GPRA Thanksgiving Match - November 26, 2019

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

It's a Happy Thanksgiving for our Gentle Giants!!! Thanks to so many of you, we not only met our \$40,000 match, but have now surpassed our goal as we have so far exceeded \$96,000. We cannot thank you enough and hope we get even more participation over the next couple of days to get us to \$100,000 which will be our largest fundraiser ever and will contribute significantly towards our ability to provide for our Gentle Giant's medical requirements. Please click **HERE** to donate.

The amazing Jack Piedmont came into the rescue world in August 2018 from a good samaritan that saw a Facebook post from an owner that wanted to rehome him because they did not want to treat him for heartworms. This loyal companion that gave ten years of love to one family was certainly deserving to have another chance to be loved unconditionally. A volunteer stepped up to make the trip to Alabama and transported Jack P to our veterinarian for his initial intake appointment. It was confirmed that he was heartworm positive and we were going to get his treatment started right away.

Jack P went into a loving foster home where he was spoiled with short walks, daily grooming sessions, home cooked meals and lots of hugs. It wasn't long before he became a star and found his forever home.

Here is the story from the adopter of Jack P.

My first dog was a 130-pound Great Pyr named Fletch, who I'd raised from a puppy. Last year, he died peacefully in my arms after 10 wonderful years. I wasn't sure I'd ever be able to let another dog into my heart. I'd already known about GPRA through friends and I started to become drawn to the website. At first, I just cried looking at all the gentle Pyr faces that reminded me of the friend I'd lost. I had a particular connection to the older dogs. When I saw "Jack P", something just hit me. I'm sure other folks understand that feeling of knowing your dog when you see him. Before even talking to my husband, I filled out an adoption application. GPRA was so helpful, and gently informed me that Jack P was a senior dog with health issues and such. That didn't deter me at all. I thought, even if we only have him for a few months, I want to make them his best months ever! When we met him (thanks to his great foster mom, Suzanne), he had our hearts immediately. Unlike a lot of Pyrs, he doesn't bark and has

zero interest in patrolling the yard. He just wants walks, and love, and belly rubs...and he gets all of it. He's been a joyful part of our family for a year now. Since we don't have a lifetime to share with him, we try to make every day his best one ever. I am beyond grateful to GPRA for connecting us with our sweet boy! Btw, since nobody knew his "real" name, we decided to call him "Walter", which seemed like a fitting name for a lovely older gentleman.

Thank you, John Heldrich GPRA, President and Founder

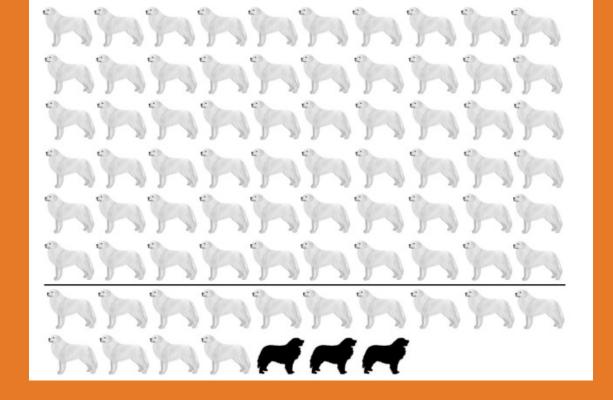






Progress toward \$100,000 Goal Each white PYR represents amounts collected toward our goal of raising enough to save 77 PYRS.

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2019 Childrens Hospital of Atlanta Christmas Parade

Participation is closed but please be sure to watch the parade on Saturday December 7th at 10:30 on WSB-TV - ABC Channel 2 in Atlanta. We are expecting almost 100 PYRS







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