We are seeing an increase in owner surrender calls for young (2 years and under) Golden's, most often as a result of lifestyle changes, including things like divorce and having to move. These dogs are often in need of lots of training and physical as well as mental stimulation. They are often left alone, crated many hours a day.

We need families who can manage a young, high energy Golden and who are prepared to do training and ensure their emotional needs are being met. If you feel your family may be a good fit for a young, high energy dog, please view our adoption policies [here](#) or contact our adoption team. We may not have a dog right away as we have families already approved and match the dog to the family that's the best fit, but you can get the process started.

As always GRR is ready, willing and able to help Golden's. If you know of a Golden in need or one to be surrendered, please always remember to contact our intake team at [Intake team](#) or call our hotline at 512-659-4653 as our social media pages aren't monitored for posts of dogs in need.

Warm Regards,
Michelle

Do you have questions or comments for the Board? We value your input. Please send a note to [board@goldribbonrescue.com](#) and we will get to it as soon as we can. Please send the subject line. We hope to hear from you! The next board meeting is **July 16, 2022**.

Summer Adventures!



The More You Know

JOIN US!

"I joined GRR because I was so inspired by the great love GRR has for the dogs, how GRR really cares for the animals behind their rescues. For The Board I want to help rescue a Golden from dire circumstances into a forever wonderful life! I have been greatly and personally helped to be an even better dog owner through much ongoing training and education!"

We invite all Golden owners, anyone who is interested in helping needy Golden's and all who simply admire the wonderful characteristics of the breed to become members of Gold Ribbon Rescue! GRR Membership is an easy way to show your support of our mission of helping and rescuing more Golden's.

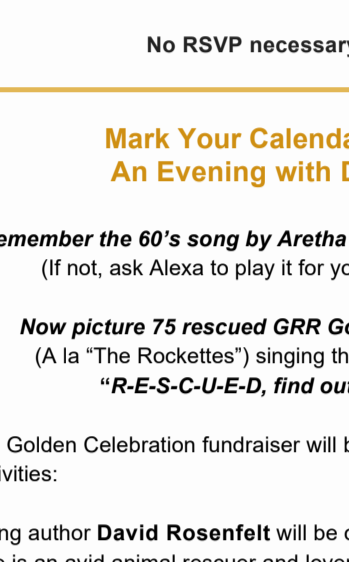
We offer four levels of membership with 100% of your membership dues going toward the medical needs of our dogs. To learn more about how your dollars help our Golden's in need and the levels and benefits of membership, go [here](#). Please take a moment right now to [join](#) or [renew](#) your GRR Membership. Our heartfelt thanks for helping us rescue more Golden's.

GRR Mid-Year Business Meeting

Our mid-year Business Meeting is scheduled for July 23rd at the home of Director Hara Coates in South Austin. More details, including RSVP information, will be in the July issue of Golden Tales.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GRR

The GRR 2023 Calendar Auction Launches TODAY!



The GRR 2023 Calendar Auction Starts TODAY!

The 2023 GRR Calendar Auction runs from June 1st through June 30th.

- You may bid for as many months as you like at the **same time**. Simply watch the bidding and update as you prefer.
- You may bid out any month for the cover for \$550.
- There will be three thumbnails per month so select the month that is most meaningful to you and your dog. Thumbnails are \$30 each.
- As a reminder, there must be at least one Golden or GRR dog in your photo.

100% of the funds raised from the Calendar Auction directly support GRR Golden's.

Click [here](#) to start your bidding or to purchase a thumbnail.

Happy Bidding!

Father's Day Gift Ideas



Father's Day is June 19th and our GRR Store has amazing items to gift to your favorite Dog Dad. To see what's available, go to [Dog Dads](#) and be sure to order soon or delivery by Father's Day.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OF OUR GRR DADS!

Webinar - Understanding Dogs' Body Language

Join us on **June 7th** for an informative webinar on understanding your dogs' body language. The seminar will be conducted by Michele Mendoza, founder, CPDT - KA with Every Dog Austin.

This seminar will assist you in identifying when your dog is stressed and will give you valuable information on cues that will help you to manage and encourage your dog so that they are confident, happy members of your family and your community.

What: Understanding Dogs' Body Language
When: June 7th from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
RSVP: Please RSVP to [Michelle.Goldsberg](#)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us2.zoom.us/j/826930734927>
pwd=RFQ7zn5WVZGR6FDYQw6XBHVNISUT09

We hope you will join us!

Pints, Pups and Pizza Pie



Plan on joining us for a fun time at ABGB for Pizza!

This will be another great Pup Meet Up and this time we're heading to South Austin for some local beer and eats. ABGB will be donating \$1,000 a pint to GRR! Plus, we'll have our donation jar out, should you care to drop in a dollar or two for the cause.

What: Pints, Pups & Pizza Pie
When: June 12th from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Where: Austin Beer Garden Brewing Company
1305 W. 61st Austin 78704
Phone: (512) 298-2242

Learn more about the [Austin Beer Garden Brewing Company](#) and check out their menu [here](#).

No RSVP necessary. See you there!

Mark your Calendar - October 13th

An Evening with David Rosenfelt

Remember the 60's song by Aretha Franklin entitled "R-E-S-E-C-T"? (If not, ask Alexa to play it for you, or look it up on YouTube.)

Now picture 75 rescued GRR Golden Retrievers in a kick line (A la "The Rockettes") singing the same tune with these lyrics: "R-E-S-E-C-T-ED, find out what it means to me!"

This year's Golden Celebration fundraiser will be unique and we are celebrating with extra special activities.

Best-selling author **David Rosenfelt** will be our keynote speaker! David is not only a novelist, he is an avid animal rescuer and lover of Golden Retrievers.

David has selected our Golden Celebration fundraiser as part of his 5-city tour (Chicago, Dallas, Austin, L.A., and Phoenix) from more than 100 requests across the country. GRR is honored to welcome David as our keynote speaker. Not only is he a great writer, but his stories are humorous and resonate with dog lovers like you and me!

The theme for our Golden Celebration fundraiser is **"Rescued, Revalued and Rehomed."** Come and learn more about each of these pillars that GRR holds important for every dog that becomes part of the GRR family.

Silent Auction and Book Signing: We will be bidding on many desirable items and your generosity will help to bolster GRR's medical budget for the year, which allows us to help more Golden's in need.

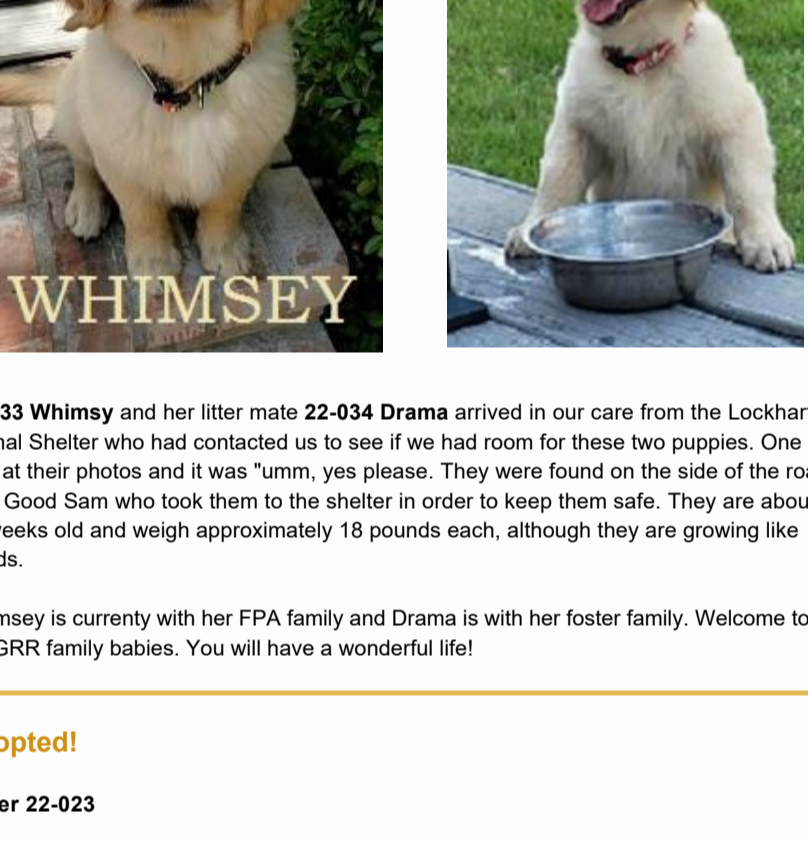
Plan to attend this unique fundraiser on October 13th with our keynote speaker David Rosenfelt and enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, the silent auction and the book signing of David's upcoming book. Watch for more details coming soon.

And, for right now, grab a Golden Retriever and start dancing to R-E-S-E-C-T-U-E-D!

Our Spring Pup Meet Up at the El Gaucho Winery



On May 15th a number of our GRR family and their dogs journeyed to the El Gaucho Winery in Spicewood for wonderful food and a taste of the vine. As you can see by the photos below, everyone had a great time!



NEWS ABOUT OUR GRR GOLDENS

Scaredy Cat? Not Me!



Jameson's Story

Jameson 22-017 came to us in March from the Abilene Animal Shelter that was over capacity and was euthanizing dogs to free up space. The shelter contacted GRR about Jameson and could we take him. Needless to say, it was an immediate YES and a few of action was put in place.

Our generous volunteer, Glenn Chippie, who has done several air transports for us, flew his plane to Abilene to transport Jameson and Jameson arrived via a first-class flight. Once Glenn lands at his home by his private air strip, the dogs often treat themselves to a dip in his pool while waiting for transport volunteers to arrive.

When Jameson arrived, he had a fairly wonky gait so we weren't sure if he had hip issues, but our biggest concern was his timidity. In his foster home, he had such a fear of walking on hard floors that he would shake and sometimes have to be coaxed by his fosters.

Fast Forward

Thanks to his loving fosters, he started to come out of his shell and was much more comfortable playing with others. He would sometimes get so excited when playing that he would jump high into the air. Jameson was adopted during the end of April and at the time of his adoption his legs were still a little wobbly, but he was getting more comfortable walking on hardwood floors.

From His Parents: Michelle and Lerroy

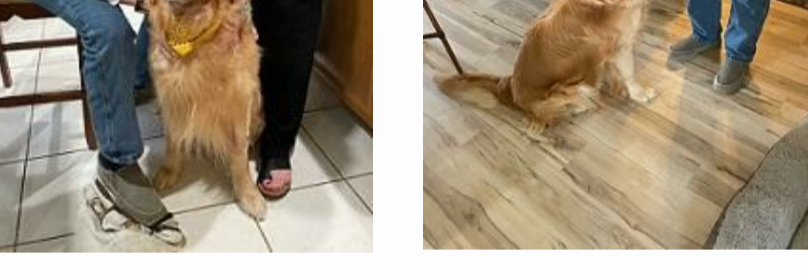
"We renamed him Brody and he seems to like his name. He is also completely over his fear of the floors. It only took about 3-4 days. He follows me and my husband around all over the house. He loves our other dog Rusty and my son's dogs. As you can see by the photos below, everyone had a great time!

When asked if they would share their story for the newsletter, Michelle said "Yes indeed. We love to share the story of how he adapted so that people are not afraid to adopt dogs with a few fears."

All dogs require love, care and patience; some just a little more than others. But how wonderful is the end result for the dog and their forever family!

Look Who's Here!

Our May GRR Arrivals



22-030 Echo and 22-031 Orion came into GRR together, thanks to a Good Samaritan who transported them for us to Converse Animal Hospital. We're not sure that they could be any more precious.

22-032 Eighteen-month-old Riley came to us from a very loving owner, who is in ill health that requires long periods of in-patient hospital care. Riley is such a beautiful, sweet girl and she is greatly loved by everyone she meets. Riley is receiving wonderful care in her forever home.

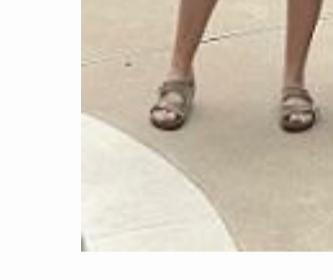
Whimsey

22-033 Whimsey and her litter mate 22-034 Drama arrived in our care from the Lockhart Animal Shelter who had contacted us to see if we had room for these two puppies. One look at their photos and it was "Yummy, yes please. They were found on the side of the road by a Good Sam who took them to the shelter and they were kept safe. They are about 14 weeks old and weigh approximately 18 pounds each, although they are growing like weeds.

Whimsey is currently with her FPA family and Drama is with her foster family. Welcome to the GRR family babies. You will have a wonderful life!

Adopted!

Asher 22-023

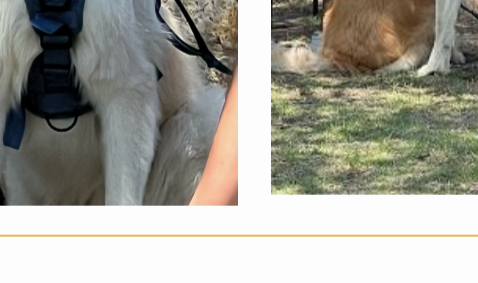


It's final! Asher, now called Goldie, was adopted by Sarah and Geoff on May 2nd. She is a perfect fit for them and she loves her new furry sister, Emmy. Fun fact: Ironically, the shelter Asher came from had tagged her as "Goldie Locks."

Our congratulations to them all! Asher has a great home, perfectly suited for her, and will have a wonderful life.

Editor's Note: We're delighted that both Asher and Thunder, who were spotlighted in the April issue of Golden Tales, were adopted in May. Congratulations to their forever families.

Archie 21-074



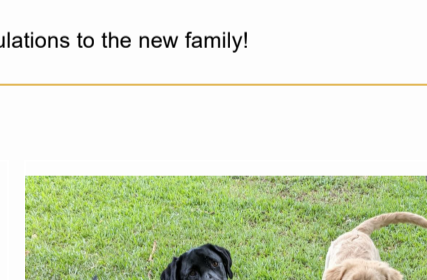
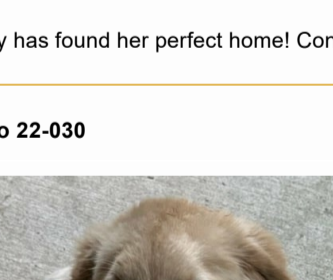
Well what a journey this boy has been on! Found in Lockhart as a stray, Archie came to us on 12/10/2021 and we learned almost immediately that Archie was a teamwork positive.

His fosters, Emma and Justin, buckled their seat belts and proceeded to provide the best loving care that Archie could hope to receive! They provided Archie with great nutrition from the beginning in order to help this skinny boy put on some weight and his training commenced immediately. Once he gained some weight, he became healthy enough to be neutered. Following that, they took Archie through his three-month course of heartworm treatments that brought Archie to complete health!

On May 7th Emma and Justin were finally able to adopt Archie, who absolutely adores them and they him! It was such a joyous occasion! It always takes a village, but especially in this case, because of the long road to health for sweet Archie.

We wish Archie a lifetime of joy with Emma and Justin! Congratulations to this perfect family!

Oliver 22-025



Handsome Oliver was adopted by Cindy and Terry on May 15th. This big teddy bear fits into their family perfectly.

After Oliver's owner passed away, Oliver moved to her sister's home. They already had four dogs, two of them Great Danes, and their home was extraordinarily crowded so they wanted to find Oliver a wonderful home.

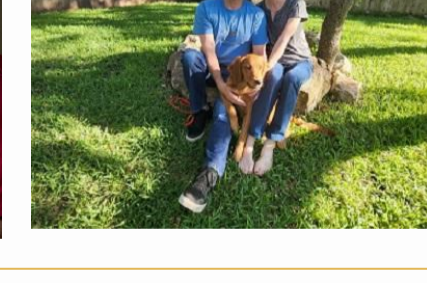
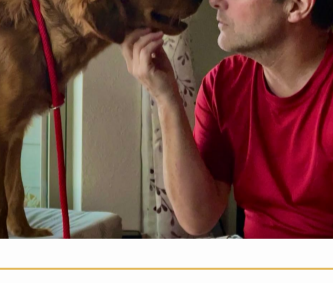
Mission accomplished! It was love at first sight and Oliver is well on his way to an amazing life with Cindy and Terry. Congratulations to all!

Thunder 21-055



Thunder (Track), one of the 9-11 puppies from last fall, was adopted by Ben and Julie on May 21st. They made the drive down to Buda twice during the end of April and at the time they were so excited to bring Thunder into their home. Rick and Ernie, Thunder's foster parents (photos below) for this past month, did seem to have most eyes when they watched him leave and they said they would never forget him.

Thunder/Track is now known as Ranger. We're so happy to see Thunder go to the best home for him - he'll have an amazing life with Ben and Julie!



Jewel 22-013



Jewel, who now goes by Ruby, was adopted on May 22nd by Jeanette and Chris. Her FPA parents, they saw her through her long journey to restore her health and she is now a happy and healthy member of their family.

You may recall that Jewel was trapped on a golf course by our friend Andrea Gieg, Animal Control Officer for Lakeway, after being dumped. Our GRR Gemma was found several days later on the same golf course and subsequently two more dogs were found and are under the care of another rescue. All were in terrible condition and were suffering from mange and malnutrition. The Lakeway Police Department is working hard to find who is responsible for this act of animal cruelty.

We are so grateful to Jeanette and Chris, and also to the wonderful family who is fostering Gemma, who have worked so hard to get these pups healthy physically and to help them feel emotionally.

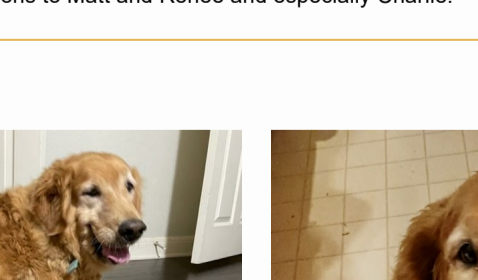
Ruby has found her perfect home! Congratulations to the new family!

Echo 22-030

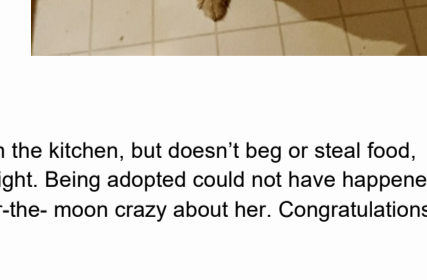


We are excited to let everyone know that Echo was adopted by Frances and Jeremy on May 22nd. She's still very much a puppy and she wants to be right next to her family most of the time. Congratulations to the new family and little Echo!

Camper 22-024



Camper was adopted on May 25th by his FPA family, Matt and Mary Jane, and they are absolutely in love with him! He is a happy, playful puppy who has picked out his fribbles as his favorite toy. He loves to sleep on his back, tummy up, between eating and naps. We're so excited for them and for sweet little Camper! Camper is a happy camper.

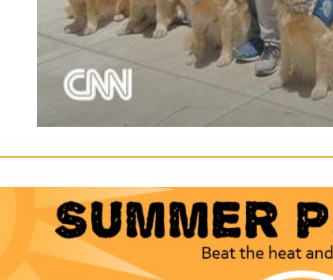


Orion 22-031



Our sweet puppy Orion was adopted on May 29th by Alissa, her two teenagers and Penny. Orion's new canine sister, Ruby, was adopted on May 22nd. Orion is such a beautiful, sweet girl and she is greatly loved by everyone she meets. Orion is receiving wonderful care in her forever home.

Congratulations to Orion and his new family! The best is yet to be!



Charlie 22-027



Charlie was adopted by Matt and Renee on May 28th.

He came to GRR in April as a stray from Abilene. The Good Samaritan who found him said that he had clearly had a home at some point because he was so well socialized and loved children. Well, now he has his forever home and he won't need to worry about hunger ever again. Congratulations to Matt and Renee and especially Charlie!

Lily 22-029

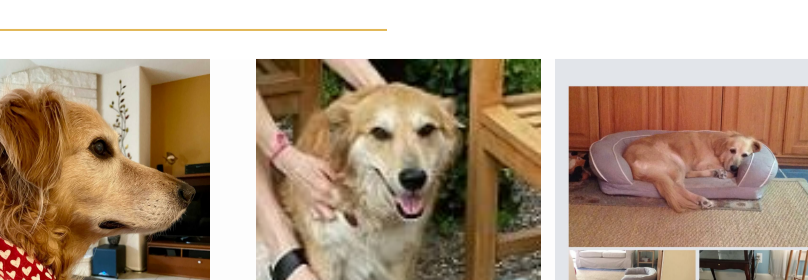


Lily was adopted by Brandi and Doug on May 29th and ten-year-old Lily is perfect for them - very relaxed and calm.

She goes up anytime she hears rattapatt in the kitchen, but doesn't beg or steal food, which is good because she is still losing weight. Being adopted could not have happened to a sweeter lady and her new family is over-the-moon crazy about her. Congratulations to them all!

ABOUT DOGS

Golden retrievers travel to Texas to comfort survivors of the Uvalde school shooting



SUMMER PET SAFETY TIPS

Beat the heat and keep your pets safe this summer!



SUN PROTECTION - Dogs have a much thinner layer of skin than humans, making them more susceptible to sunburn. Use pet-safe sunscreen on their ears, face, belly and legs. Avoid sunbathing between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

COOLER HOURS - Avoid leaving your dog in a car, even with the windows cracked. The interior heat of a car can rise rapidly, even in the shade. A car left in the sun for just one hour can reach temperatures over 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

SHADY - Always provide your dog with a shaded area to rest. If you don't have a shaded area, use a towel or blanket to create shade for your dog.

TIME TO BE COOL! - If your dog is overheated, move them to a shaded area and offer them water. If they are still overheated, call your veterinarian.

HOT CAR - Never leave your dog in a car, even with the windows cracked. The interior heat of a car can rise rapidly, even in the shade. A car left in the sun for just one hour can reach temperatures over 120 degrees Fahrenheit.

SIGNS OF HEATSTROKE - Excessive panting, drooling, vomiting, diarrhea, weakness, collapse, and seizures. If you suspect heatstroke, call your veterinarian immediately.

STAY HYDRATED - Always provide your dog with fresh water. If your dog is not drinking, offer them water frequently. If they are still not drinking, call your veterinarian.

HOT PUP PAWS - Long periods of exposure to a hot surface can lead to paw burn. Avoid hot surfaces such as pavement, asphalt, and concrete.

In Memoriam - Buddy 10-099

I hope that sharing my grief will ease it a little. Buddy came to us in 2011 from a shelter in Brownsville via Gold Ribbon Rescue. I fell in love immediately. He's been our laugh inducer, our happy traveler and my sweet shadow. Getting ready for work is going to be a lot harder. I'll miss his beautiful curls, his happy face and loving eyes. We always called him "my little buddy" after the show Gilligan's Island; it always seemed to fit.

Goodbye Buddy (Budders) You were the best good boy. We miss you.

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