



# The Pyrenees Post...

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## GPRRA Thanksgiving Match October 29, 2024

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

We are off to a very slow start and recognize how difficult the financial environment is for many. If you are in the position to step up for GPRRA, please consider a more substantial donation so we can take full advantage of the match. [DONATE HERE](#)

Below, you'll find Part 2 of Sabine's story from last week. As you'll recall, GPRRA stepped in to attempt to rescue nine Great Pyrenees on a freezing cold New Year's Eve in Alabama.

*New Year's Eve 2023 in Alabama, Part 2 - Our second trip to the rescue location in Alabama was on a cold and icy day, with the temperature hovering around 19 degrees. We packed an abundance of high-value treats with the hopes of being able to lure the adult dogs in. We headed out from Georgia at five in the morning so we could be there in time for the dogs' morning feeding.*

*We met up again with Kevin, Director of the Marshall County Animal Control, and Dave, a GPRRA volunteer that lives in the area. Our main focus of the day was the mama dog. Unfortunately, none of her puppies survived, but we knew that she would likely need urgent medical care.*

*We arrived just in time for the feeding. The neighbor set up the food bowls for the four remaining dogs, and to our surprise, the mama dog came up to him. She was exhausted. We put her in the warm car first, with food and water to help her get her strength back.*

*We then tried to gain the trust of the remaining three dogs. That was not easy, and the freezing temperatures were not helpful. The dogs took treats if you tossed them, but as soon as we made a move toward them, they ran. We were sitting still to let them approach us, but it was simply too cold outside to do that for long.*



*Mona trying patiently to coax Inspector Lestrade (Papa dog) to come closer*

*Around noon, the neighbor brought water for the dogs. I started walking towards the gate*

*in the backyard, leaving a trail of Vienna sausages behind me. We had tried everything, and trying to lure them inside the gate was my absolute last resort.*

*BINGO! Slowly, one after the other, the dogs followed my trail. Kevin was staying far behind the dogs until all three followed me into the backyard, and he closed the gate behind the last dog. At this point we had them in a smaller space, which was easier to work with. We were able to get a hold of the two younger females pretty quickly and we put them in the car with the mama dog, who was sleeping.*

*The big older male did not give up easily. He went up on the old rotten wood deck. Kevin did not hesitate and climbed up there to catch him, and he was successful! All dogs were captured safely and we started our drive back. It was late, and our partner vet clinic was closed by the time we would have arrived in Georgia.*

*That's why we decided to take the four to our house and let them spend the night in our foster area. The next day, we brought them to Animal Wellness Clinic in Milton where they had their intake appointments and got vaccines, heartworm tests, and fecal testing done. The mama dog received a very thorough exam as well, and she seemed to be very healthy.*

*Like the previous four dogs, we named the dogs we rescued that day after characters from the Sherlock Holmes series: Irene Adler, Mary Morstan, Miss Hudson (Mama dog), and Inspector Lestrade (Papa dog).*

*All four got along well and we continued fostering them. The two younger females were adopted out in the spring. The older very bonded pair, Miss Hudson and Inspector Lestrade, seemed very shut down and afraid of people. They were terrified of cars, and it took them several months to open up and trust us.*

*And what can I say – we foster failed the pair, and they will stay with us. After 10 months, Miss Hudson began playing and running in the backyard. It's just beautiful to see this transformation from a fearful and shut-down dog. Inspector Lestrade is never far from her and he is just as sweet and happy. They are a truly bonded pair ♥ We love happy endings!*



*From left: Irene Adler, Mary Morstan, Miss Hudson, and Inspector Lestrade, with Sabine*



*Miss Hudson and Inspector Lestrade enjoying the good life!*

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**Please click here to donate** or send your check to 4651 Woodstock Road, Suite 208-185, Woodstock, GA 30075. With your help and the generosity of our anonymous donor we can achieve our **goal of at least \$120,000** which will cover the cost of rescuing approximately 55 PYRS. Please play a role in making this happen.

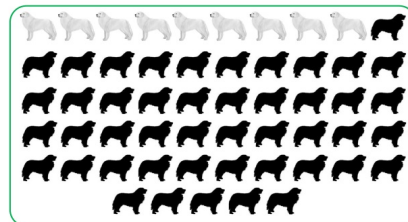
Thank you all for your continued support of GPRA.

John,

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our goal of raising  
\$120,000  
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## 2025 Calendars Coming Soon

Watch your emails, the new 2025 GPRP calendars will be available soon and are filled with lots of great PYR pictures.

## [Pictures with Santa](#)

Sign up to get you and your pups picture with Santa  
Sunday December 1, 2024 2:00 to 4:00  
\$25 donation  
Click [HERE](#) for more information and to sign up



## PARADE

GPRP will be participating in the Sandy Springs Sparkle Parade.

Sunday December 8, 2024 at 6:00pm  
Click [HERE](#) for more information and to sign up

## Volunteers Needed

- Adoption Coordinator - facilitate matching applicants with the perfect PYR
- Fosters - we desperately need more foster families
- Transporters - for intake and vet appointments
- Walkers - for our PYRS in boarding in Alpharetta

If you are interested in volunteering for these or any other positions please contact us at [volunteer@greatpyratlanta.com](mailto:volunteer@greatpyratlanta.com)

## Upcoming Adoption Days

*Saturday November 9th and December 7th*

*11:00-1:00*

See our [website](#) for more information

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