

Greyt News

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'Twas the Month Before Christmas

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'Twas the month before Christmas
in this Tucson city.
All the greyhounds were dancing
to this little ditty.

What are they doing?
You look with a puzzle.
Is that a grey grin
from ear to muzzle?

"It's coming! It's coming!"
They roo with glee.
"We're so excited, we
hope we don't pee!"

What is going on
In those greyhound heads?
Why are they jumping
on and off of the beds?

"It's photos! It's photos!
With Santa, you know."
There's no other place
a greyhound would go!

Come ReeCee, Come Hardy,
Come Falon and friends.
Come Chopsticks and Annie.
Oh, the list never ends.

Bring birdies. Bring rabbits.
And even some cats.
Bring lizards. Bring snakes.
And don't forget rats.

"Roo, Roo" go the greyhounds
perched on Santa's knee.
Oh, this is the place,
the best place to be

And as they left,
they turned to St. Nick.
They gave him big kisses
with one slurpy lick.

"Roo, Roo," they all said
so loud and so clear.
"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO GREYHOUNDS
AND THOSE THEY HOLD DEAR."

Santa Photos

Dates, Times and Locations

Saturday, November 24th

11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Northwest Petsmart (Orange Grove and Thornydale)

Oro Valley Petsmart (Oracle and 1st Ave.)

Broadway Petsmart (Broadway and Pantano)

Grant Petsmart (Grant and Swan)

Sunday, Novemeber 25th

11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Northwest Petsmart (Orange Grove and Thornydale)

Oro Valley Petsmart (Oracle and 1st Ave)

Broadway Petsmart (Broadway and Pantano)

\$9.95 includes two pictures, an ornament and frame.

\$5.00 from each sale is donated to AGR.

Arizona Greyhound Rescue would like to wish you all very Happy Holidays and thank you for all your support!



Vital Statistics



TAG ALERT

One of the most important things a greyhound can have is a collar with a tag on it bearing his owners name and phone number.

These tags are for your greyhound's protection should they accidentally slip away. To give added protection, AGR is now selling a metal tag with our phone number on it and a number assigned to your hound. If your greyhound is lost, and we are notified, we can locate you through the assigned tag number.

The cost is \$1.50 per tag. Please send the following information to us along with a check or money order and we will mail a tag to you immediately: Name, Address, Phone Number(s) (home, work, cell, etc.), and the name of your dog.

Adoptions

Ava - Gene and Debi Carr

Captain - Jacqueline Ward

Sarah - Karen Bradley

Alfred - Ursula Bradley

Penelope - Renita Gerhardt

Charlie - Emily Krull

Bambino - Stovall and Nettie Elie

Raven - Helen and Harold Hatten

Evelyn - Yvonne Windham

Foster Failures

Buckeye (Paco) - Lori Ito and John Hardenbergh

Katie - Joanne Young

Hounds Gone to the Rainbow Bridge

Willow - beloved 6 year old hound of

Brad Pritchett and Eric Harkness

Firefly - beloved hound of Debbie Dertling



"Please accept my donation in the name of my beloved Firefly. I got her as a gift on 3-26-95 for my 45th birthday. She was an absolute darling and I love and miss her every day. Thank you for the birthday present in '95. I lost her July 23, 2001."

Debbie Dertling

Do You Have a Crate That Belongs to Us?

We had such a wonderful response from our last newsletter we thought we would ask again. If you borrowed a crate from AGR, we need it back so we can help new adoptees adjust to their homes. Please help us avoid the expense of purchasing new crates! To arrange a pickup call 886-7411.

"Please accept my donation in the name of Rosie and Bixby. Both "Golden" greyhounds."

Rudy and Anne Lopez

Change of Address or Moving?

Are you planning to move? Has your phone number changed? If we don't have your current information on file, we cannot notify you of upcoming events. But, most importantly, we can't contact you if your greyhound gets lost. It only takes a few minutes to let us know, so drop us a note or leave a message at 886-7411.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE!

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

See the tip of the week! View the new hounds! Share pictures and stories! Updated frequently so check everyday!

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When ordering, please mention Arizona Greyhound Rescue distributor # NHQ2

19% of every order is donated to AGR!

Tucson Greysitter Database!

www.azgreyhoundrescue.org

We hate to leave our hounds when we travel, especially if kenneling seems like the only option. Now you can have an experienced greyhound owner take care of your hounds while you're away! We're building a Greysitter Database filled with information about local greyhound owners who are interested in dog-sitting.

- If you are going out of town and need someone to watch your greyhounds, go to www.azgreyhoundrescue.org and submit a Greysitter Request Form.
- If you are interested in becoming a Greysitter, come fill out a Greysitter Information Form online and we'll add you to our database.

We'll do our best to match up Greysitters in your part of town to people who need someone to watch their dogs. Many of our Greysitters have offered to donate part of their dog-sitting fees to Arizona Greyhound Rescue, so not only are you getting an experienced greyhound owner to take care of your babies, you are also helping us adopt out more hounds!

AGR's Puppy Fund

Last January, Arizona Greyhound Rescue was faced with a hard choice. We were offered a puppy from a local breeder, to place for adoption. The catch was that this puppy had a badly bowed leg that could potentially cost hundreds, if not thousands of dollars to repair. What could we do? The money that would pay for the pup's medical bills could also prepare four, five, six, or even more retired racers for adoption, healthy dogs whose only chance for survival was to be placed in an adoption group.

Unfortunately, this was not an isolated incident. Greyhound puppies are almost always a severe drain on an adoption group's resources, for one simple reason. Puppies are almost never offered for adop-

tion unless it is clear that they will never be profitable racers. This can only mean that they are severely sick or injured. In the last few years, Arizona Greyhound Rescue has seen puppies with broken legs and punctured eyes, pups with neurological problems, some sick with giardhia or pancreatic disorders. In each case, the puppy was turned over to us without any previous medical treatment.

So far, AGR has been able to step up to the challenge on each of these puppies, either providing the necessary care, or arranging transportation to someone who was willing to adopt a sick puppy. And we are determined to continue to do so. That is why Arizona Greyhound Rescue has established "The Puppy Fund," a special fund devoted exclusively for the medical care of greyhound puppies. Our goal is to have a reserve of several thousand dollars at the ready, whenever a puppy is in need. Look for special fund-raisers, appeals and other activities devoted to growing this fund, so we're never again faced with the choice between one sick or injured puppy and the never-ending stream of ex-racers looking for homes.

As for that puppy last January? Her name is Amelia. She's now a happy, crazy eleven-month old girl, who can terrorize her household in San Diego, CA, despite her one shorter leg. Her new mom, Cynthia, continues to provide the medical treatment necessary to assure Amelia a long, healthy life.



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Your comments, suggestions and letters are always welcome. AGR is a 501c3, non-profit organization. Your contributions are tax-deductible.

Who Let the

AGR's reunion picnic, on October 13th at Christopher Columbus Park, was a howling success! Volunteers got to catch up with some of their favorite adopted hounds, greyhound families got to meet and mingle, and the dogs got to sniff a lot of butts. What a great way to remember Delsey's 12th birthday and to celebrate all of our hounds.

Did someone say party?



It was a beautiful day for a party, and humans and hounds alike enjoyed the sun and the pretty park landscape. The treat walk was a great hit with the dogs, as it combined walking and eating, two of their favorite things. (Next year we'll try to incorporate a couch into the activity.)



What's a party without food? Bobbing for hotdogs was a great way to grab a treat, and frozen Frosty Paws help to beat the heat (even if you have to share!)



Dogs Out?



Every golden grey received a sparkly gold kerchief. Linda did the honors.

We were especially thrilled to greet our golden greys, those ten years and older. There were nine golden hounds at our picnic, Callie, 10; Susie, 10; Java, 10; Joy, 10 ½; KJ, 11; Lacey, 11 ½; Tula, 12; Velvet, 13 and Abbey, 13.



Are we having fun or what?



Check out Jack, our Photo Contest Winner! He's stylish and patriotic, and he's not going to let anything stand in the way of having a good time!



What a wonderful day! It was great to see everyone. In fact, it was so much fun, we're going to do it again! Keep an eye on this newsletter for upcoming info on AGR's Spring Picnic plans.



What To Do If Your Dog Eats Glass

(or other small foreign objects)

What do you do if your puppy (or mischievous older dog) gets into your holiday decorations and eats some of the glass ornaments? This potentially lethal mishap can darken even the brightest holiday season.

Before the holiday go to a pharmacy & buy a box of cotton balls. Be sure that you get **cotton** balls...not the "cosmetic puffs" that are made from man-made fibers. Also, buy a quart of half-and-half coffee cream and put it in the freezer.

Should your dog eat glass ornaments, defrost the half-and-half and pour some in a bowl. Dip cotton balls into the cream and feed them to your dog.

Dogs under 10 lbs. should eat 2 balls which you have first torn into smaller pieces. Dogs 10-50 lbs should eat 3-5 balls and larger dogs should eat 5-7. You may feed larger dogs an entire cotton ball at once. Dogs seem to really like these strange "treats" and eat them readily. As the cotton works its way through the digestive tract it will find all the glass pieces and wrap itself around them. Even the teeniest shards of glass will be caught and wrapped in the cotton fibers and the cotton will protect the intestines from damage by the glass. Your dog's stools will be really weird for a few days and you will have to be careful to check for fresh blood or a tarry appearance to the stool. If either of the latter symptoms appear you should rush your dog to the vet for a checkup but, in most cases, the dogs will be just fine.

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GREYHOUND PORTRAITS

Your hound could become a work of art! Send Lesley Jones a photo, and she'll bring it to life. The size and the medium are your choice. Order today just in time for Christmas. Thirty percent of the commission fee will be donated to Arizona Greyhound Rescue to help more hounds find homes for the holidays. Call AGR at 886-7411 for more information.

Lil Mae's aMAEzingly Healthy Homemade Treats

Arizona Greyhound Rescue is very lucky to have a friend like Chris Boomhower. Chris is the maker of "Lil Mae's aMAEzingly Healthy Homemade Treats," a completely organic line of dog treats. These cookies are awesome, and come in such cool flavors as peanut butter and jelly, bacon, and cinnamon. The dogs **love** them! And you can feel really good about treating your dogs with "Lil Mae's" cookies, since they are made with 100% healthy, organic ingredients.

All proceeds from the sale of "Lil Mae's" cookies will go to Arizona Greyhound Rescue's Puppy Fund, a special fund for the care and rehabilitation of greyhound puppies. Small bags are \$5, and the large bags are only \$7. If you'd like to get some "Lil Mae's" treats for your own beloved puppy, please give us a call at 520-885-7411, or drop us a line at pin2@prodigy.net.

"Lil Mae's" aMAEzingly Healthy Homemade Treats raised \$83 for the Puppy Fund on the day of the picnic.

iGive.com

"Whoops! I forgot!" Ever thought that after ordering a book from Amazon.com or a sweater from Lands' End online, and **then** remembering that you could have gone through iGive and helped AGR while you shopped? It's a major complaint about the iGive system. You have to remember to use it.

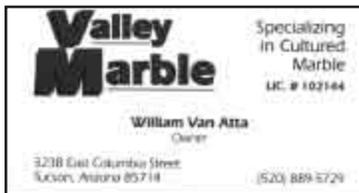
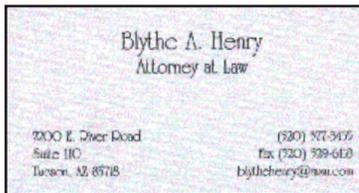
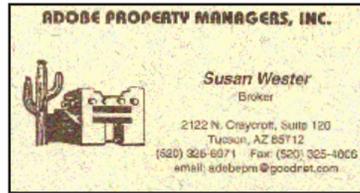
Not any more! iGive.com has just instituted a new feature, a Shopping Window that automatically routes you through iGive whenever you point your browser at one of the hundreds of vendors that participate in iGive's charitable program. In about 15 seconds, it downloads to your computer and then sits in the background. Anytime you go to a participating iGive store, the Shopping Window wakes up and makes sure that you get a chance to help you with their online shopping. Pretty clever, really. And this means more money for the greyhounds as iGive becomes a "no-brainer" way to help.

Get your Shopping Window at: <http://www.iGive.com/html/shopwindow.cfm>



Greyhound Supporters

We can't say it often enough. Without the generous support of individuals and businesses, Arizona Greyhound Rescue would cease to be, and hundreds of hounds would no longer have a way home. Please support the following businesses and organizations, so they can continue to support greyhound rescue. Thank you to everyone who helps the hounds!



Thank you to Valley Marble for their support.

Petsmart is one of our largest sponsors. As a Petsmart Luv-A-Pet organization, we are offered a variety of fund-raising opportunities throughout the year. AGR would like to extend a special thank you to Petsmart Charities for all their good work.

Petsmart Locations and Times

Broadway/Pantano
1st and 3rd Sunday
11AM-2PM

Grant/Swan
2nd and 4th Sunday
11AM-2PM

Oro Valley
2nd and 4th Sunday
11AM-2PM

Orange Grove/Thornsdale
Every Saturday
11AM-2PM

1st and 3rd Sunday
11AM-2PM



Thank You for Your Generous and Continued Support!

Because of special people like you, AGR is able to continue to place hounds in new homes! As we take more and more new hounds off the track, to care for hounds with special needs, and to cover our boarding and veterinary costs, we ask for your continued support. We are a non-profit, all volunteer organization, and our continued existence depends on your help and generosity. Every dollar translates into food, shelter or medical treatment for a greyhound and is tax-deductible. Please use the form below to indicate your level of support.

- _____ \$150 GREYHOUND SAINT Sponsors a new greyhound, from track to adoption
- _____ \$100 GREYHOUND GUARDIAN Funds a spay or neuter
- _____ \$75 GREYHOUND ANGEL Provides a much needed medical and dental treatment
- _____ \$50 A HOUND'S BEST FRIEND Kennels and feeds a hound for two weeks
- _____ \$ _____ I'd like to contribute for the purpose of _____
- _____ \$ _____ Please accept this donation in the name of _____

Mail this form together with your check payable to:
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8987 E. Tanque Verde Rd., PMB 153
Tucson, AZ 85749

Hound Showcase



Annie & Chopsticks



Barkly



Gareth



Bushwack Bill



Mae



Sadie



Crispin



BeBe



Susie

See these beautiful greyhounds, and the whole AGR newsletter, in full color on our website, www.azgreyhoundrescue.org

Please send pictures of your adorable hounds to Elaine Seasley at guzziboy_mzgirl@email.msn.com or to Arizona Greyhound Rescue, 8987 E. Tanque Verde Rd., PMB 153



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Family Fun-raiser Night!

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What's The Deal:
 Sweet Tomatoes will donate 20% of sales generated by Arizona Greyhound Rescue.

What To Do:
 Present this flyer between 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm on Sunday, December 9, 2001 and get ready to enjoy a great meal and a great deal!

Where To Do It:
 At the Sweet Tomatoes restaurant only, located at: 6202 E. Broadway, Tucson 520-747-4137

Every great deal has a catch. Here's ours:
 1. Under no circumstances are flyers to be handed out in the restaurant, parking lot or vicinity. Failure to comply will result in a voided contract. We appreciate your understanding. 2. Coupons or discounts will not be honored in conjunction with any approved Fun-Raisers. 3. Must present this flyer at time of purchase.



Souplantation & Sweet Tomatoes
 The Salad Buffet Restaurants

HOUSE COMPLIANCE: 1. For the safety of our guests, no smoking, drinking or eating at anytime, please. 2. Please accompany small children when visiting food bars. 3. It is very much appreciated when a supervisory person is present at a table of children.

Family Fun-raiser Night!

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