



The Bark

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Letter From The President

If you like the rain and the mud, most of the Pacific Northwest is the place to be recently. It has been a challenge keeping my house free of muddy paws and my washing machine seems to go constantly. But it is oh so much fun to watch my pups tear around through the puddles and see the smiles on their faces and we just hose them off when we get back to the house. Anyway, on to GPI and recent happenings and upcoming happenings...

November saw the Crafts Fair. Our semi-annual Tick Testing Clinic was held in April. A new event, our Pie Social, happened at the kennel in May – what fun!!! Thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised over \$3,000 during our Track to Couch Fundraiser. We have several walks and new booths and festivals happening this year, so come on out and join us – just visit and say hello or volunteer. Don't forget about our 2nd Annual Greyt Walkathon coming up in July. We will be holding this in two locations this year at the same time – Seattle area and Vancouver area. You can find more information on our website and in this issue of the Bark.

In September last year we took in an all-black greyhound load from Florida. The folks in Florida continue to thank us and be grateful. And, we have inspired others to do the same!!! Black Greyhounds Rooooo!!!

This issue is focused on things you can do outside with your greyhounds. My husband and I always enjoy getting out and hiking and camping with our pups, so we're hoping to get some decent weather this summer. In the warmer weather it is extremely important to watch our greys carefully, so be sure to read the article on Heat-stroke written by one of our wonderful vets Dr. Shannon Smith.

All the dogs that come through GPI are special to me and I worry about each and every one of them. There are some though that are extra special. For those of you that have been around GPI for a while, you know a handsome brindle boy by the name of Slatex Snoop, AKA Snoopy, Snoop Dog, Snoopers. He is our ball playing, overbite, tail humming boy that is so loved by many! Snoopy originally came to GPI in April 2006. Snoopy went through two "forever" homes, my home as a foster dog several times, and two and a half years in our kennel. Finally in October 2011 he truly found his forever home. I have seen Snoopy several times since he was adopted and it just warms my heart to know that he is truly loved and finally found his forever home. I just love GPI and that we can be there for each and every dog no matter how long it takes to find their forever homes.

Have a wonderful summer.

Moira Corrigan
President



Who We Are - Steven Facer - By Jeani Penn

When I picked Steven Facer as my volunteer this month, I was trying to remember where and when I first met him. I think it was one of our Greyhound Lunches at the Clearwater Casino, years ago. It took us about two seconds to find that we both love a good bottle of wine, but his knowledge of the grape is way beyond mine. We then began doing meet and greets together and have been good friends ever since. This high energy guy was one of the folks that GPI depends on. Until very recently, he did all the scheduling for the volunteers that makes the kennel run. With 200 volunteer "slots" to fill every month, he had his hands full. He's "retired" from that job now, after three years, but knowing Steven, he's found three other jobs to take its place.

But, let me tell you a little bit about the dynamo that I know. I'll get the facts down first. Steven was born in Livermore, CA where he lived until he graduated high school. He was active in Marching Band, Boy Scouts and LDS church activities. When the family vacationed in their little red Ford Comet they went to either Idaho to his father's family farm, or Phoenix, to see his Mother's family. He worked all through high school at the usual teen jobs. McDonald's, Jack In The Box and at Thrifty Drug Store scooping 5 cent ice cream. But never a pizza place. When his family went out for pizza, he would order a hot dog. Go figure!

He remembers that Disco was king when he graduated from high school! EGADS, why did we ever like Disco and who can remember back that far???? Can you say Donna Summer? That's when he was accepted at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. He claims to have loved being in school. In fact he loved it so much he didn't have time to study. Skiing, roller skating and the Disco were much more favored fields of study. I'm betting he could have made John Travolta look like an amateur! But college still proved to be an important stepping stone to his next five years in which he joined the military, got married, had a child, went to Korea, got divorced then "came out", and finally worked at a pizza place.

In 1988 Steven went to travel school and this started a career that has taken him over most of the planet Earth. At the top of the list are Tasmania, China, Ireland, Barbados, Spain, Mozambique and his favorite of all - SWITZERLAND! When I first met him he was putting a trip to Africa together for a large group. I loved the pictures of gourmet dining with fine wine under a tent in the Bush. Even when he was Volunteer Scheduler you would see emails from him, from Hawaii (where he and

Michael, his partner, have a second home), or some exotic locale around the globe, asking for help. These two don't stay put for very long, I can tell you. Last year he went to India and this year it was Honduras and Belize. Who knows where they'll be next year?

I asked him how he got involved with Greyhounds and he told me his first Greyhound adoption was through GPA in Long Beach, CA. Winston was the first, then came Oscar. Both dogs moved from California to Texas, back to California and then to Washington, where he and Michael live now. Unfortunately both Winston and Oscar are gone, but they've been replaced (I know, one can never really "replace" a Greyhound) with Cooper and Buddy. I've been trying to steal Buddy from them for forever. They round out the menagerie with Niklaus, a 150 lb. Bernese Mountain Dog, Jack a forever puppy Golden Retriever, and two cats. He jokingly says that the dust bunnies breed faster than he can vacuum them up. Well anyone that has multiple animals can sure sympathize with that!

As we got more involved with meet and greets, he also took on the task of scheduling for the kennel volunteers. I don't think he had a clue what he was in for, but thank God we had him. He's one very organized man. As if that wasn't enough, he and Michael bought five Papa Murphy Pizza stores around the same time. I think he finally has enough to do to fill in his day now! The stores are in Sequim (we LOVE our Papa Murphy's), Port Townsend, Kingston, Poulsbo and Belfair, so half his time is spent driving over the Hood Canal Bridge. It's become a "family affair" as Michael's two children (actually their grown ups now, but once a kid always a kid to the parents) are working in the stores as well. He's had to curb his traveling a bit and had to stop doing meet and greets. I don't really know why. As clever as he is, I thought he could invent another 10 hours in a day.

He and Michael do manage to get to their "get-away" in Hawaii, on the island of Maui. He loves saying they are just two "island boys". Maui and Bainbridge. I wonder if they have Papa Murphys in Hawaii????

At the end of his email to me he wrote "My clothes are always fuzzy, my car has dog drool everywhere in it, and my shoes all have pizza sauce on them. It's a wonderful life." It IS a wonderful life, Steven, and every time I get to spend time with you and Michael it gets a little better. Thank you for all you have done and continue do for the Greyhounds and GPI!!!!!! Maybe you can teach one to Disco dance!?!?!?

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Koda & Karma's Korner

By Koda:

My first year of living with my two legged family I got to join my two legged sister and brother in something called 4H. I got to go to "trainng" every wednesday and hang out and try to learn to sit and stay (ha ha, that's funny!). The best part was when I was supposed to go through tunnels and over hurdles. I LOVED to go through the tunnels! I would go through once and then again, and again, and again. Finally my Mom would come out and catch me and then I had to stop, I was kinda dizzy anyway. I think I made my sister kinda mad cause she wouldn't take me to go through the tunnels anymore. My brother tried too but I just wanted to go through the tunnels, I didn't much like going over the hurdles.

After months of practice (and fun) we went to something called a fair. At the fair we would go into these rings and have to do what we learnt with our training. My two legged sister took me into one of the rings to do my "sit & Stay"... I don't think I did very well cause the lady that was in the ring with us told her that we were "excused" from the ring. I just couldn't stay, I could sit but it was very boring to stay, I just wanted to go see what my sister was doing on the other side of the ring! My sister was kinda mad at me AGAIN. Then it was time to do the tunnels, WOO HOO, I was SOOOOO excited, I didn't even wait for my brother to tell me to go, I ran right by the hurdles and went staright for the tunnels. I went through again and again and again, this time I got tired so I just stopped by my brother. He wasn't mad cause he was laughing at me (so were a lot of people actually). I don't think I did well at this fair thing cause I didn't get any ribbons like my four legged brothers did. I sure did have fun though!!!

By Karma:

I am not to crazy about these outdoor activity things... I went on this long walk with my Mom, Dad and my four legged brothers and there were a lot of things to step over, it wasn't smooth like my walks at home. I think it was a "Hike on a trail". There were a lot of tree's to smell though, that part was good. Then we came to this thing across the trail, it was a log. Are you kidding me!!! How did they expect me to get over that??!! I was not going to jump, no way, no how, I don't do that type of unlady like thing. Nope, I stopped and wouldn't budge. Dad gave up and lifted me over the log. That's right, that is what every princess greyhound should get, service! I wouldn't want to get a scratch or get my perfect beautiful coat dirty, I mean I am called Pretty Girl Karma for a reason!

One Dog's Journey - Jeani Penn

This may be a story like so many of you have had, but it's worth telling to the folks that have this wondrous journey to travel with their hounds. I wouldn't trade a minute of my time with The Divine Miss Emma for all the money in the world.

We first met Emma on July 5, 2006 and little did we know our lives would change forever. I had seen two GPI volunteers at a local shopping center showing off their dogs. I visited with them for a bit, then ran home and got my husband. Long story short, we decided then and there that we wanted a Greyhound (or I did and he was very accommodating). It was in late June and knowing the fireworks that go on around our house, I decided to wait until after the 4th of July to adopt. I had no idea how prophetic that would be. I had contacted Marchet and told her what we were looking for - a big black male, a little older, and calm. The only trait we came home with was calm (most of the time).

For those of you who remember, GPI was at the Old Red Barn at the time. We took our Westie, Cricket, with us. Being the "head of the household" after all, and she needed to approve whomever we brought home. Marchet brought several males out, some black, some not. Then we decided that maybe we could look at females. She then brought out the sweetest, calmest, dearest seven year old dog in the world. One who couldn't have cared less about me, but took one look at my husband and wouldn't leave his side. She even wanted to play mama to this little white thing that was following her around the turnout area. This was a match made in Heaven but, wait, I was the doggie person, not him. She was supposed to come to ME. There was no separating them. Vanessa Rose, as was her racing name, had made her decision. She was in love with Phil and she was going to go home with us. On the way home, we named her The Divine Miss Emma. She was so regal and so beautiful. Okay, I thought to myself, she'll learn to love me too. I AM the one that the dogs always love.

HA! She would let me pet her, she would let me feed her, she would let me take her for walks, but would she lay next to my side of the bed, or sleep next to my end of the sofa. NNNOOOO! She decided early on in the game that she liked "holding hands" with Phil. She always slept next to his chair, and was an absolute master at cockroaching. She started it from the first day she was in our house. We finally figured out that she would cockroach just so she could stick her paw up next to Phil's hand and touch him.

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He started holding her hand as they watched TV, or he was reading. If he had to let go for even a moment, she would let him know how upsetting that was. I tried holding her paw once in awhile, but she didn't like it when I did it.

Then, as I got more involved with GPI and started doing meet and greets, Emma was the dog that everyone loved. She never met a stranger, nor anyone who wasn't worth goosing. She loved to lean on people and look up at them with those beautiful brown eyes. She is responsible for about 10 adoptions in Sequim. All of them are still greytful to Emma for opening their eyes to the love a Greyhound can give.

Emma was the perfect dog for our fosters. Every foster that came into the house would run to her for "advice". You could almost hear her telling them that they would be okay and that this was a good place to live. She took the craziest ones and calmed them down in a day or two. You could watch them, always looking to her for approval. She had been a brood mom, and she must have been a very good one because she carried that with her through her entire life. She was the one that would let the others eat first and she was the one that would always try to keep the peace.

BUT, let her hear fireworks on the 4th of July or New Year's Eve and she would go hysterical! We learned that lesson our first New Year's Eve with her. Unfortunately, I hadn't expected it and didn't have anything in the house to calm her down. I ended up running for Benadryl at 11:00 at night and it took two of them to take the edge off, but that still wasn't enough to calm her completely. She literally shook for two weeks after that. And for the next year, every little strange noise would send her into a panic.

The Divine Miss Emma was a beautiful, sweet, calm hound with a spring in her step that would make any Greyhound proud. I never heard her bark or growl and if she got badly hurt, she would stoically go on like nothing happened. She ripped a toe nail off one time, tripping as she came up the stairs, and never let out a whimper, even though my family room looked like a multiple murder scene. But let a fly land on her back and she would scream like she was being beaten. She always had a way of letting us know what she wanted and she knew how to get it.

She was the perfect little lady, but dumber than a box of rocks. It took me over a year to teach her how to use the doggie door, but once she got it, she would run in and out like it was new found toy! So funny.

As Phil's health deteriorated, Emma stuck even closer to him. There were times I couldn't get her to go outside and go potty because she did not want to leave his side. And her health was deteriorating, too. She had developed Laryngeal Paralysis. Even though it was progressing very slowly, she would suffer when she tried to run or exercise. It got to the point where even walking would cause an episode.

I look back now and find it ironic that Phil and Emma both were travelling down the same path at the same time, for different reasons, but the end result was the same. Even when Phil was in a hospital bed, she figured out a way to lay next to him. We had to shoo her out of the way in order to attend to Phil, but she wasn't going to leave him for anything or anybody. We lost Emma 10 days after Phil died. I think life wasn't worth living for her without her Phil. She could have gone on for quite a while, even with the LP, but she just didn't want to. Some of my friends have accused me of being more upset at losing Emma than losing Phil. They might be right.



Emma
Always in my heart

Heatstroke - Shannon Smith, DVM

Summer is coming! Whether human or canine, who doesn't love soaking up a few warm, golden rays? With our glorious sunshine, comes play dates at the park, car rides and a general increase in time spent outdoors. Of course, with the onset of summer, we cannot forget the inherent risks that come with the rising temperatures.

Heatstroke is a danger that can affect us all. It has the potential to be life-threatening, but is often quite preventable. Heatstroke results from an increase in body temperature, also known as hyperthermia. If not treated, hyperthermia can lead to changes in blood pressure, internal organ damage, brain swelling and even death. Thus, it is important that we are all familiar with signs of heatstroke and how to prevent it.

Our dogs can be at increased risk for heatstroke when exercising in hot/humid weather, being left outdoors in hot/humid conditions without adequate shade and water, or when left in a car on a sunny (even relatively cool) day. Other risk factors include respiratory conditions such as laryngeal paralysis, advanced age and obesity. Our brachycephalic (short-nosed) friends, such as Pugs, Boston Terriers and Shih Tzu's are also more inclined to be affected.

The first signs of hyperthermia include panting, restlessness and drooling. Your pet may also become unsteady on his feet, unable to stand, vomit or have bright red gums, due to lack of adequate oxygen levels. Internally, blood vessels dilate causing blood pressure to drop and the heart must work harder to supply tissues with oxygen. As hyperthermia progresses, organs such as the kidneys, liver and stomach/intestines are damaged. Brain swelling and blood clots in the brain may also occur, as well as seizures, coma and death.

What do you do if you suspect heatstroke? Immediately move your dog to a cooler environment. Cool him/her using fans and cool water. Do NOT use very cold water or ice water because this could actually worsen the problem. Water may be offered, but do not force any water into your pet's mouth. Take a rectal temperature if possible. A dog's normal temperature should be 101.5°F (give or take 1 degree). If your dog's body temperature is at, or above, 105°F (prior to attempting any cooling strategies) a true emergency exists. Any dog suffering from hyperthermia should be seen by a veterinarian immediately.

Luckily, there are several things we can do to prevent heatstroke. First, avoid leaving your dog in direct sunlight on warm days, especially when the humidity is high. If outside, bring them to a cooler area indoors. Do not leave them in a car on a sunny day. Never exercise your dog in the sun on a hot day. Save exercise for cooler times, such as early morning or dusk. On particularly hot days, dipping all four feet in a wading pool, placed in a shady area, can be refreshing. Having a flexible, digital rectal thermometer with your pet supplies is also helpful. Taking your dog's temperature after exercise on even a mildly warm day may be eye-opening.

As most of us already know, we never want to leave our pets in a car on a warm, sunny day. But many people don't realize how dangerous this can be, even on cooler days. A study recently published by the Stanford School of Medicine, found that the temperature inside a car on a sunny days, with highs ranging from 72-96° F, increases by 40° F in only one hour! This happens when a car is parked in the sun, regardless of what the temperature is outside. Also, 80 percent of the temperature increase occurs within the first 30 minutes. Furthermore, the study found that leaving windows cracked had an insignificant effect on the rate of heating and the final temperature in the car after one hour. Therefore, even on a mild, sunny day of 72° F, your dog is still at risk for heatstroke if left in the car for just a short time!

Now that we are prepared to prevent heatstroke emergencies, let's enjoy the sun!



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Greyhound Pets, Inc.

PO Box 891

Woodinville, WA 98072

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Greyhound Pets, Inc.,

New Tags

PO Box 891

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

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What should I do if my Greyhound gets loose?

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Camping and Hiking with your Greyhound By Moira Corrigan

Have you thought about camping and hiking with your greyhound or other dogs? Through the years we have often tent camped and hiked with our dogs and thought we would share some experiences and pointers and hope that it inspires you to venture out into the wild outdoors.

We have camped and hiked for over 20 years with our dogs (greyhound and non-greyhound). Over the years we have found that we can take our greyhounds just about any place we would take our other breeds and there are really only a few differences to take into consideration. We have taken our dogs camping and hiking in winter, middle of summer, rustic campgrounds, plush campgrounds, up mountains, and we even camped with them all the way across country. Greyhounds make great campers and hikers, though it is definitely a new experience for them.

As with other breeds, each dog has a different level of tolerance to the rigors of camping and hiking. For example we have had greyhounds on totally different ends of the spectrum. We had Brett who was very susceptible to the heat and cold and a lot more sensitive to trail surfaces than one of our other boys, Jasper. Jasper was much more like our Shepherd with greater tolerances for heat and cold, and would hike through and over most anything.

So, what have we learned about camping and hiking with greyhounds?

1. You need to have an x-pen to set up in your campsite for the greyhounds so they don't get loose. Do not use a rope on a greyhound – they can break their necks if they see something and start running.
2. Sleeping at night your greyhound is likely to get cold. Be sure to take a sweater or coat to keep him warm (blankets and quilts fall off the dog in the night).
3. The greyhounds need to sleep in the tent with you – they cannot sleep outside.
4. You need to carry a coat for your greyhound for that cold day hike or sitting around camp on a cool evening.
5. Watch for heat exhaustion. Even on a cool, cloudy day, dogs can get overheated (and much sooner than you will). Look for rapid panting and/or a bright red tongue or mucous membranes. If you see these signs, stop immediately and get your dog in the shade and cool. Use a towel (or cool coat), wetted down to help cool him down. Or let your greyhound stand in cool water if it is available (be careful it is not too cold) to slowly cool him down.

6. Make sure your greyhound is in condition if you plan on doing any long hikes.

7. Carry plenty of water with you when you hike, especially on those warm days!!!

8. Take beds for each of your dogs – both to sleep on in the tent and for sitting around camp.

9. Some greyhound's feet are a little more sensitive and at first their paws aren't used to walking on the harder, rougher surfaces. You may need to toughen up their pads with plenty of walks on hard surfaces before they are ready for the rougher trails, and some greyhounds don't like rough, rocky trails at all so you may need to reconsider the type of trails on which you hike.

10. If you typically use a raised feeder for your greyhounds, use the picnic bench, your cooler, the top of your food box, or a log instead.

11. Don't leave your dogs in the car on a warm/hot day. Cars heat up fast and can be well over 110 degrees in a matter of minutes on a warm day (even if it is overcast).

One of our most memorable trips is perhaps our trip across country – eight days worth of camping with our dogs in a different place and climate every night. We gained a wealth of knowledge just in that one trip and have continued to build on that knowledge in the years since.

In that trip, finding a campground was always our first concern. Be aware, you cannot take dogs into many National Parks and National Monuments, but most National Forests allow you to take dogs. State Parks vary from state to state as to whether they allow dogs. Most commercial campgrounds allow dogs, just ask. A couple of great web sites to check out are:

- National Forest Campground Information: www.gorp.com/dow/intro/introduc.htm
- Washington State Park Campground Information: www.parks.wa.gov

Be sure to call ahead. You don't want to drive several hours and then find you can't take your dogs with you.

Once we find a campground we always drive all the way through the campground first and check out all the sites available and the pluses and minuses of each. We always try to find a campsite in the trees (out of the sun) and as far away from other people as possible or camp sites with other dogs, so the dogs won't accidentally startle (or be startled by) the neighbors, etc. Also, avoid the campsites right next to the toilets/showers – way too much traffic!!!!

Camping and Hiking with your Greyhound By Moira Corrigan - *con't*

Be sure to pick up after your dogs whether in your campsite or in the campground.

Feeding the dogs follows a lot of the same rules as for humans. Always take extra food, just in case. And, never leave food out in the campsite. We feed the dogs and then pick up their dishes and any food that may be left over (there never is with our dogs). Food left out will attract wild animals – not something you want in the middle of the night. By the way, don't keep food (dog or human) in your tent. Make sure it is either securely in your vehicle or if you are in bear country, 10 feet up and 4 feet out from any tree trunks.

Don't forget the dog treats!

Water, water, water. You can never have enough water. Always make sure your dogs have water available in the campsite and take plenty when you are hiking. If it is not water you brought from home, be sure to it is safe (boil it if necessary or there are some tablets you can add to water to purify it). Many natural water sources contain parasites, harmful bacteria or chemicals and believe me you don't want your dog sick when you are miles from the nearest vet. Immodium is a great thing to have along.

One thing we learned very early on was to make sure the zipper on the tent is securely closed and that the dogs' leashes, a flashlight/headlamp and our shoes are in the tent with us in case we have to make any "midnight runs". There is nothing worse than not having any of these when one of your dogs start pacing in the middle of the night!!!

Don't ever leave your dogs in the tent (if you are tent camping) if you are not there. Dogs can claw or bite their way through the tent material very easily and you do not want to be looking for your dog in a National Forest or whatever unfamiliar territory you are in.

We are always overly cautious about the dogs (ok, ok – it's me more than Mike) and we never leave our dogs alone in the campsite. We take turns heading to the shower or the toilet and take them with us when we go anywhere. While most people are really nice and friendly, the dogs do attract a lot of attention (especially the greyhounds) and some people will even walk right into the campsite to say hello to the greyhounds.

Aside from the GPI tag (if your greyhound is a GPI dog) and your own tag on your dog(s), you may want to consider putting another tag on your dog(s) with the campground name, campsite #, your last name and the dates you will be at that location. Some people use those cardboard tags with the metal rings around them.

Don't forget if you are crossing the Canadian/US border, you will need a copy of your dog's rabies certificate to get across the border. You also cannot take open bags of kibble with you – you will have to buy it on the other side. Some border crossings will allow unopened bags of kibble, so check before you leave.

Then there are the inevitable critters, plants and climate to consider. For example, if you are going into areas that may have ticks, poisonous snakes, poison ivy/oak, etc., be prepared with the necessary additions to your first aid kit. And yes, we always carry a first-aid kit whether we are camping or hiking. Make sure it contains items for your dog as well as yourself. There are a lot of web sites or references sources for information on what to put in your kit. Here are two of them:

http://greytdogs.org/Greyhound_First_Aid_Kit_Link.pdf
www.dummies.com/how-to/content/items-for-your-greyhounds-firstaid-kit.html

On most of our camping trips we also go hiking and check out the mountains, the wildflowers, go berry picking, paddle in a stream, and try and find the most beautiful views with a little solitude for us and the dogs.

The distance you will be able to hike with your greyhound will depend a lot upon the weather that day, condition of your dog, and the condition and steepness of the trail. We have had to work our greyhounds up to the longer hikes – after all, they are sprinters and not marathon runners.



Camping and Hiking with your Greyhound By Moira Corrigan *con't*

When you are hiking, make sure you take PLENTY of water, a bowl and some food/treats for both you and your dogs. We always carry a towel in our daypack. It is great for wiping things off, extra warmth, make shift pillow for your greyhound to lie on, wiping off wet feet (not paws) if you decide to go paddling in a stream, and also of great use in case your greyhound is showing signs of heat exhaustion – wet down the towel and place it over him. We usually carry our greyhound's coats with us – you never know when the weather can turn.

And, it goes without saying, but keep your dog on leash at all times!!! Also, be sure to take breaks and give you and your dogs water at each break.

Back at the ranch (the campsite), we always do a tick check (this will depend on what part of the country you are in) on the dogs and ourselves and also check the dogs over (including their paws) for any injuries.

Over the years we have seen some truly beautiful places in this country, met some wonderful people and spent some great times with our dogs. They are great companions when we travel and we always enjoy having them along and exploring new areas.

We hope to see you out on the camping circuit and on the trail.

Moira and Mike Corrigan



Got Bark Ideas?

Do you have something you would like to see in the Bark? Something you would like more info on, health, food, etc? Please email Michelle at adopt-a-grey@shaw.ca

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 \$250 to get most dogs ready for adoption. Some greyhounds wind up staying in foster or kennel care for longer than others for any number of reasons. 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 Robin James, our Treasurer, at robin@artistreegallery.com. Let Robin know which dog you're interested in sponsoring and organize payment.

You can mail a check or money order to PO Box 891, Woodinville, WA 98072, you can call Robin at 425-481-3501 and give her your credit card info, or you can donate online through the Network For Good button on our website - www.greyhoundpetsinc.org. Your name will then be added below the dogs info as his/her sponsor.

Greyhound Pets, Inc. is a volunteer organization which depends on your gifts. Listed below are some of the items your donation can purchase for the adoptable dogs of GPI.

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~ Vaccines for one new dog	\$25	~ Complete Vetting for a new dog	\$425
~ One folding table for the kennel	\$50		

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2nd Annual Greyt Walkathon!

Date: Sunday July 15th

Time: 10am - 1pm

Where: Two Locations!

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4th Quarter 2011 & 1st Quarter 2012

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname	Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
4582	Slatex Snoop	Snoopy	5279	My Origami	Origami
4912	Pandering	Moose	5280	Sullivan Lake	Sullivan
5027	Victory Lap	Duke	5281	Ucme Mono E Mono	Mono
5077	Quik Linkz	Linkz	5282	Carl Sagan	Alex
5155	Girl So Fly	Sophie	5283	Boc's Rocketeer	Rocket
5176	Smokin Terry	Smokey	5285	Alittlebitmucho	Little Bit
5186	Unknown	Justice	5286	Win Asu	Win
5203	On My Mind	Stanley	5287	Concho Yam	Yam
5205	Foolz Gold	Gold	5288	Savvy Jody	Jody
5216	Star Rhea	Rhea	5289	Flying Ardsley	Sley
5225	Unknown	Danny Boy	5292	Aqueduct	Becky
5239	Medicine Hat	Mutt	5296	Pete Moss	Oak
5242	Toast N Jam	Ace	5298	Barbaric Champ	Jammer
5246	Bella Fine Art	Sunny	5299	Conch in Paris	Paris
5250	Astar Blackpearl	Pearl	5300	Randy's Harley	Cooper
5251	JJ's Sonny Ross	Tiffany	5301	Atascocita Felix	Felix
5252	Masked Bombshell	Blondie	5303	Atascocita Nell	Nell
5253	Red Hot Victory	Vicky	5304	Atascocita Burn	Heat
5254	Oneco Carolina	Carolyn	5305	Atascocita Mudela	Mudela
5255	CG's Twilight	Twilight	5307	SOS Anothergear	Finley
5257	Kiowa Ww Bears	Bears	5308	Cajun Justice	Jussy
5259	Atascocita Kurt	Kurt	5309	Isabell Uhl	Isabell
5263	Ivan Drago	Ivan	5310	Distant Drama	Victoria
5264	Roc a By Phantom	Phantom	5311	KNT Queen Mary	Mary
5265	Starz Kwik	Kwik	5316	M's Motown Rock	Rock
5266	Starz Fame	Fame	5317	AHK Poppas Tiger	Tiger
5267	Starz Earthquake	Quake	5319	Pat C Undecided	Desi
5268	Atascocita Ralph	Ralph	5321	Kiowa WW Clark	Clark
5269	Atascocita Orson	Orson	5322	Iruska High Noon	Noon
5270	Atascocita Stuart	Stuart	5324	Starz Batista	Bat
5272	WTD Black Ice	Ice	5328	Shake That Thing	Shakira
5273	Starz Rowanne	Rowanne	5331	Atascocita Pinz	Pinz
5275	Atascocita Sleet	Sleet	5333	San Tan Nightcap	Nightcap
5276	Atascocita Wine	Wine	5336	Gob or Go Home	Goby



Rainbow Bridge Memorial ~ We will miss them

Notices received through April 30, 2012

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname	Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
2941	BW's Brite Eyes	Brite	4322	Jimmy Cat	Jimmy
3006	DJ Deb N Doodle	Chloe	4338	Buginwith Speed	Amy
3035	It's a Freebee	Freebee	4357	Cresco Jacee	Aaron
3067	Covering the Spread	Skye	4378	Damon Tyrell	Ty
3094	Prima Smokin Flax	Flax	4382	Dodge The Past	Woody
3117	Tristar Grayson	Grayson	4423	Cacularing	Cal
3253	Chelsea Walker	Chelsea	4454		Bambi
3262	Askaris	Tracker	4457	Okie Jana	June Cleaver
3315	Jim Earl Walker	Scout	4458	Kelly Acer	Kelly
3470	Kid's Fawn	Lucia	4496	Earful	Abby
3537	Easy Go Rhythm	Easy	4516	Kate's Impact	Kate
3652	Easy Dyese	Baby	4583	Spark of Gold	Raymond
3682	Annie When	Annie	4593	Silent Lambert	Quincy
3763	Hylife Bill	Bill	4604	Prima Superior	Prima
3824	Billy Morris	Charlee	4659	PA's Snowflake	Jasmine
3830	San Ton Move	Ripley	4687	X's Bee Quick	Bea
3840	Fabled Cherokee	Cherokee	4706	KL's Tilly	Tilly
3846	Deep Impact	Bailey	4809	Queen Elvira	Elvira
3860	KK's Taffy	Taffy	4851	KMA Bogeyman	Bogey
3871	LH Rewind Tango	Tango	4856	UMK Kermit	Kermit
3890	Robelot Walker	Robie	4875	DLT Brutus	Benny
3967	TV Evening Star	Star	4887	Dutch Katie	Katie
4026	LPK Mr Cableman	Cody	4916	DR Tornado	Torrie
4085	Kid's Jaguar	Jag	5038	CL Doctor Smith	Doc
4086	Figs Calypso	Calypso	5069	UCME Wontwofree	Free
4105	FM Capone	Argus	5086	Sol Scooby	Moose
4221	BW's Misfit	Misa	5095	RJ's Miss Kitty	Katie
4303	Notorious Easy	Mikey	5293	Jet Missile	Joey



Share Your Memories

Share your memories of your beloved pup -- Submit a memorial write-up and a few pictures to our web editor and she will put up a Rainbow Bridge tribute to your pup on our website. You can reach Cathy Munro, our web editor, at adopt.greyhounds@gmail.com

The Kennel Needs You

Would you like to donate some goodies to the kennel? Here is a list of things the kennel needs to keep our newest pups warm & healthy:

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| Kirkland Lamb and Rice Kibble | Paper Towels |
| Natural Balance Potato and Duck Kibble | Non-stuffed Blankets |
| Kirkland Dog Biscuits | Blankets and quilts |
| Canned Pumpkin (not the pie filling) | Stamps (Forever) |
| Bleach | Glucosamine (preferably Greyhound Gang) |
| 13-Gallon trash bags with ties | Fish Oil Capsules |

If you can help with any of these items, please contact Moira Corrigan at 206-718-0475 or fastpaws@centurytel.net

The Greyhounds Thank You!

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