

GREYHOUND TAILS

NEWSLETTER FOR GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA - CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE
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A Message from the Director February 2012

Happy New Year to all of you!

I hope all of you reading this and all of your greyhounds have a wonderful and safe New Year in 2012. In this message I want to briefly cover what GPA-CNHC accomplished in 2011 and where I think GPA-CNHC should go in 2012.

In 2011 GPA-CNHC provided significant funding to the Sunburst Project in Florida to vet greyhounds prior to shipment out of Florida to adoption groups across the US and Canada. The Sunburst Project was a trial 6 month program and has been hugely successful in organizing the movement of retired greyhounds out of the panhandle region of Florida.

The program has been renewed for another 6 months due to the success. With out the financial support of GPA-CNHC, through the creation of our vetting fund, none of this success could have been possible. (More then 200 greyhounds have moved through the pilot program since August 2011.)

In 2011 our chapter also donated \$5,000.00 to the Emily Griffin emergency medical fund at GPA national.

In 2011 GPA-CNHC took 27 greyhounds into our adoption program. Most of the dogs were new from the tracks, some were returned dogs from our program and several were returned dogs from adoption programs that are no longer functioning and supporting their placements in NH. Elsewhere in this newsletter is a listing of the 2011 dogs, who they were and where they have gone.

In 2011 our chapter provided funding for 2 broken leg greyhounds. One of the dogs was vetted in Florida and has moved on to an adoption group in the mid west. The other broken leg dog (Peter Pan) was moved from Kansas into our program in Oct. Peter Pan received his orthopedic surgery with Dr. Melissa Dudley at VCA - Northboro, MA, and now is fully recovered and available for adoption. You can view Peter Pan on our website.

I am pleased that our chapter, as small as we are, was able to make such a large difference for all of the dogs we have assisted in 2011. Thank you to all of the supporters of GPA-CNHC that make this all possible.

As many of you know there are still huge challenges facing the greyhounds in the New Year. Florida has legislation pending in session that could radically change the future for thousands of greyhounds currently racing there. If the changes occur during this legislative session, many dogs will have to move to adoption groups across the country in a short period of time. I believe that it is critical in 2012 for our chapter to continue our fundraising endeavors so that we can be positioned to assist the Florida dogs if the need arises suddenly.

Our chapter will continue to take dogs from tracks in racing states into our program, as space allows, in 2012. We will also continue to assist returned dogs from defunct adoption programs as the need arises.

Thank you to all of the foster homes and all of the financial supporters that make our program successful.

Steve Shepard
Director/Treasurer

***** Open House Location Change *****

GPA-CNHC has returned to our original open house location. We are once again meeting at the training barn and that is the first driveway on the left after passing the kennel entrance. It is the blue building at the end of the driveway. Look for our GPA banner at the entrance.

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Featured Hounds



Anarose

Anarose has settled in nicely at her foster home. She is very quiet and mellow and cat safe! As a retired racing GH and retired broodmom, Rose is ready to start her 3rd career as a professional pet.

She is quiet, but you know what they say about the quiet ones! She has an adventurous streak and is becoming known as an escape artist.

She had broken hock that didn't heal well and has some weakness in that leg. She would do best with someone that doesn't have a fenced yard and will leash walk her. She has been started on joint supplements and they seem to of helped her a bit already. She probably should be on a joint supplement permanently.

Rose was recently diagnosed with seizures. She seems to be doing well on her current dosage and she hasn't had any further episodes. Seizure medication is very reasonable and once the correct dosage has been established, these dogs do fine. Please don't let this stop you from considering Rose as an addition to your family.

~~~~ GPA-CNHC 2012 Banquet Info ~~~~

GPA-CNHC is please to announce that Ann Bollens, 2011 Greyhound Adoption person of the year winner, from GPA-Emerald Coast & co- founder of the Sunburst Project will be our guest speaker.

"Florida adoption volunteer Ann Bollens, recently retired president of the Greyhound Pets of America Emerald Coast chapter (GPAEC), has been named the 2011 Greyhound Adoption Person of the Year by the American Greyhound Council (AGC).

Bollens has been a driving force in greyhound adoption since 1998, when she helped found GPAEC. In 2010 alone, her organization moved more than 600 greyhounds into adoptive homes. The northwest Florida group focuses primarily on finding adoptive homes for greyhounds retiring from Ebro and Pensacola tracks.

"Those who nominated Ann used words like tireless and amazing—in fact, they described her as a hero," said AGC Communications Coordinator Gary Guccione. "We couldn't agree more. We've been privileged to work with her over the years."

In addition to her work with GPAEC, Bollens also was instrumental in establishing the **Sunburst Greyhound Adoption Project and Kennel**, an unprecedented initiative to expand and coordinate the movement of retired racing greyhounds from several Florida panhandle tracks to adoption groups around the country. Three separate adoption organizations are involved in the effort—the Greyhound Alliance, the Northern Consortium, and GPAEC.

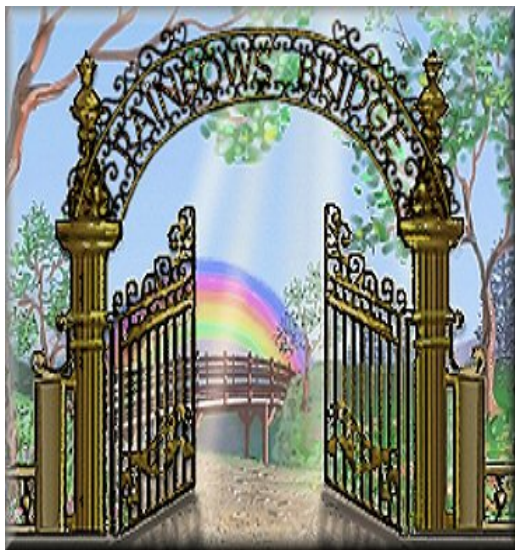
Ticket information and schedule is located on page 9 of this newsletter.

We are also seeking donations for the raffle.

They do not have to be GH related. Please contact Steve & Linda director@gpa-cnhc.org to arrange pick up/drop off of any items. It would be helpful to have the items by April 22nd. Thanks for your continued support... and hope to see you all there!

**** NEW THIS YEAR **** We will be accepting PayPal payments for banquet tickets. There will be a \$1.00 per ticket charge to recover the PayPal fees. There will be information and links on our website. You can still send in your ticket request and payment via USPS mail if you prefer.

The Rainbow Bridge



Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge.

When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge.

There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together.

There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable.

All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by.

The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind.

They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent; his eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster.

You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart.

Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together.

Author unknown...



Milestone~28,000 B.C.~~Actaeon accidentally spots Artemis in the buff: the goddess turns him into a stag, and he is devoured by his hounds, Raven, Snathcer, Bright Eyes and Wolf Howl.

Linda Jensen

September 18, 1948 - November 5, 2011 Plainfield,CT - Linda Jensen, 63, of Weston Rd. passed away Saturday evening at her home. She was born

September 18, 1948, in Germany, a daughter of the late Travis and Elizabeth (Repper) Austin and had resided in Plainfield since 1980. Linda received her Bachelor's Degree from South Dakota State University and her master's from Texas A&M. She was devoted to the care and welfare of retired Greyhounds and was recognized as the 2010 Greyhound Adoption person of the year by the American Greyhound Council. She leaves her sons, Rider Jensen of Greenwood Village, CO, John Jensen of Plainfield, CT and Robert Hartwell who Linda thought of as her third son. 1 brother, Tom Austin of Aurora, CO, three sisters, Ann Horrar of KY, Wendy Ingbretson of Bennett, CO, and Mary Martin of Houston, TX; also many nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Greyhound Council Adoption Fund.

The Greyhound community, both racing and adoption, lost a great friend and ally when Linda passed. She had contacts with racing owners, trainers, kennel operators, adoption groups making it possible for so many GH's to know the joys of retirement. Linda spent countless hours organizing hauls from tracks to adoption groups from Florida all the way into Canada. This proved invaluable when racing ended in New England. GPA-CNHC took in Diamond and Jackson from Linda's last organized haul as our tribute to her tireless efforts. Both black males, in southern areas they are the hardest to place. N.E. doesn't seem to have the same stigma against them, we have placed many black GH's.

For many years Linda organized the Mass. Adoption Weekends at Wonderland and Raynham tracks, with Seabrook joining in the final year. With fun had by all with raffles, speakers, food and vendors. The Wonderland venue also had fun races on Friday afternoon, which the dogs just loved. Even the quietest GH would come alive hearing the lure, with many beside themselves in anticipation.

Just imagine the welcome she received by all the GH's at the bridge. Linda's shoes will be hard to fill.

Buck Russell



"Dahecome Dahego"

11.19.2000 - 11.5.2011

Buck, Buckaroo, Buckyboo, Roo, Buck Russell, a self proclaimed food aficionado, some might even call him a foodhound rather a greyhound. He adopted us June 5, 2005 and life has never been the same. He brought much love, laughter, and oh so many cookie crumbs into our life. I miss the cookie crumbs. Buck was diagnosed with lymphatic cancer October 7, 2011 a day I hoped I'd never have to face from the moment I met him. He underwent chemotherapy for just about a month before taking a turn for the worse. He slipped and fell breaking his front leg revealing bone cancer. There is no way to

heal such a break unless we were to amputate and that was far too much to ask after everything. It was time to say our goodbyes.

The past few months have been all too quiet without him. I'm grateful to have so many photos and even a few videos to help me remember all of my favorite things about him. What I miss most is the BIG BUCK welcome. The way his head popped up in the window as soon your tires hit the driveway. He would stare at the door until it opened at which time the hopping and spinning would begin. Blanket = Buck. Anywhere he saw a blanket he assumed it was there just for him and it would surely be rude if he didn't sit on it. The cushier the better, think *Princess and the Pea*. The nose bonk. Any glass sitting on the end table needed to pass the nose bonk test. "Is that for me? No. Okay, what else you got?" He loved his ear scratches and belly rubs, but it was up to you to go to him to give them, if you were lucky he might scooch a smidge towards you, either way though, he was getting his scratches. Our daily walks. I'm pretty sure he thought he was taking us for a walk, after all it was good for us and he was simply doing us a favor by getting us off the couch (in which he would immediately snag upon our return). Don't get me wrong, he shared the couch. He would take up the middle half and the two ends made up your half. He always took the most carpeted path around the house. I swear he rolled his eyes every time his crazy pal Grady came over. "Really, he is back again? How long? Okay, fine, he can stay two days and that's all, maybe three, but then he's out, four, final answer, arghhhh, five." We all know he secretly loved him though. There are so many more things that I'm going to miss but I'm grateful for all the time spent with him. He brought a smile to my face every day and continues to do so every time I think of him, his quirky personality, sweet face, spinning tail, those scratch and sniff ears standing straight up, and of course his stinky fri-toooooooos.



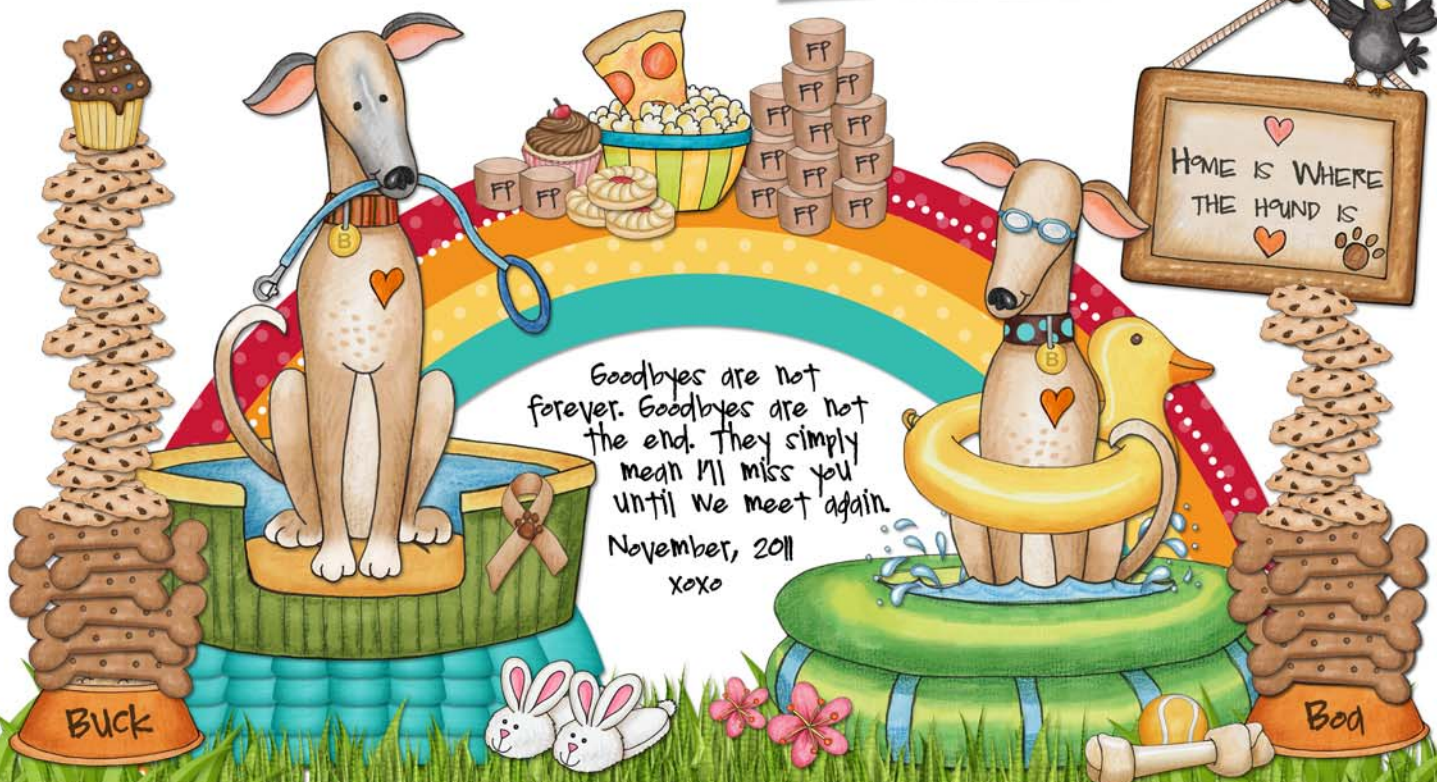
Boa loved to say hello to everyone, he was perfect meet & greet dog! Tall, thin, and blond, he was our hound model until he cut his ear and then we told him he'd have to be our *bad* dog actor. Either way though – showbiz was his game. He would happily wear any costume, hat, or antlers and had an excellent rooing voice. He explored the world by shoving things with his nose. Walls and furniture included. He could tell a lot by whether things flipped over and thus everything fell into one of two categories, things that would move when shoved and things that did not. He especially loved riding in cars and on Matt's parent's pontoon boat and we could never keep him out of our kiddie pool. He was healthy his whole life until weakness in his legs caused a fall that broke some of the bones in his foot. After several months, the weakness in his legs worsened, and he could no longer get up on his own. Repeated spills damaged his broken foot and further surgery was required, but not enough time had passed to fully heal the bone. A fever set in and we had to make the decision to let him go. He wasn't smart, but he was a very very happy hound, and that seemed to be enough.

Boa Skinner

07.17.1999 - 11.6.2011



Buck and Boa passed away within a day of each other at the same hospital. Buck began his retirement with the Skinners, "foster brothers" if you will. It was there that Boa taught him how to make the most of retirement living. It all makes sense now, the nose bonking; Buck had to touch everything with his nose, and as it turns out it was one of the many valuable lessons that Boa taught him. They took their final journey together and were cremated side by side. We love and miss you, you'll always be in our hearts. We'll meet you at the bridge.. xoxo.



The GPA-CNHC Greyhounds of 2011
Who and Where They Are

1. Becky Castillo - "Becky", adopted Hopkinton, NH
2. Deco Gregman - "Greg", adopted Hopkinton, NH
3. Backwood Jackie - "Jackie", adopted Exeter, NH
4. B.D. Diamond - "Diamond", in foster care Milton Mills, NH
5. AHK Jackson - "Jackson", in foster care Hopkinton, NH
6. WJS Blackrose - "Rosie", in foster care Hopkinton, NH
7. Kiowa Angel Art - "Angel", in foster care Bow, NH
8. Bocs Peter Pan - "Peter", in foster care Hopkinton, NH
9. Anarose - "Annie", in foster care Dover, NH
10. Aperitif - "Marty", in foster care Hopkinton, NH
11. Kiowa Cody Canty - "Cody", adopted Hill, NH
12. AMF Illini - "Amy", adopted Concord, NH
13. Kiowa Patty Anne - "Patty Anne", adopted Salisbury, NH
14. Struttin Ace - "Buddy", adopted Hooksett, NH
15. Magic Cheeto - "Cheeto", adopted Hopkinton, NH
16. KB's Beasley - "Beasley", adopted W. Newbury, MA
17. Red Skyline - "Kiss", adopted Hopkinton, NH
18. JA's Rookie - "Skip", adopted Exeter, NH
19. Kumpany - "Kevin", adopted Derry, NH
20. Pals Jabber - "Scout", adopted Cumberland, ME
21. Aljo Pongo - "Pongo", adopted Hopkinton, NH
22. KB's Picasso - "Picasso", adopted Concord, NH
23. Rb Beauty - "Beauty", adopted Andover, NH
24. Hossman - "Hossman", adopted Warner, NH
25. Lunar Express - "Sparrow", adopted Hopkinton, NH
26. Pnp Chong - "Ramses", adopted Merrimack, NH
27. SB Nitro - "Nitro", adopted Pittsfield, NH

Thank you to all of the foster homes and adopters of 2011. You all have made a huge difference for the greyhounds passing through our adoption program.

Steve and Linda Shepard

GPA-CNHC is looking for volunteers

GPA-CNHC has a number of Meet & Greet locations open, and we are looking for volunteers to be leads for these sites. Ideally we would like someone willing to do a site on a monthly basis, however bi-monthly would also be a great help.

We will supply you with all a M&G kit. You can pick the weekend and the day that works best for your schedule and open availability at the location of your choosing.

Open locations are: Dover, NH Petco

Salem, NH Petco

Plaistow, NH Petco

Raymond, NH Little Critters

The Petco Foundation has been very generous to GPA-CNHC for many years, and we would like to keep up our association with them. Little Critters in Exeter has also become a generous supporter of GPA-CNHC, becoming a round-up partner on the days of our M&G at that location.

We would like to thank all present and past M&G leads for their tireless work manning their locations over the years. It's a big commitment and often requires juggling personal events to be able maintain the monthly schedule.

Special thanks go to Michael & Natalie Eisenhower who have manned the Nashua Petco M&G for a number of years. Their personal lives have become busier and will be giving up the Nashua location in March. We wish them well in their endeavors.

Conversations with Bill

By Lari Parsons and Fly Bye Bill

Bill lives with Lori and her husband Michael, 2 skin kids and 4 other dogs.

Bill raced 157 times at West Palm Beach. He has some quirks but that only makes him more lovable. Not only is he a finicky eater, he is linoleum intolerant and is afraid of riding.

Lori has been documenting his eating habits in an ongoing thread on GreyTalk and has allowed me to share their conversations.

July 10, 2011

Me: Bill dinners ready.

Bill: YEAH!! Happy birthday to me! Happy Birthday to me...

Me: I am glad to see you so excited about dinner. I know it is early but if I don't feed you now it is gonna be really late later.

Bill: Lady, I am always excited when I am getting "THEM" for dinner.

Me: "THEM?"

Bill: Lady, I know you bought me some of them for me for my birthday when you bought me some for my Gotcha Day in January.

Me: I did, but if you will recall the refrigerator died on me and they got thawed out and I had to go ahead and feed "THEM" to you so they wouldn't go bad.

Bill: I remember. Surely you bought replacements.

Me: No, I didn't. Money has been tight and "THEY" are expensive.

Bill: But it's my birthday!

Me: Sorry, sweetie.

Bill: I'm not hungry.

Me: I thought you might feel that way so I partially cooked your chicken and liver in the pineapple and clove ham juice I poured off of mine and daddy's lunch and I gave you the rest of the mac and cheese.

Bill: You do love me don't you?"

Me: Of course I do.

Bill: It's not "THEM" but I do appreciate the effort. Put down the bowl. I think I am hungry now.

Me: Thank you.

Bill: No, Thank you.

Me: Happy Birthday, handsome.

July 11, 2011

Me: Come on Bill finish eating.

Bill: Lady for the most part dinner was excellent. The kibble was ok so I ate some of it. The seafood salad with the invitational crab meat was really good and I am so glad you invited the shrimps to join the crabs. However you put the wrong leg in my bowl.

Me: Bill you cannot tell the difference between a right leg and a left leg.

Bill: Yes I can.

Me: How?

Bill: If it was a right leg I would have eaten it but since I did not it is a left leg.

Ginny: Momma I do not like da seafood solid.

Bill: Problem solved. (blink, blink, lick)

Me: I give up!

Bill: It's probably best.

November 20, 2011

Me: Dinner is ready Bill.

Bill: What are you serving today?

Me: The usual....

Bill: Why do I even ask?

Me: ... plus....

Bill: OOOO I like pluses.

Me: Can I continue?

Bill: By all means.

Me: There are some sardines...

Bill: Yum.

Me: BILL!!!

Bill: Sorry.

Me: A few leftover fries from my dinner. A small bite of fish daddy did not eat and a dab of crab dip.

Bill: You done?

Me: Yes.

Bill: YUM!!

Me: Just eat. I'm going to go check a few things on the computer while you eat.

(Scene 2)

Me: Are you finished Bill? No you're not!BILL?
BILL? ... Where are you?

Bill: Over here.

Me: Over where?

(return to living room)

Bill: I'm in here.

Me: How did you get in here?

Bill: I walked.

Me: I didn't think you could get out of the laundry room and across the kitchen floor without my help?

Bill: Yeah and I bet you thought I was going to eat those left legs to didn't you.

Me: 🍌🍌🍌



27,500 (B.C.) Leda makes it with a swan and lays an egg that hatches into Helen of Troy.

27,000 (B.C.) Freya, the Norse deity of fertility, drives a flaming chariot drawn by

Popeye's Grrrrrreek Spanielkopita

from Three Dog Bakery

1 cup all-purpose flour
2 large eggs, beaten
1 cup skim milk

1 teaspoon baking powder
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup olive oil
1 cup grated low-fat cheddar cheese

One 10-ounce package of frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Grease an 8 x 8 pan with nonstick vegetable spray.

Stir together the flour and baking powder in a large bowl and set aside. In a separate bowl, whisk together the eggs, olive oil, and milk. Add the wet ingredients to the dry and stir until smooth. Stir in the cheese and spinach.

Spread the batter evenly in the pan. Bake for 35 minutes, or until light golden.

Cut into squares. Cool completely before serving. Store in the refrigerator for up to 3 days, or wrap tightly and freeze for up to 2 months. (Thaw before serving.)

What Dogs Teach us... Life's Lessons Learned From Our Best Friends

By Glenn Dromgoole

On Health

Get plenty of exercise ~ Eat a balanced diet ~ Drink lots of water every day. ~ Find joy in being able to run and jump--- Not everyone can. ~ No one will want to kiss you if you have bad breath. ~ Good grooming is an asset. ~ Always be happy about getting a treat. ~ Scratch what itches. ~ Shots hurt, but not for long. ~ Play more. ~ Worry less.

On self-Esteem

We all need to be told Good Boy! Or Good Girl! from time to time. ~ You don't have to win a blue ribbon to be a champion. ~ The size of the heart is more important than the size of the body. ~ We can't get everything we want. ~ Try to be brave when you're hurting. ~ When you're having a bad day, a hug sure helps make it better. ~ You don't have to be rich or famous or powerful to be loved. ~ Don't walk in another's shadow; make your own. ~

On Interacting With Others

If you are mean, people will try to avoid you. ~ All creatures on earth should be respected. ~ Understand that diversity in dogs, as well as people, makes life more interesting. ~ It never hurts to smile. ~ We should respect someone else's territory.. and be prepared to defend our own. ~ Enjoy the company of children. ~ Be gentle and loving with older people. ~ Being kind is more important than being important. ~ Cheer up others they're sad. ~ Sometimes you have to speak up to get what you want. ~ We don't have to have a large vocabulary to get our message across. ~ Be happy when people drop by for a visit. ~ Treasure your friendships. ~ At times it is appropriate to bark ... other times, a smile will do. ~

On Self-Improvement

Begin each day with a newspaper. ~ if you spend too much time watching the world go by, it will. ~ To get what we're after, we have to keep digging. ~ A little peace and quiet will calm both you and your soul. ~ Learn to grow old gracefully. ~ Don't put on airs. ~ Continue to work on being more patient. ~ Take time to enjoy the smells and sounds and sights around us. ~ Most of the time our problems are self-created. ~ Sassing back makes things worse. ~ Don't hang out with gangs. ~ We could all benefit from more training. ~ When someone opens a door for you, go through it. ~ Make a point of being helpful to others. ~

On Day-to-Day Living

When there's nothing else to do, we can amuse ourselves by making up our own games. ~ Messes can be cleaned up a lot easier than broken spirits. ~ Take a car ride on a pretty day and savor the wind blowing in your face. ~ Be protective of children. ~ Always have some ID when you leave the house. ~ Be careful in traffic. ~ We all need to spend some time alone. ~ Most of what we do doesn't need to be done anyway... at least not today. ~ Count to ten before scolding. ~ Run to the rescue of people in trouble. ~ Look forward to someone you love coming home. ~

Histories are more full of examples of the fidelity of dogs than of friends...Alexander Pope

"Dogs, bless them, operate in the premise that human beings are fragile and require incessant applications of affection and reassurance. The random lick of the hand and the furry chin draped over the instep are calculated to let the shaky owner know that a friend is nearby... Mary McGrory

!!!! Annual Spring Banquet - April 28, 2012 !!!!

GPA-CNHC is pleased to announce that **Ann Bollens**, National Greyhound Association Adoption Person of the Year for 2011 will be our special guest and speaker!!!



Greyhound Pets of America - Central NH Chapter

GPA-CNHC wishes to extend an invitation to all our greyhound friends to join us on April 28, 2012 for our Annual Spring Banquet. The banquet will be held at the Grappone Conference Center-Courtyard Marriott in Concord, NH



GRAPPONE CONFERENCE CENTER

MENU & SCHEDULE FOR THE EVENING

~~ New England Clam Chowder ~~ Mixed Green Salad ~~ Salad with Beets, Apples, Cress and Pistachio ~~
Rolls and Butter ~~ Chef's Selection of Starch and Vegetables ~~

~~~~ Roast Stuffed Pork Loin ~~~~~

~~~~ Baked Haddock ~~~~~

~~ Array of New England Desserts ~~ Freshly Brewed Coffee ~~ Decaffeinated Coffee ~~ Herbal Teas

~~ Ticket price is \$35 per person (which includes 1 ticket for a special door prize drawing) ~~

5:30PM-6:30PM Social hour/reception/registration (cash bar will be available all evening)

6:45PM-8:15PM Buffet dinner and desserts

8:00PM-8:30PM Award presentations, raffle drawings, door prize drawings

8:30PM-9:30PM Speaker: Ann Bollens, Greyhound Adoption Person of the Year 2011, Co-Founder of the Sunburst Project and Kennel, and Director Emeritus of GPA-Emerald Coast. Ann will do a presentation on The Sunburst Project and how the dogs move out of Florida.

Spring Banquet 2012 Ticket Order Form

NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/TOWN, STATE, ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NUMBER OF PERSONS ATTENDING _____ x \$35. Per Person. Total _____

Please remit by April 7, 2012. Send ticket order and payment to:

GPA-CNHC

PO Box 778

Concord, NH 03301-0778

ATTN: Spring Banquet Tickets

Please mark your check 2012 Banquet Tickets on the memo line of your check!

Tickets will be held at the door for pick up the night of the event at the reception table.

UPCOMING EVENTS

~~~Granite State Greyhounds~~~

Amateur Sitehound Racing  
Brentwood, NH

Please check their web site in the spring for this years dates.

<http://www.granitestategreyhounds.com/events.html>

(racing for points is not for the true couch potato; there are fun runs during lunch break)

~~~ Annual GPA-CNHC Spring Banquet ~~~

Sat. April 28, 2012

Grappone Conf. Center -Marriot Courtyard,
Concord, NH

~~~ Sandy Paws ~~~

Jekyll Island, Georgia

Mar 8-11, 2012

<http://www.sandypaws.org/>

~~~ Greyhounds In Gettysburg ~~~

Gettysburg, PA

April 27 - 29, 2012

<http://www.greyhoundsingettysburg.com/>

~~~ Spring Dewey ~~~

Dewey Beach, DE

Date TBA

<http://www.deweyspring.info/>

# REGULAR SCHEDULED EVENTS

Below is a schedule of our on going regular events called Meet & Greets. This is where we show off our GH's and answer questions about GH's as pets. Many times this will be someone's first exposure to GH's.

For someone who would like to help spread the word but feels that fostering might be a bit too much for them, this is an excellent opportunity to help out. Many of you met your first GH at a M&G.

If your GH loves people, other animals (esp. the little ones), we would love to have anyone stop by and help out.

## First Saturday of the month

Little Critters Exeter, NH 11am to 3pm

## Third Saturday of the month

Portsmouth Petco Noon to 3pm

Manchester Petco 10am to 2pm

## Third Sunday of the month

Nashua Petco 11am to 2pm

Amherst Petco 11am to 2pm

## Fourth Saturday of the month

Pet Adoption Day Pelham, NH  
11am to 2pm

## Forth Sunday of the month

Concord Petco 12:30pm to 3:30pm

# OPEN HOUSE

First Sunday of the month at Woodlawn Training Barn, Warner, NH 1 PM - 3 PM

Take Rt.89 north to Exit 7 (Davisville /Rt. 103). At the bottom of the exit go east on Rt. 103 for about 1 mile then take a left onto Rt. 127. Approx. ½ mile turn left onto Poverty Plains Rd. The dirt drive for Woodlawn Training Center is ¼ mile on your left. Look for the blue building at the end of the drive.

~~~~~ Please consider fostering ~~~~~

Unlike many GH adoption groups who have an actual kennel to house their retired racers, GPA utilizes foster homes only. All GH adoption groups in NH, ME, and Mass are filled to overflowing with retired GH's. Even though racing has come to an end in N.E., there are still plenty of GH's waiting in other states, not only retired racers, but ones who were not competitive enough in training and retired brood dams and sires. As a group GPA can only take as many as we have foster places for. We would like to give as many of these GHs a chance for a home of their own. If you've ever considered fostering, this would be a great time to give it a try. If you've thought about adding another GH to your home, many foster with intent, the intent being that they foster with the intent on adopting if the fit is right for the home. GPA has met all necessary medical needs and will reimburse foster homes for food. If you are interested in fostering, please contact foster home coordinator Linda Shepard at foster_coordinator@gpa-cnhc.org

GPA-CNHC Policy

To all of our members, please be reminded that GPA-CNHC adheres to National GPA Policy and Procedure. The primary objectives are to:

- Locate responsible, loving homes for greyhounds that fail to qualify, or no longer qualify for the racetrack.
- Educate the public about greyhounds, stressing their desirability as pets.

The GPA position is that we are primarily interested in the welfare of the greyhound. We are NOT animal activists, nor an animal rights organization. However, GPA will take appropriate action if we see a greyhound mistreated or abused. We will do what needs to be done to get the abuse stopped as quickly as possible through the proper authorities.

GPA is politically NEUTRAL and is neither pro- nor anti-racing. GPA representatives are required to remain factual on all issues. If engaged in conversation which moves toward negative issues, we can best serve the greyhounds by emphasizing what wonderful pets they make and why. It is possible that upon determination that a member has engaged in conduct materially and seriously prejudicial to the interests or purposes of GPA, they will be terminated from the organization. Thank you all for doing your best to comply with our mission.



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