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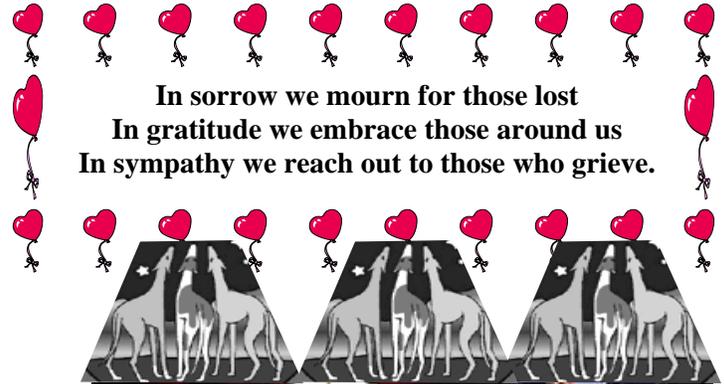
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In sorrow we mourn for those lost
In gratitude we embrace those around us
In sympathy we reach out to those who grieve.

Dogs Toil to Edge of Collapse By CHARLES DRNSTEIN

Veterinarians set up on-site clinic to treat K-9s for pain and exhaustion. Then it's back to work. Three blocks from ground zero, exhausted rescue workers hobble into a triage center, desperately in need of fluids, medicine and a bath. One patient is fast asleep after being given antibiotics and pain medication. He's worked several 16 and 17-hour days, and his body can't take it anymore. The patients, in this case, are dogs, trained to sniff out signs of life and death. Just like their human handlers, these German shepherds are suffering while sifting through the rubble of the World Trade Center. One dog fell 50 feet, another one 30 feet. Both survived, vets say. One dog had to be shot to death by its handler after being severely injured within the pile of rubble. This makeshift center, run by the Suffolk County SPCA and staffed by local veterinarians, opened within hours of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. It has treated more than 300 animals from as far away as Mississippi, Georgia and Canada.

"It's a lifesaver," said Robin Eckel, an officer with the Monmouth County Sheriff's Department in New Jersey. Eckel's dog, Chino, lost a toenail Saturday while searching supply vehicles entering the Holland Tunnel, which leads into lower Manhattan. If Eckel had had to treat the injury himself, he would have had to drive home, an hour away. "He's cleared to work again," Eckel said, leaving the tent hospital set up on West Street. "The vet said as long as he wants to work, let him work. It's not a serious injury." Every hour, five or six dogs come through the triage center. Nearly all require their eyes washed out and their paws massaged, as well as a liter of intravenous fluids. Some need antibiotics. Most are bathed. The center is equipped with a donated blood-testing laboratory that can check each dog's kidney and liver functions within minutes. Using that information, vets can determine each animal's ability to press on. "We have enough stuff here to run a couple hospitals if we really needed to," said Dr. Jason Heller, a veterinarian with Central Veterinary Associates in Long Island. "God forbid one of these dogs can't go back in and find someone--that's why we're here." Vets from around the country have called to offer help, said Dr. John Charos, who works with Heller. Some offered to drive 24 hours to bring dog food and other supplies. (The vets say they now have enough.) Pharmaceutical companies have donated medicine. A pet supply company donated a case of special booties for the animals. K-9 handlers stop by before and after their shifts, and during breaks. "They're more worried about the dogs than themselves," one veterinary technician said. Joaquin Guerrero, a K-9 officer from Saginaw, Mich., brought in his dog, Rookie, to get bandaged during a break from work. Guerrero didn't want steel or debris to cut the dog's legs or paws. "I'm going till I can't go no more, till the dog can't go no more," Guerrero said. "So far, he's running good. He's very alert."

Ammo, the exhausted dog asleep on the grass under a blanket, doesn't even flinch when a photographer's flash goes off. Ammo has traveled the world and has helped rescue 2,000 people, said Michael Norkelun of the Suffolk County SPCA. "He's used to working," he said. "He just worked a little too hard this time." When Ammo detects a person alive, he starts digging. When he finds the dead, he lies down. Ammo has found no one alive in the ruins of the World Trade Center.



Exhausted from three solid days of searching, Ammo rests with SPCA detective Michael Norkelun a few hundred yards from ground zero. Photo by Robert Couter



Greyhound Pets of America – Minnesota’s Mission Statement

Greyhound Pets of America – Minnesota is the Minnesota chapter of a national non-profit, all volunteer organization dedicated to finding loving, responsible homes for retired racing greyhounds and also younger greyhounds that haven’t been successful at various tracks throughout the country. We also take great pride in educating and informing the public that retired racers make excellent, loving pets.

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Use Caution When Using Ace

The tranquilizer, Acepromizaine, commonly known as Ace, is commonly prescribed by vets. It is a barbiturate that can be overused and abused in Greyhounds.

Greyhounds are very sensitive to small amounts of this drug. The dose most vets give for a cat, about 10 milligrams, will easily keep most Greyhounds woozy for up to 12 hours.

In fact, you should start out with 3 to 6 milligrams to see what effect it has on your Greyhound before ever using more. A German Shepherd who may weigh the same as a Greyhound might be given 25 to 50 milligrams. That amount could overdose your Greyhound and he could be in danger from that much.

Ace is prescribed routinely for thunder phobia, fireworks and travel anxiety. Be sure to try other treatment alternatives before using Ace, which also may have other serious side effects.



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**Ask Tilly & Jack
(And Sometimes Duke!):**

Dear Jack, Tilly and sometimes Duke,
Actually, this question is for Duke – if he can find the time in his busy napping schedule to answer it. Every time it thunders Sizer throws a big fit. She starts panting, whining, and shaking. Basically, she carries on like the world is going to end. Now mind you, I don't usually care at all what she does – but this behavior is really cutting into my beauty rest. Since I have heard that Jack and Tilly have resorted to this behavior, on occasion, I was wondering if you had any advice on what I should do.

Seriously sleep-deprived, **Argus**

Duke: Well, Argus, I'd be glad to answer this for you. To begin with, don't listen to Jack and Tilly or they'll give you this jive story about how they are saving the world by carrying on when it thunders. Save the world my skinny butt! They're just weenies who let a little noise scare them silly and make up an elaborate story about thunder and saving the world. I don't remember it exactly, but it was in one of their old columns if you want to really have a good laugh. To tell you the truth, what bothers me more than their whining is the fuss Mom and Dad make over them when it thunders. Makes me want to puke! I suggest you do what I do and go into another room and bury your head under a pillow so you don't have to listen to Sizer – or your folks making a fuss over her.

Dear Jack, Tilly and sometimes Duke,
My name is Sideline Psych (but everyone calls me Psych), and I just retired from the track. I am staying with a very nice human and 2 other dogs (well, I know one of them is a dog because he looks and acts like me, but the other must be some sort of sub-dog who can't run very fast). Being here is nice, but I have a couple of questions about the human and one of his silly rules.

In the human's kennel are 2 little rooms with nice

cool tile floors. In each of these rooms is a great big white bowl of water, which is at just the right height for me to drink from. But every time I help myself to a drink, the human comes running in, making noise and then puts a big white cover on my water bowl. I then have to either go upstairs or downstairs to get a drink. Why does this human put this water out for me and then not let me use it?

Another thing; yesterday the human took me for a ride all by myself to a place called "thevet" and then he left me there. Some other nice humans took me in a room and looked at me and I got tired and fell asleep. Imagine my surprise when I woke up and found out that I am now missing some of, well, "my equipment". I'll tell you, I vowed then and there that I'm not going to fall asleep around any more humans (except last night, but I was still so tired I couldn't help it). Anyway, what's up with that? Do I have to go back to thevet to get my stuff back? I tried to tell the human but he just keeps patting me on the head and telling me I'm a good boy. Life is pretty good off of the track and there are no alien cats to bother me, but can you tell me what's going on? **Psych**

Tilly: Well, Psych, I can answer your question about the water bowls but I'd better let Jack or Duke answer the one about your "equipment." The rooms you're talking about are called "bathrooms." I've mentioned this before but there are probably some new hounds out there that need to know. I don't know why they call them "bathrooms" since they use them to shower in and, well, to go potty in! Can you believe it? They soil their own crates! And they call us dumb animals. At least we're smart enough to go outside to go to the bathroom. Stay away from that bowl, they actually go potty in it, if you can believe it. **Jack:** Psych, the good new about thevet is that they only can take your equipment once and you really don't miss it after a while. You will have to go back to thevet now and then but they usually only poke you with a needle and you don't fall asleep and wake up with something missing.

Keep those emails and letters coming!!!!

Tilly, Jack & (sometimes) Duke!

Send letters to:
Tilly and Jack (& sometimes Duke!)
5401 James Avenue So., Minneapolis, MN 55419
Or E-mail: **jackand-tilly@gpa.mn.org**



HE JUST WANTS TO SAY "HI!" *By Suzanne Clothier*

Editor's note: This article has been removed from the on-line version of the newsletter at the author's request. To read the article please visit her website at <http://www.flyingdogpress.com>



GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA - MN





Meet & Greet Calendar Ph. 763 785-4000

Petco - Brooklyn Park

October 27 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

Petco - Coon Rapids

October 20 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

November 10 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

December 8 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

Petco - Highland

November 17 Saturday 2 - 4 PM

December 15 Saturday 2 - 4 PM

Petco - Maplewood

November 10 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

December 8 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

Petco - Richfield

October 27 Saturday 11 - 4 PM

November 10 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

November 17 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

November 24 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

December 1 Saturday 12 - 4 PM

December 8 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

Petco - Roseville

October 20 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

November 17 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

December 22 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

Petco - St. Cloud

November 10 Saturday 11 - 1 PM

December 8 Saturday 11 - 1 PM

Petco - West St. Paul

November 10 Saturday 11 - 2 PM

December 8 Saturday 11 - 2 PM

Petco - Oakdale

October 20 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

Borders Bookshop - Calhoun Square

October 20 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

November 3 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

December 15 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

Coon Rapids - Pine Cone Nursery

October 20 Saturday 12 - 3 PM
Sunday 12 - 3 PM

October 28 Sunday 12 - 3 PM

November 4 Sunday 12 - 3 PM

November 11 Sunday 12 - 3 PM

November 17 Saturday 12 - 3 PM
PM



The Holiday Store

will be at Richfield Petco on Sat. Dec. 1 from 12-4 PM and at Fridley Petco on Sat. Dec. 8 from 12-3 PM

Lots of beautiful things for hounds and humans!

Come do your shopping with GPA! Buy your gift and in doing so, you will also be offering support to the hound at the same time!



October 21

Please come join in the fun!

November 18 Sunday 12 - 3





GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA - MN





Halloween can be a frightening experience for your pet. Make sure all animals are inside during the night the youngsters are Halloween trick'r-treating, *especially* black cats, to avoid the heartbreak of hideous "pranks." In fact, during the entire month of October, *all* black cats should be kept indoors. The safest thing for both you and your animals is to keep them indoors unless you are supervising their outdoor activities with them on a leash.

On the night of Halloween trick'r-treating, keep your pets away from the doors leading to the outside. Place them in a secluded room away from the noise and activity of the trick'r-treaters. As you are greeting your guests, the animal could become frightened and make a rush for the door as you are handing out the treats and become disoriented with those unfamiliar creatures in the neighborhood. Your normally placid pet may become frightened and bite an unsuspecting

friendly ghost or goblin. Even if you know your pet will be confined, his or her tags or other identification are essential Halloween wear. Lock your gates if your dog *must* stay outside. Dogs left outside can become prey for pranksters who have teased, injured and even stolen animals during this holiday season. **DO NOT** leave the dog chained outside your home on Halloween night (or any night). A frightened dog can quickly become entangled in a chain -- and if your gone or don't notice quickly enough, your dog could choke or break the chain and flee.

Candy is not healthy for pets. Keep all sweets out of your pet's way. Chocolate can be fatal to your dog so, if your pet does eat chocolate, watch for vomiting or restlessness, and call your veterinarian for advice. A wrapper around the candy won't deter your pet, and might get stuck in the animal's throat, or cause stomach upset. The foil wraps on candies can cause internal injuries if swallowed - the foil can be like a razor as it is swallowed and ingested. Keep all candies and their wrappers in a secured place. If you dispose of left-over candy, make sure it is pet proof. Sticks on candy apples or lollipops may be swallowed and cause an obstruction or perforation of your pet's stomach or bowels. Other holiday treats, alcoholic beverages, rich, fatty food scraps and bones can be harmful or toxic to pets. Keep your pet on his regular diet and caution visitors against giving your pet "special treats."

If you plan to enjoy trick-or-treating fun while the dog stays in the car, plan again. Imagine sitting in a dark car with witches, goblins and the like passing you by -- and you have no idea what Halloween is. Don't take the dog out to trick-or-treat with your chil-

Adoptions

***Congratulations and best wishes to all of these wonderful greyhounds and their new families!!**

August:

Victor to Pam Klossner and Alison Miller on 8-5-01

GoFor to Jeff and Lisa Wyckoff on 8-14-01

Cally to Toby and Sandra Velte on 8-14-01

Talk to Jack Saxon on 8-19-01

Monkey to Kim and Martin Hrabec on 8-21-01

Noodle to Deb Nagurski on 8-22-01

Tuffy to Cathy Thyen on 8-22-01

Josh to Kelli Palmer on 8-26-01

Sammy to Luana Ball on 8-30-01

Deal to Andrea Thorstad 8-31-01

September:

Miss Behavin to Chris and Trina Johnson on 9-9-01

Toes to Robert and Randi Shanley on 9-12-01

Luke to Lance and Sally De St.Croix on 9-15-01

Mandy to Bobbi Jacobsen on 9-22-01

Brady to Barb Tchida on 9-23-01

Vinnie (Mindy) to Mari and Farrell Green on 9-23-01

Bomber to Christina Enger on 9-30-01

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Gary & Bonnie
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GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA - MN



Gotcha' Day!

Congratulations to these folks and hounds on their one year adoption anniversary!

Nellie (Asia) & Sabra Best.

Midge & Paul Miller and Jill Walser.

Aruba & Todd and Greta Palmberg.

Borsch & Stephanie Simones.

Wade & Dawn Courtney.

Buddy (& the Cassens Family).

Monty & Tim and Vanessa Paulson.

Mandy & Kirk Wahlstrom.

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Rainbow Bridge

A special donation was made by the Krautbauers For Their Sweet Beebe. She is Missed So Very Much.

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GPA extends their arms to embrace these families in their time of sorrow.



Sarah Regan Snavelly
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- Thanks to all of the Foster folks.**
- Thanks to all who have been involved in the Coats for Hounds program.**
- Thanks to all who are involved through our Buddy**

program.

Thanks to all who volunteered their time to make our annual Greyhound Festival a success!

Thanks to all of the folks who help out with our Meets & Greets. Thanks to all who staff and attend our special events!

Thanks to all who worked with the Bake Sale this year!

Thanks to all who do the gift wrapping at Barnes & Nobles to profit the hounds!

Many thanks to the veterinarians and their staff that commit their time and resources to help the hounds.

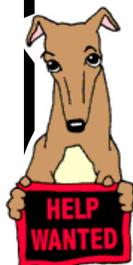
Many thanks to the folks at all the Petcos who make us feel welcome. Also thanks to the folks at PetExpo in Mankato!

This is a list of volunteers that are currently active in our organization and have done some service for the hounds within the last month. It is in alphabetical order. If we have missed someone we would greatly appreciate you letting us know so we may add them to our next list.

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Sarah Snavely, Shari Gray, Robin Schaper, Marty Reynolds, Jen Rachac, Neil Kresal, Teresa Ruohomaki, Anne Cassens, Robin Krautbauer, and Bruce Krautbauer. (not pictured Kathy Marr DVM).



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Call Anne at 952-921-9800!

Thank you so much for your help!





WELCOME AT RAINBOW BRIDGE

by Alexander Theodore, Bouvier, Fourth Year Resident

On the morning of September 11, 2001, there was an unprecedented amount of activity at the Rainbow Bridge. Decisions had to be made. They had to be made quickly. And, they were.



An issue, not often addressed here, is the fact that many residents really have no loved one for whom to wait. Think of the pups who lived and died in hideous puppy mills. No one on earth loved or protected them. What about the many who spent unhappy lives tied in backyards? And, the ones who were abused, Who are they to wait for? We don't talk about that much up here. We share our loved ones as they arrive, happy to do so. But we all know there is nothing like having your very own person who thinks you are the most special pup in the Heavens.

Last Tuesday morning a request rang out for pups not waiting for specific persons to volunteer for special assignment.. An eager, curious crowd surged excitedly forward, each pup wondering what the assignment would be. They were told by a solemn voice that unexpectedly, all at once, over 5,000 loving people had left Earth long before they were ready. All the pups, as all pups do, felt the humans' pain deep in their own hearts. Without hearing more, there was a clamoring among them - "May I have one to comfort?"

"I'll take two, I have a big heart."

"I have been saving kisses forever."

One after another they came forward begging for assignment. One cozy-looking fluffy pup hesitantly asked, "Are there any children coming? I would be very comforting for a child 'cause I'm soft and squishy and I always wanted to be hugged."

A group of Dalmatians came forward asking to meet the Firemen and be their friends. The larger working breeds offered to greet the Police Officers and make them feel at home. Little dogs volunteered to do what they do best, cuddle and kiss. Dogs who on Earth had never had a kind word or a pat on the head, stepped forward and said, "I will love any human who needs love." Then all the dogs, wherever on Earth they originally came from, rushed to the Rainbow Bridge and stood waiting, overflowing with love to share — each tail wagging an American Flag.



Special Events

October 27th - Saturday (11 - 4 PM)

Halloween Party at Petco Richfield hosted by Neil and Sylvia Kresal. Costume contest 11-2 PM! For information contact Sylvia at (612) 924-9057 or ndskresal@earthlink.net

October 29th - Monday

Halloween Party at PetExpo in Mankato Bring your hound in costume and receive greyt coupons. Costume contest and more! For more information please contact Bryan & Nancy Rittenhouse (507) 387-7899 or email: bryhouse@hickorytech.net

November 10th thru December 8th
Saturdays only!

Petco has asked us to kick off their Fall Party and that is when the Holiday Bake Sale goes into full swing. We will have a bake sale at the Richfield Petco every Sat. from Nov. 10-Dec. 8. Please contact Sylvia Kresal for more information. (612) 924-9057 or email: ndskresal@earthlink.net

November 17th & 18th - Sat. & Sunday

Minneapolis Kennel Club Dog Show!

This event is held at the Minneapolis Convention center. It is a two day event that it broken into shifts to staff our booth. It is a fun event that we participate in yearly! Come join us in promoting greyhound adoption! To sign up or for further information please call Robin Krautbauer 763 780-4748 or email: Sistertex@softworksinc.net.

Barnes & Nobles Gift Wrapping

Fri, Nov. 23 6-10 Fri, Dec. 7 6-10
Fri, Dec. 14 6-10 Fri, Dec. 21 6-10
Sun, Dec. 23 6-10

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GPA/MN THANKS THE PETCO STORES A THOUSAND TIMES OVER!



Our Greyhound Guardian Angels!





Hound Horoscopes *by Laura Gerking*



March 21 - April 20 This is a good time to have somebody look over your claws and take care of some grooming concerns. You would not want to leave little problems long enough for them to become bigger ones.



February 19 - March 20 You may find yourself stuck in a room or a car or some other place where you'd rather not be. Try not to worry. Nobody has forgotten you, and you will be back in your normal spot soon. Noises outside may confuse you slightly or at least make you very curious. It is times like those when you are likely happy that others are kept out of your room!



January 21 - February 18 This is a time for serious questions in your home now. They may not be questions that you have to answer for yourself, but your company will help a friend to feel relaxed and to think much more clearly. You will be very welcome for your help in solving the problems, and all will be well by the end of the month!



December 22 - January 20 A small dispute will develop into a real feud if you are not careful. Don't be too territorial or pushy now. The one that you push will certainly push you back! You will gain far more from a friend that you will in chasing away an enemy.



November 23 - December 21 You will find yourself feeling less than energetic this month, and it is a very good time to catch up on your sleep. The extra rest will also help you to avoid health problems later as this is a time when your stars suggest that you will be vulnerable to illness. Smile and enjoy a slower pace so that you will be ready for the fun in weeks ahead.



October 24 - November 22 The weather will play a significant role in your life this month. Perhaps bad weather will postpone or prevent a visit or a trip to the vet. It is a good time to remind somebody about some overdue shots or other health related care.



September 23 - October 23 A particular smell is teasing and tempting you now. It seems that somebody has left something quite delicious smelling out where you can't help but not ice. It is really mean to do something like that and then expect you not to want some! Be careful and try the safer route of begging rather than simply taking what you want. The results will be much better in the end.



August 24 - September 22 Mid-month brings you a small mystery and soon afterwards a new friend. This new friend will be somebody that you meet through an existing friend and this friendship will last a very long time and bring you many hours of fun and happiness. Every day looks good for you this month.



July 23 - August 23 Wow! Something really exciting is about to come your way and you will be thrilled by all the activity! Two people very close to you will also be involved and all will be resolved to a happy ending! Try to keep your wits about you in the excitement and confusion.



June 22 - July 22 This is a time of great anticipation for you. You know that something good is going to happen for you soon and you can hardly wait! Try to be patient and wait for the right time. If you try to speed things along, chances are that you won't enjoy the thing you desire nearly as much.



May 22 - June 21 You are in danger of feeling moody around others this month. This really isn't like your normal character, but we all have days like this now and then. It will pass soon and everybody will still love your company.

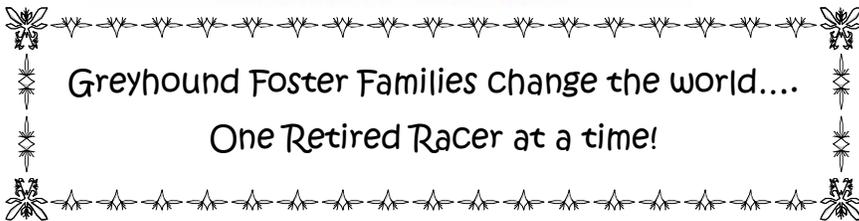


April 21 - May 21 Wind and stormy noises may cause you a few sleepless nights this month. One of the problems with having excellent hearing is the way that loud noises can disturb your sleep so easily.

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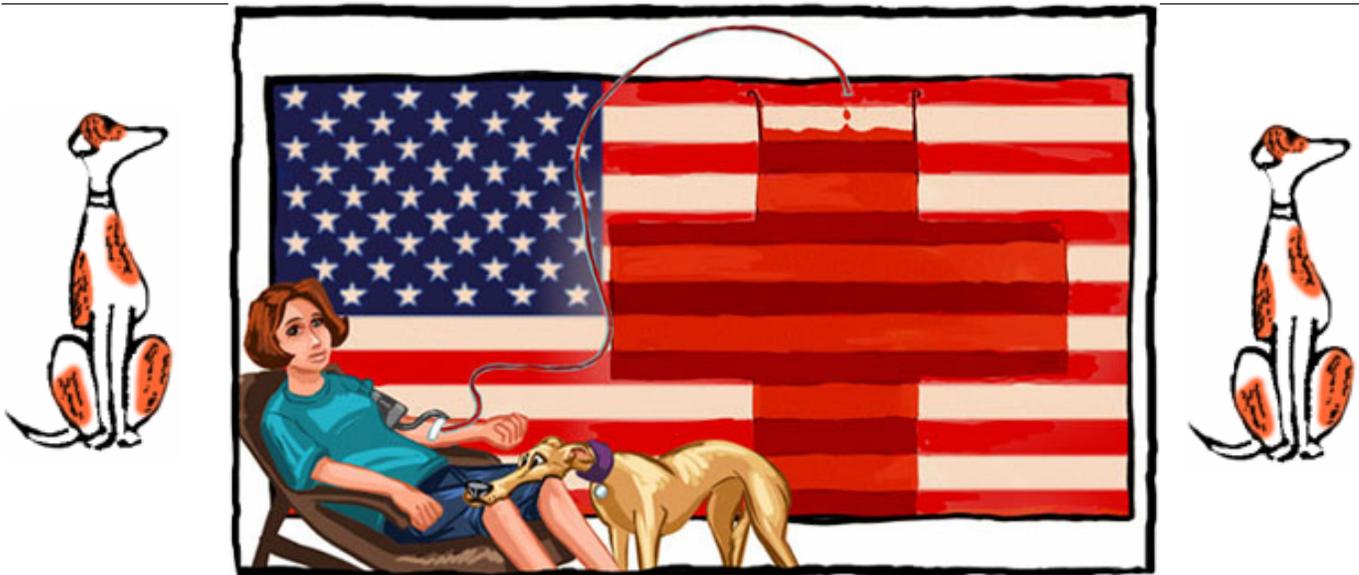
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