

SPRING



SUMMER

SPRING has sprung and SUMMER is just around the corner at Dirk's Fund Golden Retriever Rescue. We have so many wonderful and exciting things to share with you.

We would like to invite you to visit our website ([www.dirksfund.com](http://www.dirksfund.com)) to see our current list of Adoptables. We would also like to invite you to come visit us at our shelter every Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. during our adoptions. We are located at 526 Indian Warpath Drive, Pacific, MO 63069.

## **GLASSIE UPDATE**

**Glassie is the beautiful red head on the left.**



**Glassie will be travelling back to the cardiologist at The University of Missouri/Columbia (Mizzou) in June for a check up to see how she is doing. The heart surgeon at Colorado State University (where the surgery will be performed) is awaiting those results. Once all doctors have reviewed the tests, a decision will be made as to when surgery will be performed.**

**We will continue to update you on our website as details become available.**

**We are moving closer to our \$15,000 goal for Glassie's heart surgery, however, we still have a ways to go. Please visit our website [www.dirksfund.com](http://www.dirksfund.com) to see how you can assist in helping Glassie get her new heart valve.**

**We thank everyone for all of their support.**

## Our Calendar of Upcoming Events

### MAY – AUGUST 2010

All throughout the months of May, June, July and August, we are asking you to help “Change” the lives of our Golden Retrievers by donating all your spare change to Dirk’s Fund. A container will be available at our shelter on Adoption Days (each Saturday and Sunday) for your convenience.

### MAY 20

All day long on May 20, we are having a fund raiser at **Chevy’s in Ellisville**. Fifteen percent (15%) of all proceeds (excluding liquor) will be given to Dirk’s Fund. You will need to present a copy of a special coupon to your server when you order. For copies of the coupon, simply visit our website’s Events page to print out your own copy. Come out and show your support for Dirk’s Fund on May 20 at Chevy’s in Ellisville!

### JUNE 6



**Purina – Pooches in the Ball Park Day\***  
**Sunday, June 6, 2010 – 1:15 p.m.**  
**Cardinals vs. Brewers**

Come support Dirk’s Fund and the St. Louis Cardinals. A \$30.00 donation to Dirk’s Fund gets you the following:

- Ticket to Cardinal Game (\$31 face value)
- Hot Dog and Soft Drink
- A Dirk’s Fund T-shirt (specify size)

We have less than 150 tickets. Don’t wait! These tickets will not last long. Visit our website at [www.dirksfund.com](http://www.dirksfund.com) and click on the Events tab to purchase your ticket/order your t-shirt.

\*- First 25,000 fans over 18 years of age will receive a Cardinal dog water bowl.

### JUNE 26

#### **Dirk’s Fund’s Annual Open House and BBQ**

Dirk’s Fund Shelter - 526 Indian Warpath Drive

Pacific, MO 63069

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Free hot dogs, chips and soft beverages

The long awaited Dirk’s Fund Cookbook will be available for purchase

Raffles

Face painting

Home-made dog treats

Pictures of you and your canine

Come “Kiss The Pooch” - Maximus our celebrity canine who recently appeared on the cover of St. Louis Magazine

Custom engraved dog tags

Ask the Trainer - Matt Koch from Kennelwood

Come browse the Dirk’s Fund Boutique and see what every discerning dog lover is wearing and carrying this Spring/Summer.

**Evite is forthcoming, so be looking for it in your Inbox.**

## **We would also like to make you aware of all the other ways to support Dirk's Fund throughout the year.**



Donate directly to Dirk's Fund on our website at [www.dirksfund.com](http://www.dirksfund.com) via PayPal or use the enclosed remittance envelope.



We now have an account set up with eBay so that we can help you, help us. We will take new or "gently used" items off your hands and sell them on eBay. All the proceeds go directly to Dirk's Fund to help with the on-going expenses of all our wonderful dogs.

Email Chris Vassonei at [golden.rescue@yahoo.com](mailto:golden.rescue@yahoo.com) to find out the details on how you can get the process started. You can also go directly to our website at [www.dirksfund.com](http://www.dirksfund.com) and click on the St. Louis Dog Lovers graphic (in the right hand column) to complete the form. After you complete this form, hit the "Submit" button and all the information about the item for sale goes directly to Chris Vassonei's email address for posting.

**Note: If you use a MAC, use Firefox as your browser to pull up and submit this form.**



The Dirk's Fund Boutique has some amazing items for sale. Come visit our shelter any Saturday or Sunday and see all we have to offer. Our boutique is open from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

We currently offer our hoodies on our website and at the shelter. They come in many colors and sizes. We also have several t-shirt styles and baseball caps. Our **new** items are our Dirk's Fund tote bags (in two sizes). These are great for grocery shopping, carrying books and important papers, and for going to the pool or the beach.

Also, our organization's cookbook will be available for sale in June. It is loaded with delicious recipes for all of your two-legged and four-legged family members.

### **How To Volunteer:**

Please check out our website under the Volunteer tab. Read the Code of Ethics, fill out the Interest Survey and Application. You can email ([critters@dirksfund.com](mailto:critters@dirksfund.com)), fax (314/966-0430) or mail (11321 Cragwold Road, St. Louis, MO 63122) the completed forms to us. One of our Volunteer Coordinators will get back with you to discuss your areas of interest and set up a time for training.

**We have also enclosed our "new" Dirk's Fund brochure. This brochure gives an overview of who we are, what we do, why we rescue these beautiful animals, and our plans for the future.**

**We would like to thank you for supporting Dirk's Fund and our programs. Without your support, we would be unable to continue our rescue efforts.**

**The Gang at Dirk's Fund!**

