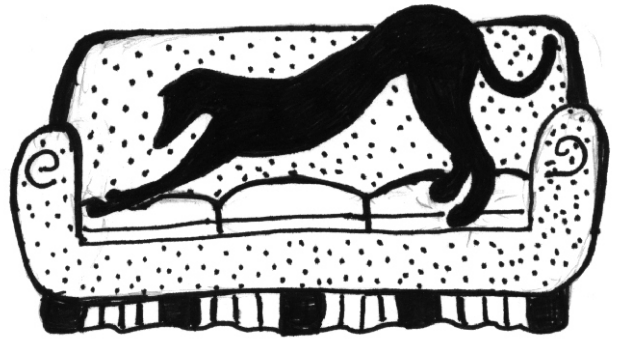


# Home Stretch



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## On the ROAD to RECOVERY!



We introduced **Carie** in our last issue of Home Stretch. She is a 20 month old brindle female whose leg was broken and never repaired--- until now! Thanks to all the generous Greyhound lovers who have donated their time and money for Carie's extensive treatment-- Carie is healing! Special thanks to the Schaper family for being her long term foster family and taking such great care of this wonderful greygirl!.

Please consider making a tax deductible donation and help us help more Greyhounds! It is the generosity of volunteers that allows GPA-MN to help the hounds! Thank you for your support!

## SHE MUST BE SMILING

In June of 1996 a four page newsletter arrived in the mailboxes of Greyhound adopters in Minnesota. The newsletter included articles about microchips, fostering, medical issues, dates for Meet & Greets at Pet Food Warehouse, a photo of a Greyhound and a paragraph aptly titled A New Beginning -- and with that GPA-Minnesota had it's first newsletter written by Robin Krautbauer. Fifty-seven issues followed over 6 years-- that's 638 pages crammed full of information, photos and fun!

The hound in that first newsletter was **Blaze** - Robin's first Greyhound, her heart dog, her inspiration. So this first issue of Home Stretch in the seventh year of publication wouldn't be complete without that photo of Blaze. Robin, you know that girl is smiling at you for a job well done.



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# WELCOME

## New Board Members & Officers!

Howard Austin is a new member of the GPA-MN Board who became involved with GPA when he adopted his greyhound Thunder in May of 2001. He then fell in love with foster Mo & adopted him in November of 2001. Thunder & Mo live with their non-greyhound sister Tillie, a German Wirehaired Pointer mix with one blue eye & one brown eye (not to be confused with the famous greyhound columnist & hound-around-town, Tilly). All 3 dogs run the household with a firm hand, and are adept at letting Howard know when he should do something for them.

New board member Kim Hrabe has adopted two greyhounds, Kip & Monkey. Kip is six years old and one of the research hounds. Three year old Monkey was recently seen on a Channel 9 news story featuring the last Greyhound pick ups from the St. Croix Meadows dog track. Kim, Kip & Monkey also welcome GPA-MN foster dogs into their home.

Teri Petrin lives with two greyhounds, Argus & Sizer. She & her husband, Jason, always loved the breed, but had to wait several years before they lived in a house where they could have a dog. Before that they were "greyhound groupies", attending events such as RenFest & the Land O'Lakes dog show just to see the dogs. Teri & Jason adopted Argus three years ago & took in Sizer a few months after that. Now they actively volunteer with the group, including hosting Meet & Greets at the Maplewood & Roseville PetCos.

Sarah Snavelly is serving her second term on the GPA-MN board. She lives in Moorhead Minnesota with her four Greyhounds: Sterling, Striker, Kelly and Apollo. Beginning with this issue, Sarah takes over the job of editing Home Stretch.

Bruce Krautbauer remains our President. Jen Rachac is our new Vice President. The Secretary/Treasurer position has been split-- Marty Reynolds is our new Secretary and Robin Krautbauer is our Treasurer! Congratulations to ALL!

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## MISISON 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 & also younger greyhounds that haven't been successful at various tracks throughout the country.

We take great pride in educating & informing the public that retired racers make excellent, loving pets.

### Current officers (& board members)

Bruce Krautbauer (President)  
Jen Rachac (Vice President)  
Marty Reynolds (Secretary)  
Robin Krautbauer (Treasurer)

### Boardmembers

Howard Austin      Kim Hrabe  
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Terri Petrin      Teresa Ruohomaki  
Sarah Snavelly

### Coordinators

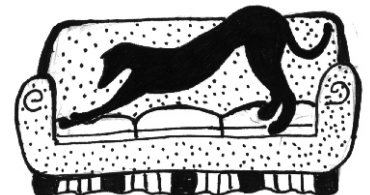
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## Ask Tilly & Jack

**Oh Tilly I need your advice!** I DOUBT if Jack has anything to offer (being a man and all!!) but feel free to run this tidbit by him too!! OK - so I've been holding back on writing about this but I think it's time I come forward and let the world know about my mother's most recent agony and grief ... she has started doing this fostering thing and I just don't understand it!! She brings these strange - should I say - uncivilized - hounds into our home and she tries to make them normal (like me!!!). They stumble up the steps, (at best!), gulp their food - like they have NEVER eaten before - and drop it ALL OVER! - then they cry in their crates and have even done their "business" in our house - I'M JUST SO ASHAMED!!! Their names are Hero, Sugar, and Bobby (AKA Thor!), not that I like to drop names or anything! Well, anyway, that's not why I'm writing - but I'm glad I got that off my chest! My mom comes home from these foster hound pick-ups and she's always in such a funk. Apparently she has made some comments about the coats that are selected for the foster hounds and has received some unusual "looks" - (not that she doesn't deserve some unusual looks - I give her some every day!!!) She says to me that there are people at these foster hound pickups that actually try on a PATTERNED COAT with a PATTERNED HOUND!!! What in the world is that about! I don't agree with my mom on a lot of things - but my gosh! - a PATTERNED COAT with a PATTERNED HOUND!! I can only imagine these hound walking out of the building being photographed with that big black square over their eyes - THIS IS A FASHION "DON'T"! - Mom is so distraught over this ... because she doesn't like to see the foster hounds going to homes with coats that just don't make "fashion" sense! I totally agree with my mom on this if you have a solid colored hound - meaning ALL ONE COLOR then you have the luxury of picking either a patterned coat or a solid colored coat. IF you are one of those hounds with lots of mixed up colors all over your body, you know brindle or with patches of color (don't get me started on what that means!!!), then you MUST STICK WITH A SOLID ! What in the world is that about! I then you MUST STICK WITH A SOLID COLOR COAT! I know it's limiting, but it's only good fashion sense folks!! Well, while I'm at it - I might as well give you mom's word on collars too! She says that she gets a bad time about that too!!! She says she always try to pick a collar that brings out "the best" in the hound and that others (a Marcy comes to mind!) at this gathering have given her a bad time! Well - all I can say is that it is very important that these hounds get the best start to their new civilian lives that they can and that

coordination of their fashion accessories is the key to their transition and success! Please give me your collective advice and if it is to tell my mom to zip her lips then CONSIDER IT DONE!!

**MINNIE THE GPA FASHION COORDINATOR (wanna be !?!)**

**Tilly:** Oh, Minnie, I know what you mean about those foster hounds. They are so uncouth. I'm sure I was never like that. **Jack:** Hey, Tilly, why don't you explain to our readers how such a lady like yourself can eat a large Milkbone in under three seconds, including the crumbs! **Tilly:** Oh shut up, Jack. I may eat quickly, but I do eat neatly. Back to your problem, Minnie. I guess we have been really lucky with all of our fosters as far as them relieving themselves in the house. However, I'm afraid that luck doesn't always extend to Jack. Just recently, our folks were gone for the evening and Dad decided to trust us and not crate us. I, of course, was perfect as always. However, Jack was another story. **Jack:** Hey, I really had to go and I did pee right next to my crate. **Tilly:** Yeah, right Jack. Dad was really pleased with that when he had a suddenly unexplained wet stocking the next morning while he was hurrying to get ready for work! But, back to your fashion problems. I know what you mean about some of our humans having NO fashion sense. Some of the coat and hound combinations I see make me wonder if their owners are colorblind! And yes, I have heard about that Marcy person always being in such a hurry. She ought to relax more, like us. Being a beautiful brindle girl myself, I, of course, have all solid color coats. My gold spring/fall coat goes quite well with my coloring, and my teal winter coat looks stunning against my red brindle fur. Of course all my collars are color coordinated. Tell your mom to stick with it. Maybe we could take up a collection to send some of these humans to fashion school!

**Dear Tilly and Jack,**

We've discovered a new taste treat and our mom wants to know what she should do. We found out how delicious rabbit poop is! How can we get her off our backs?

**Love,**

**Missy and Jessica**

**Tilly:** I'm glad to see that Jack and I aren't the only ones who have discovered this new taste treat! We have a suicidal rabbit that visits our yard and leaves us these yummy morsels. Mom and Dad got so upset when they found out about it. Maybe it had something to do with the fact that we wouldn't come in when we were called or that we didn't do what we were let out to do. **Jack:** See Tilly, I told you that poop was tasty, but you wouldn't listen to me. **Tilly:** Jack, we're talking bunny pellets here, not what forces Mom and Dad to make you wear that duct tape wrapped muzzle when the yard isn't scooped. Anyways, my advice to you guys is to not be greedy. Just have a little taste now and then so your mom doesn't notice. Problem solved!

**Keep those cards & e-mails coming.**

NOTE: You may have noticed that Duke is missing from this column. We had to help him over the bridge in January. We are missing him terribly. Give your hounds an extra hug and a treat. You never know how long they'll be around.

# Toxic to Hounds

submitted by Robin Krautbauer

## ONIONS

Dogs develop hemolytic anemia if they eat enough onions. It doesn't much matter whether the onions are cooked or not. The quantity of onions required is high enough that dogs can generally tolerate small doses of onions without any problem and moderate amounts of onion without clinically apparent disease, even though there may be measurable changes on lab test results. A large quantity of onion is required to cause toxicity problems in dogs in, there are several case reports of onion toxicity and they involve whole onions or sizable portions of chopped onions (like a cup or more).

Feeding dogs meat that has been cooked with onions is pretty safe but you might want to avoid giving them the broth from something like pot-roast if there were

a lot of onions used in the cooking, just to be safe.

## GARLIC

Large amounts of garlic will produce similar toxicity problems in dogs. The amount required is not likely to be eaten by a dog



but there are probably a few hounds around who would lap up a container of spilled garlic. It would have to be a fairly significant amount.

## MUSHROOMS

Mushroom toxicity does occur in dogs and it can be fatal if certain species of mushrooms

are eaten. *Amanita phalloides* is the most commonly reported severely toxic species of mushroom in the US but other *Amanita* species are toxic. (Look for them in your yard!) They can cause severe liver disease and neurological disorders. The recommendation is to induce vomiting when these mushrooms are ingested and to give activated charcoal, as well. Supportive treatment for liver disease may also be necessary.

There are probably species of mushrooms with less toxicity but enough to induce the milder symptoms you are seeing. Inducing vomiting would still be a good idea, I think, when these species of mushroom are eaten. It is possible to induce vomiting using hydrogen peroxide given in small amounts until the dog vomits or by using syrup of ipecac (it takes about 1 teaspoon of ipecac syrup per 10 lbs. of body weight to induce vomiting, on the average so it can be hard to give enough of

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## Gotcha' Day!

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

January 2001

**Lance** to Fred Walk

**Josie** to Dave & Val Harrington

**Amazon** to Dr. Dena Rassmussen

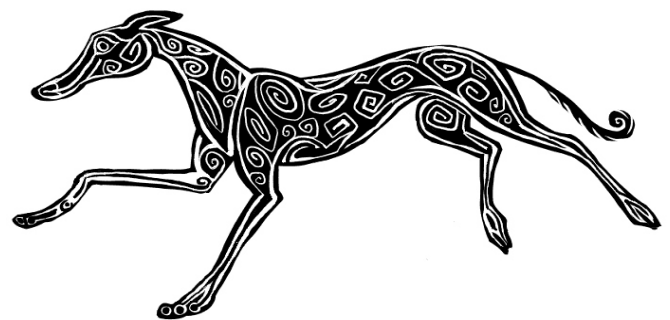
**Wooney** to Scott & Sandy Henke

**Irene** to John & Pat Aspinwall

**Liner** to Jeff & Kristy Banick

**Miss T.** to Brian Short & Marty Reynolds

**Flash** to Mark & Marcia Schneider



Feb. 2001

**Runner** to Mike & Cristyn Rybak

**Gayle** to Deb Minlschmidt

**Hilly** to Mark & Michelle Stevens Soshea

**Lou** to Scott Gettemy

**Ugot** to Amanda Horton

of this --- and an overdose can cause heart problems so it does have to be measured).

Apomorphine is a good choice for inducing vomiting, too but this usually only available through your vet and it is pretty expensive.

Most toxins cause for excessive salivation along with vomiting and but it is possible that there is something else going on. In any case there is nothing that should take the place of consulting your veterinarian right away!

## CHOCOLATE

Milk chocolate rarely contains enough chocolate to pose a serious threat to dogs from chocolate toxicity. A lot of dogs get pretty good cases of diarrhea after eating chocolate treats in large quantities, though. Baker's chocolate is concentrated enough to pose a threat to dogs and they can die from chocolate toxicity.

Signs of a toxic dose can be excitement, increased urination, muscle tremors and rapid heart rate may occur at a lower dosage.

The other problem with dogs eating chocolate is that a lot of formulations of chocolate are high in fat and dogs often get enteritis or pancreatitis following ingestion of a lot of milk chocolate.

The toxic dosages per pound of body weight for dogs work out to be roughly:

1 ounce per pound of body weight for milk chocolate.

1 ounce per 3 pounds of body weight for semi-sweet chocolate

1 ounce per 9 pounds of body weight for baker's chocolate.

Toxic signs may also occur at lower dosages especially with the low

body fat and metabolism of Greyhounds.

I have talked to veterinarians who feel that they have seen dogs that died from heart problems, pancreatitis or other complications following chocolate ingestion even though the dogs ate less than the theoretical toxic dose.

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## Chocolates should be put where dogs are not likely to find & ingest them.

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## GRAPES & RAISINS

Grapes and raisins can be toxic to dogs when ingested in large quantities.

The grapes and raisins can come from different sources, including being eaten off the vine directly.

The dogs can exhibit gastrointestinal signs including vomiting and diarrhea and then signs of kidney failure with an onset of severe kidney signs starting about 24 hours after ingestion of the grapes or raisins.

The amount of grapes eaten can vary between 0.41 and 1.1 oz per

10 pounds of body weight before Having a toxic effect. Due to the severity of the signs and the potential for death, the veterinarians at the poison control center advocate aggressive treatment for any dogs suggested of ingesting excessive amounts of grapes or raisins, including inducing vomiting, stomach pumping and administration of activated charcoal, followed by intravenous fluid therapy for at least 48 hours or as indicated based on the results of blood tests for kidney damage.

I have fed my dogs a few grapes every now and then for years, so I don't think there is a need to panic if a dog eats three or four grapes but if the whole bunch is missing from the table one day, it would be good to think about watching for any signs of a toxic reaction.

**A good number to keep on hand: National Animal Poison Control Center (1-900-680-0000).** There is a charge for calling the center so listen to the details on that when you call.



## Special Thanks for Your Gotcha' Day Celebration Donations!

A donation was made in honor of the fabulous **Miss T's** Gotcha' Day by Marty Reynolds & Bryan Short.

Val & Dave Harrington sent a donation in honor of their hound **Josie** on Jan. 14th, 2001.

*"This donation is in honor of the day we adopted Josie. Thank you for making such a perfect match. We love her more every day!"*



# DAPHNE MAE

explains it all

While we have your ears Niley and I want to talk to you all about winter walks. While we were racing we never encountered stuff like coats or boots. Now that we are living in retirement we have to get used to these (strange) humans dressing us up to go make whizzies and poops!

Our mom is a real nut (not just about dressing us either) about keeping us warm and dry. If the temperature goes under 30 degrees Mom busts out our storm coats. These are fleece-lined and waterproof (so we can romp and play in the snow, of course). Under 20 degrees means we will have to layer on our sweaters or tummy warmers beneath our coats. Mom says if she wears a sweater or sweatshirt, so do WE! Hey, I told you she was nuts.

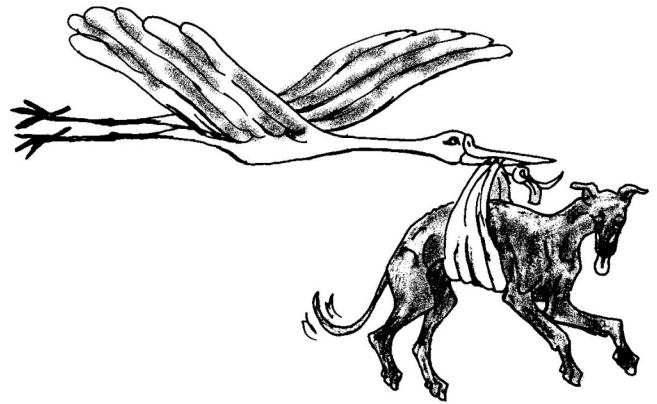
*(Niles chimes in from his bed)*...and you aren't just whistling Dixie, Daph. Still, she does keep the treats and chow coming, so we let her get away with a lot! *(Niles gets up from his bed to chime in)* Then there are those dreadful boots--sorry Daph, I know you like yours, but I'm a big tough MAN DOG and I feel like a real wussy when she makes me

wear those boots. When its really cold like this morning, four stinkin' degrees, heck yes I was glad the old girl made me wear boots! But I like whizzing on my front paws and running bare-pawed through the snow! It makes me feel manly! Once the spring thaw comes I am sure Mom will let up with her



embarrassing clothing stuff, but till then I will remember all the steak, chicken, turkey & avocados the old girl dishes out--then I will keep trying to chew those dadburned boots offa my cute little *(Daphne retorts--Niles YOUR PAWS AIN'T LITTLE!)* Paws.

-- by Daphne  
(With help from Niles & Samantha Shine)



## Adoptions

### December 2001

**Brett** adopted to Kathleen Millard and Stefan DeBoel and family on 12-16-01

### January 2002

**Coach** adopted to Bill and Lori Hanson on 1-5-02

**Brickhead** adopted to Bill and Clare Kaiser on 1-7-02

**Wade** adopted to Dan Tomassetti on 1-11-02

**Casey** adopted to Ian and Judy Silver on 1-12-02

**Toby** adopted to Mary and Benedict Ho on 1-13-02

**Gabby** adopted to Christin Anderson on 1-26-02

**Cool** adopted to Calvin and Deb Brumbaugh on 1-28-02

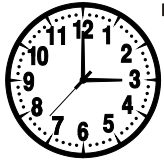
### February 2002

**Oakie** adopted to Rich and Georgia Hetland on 2-2-02

**Tahoe** adopted to Eric and Lisa Simon on 2-2-02

*Congratulations to all of these folks and hounds. Best wishes to you all!*





# Time for a Tag Check

by Sarah Regan Snavelly

Striker, my big black male, enjoys having his neck rubbed. Rub on his neck and he flattens out his ears, stretches his lips back and lets his eyes roll back in his head-- pure ecstasy. Often I slip off his buckle collar-- better access to that long and graceful neck that is so distinctly Greyhound--and back it goes when the neck rub is over.

I don't mess around with ID on my hounds.

Several winters back, Kelly got out of the yard through a gate unintentionally left open. It was four in the morning and he was gone. The pit in my stomach felt endless. I grabbed the squawker, a leash and the van keys and tried to fight off the

thought that I had to find him before a car or some other danger did. I circled the neighborhood, rolled down the car window and asked anyone I saw if they'd seen a "big blue Greyhound". They'd give me a quizzical look and answer, "Uh...No" and I'd frantically move on.

Wasn't until later that I realized that they were thinking I was looking for a bus-- Greyhound bus.

Kelly was returned to me an hour later thanks to a lady who was shoveling snow when Kelly wandered past her house. She caught him and called the number on the ID tag on his collar. That \$5 ID tag has been one of the best things I have

purchased for Kelly.

So last week, after clothing Striker's naked neck after a rub, I noticed that his ID tag is so worn it is barely readable (the engraving on the ID tag was never very deep). The tag should have been replaced months ago anyway when I got a new phone number. I didn't think of it.

If you had asked me if my hounds always wear their collars I'd stress "Of course! I can identify my Greyhounds by jingle of their tags!" And there I was, responsible Greyhound owner, with ID on my hounds...but not effective ID.

Off we went to the nearest Petco for a round of brand new correct ID tags for the Greyhounds.

When having a new ID tag made I make sure I include a

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Clip Art courtesy Greyhound Gang



## Waiting at the RAINBOW BRIDGE

*"Beauty without Vanity  
Strength without Insolence  
Courage without Ferocity and all the  
Virtues of Man without his Vices."  
-Lord Byron*

Our deepest sympathies to Stephanie Simones for the loss of her greygirl, **Kenya**.

Our hearts also go out to Martha & Walter Cleveland for the loss of their four legged Secretary, **Molly**.

Thinking of Mary & Egon Bauer for the loss their beautiful greyhound **Pirate**.

And all who met, **Duke**, adopted as a senior by Neil & Sylvia Kresal will miss him.

A special donation has been made in honor of the Krautbauer's eldest greygirl, **Bonnie**.

*"She is now young again and running at the bridge. The queen of our pack is missed so very much.*

*With love,  
Bruce and Robin Krautbauer."*

## Time for a Tag Check (cont'd)

few things there are so few spaces to say so much! I include day and evening phone numbers, my name & the Greyhound's name. Also each tag says "REWARD!" across the top. I want people to know that I want my hounds back quickly. I don't list an amount I gave the lady who found Kelly the \$30 that was in my pocket-- she was pleased and I was ecstatic that she had taken the time to call so I had my Greyhound returned safe and sound.

In addition to the new ID tag, each of my Greyhound's sport their current rabies tag as well as the GPA-Minnesota tag with 800 number received at adoption-- plenty of phone numbers if someone finds my lost hound.

I disregard the 'S' hook that comes with some tags and

instead use a small screw-lock link I've purchased at the hardware store. I found the links after I had a hound rip his ear on an 'S' hook from a tag on his buddy's collar but they also work well if your Greyhound has a multiple collars - moving ID from fancy collar to everyday collar.



Kelly can relax now that he has current identification

The screw-lock link with tags is attached to a well-fitting quality buckle collar. My favorite everyday collars are the soft round leather buckle collars (also available at Petco and great for Greyhounds with bald throats) or the wide

leather English-type buckle Collars from Halemar Specialties [www.halemar.com](http://www.halemar.com) (they will stamp your Greyhound's name on the collar for no additional cost). If you are looking for an ultra-posh buckle collar try Tierisch Exclusiv at [www.dogcollars.net](http://www.dogcollars.net) - very soft leather collars available in many colors.

I used to dislike the jingle of the tags and would tape them together, but a more attractive alternative is the Tea Bags sold by Marsha's Martingales. [www.marshasmartingales.com](http://www.marshasmartingales.com) Tea bags are small corduroy or leather pouches designed to hold & hide ID tags. Marsha's also sells the screw-lock links.

Oh if all problems were this easy to remedy! Now if I could only convince Apollo that the vacuum cleaner cord isn't going to hurt him...

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Greyhound Pets of America/Minnesota gives a resounding

# THANK YOU!



With their help many Greyhounds have found & will continue to find loving homes & live long and happy lives! Participating Petco stores:

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St. Cloud Petco  
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The Petco stores of Minnesota continued support is invaluable to our organization!

## THANK YOU SO MUCH!

# Land O' Lakes Dog Show event recap

Submitted by Denise Walsh

Thank you to everyone who volunteered with the Land O' Lakes dog show! Your help and time is very much appreciated!

The Dog Show was a great success. We had many, many visitors to our booth and we really got our name out there!!

The numbers of people that we saw and talked to over the 3 days was astonishing. We had many people very interested in adopting too!

**Thanks again to everyone for helping out!  
You did a great job!**

Jill Walser  
Beth Moshier-Wallin  
Susan Starr  
Richard & Dawn Courtney  
Denise & Pat Walsh  
Sandy Jammer  
Neil & Sylvia Kresal  
Anne Cassens  
Brian & Jennifer Jett  
Becca Nelson

Marty Reynolds & Brian Short  
Howard Austin  
Karen Miller  
Bruce & Robin Krautbauer

A special thank you to Denise Walsh and Karen Miller for organizing the event.

What a great way to start off 2002!

It is coming!!!  
**GREYFEST 2002**  
Saturday, June 1st



Want to get involved in the "behind the scenes" of our premier fundraising event of the year? Here is your chance!

We need your help to make our yearly fundraiser and social gathering a success. If you can volunteer your time or donation (cash or new items to sell or raffle) contact Teresa at: 651-483-5997 or HeyYouSir @wavefront.com

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

All New!  
**GPA-MN  
WEBSITE**  
[www.gpa.mn.org](http://www.gpa.mn.org)

Thanks to webmaster, Shari Gray for her wonderful site redesign!



Do you have a great  
Greyhound veterinarian?

GPA-Minnesota is looking for veterinarians in the metro area (particularly in the southern areas) interested in working with our organization. Do you have a great Greyhound vet that might be a good addition to our list of wonderful GPA-MN vets?

Please let us know at 763.785.4000

February is National  
Pet Dental Month!

Have you brushed your Greyhound's teeth today?



## Meet & Greet Calendar

(or phone 663-785-4000 ext.4)

**Petco - Brooklyn Park** (Kevin)  
February 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

**Petco - Coon Rapids** (Sandy & Alyssa)  
February 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM  
March 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

**Petco - Eden Prairie** (Nancy & Brittany)  
February 23 Saturday 12 - 3 PM  
March 23, Sat. 12-3 PM

**Petco - Fridley** (Jen & Doug)  
February 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM  
March 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

**Pet Expo - Mankato** (Nancy & Brian)  
February 17 Sunday 1 - 4 PM  
March 17 Sunday 1 - 4 PM

**Petco - Maple Grove** (Robin & Bob)  
February 23 Saturday 1 - 3 PM

**Petco - Maplewood** (Teri & Jason)  
February 9 Saturday 1 - 4 PM  
March 9 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

**Petco - Richfield** (Neil & Sylvia)  
February 9 Saturday 1 - 4 PM  
March 9 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

**Petco - Ridgedale** (Karen)  
February 10 Sunday 1 - 3:30 PM  
March 10 Sunday 1 - 3:30 PM

**Petco - Roseville** (Teri & Jason)  
February 16 Saturday 1 - 4 PM  
March 16 Saturday 1 - 4 PM

**Petco - St. Cloud** (Kate & Pat)  
February 9 Saturday 11 - 1 PM  
March 9 Saturday 11 - 1 PM

**Petco - West St. Paul** (Marty & Brian)  
February 16 Saturday 11 - 2 PM  
March 16 Saturday 11 - 2 PM

**Petco - Oakdale** (Lyle and Karissa)  
February 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM  
March 9 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

**Borders Bookshop** - Calhoun Square  
(Neil & Sylvia)  
February 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM  
March 16 Saturday 12 - 3 PM

Bring your hound  
and help educate  
the public about  
Greyhounds!



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

for the GPA-Minnesota

# SOCIAL HOUR

Where? Petco Richfield

When? Second Monday of every  
month 7-8 PM

# YOU'RE INVITED

And your Greyhounds too!

## Celebrate those Irish Bloodlines- it's Limerick time again!

Quickly send them our way and  
they will appear in our March  
Issue. Here is a classic favorite:



We have a shy hound named Shasta  
He ran as fast as he had ta.  
Until one sunny day  
He ran the wrong way  
Now he spends his time playing canasta

Send your limericks to:  
GPA-MN Newsletter c/o Sarah Snavelly,  
P.O. Box 375, Moorhead, MN 56561-0375  
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# FOSTERING

Fostering is an important part of a Greyhound's transition into their new permanent homes. Please help us help the hounds we are working to help by becoming a foster home. Call 763-785-4000 for more information.



THANK YOU SO MUCH  
FOR YOUR HELP!

# GREYHOUND SITTING

The Greyhound Sitting Co-op has been a great benefit to all of use who have used it-- knowing that our hounds are well cared for when we are gone! If you are interested in participating call Bethany and Lauren Kauffman 763-576-0455 for further information.

# DONATIONS & SPONSORS

We are a national, non-profit organization. Donations & Sponsors are greatly needed to help keep costs down and enable us to continue to let the public know about the glorious Greyhound. All donations are tax deductible. Any and all contributions are greatly appreciated.

To make a donation in honor of your hound's birthday, adoption day, or in memorial please send your donation and your request in by the 15th of the month prior to the month the event falls in. Send donation & information to:

GPA-MN  
P.O. Box 49183  
Minneapolis, MN 55449

**YOUR DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**



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