

# What's Happening

*We wish everyone  
a safe and very happy  
new year's eve!*

It's the first day of the calendar year 2022 -  
what better time to order your 2022  
calendar?

Well, okay, the best time would have been  
weeks ago, but better late than never.  
We only have a handful left so hurry...

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*We Did It!!!*

We've reached 1000 followers on TikTok.  
Great job Michelle, our TikTok Coordinator!

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# Announcements



**December 4th is National Sock Day.** Ranger, fostered in TN, LOVES this holiday :-)



**December 5th is Bathtub Party Day.** Does your GSP like baths? Photos please...



**Our good fortune just keeps on coming this holiday season. Our supporter Jenn, who owns the Etsy Shop called Tilly's Blankets and Snuffle Matts, has very generously added SEGSP Rescue to their list of non-profits they support.**

If you purchase from their shop, and add SEGSP Rescue to the comments, they will donate 100% of the profit to SEGSP! <https://www.etsy.com/shop/tillysblankets/>



Happy shopping! And thank you Jenn for your continued support of SEGSP!

We quite literally could not do what we do for our dogs without the support of our volunteers and generous donors. **We want to say a special thank you to Marty Kanupp and his entire team at Kanupp Kennels in Hickory, NC for the love and training they have offered to several of our SEGSP pups, most recently, Hanz and Zelda (shown here being held by Marty).**



They are an outstanding training facility and have a special place in their hearts for GSPs. Not only do the dogs (and their parents) learn great tools to set up the dogs for success, but it's clear to us that while there, these dogs receive endless love and affection.

Thank you Marty and the staff at Kanupp Kennels for all you do for SEGSP and our dogs in rescue. You are making such a difference, and we are grateful.

**Our recent alum Beau had a photo shoot for Christmas cards.**



Handsome boy. His mom says he is seriously the best dog ever!



Let's see your best ever dog's Christmas card

We just love it when our adoptive families share their Christmas cards and their SEGSP pups are included! **Alum Jax's mom said this card says it's a "wonderFUR" life and Jax rules the roost!** The Velloff family welcomed Jax with open arms in 2020 and something tells us that with three human siblings, he might be just a little bit spoiled...just as it should be.



**Zeke received his ornament for being 3rd place in the SEGSP Calendar Photo Contest...and he LOVES it!** Thank you Neely for donating your custom ornament.



Merry Christmas from all of us here at SEGSP Rescue.



Alum Maple Ruth is anxiously awaiting the big guys arrival!



# Announcements



**Our AL/MS Volunteer Coordinator (and foster/fail volunteer) sent this to us and we must share.** Missy said,



Not only do I have a house full of GSPs, I now have a tree full!"

Thank you again to our talented volunteer Catherine for doing our Flash Dog Doll Fundraiser for Giving Tuesday in November. She is almost done - which is absolutely AMAZING! There are a couple donors that we were unable to contact to receive photos, dog name and address. So if that's you, please private message us.

**Our foster volunteers communicate with our state coordinators so often that they often become friends before ever meeting in person.** When our TN State coordinator, Mandy, planned a recent trip, she checked in with one of her awesome volunteers, Sharon, to get local recommendations.



Sharon said she'd love to meet up if there was an opportunity, so Mandy asked her to join her for a baking class she planned to take. Not only did the two finally get to meet in person, but they had a super fun time hanging out and baking their sweet treats.

What a fun time! But more importantly, we love that not only does SEGSP bring together dogs and their forever families, but it brings together volunteers who become special friends. What a win-win situation!

**Our AL/MS Volunteer Coordinator, Amanda, may not have 4 GSPs, but she has our alum Sunny and Dieter and their dog dolls are as cute as they are.** Thank you to our amazing volunteer Catherine who has done an amazing job making these dolls - and all, except a few we're waiting on info for, done in time for Christmas!



Show us your dog dolls.



**Merry Christmas from our alumni Lucus (aka Lucious) and The General...along with their siblings (aka the Parson Posse).** We're always impressed with their posing skills

**May you never be too old to search the skies on Christmas Eve. Sleep well everyone.**



**Alumna Lucy (formerly Sigourney) and her little human brother are sporting some adorable jammies.** Any other GSP Christmas pajama photos out there?

**As the temperature is dropping, we all need a good blanket. Show us your "weighted blanket" pictures below!**



Maybe we should all try this trick tonight! Sleep well.

**PRO TIP #22: RING YOUR DOORBELL ON YOUR WAY TO BED. THIS WILL CLEAR THE DOGS OFF OF THE BED JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR YOU TO GET COMFORTABLE**



Anyone out there need this apology today?

## New Adoptions



### Gretta is adopted.

On Christmas morning, Gretta and her foster brother Woody (2015 alum) greeted their mom. Merry Christmas!! It was a little chilly this morning, so we had to put on our Christmas jammies!

Woody said,

“I've been a good boy all year so I asked Santa for a sister.” How could his mom Kacey say no to that face!?”

Kacey said,

“So I guess we are foster fails :-)” Thank you for all that you do for the GSP's in the south! We have been blessed with 2 amazing dogs thanks to you!”

The adoption is now final and Gretta is HOME! Congratulations to Gretta and the Matthews family...and Happy New Year!



**Palmer (GA) has some exciting news... he's done so well and his foster family loved having him so much (including his canine foster siblings), that they are going to adopt him.** His new name is Dug, because his personality reminds his family of the dog character named Dug from the movie 'Up'.

CONGRATS Dug! And Congrats to the Waldner family! It's going to be an amazing 2022 at the Waldner home



**Ranger's Christmas wish for a forever family has come true!** He's been adopted by the Hancock family and went to his new home on Friday.

When Ranger arrived at his home, he immediately found the toy stash and made himself at home on the couch. His new mom said the first night went great. He watched a movie with them - really paid attention to the screen - slept on the bed - walked the property with them the next morning after breakfast, and then tested out all the chew toys. Later that day, they all went on a hike and then a run with his mom later. His mom says he is fantastic! He did not pull on the lead at all on the run. He and his brother Jax are eating at the same time about 6 feet away from each other and all is well.

*Jax is enjoying showing Ranger the ropes and we think he is going to be an awesome big brother! We are so happy for Ranger and for the Hancock family. And we are super grateful to his foster dad, Tomas, who did an amazing job as Ranger's foster dad but also in selecting the perfect family for him among some amazing other applicants – we know he spent countless hours making the decision.*

*We can't wait for more updates from this special boy.*



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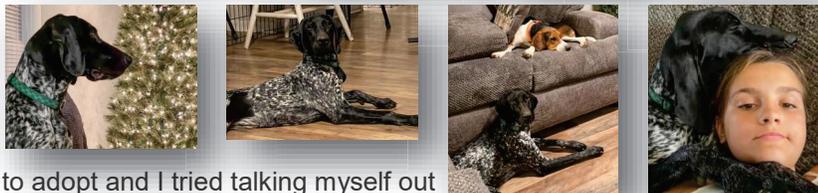


Kirk, who was fostering Gunner in SC, had every intention of finding a wonderful family for Gunner. However, this photo and those 3 people and one dog convinced him otherwise.

**Congrats to the Kirk family (and Gunner)! It's another happy foster fail**



**We have some exciting news. Maggie May has decided that she loves her foster family so much that she's asked if she can stay there forever. And they said yes!** Her foster mom said,



“Maggie May is a sweet lovable girl. We had not planned to adopt and I tried talking myself out of it with everything going on this season, but day in and day out her love just tugged a little more at my heart. After Thanksgiving it was about time to post her for adoption; I couldn't come up with thoughts for her bio because anything I'd write I knew someone would want her and then I had to give her up.

So, as a family, we all agreed she was part of the us and not going anywhere. Every morning, we wake up to snuggles and kisses and every night we spend 5 minutes saying good night. She's a mess from barking at cats to 5 mins later sleeping on the couch in whatever position she wants, to climbing dog gates or kennels, but we wouldn't trade any of that because she is exactly where she belongs and we love her so much.”

*It sounds like Maggie May is exactly where she belongs and we couldn't be happier for her or for the Robinson family.*

**Hank L had a family meeting with his foster family and well, they've all decided that he is not going anywhere.** His foster mom Rebecca said,

“From the moment I saw Hank, I knew he would be a good fit in our home. The first time he came in, he jumped on the couch and sat down. When I sat next to him, he got up and sat on me. He loves to sit in the chair on my husband. Hank also likes to take us for nice long walks. Upon return, he likes to have a homemade doggie treat. He is a friendly dog and likes all the neighbors. He can't wait to meet his doggy cousin, Bodie.”

*Sounds like Hank is the perfect fit for the Schaafs. Special thanks to his former foster, Dannie, and for the Schaafs for taking such great care of him. We can't wait for updates with his new cousin, Bodie!*



**Buddy (SC) has found his forever home! Congratulations to Buddy and the Sparks family!** They said the addition of Buddy has made them "feel like a kid on Christmas Eve."

A big thank you to Lisa and her husband Elisha (pictured on right) for fostering this sweet boy. Buddy was found on the streets of North Carolina and Lisa and Elisha had their hands full with giving Buddy lessons in basic training and lots of love (he was a little shy with new people and places). And they did an amazing job!



**Rock (TN) has found his forever family!** He went home Monday with his new mom Grace. He also has a new name, Doc Ford! New mom Grace said, “

We are so excited to welcome Doc Ford (formerly Rock) into our family. We had a great experience with SEGSP and our guy's foster parents. Everyone has been so helpful throughout the process. Doc Ford and Reggie (our 3-year-old vizsla) have been playing almost non-stop since we got him! They are inseparable.”

*We can't wait to follow the adventures of Reggie and Doc Ford! Congratulations to Doc and his new family, and thanks so much to his foster family, the Blanscetts, for taking such great care of him and choosing his perfect forever home!*



# Alumni Updates

**Our 2020 alum Rooster is sporting the new jacket he got from Santa.** His mom said he wore it all day and seemed sad when they took it off of him. We've been told Rooster's not too fond of hats (e.g. his 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday party hat in Sept), so we're glad he likes 'something' his family bought him (Ummm...we mean Santa)

You're looking good in your new suit Rooster - you'll be the talk of the town on New Year's Eve!



**We LOVE this Christmas card :-)** 2019 Alum Bo's mom Ashlee said,

“Merry Christmas from our family to yours! We're incredibly thankful to celebrate our third Christmas with Bo, who will do anything for a treat...even wear a sweater. ”

*Let's see those GSP holiday sweaters.*



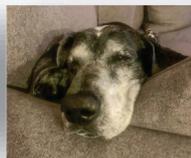
**Our 2019 alum Hank is such a wonderful helper around the house,** especially at bath time with his best bud, his brother, Wesley. These two are inseparable and their bond is just precious.



**Our recent alumna Estelle,** who was found walking the streets of South Florida earlier this year, is doing 'excellent' in her forever home. Recently she had some friends and family visiting and she behaved perfectly, they all adore her. Her new mom Lisa said,

“She is seriously the sweetest dog ever!”

*We agree! Estelle hit the jackpot with her forever home! How nice of her family to give her a couch and dog bed that matches her beautiful powder face.*



**Our 2018 alum Rocky (formerly Ren) is doing great.** His mom Sandee, who fostered Flint, said Rocky is very pleased that Mr. Flint found his forever home and now he doesn't have to share any attention with him LOL! Sandee said,

“Rocky is doing great! When he came to us he was just a fun, wild pup. Now, he's just as much fun and can run and play with the best of them, but he's matured into a loving, snugglebug. He always has to know what every member of the family is doing at all times and is very intuitive. He knows when we want to play, when we want to rest and even if there is tension with anyone, human or dog, he jumps in to mediate. Every day, one of us is calling the other over to see how cute he is doing something (it could be anything!). Every day, one of us will say that we can't believe we were lucky enough that he made his way into our lives!

Thank you Cheryl and Chip Camp for making that happen! The one photo is Lynne and I with Rocky's brother Woody and Flint and Jeff Eller.”

Thank you for putting up with your mom fostering for us Rocky! You're a good sport



Alum Gryffindor's mom said,

“Our pound puppy is with his pound puppy! We're so grateful for the work you do and the continued joy Gryffindor is in our lives.”

*Our 2018 alum Gryffindor (formerly Butterbean) was one of 6 GSP pups rescued in January 2018 from a NC shelter. It was one of the busiest months in rescue history and well worth the effort!*



## Alumni Updates

**Our 2013 alum Cooper (left; previously Freckles) had been abandoned,** starved and beaten before he came to rescue. His past made him aggressive, devoid of personality and without the ability to interact with humans. Jason and Stacie fostered her, fell in love and adopted her. She's overcome her challenges and is having a wonderful life despite her past.



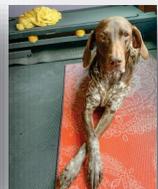
**2019 Alum Harley (right) had been surrendered by her owners.** Jason and Stacie picked her up, fostered her then adopted her in what was the fastest foster fail in SEGSP history. Both Cooper and Harley have the best dog life.

*We love seeing updates on these two siblings.*

**Our 2012 alum Allie is 12 years old now and according to her mom, is showing no signs of slowing down.**

Her mom Karen said,

Sometimes we wonder if she is aging in reverse! She still loves fetch and endless running in the woods but especially loves to be with her people. She gained a greyhound sister, Winnie, about 1.5 years ago and they make a good pair."



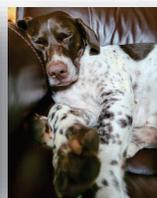
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**Our 2019 alum, Remington, is doing great!** His mom Gina said,

He still loves all his toys and constantly collects them, hiding them hoping our other 2 GSP's wouldn't find them. He loves the lake but his absolute favorite thing in the world is a boat ride. He is asleep almost instantly."



**We were recently sent this beautiful family photo by recent Alum Birdie's mom.** She's holding Birdie on the right and her brother, Tuck, is on the left. Birdie has blended into the family as if she's always been there. We love that her story has such a happy forever!



**Recent Alum, Peppers (left) and his brother (SEGSP Alum, Bo), seem to have found their perfect spots beside their dad.** We think if you were to look up MULTI-TASKING in the dictionary, this pic might just pop up.



# Alumni Updates

**Our 2019 alum Pepper (formerly Tammy from GA) is**



“ **sweet, spunky and keeps her family entertained.** Her mom, Lesley said,

She loves to run on the beach and had a great Thanksgiving vacation doing just that. We love her so much and are grateful for SEGSP Rescue for bringing her into our lives.”

**Our 2012 alum Mae has been helping her mom make the Dog Dolls (well, she's supervising, anyway).** Her mom Catherine has been working on the dolls for 9 days now. Catherine said,



“ We had a little rain storm and Mae was on the other couch while I sewed. She came over to me so I got up thinking she may be afraid of the thunder. When I got up, she got on my seat and sat on my Dog Doll papers. Do you think she is jealous? We had a little talk and a cuddle and then she was fine. Can you say spoiled?!”

Thank you Mae for lending your mom to SEGSP for our Dog Doll fundraiser. For those of you that donated to SEGSP on Nov 30th (Giving Tuesday), if you have not received an email from us regarding the details, please private message us with your email address.

Thank you everyone who participated and thank you for your patience - Catherine is working on 140 dog dolls!!! THANK YOU Catherine!

We love alumni updates... even more when it is a two alum update!

Mom Julie said,



“ **My majestic Bo, a black GSP adopted from Southeast GSP Rescue 2-1/2 years ago.** We ADORE this boy. He's 9.

And we just adopted **Peppers from SEGSP TOO!** He's 5 and arrived a week ago, and walked in our house like “Ok I'm HERE! My forever family!!” It's like we've had him forever already.

My heart is the other part of the Velcro that these pups bring to my life.

*Thank you Julie for loving two of our rescue pups!*

**Our 2020 alum Derby is trying out a new skill!** Her mom Stacey said,



“ She started beginner agility classes and is soaring through! She surprises us every day and always gives us a reason to be proud. It's amazing how she connects with the people she visits at her therapy dog job. She truly loves life! Merry Christmas!”

*Good girl Derby! And great job mom and dad! Having three legs doesn't slow her down.*

**Alumna Lucy (formerly Sigourney) adores her little human.** She is a true success story – found ‘feral’ on the streets of GA, she spent almost 2 years in rescue, adjusting to being fed and being around humans, then eventually getting used to being touched and yes, loved. Seeing her cuddle up to a little human is amazing to those of us in rescue that watched her very, very slow journey. Her foster parents Annah and Mark were just amazing – and incredibly patient. Thank you to her mom Anja for keeping us updated with sweet photos.



# Alumni Updates



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I think it's safe to say that alum Sabine (formerly Lady) might just be a daddy's girl.



**2020 Alum Nova. Who doesn't love a reindog?**  
Let's see your reindog.

**Happy National Noodle Ring Day!**  
Here's a laugh from 2020 alum Tonka (on the right) for you.



Alum Maple Ruth doesn't have to tell you how excited she is for Christmas; her tail tells you everything!

Our sweet senior alum, Camo, loves riding shotgun with her dad.



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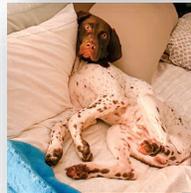
**Miss Grace Sunshine**, our 2020 Florida alum, is a true GSP huntress. She's at a beautiful park and all she wants to do is HUNT HUNT HUNT squirrels LOL!



**2020 Alum George enjoyed the cool weather while waiting for Santa.** What did your GSP get for Christmas?

**Got a great update today from the Burke family on Stella:**

“ This girl is happy and exhausted from her first Christmas with us. What a blessing she is!”



**Recent Alum Marty (formerly Popcorn), is quite comfy in his forever home.**

You can almost hear him say, “go ahead, you can rub my belly.”

**Alum Maximus is celebrating his 1st Gotcha Day Anniversary today.** Looks like he's having fun! Congrats Maximus - looks like you're enjoying your forever home and we couldn't be happier!



**Our 2020 alum MJ, formerly Princess Maggie,** came from a high kill shelter in south Florida, but she's living the good life now... complete with Christmas jammies and mistletoe  
*Let's see your GSP Christmas outfits...*

Our 2019 alumni siblings Lefty (with cat) and Lucy (glasses) continue to entertain their family. Mom Beth said,



“ Such great foster fails! We love them dearly.”



**Alum Andy's mom Missy said,**

“...and this is why we rescue – these two are inseparable (even when doing homework)...best buddies for life.”

So sweet. Any other GSPs out there that help with homework? Photos please...

# Alumni Updates

**When it's time to go to sleep, Alum Buddy (formerly St. Nick) knows that means it's time for the pups to go to the couch.** But that doesn't stop him from trying to get his parents to change their mind by giving the most adorable puppy eyes and pout. Who could say no???



It's hard to believe this cutie was found a year ago in the woods, starving. But what a tribute to how a safe environment and love can make such a difference. It's our supporters who allow SEGSP to care for these great dogs. Thank you so much!

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**We continue to receive emails thanking Catherine for the dog dolls she made for the SEGSP Giving Tuesday Flash Fundraiser.** Thank you again everyone who participated. Catherine began working on 151 dog dolls on Dec 1st and completed 147 on December 22nd. She is truly amazing and we can't thank her enough for donating her time and talent to help SEGSP!



**There are 3 people who we have been unable to contact to get photos and information for Catherine to work on their dog dolls.** If you donated to the Giving Tuesday Dog Doll Fundraiser on Nov 30th and have not received our email, please private message us.

**We are so thankful for all our volunteers.** One of which, Pat, who creates our newsletter, is also an adopter (many times over) with her husband Bob; they have also been foster volunteers.



Pat shared these Christmas memories showing the beginning years of their GSP family (the start of their new lifestyle) - with Lieben in 1996 and quickly growing with their adoption of Genie (liver) in 1998, then Yeagger in 1999. Over the years, they have also adopted Magie in 2011, Wunder in 2012 and Sadie in 2019.

Pat and Bob are part of a special group from SEGSP's beginning years and "multi-adopters". We'd love to hear from other past adopters from that time period.

*Be kind, these photos were taken over 20 years ago with a Polaroid.*

**We love hearing from our alumni and this update was a twofer - Hank (white, 2018 SEGSP alum) and Byron (brown, formerly Thor, 2015 SEGSP alum).** Their mom Emelie said,



“Hank and Byron have been enjoying some long hikes in the warm Alabama weather as they wait for the arrival of their human sister. Hank and Byron have the funniest and most distinct personalities—anyone that has met them would agree. Despite the way the pictures portray them, Byron is brilliant and dignified while Hank is ... well, happily Hank. Both are the sweetest dogs we've had the pleasure of knowing. Thanks, SEGSP!”

*Any other "older" alum updates? The best way to send them to us is via private messaging.*

**Ann (GA)**, along with her foster mom Sarah and foster brother spent the holidays in Seattle with Ann's foster grandma. Ann took up residence in front of the fire and learned that foster grandma is a softie. Ann is not allowed on the furniture at home, but managed to wheedle her way into foster grandma's chair where she was described as the "ultimate cuddler". She is doing better with other dogs, including her foster grandma's GSP who is not always the most welcoming dog either. Fostering is in so many ways like parenting. You set boundaries and rules, reward good behavior, and discourage poor behavior, but a trip to grandma's can send the rules right out the window, but only for a short time! Enjoy it while it lasts, Ann! Back to mean mommy in 2022!



**Archie (SC)**, recovered from his neuter quickly. His foster dad said, as a result, it's been difficult getting him to stay still for photos LOL! Archie's next step is having some fatty lumps removed from his leg that have been bothering him – probably from having spent a lot of time in a concrete kennel. Thank you, Jamie, for taking such good care of this handsome gentle dog. We love Archie's big grin and we know that's due to your care and love!



**Ashlar (TN)** is a dream dog according to his foster mom! Merritt said,

“He's adjusted well to our home and his two foster siblings (both SEGSP alums). He loves to play with all kinds of toys: bones, balls, and squeaky toys. Ashlar also loves to play tug of war, as shown in this pic! His favorite might be playing fetch. He's excellent about bringing the ball back and dropping it at your feet so you can throw again. We just love him and are excited to help him find his forever home.” Thank you Merritt and David for all you're doing for Ashlar. He has another week of temperament evaluation before he's ready to find his forever home.



**Bandit (TN)**, is undergoing heartworm treatment and continues to rest after his first injection a couple weeks ago. His foster mom said he had a bit more energy after a couple of days and seems to be doing well. His last two injections will happen soon, then he has four more weeks of exercise restriction before he's ready to search for his forever home.



**Baxter (SC)** has been in rescue for 3 weeks and continues to be an absolute sweetheart to his foster family. His foster mom Kristy said,

“He was a part of our family Christmas Party and did SO well around adults and children. He even wore Christmas Pajamas. Everyone fell in love with him.” Baxter should be ready for adoption soon so stay tuned.



**Birdie (NC)** is new to rescue. She's only 6-months-old and was found in terrible condition by a Good Samaritan who contacted our volunteer, Morgan. Morgan said,

“I'm honestly shocked she even survived any of this. Her nails have never been cut, she looks like she's never had a bath and could barely lift her head up from not having strength.” We are so glad we could rescue this sweet girl and a huge thank you to all parties involved! She will need some much-needed TLC and to be vetted plus 4 weeks of temperament evaluation before she's available for adoption. Stay tuned for more updates!!



**Callie (NC)**, our 14 year old hospice foster dog may have several issues, but she's a trooper. Hit by a car in 2018, she had multiple surgeries, then some common senior issues including an angry pancreas. So her diet is changed and she may not get around as much as before, but her sweet eyes and disposition hasn't changed. We love you Callie and can't thank the DeRocher family enough for all they do for her – she is definitely comfortable, safe and loved.



**Captain (TN)**, says that the rain can go ahead and stop anytime it wants to. He can't go out in it, he's too sweet and might just melt. Captain is still working on his separation anxiety and his foster parents have been truly wonderful and so patient.



# K9 Foster News

**Chick (FL)** just had some lumps removed, but is doing well. She had an awesome holiday season with her foster family and loves riding in the topless car with her foster sister, alum Grace. Chick's foster mom Cindy said,



“We have had an active 2 days at the beach, dog park, and preparing our reindeer! Chick (in red) has slowly made some progress but her favorite things are eating, riding in the dog mobile, walking to the beach and going to the dog park!”

**Fergie (SC)**, is 8 years young, and although this photo shows a calm Fergie, she has the energy of a puppy. Her foster mom Cameron said,



“She loves to point squirrels in the backyard rain or shine. She's learning the ways of inside living, is very smart, and a fast learner. She has a heart condition but currently doesn't need any medication for it and was just given the all clear yesterday to get spayed.” Fergie's heart condition, degenerative mitral valve disease, will need to be monitored throughout her life, but is otherwise healthy. She's a beauty and as Cameron says “she's such a sweetheart.”

**Gunner's (NC)** foster mom Vicki told him that he had some adoption applications to look over and he is super excited to meet some potential families. We're excited also and hope to find out soon who the lucky family is. Stay tuned.



**Hank M (TN)**, is one of our three littermate puppies in rescue; he's doing great with his foster dad, Stacey. Hank can hardly stand himself in that backyard and loves to run and play. He points on birds and is tormented by the presence of squirrels. When the boys (his human foster brothers) are in the house he has a hard time deciding if he wants to be inside or outside. Looks like this time, snuggling with his brother won out.



**Hanz (NC)** graduated from a full obedience course with our volunteer Marty at Kanupp Kennels and is currently reviewing applications. He's super excited and can't wait to find out who is chosen as his new family. We can't thank Marty enough for everything he's done for Hanz!



**Harlequin (aka Quin in GA)** tried to get the large 'dog' next door to come play with her. It's the first time Quin has seen this large of a dog and she just can't stop staring. LOL!



**Joe (GA)** had a breakthrough after waking up from his neuter in early December with bad horizontal canine vertigo, refusing to eat or drink. He is now trotting! The new year is treating Joe very well - YAY Joe! He's putting on weight and still healing so stay tuned for more updates.



**Kody (FL)** is searching for his forever home and you can see his full story on our website. Kody is about 5 years old (perfect age for a GSP), LOVES to snuggle, run and play, but also loves to do the “couch potato” thing and just chew on his toys. He would like a family without cats, but with another dog(s) and a fenced yard for him to play in. We hope by the time this newsletter is published he'll have some happy news.



**Liesel (NC, right)** got to play in the snow traveling for the holidays and did great in the car for the long trip. Her foster mom Liz said,



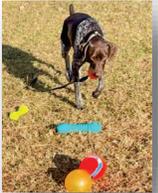
“We can tell she's gained a lot of confidence. When she first came to stay with us, she was very timid and quiet and now she doesn't hesitate to tell you what she wants and she wants to socialize with every dog she sees. It's hard to get a picture of just her because she and her foster brother Finn do everything together. Liesel is having her first heartworm treatment injection Jan 3rd, and we're excited to be one step closer to having her healthy and ready to find her forever home.”

# K9 Foster News

**Lolly (SC)**, affectionately known as “Lollypop”, is doing wonderful and looking for her forever home. You can see her full story on our website. She has fully recovered from her spay surgery and is very happy to be able to run zoomies in the pasture again. She is progressing with her leash walking using a gentle leader. She is a sweet, eager to please, typical Velcro GSP, and always wants to be touching you. She loves all people, especially men, and does well with other dogs. Her nervousness has eased up as she has settled into her foster home and she has an adorable little dance she does at feeding time. Lolly is a very special first foster – thank you Deanna and Andy! Good luck with your search Lolly.



**Nash (AL)**, was so excited about the new Christmas toys. His foster mom Cheyenne said, “He took them one by one to hoard them at the back of the yard where he likes to lay and chew on his toys in the sun.” Too cute! Nash’s vet continues to monitor his skin condition to learn why it’s taking so long to clear up. He needs some good luck from his followers that this yucky ringworm thing will go away - finally.



**Ruff (TN)** had his first get together, foster family pic, and he did great! We’ve learned that Ruff is heartworm positive so he has begun his meds, with injections to follow in the coming months. He’s so lucky to have his foster mom, Sarah, and her entire family supporting and caring for him. We know with all that kind of love and care that he will be just fine after his 4 months of treatment and rest is over. Thank you Sarah!



**Trixie (FL)**, who is one of our hospice dogs, has learned to use a dog door! That is HUGE for Trixie!! We really don’t know anything about Trixie’s life before rescue, but there is no doubt, her life now has a LOT of love and new and exciting things that she is enjoying (like dog beds, good meals, and a cool door just for her and her foster siblings). Thank you for fostering Trixie ‘forever’ Bonnie – she’s a very lucky girl!



**Trouble (NC)** is new to rescue, but don’t let that name fool you, she is a sweetheart. Thank you Christy at the Guilford County Animal shelter for contacting SEGSP about this sweet girl. Her original owner died, she is extremely frightened and had been at the shelter since the end of November. We literally have the best volunteers in the WORLD. Our NC/SC Coordinators sent the email out and within 3 minutes Mary responded saying she would go get her right away and had Trouble in her vehicle not even 15 minutes later! Thank you so much Mary! Then Trouble moved to Jennifer through the holidays and is now with Marty for some basic training and evaluation. Thank you Jennifer and Marty! Trouble is HW negative, vaccinated, spayed, seems to be in good health, and she’s 67 lbs. She is extremely frightened and scared, so this sweet girl will take a bit of time to adjust.



**Zelda (NC)** is a happy girl. Her adoption coordinator is reviewing applications and Zelda’s very hopeful that she will have a family chosen for her soon. Stay tuned... .



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**Some dogs in rescue touch us more than others for a variety of reasons. Our 2012 alumnus Niemann had a tragic entry into rescue, but the most incredible success story.** Sadly, we were notified that Niemann passed away in November of 2020 and we want to honor his memory by telling his story.



Our Florida State Coordinator, Dorothy, fought so hard for Niemann from the very beginning. She received a call from the shelter about a dog that had been hit by a car and had two open fractures in his tibia, and she immediately agreed to take him into rescue. But it was a holiday weekend so they wouldn't let SEGSP take him. She pleaded with them but they wouldn't let us get him. So there Niemann sat with a wide-open fracture that, of course, got infected.

After we got him out and he was examined by a local vet, there was no choice but to amputate Neimann's leg. By the time we found a foster home there was a big chance we might lose him. But he persevered and Neimann, named after a Florida football player, was saved.

Our Florida volunteers Beth and Linda transported Neimann to his foster home with Richard and Marjie once the shelter released him. Niemann was beautiful and such a trooper - he never once cried or complained and he had to have been in a lot of pain. After his first surgery Linda went to visit Niemann every day. He won the hearts of all the SEGSP coordinators and volunteers.

However, it was difficult for Niemann to manage with three legs because the amputation never wanted to heal properly because it had been cut off in the wrong place. So, after two more surgeries Neimann finally healed with the love and guidance of his foster parents Richard (a Veterinarian) and Marjie, who later became his forever parents and affectionately called him the horse show dog.

Dorothy said, "Richard and Marjie fought so hard for him, we all felt he had to be saved. His death is like losing one of my own." Richard said, "In November he had mild anemia for a couple weeks. Didn't feel great but not terrible. Then one evening Marjie had him at the barn, he was acting normal chasing imaginary critters. Marjie went to look for him and found him lying there dead. He had blood in his chest. I think he had a tumor in his heart. We were devastated."

Niemann may have had a horrible start in rescue, but here is a description from a 2019 post of Neimann's life while at horse shows with his family that sums up how loved he was:

He sleeps till around noon, eats his breakfast, lays in the grass, rolls around some, might wander some and then wants back in his air-conditioned horse trailer. Later in the afternoon he will go in his golf cart down to the stalls, let everybody pet him and fuss over him, he usually goes out to eat at a restaurant, comes back to the trailer, watches a little TV and goes back to sleep! He always knows when it's the last day of a show and hangs out by the truck a little bit more. It doesn't matter to him if we're in Tampa or Ocala or Oklahoma! Thanks for saving him!"

*Niemann loved riding in his golf cart, so we know he's riding one now at the Rainbow Bridge... Ride on Neimann!*

## *2021 was another busy year for Southeast GSP Rescue with 88 GSPs rescued!*

Most of the 88 dogs needed some type of medical care or treatment. Thankfully we were able to take care of all of them.

Thank you to our volunteers, adopters and financial supporters – without them we wouldn't be able to do what we do to save these beautiful dogs!

Happy New Year!

2021 STATS	
Dogs Rescued:	88
Spay/Neuters:	26
Heartworm Treatments:	12
Surgeries:	14
Other Health Issues:	3
Transports:	17



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# Memorials

We received very sad news.

## Our senior alumnus Louis has left this world, but he will never leave his dad's heart.

Louis entered rescue in GA in 2020 after his person passed away. Then his foster/forever dad, Steven, endured the sudden loss of his beloved Daisy Duke (also a SEGSP alum).

Updates from Louis' dad were always sweet; Louis shredded a bed in his crate so Steven got him a sturdier one. Louis was a bed hog (and could be cranky about it) when he wanted attention, but his dad just thought that was funny. We were reminded of the famous last line from "Casablanca" delivered by Humphrey Bogart's Rick Blaine to Claude Rains' Capt. Louis Renault, "Louis, I think this is the beginning of a beautiful friendship." And it was ... for a year and a half. A short time together, but packed with love. Steven said,

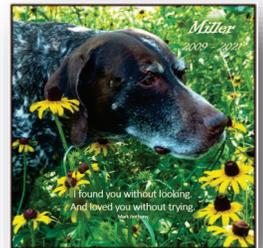


“ He was a bed hog, an obsessive licker (of all things), a perpetual nap taker and a “damn good dog all around.”

“We're given many gifts as we go through life. Some we enjoy for a long time, others only briefly. But each gift has the power to change us, enrich us, to make us better people.”

— Unknown

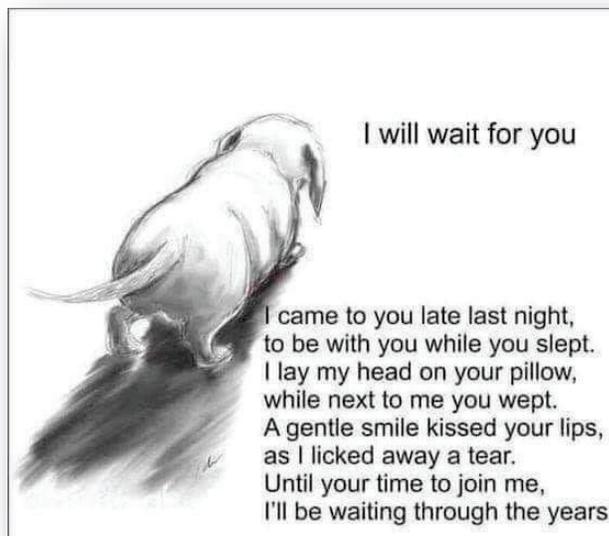
**Very sad news... We've been informed that our alumnus Miller passed away in February.** He came to rescue in 2011 from a puppy mill where he was used for breeding under terrible conditions. He came with 6 other GSPs that were rescued and they were all given names after towns in the area. He was rescued in NC, however fostered in AL. Our records are sparse for that time period so we're not sure who fostered Miller, but they chose an amazing family for him in Florida with our 'now' volunteers Richard and



Marjie. In fact, Miller was their gateway to volunteering with SEGSP (thank you Miller). His mom Marjie said,

He loved to beg to go out to eat and we usually took him with us. He had his Canine Good Citizens certificate. We attempted agility but he never got over being frightened of a few things because of his early years before rescue. Miller always had a soft stuffed toy in his mouth that seemed to comfort him when he got scared.”

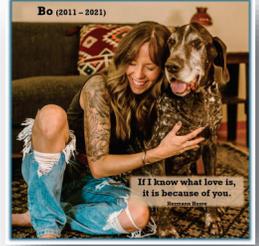
Miller was loved and cherished – beyond words. Richard and Marjie honor his memory by supporting SEGSP and we are so very thankful to have them as volunteers.



# Memorials

**We are so sad to announce that Bo (formerly Tyler from FL), our 2020 SEGSP Alum, passed away peacefully Sunday night.** He was our Volunteer Coordinator, Amanda's first foster dog. Amanda said,

“Bo solidified my commitment to SEGSP. When he came into rescue, he was clearly malnourished and acted as if he had never known love from a human. No eye contact and zero reaction when you went to pet him. After a few weeks, he started to come out of his shell and slowly warmed up to people and would actually come up to strangers to be petted. We had every intention of being foster failures as we had fallen in love with him.



Unfortunately, he absolutely despised our younger GSP. As fosters, we struggled - it wasn't easy, but a huge thank you to the FL Volunteer Coordinators Gail and Manasi who continued to encourage us and give us hints on how to manage the situation. We stuck it out and things worked out exactly as they were supposed to.

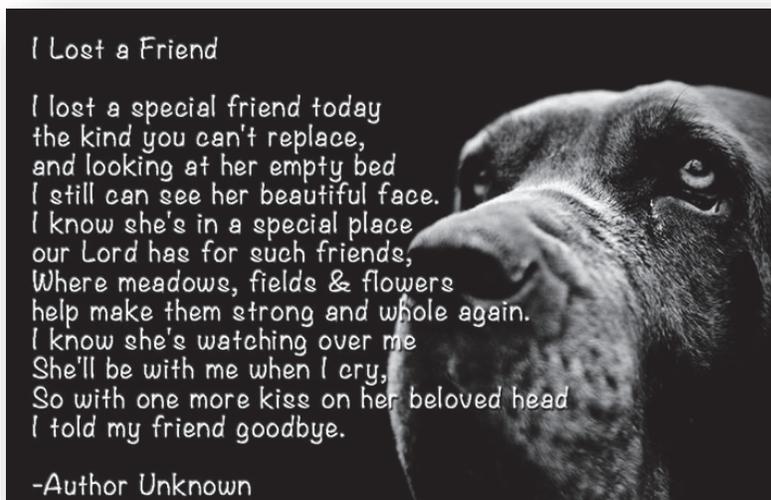
Once Bo was ready to find his forever home, I worried that it would be difficult to find him the perfect home. Along came Nicole - I'll never forget our first conversation. She told me he was hers. She hadn't even told her husband yet. I was hesitant (to say the least) since she told me they had other dogs. I wasn't sure how he would act in a home with other dogs. We scheduled our meet and greet with their pack and we all agreed it just felt RIGHT.

A couple of weeks later, Bo was on his way to his forever home. While we were excited for Bo, it hurt leaving him. My husband and I could barely even speak on the way home; we almost decided to never foster again. Then, Nicole sent us updates - wonderful updates! Bo was doing so well, going on adventures, learning to play more, and even sharing a bed with his fur brothers! We knew he was home and living his best life.

Thank you to Nicole and her family for taking in this sweet lug and showing him how great life could be. It isn't always easy taking in a senior dog, but it sure is worth the effort. Rest in peace sweet Bo. You'll always have a very special place in our hearts.”

*Bo, at age 9, had been dumped at a NC shelter and Amanda drove all the way from FL to NC to pick him up. Bo was a very lucky boy with such dedicated foster parents and he was so happy and thrived with the Hemmerly family. They promised him unlimited cheese treats over the rainbow bridge.*

*We don't know what the first 9 years of Bo's life were like, but we do know he was very much loved in his last 15 months.*





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### December Facebook and Instagram Fundraisers and Donations

*(Facebook notifies SEGSP the following month so there is a delay in publishing; if you did a fundraiser for SEGSP and you don't see it listed, please let us know)*

- ❖ Rick Koenig – Birthday Fundraiser
- ❖ Christopher Kohly – Birthday Fundraiser
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