

The official newsletter of Greyhound Pets, Inc.

## Aletter from the Editor



Summer is here!! It sure has been HOT this summer!! More than one day in Western Washington over 100 degrees, and we're all melting. My pups have been enjoying the yard in the evenings, after it has cooled off some, and Rocky has started a hole to China to lay in. Both of my dogs have enjoyed seeing the neighbors come over to pet them while doing yard work, and chasing the lawn tractor while I mow. We've also had to take care to make sure gates and fences are closed and secure. We allow our neighbors to use our compost pile, and most are very careful with our gates. Once in a while, we'll have a heart attack when a gate is propped open and forgotten. I've become more alert to checking gates and the fence to make sure all potential escape points are secure before I let the dogs in the yard.

We've had fun with a couple of road trips, one to Oregon to visit a friend and see a Greyhound farm (with two litters of 9-week old puppies!!). We went to the GPI picnic in Bothell and had a GREAT time!! We met people whose

names we've only read online, and pups that we've heard stories about. Zinny was a HOOT!! What a sweet little girl she is, and full of mischief. Someone is going to adopt a pistol with that one!! Rosy enjoyed the boat-pool that Mr. Jack filled up for her.

:) And Rocky relaxed in holes in the dirt (anyone see a pattern with this boy?).

This issue is packed full of good things. Dr Suzanne Stack has graciously allowed us to reprint her article on Lumbrosacral Stenosis, something close to my heart. Walter was in the beginning stages of LS when he was diagnosed with osteo. Also, if you use a Kong, or have thought about using a Kong, we have some recipes to fill the toy with to keep your pups occupied. Lots of them are frozen treats, which would be great in this summer heat!

Updates on the new kennel and the groundbreaking ceremony are also enclosed!! This is a big part of GPI's future and we want to be sure to keep everyone apprised of what's happening with this venture!!

Your editor, Janice



## Your Greyhound's Health: Jumbosacral Stenosis (Cauda Equina) Suzanne Stack, DVM

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As our greyhounds age, quite a few of them, especially the males, become weak, wobbly, and/or painful in the rear end. Many of these are affected by lumbosacral stenosis (LS), a narrowing of the last part of the spinal canal, which causes compression of the nerve roots.

Signs are rear end pain, lameness, weakness, "shuffling," knuckling over, foot dragging, and muscle wasting. Both urinary and fecal incontinence are possible and carry a worse prognosis. Greyhounds may even lose their appetite from the pain and "waste away."

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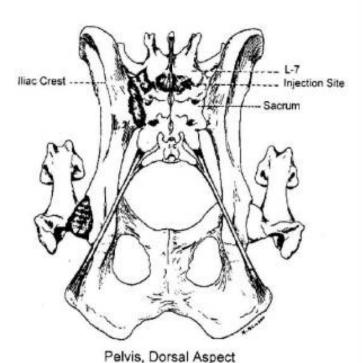
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The difficulty in diagnosing LS is twofold. Many veterinarians simply do not recognize the signs. LS looks neurologic, and technically, it is. But a rare and obscure neurological disease, it is not. Beware a diagnosis of "hip dysplasia" in a greyhound - greyhound hips are by and large excellent. The second problem is that unless your greyhound is "lucky" enough to have visible arthritis on lumbosacral x-rays, the only techniques to confirm LS are pretty high tech - CT, MRI, discography, etc.

Not only can LS be difficult to "nail down," the other problem is that oral medications such as Rimadyl, Etogesic, glucosamine, aspirin, prednisone, etc. do little for LS since it is not arthritis, but rather, "doggy sciatica" i.e., pinching of the nerve roots.. It presents a sad problem. The "cure" is referral spinal surgery to free up the trapped nerve roots, not something many owners will consider in a geriatric greyhound. Many if not most greyhounds simply get worse and worse until euthanasia becomes necessary.

The good news is that there is a simple palpation technique to detect LS and a way to inject Depo-Medrol intralesionally to help it, similar to what is done in humans. It was taught to me by Dr. Mike Herron, a professor of small animal orthopedic surgery at Texas A & M for 32 years, owner of racing greyhounds, and all around "greyhound guru." You may want to clip this out for your vet to see should one of your greyhounds begin showing signs of LS.

This is an easy procedure that you do with the dog standing up, basically an intramuscular injection into the lumbosacral area. There is absolutely no danger of hitting the spinal cord or any important structures. The worst thing that can happen is that it doesn't help the dog.



First, look at the diagram at left to see where the L-S joint lies in relation to the iliac crests so that you hit the right spot both with your thumbs for palpating and with the needle for injecting.

Put all your fingers on the ventral ridge of the greyhound's iliac crest. Put each thumb just medial to each iliac crest about halfway down its ridge. Your thumbs should be between the iliac crest and the vertebrae. Be sure to look at the diagram so you can see where the L-S joint lies in relation to the iliac crests. Try to "crack" (move) the L-S joint. If it hurts (or he falls to the ground!), chances are he has LS.

Draw up 20 mg of Depo-Medrol and using a 1" needle, inject half of this into each side. Go about halfway down the ridge of the iliac crest, go in (medially), and inject just off the midline (this is where you put your thumbs to try to "crack" the L-S joint).

If the greyhound does not show improvement within 48 hours, the problem is something else. Repeat as needed as Depo-Medrol's effect wears off - usually every 3-6 months.

A footnote worth mentioning for LS is Ultram, a human "combination" drug with both a narcotic-like and an antianxiety component. Used sometimes for bone cancer in dogs - another very painful condition - I have tried it with good results on two LS dogs when Depo-Medrol injections were not enough. A greyhound dose is 50 mg Ultram as needed for pain, given up to twice daily.

# 'It's 'Kong time!!

Kongs!! Have you heard of them? Do you use one? These hard rubber "balls" are a great tool for dogs who need something to occupy their time. Made in various sizes for different breeds, the Kong toy can be stuffed with goodies and frozen. You then give the frozen ball with goodies to your pup to gnaw on until they get all the goodness



out of the middle, kind of like finding the Tootsie Roll center of the Tootsie pop (but you can't break the outside!).

Many people fill their Kongs with kibble, then pour yogurt in it, wrap it in saran and toss in the freezer. That's fine, but if you want to give your pups some variety, here are some interesting recipes to change up the goodies they receive. Many of these are human foods; if you prefer your dog not have "people" food, stick to the basics of kibble or broken up dog biscuits and plain yogurt, canned pumpkin or applesauce as a liquid. Always take caloric intake into account...these calories will be over and above their regular meals. Be sure to watch salt and fat content as well. For those who want to expand their horizons, here are some ideas.

Things you can stuff in a Kong:

**Apples** Applesauce Baby Food (bananas, carrots) Beef (cooked) Beef Jerky Bouillon Bananas Bran Cereal **Bread** Broccoli (raw) Carrots Cashews Cauliflower (raw) Celery Cheerios Cheese (American) Cheese Whiz Chicken Broth Cream Cheese Croutons (plain) Eggs (cooked) Honey Liver (Freeze dried) **Nut Butter** Oatmeal Orange Slices Pasta Noodles (cooked) Potatoes (instant mashed, no skins) Peaches Peanut Butter Pumpkin (canned) Rice Rice Cakes Steak (scraps) Tomatoes (no greens or stems) Tortellini Tuna

Remember, changes in your dog's diet can lead to diarrhea, so don't go too wild!!



Velveeta

#### And the recipes:

Wheat Germ

Microwave peanut butter or cheese first to make it runny and easy to pour Put in a food item to cover the small hole. Pour in some PB or cheese. Layer with another food item and fill. Continue until the Kong is full. Then freeze. The microwaved peanut butter & cheese fills all crevices inside the Kong acting as a glue around the other ingredients and makes it more challenging for your Greyhound.

Yogurt (plain, lowfat, unsweetened, unflavored)

Konglet: Combine a scrambled egg, some beef, yogurt, cheese and mashed potatoes all together and fill the Kong.

Dessert: Squeeze a small piece of apple into the tiny hole. Fill the Kong with a small amount of plain yogurt. Add a few slices of mashed banana, more apple, yogurt, banana. End with a slice of banana and chunk of peanut butter on the top. Yummy!

Tuna Salad: Mix together: 1 6oz can of light tuna, 2 T. plain yogurt, and 1/4 C. grated carrot. Spoon into KONG toy. This is a healthy treat and high in Omega-3 fatty acids for a shiny coat!

Halloween treats: Combine some plain yogurt, canned pumpkin, and cooked rice in a small baggie. Mix well inside the bag, then snip off a corner of the bag and squeeze it into the Kong toy. Freeze.

Send us pics of your Greyhounds and their Kongs at TheBarkGPI@hotmail.com. We'll post some in the next issue of The Bark!!

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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.

One food bowl for the new kennel	\$2
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Please cut out this form, circle the amount you'd like to donate, and mail it to:
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Thanks so much for your gift to the GPI dogs!!
They thank you very much!!

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### Stuff you need to know!!



#### Contact Greyhound Pets, Inc.

Please address snail mail correspondence to: Greyhound Pets, Inc. PO Box 891 Woodinville, WA 98072



#### Have you moved?

If you have, please contact your Regional Vice President (see Page 4 for a complete list).

Thanks for helping keep GPI's database current!!



#### Have a great story idea for The Bark?

Contact the editors...email your stories and story ideas to: TheBarkGPI@hotmail.com



### 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.



#### Has your Greyhound passed on recently?

If you have recently had your Greyhound pass to the Rainbow Bridge, please contact Moira at

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

Or email her at fastpaws@centurytel.net



#### Is Your Greyhound Wearing a Current GPI Tag?

Please take a moment to look at the tags on your greyhound's collar. Is there a GPI tag with the new toll-free number on it (877-468-7681)? 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!

# Freyhound Pets, Inc. Needs

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!).

Of course, our greatest need is for foster homes...of all kinds. Do you have a cat or a small dog? Many of the dogs we get in are OK with your small pets. Please don't use this as a reason not to foster. Even for short term, it's nice to get dogs out of the kennel and into a loving home.

We love to have helpers at Meet & Greets! You can do this even if you don't have a dog, or if your dog doesn't enjoy the hubbub of a pet store. Bring a kennel dog! Come along just to talk up these wonderful animals, and meet new friends! There can never be TOO many hands at a booth!! This is only a 3 hour commitment!!

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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## New Volunteers

Greyhound Pets, Inc. would like to welcome all of our new volunteers for the first quarter of 2007!! We welcome all of you to volunteer and help GPI find homes for greyhounds in whatever capacity you can!!

These folks signed up this 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.



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## Alberta Air Formerly Montana Musings, by Jennie Sheriff

### Moses Marches On

Over the years I have read and personally written so many accounts of a beloved Greyhound family member making his or her way to the Rainbow Bridge. The circumstances vary, the ages have spanned the years, but one thing remains constant in each and every story: that deeply felt love-connection between the human and the Greyhound. (Who has ultimately 'saved' whom when it's all said and done??)



Some have seen or heard their beloved Greyhound after that transition to the Rainbow Bridge, though the natural senses dictate this is probably wishful thinking - or grief - or any number of other things that can somehow be explained away. Outside the safety of their GPI family many don't want to discuss such 'flights of fancy' lest they be thought insane...well, since I KNOW I'm insane (some things about oneself must simply be accepted and embraced!) I want to talk about it. With that said, here's the story of my Moses, particularly his last months in physical form.

My first Grey Harry was killed by a car on the highway the day our fence was being completed. Son Andrew was home on leave from the Marines and decided to put Harry in the car for a short jaunt (no leash involved), not realizing that Harry without a leash was an accident waiting to happen. Saving that tragedy for another story...I went to Couer d'Alene to find another Greyhound to adopt me. Devastated and grieving for Harry I KNEW I wanted someone who would NOT remind me of him on any level (except for the obvious fact my new pack member would have to be a Greyhound!) I annnounced to the lady at the kennel that I was looking for a TINY F-E-M-A-L-E. In the end I was adopted by an alpha male, the largest in the entire kennel...well, of course! His papers said 'ICO Navigator' and they called him Gator...he became Moses on the spot. He was one year old - a toddler!! A HUGE 'toddler'! Moses was bossy, a little bit arrogant - and I loved him at first sight! He adopted me.

Over the years Moses became my 'heart dog' and I'd have surely married him had he been a man. During the winter months we slept back to back, and his body stretched from the back of my head to behind my knees. 'Perfect' since I lived in a tiny cabin in northwest Montana where it gets very cold! O, we had many other pack members over the years and they have each and every one had their special spot within the family. They were 'the kids' - but, Moses was 'the boss'. Everyone else knew this and all were happy to allow him that burden.

August, 2002 Moses was diagnosed with prostate cancer. He was 9.5 years old. I wasn't ready for a sudden departure, so discussed options with our vet. Our vet assured me that treatment for a dog of Moses size would be extremely painful and bear little fruit. The best we could hope for is that the cancer would stay within the prostate and grow very slowly (which is often the case). Moses seemed to feel fine for almost four months, though he wasn't. I told Moses that I would do whatever was necessary when the time came, but he had to tell me (I had always heard that your friend WILL indeed 'tell' you, so I was hopeful I'd 'get it'). By December Moses was put on pain meds, but a low dose. His weight stayed up because nothing got in the way of Moses and good food!

January, 2003 I woke up early with Moses' left paw on my shoulder (he was, of course, sleeping behind me - and had turned over in order to get my attention). I turned and looked into his eyes and I knew that it was time and he was ready to go. I always have felt that Moses stayed around that 5 months in order to prepare ME for that day - and for that I am still grateful. He was, after all, my very dearest friend in all the world. I got up and contacted our vet who was 75 miles away, then I called my daughter because I knew she'd want to say goodbye. As I stood in the dark of the bedroom I saw who I assumed was either Moses or Cash jump up on the bed while I talked with my daughter. Hanging up the telephone I turned towards the bed and said, "Ok baby, let's go." Laying on my bed clear as sunlight was Harry. That's right, Harry who went to the Bridge in October 1994. It was at that moment that I knew beyond a doubt that Moses was indeed ready and Harry would be there to greet him. My big guy was going to a happy place where someone else I loved would be waiting to hang out with him!

The final details of Moses' passing are not relevant here, but my memory of him is still both poignant and possessing of the ability to bring either tears or laughter - sometimes both at the same time. I have sensed all of my Greys around me over the years from time to time, with Moses being the most consistent visitor. No, I don't see nor hear nor sense him every day and there is no pattern involved. He comes and he goes, but he is definitely still around.

When I read those close encounters of others it brings a tear, a chuckle - and always memories of Moses...and Cash, Peabody, Harry, Ben, Annie and Velvet. One day we will all be with our good friends once more on a level we better understand. In the meantime, the experiences so many of us have had post-parting are treasures to behold. Please keep sharing your own treasures.

## Sponsorship — 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, yet care, prescriptions, and more. Then 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. When your sponsored dog is adopted, you will be notified and assigned a new dog that is, if you wish to continue with this great program. You are free to quit the program at any time although we hope you will continue to help us help the dogs as long as possible.

Sponsorship can be rewarding for those who can't adopt a large dog such as school classrooms, retirement home residents, residents in apartment buildings with pet size restrictions and others with a big heart who want to be a part of our wonderful rescue and adoption program.

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 the address below or you can call Bunny at 360-568-3773 and give her your credit card info. If you haven't already picked out a dog to sponsor, you will be contacted via email or phone by a volunteer who will help you pick out your sponsored dog or discuss a dog you may have in mind to help. Your name will then be added below the dog's info as his/her sponsor.

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# Adopted!!

These Greyhounds have been adopted April through June 2007!! Congratulations to their forever families!

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname	Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
2828	Fly By Boss Man	Boss	4706	KL's Tilly	Tilly
3852	Luck Runa Muck	Jake	4707	Rooftop Joy	Joy
4071	RSW Bo Honesty	Honesty	4708	Glengar Lady	Lady
4274	Pico's Karon G	Tessa	4709	Larks Fox	Foxy
4367	Maldonados Mary	Mary	4710	Larks Jo	Jo Jo
4474	Pin Oak Tarzan	Tarzan	4711	BB's Skiparope	Skippy
4516	Kate's Impact	Kate	4712	WWW Shark Tale	Daisy
4582	Slatex Snoop	Snoopy	4713	E's Boss	Spencer
4595	Iruska Superman	Manny	4714	PS Crystal Skil	Dylan
4619	Bella Red Duke	Denzi	4715	Royal Chew	Chewie
4642	Wagtail Shania	Shania	4716	Dandy Don	Don
4647	No registered name	Dalton	4717	TT Flying Joemig	Cannon
4648	Gilly Gun	Gil	4718	Delray Marc	Gobi
4655	Iruska Willie	Marino	4720	Homer	Mr. Biggs
4662	Cliffs Mystical	Missy	4722	No registered name	Danielle
4665	Snakeroot	Charmer	4723	No registered name	Patches
4683	Figs Upper Case	Tigger	4724	No registered name	Darlin
4685	GM's Katie	Katie	4726	Kanes Eve	Eve
4688	Xportress	Tess	4727	Gls Nolimits	Limits
4690	KMA Mama Mia	Mia	4728	Mi Dixie Chick	Darla
4692	Hallo Load N Bet	Halo	4729	Gls Redalert	Rio
4694	Battle Hymn	Harry	4731	Gls Buckle	Darcy
4695	G's Benson	Benson	4732	Kane's Nicholas	Nicholas
4699	Fliowa Sir	Sir	4733	Sol Watch	Watch
4700	NNR Holy Roman	Roman	4734	Sol Gabe	Gabe
4703	Pat C Let Fly	Fly (Abby Rose)	4736	Sol Tazmania	Taz
4705	Fortlisas Lark	Lark			

## WINKY



## Still Available



#### Atlas



## Rainbow Bridge Memorials...we will miss them.

tag number	registered name	nickname	tag number	registered name	nickname
•	•		•	•	
1324	Rose of Lillian	Jule	3267	JR's Vice Versa	Vice
1942	no registered name	Connie	3379	Elite Edy	Edy
2103	Beauty Dasher	Dasher	3420	Baibu Rusu	Rusu
2474	TCB Grizzly	Grizzy	3448	Kyles Flash	Flash
2525	Axel's Baby	Noel	3526	Milton Sledge	Casanova
2937	Java Jitters	Autumn	3546	Ole Take Me Out	Pharaoh
3054	Rapido It Ado	Do	3742	Beat the Devil	Willy
3060	Nel's Lantz	Lantz	3903	EF's Summersun	Milo
3146	Battle Drive	Battle	4067	TJ's Rio	Rio
3151	EF's Intimidator	Nick	4084	MWS Rocky Top	Buddy
3175	Havesome Reason	Reason	4387	no registered name	Beau
3179	Alto Ball Bones	Bones	4670	no registered name	Colleen
3228	Simona	Simona			



"Harry" - aka - "Beat the Devil" - Tag # 3742

April 27, 1998 to June 12, 2007

We lost our beautiful Harry-Dog on the morning of Tuesday, June 12th. He was only 9 years old, and had been with us for just 5 years. He passed in my arms about 10:15. It was one of the most devastating things I have ever been through.

Monday night he played with his squeaky, throwing him in the air and bouncing around like a puppy. Tuesday morning he jumped around and chattered his teeth when it was time for "all of us" to go to work. By 10:15 he was gone, apparently taken by an aneurism. Somehow, I thought, we would have many more years together.

Harry, I will miss your "one" bark when you wanted to come in the house, or when "you" thought it was time to eat. Harry, I will miss you jumping up when I asked you "do you want one?", or "do you need to go potty?", or "do you want to go outside?" There was no end to the conversations we had. Harry, I will miss you begging for treats, and the glow in your eyes. Harry, I will miss all the errands we ran together, and your regal bearing. Harry, I will miss your gentle beauty, and your soulful heart. Your loving devotion and graciousness can never be replaced. Harry, you were considered a "rescued dog", but Harry, when I was so desperately ill, "you" rescued me.

You will live forever in my heart Harry. . . . . Godspeed my friend., We'll always love you.

Your mom & dad, Wendy & Dave Kruger

# Greyhound Pets, Inc. 2007 Events Calendar

Date Time Event Location Contact

September 22nd 10AM - 4PM Tri-Cities Picnic Bruce and Tami Surplus Leigh Duvall 7520 W. Van Giesen Richland, WA

October 6th & 7th 10AM - 6PM Salmon Days Festival Issaquah, WA See below...

# Country Village Booth dates 2007 Country Village dates:

11AM-3PM on the stage in the courtyard at Country Village Sept 8 Oct 13

Country Village is in Bothell, WA, just west of I-405. It is an outdoor venue, so please dress yourself and your pups for the weather! All dates include the Warehouse—bring your checkbook!!

Please check our website at http://www.greyhoundpetsinc.org/events.html for more information, and email links to contacts.



Have you experienced a GPI meet & greet? If you want to see a meet & greet on steroids, come and volunteer some time with us at the Issaquah Salmon Days Festival, Saturday and Sunday October 6th & 7th. Experience thousands of interested people asking questions about Greyhounds. See children and adults alike stuff dollar bills into doggie donation vests. Eat great food (the strawberries on a



stick with chocolate and nuts was my favorite last year). Share great company with other GPI volunteers and their dogs.



It is an amazing festival (two main drags, about 8 blocks, shut down to traffic) and everyone should experience it once in their lives (sorry, I'm a little biased). I think we're due for a cool year (it alternates strangely enough), so bring a sweater (and sunscreen just in case). We'll supply the canopy, dog beds, water, brochures and a couple of chairs for when the heat gets to you. You bring your pups and be willing to talk dogs for hours on end.

Haven't scared you off yet? Contact Bev Mitchell at 425-891-1239 (email themitchells1004@yahoo.com) or Janice Mosher at 425-445-6489 (email TheBarkGPI@hotmail.com) if you are interested in participating. Shifts are about four hours, but we're flexible. It is truly a greyt experience.

See you there!!

# The Turnout Pen Fun and games

## GPI Available dogs

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#### Girls Boys

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## Kennel Korner

#### Updates on the new kennel!!



Is Moira driving that thing?

Work on our new kennel has finally begun! It was kicked off with our Groundbreaking Ceremony on June 24th. (see details and pictures below!)

Construction finally began on Monday, July 30th. To date the prep work has begun in the existing building for putting up the walls and cutting holes in the concrete for some of the plumbing, and some of the framing for the windows has begun. The work to put in the water line and fire hydrant has begun with a lot of ground clearing and hole digging.

See our web page for more timely updates on the kennel as it pro-

## Kennel Groundbreaking Party

A great time (or should I say GREYT?) was had by all who attended the Groundbreaking Party for the new kennel June 24th, 2007. Don St. Clair and his band of merry-makers treated us to burgers cooked on the deck of the little yellow house, and the Greyhounds had a grand old time proving to each other who was the fastest in days gone by. It is quite a feeling to be sitting in a chair and realize 30 Greyhounds are running at you as fast as they can!!

After cake, there was a little ceremony of sorts, lots of pictures taken and dispersal of the party attendees. The rain never made an appearance (after a torrential downpour for me on the way there!), and it was a wonderful afternoon. Rosy and Rocky give their stamp of approval on the new digs.

Here are some pictures!!

The GPI Board



The Kennel Committee



Everybody say Biscuit!







# GPI Summer Picnic, July 28th,

At Bothell's Academy of Canine Behavior

Summer. Ahhh....the word conjures up so many images in the mind. Sunshine. Sleeping in. Hanging with friends. Playing with the dogs all day. Picnics!!

The GPI Summer picnic on July 28th rolled all those into one big ball and tossed it at the Academy of Canine Behavior. A freestyle event, there was nothing planned except to come, eat the lunch you brought and watch the Greyhounds play. Or beg for food. Or sleep. Wait, we can do this at home!! Ah, but with 30-40 of your dogs bestest friends? I think not.

The day was hot and sunny, and many of us had to keep moving our chairs to keep from getting overheated. There was plenty of grass for the pups to run on, explore, and roll in (see Grace in the picture above) and enough dirt to dig a nice cool hole and sleep in after all that exertion. A pool was filled which many cooled their tootsies in, and some layed down in. A couch in the training building ended up sopping wet when a few Greyhounds decided it was the place to sleep after being hosed off.

I met a number of folks who I have only "met" online, and of course recognized their dogs' names before the humans. Zinny (kennel dog, still available!) was a total hoot!! She ended up in the "timeout" pen while some were still finishing their lunches, as she has already perfected the "but they didn't feed me this morning" look on attendees. This one is a pistol, if anyone needs another little girlie in their pack. Fenway (oops puppy) was a big hit, too!!

My pups had a fabulous time, even old timer Rosy (she turned ten this summer), was still running around when it was time to leave. She even allowed other dogs to lay on her blanket!! A true breakthrough for her. Rocky, the youngster at four, was sacked out in the dirt after the first 90 minutes.

I look forward to more of these relaxed, get-together type events. Thanks To Kandi Dodrill, Susan Murkland and Dawn Miller for organizing this wonderful time.



## 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 warm and healthy:

Dog Biscuits Liquid laundry detergent

Blankets & Quilts Canned pumpkin (not the pie filling)

Bleach Stamps (41 cents)

8.5" X 11" white copy paper

Black ball point pens

Paper Clips

33-gallon plastic bags
13-gallon plastic bags
Missing Link (or similar)

 ${\it Canned dog food (Kirkland, Pro Plan, Precise or other 'good' canned food -- no grocery store brands}$ 

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If you can help with any of these items, please contact Susie Kush at 425-415-7788 or Moira Corrigan at 425-333-0515

The Greyhounds thank you!

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