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Special Feature

The BHRG Trustees are very excited to present our **14th Annual Spring Fling Dinner Auction**. Our theme this year is **Basset Love**. We will celebrate how we love this breed and work hard to find and rescue as many as we can. Each hound we save is important. Our motto is "No hound left behind!" We take in the old, the sick and the unwanted. Each one of us can make a difference in the lives of these hounds. Turn to page 3 to see our event logo that combines artwork by two talented BHRG volunteers, Rita Bailon and Susan Woodward.



This year's event will again be held at The Reid Barn in Cumming, GA (6844 Majors Road, Cumming, GA 30040), on **Saturday, May 16th** and will feature a delicious dinner catered by Tam's Backstage, a silent auction, a live auction, and our **3rd Annual Basset Derby**. The event runs from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Happy Hour begins at 6:00 and features Antipasta and fruit and veggies. A sumptuous buffet will be served featuring seared prime rib, Broadway pasta with chicken, pasta marinara (vegetarian), garlic mashed potatoes, grilled veggies, salad, and rolls. Dessert will be supplied by Cakes by Koeppen. (Thanks to Julie Hall for arranging this donation again!)

Attendees will get a chance to meet our new auctioneer, Dean Crownover, and Holly Hutton will join us as our MC (that's Mistress of Ceremonies) for a third year. You won't want to miss it. This year we have a NEW and improved bidding process - you will be bidding on your phone! No more standing around to bid on your favorite silent auction item. Enjoy time with your friends and let the app tell you when you've been outbid (this will also speed up check-out)! Don't worry - the items will still be set out for you to peruse before dinner. The items on auction are sure to appeal to all ages and price ranges - from trips to collectibles and everything in between. Bring your family, your friends, your work colleagues!

This issue of *The Long & Short Of It* contains a flyer that you can mail in to make your reservations or you can go to our website at <https://bhrspringfling2018.ecwid.com/> and buy your tickets. Don't delay - we always sell out early!

Stay Overnight After Dinner!

Our BHRG family likes to party and we know that some of you will want to stay overnight. This year we have arranged a special rate at TownePlace Suites (7925 Westside Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30009) at \$75 a night. Deadline for this group rate is May 2nd. There will be a link on our website for you to access our special hotel rate. If you need help, please contact BHRG's Spring Fling Event

Coordinator Marci Thomas at **919.564.6680** or marcithomas2007@yahoo.com.

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Save The Date

Brews & Aarroos 2020



Save the date for Brews & Aarroos where we continue the Cornhole Tournament tradition! The event will be held on **Saturday, August 22nd** from 6 - 9:30 pm at Red Hare Brewing Company. Don't miss it!

We Need YOU!

Become a rescued basset's HERO - be part of our transport team!

BHRG could truly use your help. Flip to page 7 for more details.

Volunteer with BHRG

If you've ever considered becoming a volunteer for BHRG, now is the time! In fact, we REALLY hope you'll consider becoming a foster home for a needy Basset!! Please visit our web site at **bhr.org** and browse through the many opportunities to help, then fill out a volunteer form. You'll be



Help BHRG While You Surf the Net!

You can stop by our website at **bhrg.org** and make a donation through PayPal, check out our event calendar (and mark your calendars for our Spring Fling), even access a copy of this newsletter.

Next, head on over to BHRG's **NEW Online Store** at <https://squareup.com/store/bhrg/> to find all sorts of goodies! Shop for merchan-



dise that made its debut at this year's Bash and find some old favorites, too. We stock a variety of shirts, car magnets, collars & leashes, window decals, thermal mugs and much, much more!

Stop! Before you head to **Amazon.com**, swing by **bhrg.org/merchandise.htm** and use the link from our site. It's just a simple click.

Browsing from our site to Amazon.com and making ANY purchase will benefit our rescue organization. Buy school books, an xBox or PSP game, your favorite CD or DVD, or even craft supplies or groceries.



Amazon contributes a percentage of each item purchased from our link to their site (the old Amazon Smile program contributed MUCH less and BHRG is no longer participating)! Use your frequent flyer credit card and make it a double win-win!!



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Spring Fling Committee and Call for Volunteers

Our thanks to the following folks who are working tirelessly to see that we have a successful event. Event Chair (and Donations Contact) - Marci Thomas; Event Co-Chairs - Julie Hall and Monica Celizic; Gift card sales - Kelley Craven, Jennifer Braunwart, Jeff Simmons, Jeff Braunwart, and Tim Maret; checkout process - Kristin & Josh Echelbarger, Derby - Amanda Janes, Kelley Anglin, and Melody & Logan Gray. Please contact Marci at **919.564.6680** or **marcithomas2007@yahoo.com** to volunteer or if you have ANY questions.

Donations!

We cannot have an auction without donations! We will have 15 items in our **LIVE auction**. We are hoping for donations of timeshares, use of a vacation home, experiences such as sky diving, frequent flyer miles, rounds of golf at a country club, original art, and tickets to sporting or arts events. We are also asking for other donations and would love some unique smaller art pieces such as pottery or sculptures. There will be a **gift card palooza** during the event where attendees can win gift cards by contributing their face value. (When donating gift cards, please make sure that the stated value is still the value on them.) Of course, all donations are tax deductible and all proceeds benefit homeless hounds in Georgia. Please be sure to identify the items on a piece of paper that also includes your name and address so we can send an acknowledgement for your gift. You can also find a form on the BHRG website. Visit **www.bhrg.org/auction.htm** for more information and ideas about donation items and to let us know that you have a donation. (Donations received after April 1st will be saved for the Basset Bash in the fall.) Please contact Marci Thomas (**marcithomas2007@yahoo.com** or **919.564.6680**) or Julie Hall (**julieannhall68@gmail.com**) about donations and we will work with you to pick them up. In order to prepare the auction catalog, we will need your donations by April 1st. Thank you SO much for making our event possible!



3rd Annual Basset Derby

Put on your fanciest hat and grab a mint julep...we are excited to announce that BHRG's 3rd Annual Basset Derby will be held this year at the Spring Fling! Skeet (owned by Wendy & Chuck Grissom) won in 2019 - can he repeat? How does it work? Well, six unpainted, wooden bassets will be up for adoption in March. The adoptive families will name them, decorate them, and tell us their story. The best entry wins bragging rights and a terrific prize. The bassets will then "race" around our own Doghill Downs right before the Live Auction. Supporters can place their bets on which basset will be first to cross the finish line either online prior to the auction or in person at the event. Those that bet on the winning basset will share the pot 50/50 with BHRG. This is always an exciting addition to the evening. Please notify Kristin Echelbarger if you would like to enter at **kln308@yahoo.com**.

Quicker Checkout

Everyone loves the Fling but when it's time to go home, it's time to go! You will want to register your credit cards for our online silent and live auctions. Our GiveSmart representatives will be there to pre-register your cards and assist you in bidding. You will get your receipt quickly and our team of super heroes (Jeff Simmons, Jeff Braunwart, and Tim Maret) will have you on your way. Consider taking advantage of this option. It's secure and will help expedite your checkout process considerably.



Donations can be mailed to:

BHRG
c/o Marci Thomas
177 Mountain Vista Blvd.
Canton, GA 30115

Deadline for donations to be included in the Spring Fling event is **April 1st**.

Spring Fling Auction Sponsorships

Put your company in the spotlight by becoming an Auction Sponsor. We have many opportunities for sponsorships this year. Please consult the website at http://bhr.org/auction_sponsor.htm as some of the larger sponsorships may have already been taken.

\$10,000 - Venue Sponsors - Thank you, Marjorie & Jim Holler

By sponsoring our event venue, the Hollers will receive recognition on the Sponsorship poster, in the event program, in the BHRG newsletter, and on the BHRG website as well as eight tickets to the Spring Fling.

\$7,500 - Hospitality Sponsors (available) - By sponsoring hospitality for our evening, our Hospitality Sponsors will receive recognition on the Sponsorship poster, in the event program, in the BHRG newsletter, and the BHRG website as well as six tickets to the event.

\$5,000 Happy Hour Sponsors - Thank you, Wendy Grissom

\$2,500 Program Sponsors - Thank you, Linda Gregory

\$2,500 Derby Sponsors - Thank you, Hound E's

\$2,500 Video Sponsors - BHRG Angels, Harley & Higgins

Our Happy Hour, Program, Derby, and Video Sponsors receive recognition on the Sponsorship poster, in the program at the event, in the BHRG newsletter, and on the BHRG website as well as two tickets to the Spring Fling. The Hospitality Sponsorship is the highest level of sponsorship still available and a great way to promote your business.

Find (\$250), Foster (\$500), and Forever (\$1,000) Sponsorships

Corporate Sponsorships (3 levels - \$1,000, \$500, and \$250)

Each of these sponsors will receive recognition on the Sponsorship poster, in the program at the event, in the BHRG newsletter, and on the BHRG website. Thank you to those individuals and organizations who have already stepped forward to sponsor: Chuck Grissom, Anne & Alan Taetle, Deborah Lindsey, Debbie's Dawgs, Senior Houndsabound, the Gray Hounds, Mary Chase, Precision Shaft Technologies, Monica Celizic, Marci Thomas, Dave & Toni Strawn, Ellen Ferguson & Camp Kindness, Kara Careaga, and Julie & CW Hall.

Catalog Ads

➤ **Memorial Ad** - For \$50, you receive a business card size ad in memory of a special hound (or other pet).

➤ **1/4 Page** - \$100 - Choose between a horizontal (5.5" x 4.25") or vertical (\$4.25" x 5.5") ad.

➤ **1/2 Page** - \$250 - 5.5" x 8.5"



Payment for sponsorships and catalog ads can be made through PayPal (bhrspringfling2018@gmail.com) or check made out to Basset Hound Rescue of Georgia. Send checks to BHRG, c/o Marci Thomas, 177 Mountain Vista Blvd., Canton, GA 30115.

For information on becoming a Spring Fling Sponsor, please fill out a Sponsor form (at right), or contact our Events Coordinator, Marci Thomas, at **919.564.6680** or marcithomas2007@yahoo.com.

You may also register online at http://bhr.org/auction_sponsor.htm.

Reserve Today!

You haven't seen anything like our Spring Fling Auction - don't miss out on fun times like the fast-paced Heads N Tails raffle (you could win some cold hard cash!), the reveal of BHRG's Vet of the Year and Volunteer of the Year, and the friendly competition of BHRG supporters jockeying for Live and Silent Auction items. Gather some family or friends and send in your reservation form today. Reservations are **\$65** if received by April 15th - after that, if space is still available, they are **\$75** (because the caterer charges more for late reservations). Get ready for some food, fellowship, and FUNdraising for BHRG's homeless hounds...send in your reservations early to take advantage of discounted ticket sales! We look forward to seeing you on May 16th.



This year's auction logo combines artwork by Rita Bailon (individual portraits) and Susan Woodward

YES! I would like to be an Auction Sponsor and/or place an ad in the Auction Catalog!

Sponsorship Options

☐ **Hospitality** \$7,500

☐ **Find** \$250

☐ **Foster** \$500

☐ **Forever** \$1,000

☐ **Corporate** \$250

☐ \$500

☐ \$1,000

Advertisement Options

☐ **1/2 Page** \$250

☐ **1/4 Page** \$100

☐ **Memorial** \$50

Business Name _____

Contact Person _____

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☐ Day

☐ Night

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Email Address _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Make checks payable to B H R G & mail with this form to:

BHRG - Spring Fling Sponsorship
177 Mountain Vista Blvd., Canton, GA 30115

Please send logo or other artwork to:

marcithomas2007@yahoo.com.

Questions??? Call 919.564.6680.

Deadline for Sponsorships: April 15, 2020



Basset Bash 2019

2019...Our 25th and Grooviest BHRG Bash!

It was a picture perfect day at Fowler Park in Cumming! The sun was shining and bright and folks and hounds showed up in beads, bangles, and bell bottoms to rock our theme of Peace, Love and Paws. A great time was had by all... together we raised **\$13,500** for the homeless helpless hounds across the state of Georgia! In addition... we had 9 adoptions at the Bash. It doesn't get better than that, folks!



MayZ models her ADOPT ME! bandana!



Crowning the Bash Royals

2019 Bash Royalty

Every year, we crown a King and Queen of the Bash. This year was no different. We crowned Lenora and Holmes...and announced their good fortune by sharing their stories. When BHRG rescued Lenora, we discovered she had Breast Cancer and immediately started treatment.

With the love and care of her foster family, Sandi & Jim Chambers, she bloomed into a beautiful houndette - she is definitely a "Survivor!" Our Holmes had so many emergencies we weren't sure he was going to make it. Ruptured discs... bloated

while he was in the hospital. He overcame all of that and is now Super Hound! How cool is it that both of these hounds found their forever homes at the Bash! Lenora was adopted by Neal and Muguet Bradbury and Holmes by Marci Thomas. Both have won the forever home lottery!!!



Queen Lenora

King Holmes

Basset Thrift Store

Our Basset thrift Store, or "Donation Station" was a huge hit last year so we decided to make it an annual event. What a great response from so many humans! We picked up items for months and offered it up for anyone who needed it! We had beds, stairs, crates, pee pads, bowls, food, toys, leashes, harnesses, etc. This year the Donation Station raised \$283.00 for our homeless hounds. As promised, anything left over was donated to The Gwinnett Jail Dogs Program. Thank you so much to everyone who dropped off their items so we could "re-use & re-home" them!



Basset-Uber?



Super Groovy Basset!



A Basset-osaurus, perhaps?



Bassetts and obstacles?!?

Who doesn't love Games & Contests?!?

The costume contest and games are always a favorite on Bash day! So much FUN to be had! Everyone had a great time watching all the entrants walking across the stage full of sass in their cool costumes. Tracy Hughes was our hostess of all things in the games arena. We had Longest Ears and the Obstacle Course as well as our favorite costume contest. Lots of laughter ringing out from our hound families and loads of prizes to give out... Who won? Our panel of judges seem to be having a hard time naming the winner!



Hard work being a BHRG Bash judge!

Raffle Baskets By the Bunches...How Do I Choose?!?

Who doesn't love to WIN a raffle basket? This year our Raffle tables featured an art gallery of hand framed prints and pictures. It was really cool to see everyone "ohh and ah" over them. We also added another fun element to our Raffle Baskets... there were 5 gift cards ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 hidden in 5 random baskets. What a frenzy of tickets going into raffle cans!!! Kelley Anglin and Sandi Chambers kept everything organized and in check.

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Raffle baskets prepped & ready for the big day!

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Our baskets this year were awesome... and our raffle raised over \$3,000 this year! Until next year...be thinking about what you might win (or DONATE) at our 2020 Bash!

Extra Special Memories

Each year, BHRG honors the families of the hounds that have crossed the Bridge during the year. This year there were 57 honorees. Julie Hall and Marci Thomas presented the families with a special basset angel key chain as a remembrance. In addition, we took a moment and paid a special

tribute to long time volunteer Norma Carpenter who passed away this year.

2019 Bash Sponsorships and Donors

A huge thanks goes out to our 2019 Bash Sponsors! This year we welcomed Gold Paws sponsors: Alliance Wellness & Weight Loss and Sports Destination Network; Silver Paws sponsors: Kristin Echelbarger, Shallowford Animal Hospital, and Taco Mac (Deborah Lindsey); Bronze Paws sponsors: Lisa Bryan, the Gray Hounds, Hickory Acres Décor, LLC, Leann Martin, Michele Murray, Eddy Mae Pirkle, Senior Houndsabout, Maria Williamson, and an Anonymous donor. Thank you so much for your support. We couldn't do it without you.



Posing under the giant Hush Puppy at the 2019 Bash

And of course, we couldn't possibly exist without the amazing donations we received from possibly the greatest group on the planet...here are just a few of the many that make our world go round! Thank you: Charlie Ammons, Kelley & Brian Anglin, Julie Bills, Jennifer Braunwart, Lisa & Joe Bryan, Monica Celizic, Becky Clutter, Anthony Dasher, Kristin Echelbarger, Kenneth Fleming, Russell & Patricia Ford, Barry & Brenda Gardner, Peggy Owens Gettys, Rosemary Glennie, Logan & Melody Gray, Sarah Greene, Brian Griffin, Chuck & Wendy Grissom, Julie Hall, Whitney Harper, Jean Harris, Ron & Bonnie Harvey, Shelley & Roger Herring,

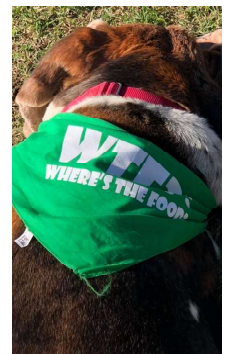
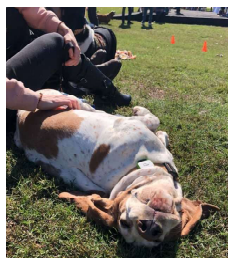
Glenda Kroshus, Margaret Whitaker Lewis, Donna Lindy, Tim Maret & Molly Connell, Leanne Martin, Jim & Joyce McNutt, Tracy Perry, Cindy Peters, Wendie Prince, Melinda Rallison, Toni Strawn, Marci Thomas, Mark & Stephanie Webb, Michele Welt, and Susan Woodward.

And Many More Thank You's

Words cannot express the Thanks and Gratitude for our Volunteers on this amazing day in November! Every bit of gratitude to the following folks: Tim Maret, Molly Connell Drennan, Steve & Geraldine Hill, Pete Augustini & Christine, Margaret, Gordon Lewis, Lisa Bryan, Julie Hall, Marci Thomas, Kelley Anglin, Logan & Melody Gray, Julie and Grayson Bills, Josie Florencio-Panaligan, Michele Welt and her team, Toni Strawn, Melinda & McKenna Rallison, Jennifer and Jeff Braunwart, Lisa & Joe Bryan, Steve Tobin, Sandi Chambers, Cindy & Steven Pechac, Sherry & Chris Ray, Lisa & Bob Weisenberger, Rosemary Glennie, Stacey & Jay Harris, Tami Pirkle, and Whitney Harper. We couldn't do this without you...Bash 2019 signing off... see you next year!



Basset happiness (Bash-style) is...belly rubs, riding in style, zoomies, naps.



Julie and Marci in front of the 2019 Bash Memorial display

See You In The Fall!

We hope everyone enjoyed the Bash as much as we did and we hope to see all of you and your hounds at the 2020 Bash - plans are still being finalized and our next newsletter will have all the details you need but mark your calendars for **November 7th** at Fowler Park in Cumming, GA!


Organizer's Note: Do you have comments about the Bash or suggestions for the next event? Contact BHRG's Bash Coordinator, Cindy Peters, at bash@bhr.org or **678.576.1808**.




We ALWAYS Need Foster Homes!

We would like to reiterate **AGAIN** that **our single greatest need in addition to monetary donations is that of FOSTER HOMES for the Bassets.**

As of this writing, we have **over 35 dogs in foster care or kennels**... many of our foster homes are doubling and tripling up...and there are over a dozen dogs waiting in the wings! Here are some facts that maybe you hadn't thought of when considering whether or not you want to try fostering:

 We have less than 20 full-time foster homes (we often have nearly 40-45 dogs in foster care). Of those, all work full-time jobs outside of the home and/or are raising young children.

 **DID YOU KNOW???** BHRG has never turned away a shelter hound. Last year, that cost us over \$24,000 in boarding fees. This year, we're already boarding hounds - we're out of space again!! **WE NEED FOSTERS!!**

 As a foster home, you are responsible for the dog's basic daily needs, such as quality food and shelter. A fenced area large enough to allow the hound plenty of room to run and play safely is a must. Your foster's basic health requirements such as shots and spay/neuter as well as heartworm and flea preventatives are paid for and supplied by BHRG. In general, foster hounds stay in your home from one week to several months.




Reward Program Supports BHRG!

Kroger Community Rewards

Shop at Kroger? Help BHRG easily by linking your Kroger Plus card to our community rewards account. Simply register with our **NEW** group number (**BP120**) at **www.krogercommunityrewards.com**.

 Use your Kroger Plus card every time you shop at Kroger.

 Kroger sends BHRG quarterly checks. Win-Win!

Have questions? Email Patti Nellums at **panellums@aol.com**.



We Couldn't Do Anything Without Your Support!

The majority of monies donated (and net proceeds from the sale of BHRG collectibles) is used to pay for veterinary expenses. A small amount of donations are used for other expenses including heartworm/flea/tick preventatives as well as tags/collars, crates/supplies, and shelter fees. We also use donations to cover our outrageous boarding expenses (won't you consider becoming a foster home?!?). Administrative expenses such as insurance, postage, printing, telephone bills and fees associated with various events are also covered by donations. BHRG does not have any paid employees...we are all volunteers who believe money raised should go to the hounds!

BHRG has an adoption donation of \$250*. This helps defray the cost of spaying/neutering, vaccinations, heartworm testing and preventative medications. We are extremely grateful to our veterinarians for the discounts we receive, especially when a hound needs special care and/or requires additional medications and treatments. Your donations and t-shirt, etc. purchases help offset the difference between the adoption donations and the extraordinary expenses that can add up with just a few heartworm positive hounds (or the expenses of emergency care). Don't forget...as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, all donations to BHRG are 100% tax deductible!

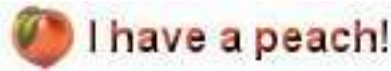
** Senior hounds (those 9 years and older) may be adopted for a tax-deductible adoption donation of \$100. Previous adopters will have this fee waived. Puppies who have not yet been altered require a \$300 donation; however, per our spay/neuter agreement, \$50 is refunded upon receipt of the vet-signed portion of the agreement. BHRG'S ADOPTION FEES WERE EFFECTIVE September 2008!*

Many, Many, MANY Thanks to Our Supporters!

Every year, our biggest thanks goes to the loyal supporters who generously send donations to help defray our costs! We would also like to thank our Georgia Peach sponsors, as well as the many folks who sponsor a hound, donate (or solicit) items for, or make a donation at one of our annual events. (We HOPE we haven't missed anyone, but we've been really busy with all the hounds. Your donations are ALWAYS appreciated!) Our thanks to: Amazon, Charles & Jennifer Ammons, Kelley Anglin, AT&T Employee Giving (Kevin Pebley, John Harris, Lorelei Rouvrais in memory of Zulu, and Colin Rochford), Alex & Rita Bailon, Edna Bateman (in honor of Marley Gardner's birthday), Chris Benise, Neville Bhada, Brick & Julie Bills, Elizabeth Blatz, Lisa Boyd, Ann Bolton, Jeff & Jennifer Braunwar, Kaye Cannon, Jane Casavant, Monica Celizic, Jim & Sandi Chambers, Harry Chipman, Jr., Terri Conner (in memory of Norma Carpenter), Kelly Craven, Rena Cressman, Karla Daum (in memory of Norma Carpenter), Debbie's Dawgs, Bill & Laura DeSantis, Doc's Food & Spirits (Ellen Thompson - Doc's Luau and 35th Anniversary Auction), Al Dorminy, Karen Durazo (in honor of Katie Herman & Patrick Murphy's wedding), Durham & Taylor Supply Co. (in memory of Mike Walters), Kristin & Josh Echelbarger, Michy, Travis, & Lindsey Elrod, Norie Fabor, Ellen Ferguson, Gene & Beverly Fochtman, Matt & April Foust, Frontstream (UPS) (Sharon Gregory), Marley Gardner (fundraiser for her 10th birthday), Bill & Alice Garrity, Brian & Allison Glennie, Rosemary Glennie, Melody Gray, Linda Gregory, Chuck & Wendy Grisson, The Gumbo Foundation (Tracey Hogan), HCA Caring for the Community (Toni Strawn), Kimberly Herring, Shelley & Roger Herring, John & Mary Hood, Whitney Harper, John & Lisa Hester, Jim & Marjorie Holler, Michelle Homier (in memory of Jackson Lancaster), Sandra Irons (in memory of Jack Lancaster), Gilda Jones, Nancy Jones (in honor of Emilie Miller & her two rescues), Priscilla Jones, Barbara Judd (in memory of Roscoe & Chloe), Edward & Cynthia Kallal, Robert Kopp, Sr., Kroger, Melissa Legg & Rick Reeves, Deborah & Rick Lindsay, Bill & Marilyn MacInnis, Leanne Martin, Catherine McCloy, David McElyea, Jim & Joyce McNutt, Joseph & Donna Meadows, Emilie Miller, Robert Miller, Scott & Judy Miller, Abbey Moore (in memory of Jackson Lancaster), Network For Good (Anonymous Donors), New South Foundation (Sandra Catts), Bonnie Pelikan (in memory of Delores), Sherry Ray, Jenny Rose (in memory of Jackson Lancaster), Guy & Judy Schroeder, Senior Houndsabout, Shallowford Animal Hospital, Jeff Simmons, Scott Smith, David & Toni Strawn, SunTrust United Way Campaign (Marie Daniel), Jeff & Sandra Swords, Alan Taetle, Ellen Thomas, Marci Thomas, Karen Thomason, Travelers Cyber Grants, Inc. (Melinda Rallison), James & Amy Trumble (in memory of Norma Carpenter), Marcie Turner (in memory of Mike Walters), Frances Turner (in memory of Mike Walters), Taylor Tushar (in memory of Jackson Lancaster), William Upton, U. S. Bank Foundation Employee Matching Gift Program (Barbara Judd), Vantage Contractors, Arlene Veldhuis, Jeff & Davelon Wagner, John Wallis (in memory of Monty & Lucy), Clifford Walsh, Wells Fargo Community Support Campaign (Karen Samuel), Michele Welt, Tom & Lynda Whitehead (in memory of Maria-Victoria Boucugnani), Erica Word, Maria Wossner (in honor of Dewey), and Fred & Susan Yilling. Every person who has considered a donation to our organization deserves a big, sloppy thank you from the hounds of BHRG (and its volunteers, too)! We definitely could NOT do anything without your generosity! To say "thank you" doesn't seem like enough.



Thank You to Our Great Georgia Peach Sponsors!



Have you ever been perusing the available hounds section of the BHRG website and wondered what that little banner that reads "I have a peach!" means? Well, those lucky hounds have found a generous benefactor who sponsors them each month! We'd like to give a big shout out to thank our Georgia Peach sponsors. The following folks sponsor at least one basset hound each month. Their \$25 monthly donation helps cover the cost of vet expenses, collars, tags, heartworm preventative, and flea and tick preventative.

Many thanks to: "The Five" Hank, Joshua, Nessie, Gideon & Lyla Miller, Andrea White, Andy Bennett, Angela St. John, Arthur Wilds, Barbara & Russell Robinson, Becky Clutter, Bev & Gene Fochtman, Brenda Keefe, Brian & Daria Cetti, Brian & Kelley Anglin, Brick & Julie Bills, Bruce Mlott, Charlie Hill, Christine Colborne, Chuck & Wendy Grissom, Clark & Darlene McDonald, Coleman, Knox, and Mae (Mimi a/k/a Gigi Dianne), Danica Walker, Doc's Food & Spirits, Ellen Thompson, Doug & Angie Rubel, Eileen Enders, Elizabeth Brown, Ellen Russell Hatfield, Eric Herrli & Steven Campeau, Fiona Kaplan & Kyle Garwick, Gregory D'Avis, Heather & Colin Rochford, Jennifer Weizenecker, Kaitlin Moye, Karin & Scott Samuel, Kathryn Aldrich, Kimberly Green, Larry & Kathy Johnson, Linda Gregory, Lorne & Sheila George, Marci Thomas, Mary Ann Spell, Mary Relfe Russell Torrey, Mary Zellers, Matt & Keri James, Melissa Legg & Rick Reeves, Name, Rita & Alex Bailon, Sandra & Justin Gardner, Sarah Greene, Susan & Eric Restin, Susan Woodward, Susan, Hamp, Libby & Maribee Thornton, Suzy James, Tamala & Thomas Malerk, Tara Guffrey, The McCaffrey Family, Timothy Tapp, Toni Strawn, Valerie Edwards, and Wesley & Laura Diers.

Be A Peach!

If you've always wanted to help a specific basset hound but didn't know how, our Georgia Peach program makes it possible for you to "virtually adopt" a hound until he or she finds a "forever" home. (The only bassets not available for the program are those with an "Adoption Pending" label next to their names - those hounds are spoken for and will be joining their forever family soon.) Join our Georgia Peach sponsors and "be a peach" for one of our needy basset hounds. Visit http://bhr.org/georgia_peach.htm for details.

Be A Rescued Basset's TRANSPORT Hero!!

Do you like to take long drives? Short drives? Would you like to have 60 lbs. of smushy riding next to you for short periods of time? Does slobber in your car sound like fun?

Nose kisses on the inside of all your car windows? If you answered "YES" to all of these questions, you could be the next TRANSPORT Hero! We are looking to compile a list of folks who live in different parts of Georgia who we can call on for help transporting our Bassets. If you would like to be called on to help, please send a note with the following information:

1. City and county of residence
 2. Name and contact info
 3. How far are you willing to drive?
 4. Times of availability? Weekends only? Nights? 24/7?
- Weekdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm?

Please let us know! Send an email to:

Amanda Janes manda0808@gmail.com

OR Rosemary Glennie at rglennie@bellsouth.net.



Special Hounds Hoping for a Forever Home

BHRG would like to introduce you to a two extra special fosters looking for their forever homes.

🦷 **Marley Kate** This 10 year old gal had a rough start being neglected. She has come SO far with her wonderful foster home and would LOVE a home where someone will be with her all day. If she can lay on the couch with you, she will be so



Marley Kate

happy. Marley Kate doesn't like to be alone for too long and she will be someone's super sweet companion.

🦷 **Rider** is a tri-colored boy who is around 3 years old. He is a wonderful boy, however he does have some allergy issues. With his special shot (that he gets 2x/week), he is doing well and his skin is looking good. Rider will need to continue this for some time and BHRG will help with



Rider

that. He can play hard so would love another dog to be with. Rider is being very loved by his foster family but, if the right family is out there that can care for his special needs, we would love to find them!

If you are interested in more information on adopting one of these special hounds, call us at **770.499.1164** or e-mail Lisa Weisenberger at emmahound@yahoo.com.





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Honoring Our Foster Families

Holiday Hounds Delivers 17 Baskets Overflowing With Thanks

Our Holiday Hounds volunteers prepare gift baskets each year for our foster families to show BHRG's appreciation for all their hard work. This year (the 6th for this program), Holiday Hounds made and delivered baskets to 17 foster families. The team always has a great time with this project because we love and appreciate our foster families.

Thank you to volunteers and donors Jennifer Braunwart, Julie Burns, Monica Celizic, Kelley Craven, Kristin Echelbarger, Petty Gettys, Wendy Grissom, Julie Hall, Barbara Hogan, Marjorie Holler, Amanda Janes, Deborah Lindsey, Toni Strawn, Marcie Thomas, and Diane Ward.

Creating Happy Holidays, indeed!

Marcie's Hounds Getting Loved On By Amanda and Jennifer During Holiday Hounds Packing Break



Holiday Hounds Volunteers Make Holidays Bright for BHRG Foster Families

Pictured (back row): Monica Celizic, Amanda Janes, Kelley Craven, Jennifer Braunwart; (front row) Wendy Grissom, Julie Hall, Marcie Thomas.

