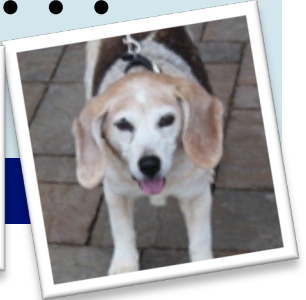
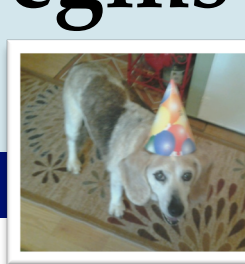


Peppertree Rescue, a rescue for dogs of golden temperament.

# Family is where life begins . . . and love never ends.



Nikki found herself in a shelter at 17 years old but a volunteer did not let her linger there long. She quickly came to Peppertree, and we got her right to the vet who let us know that this silly, bright, sweet girl was a hospice case, although to ask Nikki she felt fine. Her medical needs mattered not a bit to her foster mom whose heart had quickly been stolen by this unbreakable beagle, and Nikki spent her final days loved, in a home, with a family. We miss you Nikki, until we see you again at the Rainbow Bridge.

## Thank you for being a part of the Peppertree Family.

Some dogs enter Peppertree Rescue and find homes within days, some weeks, some months, and some, well, some take time, and then some stay forever. But every dog that comes into the Peppertree program can be sure of one thing, they have a family in Peppertree.

While our goal is never to keep a dog long-term sometimes we meet dogs whose needs are so unique they take a long time to find that perfect fit, and some dogs just take time to find their home. Not every rescue can take these dogs on, but how can we look at their faces and not try to help? These dogs do not do well in shelters and their families do not always have time to wait for another home to be found so Peppertree Rescue becomes their family as they wait for their forever home.

**Thank you for supporting us in the work we love to do.**



Pirate was courtesy listed for months and we took him in when his family was faced with the decision of putting him in a shelter. Pirate is a sweet, smart, devoted dog but we believe he suffered a stroke and so he has a few neurological quirks that can also make him anxious in new settings, and he does not walk well on the leash. Pirate would not have coped well with shelter life, and so he became a Peppertree dog. For over a year we have loved him, spoiled him, given him lots of blankets to snuggle in and enjoyed his joyful, enthusiastic company as we wait for his forever home to find him.

When people hear Tabby has been with Peppertree Rescue for two years they feel sad, but if you asked Tabby she would likely say those two years have been the best of her life. Tabby has not only found a family to love her just as she is as she waits for a forever home, she has found a purpose - this summer she proudly helped raise kittens for another area rescue. Tabby is so appreciated, and appreciative.





While we are not sure why it is a fact that it can take bully breeds a bit longer to find a home, throw in being a senior and having food allergies, and you have Bobo! It took over six months for Bobo to find that perfect home, but while he waited his life was filled with kids, snuggles, fetch and so much love. Now he has found a permanent home that offers him the same.

Bonbon arrived sick, so sick her foster family thought they might lose her, but she rallied, she beat heartworm and she returns their love with a loyalty and a devotion that is staggering. A devotion she proved when she broke through a baby gate to alert her family to a house fire, possibly saving their lives.

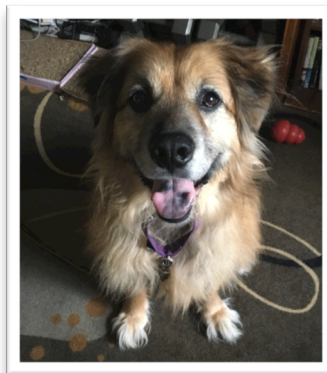


Fuzzy Wuzzy was a bear, Fuzzy Wuzzy had no hair . . . oh wait that is Sakura! It is hard to believe it when you see her long, flowing locks today but Sake indeed arrived hairless due to at that point undiagnosed environmental allergies. A dermatologist visit and a year of love later Sake is a whole new dog, with a huge extended family that cheers her along. Fingers crossed Sake may even end the year in a permanent home as an interested family has been getting to know her in hopes she wants to join their family as well.



When Saratoga County Animal Shelter asked us to meet Ralphio and Magda we knew before we got there that we would be taking them home with us. Call us suckers, but hearing their story we had already adopted them into our hearts. Two senior dogs who found themselves in a shelter when one owner passed and the other had to move is a sad enough story, but hearing that Magda possibly had cancer broke our hearts. To meet them is to love them and so they became Peppertree dogs, and truly a part of our family for as long as they need us.

We admit Rover had us worried at times. This smart, active, loving dog also had a lot of drive, particularly when it came to balls, and chasing things, and we knew he needed an outlet for that drive. We talked to several homes but none seemed to be right until we got a call from Homeland Security looking for a dog to detect fire accelerants. They wanted to meet Rover, and they loved him. After seven months in program Rover had found his purpose, but he is still a part of our family.



## Peppertree Rescue's 2017 Appeal

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