



The Bark

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Letter From The President

Happy Summer!

Come on out and join us for our 8th Annual Greyt Walkathon on July 28th!! The Walkathon is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need to raise over \$30,000 this year to help meet expenses. Register on-line at www.greytwalkathon.org. If you can't walk, please consider sponsoring someone who is or making a general donation. If you have a business, please consider being a sponsor for the Walkathon. \$250 gets your logo on the back of the Walkathon shirts and exposure on our social media accounts and at the Walkathon. We need you so we can help the dogs!

For those of you that follow greyhound racing, you are most probably asking whether GPI can continue to find greyhounds that need our help in finding their forever homes. Our mission is these dogs and we are working hard to find greyhounds that need us.

As additional race tracks are closing around the country, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find and transport retired racers to the Pacific Northwest. Many of the retired racers are on the east coast of the USA and haulers want a minimum number of dogs to make it worthwhile for them to transport dogs all the way to the Pacific Northwest. Working with our sources and with some creativity, we have been able to keep the kennel full and the dogs coming in to the GPI. At the same time we are expanding our outreach to find greyhounds and greyhound mixes throughout the USA and overseas that need help in finding their forever homes. As well as the retired racers from the USA and Ireland, we are also bringing in greyhound mixes from the mid-west, South Korea, and the UAE. We have put our name on the list of groups willing to take greyhounds when the track in Macau (China) closes this July. We remain hopeful that the Macau track will release the dogs to adoption groups.

The transport of dogs that need to be flown remains a challenge. Airline restrictions and changes in policy are making the transport of large dogs challenging, but we are continuing to work on solutions and alternatives.

For those of you that have been following Shadow and the treatment of her IMHA (Immune Mediated Hemolytic Anemia), we are at the point where she is off all medications. She has had one follow up blood test, since ending her medications, with good results. We now need to wait until the end of June and do another follow up blood test. Keep your fingers crossed, but we are hopeful that the results will be good. Shadow certainly seems to be feeling fine and is fun, playful and happy!! Thank you to everyone who has helped and is helping with her medical expenses.

We continue to battle against the dreaded hookworm, especially with those dogs that come to us from Florida. If your vet tells you only to give three (3) days of Panacur and do nothing else, please contact us for more information. Many vets are not familiar with how persistent these South-eastern hookworm are and the vigorous and persistent attack that needs to be done to rid your pup of these critters.

Happy Summer everyone!

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President



Who We Are - Donna Gonder - By Donna Speron

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart” (Elizabeth Andrew)

Certainly this rings true for our volunteer Donna Gonder. Donna has been dedicating her time to GPI since 2010; a key contributor not only to our GPI organization, but several animal sanctuaries throughout the Northwest. From the Chimpanzee Sanctuary Northwest in Roslyn to a Pigs Peace Sanctuary in Seattle, she has devoted her mission in life to watching out for others. More recently Donna has worked with PAWS, where she has provided on call transport to wild animals. I was anxious to delve into her unique volunteer opportunities at these organizations, but first wanted to learn more about this busy lady, and how this all began.



Donna grew up in Renton, and as we talk she discloses she “always always always had a pet”. “I was one of those kids who constantly brought home animals”. She chuckles and explains that not only did she bring home the 3 cats that the family kept as pets, but she would often bring home her playmates or young friends she had met. Curious as to what her parent’s would say when she brought home a new friend, and why she did it, Donna attributed it to growing up in a big family of five brothers and a sister, “so why not another one?”

Spending most of her life in Washington, she did have the opportunity to live a year and half in neighboring Alaska, where at a young 18 she bravely ventured to an area 22 miles out of town, living in a log cabins with no running water or heat, just a wood stove. Living right off the inlet, she would often climb up the pastures, encountering many wild animals including moose and Dahl sheep. I was not familiar with the breed and Donna clarified for me “They are the ones with the big hooked horns.”

She soon moved back to the area she loved and had grown up in and became acquainted with GPI through her friend Rita Laws.

Rita, who was a volunteer with GPI at the time, contacted Donna one day during the holiday time. This was not unusual because Rita and Donna had a tradition of donated their time around the holidays volunteering. Rita had discovered through her volunteering with GPI that they were short of help during the holiday season. She asked Donna if she’d like to come in and just two weeks after Donna’s first volunteer event, Rita asked again. She knew then that matching Donna with GPI was no accident, and for us at GPI, our good fortune.

Donna’s volunteer time is every Sunday as Kennel help. She comes in for cleaning, feeding and medicating. Although she is trained to do lead kennel, she usually works with a lead person on call. One of her favorite things to do while she is volunteering? Washing dishes! Her creative nature often catches up with her and she says “she likes to make art out of miscellaneous items”. If you have ever come in after she has done the dishes you will enjoy her handiwork. She enjoys joining up on Brightwater walks when she can, and her delicious baked goods are a part of our GPI fundraising events. Donna alters her recipes to her Vegan baking techniques. Once again her creativity at work in her baking.

As if her many hours of helping is not busy enough, Donna enjoys making jewelry in her “spare” time. Ever the enthusiastic participant, Donna’s sister-in-law got her involved in making elastic bracelets with beads, which later emerged into her interest in taking wire wrapping classes. When a friend was looking for a wedding necklace and earrings and couldn’t find exactly what her ideal piece would be, Donna created a remembrance piece consisting of 300 crystals. “She was a beautiful bride”, Donna remarked.



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The bride wore an exquisite A-Line simple dress and then matched it to a adorned necklace which was just the “bling” needed to complete her beautiful wedding ensemble. How wonderful to be able to share her talents with others.



I wanted to hear all about Donna's volunteer experiences and she explained how different each one has been, and yet how they have surely lead her to her work at GPI. With chimpanzees you cannot “love on them”, she explained, yet you feel the connection with them as you are around them and get to know them. By helping on many projects to better their environment, you feel you are making an impact, just not a physical connection.

I was curious about her transporting wild life, and asked if she handles the animals she transports. Yes, she often handles the animals. Small baby birds arrive that may have to be converted from a box they were brought into to a warm container for transport. Volunteers sign up at the beginning of the month and are considered on-call. She uses her own car and has learned unique methods for keeping baby animals warm and content. She related how baby animals have a hard time regulating temperatures, and how she has used warm packs under the blankets for transport of animals. Often baby birds,

but raccoons, wild turkeys and even a Perigrine falcon have been passengers in Donna's care. I was in awe at the idea of being in close contact with a Perigrine Falcon and wanted to hear more of the details. “It was sort of scary” Donna stated “and intimidating.” When they began their car ride the falcon was very quiet and then, all of a sudden, at a stop light it let out the Perigrine call. She said it sounds like a shrill screech. The cars around her were looking at where it was coming from. Google it sometime, I did. I cannot imagine how amazing it would have been to hear that inside your vehicle. She has also learned some interesting things about animals indicative to our Northwest region. Did you know there is a green heron? Not just a blue heron. You never know what you might learn and what opportunities are waiting for your volunteer career.



These days Donna shares her home with her 3 dogs, Sandy, Logan and Sparky and her cat Tiger. This busy lady also works a full time job in a Seattle commercial Management Company, which she has been a part of for the past 2 years.



I wonder and am often surprised at what motivates people to do good work. There are books that try to capture it, seminars that teach us how to do it, but in the end perhaps it is just how it makes us feel as a person, by doing for others. This resonates so clearly when I talk with Donna.

“The meaning in life is to find your gift. the purpose of life is to give it away.” William Shakespeare. Donna, we thank you for providing your gift so generously. You are an amazing volunteer!

“It's time to have and enjoy magical moments in life, reposition yourself so magic happens.”

Kayisha Thomas

The 'Woofs' of Wes 'n Heff... By Judith Fleming

Heff: Wes?... Wes.. Wes!! Get up Bro'! You OK? We got our work to do. It is time for the Bark. There are people depending on us. They are waiting eagerly to see what's up. They wanna know what we are doing. Why aren't you at the computer already? You are always trying to get me to focus. Let's get to work!

Wes: Hey Bud! Sorry. Getting slower each day. You are steppin' up. Nice! Whatcha wanna talk about this time?

Heff: Hmm, well, we have been busy ... how about our road trip where you peed in the car? MJ's (Momma Judith's) friend wasn't so happy since that was her only seat in the truck!! And we had two weeks to go! Or how about the fun night out. What does MJ call it? I think it was something like Beer League Dog Agility.

Wes: Good plan Bud! You enjoyed both. I think the Dog Agility is your realm. I'll stay at home those nights.

Heff: Ha, ha! Yeah, when you were on the balance beam (well - more like a balance board!!) it made me think what cow tipping would look like ('cause I ain't ever seen it!). The whole 4 inches must have felt like falling off a towering skyscraper!!

Wes: Sure, laugh! What dirt do I have on you that I can let folks know of?! Hmm, you are going through the tunnels without any problems — well, except when you stop to take a break! I don't think the judges would like that — guess that is why they call it 'Beer League'! You climb over the A-frame things without a problem and you are stellar walking over the teeter-totter thingy... I will admit I was impressed with what I saw. You might have a hidden talent! I'll pass for future nights though!

Heff: Aww. OK. I get it. Now I think about it ... You didn't look like you had much fun. I get so excited when I know it is agility night! I think everyone would have so much fun. Sorry Bro'. Not your thing huh?

Wes: Yup. I will stick with the camping stuff. I hope MJ takes us camping again soon. However, since we just did two weeks, I think it will be a month or so before we go again.

Heff: Where did we even go? I know I had fun with MJ on a really big beach then I smelled lots of grapes ... and then there was our last stop!! It felt like the Happiest Place on Earth!!

Wes: Nice one Bud' - Yuppers MJ took us down the Oregon Coast for a few days and then we visited Napa Valley. Finally, when we were camping and there were fruit trees throughout the campsite - that is when MJ visited Disneyland. It is known as the Happiest Place on Earth. Did you notice we were close enough so that MJ went in the morning to see Mickey Mouse and then came back for 3 hours before going back again for the evening.

Heff: Oh yes - that campsite. That is the one where we were allowed to only pee in the one place and boy did it stink!! I don't understand, there was so much grass everywhere else and trees that were screaming 'pee on me'!!! But MJ wouldn't let us near.

Wes: Yuppers. I think we did pretty good there. In to do our business and we got outta Dodge as soon as we could!! We figured that out all on our own! No training for that one!

Heff: Everything else was great. I can't wait to go back to Oregon. My favourite were all the different beaches around Florence we got to check out! I really wanted to run!! But hey, I get why MJ wouldn't let us go... I'm not sure I could have stopped! That beach went on forever!

Wes: I'm sure you will be back there again Bud'! MJ just loved it too! Although, I'm glad to be home again to rest and relax. We don't get to sleep as much on those trips - they are sooo busy!! I think MJ felt bad and gave us the new backyard once we got back.

Heff: Ha, ha! Sure Bro'!! I think it was a gift to MJ - since you always seem to walk in the mud if there is ANY mud in the backyard. I think she was tired of wiping our paws! Well, YOUR paws!!

Wes: Yes, I like to call you Mr. Dainty as you stay out of the mud. But if there is any water - you are the first one in! Explain that one?

Heff: I can't. But I love our new backyard grass. Well, can you call it that? It doesn't smell like grass and we don't get our grass cut anymore. MJ just needs to hose it down to keep the smells away. The other day it smelled almost like fish and chips ... well - there was a vinegar smell. I think MJ was working further to keep the smells away.

Wes: Yes, I am liking the new backyard as well. But, I think I am going to miss the foot baths in warm soapy water that I would get when my paws were really dirty. It almost felt like a spa! I really enjoyed those. Maybe that's why I would get my feet as muddy as I could! *wink, wink*

Heff: Sneaky Bro'! Well, we will see what happens when we move. It has been really weird around here these past few weeks. Where did all our toys go? Things are so clean? I can really run around the living room. So much space!!

Wes: Yes, I will miss this place but fingers crossed we will get an even bigger back yard! And not as many stairs!! This townhouse living is for the cats! Not for ol' dogs like me! Plus, we will have even more stories to tell! I love spending time with you Bro' and sharing our stories!

Heff: Love ya to Bud'! You are the best big Brother anyone could have!



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Greyhound Dental Care - By Dr. Lesley Kovar, DVM

As veterinarians, we recognize that pet dental care and oral health are essential to overall wellness. A recent study showed that by 3 years of age, 80% of dogs have some form of periodontal disease. Greyhounds in particular are notorious for having "bad teeth." This has been attributed to the diet fed at the tracks, but more likely it is due to a genetic predisposition to periodontal disease.

Before explaining how we treat and prevent dental conditions, it is helpful to understand progression of the disease. It all starts with plaque, a sticky bacteria-containing biofilm that forms within hours after the teeth have been cleaned. As plaque mixes with minerals in saliva, tartar (or calculus) develops as a hard deposit over just days. Gingivitis, inflammation of the gums, ensues. Ultimately the structures that support the tooth become infected and inflamed, leading to periodontitis. The progressive nature of periodontal disease results in bone loss, abscessed teeth, oral pain, and potential for systemic disease.

Dogs, especially greyhounds, are quite stoic and do not necessarily tell us that they are in pain. Therefore, we often have to look closely for indications of oral and periodontal disease. Signs include halitosis (bad breath), difficulty in chewing, excessive drooling, and bleeding. Get in the habit of looking in your dog's mouth, lifting the lips and inspecting the teeth and gums. Make note of inflamed areas and accumulation of tartar.

There is much involved when your pet has a "dental cleaning." The correct term for the procedure is a COHAT (complete oral health assessment and treatment) or APT (assessment, plan, and treatment). Obviously, it begins with ensuring the pet is healthy for anesthesia. Then it is anesthetized and maintained on an inhalant gas administered through an endotracheal tube. Monitoring equipment is hooked up to monitor vital body functions. Dental radiographs are taken, ideally of the entire mouth, in order to evaluate the health of the roots and the extent of periodontal disease. Tartar is removed with special instruments and ultrasonic scaling. Root planning is performed, with the roots being scaled beneath the gum line. The tooth surface is polished with a gritty paste to smooth out any enamel scratches made during the cleaning. The periodontal sockets are probed and charted in the record for future reference. Then the veterinarian evaluates the radiographs and examines the teeth, deciding if any extractions are indicated. We look for abnormalities such as significant bone loss, root abscesses, root exposure, and fractures. Removal of teeth can be quite complicated, involving precise surgical techniques and prolonged anesthesia. Once complete, the mouth is disinfected and the pet is allowed to recover from anesthesia. Any potential pain is addressed intraoperatively with nerve blocks, and post operatively with anti-inflammatories, with stronger drugs if deemed necessary.

It is possible that you have heard of anesthesia-free dental cleanings. This procedure is quite controversial, and disapproved of by the veterinary dental specialists. It involves hand scaling the teeth in an awake patient. Although the teeth will appear whiter, it is deceiving because of the inability to clean under the gums (this is where periodontal disease progresses). Many of the issues we see in greyhound mouths are only detectable under anesthesia and with dental radiographs. In fact, greater than 60% of periodontal disease occurs under the gum line. Also, there is considerable potential for injury, either from prolonged restraint or slippage of instruments.

There is a condition in dogs called chronic contact mucositis or CUPS (chronic ulcerative paradental stomatitis), and unfortunately believed to be caused by a hypersensitivity to bacteria in plaque. The gingiva becomes markedly inflamed and "kissing ulcers" form on the inner lips where they contact the crowns of the teeth. This disease is painful and extremely difficult to control. A complete dental cleaning is performed and meticulous home care, involving daily tooth brushing, is required. More often than not, full mouth tooth extractions are necessary to eliminate the inflammation.

Once the teeth are clean, diligent home care is advised to maintain good oral health. Ideally, the teeth are brushed daily to prevent plaque from adhering, but even twice a week will help keep tartar from forming. A toothpaste specific for pets should be used, as human products are not meant to be swallowed. Many types of brushes are available and effective. I personally use a battery operated children's model on my pets, which is tolerated quite well. The key to success is to start slow to get your pet used to brushing, and there are many online videos that demonstrate techniques. If tooth brushing is not feasible, the next best thing is dental wipes. Using one daily will remove much plaque from the tooth crown (but not in the crevices and spaces between teeth). There are also dental sprays and rinses that can remove bacteria, as well as dental treats and diets formulated to help remove buildup. Try to use a product that has the VOHC (Veterinary Oral Health Council, see a list at VOHC.org) seal of acceptance. This organization evaluates products to make sure they will control plaque and tartar. Bones, hooves, antlers, and other hard objects are not recommended for chewing, as they frequently cause tooth fractures. There is the "knee cap rule," coined by Fraser Hale, a prominent veterinary dentist, that says if you don't want your knee cap hit with it, do not let your dog chew on it.

The adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" is certainly applicable to oral health in our pets. As with us humans, it is easier to prevent a disease than to cure it. Keeping your dog's mouth healthy will help to keep him/her living a longer, happier, more comfortable life!

2018 Walkathon - All For The Dogs - July 28

Greyhound Pets, Inc. supporters like you are making a huge difference for retired racing greyhounds and rescued greyhound mixes. You help GPI to say "YES" to these dogs.

HELP-A-HOUND

All funds raised from this event go directly to the hounds.

- \$6 - treats the entire kennel to biscuits after turnout
- \$10 - feeds a dog for a week
- \$11 - microchips a dog
- \$25 - buys a rope toy for a dog waiting to be adopted
- \$50 - provides a bag of special food for a senior or ill dog
- \$99 - sponsors a dog for a tick-borne disease test
- \$150 - transports a dog from a Florida racetrack to GPI
- \$850 - treats a heartworm-positive dog
- \$2000 - fixes a broken leg



Register online! <http://greytwalkathon.org>

Is your Greyhound limping?

Before doing xrays and all kinds of tests, check your dog's pads for corns.

<http://www.grassmere-animal-hospital.com/corns.htm>



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 \$300 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 robinjamesgpi@gmail.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 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.

~ Muzzle for one kennel dog	\$10
~ Food for one dog for one month	\$20
~ Vaccines for one new dog	\$25
~ One folding table for the kennel	\$50
~ Running a tick test for a new dog	\$65
~ Sponsor a kennel run (per year)	\$500
~ Complete Vetting for a new dog	\$425

Donate \$250, \$500 or \$1,000 to receive an engraved greyhound "leaf" on our gifting tree at the kennel.

Do you purchase items from Amazon.com?

Click on the Amazon.com link on our home page or select Greyhound Pets, Inc. on www.smile.amazon.com and GPI receives a referral fee donation for every dollar spent. www.greyhoundpetsinc.org

Do you know that Greyhound Pets, Inc. has a Facebook Page? Check it out – there is a link on our home page or just search for us on Facebook.

Are your gates and fence secure? Have you walked your fence recently to check that it is secure - no rotten boards, holes that a dog could escape through, missing boards, rusty wire, etc.? Are all gates securely padlocked (if possible) or secured with some kind of clip and/or automatic closing device?

The Notice Board - Stuff you need to know

~ What should I do if my Greyhound gets loose?

- Call the GPI toll free number IMMEDIATELY!! 877-468-7681 (enter us as a contact in your cell phone). We will get a search party organized, post it on our website and social media pages, and alert folks your dog is missing
- Take a squawker (available at the GPI Rootique) 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.
- For more tips on finding your lost dog go to www.greyhoundpetsinc.org/lostdog.html

~ Has you Greyhound passed on recently?

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

~ How can you help the Greyhounds?

Go to our website to see the many ways that you can help GPI!

<http://greyhoundpetsinc.org/donations.html>

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~ Returning Your Greyhound.

Please remember, if for any reason you cannot or do not want to keep your greyhound, he/she **MUST** be returned to Greyhound Pets, Inc. (part of the Adoption Contract you signed). Finding a loving greyhound home for your greyhound should be handled by someone who understands the needs of these great animals. Contact us at 877-468-7681 to make arrangements.

~ Have you moved? Do we have your current phone and e-mail addresses as well as physical and mailing addresses?

Please make sure that GPI has your current **physical, mailing and e-mail addresses, and your home and cell phone numbers.** E-mail Moira at fastpaws@centurytel.net or contact her through the GPI PO Box. Thanks for helping keep GPI's database current.

~ **Is your Greyhound wearing a collar and identification tags?** Please take a moment to make sure your greyhound is wearing a collar with identification tags. Please make sure your greyhound has a GPI tag on his collar. If your greyhound is missing a GPI tag, please call 877-468-7681 or write us at:

Greyhound Pets, Inc.

New Tags

PO Box 891

Woodinville, WA 98072

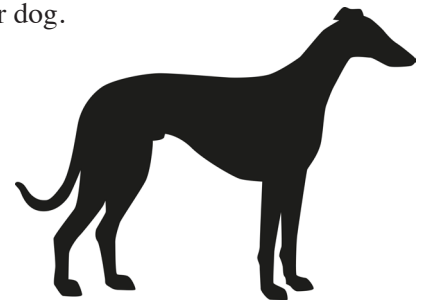
We will gladly send you a new GPI tag.



~ **Why is a collar and GPI tag important?** If your greyhound gets lost, the toll free number can be called and we can help get your dog back to you faster. Plus, if you've moved and haven't updated your phone/address tag, then GPI's toll free number could be the only way your greyhound is safely returned to you. Without a collar and ID tags, it is much harder to locate and reunite you. Please keep your dog's tags current and update GPI about any phone or address changes.

If you don't like the sound of the tags jingling, try a tag bag, an elastic band around the tags, or some of the rubber bumpers for keys around each tag. But please do not leave your dog without a collar and tags. Your dog's life may depend upon those tags.

All current GPI dogs are microchipped and registered to GPI, as a backup safety net, but if found, someone has to get the dog to a place that can read the microchip before we can try and reunite you and your dog.



Are you on Social Media?

Are you on Social Media? If so, are you following GPI on their Social Media?

Did you know that Social Media double, tripples and even quadruples our exposure? It allows Greyhound Pets, Inc to increase the awareness of this breed that we love so much! Simply by sharing, liking, commenting, pinning, retweeting our content you could be responsible for a person or persons learning more about GPI and the breed itself. By taking that simple action you could have helped educate someone and peak someones interest enough into coming to a booth or going to our website for more info. You could help one more of our dogs find their furever home! Pretty amazing huh?!

Our Facebook page is an awesome way to stay in touch with GPI, find out what is happening in your area. Is there a booth in your area that you would like to help with, a walk that you would like to join in? Our Facebook page announces those events and more! Are you curious as to what dogs have been adopted? That is all there too.

Greyhound Pets, Inc is on most Social Media along with many other websites that promote adoption. If you are on any of these Social Media platforms go there now and follow, like and share GPI's Social Media!



Perfectly Paired: Drexler & Rita - By Michele

We tried to come up with one of those catchy celebrity couple names like Bennifer or Brangelina, but nothing sounded right. Riler? Drexita? No clever name could describe how special these dogs are!

Drexler and Rita came to us in April, after having lived happily together with a family for quite some time. Through no fault of their own, they were turned in to GPI. We know that they lived in an apartment, are OK with other dogs, and are not cat-trainable. When they first got here, they missed their home. But they quickly adapted to their new surroundings. They continue to respond very well to people and will come when their names are called.

Rita and Drexler are a great pair. They'd love to be adopted together so they can double the love they bring to their new family.

Rita (GPI #6204) is a brindle beauty with a lovely disposition and an adorable overbite. If she didn't tell you that she's having her ninth birthday in July, you'd never know. Rita raced under her track name of SNJ Green Bomb but was happy to retire and move on to the next phase of her life. This playful girl is friendly and well-mannered to everyone she meets. She walks well on a leash and knows how to lie down for a treat. She enjoys being with people and loves having time to play with her favorite friend, Drexler.

Drexler (GPI #5564) is a sweet-tempered tuxedo male with a distinguished-looking silver muzzle. He raced for about a year as Available Abe, eventually moving from Florida to the Pacific Northwest. He's turning eight in August, but still has plenty of energy. He says he'd love to celebrate his and Rita's upcoming birthdays with a new loving family. Drexler has had several teeth removed, but that doesn't slow him down or make him a picky eater. He is good-natured and affectionate. He loves getting attention from people and playing with his partner, Rita. He walks well on his leash.

If possible, we would prefer to find someone interested in adopting two greyhound dogs at once.



Super Simple Sweet Potato Dog Treats

Ingredients:

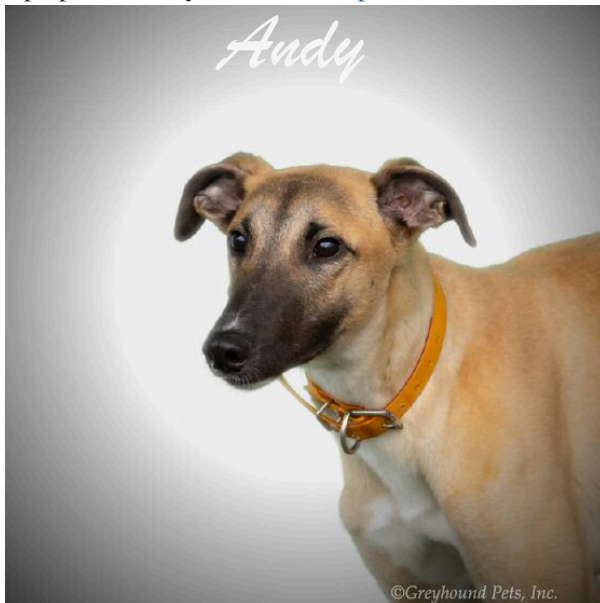
- 1 sweet potato
- 2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
- 1/4 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 2 eggs

Directions:

- 1) Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).
- 2) Prick sweet potato several times with a fork.
Heat sweet potato in a microwave on high until tender, about 6 minutes. Cut potato in half and scoop flesh out of the skin into a bowl; discard skin. Mash potato with a fork or potato masher and transfer about 1 cup to a large bowl. Save any remaining sweet potato for another use.
- 3) Mix whole wheat flour, applesauce, and eggs in the large bowl with the sweet potato until a dough forms. Turn dough out on a well-floured surface and roll dough to about 1/2-inch thick. Cut out shapes using a cookie cutter or cut dough into strips with a pizza cutter. Arrange cookies on an ungreased baking sheet.
- 4) Bake until crisp, 35 to 45 minutes. Cool in the pans for 10 minutes before removing to cool completely on a wire rack.



Recipe provided by: www.allrecipes.com



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In honor of my Sons Nathan & Garrett & our former boys Dave & Seth (Pita) who went over rainbow bridge.
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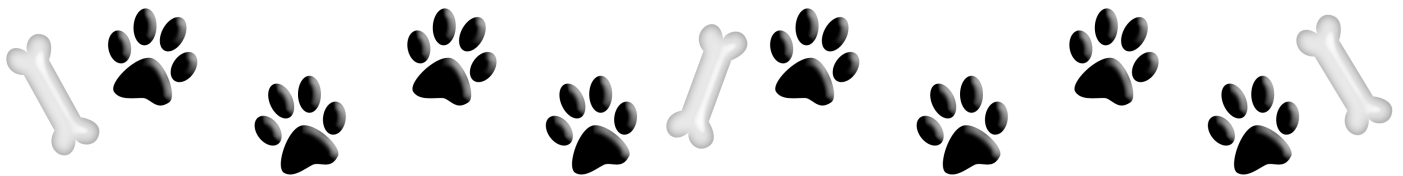


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November 6, 2017 to May 1, 2018

Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname	Tag Number	Registered Name	Nickname
5087	AP's Rollalong	Roll	6140	Crew C Flier	Flier
5270	Atascocita Stuart	Stuart	6141	PK's Frank	Frank
5363	Fuzz Face Whoops	Franny	6142	TNT Godfather	TG
5628	Slatex Agave	Agave	6143	Superior Galaxy	Cosmo
5698	Oshkosh Oriole	Gracie	6144	Par Tiger	Tiger
5766	Fuzzys Axl Rose	Axl	6145	Rockdown Merc	Merck
5824	Atascocita Bush	Bush	6147	RP Frankenstein	Stein
6003	FGF Blue Duck	Blue	6148	All Ina Dream	Ashley
6031	FGF Double D	Double	6150	None	Anwar
6039	FF Stardust	Harriet	6151	None	Katie
6056	TC's Mike Trout	Mike	6152	Cat Zingano	Cat
6058	Superior Pine	Pine	6153	Deco Dogone Fire	Fire
6082	P Kay Stubby	Stubby	6154	Florence Jo	Flo
6083	Geneva No Doubt	Gene	6155	HS Honey Bun	Honey Bun
6085	Quest For Fame	Simon	6156	AJN Texas Nancy	Nancy
6086	Sugar Coater	Shug	6157	Craigie Pink	Pink
6088	Jonny Rico	Rico	6158	Ciulantula	Tula
6090	L's Lkinko	Kinko	6160	CTW Gavin Degraw	Gavin
6094	None	Sable	6161	WW's Penn State	Penn
6103	KB's Big Idea	Idea	6162	Craigie Prince	Prince
6106	Rosanne Cash	Rosanne	6163	Fanatic Salvy	Salvy
6108	Ajw Booth	Booth	6164	Pat C Got Talent	Talen
6114	Ajn Star Freebee	Simon	6165	SK Rio	Ryo
6115	Pat White	White	6167	None	Santana
6117	None	Pookie	6168	None	Dasher
6119	None	Summer	6169	None	Buttercup
6121	None	Honey	6170	None	Finn
6122	Befastorbelast	Aubrey	6174	Lucky Dream	Gigi
6123	Drama Bea	Bea	6175	RTR Amos Moses	Frog
6125	Cindy Brady	Cindy	6176	P's Icey Hot	Icey
6126	Joey Knock Knock	Gabi	6179	Bob's Bethany	Bethany
6127	Fraulein Shelly	Shelly	6180	Firey Burn	Burn
6128	Steak and Shrimp	Shrimp	6181	Queenoftheoval	Delta
6129	Baby Give It Up	Tanya	6182	Dancing Julianne	Jagger
6130	BS Venture	Venture	6183	Marge In Charge	June
6131	Gogo Lisa	Lisa	6185	MW Spectra	Spectra
6132	Atascocita Hla	Haley	6188	Superior Chief	Chief
6133	NB's Lavender	Tessa	6190	Mega County	County
6134	Springwater AJ	AJ	6193	PJ Gold Bar	Gold
6135	SG's Dick Groat	Custer	6195	RJ's Linguine	Luigi
6136	Atascocita Ethan	Ethan	6196	RF Makemake	Make
6137	PJ Exceed	Exceed	6200	Ringlestown Ace	Ace
6138	PJ Exhausted	Haus	6202	Tilford Tippy	Tilly
6139	Life Of A King	Pete	6203	Tippin N Tappin	Katie



Rainbow Bridge Memorial ~ We will miss them

Notices Received Through May 5, 2018

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4681	Par Tycoon	Tyler	5251	JJ's Sonny Ross	Kiera
4732	Kane's Nicholas	Nicholas	5257	Kiowa WW Bears	Reggie
4736	Sol Tazmania	Taz	5268	Atascocita Ralph	Ralph
4741	Highwind Zinny	Zinny	5281	Ucme Mono E Mono	Walter
4758	CL Belvedere	Ralph	5320	Pat C Bombastic	Bomb
4795	My Dear Renee	Renee	5343	Atascocita Shado	Apollo
4964	None	Rocket	5483	Atascocita Almon	Almon
4972	Gone Zoe	Jedi	5493	Kiowa Deli Daril	Dahlia
4993	Pat C Signal	Signe	5505	Hallo Daring To	Clara
5043	Turbo Raleigh	Fawn	5526	Sunsand Violet	Violet
5045	Freddie Black	Lou	5529	Petro McPosey	Hazel
5046	Prince of Power	Fiddich	5593	Greys Checkntime	Checkers
5047	JR's B Moe Money	Helix	5623	Atascocita True	Sailor
5056	Ruby's Jazmin	Ruby	5663	Mulberry Lazer	Lazer
5172	Whispering Lee	Riley	6100	Tell Me Neil	Neil



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

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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

Natural Balance Fish & Sweet Potato Kibble

Bleach

13-Gallon trash bags with ties

Paper Towels

Safeway Creamy Peanut Butter

Bully Sticks

Non-stuffed Blankets

Blankets and quilts

Stamps (Forever)

Nutrabulk Glucosamine HCL

Kirkland Fish Oil Capsules

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