

The official newsletter of Greyhound Pets, Inc.

Its Time for Summer!!

A message from GPI, Inc. president Moira Corrigan

Happy Summer!!!

The excitement continues at the Hern Greyt Works. All of our signage and recognition plaques are now complete and in place. Our Gifting Tree is beautiful! It was painted by one of our wonderful volunteers, Robin James. Bunny Richardson also worked on many aspects of the Tree. Thank you to Robin and Bunny. The Gifting Tree recognizes our wonderful patrons who have donated more than \$250. There will be some more artwork and displays coming shortly at the kennel – keep your eyes open for more info as it develops.

Our first seminar happened in May at the Greyt Works thanks to one of our wonderful vets – Dr. Debi Wallingford. Look for additional seminars during the upcoming year.

We held our Grand Opening Celebration at the Hern Greyt Works in June. Thank you to everyone who participated.

The first part of 2009 has been good to GPI and the greyhounds. So far in 2009 we have brought in 62 new dogs. We've seen increases in our adoption numbers and stable return numbers. We've also been able to help several dogs who were not originally placed through GPI (with the other group's permission, of course).

As the weather gets warmer, there are many dangers for our greys. Check out the information on keeping your pup safe in the summer months in this issue.

Have you ever thought about fostering? Fostering can be very rewarding. My husband and I have been fostering greyhounds for the past 9.5 years and we've seen over 100 greys work their way through our home. I often get asked if it's hard to let them go. I must admit that I cry when each foster dog leaves our home, but I love to see our foster dogs in their new homes and know that I had a hand in helping them adjust to home life and retirement. And I receive great joy in hearing about them as they settle into their new homes. There are some that have been very hard to let go, some that we enjoyed while they were here but were happy to see them move into their new homes, and there are a few that just never left! GPI provides the foster food in the US (if needed), a crate if needed, the dog beds if you need them, the bowls if you need them, coats and any medications they may need. All you need to do is provide the love and some gas and time to get them to booths and seen by potential adopters. Talk to your Regional VP (see page 4) and see if fostering is right for you.

Thank you to all our volunteers, members and adopters. Without you we wouldn't be able to help so many greyhounds.

Moira Corrigan
President

Symmetrical Lupoid Onychodystrophy (SLO)

By Grassmere Animal Hospital, Nashville, TN

Imagine one day your Greyhound limps a bit and you look at his paw to find that **an entire toe nail is missing**. Your first thought is likely that he ran too hard and caught it, and in some cases, that really is all that happened. Sometimes, though, if you look at the remaining nails, you'll discover a bigger problem. There may be several toe nails that seem abnormal - loose, tender, draining.

SLO is thought to be an autoimmune disease that targets the toe nails. The hallmark of autoimmune diseases is that the body mistakenly forms antibodies against part of itself. If it's antibodies against our red blood cells then we destroy our own blood and become anemic. If it's antibodies against our joints then we become arthritic. In the case of symmetrical lupoid onychodystrophy, Greyhounds form antibodies against their toe nails, and reject them.

WHAT ARE THE SIGNS?

multiple nail loss

visible oozing around the base of the nail

separation of the nail from the quick

odor

licking the nails

limping

infection



(GPI Note: you can see color, enlarged photos on Grassmere's website – www.grassmere-animal-hospital.com/SLO.htm)

DIAGNOSIS

While the only 100% accurate way to diagnose this problem is by biopsy (and that means amputating the end of the toe, called "P3"), this problem in a Greyhound is one that experienced veterinarians will feel comfortable making a diagnosis based on the appearance of the feet. Amputation of the tip of a toe is disfiguring, expensive, and unnecessary.

This condition can be confused with simple bacterial infection and fungal infections, and valuable time may be lost with antibiotics, foot soaks, and other medications that don't target the underlying immune nature to the problem.

TREATMENT

This must be treated as an immune disorder, not a simple infection loose and painful nails should be removed - usually under anesthesia there is often a 6-10 week lag time to see a good response to treatment treatment must extend over a period of at least many months, and in many cases, years relapses are common medications may need to be adjusted based on response to treatment - **there is no single successful protocol**

SEE YOUR VETERINARIAN but go in with information about the disease and treatment. This is not a common diagnosis and many vets might not be familiar with it.

MEDICATIONS (any doses mentioned here are for greyhounds - other breeds need their own levels)

In all cases, essential fatty acids should be started immediately but because of the nature of the disease, it may be 6 weeks or longer to see improvement. The recommended dose is 180 mg eicosapentanoic acid (EPA) per 10 pounds. Sources of EPA are:

The 1000 mg **fish oil** capsules contain 180 mg EPA, so a 60 pound Greyhound should get 6 fish oil capsules a day, a 70 pound Greyhound should get 7. These are readily available over-the-counter.

3V HP caps

Derm Caps ES

Vitamin E 400 IU every 12 hrs

if the problem is severe or advanced at diagnosis, the following medications are also used:

tetracycline and **niacinamide** (500 mg each every 8 hours for an average sized Greyhound)

pentoxifylline (Trental) - some vets prefer this over the tetracycline/niacinamide combination

prednisone and **azathioprine** should be avoided if possible, but in resistant or very aggressive onset cases, prednisone can be dosed in greyhounds at 15 mg total dose per day, and then weaned down as soon as possible.

Pain medication - this is a very painful condition and there can be some relief with NSAID's like **Rimadyl**, **Deramaxx**, etc.

A WORD ABOUT DIET

Most dermatologists agree that one of the possible triggers for this disease is food related. Thus, treating your SLO dog as a severe food allergy patient might be of some benefit. This involves very strict dietary restrictions, and the details should be discussed with your vet. Foods that have proven useful include Eukanuba Veterinary Diet (Response FP - a fish based food), IVD foods, Hill's ZD, and other truly hypoallergenic foods.

PROGNOSIS

This disease tends to remain a life-long problem with afflicted dogs, but it is also one that can almost always be controlled with medication. With luck, over 6-8 months, new nails will regrow and your hound will be pain-free.

There is a very good Yahoo Support Board for SLO dogs of all breeds.

Consider joining. - <http://pets.groups.yahoo.com/group/SLOdogs/>

The information on this page is for educational purposes only and should never be used as a substitute for seeing your own veterinarian, with your pet, for a complete examination and individually prescribed treatment.

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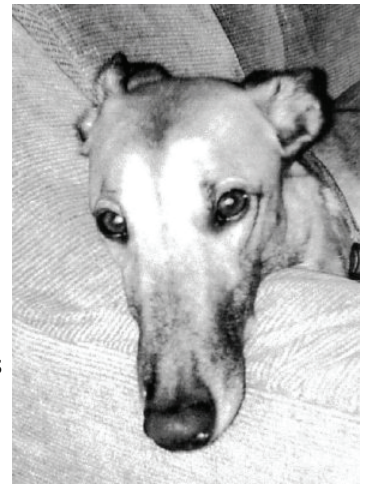
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For more information about the chat list, send an e-mail to Cathy Munro at

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Oh Mama Mia!!

Your Greyhound's questions answered.



A greyhound with lots of retirement experience, "KMA's Mama Mia" has the answers that newly adopted pups are seeking!

If your hound has a question for "Mama Mia," please submit it to The Bark (jananice@hotmail.com-- please put "Mama Mia" in the subject line). Mia will try to answer as many letters as possible. And remember, "Mama knows best!" (She's a spicy meat-a-ball!)

Dear Mama Mia,

Despite growing up and racing in the Midwest, I'm terrified of loud noises and hated the thunderstorms there. Last year I freaked out during 4th of July celebrations as it was very similar to thunder. I know it's coming up again soon. What should I do?

Signed, Fraidy-Cat

Dear Fraidy,

Thunder and loud noises can be very scary, but we have to remember it can't hurt us, it's just noise. Hopefully your humans remember how traumatic it was for you, and will be prepared to help you this year.

There is a technique called desensitizing which works for some of us. That's where we are exposed to the loud noises prior to an upcoming event, so we get used to them and can later ignore it.

If you aren't desensitized, perhaps your humans can turn on the TV or stereo to something mellow but loud that can muffle the noise outside. Can you find a safe hiding spot? If you are used to being in a crate/kennel, that could work. Or maybe if your humans put your bed or favorite blanket in a closet with the door open, you might go in there and feel better.

There's stuff called aromatherapy, which are scents that can be calming. These include lavender, chamomile, and valerian. There is also a product called a "DAP diffuser" which is an aromatherapy type thing made specifically for us canines. It's supposed to smell like our mommies and comfort us.

"Rescue Remedy" is a liquid of calming herbs. A few drops on the tongue prior to the big event, and perhaps another few drops later may help. I've heard of something called a "Storm Defender Cape," which supposedly works well in stressful situations.

In worst case scenarios, some of us do very well on a small dose of a human drug called Benadryl during stressful times. Others need something more potent, a drug from the vet called acepromazine; but that needs to be used very sparingly/low dose in us greys, and only in extreme cases.

It is most important that our humans DO NOT take us to any local fireworks displays. It's like sitting in the middle of a firing range. We need to stay safe at home!

Our humans also need to be cognizant of letting us out to do our "business" in our own yards if the neighbors are doing fireworks. That can be scary too. Make sure all gates are closed, and our fences are very secure, and that our humans remain with us. I've had friends who've escaped from their yards while not attended, but fortunately were recovered safe and sound (although I'm not sure their humans were so sound afterwards!) Personally, I prefer to go potty prior to dusk, and then hold it until much later when things quiet down, staying inside listening to soft/smooth jazz during the commotion.

Best of luck, be brave and stay safe!

--Mia

Summer Safety for your Greyhound

Summertime and the livin' is easy.....

It's finally here!! The hot weather is nearly upon us. As we head into the warmer weather, here are a few tips to keep our pups safe so we can have FUN in the sun:

- Check the screens on your windows and doors. We've had dogs try to escape out of windows without screens, even on the second floor! Remember that a screen (door or window) will NOT keep in a high prey drive dog or one that finds something of great interest on the other side!
- Don't leave your dog in a parked car unattended (even with the windows open). The temperature in a car can climb very quickly even on a 60 degree day.
- Always take water with you when you are walking/running your greyhound(s). Greyhounds can quickly overheat with their lower body fat. Carry a large container of water and a bowl in your vehicle at all times. Try and walk or run in the cooler times of the day.
- Jogging is also dangerous this time of year. So your dog jogs everyday with you and is in excellent shape - why alter the routine? As the weather warms, we can change the type and amount of clothing worn, and we sweat more. Dogs can't and are essentially jogging in their winter coat (or a slightly lighter version). They can only cool themselves by panting and a small amount of sweating through the foot pads. Not enough! Many dogs, especially the 'athletes' will keep running, no matter what, to keep up with their owner. Change the routine to early morning or late evening to prevent heat stroke.
- **Know the signs of heat stroke.** The signs vary: your dog may pant heavily, drool, and have a bright red tongue and gums. The tongue may be swollen and appear foamy. He or she may show sensitivity to touch and muscle tremors, a tendency to drag the hind legs or collapse, and extreme difficulty in changing position from standing to lying or vice versa. In any case, the situation is urgent. Heat stroke is a medical emergency that can kill your dog! Get your dog to a vet immediately in an air-conditioned car. On the way to the vet, you must do what you can to cool him or her down with wet towels or a soaking with cool -- not cold!! -- water, but be careful not to induce a shivering response.
- Double check your gates and locks and make sure they are secure.
- Don't leave your dog in your yard while you are gone--a good idea anytime of year.
- Always make sure your dog(s) have cool, fresh, clean water. If your house gets hot during the day, put some ice cubes in the water bowl to keep it cool longer.
- Put out a small kiddie pool in your yard. Many greyhounds love to lie in the water to help cool themselves. Be sure to change the water frequently to stop mosquitoes from laying eggs in it.
- Greyhounds can get sunburn, especially those with light coats and white skin. You can put sunscreen on their nose and ears if needed (not the body where they can lick it off though).
- Antifreeze is actually a year-round hazard. With the warmer temperatures of summer, cars over heat and may leak antifreeze. (This is the bright green liquid found oozing from that car with the engine fan on.) Also, people change their antifreeze and may spill or leave unused antifreeze out where pets can access it. Antifreeze tastes sweet and is inviting to pets (and children). It is also extremely toxic in very small amounts. Call your Veterinarian (or Physician) immediately if any ingestion is suspected. A safe alternative to Ethylene Glycol antifreeze is available, it is called propylene glycol, and while it does cost a small amount more than 'regular' antifreeze, it is worth the piece of mind.
- Travelling this summer? If you are traveling outside of your normal Veterinarian's locale, it is wise to check out the Veterinary clinics/hospitals in the area that you are visiting, before the need arises. It is better to be prepared for an emergency and not have one happen than to panic in an emergency situation, wasting valuable time.
- Make sure you have LOCAL information on your dogs tags if travelling away from home. We take a piece of masking tape and write a local number or address on it with a sharpie marker. People who find a lost dog are more likely to call the number on the tag if it is not a long distance call.
- Asphalt gets HOT!! Consider that your dog doesn't get to wear shoes to protect the soles of his/her feet. Put your hand near the ground to gauge if the surface is too hot to walk on. This is especially important if you're walking in a parade!!
- Going to the beach? Running on the sand is strenuous exercise. A dog that is out of shape can easily pull a tendon or ligament, so keep a check on your dog's activity. Do not let your dog drink seawater; the salt will make him sick. Salt and other minerals in ocean water can damage your dog's coat, so rinse him off at the end of the day.

Keep these in mind during this long, hot summer (wishful thinking.....). We want all of our pets to stay safe!!

Enjoy!!

To Cindy

Tag # 3630

Cindy,

My heart is breaking as I remember all the times we spent together and remembering how very much you brought to my life. You came to me when I needed something to bring me out of the shadows of life. Having bought a house, I knew I wanted a dog. I thought I had my heart set on a golden retriever. However, one Saturday morning, with nothing to do, I saw an ad in the local paper for a greyhound meet and greet. Always fascinated by greyhounds, I thought, what the heck, I'll just go look at them.

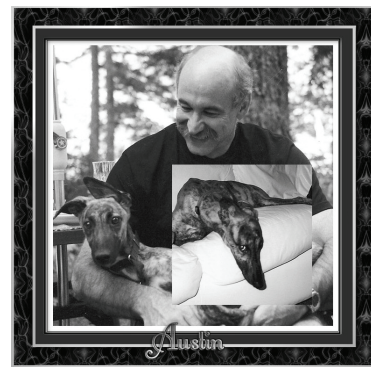
I got to the meet and greet, and yes, I first passed you by, seeing the gray on your muzzle, thinking, "Oh, she must be so old, I don't want to adopt a dog and lose it in a few years." Being the natural human I was, my eyes were drawn to the brighter colored dogs. But, as soon as I headed for one, another person was there before me. Finally, in a cosmic "musical dogs" game it seemed, you and I were left standing in front of each other. I finally asked the handler how old you were, and he said you were only 5, barely middle aged, and before I could say another word, he thrust the leash in my hand and said "Go take her for a walk." Um okay... I said... Our bond wasn't instant. I still didn't know a grey is what I wanted. But, as we walked, I thought, "Huh, well maybe... okay..." I proceeded to fill out the paperwork, passed the home visit with flying colors. When I went to pick you up, the handler brought you into the waiting room of the kennel that was filled with people. But, my sweet girl, you knew... You knew where you belonged. Without me calling you or saying a word, when she just dropped the leash on the floor, you came straight to me, out of all the people in the room, and buried your head between my legs and stood there. Even after I got you home, I was thinking, as your presence seemed to fill my small home, "Oh dear God, what have I done?? Can I handle this?" But you, sweet girl, you knew even before I did. I remember the moment a few weeks later that we became inexplicably bonded. It was a warm sunny day, I went out to lie on the grass in the back yard, relishing the fact that I had a home of my own, and a dog, my ultimate dream. You came and stretched out beside me, reached your paw over and laid it on my hand and let out the most contented sigh I had ever heard. That was the moment we had each other's hearts for the rest of our lives.

Ever since then, we have been there for each other through thick and thin. In the two most difficult times of my life, you were the one who made me get up each morning and get through, get out for walks, licked my tears, and made me laugh at your silly antics. It was like you seemed to love to make me laugh.

I could go on and on and on about all the memories of our time together, but there are just too many to recount here.

When we walked the beach and met people (yes, silly girl, you thought everyone down there was there just to meet you and become your friend, and you soon had them convinced of that too...). They would hear that you were an adopted racing grey and would tell me how lucky you were that you had me. But, the reality was, my love... I was blessed to have you. I will miss you every day of the rest of my life, and I can't wait for the time that we will be together again.

Anne Sanders



Austin

Tag # 1610

April 1996 - August 2008

Austin was one of 10 puppies from a racing kennel who were put up for adoption shortly after their birth—turns out a gate was left open, so they could not be sure of the bloodline of the puppies, which is apparently required for racing. I detoured a business trip through Dallas-Fort Worth and picked Austin up when he was three months old. His name came from a baby names book because the rescue home was overwhelmed with 25 dogs at the time and just couldn't think up names fast enough, and though we expected to change it, the name stuck.

Austin was a bit of a rogue when he was young, and although he didn't chase rabbits at the track, he made up for it with the neighbor's chickens when he escaped the yard—an episode he barely survived (and only because my blind brother-in-law always walked Austin, so they figured he was a service dog). Austin loved everybody, and children loved him. Our granddaughter would walk along with her arm across his back—right at shoulder height.

Austin loved the couch and it was revealed after his passing that he slept on the bed with our friend who house-sat for us when we were gone! With that sweet big-eyed look, who could resist? Austin slowed down and had kidney problems his last year, but Rimadyl and other meds kept him going pretty well until this summer. Finally his legs just couldn't support him anymore and we had to let him go. Austin is greatly missed; we constantly come home and look expectantly for his friendly greeting.

Dearly missed by Steve and Suzanne Russert

The Notice Board

Stuff you need to know!!

Do you need to contact Greyhound Pets, Inc.?

Call us at 1-877-468-7681. This number forwards to one of our many dedicated volunteers who will be happy to speak with you at any time.

Correspondence can be addressed to:

**Greyhound Pets, Inc.
PO Box 891
Woodinville, WA 98072**

Is Your Greyhound Wearing a Current GPI Tag?

Please take a moment to look at the tags on your greyhound's collar. If your greyhound is missing a GPI tag or it has a phone number other than 877-468-7681 on it, please call the toll-free number or write us at

Greyhound Pets, Inc.,

New Tags

PO Box 891

Woodinville, WA 98072

Please include the name and tag # (if known) for each dog.

Why is the GPI tag important? If your greyhound gets lost, the toll free number can be called and you can get your dog back faster. Plus, if you've moved and haven't updated your phone/address tag, then our toll free number could be the only way your greyhound is safely returned to you. Please keep your dog's tags current and update GPI about any phone or address changes. Thank you!

Have you moved?

If you have, please e-mail Moira at fastpaws@centurytel.net with your current information.

Thanks for helping keep GPI's database current!!

Returning your Greyhound

Please remember, if for any reason you cannot or do not want to keep your greyhound, it MUST be returned to Greyhound Pets, Inc.

Finding a loving greyhound home for your dog should be handled by someone who understands the needs of these great animals. Contact us at 1-877-468-7681 to make arrangements.

Has your Greyhound passed on recently?

If you have recently had your Greyhound pass to the Rainbow Bridge, please contact Moira at fastpaws@centurytel.net or contact her through the PO Box.

Have you checked your gates recently?

Please check your gates and fences for loose boards, holes and swollen gates that don't shut correctly. Put a spring on your gate to keep it closed, or lock it so the meter reader, landscaper, or neighbor kid can't leave it open.

What should I do if my Greyhound gets loose?

Call the Greyhound Pets, Inc. toll free number IMMEDIATELY!! 1-877-468-7681. This will help to get a search party organized and alert folks that your dog is missing. Take a squawker (available at the GPI warehouse) and your CELL PHONE with you when you start your search. If your home phone number is on your dog's tags, make sure someone is available at that number as well in case a good Samaritan finds your pup. Have a "Missing Dog" flyer with your dog's picture on your computer ready to print and post at a moment's notice.

Are your dogs shots up-to-date?

Your dog needs regular vaccines to help keep them healthy. The particular vaccines will vary depending upon the area of the country you live in and your particular environment. Depending upon the vaccine, they are due every six months, every year, or every three years. If you're not sure when your dog's vaccines are due, check his/her paperwork, contact GPI and/or speak with your vet.

Are your dog's teeth clean?

Your dog needs regular dental care just like you and I. Tartar and plaque build-up, bad breath, inflamed gums, loose teeth, gaps or holes, discolored teeth, difficulty eating – all these are signs that your dog's teeth need attention. If not taken care of, poor teeth health can greatly affect your dog's quality and length of life. Talk to your vet and give your dog's teeth regular dental care.

Greyhound Pets, Inc. Needs YOU!⁹

We're looking for a few good men and women!! We always need volunteers, in every capacity. Have you ever considered volunteering? You don't have to run a Meet & Greet, or foster a dog (although we need those too!).

If you know of some new and wonderful places to hold our Meet & Greets, please let your Regional Vice President know. We're always looking for new venues to showcase our Greyhounds, and get the word out.

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Woodinville, WA

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Dana Miller	In honor of Kenneth Klepsch
Ruth & Scott Wilson	In honor of Kid Rattler
Sue Curtis	In honor of Marie Sullivan
Linda Howells	In honor of Merann Dickinson
Peter & Jeanne Chaloner	In honor of Sue Curtis
Karen & William Scott	In loving memory of Jet
Patricia Lantis	In memory of Argus
Vicki Maher	In memory of Beaver & Bailey
Mary & Larry Knudsen	In memory of Bev
Ann Moody	In memory of Buck
Sue Curtis	In memory of Ellie Frank
Robert Ehrmantrout	In memory of Katie
Yumi & Bob Burnett	In memory of Stormie & Marino
Kevin Larsson	In memory of Svein Larsson
Heather & Bruce Sanson	In memory of Ted Reynolds
Mary McGrath	In memory of Ted Reynolds
Robert & Linda Latham	In memory of Ted Reynolds
Lois La Shell & Alan Guskin	In memory of Toby
Gary & Nancy Barnes	In memory Pufne, Rami & Okie Penni

Adopted!!

These Greyhounds have been adopted in the fourth quarter of 2008 and first quarter of 2009! Congratulations to their forever families!

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname	Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
3645	Coldwater Tante	Tante	4890	KC Doo Zee	Kacey
4081	AAA Sprite	Winnie	4892	Flying Czarina	Czarina
4156	Kadees Santa Fe	Santa Fe	4895	Dutch Garcia	Garcia
4166	Sassy Sophie	Sophie	4896	TNJ Drifter	Drifter
4185	Swamp Pearl	Bandito	4897	Flat Out Abel	Abel
4236	Flash puppy	Qizmet	4898	Smile Babe	Babe
4273	Fortified Finery	Finery	4900	Good Company	Goodie
4529	DC's Domino	Domino	4901	RLM's Aspen	Aspen
4545	GLS Justajuke	Juke	4902	Findem Stirrup	Stirrup
4637	G's Trojan	Trojan	4904	Penrose Ruffian	Ruffian
4662	Cliffs Mystical	Missy	4905	Westmead Spice	Spice
4704	Al E Lamberghini	Amber	4906	Sassy Nan	Nan
4773	no registered name	Stacy	4908	Hot Chili Night	Chili
4775	Daring Mozart	Chammie	4909	DNJ Gomore	Gomore
4824	Ruby Ronin	Ruby	4910	Boc's Jitterbug	Jitterbug
4825	Slatex Tripper	Trip	4911	Pat C Yetta	Yetta
4844	Jasmin Jet	Jet	4912	Pandering	Fonzie
4849	RX Yukon	Yukon	4913	Volatile	Moose
4854	Brew Crew	Brew	4914	Sweet Slickster	Major
4857	Subatomic	Scrapper	4916	DR Tornado	Torrie
4862	Iruska Tierra	Tierra	4917	My Valentine	Thelma
4863	Piper Calling	Piper	4918	Pat C Yona	Yona
4865	no registered name	Hottie	4919	Cajun Rose	Rose
4868	RSW Mist	Misty	4920	OJ Ivy Rae	Ivy
4869	Dit Rollinthunda	Thunder	4921	CTW Passem Patty	Patty
4870	Oneco Golgrain	Goal	4923	Pat C Terrill	Terry
4873	TJ's Handman	Handy	4924	Cajun Klondike	Klondike
4874	no registered name	Cliff	4925	Bella Emeline	Emmy
4875	Dtl Brutus	Brutus	4926	Bella Jorja	Jorja
4876	Tailwaggin Tyrus	Tyrus	4927	Bella Rhapsody	Dee
4880	Wild Alert	Rush	4929	no registered name	Brianna
4881	no registered name	Moose	4931	Bella Dove	Jade
4884	Pretty Angelboy	Jazz	4934	Bella Raheng	Ray
4886	Kansas Blackout	Blackie	4935	Solomon	Sol
4887	Dutch Katie	Katie	4936	Bella Sulley	Sulley
4888	Hilltex Georgie	Georgie	4937	DB's Gambler	Gambler
4889	AY's Stardust	Dusty	4943	Modest Miss	Missy
4889	AY's Stardust	Stella	4945	no registered name	Thomas



Rainbow Bridge Memorials...we will miss them.

Tag #	Registered Name	Name	Tag #	Registered Name	Name
1610	No Registered Name	Austin	3481	Bo Zippo	Zippo
2041	May Flyer	May	3490	Bob's Ozone	Respighi
2161	LaBelle Bonnie	Bonnie	3521	Today's Success	Moss
2286	No Registered Name	Ruger	3531	Ivory Patricia	Maggie
2371	PJ's Peppy Gal	Peppy	3562	Mai Hannibal	Cody
2414	TCB Macerina	Macerina	3666	Banjo String	Argus
2432	It's So Easy	Easy	3670	Christy Walker	Christy
2446	Panyo Rand	Randal	3676	Ole What's Her Name	Name E
2472	Gerto Buck	Gerto	3680	TV Cindy	Cindy
2531	Zingy	Greg	3756	PF Nofuss Nomuss	Mollie
2591	KKs Marta	Marta	3791	WW Kiowa Winnie	Phoebe
2602	PW Pressure	PeeWee	3817	Missy Knowitall	Missy
2632	He's My Biff	Biff	3842	Kid's Flintstone	Flintstone
2703	Oak Royal	Oak	3852	Luck Runa Muck	Jake
2774	Control the Flow	Eli	3937	Moola's Fast Cat	Lil Bit
2799	Rapido Dugan	Megan	3960	RC's Cool Fantasy	Ella
2850	Yak A Lot	Calli	3971	DJ's Hockey Boy	Hockey
2888	River Foglite	Foggy	4005	Gonetoasideshow	Jet
2928	Honor Bound	Honor	4020	FMC JohnnyBGood	Jasper
2943	Bob's Honcho	Chundo	4034	No Registered Name	Cathy
2977	Prima It's a Doer	Toby	4053	GS Coolbough	Enzo
2984	Amazeme Jasper	Jasper	4074	Papa Duke	Papa
3003	Yankee Rascal	Niles	4236	No Registered Name	Oz (was Qizmet)
3024	Broken Branch	Branch	4324	JB Ticket Stub	Study
3026	Banjo Luer	Luer	4328	Corvette	Mochi
3113	Silky On a Paw	Sasha	4343	SG Fever	Fever
3164	CJ's Spirit Girl	Maggie	4390	Abita Amanda	Amanda
3218	Tuff Leatherneck	Angel	4392	MS Klemma	Sophia
3248	JR's Lacy	Lacy	4448	No Registered Name	June
3255	JR's Yahoo	Monty	4504	TP Benoit	Ben
3317	Kid's Whodini	Whodini	4509	Trip to Vegas	Holly
3319	FX Cannondale	Jessie	4526	Seattle	Seattle
3372	Ole Lure Me	Lure	4545	GLS Justajuke	Duke
3406	No Registered Name	Iris	4628	AL E Pretend	Al-E
3436	No Registered Name	Hondah	4767	Sol Tomiko	Tomi

Sponsor a Greyhound—the next best thing

If you can't adopt a greyhound, you may find that sponsoring a greyhound through Greyhound Pets, Inc. will be your next best rewarding experience. It costs GPI more than the adoption donation of \$200 to get most dogs ready for adoption. Some greyhounds wind up staying in foster care for longer than others for any number of reasons and these greyhounds incur expenses for things like food, vet care, prescriptions, and more. At any given time, we have a number of greyhounds who are considered "special needs" who have higher than normal care costs - extra vet care, special foods for allergies, etc.

You can help by donating \$10, \$15, \$25 or more to sponsor one of the many greyhounds in need through GPI.

To start the sponsorship process, send an email to Bunny Richardson, our Treasurer at rabbit99@whidbey.net Let Bunny know which dog you're interested in sponsoring and tell her how you intend to pay for your sponsorship. You can mail a check or money order to PO Box 891, Woodinville, WA 98072, you can call Bunny at 360-568-3773 and give her your credit card info, or you can donate through the Network for Good button on our website - www.greyhoundpetsinc.org. Your name will then be added below the dog's info as his/her sponsor.

Jack Richardson	Sponsor Gambler	Marylynn Weller	Sponsor Lovey
Lorna Copple & Bruce Williams-Burden	Sponsor Ace & Kickoff	Karen Samdahl	Sponsor Lovey & Ted
Nancy Naslund From Anna Banana	Sponsor Annie	Mia	Sponsor Lovey (my littermate)
Rachel La Fond	Sponsor Annie	Jack & Bunny Richardson	Sponsor New Year
Kary Jo Beckner	Sponsor Brittany	Rebecca Kranz	Sponsor Papa Duke
Judy & Mike Orrick	Sponsor Chelsea & Thomas	Shannon O'Brien	Sponsor Peny
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Rachael Contorer	Sponsor Ford	Bonnie Allan	Sponsor Surly
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Martell Roberts	Sponsor Goldie	Holli Rook	Sponsor TJ & Blue Eyes
Roger & Lynn Smith	Sponsor Jazz & Ted	Roger & Lynn Smith with Brodie	Sponsor Zeus
Vickie & Dale Witchey	Sponsor Kickoff & Blue Eyes		

New Volunteers

Greyhound Pets, Inc. would like to welcome all of our new volunteers for the fourth quarter of 2008 and first quarter of 2009!! We welcome all of you to volunteer and help GPI find homes for greyhounds in whatever capacity you can!!

These folks signed up Winter and Spring quarter...your name could be here in the next issue!!

We would also like to thank all of our current and "old time" volunteers, who continually give of their time and resources. We sincerely appreciate everyone.

First Name	Last Name
Brianna	Alford
Peg	Barker
Deborah	Bauer
Lori	Blakey
Nathan	Clark
Lorna	Copple
Rick	Corey
Julie	Cornwell
Amanda	Cox
Chris	Crouch
Mary	Crouch
Kiran	Davane
Joyce	Dickison
Linda	Drown
Scott	Drown
Rosemary	Goransson
Luca	Haff

First Name	Last Name
Colleen	Hicks
Lynn	Hodges
David	Hudson
Margaret	Hudson
Polly	Johnson-Dickenson
Diana	Kindall
Wendy	Koob
Dixie	Mahaffie
Kaylee	McAvoy
Teresa	McBride
Tim	McBride
John	Mooer
Jessica	Moore
Margaret	Nisly
Xavier	Obezo
Christina	Oppedal
Judi	Orrick

First Name	Last Name
Michael	Orrick
Nathan	Ramsey
Becky	Redford
Breanna	Ruef
Marie	Shoemaker
Craig	Skogsbergh
Madison	Smith
Pamela	Starrett
Karen	Stevens
Diann	Strom
Carolina	Talavera
Brandi	Weden
Jay	Weden
Stephanie	Weiner
Bruce	Williams-Burden
Ruth	Wilson
Scott	Wilson

Remembering Megan

Our beautiful Bengal brindle greyt
With listing tail,
Leaping hellos
Plucking fluff from dainty dandelion;
Sitting between daughters
Dear two year old
Megan on May Day
With smiling face.

Home.
Windows to nose,
Stairs to meet,
"Leave it"
to Tom & Jeri
(the cat and rat);
Gentle, velvet soft
And so sweet
Learned Sit, Stay, Shake,
Down and Dance for a treat.
Our rodeo dancer,
Throwing toy up high,
Thunder lapping
8 figure 8s
Around the plum trees.

Hugging Baseball-hatted men!
(track trainer memory way back when?)
No sniffing dogs please!
Ghost whimpering sleeps,
and pet-purring days,
one-time woof
at silent deer...
Then Brother Archie,
whippet pup,
teaching old dog new tricks:
Hark! Hark!
To cats, creatures,
And to all our comings;
Frenzy at fence
at "Squirrel" command.

Whining on military clockwork
for meals made,
Bring on the broccoli,
(but hold your noses)
Pricked ears:
Popcorn!
Peanut Butter jar
Held so dear,
Sun happy,
Dab-lapping
with anteater tongue.

Let's Go!
Backseat Babe,
Windows bingo-dotted,
Leg loose and tongue happy,
See me in the rear view mirror?
Forest hikes,
Centennial trail,
Trotting two-mile walks
Add grass grazing stalls
Belly skimming
In cool lake water;
Solo Racer and
Partner round-up circles,
Ahh...Lying on living room floor.



Bang! Boom!
Fireworks fourth
Goes on for days...
Fearful fazed-Drug comfort
with music under heard,
....now peaceful-
safe to go outside.

Friends:
Happy tail swing
Greet and meet,
Where's the butter?
There're the chips!
Let me sample the dip--
Lying soundlessly
Among our circle of chatter.

Camping?
Mosquito target,
Nose drip, drips,
Wetting our faces
While in our bags,
No sleep,
No comfort
Put me back in the "Van" Hotel!

Grade school ambassador
Children's softness
In your soft;
Brave greyt
Surviving vicious
Pit Bull bites,
"Doug" Whisperer
Savior vet,
Mascot Megan,
Changing county dog laws:
Our Heroine in the Herald.

It's Snow!
Let's Go!
Coats on - tails flag;
Jubilant flight,
Like reindeer racing
In frozen white.

Mischievous Meg:
Sneak a tissue, shred,
Or "unmentionable" dread.
Lie on sofa or comfy bed,
Fluff blankets off
And scratch the sofa raw,
Or dig roots bare,
Make prints of muddy paw.
Then chew on bone
Or gifted paper tube,
And smile...
While performing
On-back ballet.

Beach:
Flying and free
My desert dog
Creating sand calligraphy
Leaping waves in poetry,
Sand panting and
Eyeing Archie,
For another and another and another,
Go-round.

Time changes all,
As it must,
Life ages,
But our love we trust,
We applaud your laps of life
Teaching us
Your oldest ancient breed;
God speed,
Dog speed---
Oh precious one,
Over Rainbow's Bridge
To the brighter side of sun.

~In loving memory,
By Michele Williams
3/16/2009

We will remember you, Megan~~~~
May 10, 1997 to March 12, 2009

Brian, Michele, Elspeth, and Chloe Williams
& Archie and Tommy

The Kennel Needs You...

Would you like to donate some goodies to the kennel this year? Here is a list of things the kennel needs to keep our newest pups safe and healthy:

Blankets & Quilts
Stamps (44 cents)
13-Gallon Trash Bags with Ties
Glucosamine (preferably from the Greyhound Gang)
White Vinegar
Chicken Broth (low sodium)
Natural Balance Duck and Potato kibble and treats

Canned pumpkin (not the pie filling)
8.5" X 11" white copy paper
Dog Biscuits
Bleach
Missing Link (or similar)
Gas powered weed whacker

If you can help with any of these items, please contact Moira Corrigan at 425-333-0515 or fast-paws@centurytel.net.

The Greyhounds thank you!

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