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Formed in 2002, our mission is to strive for the best quality placements. We focus on being small and doing things right. We recognize that we cannot offer homes to an unlimited number of greyhounds, but we can make a difference to the ones we touch. That is why our focus is on quality of placements, not quantity of placements.

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**Adopting a retired racer:
\$275 ...
Having a friend for life:
Priceless!**

From the president ...



Brenda's pack: **Hawkeye, Harley, Betsy, and Crissy** with Brenda behind the camera.

GAGC Families and Friends,

GAGC keeps plugging along with adoptions through this strange time in the world. I keep hoping it will be back to normal tomorrow! It has shown us what to be thankful for: our greyhounds! 98 retired racers are home because of our efforts. Dec. 27 is the last day for racing in Florida. We may get dogs from the West Virginia track but are on a waiting list with other adoption groups. Even if adoptions stop, GAGC will remain active helping families and having gatherings. We'll have the calendar contest and silent auctions in 2021 (I hope)! I'd like to thank our board members who each bring something valuable to the group: *Kathy* does adoptions and is always there to talk about daily concerns and operations; *Mary*, our treasurer who tends to the financial end of business, reviewing

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Kathy and my monthly reports; *Rob*, our legal support, always available when needed, plus he does foster drawings and checks the P.O. box; *Mel* and *Jon* have done dog runs and lead our raffles/silent auctions to support our mission; *Angie* spends hours creating our calendar—this year we had 114 families order some, always a huge fundraiser. Thank you all!

Brenda

On the cover: Maketewah holds down the floor while waiting for his upcoming birthday.

Greyt health & safety

Cats shed more than dogs. The Coronavirus, not fur.

A new experiment confirmed that cats can spread the virus to one another, and found dogs did not shed the virus. There's still no evidence that pets transmit it to humans.

By James Gorman, [New York Times](#), Sept. 29, 2020

A new scientific report confirms that cats and dogs can be infected by the novel coronavirus, and that neither animal is likely to get sick. Cats, however, do develop a strong, protective immune response, which may make them worth studying when it comes to human vaccines.

There is still no evidence to suggest that pets have passed the virus to humans, although cats do shed the virus and infect other cats.

Infected dogs in the new study didn't produce the virus in their upper respiratory tracts and didn't shed it at all, although some other studies have found different results. Neither the cats nor the dogs in the study showed any illness.

The authors of the [report in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences](#) published on Tuesday point to real world transmission to emphasize why pets are

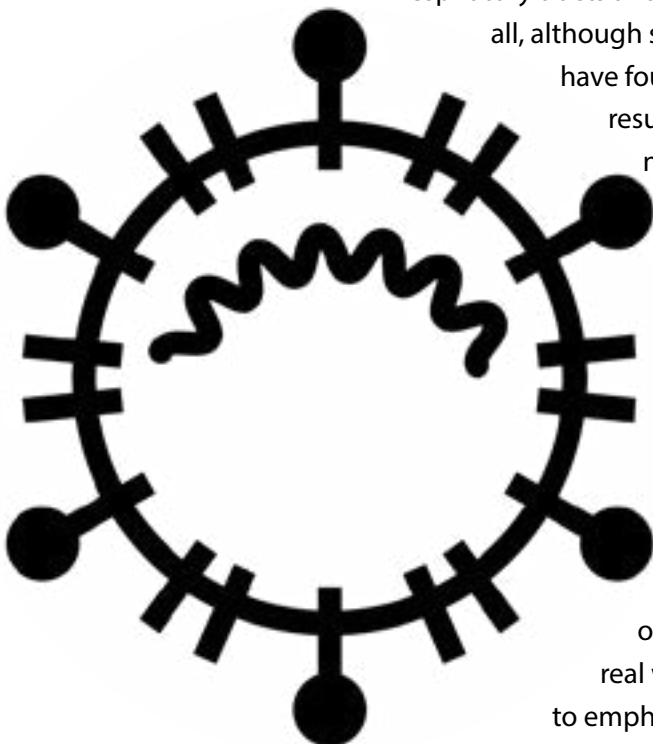
not a significant concern for human infection. Angela M. Bosco-Lauth, Airm E. Hartwig, Stephanie M. Porter and other researchers at Colorado State University's College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences note that while millions of humans have been infected with the virus worldwide and [1 million have died](#), there are only a handful of reports of pets that have become infected naturally.

If cats can shed the virus, why aren't they infecting people, which is a theoretical possibility? One reason is that the number of humans who have contracted the virus is so large, and they are the ones giving it to cats. Another possible reason is that infection in everyday life is very different from infection in the lab.

In the new experimental work, scientists inserted pipettes in the nasal cavities of cats and dogs to give them the virus. The animals received anesthesia before the procedure, but the point is that this doesn't happen in most homes. Later, other cats were put into close contact with the infected cats, who were shedding virus.

Does this happen in the real world? There is some evidence of street cats in Wuhan, China, having been exposed to the virus. But it may be that in the United States, because many cats are kept indoors, transmission is minimal.

Or, Dr. Bosco-Lauth said, cat infection with the virus could be relatively common without humans noticing, because of a lack of symptoms.



“Those cats that were infected in the experiment?” she said. “You would never have known.”

Cats might also pass the virus on to wildlife. Dr. Bosco-Lauth said that as yet unpublished work shows that deer mice may become infected with the novel coronavirus.

Also, outside a lab, infection depends mainly on breathing in viral particles from an infected person and normal contact doesn't necessarily translate into infection for animals. Ferrets have been shown in the laboratory to be susceptible to infection with the virus, and to spread it to other ferrets.

But scientists at Tufts [reported, in a paper that has yet to be peer-reviewed, that in one house with 29 pet ferrets and](#)

[two humans with Covid](#) not one ferret became infected with the virus.

The 29 ferrets roamed freely in the house, and both human adults were ill enough with Covid to show symptoms, so there was ample opportunity for infection. Kaitlin Sawatzki, a virologist at Tufts University and one of the authors of the ferret paper, said, “Isn't that incredible? It was a beautiful natural experiment.”

The researchers concluded that there could be genetic barriers to infection that are overcome in a lab with concentrated doses of virus. Minks, which are in the same family as ferrets, appear to be very easily infected, and to get sick from the disease. Researchers have also reported [transmission from animals to humans at mink farms in the Netherlands](#) in a paper not yet peer-reviewed. Dr. Sawatzki said the paper showed “very strong evidence of multiple, independent mink-to-human transmission events.”

The Colorado State researchers advise [keeping cats indoors](#), particularly if a human in a household has become infected, because they could spread it to other cats. Also, if a person with Covid needs to be admitted to a hospital and has pet cats, Dr. Porter suggested, the cat's caretakers should know to observe social distancing as they would with a person.

The infected cats that showed immunity, Dr. Bosco-Lauth said, were animals that were infected by contact with other cats, not by pipette. And, she said, the immune response was stronger than in

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some other laboratory animals, although how long that protection might last is completely unknown.

Pet food recalls

Sunshine Mills, Inc. expands previously announced voluntary recall of certain pet food products due to potentially elevated levels of Aflatoxin

[Sunshine Mills, Inc. is expanding its voluntary recall of certain pet food products that were made with corn that contained Aflatoxin](#) at levels above FDA's action levels. This is an expansion of the recall initiated Sept. 2, 2020, after an investigation conducted along with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration determined that additional corn-based pet food products produced between April 3, 2020, and April 5, 2020 may contain corn from a single load of corn with elevated levels of aflatoxin. Aflatoxin is a naturally occurring mold by-product from the growth of *Aspergillus flavus* and can be harmful to pets if consumed in significant quantities. No illnesses have been reported in association with these products to date, and no other Sunshine Mills, Inc. pet food products are affected by this announcement.

Sunshine Mills, Inc. has chosen to expand its voluntary recall to include these additional products as a precautionary measure in furtherance of its commitment to the safety and quality of its products. Pets with aflatoxin toxicity (aflatoxicosis) may show symptoms of illness including sluggishness or lethargy combined with a reluctance to eat, vomiting, yellowish tint to the eyes or gums, diarrhea, and in some cases, death. Pets experiencing any of these symptoms after consuming the recalled products should be seen by a veterinarian.



Pet food recalls

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

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 or Brenda at gagcgreyhounds@gmail.com.



Greyt goods & services

Items for sale

Kathy and Brenda have a supply of belly bands, muzzles and stool covers if you are in need of any of for your hound. Assorted sellables are in *Brenda's* garage; if you have a need for a new martingale, etc., come shop at *Brenda's*!

Collars, belly bands, crates, and books

We really appreciate all of you who have returned your unwanted black combo leads and reflective tag collars 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. Some of our books are still out on loan. Please return those as well so they will be available to new adopters.



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Find GAGC on Facebook



Have you visited the [GAGC Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/cincigreyhounds.org) page? Visit [cincigreyhounds.org](https://www.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* and *Mike* for monitoring posts. We do monitor comments before posting and will not include negative or inappropriate items. Thanks!

GAGC on Instagram

Our [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/melissalohman7) manager *Melissa L.* would like your photos! Send them



to 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.

Do you still have a GAGC loaner crate? We need those back, usually in 30 days or less, to make them available for other new adopters. If you still have one, please contact your placement rep (*Brenda* or *Kathy*) and make arrangements to return it. Thanks!

If you have purchased a fold up crate and your hound is no longer using it, feel free to donate it to GAGC and we will write you a tax donation letter for the value of the crate.

GAGC news

2021 GAGC calendar fundraiser

There is still time to buy 2021 calendars; they make great holiday gifts. The cost is \$5 for one calendar or \$10 for three. You can email *Brenda* at gagcgreyhounds@gmail.com, or Dayton-area folks can contact *Kathy* at koe50gh@gmail.com.

We'll accept payment anytime on our website via the DONATE button. We request masks be worn by everyone when picking up your calendars. Thanks for your support of GAGC.

Thank you

We are very grateful to *Alan Schragar*, our Nature's Select distributor. He is still providing foster food to GAGC at no charge due to the cancellation of our fundraising picnics. Thank you, *Alan*. You are very appreciated!

A huge thank you goes to *Dr. Moore* who

has been very busy with all the retired racers we are sending her to spay or neuter. She manages to work them into her schedule despite being crazy busy, and takes special care with the new pups. Thank you, *Dr. Moore*, for your love of this wonderful breed.

Congratulations

We send our congratulations to *Jessica* and *Eric* who got married on Oct. 24. Their big male greyhound **Couper** is very happy for them!

Webmaster

Our amazing webmaster *Mike* went above and beyond recently when *Brenda* was having issues sending group emails to our hundreds of families. *Mike* was able to save the day by setting up an alternative process for *Brenda* to use. We are so grateful for his expertise!



Dog runs, fosters & adoptions

Dog runs

Sept. 8, *Irene* and *Brenda* drove to Jackson, Ohio, for four West Virginia dogs. The females were **CET Jammin Jamie (Jamie)** and **RFB Supreme (Rori)**, and the males were **Get the Gaff (Mason)**, and **Jedi Busy Bee (Busy Bee)**. All were very young, **Jamie** only 1.5 years old and the rest 2-year-olds. Here's a report from *Irene*: Tuesday, Sept. 8 was a beautiful day for driving through the country. The added treat was meeting four newbies ready for forever homes. Two sweet, lovely red girls, **Jamie** and **Rori** were ready to ride with me to their next stop on their new journey. **Rori** was very curious and loved seeing where we were. **Jamie** took her beauty sleep until we got to the side roads on our way to *Brenda's*. At that point, all the

Florida boy **Pat C Richard S** navigates for *Marianne* on the drive to *Brenda's* house.

windows were occupied by busy faces wondering where we were going. Happy new forever homes kids; enjoy your new lives. Here's a report from *Brenda*: It was a beautiful day to make a trip picking up four retired racers from our dog source in West Virginia. All four dogs are very sweet. *Irene* loaded the two red girls into her car and I brought back the two black males. **Jedi Busy Bee** enjoyed looking out the window for a short way and then nap time! Thanks to our four foster families: *Robin* and *Chris H.*, *Robin C.*, *Jim P.* and *Stephanie S.* Without foster families we can't get dogs off the track. And special thanks to *Dr. Moore* and her staff for vetting them before they go home!

We had one-day notice that on Sept. 12, **Pat C Richard S** and **Pat C Rain S**, two Florida males, were heading to Ohio. *Marianne* headed to Lore to collect the boys and reported the following: *Brenda* was hoping to receive two dogs from Florida sometime after Sept. 14, so imagine her surprise and need to scramble when on Friday the 11th she was told the dogs were coming the next day. She called to see if I could still do the run, and "thanks" to COVID-19, the calendar was empty and I could. The hauler arrived at 4:15 a.m., having left Florida around 8:30 the night before. The hauler and her driving partner were clearly exhausted as they handed over two beautiful boys and left again. I gave the pups a chance to relieve themselves and after so many hours in the hauler, they out-did the Tom Hanks scene in *A League of Their Own*. **Rain** lay down as soon as he had sniffed every corner of



the car. **Ritchie** found he could fit his head past the barrier and did some co-piloting, and started nudging me when he realized that got him ear scratches. They both rested for about 100 miles, until a motorcycle startled them into hopping up and barking. The last part of the trip was more snoozing.

On Oct. 9, *Marianne* again made the drive to Lore, Ohio, to pick up three brindle Florida boys: **Bruce Bomber**, and littermates **RS By By Breck** and **RS Ky High**. She faced multiple delays from the hauler running several hours behind schedule to traffic tie-ups. She and the boys finally made it to *Brenda* and *Ron's* around 7:15 p.m. *Kathy* and fosters *Jim* and *Breanna* helped *Brenda* and *Ron* with pottying the dogs and having them pose for photos for the website. From *Marianne*: Oct. 9 was the scheduled day for the three boys to arrive in the Midwest from Florida. Their journey began the evening before; mine started at around 10 am. The turning trees and blue sky made for a pretty drive. My worries about transporting three boys in a smaller SUV proved unfounded.

Brindle **Ky** works on his camouflage skills.



After a short potty break, the hauler driver helped me load the boys and they had plenty of room. They spent a few minutes nosing around, but very quickly all three settled. Every once in a while a muzzled nose made its way around the barrier and I had a co-pilot for a few miles. After a few ear scratches, he would again lay down. However, at about the two-hour mark all three were suddenly up and seemed to want to play. The funniest moment was a serious attempt to pick up a tennis ball despite having a muzzle on. Then, just as suddenly, all was quiet again. *Brenda*, *Kathy*, and two fostering folks were waiting for our arrival. They watered and fed them, and took the photos for the website. All three are lovely brindles and are going to look great on sofas!

Brenda and *Irene* each drove to West Virginia on Oct. 14 to pick up a boy—**AMF Living Large (Dillon)**—and two girls—**AMF Remade (Debbie)** and **PJK Leslie**—arriving from Florida. From *Irene*: “A shocking arrival time change for the hauler early in the morning moved *Brenda* and me into hyper-drive at 6 a.m. A dark early morning awakened to a glorious fall day with a beautiful sunrise, autumn trees and a blanket of fog hanging in the hills as we approached West Virginia. We chatted for only a few minutes when the hauler arrived with our precious pups. Two beautiful females and handsome **Dillon** arrived for the next part of their journey. **Dillon** rode to the *Pennix* home in my car. He was a perfect passenger—happy, well-behaved and full of joy and love. He seemed to know his future as a couch potato was beginning. Happy forever homes, pups!” Here’s *Brenda’s* report:

“We were not sure when the hauler would be meeting us and when I texted him at 5:45 a.m. he told me 9:45 a.m. in Charleston, West Virginia! I called *Irene* with the ETA and we both jumped into our cars and headed to W.V. Gorgeous sunrise, and the leaves were beautiful making for a very nice drive. It was even nicer when we met the three new dogs, pottied them and headed back to my house where *Kathy* helped with photos, watering, etc. *Kathy* took **Dillon** home to foster and *Peggy* and *Gretchen* arrived later to pick up their girls.” Two of the three new pups already have likely homes lined up.

We were able to get two females from West Virginia on Oct. 18. *Ron* drove to Jackson, Ohio, to pick up **Hilco Profit** and **Kelso’s Enya**. Their ride back home to *Ron* and *Brenda’s* house was quiet and uneventful. Other than a little spotty rain, the scenery was enjoyable and there were no issues.

Foster homes needed

Our biggest challenge in finding homes

for the retired racing greyhounds continues to be finding foster families to help with the dogs’ transition into their forever homes. Would you like to be a part of the process? We provide all food, medications, and guidance, and there is no expense to you. Can we add you to the 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 in contention to win the bag of food or a \$50 gift card. Here are our recent winners:

September

- Food winner: *Stephanie S.*, foster parent to **KB’s Stasny, RFB Supreme**
- Gift card winner: *Jim P.*, foster parent to **Get the Gaff, Pat C Rain S**
- Gift card winner: *Gretchen D.*: foster parent to **LL’s Gabriel**
- Gift card winner: *Breanna A.* and *Keith C.*, foster parents to **Pat C Richard S**

October

- Food winner: *Peggy C.* and *Jason P.*, foster parents to **AMF Remade**
- Gift card winner: *Jim P.*, foster parent to **RS Ky High**
- Gift card winner: *Breanna A.* and *Keith C.*, foster parents to **Pat C Richard S, RS By By Breck, and Hilco Profit**
- Gift card winner: *Stephanie S.*, foster parent to **RFB Supreme**

Newly-adopted **Kenobie** practices sleeping in a circle to fit his round 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:

Amy and Diego R.: **RS By By Breck**
Annette D.: **AMF Livin Large**
Breanna A. and Keith C.: **Pat C Richard S, RS By By Breck, Hilco Profit**
Erika B. and Suzie L.: **RS By By Breck**
Gretchen D.: **LL's Gabriel (Skii), PJK Leslie**
Jim P.: **Get the Gaff (Mason), Pat C Rain S, RS Ky High**
Kathy E.: **WW Caspian Sea, AMF Livin Large, RS By By Breck**
Pam and Mike H.: **Kelsos Enya**
Peggy C. and Jason P.: **AMF Remade**
Robin C.: **CET Jammin Jamie (Jamie)**

Beautiful **Birdie** was adopted on Oct. 18 by *Kalynn and Patrick*.



Robin and Chris H.: **Jedi Busy Bee (Busy Bee), Bruce Bomber**
Sarah U. and Alex T.: **WW Caspian Sea**
Stephanie S.: **KB's Stasny (Gremlin), RFB Supreme (Rori)**

Current foster dogs

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

RS By By Breck: March 2, 2017; 3-year-old black brindle male
Hilco Profit: Dec. 15, 2017; almost 3-year-old brindle female
Kelsos Enya: Oct. 1, 2017; 3-year-old black female

Coming Nov. 1:

WW Shabani: May 7, 2018; 2-year-old white and red male
Time for Topper: May 10, 2019; 1.5-year-old black male
Hilco Pro: Dec. 15, 2017; almost 3-year-old red brindle 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

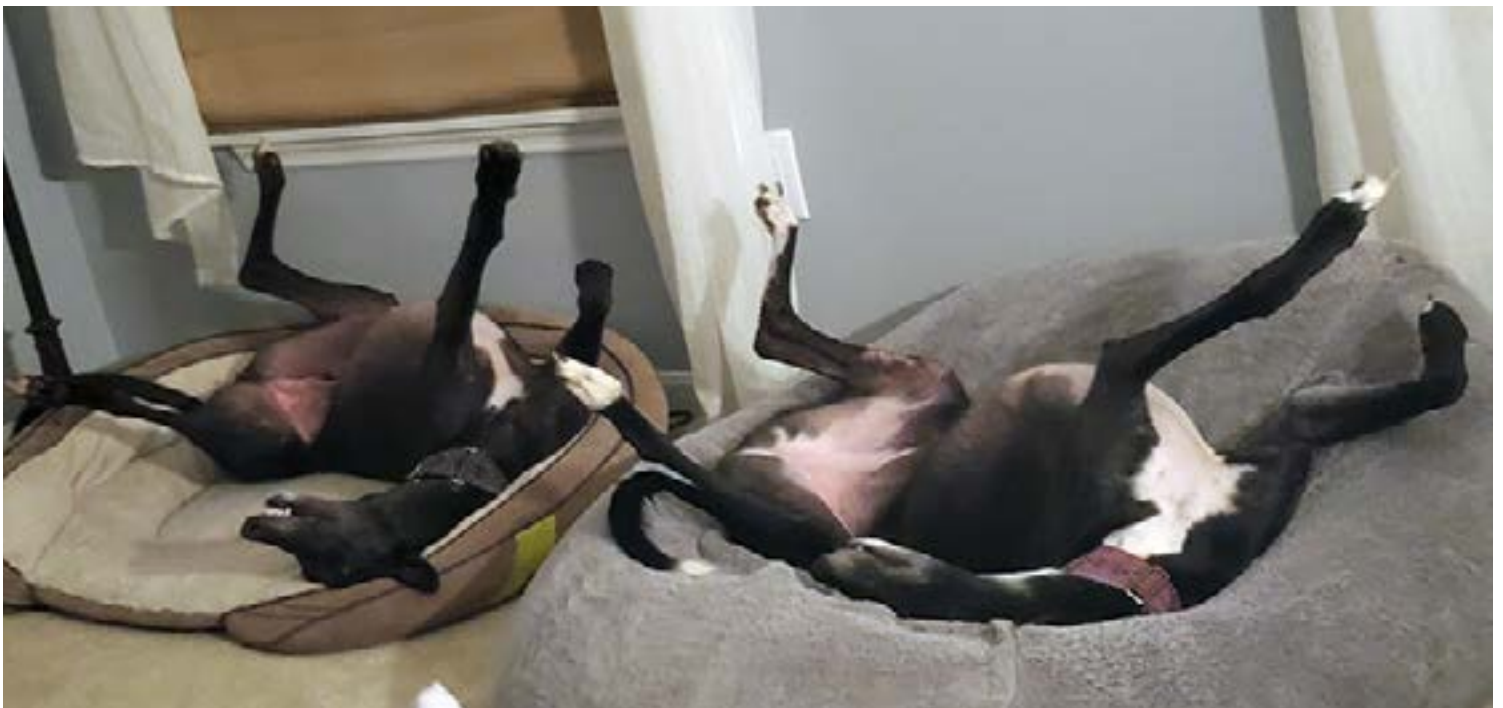
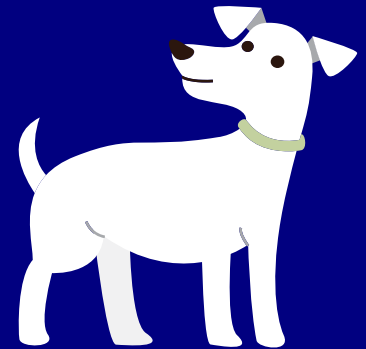
- **Mac's Louisa (LuLu):** Sept. 2 to *Maggie* and *Paul T.* of Cincinnati
- **Slatex Jack (Jack):** Sept. 5 to *Holly, Eric, Jude,* and *Mary S.* of West Chester
- **JJ's Quick Videl (Piper):** Sept. 5 to *Holly, Eric, Jude,* and *Mary S.* of West Chester
- **Jax Jolene (Jolene):** Sept. 5 to *Terri G.* and *Dan F.* of Maineville
- **KB's Stasny (Tilly):** Sept. 6 to *Christal* and *Ryan R.* of Monroe

- **WW Caspian Sea (Kenobi)**: Sept. 7 to *Jill* and *Dan S.* of Dayton
- **Get the Gaff (Aragorn)**: Sept. 11 to *Miriam C.* of Cincinnati
- **Jedi Busy Bee (Jedi)**: Sept. 19 to *Madison L.* and *Michael M.* of Milford
- **LL's Gabriel (Murray)**: Sept. 26 to *Sarah S.* and *Chris D.* of Springboro
- **Pat C Rain S (Remi)**: Sept. 28 to *Erin* and *Jeremy W.* of Hamilton
- **Pat C Richard S (Richard)**: Oct. 4 to *Sara M.* and *James C.* of Blue Ash
- **CET Jammin Jamie (Jamie)**: Oct. 7 to *Nicole* and *Mark E.* of Milford
- **RS Ky High (Ky)**: Oct. 12 to *Brittany* and *Kevin F.* of Kettering
- **AMF Remade (Debbie)**: Oct. 18 to *Peggy C.* and *Jason P.* of Loveland
- **RFB Supreme (Birdie)**: Oct. 18 to *Kalynn* and *Patrick K.* of Dayton
- **Bruce Bomber (Bruce)** Oct. 23 to *Kate, David, Miriam, Ruth, Gabi, Zack,* and *Simon G.* of Liberty Township
- **PJK Leslie (Leslie)**: Oct. 30 to *Tom R.* of Loveland
- **AMF Livin Large (Dillon)**: Oct. 30 to *Maddie B.* and *Nathan B.* of Cincinnati

Check out the synchronized roaching from **Jack** and **Piper**!

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 but we are always looking for more willing folks, both for the Dayton and the Cincinnati areas. Please let *Brenda* or *Kathy* know if you're interested in being added to the list, or if you'd like to see who might be available in your area to pet sit your greyhounds.



Our condolences



Cobi

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.

Sarah S. and Chris D. let us know on Aug. 31 that they had to take their boy **Luka** to an emergency vet early in the morning to help him pass on. Just days earlier he started having issues, was in obvious pain, and an X-ray showed what was likely osteosarcoma. **Luka** deteriorated alarmingly fast so they made the decision to end his pain. We are so sorry for their loss.

Longtime GAGC member *Andrea H.* said goodbye to **Ricky** on Sept. 1. **Ricky** had been dealing with a tumor in his liver for some time, which finally led to a seizure or stroke. **Ricky** could no longer stand or

walk so *Andrea* let him go. We send her and her family our heartfelt sympathy.

Our sincere condolences go to *Meaghan L.* and *Eric N.* on the loss of **Cobi** on Sept. 2. Following surgery to remove a metal plate, his condition suddenly worsened due to a hyperthermia event. Unfortunately he didn't respond to the treatments and developed clotting issues so they had to let him go. From *Meaghan* and *Eric*: **Cobi** told us it was time, and we were with him through the whole process. It was very peaceful and he was not in pain. We have wonderful memories of **Cobi** as a big, happy, silly boy who everyone loved! He went through a lot in just under four years with his leg break and the recovery. We feel incredibly fortunate for the time we had with him.

We got the sad news from *Lori W.* and *Ross S.* that they had to have their nearly 13-year-old female **Windy** (affectionately called **Girl**) euthanized on Sept. 9. She faced a variety of old age issues and reached the point where she was unable to walk. We are very sorry for their loss.

We were so sorry to hear on Sept. 18 that *Rosemary* and *Al M.* had their girl **Fire** euthanized due to cancer. We send them our sincere sympathy.

We were notified that long-time GAGC member *Betty Rice* died on Sept. 18. We send our deepest sympathy to her family.

We saw on Facebook that *Mike K.*'s mother died on Sept. 25. She had been struggling with Alzheimer's but succumbed to COVID-19 at nearly 92



Bertie



Frankie



years old. Our heartfelt condolences go to *Mike and Debbie*.

On Sept. 27, *Kevin and Brittany F.* had to have their sweet girl **Prissy** euthanized. She was only 7. She started having issues two weeks earlier and then her health deteriorated dramatically. The vets believe **Prissy** had stomach and bowel cancer which led to full body sepsis. We are so sorry to hear of this tragic loss.

Lois let us know the sad news that she had to have her girl **Bertie** euthanized on Oct. 3. 11-year-old **Bertie** was having balance issues, wasn't eating well, and was eventually diagnosed with a brain tumor. We send *Lois* our condolences.

Also on Oct. 3, *Deb and Tom S.* had to say goodbye to their boy **Trouper**. He was over 14 years old and had become unable to walk due to weakness in his hindquarters, in addition to having a cancerous oral tumor. From *Deb*: "That was a good life for a large dog. We were so grateful to have had him as long as we did, a little over 10 years. He was a gem, and so funny. A delight to live with." We send them our sincere sympathy.

We were sorry to hear from *Mary-Bob and Jack R.* that their 12-year-old **Annie** passed away on Oct. 12. From *Mary-*

Bob: She was in death just as she was in life ... devoted to us. She just went into her crate in the afternoon and left us. We are devastated but we know she didn't suffer. She was the sweetest, most wonderful girl. We were blessed to have her for so long. It's never enough ...

We got the sad news that *Carolyn and Justin S.* had to have their little Pomeranian **Frankie** euthanized on Oct. 25. From *Carolyn*: "He'd been coughing and wheezy the last few days and we thought it was his allergies, but he got really bad and could barely breathe. Turns out his heart was enlarged and failing." We send our sincere condolences.

Kate, David, Miriam, Ruth, Gabi, Zack, and Simon G., who recently adopted **Bruce Bomber**, said goodbye to their 13-year-old lab **Holly** on Oct. 27. Their girl had several medical issues and they knew it was time to let her go. We send them our condolences.

Melissa M. said goodbye to her faithful companion **Tyson** on Oct. 29. Twelve-year-old **Tyson** was dealing with old age issues. From *Melissa*: "He was the best greyhound ever. I am at a loss but I know he was ready to go. His body and heart were just worn out." Our sympathy goes to *Melissa* as she deals with **Tyson's** death.

Tributes

Prissy

To our princess **Prissy Lou**: You entered our hearts in 2016 to help our yellow lab **Zeus** who was blind and missing his buddy. **Prissy** stepped right in and bonded with **Zeus** and stayed by his side until it was his time to leave us. **Prissy** had our hearts, especially mine. She was always there for ear rubs and kisses. She would bully us for the best seat on the couch. She always made me laugh, with one ear up and the other down. She will always be in our hearts—our princess **Prissy Lou**.

—*Kevin and Brittany F.*

Support GAGC

How can YOU support GAGC?

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 instead of a gift 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 \$1,152.47. Please take a moment to link your Plus card to GAGC as shown below. Thanks!

Kroger Rewards Program

Please re-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!

Jackson and **Sedona** share the same birthday. Happy 5th!



Do a Meet-and-Greet



All M&Gs are cancelled for the remainder of 2020.

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!

Our newest 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 dog's listing on our website, 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:

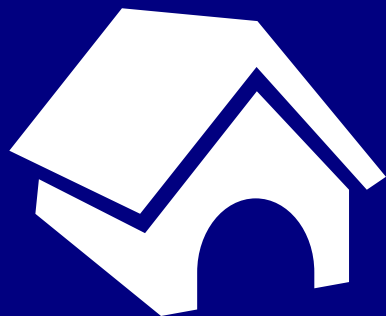
- *Marianne, James, Connie, and Nati:* **Mac's Lucky, Get the Gaff, Jedi Busy Bee, Bruce Bomber, RS By By Breck**
- *Mel, Jon, Odin, Lilly and Ace:* **Flying Nivea, LL's Gabriel, Kelsos Enya**
- *Melissa, Deco, and Bianca:* **Mac's Lucas, RFB Supreme**
- *Peg, Jason, Furby, Dora, Amy, and Kyro:* **WW Shepardize**

General gifts to GAGC

Marianne and James S.
Mel and Jon R.
Melissa L.

Pet-friendly lodging

Looking for pet-friendly lodging when you go on vacation? The following website lists lodgings that accept both you and your dogs: www.petswelcome.com.



Pearl poses for the camera.



Clifford O.
Brad B. and employer-matched
donations by Blue Cross/Blue Shield
Maggie F.
Jessica M.
Roberta and Tom M.
June and Howard K.
Kroger
Annette D.
Kelli W. and Ryan W.
Ann C.
Amazon Smile
Anne and Jack B.
Maggie T.
Karen B.
Gretchen D.
Terri and John B.
Sarah S. and Chris D.
Sue L.
Gary and Christine W.
Patti B. and Craig O.
Linda B.
Dominica P.
Deb and Tom S.
Miranda G.
Erika B.
Kathryn A.
Kevin and Brittany F.

Christal H.
Angie B.
Anne N.
Melissa M.
Dana P.
Erin W.
Anne C.
Heather C.
Honeylyn V.
Mary-Bob R.
Miriam C.
Nicole and Mark E.
Faye H.
Tom R.
Bill W.
Roseann S.

Gifts in memory of Harvey Harris

Roberta and Tom M.
Irene M. and family

Gift in memory of greyhound-wannabe Kojak

Peggy C. and Jason P.

Gifts in memory of Luka

Clifford O. and The XPH Team
Sarah S. and Chris D.

Gift in memory of Trouper

Deb and Tom S.

Gifts in-kind (not \$\$)


Karen B. donated a variety of collars,
coats and leashes
Kathryn A. donated two large
greyhound coats
Kevin and Brittany F. donated some
meds and a collar
Linda B. donated a variety of coats,
collars, etc.



These hounds have gone belly up!

Meet the roaches! Greyhounds **Jedi** [top left], **Nea** [top right], **Kenobie** [bottom left], and headless **Sully** [bottom right].

Support our supporters!



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Ahhh roo roo roo!