

# Curly Tales



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The newsletter of Keeshond Lovers United Inc.

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## Annual Keeshond Reunion – Saturday, April 25

It's that time of year again for all keeshond lovers to get together and get reacquainted — dogs and people alike! The weather last year was fantastic — let's all hope for the same this year! The reunion will be held again this year at the Hite Residence in Lecompton, KS.

The festivities will begin at noon and last until approximately 4:00 PM. We'll take our annual group photo at 3:00 PM. Bring lawn chairs, water bowls, snacks (human and doggie). Make sure your fuzzies have flea and tick preventative applied and don't forget to put their leashes on.

We are collecting donations for the annual Labor Day auction, so please feel free to bring them along. With veterinary costs being high and the state of the economy, more dogs are being given up by their owners, so we need to have a very successful auction. The ongoing support we have received for this event has been tremendous and made the difference in many keesie lives.

In case of severe weather, email Judy at jahintzie@sunflower.com or call her at 785-550-5429 to confirm plans. We will have access to an indoor area in case of rain.

### DIRECTIONS

The Hite Residence: 322 N. 1632 Road, Lecompton, KS 66050 (Corner lot — Grey house with white trim. Look for the mailbox with "hot rod flames" and a Keeshond Crossing yield sign)

#### If coming from Topeka:

I-70 East to US-40 E / KS-4 E via EXIT 366.	1.3 miles
Take the 6TH ST / US-40 exit.	0.4 miles
Turn LEFT onto US-40 / SE 6TH AVE.	
Continue to follow US-40 E.	4.8 miles
Turn RIGHT onto SE STUBBS RD.	3.0 miles
Turn LEFT onto SE 45TH ST.	0.9 miles
SE 45TH ST becomes CR-442 (through Stull).	3.9 miles
Turn LEFT onto E 318TH RD.	0.3 miles
Turn RIGHT onto N 1632ND RD.	0.1 miles

#### If coming from Kansas City:

I-70 West to EXIT 197- toward LECOMPTON / LAWRENCE.	0.5 miles
Turn LEFT onto KS-10 / E 850 RD. Continue to follow KS-10.	1.6 miles
Take the US-40 ramp toward LAWRENCE / TOPEKA.	0.3 miles
Turn RIGHT onto US-40 / N 1600 RD.	1.9 miles
Turn LEFT onto N 1600 RD / CR-442 (Stull turn-off).	3.8 miles
Turn RIGHT onto E 318TH RD.	0.3 miles
Turn RIGHT onto N 1632ND RD.	0.1 miles

### Upcoming events

#### April 25

Annual Rescue Reunion

#### May 20-24

Keeshond National Specialty,  
Colorado Springs, CO

#### Sept. 11-22

Annual September Auction

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## Available for adoption

For more information about rescues available for adoption, please contact Judy at [jahintzie@sunflower.com](mailto:jahintzie@sunflower.com), (785) 550-5429 or visit our website: [www.keeshondlovers.com](http://www.keeshondlovers.com).

### MAX



My family moved and left me at the shelter – they said I couldn't come with them to the new place. I am house-broken and neutered, and I love kids, cats and all kinds of people. At 60 pounds, I am a little bigger than most keesies. I am 9 years old,

but I still have lots of love to give.

### SCOOTER



I am an 8- to 9-year-old terrier mix. I like kids, cats and other dogs. The cats are probably my least favorite, but I tolerate them OK.

Foster mom said to tell you I will need a home with a fenced yard because I love to run. I can run so fast –

you should see me go.

### MIKEY



My estimated birthdate is Feb. 14, 2001. We picked it 'cause I'm such a sweetheart, which is pretty miraculous when you know my history. You see, I did time in a puppy mill and then when they were done with me and two of my girlfriends, they

turned us in to a high-kill shelter. Because of the time I spent in the puppy mill, I am having to learn about so many new things. I get along with other dogs and all sizes of people. Cats really don't interest me much.

### SHADOW



I was born in September 2008, so I'm still a puppy. I had a family for 4 months, but they decided I was too high energy. They said I chewed, too, but if I have toys around I only chew on those. I am doing very well with housebreaking, and I

keep my crate clean at night. People are my most favorite thing in the whole world! I love to snuggle and give kisses by the dozen. Other dogs are my next favorite thing, as I really like to play and run.

### NICKIE



My owner was an older lady just like me, but her health wasn't as good as mine. I love having someone by my side to pet me on the head and rub my ears. It is so soothing, and I miss it terribly. I am housebroken and crate-trained. I'll sleep by your

bed and not make a sound. I'm 12 years old, and my teeth and joints are in good condition. I can even climb stairs! I'm a very easy dog to have around.

### TIA



I was born on Dec. 5, 2003, and was used for breeding by a commercial breeder before I entered rescue. I'm still a little shy, but I really like people. I would do best in a home where there are other dogs to help me feel comfortable. I go in and out

of the house easily and don't have accidents in the house. I'm good with other dogs, and I ignore cats. Small children may be too overwhelming for me.



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## Available for adoption

### DAN



I am looking for a home that has the time and energy for a little guy like me. I was born July 15, 2008. I love running with the big dogs here. They just kind of tolerate me! Foster mom has some things she wants to add: "Dan needs to go to a home where

they are willing and able to spend time exposing him to new situations and environments. He will need to go to obedience classes for socialization."

### KAYLA



I was born Nov. 1, 2006, so I'm a young girl. I like to ride in the car and I do OK on a leash. We will probably need to do some more work on that. I came here with Chloe and Zack and we are good friends. They are staying at another foster home,

and I am doing just fine here on my own. I only weigh about 35 pounds, so if you want me for a lapdog, we can work that out. I've been spayed.

### BRUCE – Permanent foster



At 12, Bruce has been in rescue since 2003. Bruce loves to run and play with his foster brothers, but he's beginning to slow down. Now that he is starting to show his age, we don't feel it would be fair to move

him to a new home. He will live out his last years in the foster home he knows and with other dogs and humans that love him.

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### CHLOE



If I look like the sweetest, friendliest keesie you ever saw — that is because I am! I am a young girl in the 2-3-year-old range and full of life. I love my people and stick close. I am housebroken, spayed, heartworm negative, up-to-date on all of my vaccines and microchipped. I am ready to go! I came here with Zack and Kayla and we are very good friends, but I do just fine on my own. All I need is a new family.

### ZACK



My birthday is April 13, 2005, and I was neutered at a young age. I came into rescue with Kayla and Chloe. I am housebroken and crate-trained. I also like to follow my person around the house! I am a little on the large side at 55 pounds. That just makes more of me to love! Maybe we can go jogging together? I am good on a leash, and I am in excellent health. The weather is getting nice, so please contact us soon!

### JOLIE – Permanent foster



Jolie has been in KLU's foster care since November 2004. She was born in 1998, is diabetic and nearly blind. Jolie relies on a keesie sister in her foster home to lead the way. To make a tax-deductible donation toward

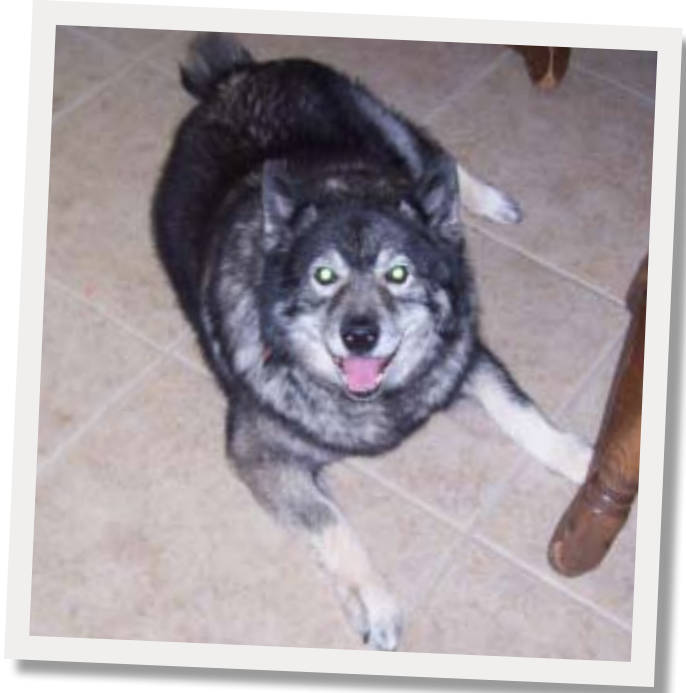
Jolie's monthly expenses (est. at \$45/mo.), send a check to: Keeshond Lovers United, 3917 Trail Road, Lawrence, KS 66049.



## In remembrance

The following keeshonden recently left their families for the Rainbow Bridge:

- Niko left Scott and Jennifer VanOrdstrand
- Zappa left Jeff Ireland and Cindy Price
- Luie left Frank and Carol Ware
- Jazz left Charlene Watts
- Cindy left Jerry and Deb Plasek
- Misty left her foster family, Rick and Lisa Mueller
- Katie left Fred and Frances Smith
- Sasha left Bill and Linda Hurt
- Billy left Fred and Dolly McDaniel
- Annie left Mark and Debbie McCarty
- Hannah left Tom and Kim Commerford
- Lyric left Bob and Cathy Wade
- Prince left David, Michelle & Madison Byerley
- Morgan left Alyce McTernan
- Tucker left Sven Alstrom



**In remembrance: Niko**



**In remembrance:** At only two and a half years old, Katie was taken suddenly. Her family and Sibe brother miss her antics every day.



**In remembrance: Zappa**

### Fuzzy shorts

- Keeshond Rescue of Ontario has a website now that's live, though parts of it are under construction. You can link to the website from the KLU home page or by going to this address: [www.keeshondrescueofontario.com](http://www.keeshondrescueofontario.com).

- Keep up with the latest on the peanut butter and salmonella news: [www.fda.gov/oc/opacom/hottopics/salmonellatyp.html](http://www.fda.gov/oc/opacom/hottopics/salmonellatyp.html).

# Hannah — A Sweet Spirit

March 16th, 2009

by Tom Commerford

*She came to us afraid and uncertain ...  
and she left us knowing she was loved.*

*We came to her broken-hearted ...  
and she left us with our hearts healed.*

*She came to us shaved and ashamed ...  
and she left us assured of her worth.*

*We came to her unaware of her potential ...  
and she left us having warmed every day  
with unconditional love.*

*She came to us needing a loving touch ...  
and she left us with our hands  
comforting her.*

*We came to her empty ...  
and she left us filled with her sweet spirit.*

*She came to us with love unrealized ...  
and she left us wrapped in love.*

*We came to her an unwritten page ...  
and she left us with a priceless story written  
upon our souls.*



## Furever homes



Clint



Toby

### RECENT ADOPTIONS

- Clint Minnesota, Thomas family
- Morgan Wisconsin, Karns/Cash family
- Willow Kansas, Prevost family
- Holley Missouri, Montgomery family
- Hayden Missouri, Hubbs family
- Rosco Kansas, Milford family
- Chase Kansas, Ireland/Price family
- Joker Nebraska, Lacombe family
- Suzy Iowa, Schmalzried family
- Lydia Ontario, CA, McLeod/  
Selemba family
- Esther Minnesota, Breezee family
- Toby Illinois, Bauer/Lading family
- Tucker Ohio, Kleinhaus family
- Kimmi Texas, Fields family



Rosco



Chase



Submissions are due May 17. Photos must be sent with bios.

# 2010 KSRF Calendar Submission Time

It is already time to start sending in submissions for the 2010 Keeshond Sunshine Rescue Fund Calendar. Submissions are being accepted through **May 17, 2009**.

Please submit digital photos of your purebred keeshond sized at 4"x6" (1200x800 pixels minimum, preferably 1800x1200 pixels), with a resolution of 200 dpi minimum, preferably 300 dpi. Photos cannot be smaller than 3"x3" (600x600 pixels).

Only one photo is to be sent with the nomination. The photo and bio **MUST** be submitted together. There is a word limit on the bio, and 250-400 words are preferable. Your bio will be edited by the KSRF calendar committee editor if it does not meet the stated criteria.

Photos may be color or black and white. Interesting backgrounds, costumes, holiday decorations or props are more likely to catch the judges' eyes. Bios should be typed and contain information on the general circumstances surrounding the dog's entry into rescue, how rescue affected the dog's life, include a special memory or story, and should include the general locale of the dog.

If the dog is in a forever home, list details of the family mem-

bers, both 2L and 4L. The photos and bios should contain the dog's first and last name so they can be matched appropriately.

All submissions **MUST** include: rescue's name, gender, age when rescued; current age or age when at the bridge; birthday or gotcha day; rescue's favorite trick or trait; and current owner and location. The current owner must approve the calendar nomination. Nominations should be submitted by the rescuer or group of record or by the forever family. Nominators must include their names, email addresses, telephone contact number and mailing addresses with the nominations. This information will not be published in the calendar, but name and general locale will be published.

Printed photos must be mailed along with the bio. Photos will be returned to the sender when a self-addressed, stamped envelope is included. For mailing information, contact [ksrfcalendar@yahoo.com](mailto:ksrfcalendar@yahoo.com). If you do not have internet access, please call Judy at 785-550-5429 and she will provide it.

All rescued purebred Keeshonden (living or deceased) who have not been monthly features in past calendars are eligible for submission. All Keeshond

nominees will be pictured in the calendar centerfold.

All submissions will be acknowledged with an e-mail or letter. If an e-mail acknowledgement is not received within 1 week of submission, please resubmit. KSRF and members of the KSRF calendar committee are not responsible for lost or incomplete entries.

A panel of judges reviews all submissions and chooses the featured Keeshonden. The judges' decisions are final. Twelve rescues' photos and bios will be featured in the calendar. The family of each featured dog will receive one free calendar! All Keeshond nominees will be displayed in the centerfold and throughout the pages of the calendar.

Memorial photos will be accepted until press time. Please submit photos of any keeshond that has passed to the bridge to [ksrfcalendar@yahoo.com](mailto:ksrfcalendar@yahoo.com).

There are no technical specifications for memorial photos. Please include call name and last name of the Kees. The Memorial Page is a special way to honor your special Kees who waits at the Bridge.

For more information on the Keeshond Sunshine Rescue Foundation, go to [www.ksrf.org](http://www.ksrf.org).



# Special thanks

We would like to sincerely thank the following individuals/families for their recent donations to KLU:

- Frank and Carol Ware in memory of the Hawley's son\*
- Floyd and Francis Smith in memory of Katie (kees mix)
- Ken and Toni Thompson in memory of Winnie (kees)\*
- Kelly Wolterman for the care of Annie, a senior kees\*
- Frank and Carol Ware in memory of Barbara Shields\*
- Nicole Hite, matching donation through Hallmark Corp.
- Pam Hildebrand, White Pine Collars
- Bob and Cathy Wade
- Sven Alstrom, food and treats
- Ed Crist
- KLU extends their thanks to Santa. Every year Santa donates his sitting fees for "Pictures with Santa" taken at Kansas City pet stores. Many keeshonden receive their care through your generosity.

*\* indicates a donation to the Gidget Fund for senior keeshonden*

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## Donate to KLU

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_(\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_

This gift is (circle applicable): In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

For the Gidget Fund, to support senior keeshonden

Acknowledgement letter to be sent to: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_

*Keeshond Lovers United, Inc. is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.*

*Your donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.*

Thank you for your generosity!

— The Members of the KLU Board

Mail to: Keeshond Lovers United, Inc., c/o Judy Hintzman,  
3917 Trail Road, Lawrence, KS 66049

Questions? Call 785-550-5429



## About our organization

KLU is a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization that consists of volunteers & board members. Keeshond Lovers United is dedicated to the rescue, foster care and placement of Keeshonden, and, occasionally other breeds in the Midwest. These dogs and puppies come from area shelters, owner turn-ins, puppy mills and abusive situations. Each dog is placed into a foster home and is evaluated for health, temperament and personality.

All dogs are spayed or neutered, micro-chipped, heartworm tested and treated if necessary, and brought up-to-date on all shots. Then, each lucky dog goes to its forever home after references and home visits are complete.

All donations and contributions are tax deductible. For more information, please visit [www.keeshondlovers.com](http://www.keeshondlovers.com)

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3917 Trail Road  
Lawrence, KS 66049

**Annual  
Rescue  
Picnic**

**April 25**

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