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# From the President ...



Brenda's pack has changed a bit since this photo was taken, but Brenda never ages!

GAGC Families and Friends,

I cannot believe 2022 is over already! We have had some ups and downs but looking at the big picture, it has been a greyt year for our members and their greyhounds! Some of us had to say goodbye to our fur kids this year which is always devastating, but we will always have their memories. Can you imagine the greeting we will get when we meet up again someday? We had 86 adoptions to greyt families this year. In 2021, we had 85 and, in 2020, we had 123. We expect even fewer adoptions next year because of the lack of available dogs. Our mission is to find good homes for these greyt dogs one at a time!

*Brenda*

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On the cover: Sweet foster **DD Going All In** was adopted in November and is now named **Jeff**. He's doing great in his new home.

# Greyt health & safety

## Angel's Paws

Several GAGC members have contacted Angel's Paws to euthanize a beloved pet. Visit their website to learn about this wonderful organization: [angelpaws.com](http://angelpaws.com)

## Dog flu outbreaks reported across the U.S.

Veterinarians, animal shelters, and kennels are reporting outbreaks of canine flu across the United States. Do you know how to protect your pet? [Read more.](#)

## Why does my dog poop in the house?

*Written by Wendy C. Fries, Fetch by WebMD  
Reviewed by Amy Flowers, DVM on May 8, 2021*

2 in the house sometimes. If it happens more often than usual, your furry friend may have a problem. Illness, aging, and emotional issues could be to blame. But you should consider those causes only if you know your dog is housetrained—in your home.

If you adopt an adult, housetrained dog, it may have accidents at first. A few reasons:

- Stress
- A new schedule
- Not knowing how to “ask” you to go out

The problem should go away in a few weeks when your new pet gets used to the family routine.

It could be that your pooch isn't well trained. Whether you have an adult dog or a puppy, you'll need to teach them to do their business outside. Set a routine, watch your dog as much as you can, and have someone take them out if you're going to be away.

When your adult dog starts to poop indoors out of the blue, it's time to explore different causes.

### Medical reasons

You may want to start with a call to your vet, especially if your dog's stools are loose or if they have diarrhea. This could be a sign of gastroenteritis, when their stomach, small or large intestines are inflamed. Possible causes include:

- Parasites like roundworms, hookworms, and giardia
- Food intolerance or allergy
- Bacteria

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Even the best-behaved dog can go No.



- Viruses
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Bowel cancer

There may be other medical reasons your dog poops indoors. That's why it never hurts to rule out these problems first.

### **Aging**

Have you noticed your dog poops more in the house as they get older? You aren't alone. Older dogs often have fecal incontinence, or a lack of bowel control. Here's why:

#### **They can't "hold it" like they used to.**

As they age, they may need to go to the bathroom more often. They might also lose strength in the muscles that keep poop inside their body.

**They forget to go.** Your older pup may have a condition called canine cognitive dysfunction. It's like Alzheimer's disease in people. They could forget what to do on walks, then come inside and poop. Talk to your vet or a pet therapist about treatment options.



**They have other health issues.** One that affects mainly older dogs is called canine degenerative myelopathy. It often starts with hind-end weakness and can lead to incontinence.

**What can you do?** When home, you can limit the mess by letting your dog out more often. When you're away, hire someone to let them out, and keep them in a part of the house where cleanup is easy.

**Pain or arthritis.** It may be painful for them to posture to poop (the squatting position can be uncomfortable with any joint or muscle changes).

### **Separation anxiety**

If your dog gets stressed when you leave the house, they could have separation anxiety. Signs include scratching at doors and windows, destructive chewing, howling or whining, and going potty inside the house.

Different dogs have different reasons for this panicked response. Some aren't used to being alone. Others can't handle a change in routine. Whatever the cause, there are steps you can take to lessen the problem:

- Don't make a big deal about leaving the house or coming home.
- Talk to your vet about over-the-counter calming aids.
- Ask the vet about prescription drugs that calm anxiety.
- Confine your dog to a room with windows and toys to limit destruction.
- Leave your dog with some recently worn clothes. Your smell can have a calming effect.

### **Fear of loud noises**

When dogs are afraid, they often pee or poop in the house. Loud noises, from the rumble of thunder to the boom and crack of fireworks, are common triggers. While you can't stop the sounds outside, you can train your dog to be calmer when they hear loud noises.

**Create a safe and happy space.** For dogs, a safe space will usually be dark and relatively small. It may be a closet, a crate, or even under your bed. Encourage (but don't force) your dog to go there when loud noises strike. Provide treats or other rewards so they associate that space with happy things, not scary sounds.

**Provide distractions.** At the first sign of stress from loud noises, give your dog something fun to do. Play fetch with a tennis ball, offer a new squeaky toy, or practice commands with treats. Don't expect to get rid of all their worries on the first try. The aim should be to delay fearful behavior longer each time.



**Pet food recalls**

The FDA periodically updates their website with new pet food recalls. Don't take a chance with your pet's health. Please visit the [FDA website](#) to check the safety of your pet's food.

If these problems and fixes don't apply to your dog, don't worry. Once your vet has ruled out medical reasons for dog poop indoors, a dog behavior expert can help you get to the root of the problem and help you fix it, too.

### **Nestlé Purina PetCare Company voluntarily recalls a limited amount of Purina Pro Plan Veterinary Diets EN Gastroenteric Low Fat Wet Dog Food due to labeling error**

Out of an abundance of caution, Nestlé Purina PetCare Company is [voluntarily recalling a limited amount of Purina Pro Plan Veterinary Diets EN Gastroenteric Low Fat](#) (PPVD EN Low Fat) prescription wet dog food in 13.4 oz cans due to a labeling error. For a brief period on Sept. 15, 2022, cans of a different complete and balanced adult dog food, Purina ONE True Instinct Tender Cuts In Gravy With Real Turkey & Venison wet dog food, were labeled as PPVD EN Low Fat in one of our factories. The mislabeled diet is safe to feed, but it is not the intended formula for dogs requiring a prescription PPVD EN Low Fat diet, who may have sensitivities to traditional diets or difficulty digesting fat.

We became aware of the issue after being contacted by several pet owners who observed the texture of food in their PPVD EN Low Fat cans was not the same as previous meals. The mislabeled product contains chunks in gravy, while the correct product looks more like a pate consistency.

# DOG-FRIENDLY OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS



*Before giving any medication to your dog, always ask your veterinarian if it is okay to do so. Even human meds deemed to be “safe” can be toxic to certain breeds of pets, or ones with pre-existing conditions. Dosages given below are suggestions only. Consult your vet before administering.*

## BUFFERED ASPIRIN

To relieve pain and inflammation



- ½ baby aspirin for dogs under 10 pounds
- 1 baby aspirin for dogs 10–30 pounds
- ½ regular aspirin for dogs 30–50 pounds
- 1 regular aspirin for dogs 50–100 pounds
- 2 regular aspirins for dogs over 100 pounds



## BENADRYL

For allergies and itching

- 1 milligram per pound of dog

## DRAMAMINE

For motion sickness

- 12.5 milligrams for small dogs
- 25 milligrams for medium dogs
- 50 milligrams for large dogs



## GAS-X

To minimize flatulence or gas discomfort

- ¼ adult dose for small dogs
- ½ adult dose for medium dogs
- 1 adult dose for large dogs

## HYDROCORTISONE

For itching or irritated skin

- Small amount of ointment applied topically (up to twice daily)



## HYDROGEN PEROXIDE

Used to induce vomiting after accidental ingestion of toxic substances

- 10 milliliters by mouth (administered with a plastic syringe)



## IMODIUM A-D

For diarrhea

- 1 milligram per pound of dog



## PEPCID AC [Famotidine] / ZANTAC [Ranitidine]

To reduce stomach acids caused by ulcers, acid reflux, or bellyache

- ¼ tablet for dogs under 20 pounds
- ½ tablet for dogs 20–60 pounds
- 1 tablet for dogs over 60 pounds



## PEPTO BISMOL

For diarrhea, vomiting, and gas

- 1 teaspoon per 20 pounds of dog's weight  
(Note: Pepto Bismol is toxic to cats!)



## ROBITUSSIN DM

For coughing or hacking

- 1 teaspoon per 10 pounds of dog's weight



# Greyt goods & services

## 2023 Calendars

The 2023 GAGC calendars continue to be available for sale: \$5 each or three for \$10. Please contact *Brenda* or *Kathy* to purchase some. They are also available at *Dr. Moore's* office.

## Items for sale

*Kathy* and *Brenda* have a supply of belly bands, muzzles, and stool covers available if you are in need of any for your hound.

*Irene M.* makes custom fleece jackets for greyhounds. You can reach her at [misspickiyune@yahoo.com](mailto:misspickiyune@yahoo.com) for details about placing an order.

## Combo leads and belly bands

We really appreciate all of you who have returned your unwanted black combo leads to GAGC to reuse for future adoptions. Recycling these collar sets helps GAGC save money. If you no longer need yours, please return it to *Brenda* or *Kathy*.

Did we loan you a belly band when you adopted your male greyhound? If you still have it, please wash it if needed and return it to *Brenda* or *Kathy*. We like to keep some available for future loans and our supply tends to run out quickly.

## We need your unwanted muzzles!

Do you have gently used greyhound muzzles sitting around in the garage or the back of a closet? We frequently need to replace the muzzles on our newest dogs and would like to save money by collecting muzzles that are not being used. Please let *Brenda* or *Kathy* know if you can donate an unneeded muzzle.

## Vet recommendations?

We are frequently asked to share recommendations of vets who know the greyhound breed. Do you have a vet that you know and trust to treat your pup? Please share the details with *Brenda* or *Kathy* and we'll update our vet list. In addition, if you've had a bad experience with a particular vet, we would be interested in knowing that too!



# GAGC News

## Nature's Select

We continue to be overwhelmed by the generosity of *Alan* and *Leslie Schrager*, our Nature's Select distributors. Not only do they give us a discount on our foster food, but they also donate a bag of Nature's Select every month for our winning foster family. We are so grateful to have you as part of the GAGC family!

## Webmaster

We certainly appreciate our expert webmaster *Mike K.* He maintains our professional-looking website and responds to requests to add or change information with lightning speed. Thank you so much for your terrific support!

## Congratulations

*Meghan* and *Kevin B.* welcomed daughter *Maisie* on Dec. 15. Congratulations! Older brother *Walter*, greyhounds **Scarlet** and **Spike**, and the family's Havanese all approved of the new arrival.



## Find GAGC on Facebook



Have you visited the [GAGC Facebook](#) page?

Visit our website at [cincigreyhounds.org](http://cincigreyhounds.org) and

click at the top. Foster families add cute photos and comments about their fosters, proving fostering can be rewarding and fun! If you have cute stories about your hounds, please share them. Thanks to *Melissa*, *Heather*, and *Mike* for monitoring posts. We do monitor comments before posting and will not include negative or inappropriate items.

Note from *Brenda*: Thank you for posting on our Facebook member's page. Please be aware that some posts with questions and comments are NOT GAGC members or GAGC-related.

## GAGC on Instagram



Our [Instagram](#) manager *Melissa L.* would like your photos! Send them to

[MelissaLohman7@gmail.com](mailto:MelissaLohman7@gmail.com). Foster families are encouraged to send pictures of their fosters settling into home life, but anyone is welcome to send good photos of their greyhounds.

Greyhound **Bob** and his canine buddy are resting up after holiday celebrations.



# Recent Events & Outreach

## Sharon Woods walk

Nov. 6 was a gorgeous day for a long walk in the woods. We had about 25 hounds and their humans attend. *Brenda's* girls **Betsy** and **Maggie** enjoyed seeing all their old racing buddies. As always, **Ella** and **Frosty** led the way with moms *Sharon* and *Jane*. Let's do it again when the weather permits.

Happy greyhounds and their humans are getting ready to start the GAGC group walk at Sharon Woods.

## Newsletter photos or articles needed

If you have good photos of your hounds, send them in as we might use them for the newsletter.

Send to Kathy at

[koe50gh@gmail.com](mailto:koe50gh@gmail.com)

or Brenda at

[gagcgreyhounds@gmail.com](mailto:gagcgreyhounds@gmail.com).



# Dog runs, fosters & adoptions

## Dog runs

On Nov. 20, both *Irene* and *Brenda* made the drive to pick up four new WV dogs. We received females **JS Rum Runner (Brandi)** and **Kelly Preston (Demi)**, and males **Anthony Quinn (Anthony)** and **AB Invader (Vader)**. From *Irene*:

It was wonderful to get “On the Road Again” after taking some time off to train a dog in puppyhood. Nov. 20 was a freezing cold day, but the sun was warm and the company grand. Two wonderfully sweet girls, **Demi** and **Brandi**, jumped into my car and off we went to start a new life journey. We sang Christmas carols with Michael Bubl  and Neil Diamond. **Demi**

**SE Top Gun** just came to town on Dec. 27. He’s a small guy with a very sweet disposition.



actually “sat” at the back window as **Brandi** checked out every window. Happy new forever homes, girls.

*Brenda* wrote:

What a bitter cold day it started out to be for the dog run on Nov. 20. *Irene* and I both drove and picked up four newly-retired racers. All four were super sweet and the boys did well on the ride back to my house where foster families met us. We got quick photos of the newbies and off they went to their foster homes starting the next chapter of their lives.

*Brenda* and *Irene* drove to Jackson on Dec. 11 to pick up five new WV dogs for us. From *Brenda*:

It started as a dreary day for a dog run but it’s always exciting picking up new retired racers. *Irene* brought back two black females (**JS Big Blast** and **JS Feelin Fussy**) and I brought back three handsome red males (**FF Salty Dog**, **MD Show Em Up**, and **Otto**). After a while the boys finally decided which spot in my car was comfy to lay down. There were a couple of grumbles when one of them stepped on the other one, but they were excited meeting the foster families. Thanks to *Stephanie S.*, *Chrissy G.*, *Jennifer H.* and *Bob S.*, *Angela* and *Bob B.*, and *Brenda* and *David S.*

Here’s *Irene*’s report:

After seven days of dreary, drizzly weather and a “dittoed” forecast for the next seven days, it was a delightful ride

to encounter blue skies and sunshine as we rode to meet the newbies and transport them to their new life journeys. The pups were very excited as they hopped out of the hauler and into the chauffeured vehicles with windows! The girls thought the back of my little Fit was a playground, but they were well aware of safety first, and as soon as I approached the speed limit, they went to sleep. I'm sure Santa will grant our wishes and you will be in forever homes soon. Happy new life.

On a chilly Dec. 27, *Brenda* and *Jami* drove to Jackson to pick up three more dogs: females **CG's Opal** and **FGF Wind Me Up (Windy)** and male **SE Top Gun**. Here's *Brenda's* report:

New girl **FGF Wind Me Up**, nicknamed **Windy**, is full of personality!



The dog run was one I was worried about traveling to pick up three new retired racers after our cold snowstorm. **CG's Opal**, **FGF Wind Me Up**, and **SE Top Gun** were bundled up in coats when we picked them up from *Barb* and got into the warm car, but what was funny was I had a belly band for **Top Gun**, so I had to crawl into the back of my van to put it on him. Well, **Windy** thought it was play time; I was laughing so hard trying to get back out of the car. I heard *Barb* and *Jami* laughing too! After we pulled out, **Opal** was very interested in getting into *Jami's* seat, trying very hard to get over the dog gate and into her lap. *Jami* had to correct the pups a couple times, remember we had one male and two females. After about an hour, they all laid down and the remainder of the trip was uneventful. Thankfully the roads were in good shape, and I really appreciated having *Jami* as my co-pilot and I enjoyed her company.

### Foster homes needed

Our biggest challenge in finding homes for retired racing greyhounds continues to be finding foster families to help with the dogs' transition into their forever homes. Would you like to be part of the process? We provide all food, medications, and guidance, and there is no expense to you. Can we add you to our list?

### Foster a greyhound, get in the monthly drawing for a bag of Nature's Select or a \$50 gift card!

*Alan* and *Leslie*, our Nature's Select distributors, donate a 30-pound bag of Nature's Select every month to support our fostering program. Everyone who

has fostered for at least a week in that month will be eligible to win either the bag of food or a \$50 gift card. Recent winners are:

### November

Food winner: *Patti B.* and *Craig O.*, foster parents to **JA's Kohls**

Gift card winner: *Jami B.*, foster parent to **CG's Galaxy, JS Rum Runner**

Gift card winner: *Debbie B.*, foster parent to **DD Going All In**

Gift card winner: *Becky and Matt S.*, foster parents to **JA's Harper**

### December

Food winner: *Jennifer H.* and *Bob S.*, foster parents to **JS Big Blast**

Gift card winner: *Julia* and *Brian P.*, foster parents to **WW By All Means**

Gift card winner: *Stephanie S.*, foster parents to **JS Feelin Fussy**

Gift card winner: *Karen K.*, foster parent to **CG's Insight**

Foster girl **Insight** is demonstrating the classic "bed fail". Fortunately, all her toys are safe and sound in the bed.



## Foster families

We are so appreciative of our foster families. They give us the option of having multiple dogs readily available for new applicants to meet and adopt. Thanks to:

*Angela and Bob B.*: **FF Salty Dog**

*Becky and Matt S.*: **JA's Harper (Harper)**

*Brenda and David S.*: **Anthony Quinn (Anthony), MD Show Em Up (Homer)**

*Brenda and Ron P.*: **JS Feelin Fussy**  
*Chrissy G.*: **AB Invader (Vader), Otto, SE Top Gun**

*Debbie B.*: **DD Going All In**

*Jami B.*: **CG's Galaxy, JS Rum Runner (Brandi), Otto, SE Top Gun**

*Jennifer H.* and *Bob S.*: **JS Big Blast (Boost)**

*Julia and Brian P.*: **WW By All Means (Bam)**

*Karen K.*: **CG's Insight**

*Michele C.*: **JA's Target**

*Patti B.* and *Craig O.*: **JA's Kohl's**

*Peg C.* and *Jason P.*: **FGF Wind Me Up (Windy)**

*Stephanie S.*: **Kelly Preston (Demi), JS Feelin Fussy, CG's Opal**

*Robin C.*: **WW By All Means (Bam)**

## Current foster dogs

Are you ready for another greyhound? We have the following dogs available:

**WW By All Means (Bam)**: July 27, 2019; 3-year-old black male

**CG's Insight (Cupcake)**: May 29, 2020; 2-year-old brindle female

**CG's Opal**: May 19, 2020; 2-year-old brindle female

**FGF Wind Me Up (Windy)**: April 11, 2018; 4-year-old red female

**SE Top Gun**: Sept. 16, 2020; 2-year-old black male

Did you know that the adoption fee for any dog after your first GAGC greyhound is only \$150? Please contact your local placement representative (*Brenda* or *Kathy*) if you are interested in adding one of these foster dogs to your family.

### Recent adoptions

- **CG's Galaxy (Gus):** Nov. 5 to *Theresa* and *John F.* of Huber Heights
- **JA's Harper (Harper):** Nov. 6 to *PJ M.* of Beavercreek
- **JA's Target (Angus):** Nov. 6 to *Michele C.* of Fairfield Township
- **DD Going All In (Jeff):** Nov. 11 to *Christine, Steve, Genevieve,* and *Gillian B.* of Centerville

Recently adopted **Ira** (formerly **AB Invader**) is happy in his new home with mom *Tamara* and greyhound buddy **Harriet**.



- **JA's Kohls (Kohl):** Nov. 19 to *Nathan O.* and *Kaley S.* of Dayton
- **Anthony Quinn (Goatty):** Nov. 29 to *Haley H.* of Wilder, Ky.
- **AB Invader (Ira):** Dec. 3 to *Tamara T.* of Dayton
- **Reel World (Ziggy):** Dec. 4 to *Jill* and *Keith K.* of Mechanicsburg
- **JS Rum Runner (Aki):** Dec. 4 to *Hatsue A.* of Cincinnati
- **Kelly Preston (Daisy):** Dec. 6 to *Cheryl* and *Thom F.* of Maineville
- **JS Big Blast (Jet):** Dec. 15 to *Jennifer H.* and *Bob S.* of Cincinnati
- **MD Show Em Up (Wilson):** Dec. 16 to *Dana* and *Dan B.* of Norwood
- **Otto (Darius):** Dec. 21 to *Eileen J.* of Washington Court House
- **JS Feelin Fussy (Fussy):** Dec. 21 to *Slawa* and *Ken B.* of Dayton
- **FF Salty Dog (Salty):** Dec. 22 to *Laura* and *Mike C.* of Mason

### Pet Sitters

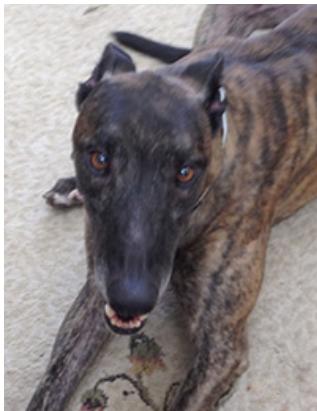
Do you need a pet sitter for your greys while you're out of town? We keep a list of potential pet sitters and are always looking for more willing folks, both for the Dayton and the Cincinnati areas. Let *Brenda* or *Kathy* know if you're interested in being added to the list, or if you'd like to see who is available in your area to pet sit your greyhounds.



# Our Condolences



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Elspeth Rose /  
www.barkerandpaws.com.



Manny



Lily

*Editor's Note: When we lose one of our greyhounds, GAGC makes a donation in that dog's memory to 4 Legs 4 Hounds which is a nonprofit program located at Ohio State University that helps greyhounds recover from racing injuries or health issues after they retire.*

We got sad news from *Kris and Bob P.* that *Bob's* father passed away unexpectedly on Nov. 9. We are so sorry to hear of this sudden loss.

We also heard on Nov. 9 that *Miranda G.* made the difficult decision to let her **Misty** girl go. **Misty** had the dreaded bone cancer. We send *Miranda* our sympathy.

We send our sincere condolences to *Claire and Clyde P.* who lost their boy **Manny** on Nov. 15, likely to bone cancer. **Manny** was a wonderful, one-of-a-kind quirky boy

who was much loved and will be sorely missed.

We were sorry to hear that *Jane Y.* and her son *Ethan* said goodbye to their 17-year-old cat **Pickles** on Nov. 17. **Pickles** had served honorably as a greyhound cat tester.

On Nov. 23, we heard from *PJ M.* that her brother *Dick* had died. *Dick* had struggled with health issues for some time. We are very sorry for *PJ's* loss.

We were so sorry to hear that *Robin and Mike G.* lost their little mixed breed **Baxter** on Nov. 24. **Baxter** loved his greyhound buddies and **Miles** is missing him but getting lots of love from his humans to fill the empty space.

Key GAGC members *Mel and Jon R.* had to say goodbye to their **Lily** on Nov. 25. Once again, cancer struck one of our wonderful dogs. We send our heartfelt condolences to *Mel and Jon.*

We heard from *Angie and Bob B.* that they had to let their **Molly** go in late November. We were sorry to hear this sad news.

*Cheryl and Thom F.* contacted us in early December with the news that they lost **Lovely (Lovada)** to cancer. We send them our sincere condolences.

*Susan R.* shared the very upsetting news that her beloved boy **Sammy** had to be euthanized on Dec. 14. His health issues came on very suddenly, and the emergency vet suspected sarcoma. We are so sorry for *Susan's* loss.



**Sammy**

*Amanda B.* shared on Dec. 20 that she lost her **Barry** to osteosarcoma. *Amanda* went the extra mile with **Barry**, but the cancer mutated and no longer responded to treatment, so she had to let him go. We send her our heartfelt sympathy.



# Tributes from our readers

*SPECIAL NOTE: If your beloved greyhound goes to Rainbow Bridge and you would like to share a tribute about him or her, please forward a picture and your memorial statement to us and we'll enter it in an upcoming newsletter. High-resolution photos are best.*

## Lily

**Lily** was our first dog, and therefore our first greyhound. However, we quickly learned that they are two different experiences altogether. **Lily** marked our entry into the greyhound world, where we definitely drank the Kool-Aid right away. We were hooked, but as newbies to greyhound parenting, **Lily** gave us a crash course. We had heard greys don't bark, they're super laid-back, they don't shed much ... but it would appear **Lily** didn't get those memos. That said, were it not for her immediate, unconditional love and amazing personality, we wouldn't have dared adopt a second, third, and eventually, a fourth grey. **Lily** was made for meet-and-greets since, in her opinion, everyone was clearly there to dote on her. She enjoyed barking at nothing just to get the boys riled up so they'd come sprinting out the door to join her in, well, barking at nothing. She must have been an outfielder in another life because she never missed a treat thrown to her. **Lily** loved going for rides to get chicky nuggies, taking long walks, snuggling on the couch, getting spicy, then kicking you until she claimed the couch as



her own, and she was a cockroaching master. She was spunky, silly, and unapologetically the head bitch of the pack. She was an expert hole digger and demonstrated her expertise throughout our entire yard. We adore all our pups, but **Lily** was our heart dog, and has left a big hole to fill ... literally and figuratively. **Lily** truly made us better people and our sorrow in her absence is palpable. We know it will ease with time and have found comfort in knowing that her brother **Odin** was there to meet her at the bridge. We will be forever grateful for our time with **Lily**, and while her loss is devastating, it's worth the pain to have all the wonderful memories she has left with us.

—Mel and Jon R.



## Manny

I believe angels live among us. They certainly don't always take the form of people, although some do. They can be animals and, from the first time I met **Manny**, I knew he was an angel. He needed to leave us yesterday, after a short decline.



**Manny** was a "special dog," perhaps it was because he had a long career, 111 races, and continued to need a great deal of structure in his life. He would never venture into hallways and restricted his movement to limited areas of the house. He loved his lab-mix brother, **Mr. Gibbs**, his former racehorse sister, **Bella**, and his cat sister, **Kaly**, who died four years ago. We told him daily that he was in his "forever home."

**Manny** blossomed into a lover and loved his hugs from us. *Clyde* became his number one person and **Manny** would gaze at him adoringly. He enjoyed his walks and quickly decided that the life of a "scent hound" was more fun than being a "sight hound"!

Thank you again *Brenda* and *Kathy* for choosing our family for this boy.

—*Claire and Clyde P.*



## Sammy (Mohican Sunrise)

He was so sweet, soft, loving, happy, playful, silly, muscular and strong. He ran like the wind and slept for hours on end. He loved everyone and would stand at attention to accept love and hugs from everybody he met. He would greet us with happy barks and skipped happily by our sides. He was beautiful. He was magnificent. He was joy. He was loved.

Many thanks to *Kathy Evans* and Greyhound Adoption of Greater Cincinnati for everything they did to let me have years of happiness with this sweet boy. We'll miss him forever.

—*Susan and Paris R.*

# Support GAGC!

## How can YOU support GAGC?

GAGC can always use your support. Here's how you can help!

### Go Krogering!

Go Krogering! Do you shop at Kroger? The Kroger Reward program is one of GAGC's most reliable fundraisers. Our rewards are based on your use of your Kroger Plus card. We receive a \$200 donation from Kroger each time our group achieves \$5,000 in total purchases. We use these donations primarily to cover vetting expenses for new or rehomed greyhounds. Be sure to link your Kroger Plus card to GAGC and always use it at check-out. Thanks to all of you who are active in using your rewards cards. We typically earn between \$1,000 and \$1,500 each quarter from this Kroger reward program. Our latest reward was \$1,245.32. Please take a moment to link your Plus card to GAGC as shown below. Thanks!

Goofy Tera is the resident clown in her household.



### Kroger Reward Program

Please enroll in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. Our Code Number is **#EP079**. Ask your family and friends to register GAGC as their favorite charity. It is easy money for our hounds and doesn't affect your fuel points! [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

### Foster Dog Sponsors

Our program encouraging GAGC members to sponsor one of our foster dogs for \$20 has been very successful. The sponsorship fees go toward the cost of food and monthly medications for these greyhounds. The sponsors have their names on the website on the listing for the dog, plus we'll include it here. This is a nice way to support our foster program without actually bringing a grey into your home. Thanks to all of you! Our latest sponsors are:

*Marianne, James, and Nati: **JA's Harper, Kelly Preston, Otto Mel, Jon, Ace, and Chewie: JS Rum Runner, FF Salty Dog, CG's Opal Christa, Kim, Leo, Annabelle, Shadow, and Marley: Anthony Quinn, MD Show Em Up Sue, Warren, Brie, and Ester: JA's Harper***

### Thanks for Your Support!

One of the reasons GAGC has experienced so much success is due to the support we receive from our families and friends. Month after month, you help us out in many ways, and we so appreciate all of our donors. Thank you!

### General Gifts to GAGC

*Marianne and James S.*

Mel and Jon R.  
Christa and Kim S.  
Leslie and Alan S.  
Terri and John B.  
Mary S.  
Cynthia P.  
Cheryl and Thom F.  
Debbie and Steve B.  
Claire and Clyde P.  
David M.  
Sandra S.  
Cheryl D.  
Donald and Jacqueline S.  
Barbara M.  
Heather C.  
Kathleen McC.  
Honey and Dale R.  
Edye L.  
Margaret S.  
Cora F.  
Cathy F.  
Lina and Chip F.  
Mary-Bob R.  
Tal L. and Stephen Z.  
Robin C.  
PJ M.  
Leslie and Alan S.  
Holly and Eric G.  
Barbara R.

Laura and Greg P.  
Kevin and Meghan B.  
Nathan B.  
Kroger  
Network for Good  
Amazon Smile

**Gift in memory of Gretchen D's father**

Martin  
Mary S.  
Kathy E.  
Mel and Jon R.  
Barbara M.  
Cheryl D.

**Gifts in memory of PJ's brother Dick**

Kathy E.

**Gift in memory of Susan R's greyhound  
Sammy**

Barbara R.

**Christmas gift donation in the name of  
Thomas E. Sullivan**

Margaret S.

**Gifts in-kind (not \$\$)**

Tom R. donated a crate to GAGC



Can you find the hidden greyhound?  
**Flo-Jo** was unwilling to go out during  
the recent cold snap.

# Mark your calendars

## Local events

### January **Dog Days of Winter**

*Saturday, Jan. 28, 2023, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.*

After a two-year hiatus because of COVID, the Dog Days of Winter event is back at Bern's Garden Center, 825 Greentree Rd, Middletown. We hope you will be able to join us for this inside event.

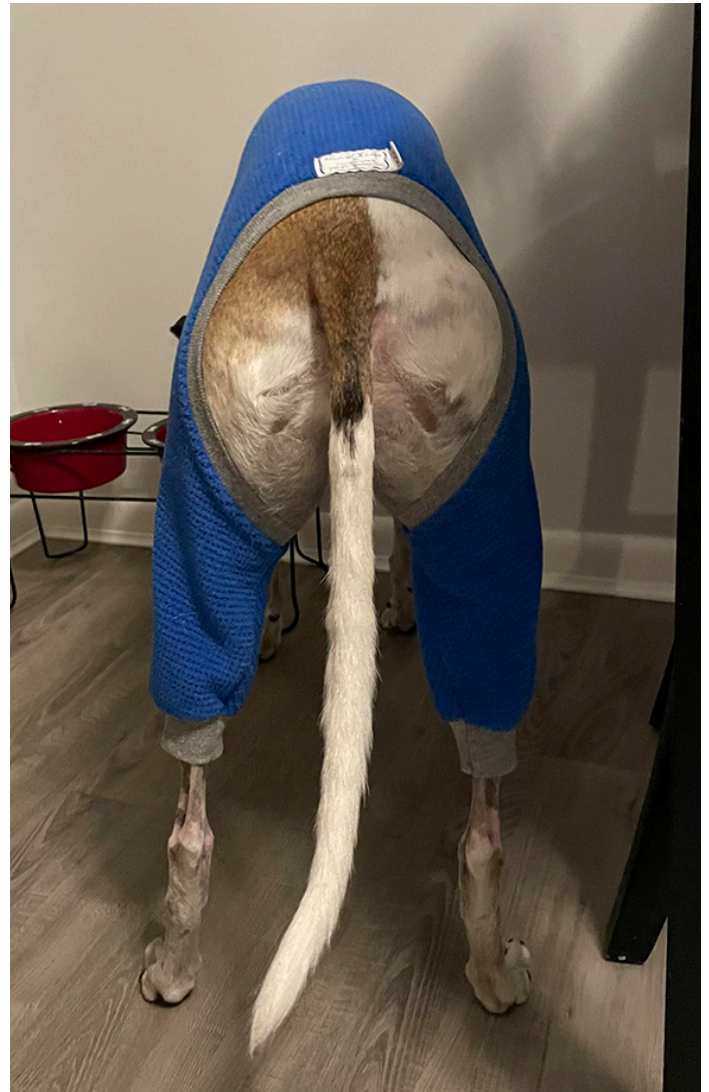
### May **GAGC Family Picnic**

*Keehner Park, West Chester*

*Saturday, May 20, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.*

*Saturday, Sept. 23, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.*

We're celebrating 21 years of finding greyt homes for these greyt dogs! We welcome GAGC members plus any friend you have with a greyhound. We recommend NO little dogs attend our greyhound events, since not all greyhounds are friendly with little dogs. We'll have food, vendors, raffle/silent auction and much more!



The end! **Betsy** might have needed a sweater to stay warm, but she didn't miss a meal.

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