

# Greyt News

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## Generosity Abounds

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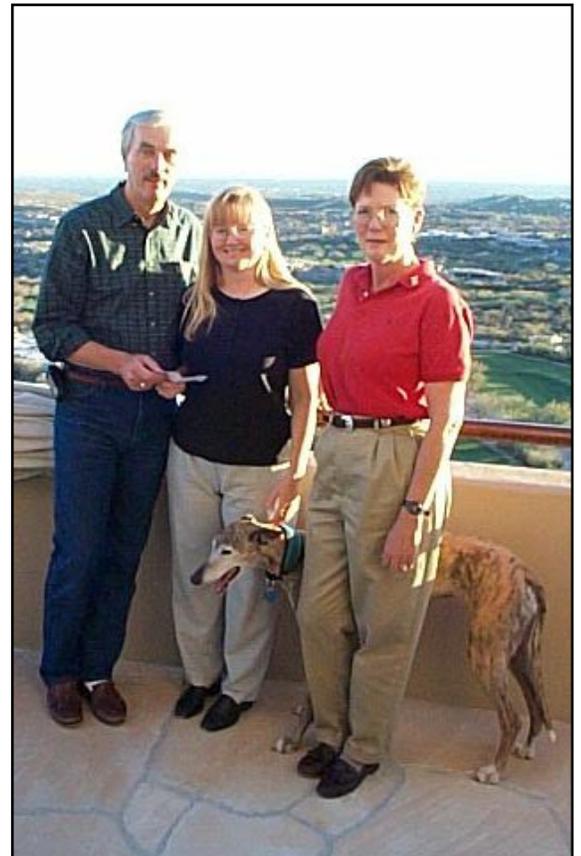
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Arizona Greyhound Rescue is delighted to announce the recent receipt of an extremely generous donation. On March 20 2002, board members Linda Kangas and Brad Pritchett traveled to the beautiful East Side home of Jerry and Kathy Tucker, hounds Bessie and Baxter, and parrot Bubba, where AGR was presented with a check in most welcome amount of three thousand dollars.

The story behind the gift is both novel and exciting. Mr. Tucker, rather than requesting direct payment for an executive development session conducted with client Debbe Kennedy of Leadership Solutions, instead asked that a donation in the amount of his fee be made to AGR. Although not involved with greyhounds herself, Ms. Kennedy, author of numerous business books, including, "Diversity Breakthroughs," was extremely enthusiastic. Just a month later, AGR received yet another generous donation on Mr. Tucker's behalf, this time from client Sherri Neascham, CEO of the Finance Center.

It is the hope of the Tuckers and of AGR that this model of directly employing income streams as an alternative method of donating to non-profits will become more widespread. Of course, not all donations need be so large. Anyone in business for him or herself can request similar arrangements for amounts large or small, and every single bit helps us tremendously. Even those who may not be aware of a particular charity are often quite excited about the prospect of helping others rather than simply paying for a service outright.

The Tuckers' devotion to greyhounds does not end with donations or even adoption. AGR board members will soon be meeting with a number of the family's friends and colleagues to explore long term fundraising and development strategies with the goal of making AGR into an even more effective organization for greyhound welfare in the future. We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Tuckers and their entire circle for everything they have done for AGR, and, above all, for the greyhounds.





### 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.

## Vital Statistics

### Adoptions

- Everett** - Elle =Llerbrowen
- Precious** - Phyllis Glass
- Nestle** - Jonathon Baker
- Jetson** - Jonathon Baker
- Iceman** - Robert Selph
- Red Hot (Molly)** - Charles and Peggy Heath
- Emily** - Sukey Waldenberger
- Icon (Toby)** - Charlotte Klingler
- Lovebug** - Susan North
- Rhythm Blue (Abbey)**- Robin Houck-Bell and Brian Bell
- Billie** - Richard Brandt
- Todd** - Charlie and Leslie Drewry
- Flame (Shane)** - Brad Pritchett and Eric Harkness (foster failure)
- Itchy (Easel)** - Richard and Patricia Murray
- Darling (Zia)** - Charles and Candace Banker (foster failure)
- Fable (Faith)** - Susan and Barry Parker
- Jenga** - Debbi Ng and Clay Brown
- Classic** - Nick and Pat LaPeruta (foster failure)
- Harrison (Hobbs)** - Lucia Franklin
- Bonnie** - Darryl Lundeen
- Catalina (Konnie)** - Ron and Rose Carr
- Wendy (Stevie)** - Ron and Rose Carr
- Rachel** - Jean Rettus
- Linus (Jacob)** - Charles and Peggy Heath (foster failure)
- Fortune** - Kathy Grant
- Penelope** - Kathy Grant
- Claire (Dara)** - George and Katherine Casey
- Marmee** - Susan Wester and Lou Arana
- Tammy** - Charlotte Klingler
- Timmy** - Teresa Sullivan
- Daisy** - Marian Bodily
- Murdoch** - Rudy and Anne Lopez
- Ginger** - Lewis and Lillian Butterfield
- Dayna** - Taryn Westergaard
- Captain** - Vanessa Penatzer
- Toby** - Carianne Funicelli
- Ivory** - Sam Macomber
- Chandler** - Tracy Doyle
- Elliot** - Elle Llerbrowen
- Kasino** - Carol and Terry Sampson
- Usher (Sidney)** - Daniel Higgins



### Hounds Gone to the Rainbow Bridge

- Zorro** - beloved 10 year old hound of Penny Wamboldt
- Peaches** - beloved 6 year old hound of Maria Roberts
- Binga** - beloved 10 1/2 year old hound of Dan and Janet Simmons
- Sillie** - beloved 12 year old hound of Flo and Bob Duda
- Serena** - beloved hound of Joan Eidenger
- Linga** - beloved 11 year old hound of Susan Wester and Lou Arana
- Smiley** - beloved hound of Rudy and Anne Lopez
- Opie** - beloved 9 year old hound of Brad and Debbie Peters
- Mystery** - beloved 10 year old hound of Liz Barene
- Lanky Lance** - beloved hound of Maggie McCurry of Wings for Greyhounds

### Donations made in Memory of ...

Dear Friends,

It saddens me to inform you that my darling "Peaches" has gone to the Rainbow Bridge after a two month battle with valley fever. Thankfully, Sara (formerly Casera) and I are adjusting. the enlosed donation is in memory of Peaches.

Sincerely,  
*Maria Roberts*

#### Ethel C. Daniels

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Raudenbush  
Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Sluder

### 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 New Website!

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

It is new and improved! A special thanks to Lesley and Casey Jones who assisted our webmaster, Lori Ito, in its new design. Thanks to Lori for keeping it updated and interesting. While you are at our new website, be sure to visit our Online Store. You can now order T-shirts, mugs, caps, mousepads, boxer shorts and tote bags with our logo on them. All profits toward AGR's mission of finding "grey" homes for retired racing greyhounds.

## Take Me Out To The Ball Game

This spring, Arizona Greyhound Rescue again proudly sponsored a CDO Little League AAA team, called the Devil Rays. The team consisted of 12 players: Robert, Cody, Stephen, Garrett, Nick, Jaymes, Katherine, Ryan, Tyler, Andrew, Corbin, and Kyle. Our own volunteer, Jeanette Porter, was the coach. Mark Strumpf and Jamie Porter were the assistant coaches. It was not a winning season, but the players all had the opportunity to participate in all the games, including the end of season tournaments. Not only was there a banner sporting the name of Arizona Greyhound Rescue, but each player wore a dark green jersey with our name emblazoned on the back.

## Garage Sale

On March 15-16, AGR hosted its first Garage Sale fund-raiser. We had no idea what a success it would turn out to be. Numerous donations were dropped off by volunteers and adopters. Our designated site for the event, Sukey's carport, was filled completely. It took six volunteers three hours just to setup! Even though the first day was not advertised, except to adopters and volunteers, it was the biggest selling day. Buyers arrived early and stayed late for the bargain deals. This two-day event raised over \$900 for our adoption efforts!

Big THANKS to the volunteers and adopters who dropped off items and then turned around and bought more stuff. (Some even left with more than they came with). We plan on doing this again next spring, so start setting aside your donated treasures.

## Wild Oats Markets 5% Days

On March 18th, AGR took part of Wild Oats Markets' 5% Days. The company's 5% Days were established to give something back to its stores' local communities by donating proceeds to non-profit organizations that have small budgets and big hearts. Five percent of a store's profits on a particular day are donated to a designated charity. There are four local 5% days every year, and Arizona Greyhound Rescue was very honored to be chosen as one of Wild Oats' charities for 2002.

"Wild Oats has always been an active community member, and we feel this is our opportunity to give back to local organizations that really need our support," said Terry Maloy, Chief Marketing Officer for Wild Oats Markets, Inc. "Last year, we donated more than \$1.2 million to local community non-profit groups."

AGR set up tables at all three Wild Oats stores in Tucson, and received 5% of all three stores' profits for the day. Volunteers had a good time talking with Wild Oats' customers, handing out information and, of course, shopping. We were very pleased to see so many AGR adopters shopping as well! When all the receipts were counted, Wild Oats donated \$3,818 to AGR!

Arizona Greyhound Rescue is also a beneficiary of the stores' Wooden Nickel program, a year-round charitable event which allows customers who bring their own shopping bag to the store to make a 5 cent donation to one of several local charities in lieu of receiving a nickel refund. Every nickel counts! We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Wild Oats for all their support for the hounds, and to encourage all our adopters to check out their wonderful products, including some really yummy dog biscuits!

Wild Oats Markets, Inc. is a nationwide chain of natural and organic food markets in the U.S. and Canada. With annual sales of nearly \$900 million, the Company currently operates 102 stores in 23 states and British Columbia. For more information, please visit the Company's website at [www.wildoats.com](http://www.wildoats.com).

## UPCOMING FALL EVENTS

### July

Memorial for Alabama Dogs

### August

Volunteer Orientation

### September

Greyhound Planet – *a world-wide celebration of greyhounds!*

### October

AGR's Fall Reunion

"Philanthropy with Phlavor" at Pastiche Modern Eatery

### November

Santa Photos at Petsmart

Paint Greyhounds art classes

### December

Gift Wrapping at Borders

Sweet Tomatoes Fundraiser

Paint Greyhounds art classes



# Spring Thing 2002

By Dawn Melichar

## Longest Tail

- 1st place – Jan
- 2nd place – Correlle, Fortune, Racer, Brice & Bambino

## Shortest Tail

- 1st place – Mikey
- 2nd place – Bella Bobbie

## Curliest Tail

- 1st place – Micha (Carmel)
- 2nd place – Reeses & Saxon

## Tallest Hound

- 1st place – Bambino & Gypsy Poet
- 2nd place – Snowy & Lorenzo

## Smallest Hound

- 1st place – ED (aka Evil Dean)

## Barest Buns

- 1st place – Billie
- 2nd place – Molly & Mikey

## Heaviest Hound

- 1st place – Racer
- 2nd place – Gypsy Poet

## Oldest Hound

- 1st place – Ford, Joy & Suzy
- 2nd place – Trixie & Coco

## Best Kisser

- 1st place – Candy, Ivory, Chloe, Molly & Inkspot

## Bobbing for Hot Dogs

- 1st place – Mikey
- 2nd place – Bella Bobby

## Place the Nose on the Greyhound

- 1st place – Patty
- 2nd place – Fortune

## Greyhound Bluff

- 1st place – Lorenzo's mom, Grace Kellerman, who picked him out immediately.
- 2nd place – Candy's dad, Patrick Miller, who picked her out with some help from his 5 year old son. J

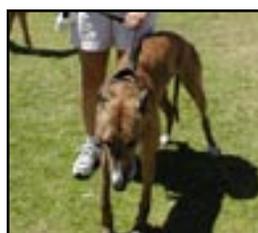
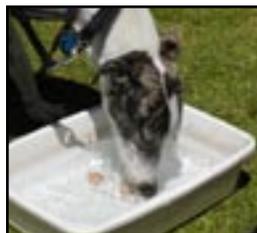
## Disclaimer

All greyhounds are winners & so are their owners!

Arizona Greyhound Rescue's Spring Thing picnic at McDonald Park on April 20th was a huge success. Many greyhounds and their owners enjoyed an afternoon of shopping, games, and interesting discussions. The humans had many vendors to shop from. Paula Huter, the Hound Maid brought her unique pottery and practical greyhound necessities to sell. Chris Boomhower and her greyhound Mae sold Little Mae's aMAEzingly Healthy Treats at the AGR sales tent. AGR had an incredible assortment of t-shirts, hats, beds and stuff that every greyhound owner did not know they needed. The silent auction and raffle had many donations from vendors all over the country such as Black Horse Design of Texas (jewelry), Silk Road Collars of Washington state (collar), and The Golden Hound of Rhode Island (jewelry gift certificate), just to name a few. AGR was please to offer two lectures. Adopters learned about the Human Society's Delta Society therapy dog program and, from the Handi-Dog Organization, about the wonders of clicker training. Both lectures were Greyt!

AGR wishes to thank everyone for coming out to the picnic and supporting our fund raising efforts. These events help raise money to offset the costs of the kennel, medical, food and general care that AGR deals with monthly. The events also provide an opportunity for greyhound owners to meet others who are under the influence of love for the Greyhound. If you have some comments about the event, what you enjoyed or if we can improve on it in some way, please feel free to email me at [pin2@prodigy.net](mailto:pin2@prodigy.net).

It is time to rest up until AGR's next picnic on October 26, 2002 at Christopher Columbus park from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Check our web site for more information – [www.azgreyhoundrescue.org](http://www.azgreyhoundrescue.org)





Photos by Diane Hansen.

## DAYS OF OUR HOUNDS

Did you know that you can get updated information on current hounds for adoption? Just go to our website and check out available hounds. While you are there, you can read the current edition of "Days of Our Hounds" and be treated to an entertaining synopsis of our hounds.

# My Trip to the Greyhound Gathering In Kanab, Utah

*by Snowy*

I just got back from a wonderful trip to Kanab, Utah. My human, Dawn, took me to the 4th Annual Greyhound Gathering where I got to hang out with 300 other greyhounds from all over the country. To entertain Dawn and the other humans there was a silent auction, vendors with all sorts of neat stuff and jewelry to buy and live auctions. We ate pizza, chicken, hot dogs and tons of dog treats all weekend. I also met some famous greyhounds. I met Beauty, who was the hostess of this gathering, a fellow named Lanky Lance who delivers greyhounds to their new home in his airplane and Zeke who had a rough ending to his track life here in Tucson but now lives happily in Phoenix, with just 3 legs! On Saturday, I was in a parade. Some of the other greyhounds were dressed up. There was one hound that looked like a bunch of grapes, another was a nurse, four hounds dressed up like the Beatles and a group of greyhounds from northern Utah were dressed up like eight reindeers pulling Santa's sled. They all won prizes. Dawn said that next year she was going to dress me up. We'll see about that. After the parade, we went to the movies and saw "Greta, the Misfit Greyhound". I think Dawn cried at the end but I was busy eating her popcorn. On Sunday morning the "Fast Jack Blur of Fur" run was held. The only time that I am fast is when I'm fast asleep. Zeke ran in the race and got a prize. I got a few laughs watching the humans run. At the end of each day all the greyhounds got to Roo! That was my favorite part of the Gathering. I can't wait for next year's Gathering, except for the costume part. Dawn and I hope you can come with us to Utah next year.

*To find out more about this year's Gathering, and for info about next year's event, check out [www.greyhoundgang.org](http://www.greyhoundgang.org).*

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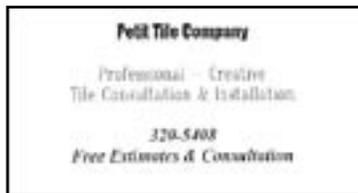
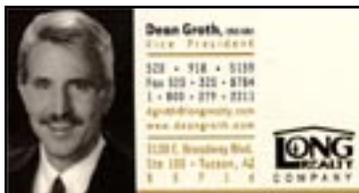
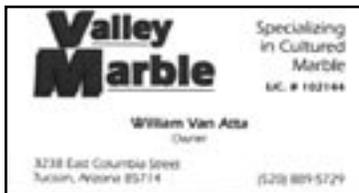
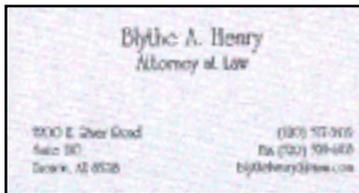
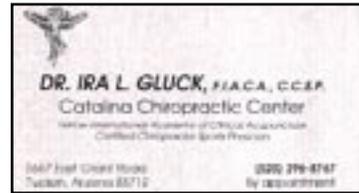
## "Tree Of Hope" And Petco

Arizona Greyhound Rescue received a generous donation in March from the PETCO Foundation, in response to its annual holiday "Tree of Hope" 2001 fund-raiser campaign. The PETCO Foundation sent us a check for \$1,311. Customers, associates, and vendors of the local PETCO stores were given the opportunity to make a \$1, \$5, \$10, or \$20 donation during the 5-week event. Many customers made a donation each time they visited the store during the fund-raiser.

The PETCO Foundation was established in February 1999 to develop and manage fund-raising campaigns in PETCO stores and support a variety of animal welfare programs. The Foundation is a tax-exempt non-profit corporation, which dedicates more than 90% of the money it raises to local animal welfare groups. Since inception, the Foundation has donated more than \$6 million for approximately 700 animal-related organizations across the nation. AGR is very pleased to receive the much needed funds.

# 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!



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/Thornydale**  
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:  
**Arizona Greyhound Rescue**  
**8987 E. Tanque Verde Rd., Suite 309/153**  
**Tucson, AZ 85749**

# Hound Showcase

Please send pictures of your adorable hounds to Elaine Seasy at [guzziboy\\_mzgirl@email.msn.com](mailto:guzziboy_mzgirl@email.msn.com) or to Arizona Greyhound Rescue, 8987 E. Tanque Verde Rd., Suite 309/153.

See these beautiful greyhounds, and the whole AGR newsletter, in full color on our website, [www.azgreyhoundrescue.org](http://www.azgreyhoundrescue.org)



**Kanab**



**Barclay**



**Juliet**



**Essie**



**Porter**



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