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## **From the President ...**

The weather has been greyt! It's starting to cool off and GAGC is gearing up with more new events! Thanks to all of you who came out to the Super M&G in West Chester; it was greyt to see so many dogs enjoying the day. **Miness** and **Mac** were adopted that day and are home, loving life now! Be sure to read **Miness'** story on page 2. This was a rescue I'll never forget — it was just meant to be!

Several new dogs are on our site and looking for their forever homes. So far this year, we have placed 52 dogs! We are grateful to our wonderful foster families and their own greyhounds who help transition the dogs right off the

track. We couldn't do it without you. The foster families are a huge help getting to know the dog and when we get an application, they will help *Kathy* and me decide if it's the right home for their foster dog.

I hope you don't get tired of hearing me talk about what a greyt organization we all have created, because I won't stop. GAGC is greyt because of you! It is your organization. Keep up the greyt work!

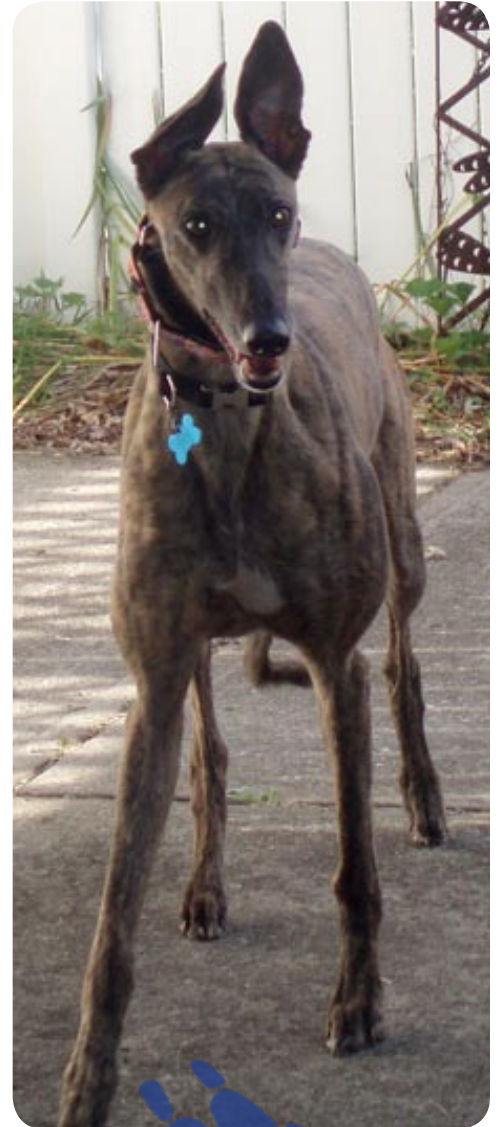
*Brenda*

## **Greyt Health & Safety**

### **Six Tips for a Pet-Safe Summer**

— from ASPCA

The last days of May signal the unofficial start of summer for folks, young and old, across the country. But with these carefree months of no homework and summer Fridays comes an increased risk for illness or injury for our furry pals. From unpredictable weather to unusual routines, our animals are exposed to all sorts of hazards during



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**Adopting a retired racer: \$225 ...**

**Having a friend for life: Priceless!**

June, July and August, and your pet is counting on you to keep him safe. Check out our top six tips for keeping your animal secure all summer long.

- Give your pet access to plenty of fresh water at all times. Even the healthiest pets can suffer from dehydration, heat stroke and sunburn if overexposed to the heat.
- Avoid lathering your pet with insect repellent or sunscreen not intended for them.
- Keep your pet away from matches, citronella candles and lighter fluid, which if eaten can irritate the stomach, lungs and central nervous system.
- Be cool near the pool. Don't leave pets unsupervised around

a pool, lake or high waters — not all dogs are expert swimmers!

- Never leave your dog, cat or any other animal friend alone in a car! The inside of a car can heat up very quickly — even with a window open.
- Be prepared! From tornadoes to floods, we've seen the devastation severe weather has brought to pets and their families these past few weeks. Develop an evacuation plan well ahead of time in case you're forced from your home in an emergency. Have a pet-safe summer!

### Pet Food Recalls

The FDA periodically updates their web site with new pet food recalls. Don't take a chance with your pet's health. To check the safety of your pet's food, please [click this link](#).

### In the News

A freelance reporter for the magazine *Cincinnati Seniors* contacted Brenda a while ago wanting to do an article on greyhounds. Brenda spent time with her providing lots of good information. The reporter asked good questions and was impressed with how well we operate and what a terrific job we're doing finding homes for retired racers. The [resulting article](#) was in the July 20 issue of the magazine, which is free at Kroger stores and some drug stores. Photos of Brenda and Ron Pennix and Joyce Yonka and their pups were on the cover!

## The rest of the story — WV's Miness

On June 11, Brenda got a call from a representative from Midwest Greyhound Adoption asking if we had placed a brindle male named **WV's Miness**, now 11 years old. We didn't, nor did Central Ohio Greyhound Rescue, but we were aware that Country Roads Kennel in West Virginia had done some adoptions years ago directly to private owners, and it turned out **Miness** was one of those. The caller told Brenda that **Miness** was in a kill-shelter in Illinois. How he got there, we'll never know. Someone saved him and kept him temporarily while she started researching rescue groups. Her first contact was Midwest, who then contacted us. Because he is a WV dog, GAGC directors decided to take him and made arrangements to get him back to Ohio. Our thanks go to Brenda and Ron and all the other people involved in his transport.

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Formed in 2002, GAGC's mission is to strive for the best quality placements. We focus on being small and doing things right. We recognize that we cannot save all the greyhounds in the world, but we can make a difference to the ones we touch.

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Lost the Race



Won Our Hearts



We took **Miness** to our vet in Mason who discovered he had badly infected teeth — he had to have 18 of them pulled. The poor guy also had fleas, some arthritis and a previously broken pelvis which is contributing to some leg problems. We managed to get him as healthy as possible, considering his age and his history.

*Brenda* had contacted *Angie* and *Ron* who had lost their boy **Yogi** in May to see if they might be interested in **Miness**. After checking the greyhound database, it turned out the boy was a littermate of their female **Reda**, so that sealed the deal. They made his adoption official at the Super Meet & Greet on June 25 in West Chester and are pictured together at right.



## **Yankee Candle Fundraiser**

Once again GAGC will be doing a Fall/Holiday Yankee Candle Fundraiser! Thank you, *Heather*, for taking this on. GAGC earns a 40 percent profit on every product we sell from Yankee, so this is easy money for the greys and everyone can get started on their holiday shopping earlier! Every M&G representative now has catalogs and order forms available; the completed order forms will need to be returned to *Brenda Pennix* or *Kathy Evans* by the end of August. As a reminder, we collect the money upfront and checks should be made payable to GAGC. Merchandise should be ready for pick up by the first week of October. If you have any questions, you can contact *Heather Gilstrap* at (513) 335-9564 or

[heatherds7@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherds7@yahoo.com). If you can't make it to any of the M&Gs this month, please take a moment and go to [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com).

Click the arrow in the middle to go to the next page. Start your holiday shopping now! Write down the items you want to order, e-mail *Heather* your order and mail her your check. She'll have your order at the Greyt Greyhound Gathering at Sharon Woods on Oct. 2. *Heather's* address is: 3019 Abby Way, Loveland, OH 45140.

## **Black Collar Sets**


We appreciate all of you who have returned your black collar sets to GAGC to use for future adoptions. We continue to receive recycled sets! Thank you for returning them and for helping GAGC save money. We will continue to need them to conserve our

resources, so if you no longer want yours, please return them to *Brenda* or *Kathy*, or take them to any M&G and the rep will turn them in for reuse.

## **Webmaster**

*Brenda* and *Kathy* have been keeping our web master *Mike* busy with all their adoptions over the last several months. Thanks, *Mike*, for responding so quickly and keeping our website one of the nicest we've seen.

## **Facebook Reminder**

GAGC is on Facebook! We're grateful to *Melissa* who set up our account and maintains it for us, and to  *Mike* who also does updates when he adds items to our website. Check us out — we're listed under [Greyhound Adoption of Greater Cincinnati](#).

## 2012 GAGC Calendar – And the winner is ...

The top vote getter for the name of the 2012 GAGC calendar is “A Greyt Life.”

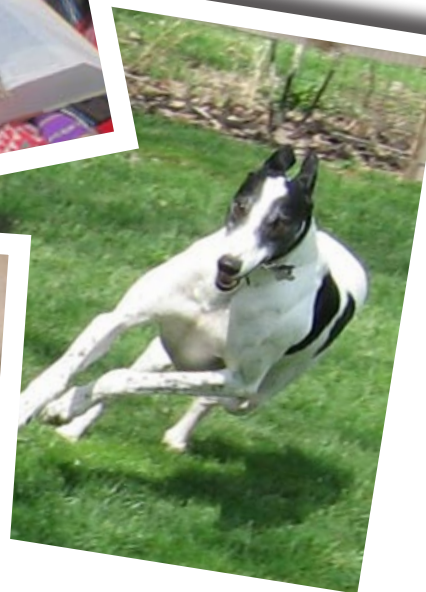
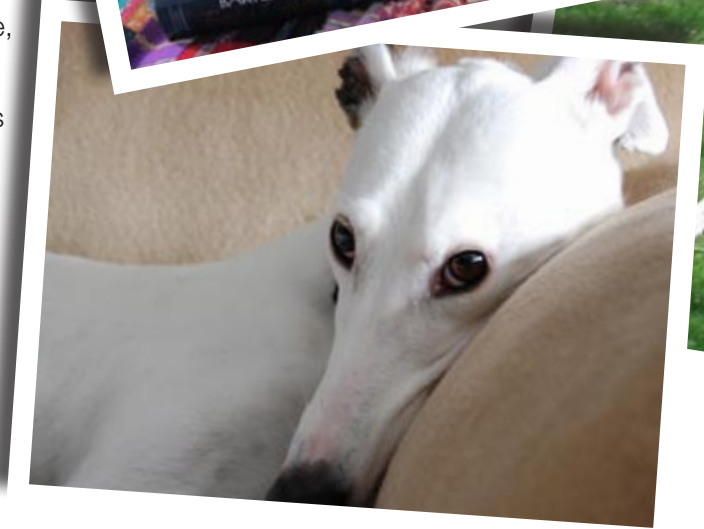
For the calendar photos, we had folks vote on a total of 30 pictures at the picnic so we could have a couple of collage pages, as well as have a couple of back-up photos in case a picture’s resolution was a problem. To represent as many families as possible, each is limited to a single picture in the calendar. The list below represents the top pictures (one per family) in no particular order.

The calendar is currently under construction and will be available at the fall Greyt Greyhound Gathering at Sharon Woods. The price of the calendars will be \$12 each or \$10 each if you buy five (5) or more.

Please send orders via mail, e-mail or phone to:

Angie Blume  
4220 Kensington Court  
Lexington, KY 40514  
(513) 292-3367  
[gagccalendars@yahoo.com](mailto:gagccalendars@yahoo.com)

All orders need to be in by Aug. 30. Angie can also do a limited amount of shipping if you want to order calendars but can’t attend the Gathering. Last year’s shipping costs were \$10 to \$14, depending on shipping location/number of calendars. We are very grateful to *Angie* for handling this huge project again this year.



<b>Dog(s) NAME(s)</b>	<i>OWNER(S) NAME(S)</i>		
<b>Tessa</b>	<i>Debbie</i>	<b>Rusty</b>	<i>Trudy &amp; Lindo</i>
<b>Bernie</b>	<i>Brenda &amp; Ron</i>	<b>Winnie &amp; Tigger</b>	<i>Howard &amp; June</i>
<b>Dory</b>	<i>Sally &amp; Matt</i>	<b>Indie, Ty &amp; Smiley</b>	<i>Bob &amp; Laura</i>
<b>Doak</b>	<i>Holly &amp; Joe</i>	<b>Sampson</b>	<i>Alex &amp; Cindy</i>
<b>Tarriff</b>	<i>Sue &amp; Warren</i>	<b>Nola</b>	<i>Jill &amp; Willis</i>
<b>Belle</b>	<i>Chris &amp; Dwight</i>	<b>Lucy</b>	<i>Stephanie</i>
<b>Cutie</b>	<i>Peggy</i>	<b>India</b>	<i>Vanessa &amp; Dave</i>
<b>Easy &amp; Sunny</b>	<i>John &amp; Cindy</i>	<b>Johnny B &amp; Reda</b>	<i>Angie &amp; Ron</i>
<b>Taj</b>	<i>Stephen</i>	<b>Jack</b>	<i>Michael &amp; Malia</i>
<b>Zinc (foster)</b>	<i>Michelle &amp; Jon</i>	<b>Gus</b>	<i>Sheli</i>
<b>Emmie</b>	<i>Barnie &amp; Liz</i>	<b>Pete</b>	<i>Suzanne</i>
<b>Hope &amp; Jax</b>	<i>Honey &amp; Dale</i>	<b>Rio &amp; Cambria</b>	<i>Teresa &amp; Chuck</i>
<b>Heart &amp; Surge</b>	<i>Cara &amp; Kirk</i>	<b>Basia &amp; Kiowa</b>	<i>Kathy</i>
<b>Gracie</b>	<i>Melissa &amp; Alan</i>	<b>Billy Mosta</b>	<i>Susan</i>
<b>Ninja</b>	<i>Heather &amp; Jason</i>	<b>Dehue</b>	<i>Becki</i>

## Dog Runs

We had one of our smoothest dog runs ever on May 26. The dog hauler was right on time – 6 in the morning! *Ron P.* got up at 5:15, stopped for coffee and a donut, and found the driver, *Barry*, asleep in the hauler at the Tylersville Road rendezvous. *Ron* picked up **Ahk Cyprus**, **Get the Job Done** and **J's Houdini Girl** and was back home by 6:15. **Cyprus** had a potty accident in the car, but that was understandable — the three dogs had been in the hauler for over 24 hours. *Barry* said it was 94 degrees in Alabama when they left. Their rugs were wet in the hauler because he put hunks of ice in each crate to keep them cool. In the meantime, *Brenda* got up and got ready for work, fed her pups, got bedding for the three visitors and fed them when they arrived. **Cyprus** and **Done** are both what we call “cow dogs” — white with black patches like a Holstein cow. They all settled into crates waiting for a bath and to go home with their foster family until their forever home is found.

*Kathy*, *Carolyn* and *Justin* tackled pouring rain and traffic tie-ups to get to the Captain Car Wash outside of Columbus on June 18 to pick up brindle male **Bbr Azamac (Mac)** and brindle female **Just Racin Jody (Jody)**. The dogs made the long trip from Florida. *Julie* and company from Central Ohio Greyhound Rescue met the hauler in Pennsylvania and brought back their six dogs and our two. After getting bathed and having some time outside to stretch their legs, **Mac** and **Jody** got in the van and slept most of the



way back to Dayton. **Jody** was adopted right after they got back to *Kathy's* house and **Mac** moved to a caring foster home.

*Brenda* and *Ron* headed to West Virginia on July 6 to pick up two dogs from Tri- State Race Track — male **EF Obamablizzard** and female **MRK Aisha**. It was a long day — 433 miles round trip. *Brenda* said it was a beautiful drive getting there, but coming back, **Aisha** pooped in the car and **Obama** threw up (they had to pull over twice to deal with things). So much for an uneventful drive.

On July 27, *Ron* drove back to WV to get two more sweet boys — blue brindle **Coach Edwards** (pictured above) and red **Kelso's Peterbilt (JoJo)**. They are terrific dogs and will likely find their new homes soon.

We finally received six more dogs from *Lil* in Alabama on Aug. 2 — three weeks after we first expected them. They included two males named **Perfectly Wired (Buck)** and **BF Inspec-**

**daTy** and four females named **Husker Celie**, **AC Galaxy Mystic**, **Kcon Bad Queen** and **MC Halfmoon**. Thanks to *Ron*, *Karen*, *Edye* and her mom who met the hauler and took the six dogs back to *Brenda* and *Ron's* house. They fed them, let them out and let them rest until *Heather*, *Colleen*, *Cindy*, *Edye* and her mom came back to bathe them at 2 p.m. At 5:30, *Melissa* brought her cat **Shadow** to test all the pups. All were very cat friendly and will

### Pet-friendly lodging

Looking for pet-friendly lodging when you go on vacation? The following web site will give you listings of lodgings that accept both you and your dogs: [www.petswelcome.com](http://www.petswelcome.com).





be easily adoptable. Thanks to all of you who helped in this stressful dog run. After three weeks waiting for these pups, they were definitely worth the wait! Thanks to the foster families that came during the evening to pick up their pups! Of course, special thanks to *Brenda* who orchestrated all the details for helpers and foster families, got all the paperwork ready for everyone, and filled the void as needed by fostering pups here and there.

*Ron* drove to West Virginia once again on Aug. 11 to pick up a dark brindle male named **MH Rumble Revent** and a little black female named **Coach Connie**. **Rumble** has already been adopted and **Connie** has moved to a caring foster family for now until we find the perfect match for her.

## **GAGC Annual Family Picnic**

Wow! May 28 was a greyt day! *Brenda* said she looked around and just smiled — there must have been

over 60 families in attendance and most families have multiple dogs, so about 150 to 175 dogs enjoyed the day! The foster dogs were definitely the highlight of the day and the reason we do what we do! Thank you foster families — five foster dogs went home! **Sally** was adopted Friday evening, **Sam, Houdini, Gunny** and **Vaughn** were adopted the day of the picnic.

To make a special day like this happen takes a lot of people. The people below made it happen! We may be forgetting to mention some of you, so we apologize in advance!

Raffle and silent auction — *Laura* and *Bob* spent months getting all the nice items to help earn money for GAGC. It was a huge success — they made more than \$1,600!

Calendar contest — *Angie* spent many hours preparing for the 2012 GAGC calendar contest. There were so many pictures to vote on. Greyt job!

Bagels and cream cheese — What a special treat it was to have *Nikki* and

*Mike* prepare and donate the bagels. They were fabulous! See *Nikki's* business card on page 13.

Drinks — Thanks to *Cindy* and *Alex* for providing drinks, and thank you *Alex* for keeping the doggie pools filled. The pups enjoyed that.

*Karen's* Kookies — She donated \$40 at the end of the day.

Cakes — *Jodie* and *Randy* brought the cakes again this year, always a nice treat.

Foster Families brought their foster dogs and talked to many families about adoption. We can't do it without you.

Recycle table — *Kathy, Colleen* and *PJ* manned this table making \$104 for GAGC. Thanks to those of you who brought the items to sell.

GAGC booth workers — *Brenda, Sissy, Heather, Melissa, Sandee* and several others took care of the booth. They sold almost \$700 worth of merchandise.

Thanks to *Kristina* for donating the Starbucks Coffee — she doesn't even own a greyhound! She told *Brenda* they are moving into a house with a fenced yard and she will be sending in

## **Pet Sitters**

Do you need a pet sitter for your greys while you're out of town? *Brenda*

has a list of GAGC members willing to pet sit, but we're also looking for more willing folks, in the Dayton and Cincinnati areas. Let *Brenda* know if you're interested.



an application for a greyhound soon!

Goody bags – Fabulous goody bags were prepared by *Carl* and *Melissa*. Thanks for making them so nice for GAGC families — getting the items donated and creating these nice treats. *Kathy* and *PJ* donated the Mother Hubbard treats.

Of course, the set up and break down was a huge job! Thanks to all of you who pitched in and made it go smoothly. *Brenda* had people e-mailing or calling asking what they could do to help. You all are terrific! Big thanks to *Brenda's* husband *Ron* for coordinating the set up. *Stephen* went to their house and loaded up his car and *Ron* and *Brenda's* car the night before, met them at 9:30 a.m. the day of the picnic and helped them set up! *Willis*, *Jason* and *Heather* were a huge help setting up and breaking it all down again. *Brenda* said she couldn't begin to name everyone who made the day such a huge success, but she sure gave it her best shot!

## **First annual GAGC Super Meet & Greet**

What a greyt day! *Alex* and *Cindy* went above and beyond for a fabulous day on June 25. Thanks to *Alex*, *Cindy*, *Doug*, *Jarod*, *Ashley*, *Heather*, *Angie*, *Ron*, *Brenda* and *Susan* for setting up, and to *Colleen* and *Kathy* who helped *Heather* and *Ashley* in the booth. The weather was perfect, and we were a huge hit at the Farmer's Market in West Chester. *Alex* had a large pen set up and at one point we had at least 40 greyhounds enjoying the company of other greyhounds and cooling off in a series of kiddie pools. Several other greyhound groups attended and were welcomed by GAGC families. Vendors and families at the market enjoyed our short parade around the Farmer's Market. **Fallon** (pictured below), **Fave** and **Boone** won the bandanna contest. The raffle basket was won by a non-greyhound owner, but after meeting our families and visiting with *Alex* and *Cindy*, we wouldn't doubt if some day

they will adopt a greyhound. We talked to at least four families very interested in adopting a greyhound; they were grateful for the detailed information they received from our families. *Ron* and *Angie* adopted **WV's Miness**; he is finally home and will enjoy the company of his new pack friends **Jett**, **Reda** and **Johnny**. *Ron* and *Angie* said he is a greyt dog!

The unexpected surprise today was that *Anne*, *Rory* and *Ethan* decided to adopt **Mac**. They have been fostering him for only a week and they fell in love. He is a timid boy and each day he gets more comfortable in his new surroundings. When *Brenda* went to put an "Adopt Me" scarf on him, *Anne* said, "Take it off, he has a home!" *Brenda* was so happy this boy found his forever him so quickly.

Thank you to all who attended, showing *Alex* and *Cindy* we all appreciated their efforts in coordinating this event, making it a huge success and making a positive impression on the residents and vendors in the area. Thanks to *Mary Beth* who donated half her proceeds from her caricatures to GAGC. This event is a perfect example of the dedication and support our group has for these fabulous creatures!



## **Springboro Dog Daze**

It was warm but there was a nice breeze at this event on Aug. 6. Thanks to *Joe*, *Karen* and *Jason* who spent the entire day with *Ron* and *Brenda* setting up/breaking down and talking to families. *Colleen* came early and stayed most of the day working

the booth. *Heather* and *Jason* came from GAGC's other event in Blue Ash and headed to Springboro and spent several more hours helping there. Of course the best of all the dogs who attended the event (big, little, yappy) were our quiet greyhounds: **Cowboy, Sheba, Bernie, Tobee, Mimi, Fave, Izzy, Dexter, Queen, Ninja, Enzo, Lexi, Boone** and **Aisha**. On one side of GAGC's booth was a Scottish Terrier Rescue and on the other side were puppies from a shelter. Families were very impressed with our calm and mellow hounds!

## **Fleet Event in Blue Ash**

Thanks to *Heather, Jason, Laura, MaryBeth, Kelly* and *Bob* for attending and representing GAGC at this event on Aug. 6. *Heather* said it was well attended and they talked to lots of families about adoptions. Thanks to their greyhounds **Ninja, Lexi, Enzo, Indie, Smiley, Kelley** and **Nyla** for impressing even more families!

## **Glenwood Gardens Big Bug Event**

This was a nice event on Aug. 14. The weather was great and, as always, our greyhounds made a good impression on the visitors. Thanks to the following folks who represented GAGC: *Brenda, Ron, Laura, Bob, Nick, Kelly, Colleen, Karen, Jason, Debbie, Jami, Parker, Keeghan* and *Cindy*. The stars of the day were their pups: **Mimi, Bernie, Tobee, Indie, Smiley, Cowboy, Sheba, Dexter, Soul, Molly, Sam** and **Delilah**.

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to GAGC members *Ryan* and *MaryBeth*. **Phoenix's** people got married June 17. This is a really nice young couple with more greyhounds in their future, we're sure!

GAGC congratulates *Ashley* and *Jarod* who got engaged in July. Wedding plans are set for next spring. They are the proud owners of **Kona**.

We also send our congratulations to long-time member *Jodie* and *Randy* who got married in July.

## **Thanks for trying**

The Oakley Square Furry Fun Event was scheduled for June 10, but thunderstorms got in the way. We still want to thank *Heather* for taking the GAGC Meet & Greet tub to *Ashley* and *Jarod*, and to thank *Ashley* and *Jarod* who were going to set up and represent GAGC. They sat in the car for two hours waiting for a break in the weather, but it just wasn't meant to be. Thanks all for your dedication and trying to make it happen.

Unfortunately we had to cancel the Harmony Hills Vineyards Winery event scheduled for Saturday, June 11. The weather was not cooperating again — more violent storms were forecast. Thanks to *Pam* for setting this up.

## **Donations**

In addition to everyone already mentioned in this newsletter who helped make our annual picnic so successful, several families made donations to GAGC on May 28. We are very grateful to the *Zucker* family, and to

*Wiley* and *Peg*, for their ongoing generosity and support to GAGC.

Thanks to Sharon for her donation in **Belle's** name. *Chris* and *Dwight* lost **Belle** in July to bone cancer.

We are very grateful to *Joe* and *Holly* who donated four boxes of Advantix to GAGC.

Thanks go to *Joyce* and *Walter* for their donation in memory of **Elvis**.

We want to thank *Karen* and *Jason* for their donation made on July 27.

**Mystic's** new mom *Edye* made a generous donation to GAGC in early August — the day she added her new family member. Thank you!

In June, *Brenda's* school made a generous \$200 donation to GAGC in honor of her retirement from Lakota Ridge Jr. School. We are so grateful for their support.



## **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 them to *Kathy* at [koe@donet.com](mailto:koe@donet.com) or *Brenda* at [brpennix@aol.com](mailto:brpennix@aol.com).

## 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:

- *Teresa and Chuck*: **PG's Versatility (Vinnie)**
- *Melissa and Carl*: **Beach Buggy**
- *Joe, Holly, Riley & Cleo*: **RWC Mulberry, MRK Aisha**
- *Heather & Jason*: **WV's Alma, Coach Edwards, Kelso's Peterbilt, Coach Connie**
- *Melissa, Mike & Jacob*: **Braska Zinc, Perfectly Wired (Buck)**
- *Tracy, Todd & Ben*: **Lee Dazzler**
- *Anne & Rory*: **Bbr Azamac**
- *Kathy*: **WV's Gunman (Gunny)**
- *Brenda & Ron*: **WV's Miness, Husker Celie, Coach Connie**
- *Sarah & Doug*: **AHK Cyprus, Beach Buggy**
- *Ann*: **Get the Job Done**
- *Colleen*: **EF Obamablizzard**
- *Karen & Jason*: **Kcon Bad Queen (Queen)**
- *Caroline & Kirk*: **BF Inspecda Ty**
- *Edye*: **AC Galaxy Mystic**
- *Chris & Dwight*: **MC Halfmoon**
- *Suzanne*: **Husker Celie**

## Current Foster Dogs

Are you ready for another greyhound? We have the following dogs in foster care:

- PG's Versatility (Vinnie)**: 5-year-old white and brindle male
- Beach Buggy (Booga Booga)**: 2-year-old white and red male
- Kcon Bad Queen (Queen)**:

3-year-old red female

**Perfectly Wired (Buck)**: 3-year-old black male

**Coach Edwards**: 4-year-old blue brindle male

Please contact your local placement representative (*Brenda or Kathy*) if you are interested in adding one of these beauties to your family.

## Recent Adoptions

**EF Sallyblizzard (Sally)**: May 27 to *Theresa, John, Ian & Judy* of Huber Heights

**Flat Out Vaughn (Viper)**: May 28 to *Josh & Michael* of Anderson

**WV's Gunman (Gunny)**: May 28 to *PJ* of Dayton

**Frosty's Kaboom (Sam)**: May 28 to *Shannon, Karl & Mitch* of Milford

**J's Houdini Girl**: May 28 to *Melissa, Jacob & Mike* of Middletown

**Ahk Cyprus**: June 5 to *Debbie & Steve* of West Milton

**Get the Job Done (now Stella)**: June 8 to *Tenderly, Walker, Gage & Holden* of Milford

**WV's Alma (now Nala)**: June 10 to *Jess & Tim* of Blue Ash

**Just Racin Jody (now Josie)**: June 18 to *Sherri & Dave* of Kettering

**RWC Mulberry (now Dexter)**: June 18 to *Jenni & Sydney* of Delhi

**Bbr Azamac (Mac)**: June 25 to *Anne, Rory & Ethan* of Amelia

**WV's Miness**: June 25 to *Angie & Ron* of Lebanon

**WV's Tornado (Jaxon, pictured)**: June 26 to *Beth, Gary & Alana* of Greenville

**Braska Zinc**: June 26 to *Jan & Mark* of Oakley

**Lee Dazzler (now Hermione)** – July 1 – *Marcia & Mikel* of Kettering

**EF Obamablizzard (now Max)**: July 22 to *Donna & David* of Lebanon

**MC Half Moon**: Aug. 3 to **Chris & Dwight** of Hebron, Ky.

**Kelso's Peterbilt (Kelso)**: Aug. 4 to *Michael & Ben* of Blue Ash

**AC Galaxy Mystic (Mystic)**: Aug. 6 to *Edye* of Mainville

**MRK Aisha**: Aug. 10 to *Christian* of Anderson

**MH Rumble Revert (Rumble)**: Aug. 13 to *Aimee & Andrea* of Centerville

**BF Inspecda Ty**: Aug. 15 to *Joe & Joann* of Mason

**Husker Celie**: Aug. 16 to *Suzanne* of Hebron, Ky.



## Featured Foster Dog – Vinnie (Versatility)

**Vinnie** has been in foster care for several months now waiting for the right family. He loves his people and wants to be near them all the time. He would be an excellent Meet & Greet dog. He is cat friendly and does well with other dogs. He also does well walking and loves to see new and different places. He really enjoys running around outside the house and playing, so a family with a nice yard would be best for him. Even though he is 5, he is the “youngest” of his foster pack. He loves to play with toys and never walks anywhere if he can run instead.

**Vinnie's** foster mom thinks the ideal family for him would be a fairly active family with children and a good-sized backyard. If all the people are gone to work or school during the day, then it would be best for him to have another canine companion. Anyone interested in meeting **Vinnie** should contact your adoption representative — *Brenda* or *Kathy*.



## Just for Fun

– From *Cora* and *Bob*

Miss **Patsy** had been a sneaky pooper again, so we decided to put panties on her. Well, the inevitable happened in the panties and the look on her face was absolutely the funniest expression we have ever seen on a greyhound. We laughed till we cried. All we do now is show her the panties and she goes to the door and does her best to please.

And a 4th of July poem from *Cora* about **Patsy** and **Big Pete**:

And the rockets' red glare —  
and Miss **Patsy's** right there.  
Something **Pete** cannot bear.  
Won't go out on a dare! Poor **Pete!**



## Our Condolences

*Editor's Note: Every time we lose one of our greyhounds to cancer, GAGC makes a donation in that dog's name to the Department of Veterinary Clinical Services at Ohio State University's College of Veterinary Medicine, led by Dr Guillermo Couto. GAGC hopes that someday soon, Dr. Couto and his colleagues can determine why so many greyhounds are struck down prematurely by cancer and other causes.*

We were saddened to hear that *Dave and Karen* lost their female greyhound **Latte** to osteosarcoma in April. We are sorry for their loss.

Our condolences go out to *Ellie and Troy* for the loss of their greyhound **Indie** to bone cancer earlier this year.

**Zinc's** new family *Becky, Jan and Mark* lost their previous greyhound to kidney failure on June 3. We send them our condolences.

We were so sorry to hear that *Angie and Ron* had to have their beloved 14-year-old **Yogi** euthanized on May 23 due to bone cancer. He was a sweet old boy they adopted when he was already a senior, but his final years were terrific.

We send our condolences to *Michael and Josh* following the death of their cat **Barney** on June 22. Per *Michael*, **Barney's** health had been deteriorating rapidly and their vet recommended euthanasia as the kindest action. Their greyhounds **Kally** and **Viper** will help fill the void.

*Chris and Dwight* shared the sad news that their 6-year-old **Belle** had bone cancer and had to be euthanized



on June 27. She was very young to get this horrible disease, but she had a wonderful life with her big, happy family. We are very sorry for their loss.

Our condolences go to *Gwen and Matt* who had to have their sweet **Ruby** euthanized on July 1 after losing her month-long battle with pancreatitis and cancer. From *Gwen to Brenda*: "I still remember the day I went with you to pick her up. The poor thing came from warm Alabama to snowy Cincinnati. I had to clear a patch of grass for her to pee on 'till she figured out what the snow was. She was our beloved goofball, showing us that you can be silly and graceful at the same time; as only a greyhound can. Thank you for

helping to bring her into our lives!"

A true greyhound lover and owner, *Ann Maree* fought cancer for many years and lost her battle on July 1. She attended as many events as she could, and many remember her and her husband *Al* at our 2010 GAGC Family Picnic. He provided us with the delicious barbeque sandwiches. They have two beautiful greyhounds that we're sure are missing *Ann*. Please keep *Al* in your prayers to help him manage his loss.

We were very sorry to hear that *Edye* lost her beloved greyhound friend **Joey** to bone cancer on July 29. She was able to adopt **Mystic** in early August to help ease the pain of **Joey's** loss and to give her greyhound **Sophie** some company.

Our condolences go to **Snowbear's** family. He died July 30 — *Joann and Joe* did the kindest thing by letting him go to the bridge where he would

no longer be in any pain. He was the sweetest big boy you'd ever want to meet. He will be missed by those who knew him.

Aug. 7 was a very sad day when **Ty** lost his valiant battle with Evan's disease/ syndrome. It is a very complex and complicated disease that attacks the immune system. **Ty** fought the disease for about three weeks, with the last two weeks being at County Animal Hospital. He was starting to improve but the disease was relentless. We are so sorry for his family — *Laura, Bob, Nick and Kelly*. They loved **Ty** too much to have him suffer any longer. From *Laura*: "We want to thank you for your thoughts and prayers for **Ty** and us during this time. We appreciate it. **Ty** was a terrific boy, a great ambassador for GAGC and will surely be missed!"

GAGC sends deepest sympathies to *JaCol, George, Evan and Cooper* who lost their sweet girl **Feta** very unexpectedly on Aug. 8. In the morning, **Feta** was doing her usual lap running. After running four laps, she stopped, took a few steps backwards and dropped. Their vet thinks she died of a heart attack. She was only 6 years old (she would have been 7 on Aug. 21).

*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 if desired and your memorial statement to us and we'll enter it in an up coming newsletter. High-resolution photos are best — 300 dpi. If they are 72 dpi, then they should no smaller than 4 inches on the shortest side.*

## **Tribute to Road Sound Belle** **6/6/2005 – 6/27/2011**

— from *Chris and Dwight*

We said goodbye to **Belle** on Monday. We adopted her in May 2009. This pretty little petite girl came into our house and made friends quickly with four other dogs, all female, and one cat. **Belle** was one of the happiest dogs I have ever seen. There were nights we would be awakened with sounds of her jumping around the living room playing with her squeaky toys. She loved sun bathing on the deck. She loved her walks and going to the dog park. She loved everybody. **Belle** greeted everyone as a long lost friend, tail wagging and goosing you if she would get the chance. Being told three weeks ago of the diagnosis of bone cancer at age 6 was hard, shocking really. We could not let her suffer any longer, but we take solace in knowing we gave her the best two years of her life.

Bye **Belle Belle**.



***"It came to me that every time I lose a dog they take a piece of my heart with them. And every new dog who comes into my life gifts me with a piece of their heart. If I live long enough, all the components of my heart will be dog, and I will become as generous and loving as they are."***

**—Unknown**

## Show Your Support

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

### Go Krogering!

Do you shop at Kroger? Do you know someone who does? The Kroger gift card program is one of GAGC's



most reliable fundraisers. Go to the "Support Us" link on the GAGC website

to get all the details on this gift card program. We receive a \$200 donation from Kroger each time our group achieves \$5,000 in total purchases. We use these donations to cover vet expenses for new or rehomed greyhounds in need. Thank you for your support! Here are the amounts of our latest awards:

- April 17 to May 14: \$361.43
- May 15 to June 11: \$458.20
- June 12 to July 9: \$417.85

This is such a great source of funding for us! If you have purchased a Kroger gift card, be sure you keep reloading it and use it at check-out. If you don't have one, you can contact *Brenda* or *Kathy* to get one. Our newest ones cost \$1 and have \$1 credit pre-loaded. Please help us out! This is an easy and consistent fundraiser.

### Do a Meet-and-Greet

Bring your greyhounds and join us at a GAGC Meet & Greet to introduce



other people to this wonderful breed.

They are on Sundays at the following PetSmart locations (check

our website for times):

- 1st Sunday of the month: Milford
- 2nd Sunday: Beavercreek (in the Dayton area) and Tri-County
- 3rd Sunday: West Chester, Western Hills and Centerville (Dayton)
- 4th Sunday: Fairfield and Mason

### Pet Photography

*Virgil Sweeden* is a long time GAGC member who takes pet photos



at a reasonable price. He is available to take photos

of your greyhounds, other pets or even of human family members and special events. For pet photos, he'll come to your home if you prefer, to make your pets more at ease. E-mail him at [Virgil@PawPrintsPet.com](mailto:Virgil@PawPrintsPet.com) or visit his website at [www.PawPrintsPet.com](http://www.PawPrintsPet.com).



***"To live with greyhounds is to live with beauty. There is no escaping it."***

***—Alice Sebold, author***

## RARE BIRD BAGELS



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## Mark your calendars

**Sept. 3:** *Steward Airfield Air Show, 2 p.m.* We have been invited again this year to have a booth at the air show in Waynesville. The flying starts at 4:30 p.m., but GAGC will be there starting at 2 p.m. For information, go to: [www.stewardsaircraft.net](http://www.stewardsaircraft.net).

Directions are under "Contact Us." Thanks to *Ron B.* for coordinating this again.

**Sept. 17:** *Liberty Township Fall Festival, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.* Join us in Liberty Field behind the YMCA on Yankee Road. AGC will be the featured attraction. We'll be parading the greyhounds around and giving talks about greyhounds with the DJ throughout the day.

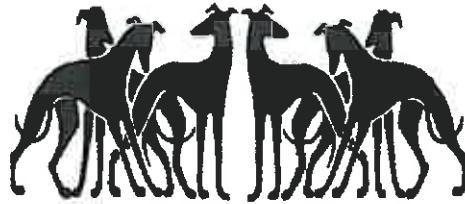
**Oct. 2:** *Greyt Greyhound Gathering, noon to 4 p.m.* This annual get-together is at Sharon Woods, Hamilton County Park located in Sharonville. We'll be in the Council Bluff reserved area. There will be vendors, pet blessing, pet photography, grilled lunch available for purchase and more. See the attached flyer for all the details. Registration is encouraged; get the event t-shirt!

**Oct. 15:** *Steps for Pets: The Walk for Spay/Neuter, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.* This walk will be at Yeatman's Cove at Sawyer Point, 801 East Pete Rose Way, Cincinnati, OH 45202. For questions, please contact Deb at [dschaff@ucancincinnati.org](mailto:dschaff@ucancincinnati.org) or (513) 762-0137. Sign-up forms will be available in late August.



## It's not a party until the *greyhound* arrives!





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The following release must be signed: In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I, for myself, do hereby release and discharge all sponsors, all volunteers and others assisting with this event, from all claims of damages, demands and actions whatsoever in any manner or growing out of my participation in this event. I hereby attest and verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, that I assume and pay my own and/for my dog(s) medical and emergency expenses in the event of accident or illness. The GGG is not a group or organization and is not affiliated with any other group or organization. All checks are submitted together after the event to help defer mailing costs.

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