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**Mission Statement:**

Arizona Greyhound Rescue is a non-profit all-volunteer, 501(c)3 corporation committed to the belief that every greyhound deserves a loving, permanent and responsible home.

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## President's Message

As most everyone knows by now, the organizational structure of Arizona Greyhound Rescue has changed in the last couple of weeks. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Linda, Brad and Dawn. They have served AGR well these past few years and for that, the new board, volunteers, and hounds will be forever grateful.

The new board is already hard at work doing what AGR does best — to find homes for these amazing hounds. Please understand there may be some growing pains but our commitment to AGR is strong and will continue to grow. However, we cannot do it alone.

We are asking all of you, to join us on this long but worthwhile journey to ensure every hound finds a loving home. Even as the new board gets acclimated, we are asking for help in many areas:

**Help: Volunteer Coordinator:** This position is the lifeline of AGR. Without a strong volunteer base, we cannot fulfill our goals.

**Help: Events/Education Coordinator:** Help us expand our exposure in the community by adding new venues for tabling.

**Help: Foster Coordinator:** You will be responsible for getting hounds into foster homes for socialization. More socialization means fewer rebounds.

All of these positions will demand your time and energy but the rewards are many. As a coordinator, you will oversee other volunteers and together help move AGR to a new level of success. If you're interested or the least bit curious, please contact one of the board members ASAP. Even if you cannot take on a coordinator position, we welcome your involvement in any capacity. AGR will only be as good as the people that step forward and dedicate themselves to the cause.

The hounds are counting on each and every one of us to help them become part of a loving family. The board welcomes your input and we welcome any questions or concerns. Whatever amount of time you can give to AGR will be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to meeting every volunteer. I extend my appreciation to my fellow board members — Elle, John, Mary, Kim, Jodi, and Karyn for all that they have done and will continue to do for AGR.

## Where do your donation dollars go?

Did you know . . .

AGR's single largest expense in 2004 was vet fees, almost \$25,000. The average cost of the initial vet visit for a new hound is about \$188. Any additional work, can cost \$250 or more.

In December, one of our new hounds, Lui, was diagnosed with a severely broken leg. His surgery to repair this was almost \$2,400. In February, a sweet, young girl by the name of Libby also had a broken leg repaired, the bill was also \$2,400.

Our generous donors contributed two thirds of the cost of Lui's surgery. And, we have received almost \$1,000 in donations specifically for Libby's medical expenses.

Thank you for all you do, and thank you for your generous financial support of AGR. Without you, our work would not be possible, and hundreds of hounds would have been euthanized. Instead, they are finding warm, kind, and friendly homes to spend their retired days.

With the start of 2005, we find ourselves in a new kennel facility and face the challenges of settling in. On the plus side, AGR has the ability to take in more hounds than ever before. We currently have 20

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## Donations

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dogs in our care, which is almost double than any month in 2003 and 2004. With more dogs, there will be additional medical needs. With this in mind, the board of AGR has projected a 100% increase in the vet budget to \$45,000. It should be noted that all our vets discount their services to us.



*Sweet Libby recuperating from her broken leg. Libby is great with kids and is looking for a forever home. Hounds do get injuries like this while racing and training. If treated, they can recover and go on to live a happy and energetic life with few future problems.*

So ... now more than ever we need your continued enthusiastic support of both time and money. We have twice as many dogs who need to be cared for, fed, kenneled, and transported.

And, most importantly, we need kind, caring, loving foster, and adoptive homes.

To answer the question, where do your donations dollars go ... it all goes to the care of the greyhounds we bring from the track. Besides health care, your donations go towards food and kennel facilities, coats and blankets, postage, and even treats and stuffies for playtime.

Please be an ambassador for greyhounds at every opportunity with your friends, neighbors, family, and in the community. Help us to help our hounds.

Thanks again for all you do for AGR. It is deeply appreciated, and you only need to see one of our hounds in his or her new home to be absolutely sure of that.

John Clark ~ Treasurer

## Fundraising and Development

AGR seeks many enthusiastic volunteers to rev up the creative juices for fundraising efforts.

**Help: Grant writers:** We need grants for just about everything – dog food, medical supplies, co-market with other community programs, fix broken legs, micro-chipping, education, and more.

**Help: Fundraising:** Consider taking responsibility for one dog wash. Do you have a scout group, sorority, or church group that would like to join in the fun? Are you part of another group where we could co-market and each benefit by the exposure? AGR is encouraging many different volunteers to take responsibility for one event instead of having one person responsible for all events.

Kim de Araujo ~ Fundraising Director

## Adoptions

Adoption is one of the key functions of our rescue group. The more dogs we can adopt out, the more we can save. Our main purpose as an organization is to find the best and most appropriate adoptive homes possible.

The first step is educating people about retired racers as pets. Of course, this is best handled at meet-and-greet tablings and through our website and printed materials, plus using ourselves and dogs as greyhound ambassadors. Many times when I wear my volunteer shirt, I'm asked about retired greyhounds. And ask Domino about how many people she has educated about greyhounds at Starbucks and other places in her travels.

After an application to adopt has been received, an initial assessment and phone interview with the potential adopters is made by the Adoption Director. While AGR tries to adopt as many hounds as possible, there are instances when we try to discourage or steer them to other options.

The next vital piece is the home inspection. This helps assess if it's an appropriate home for a dog or what changes could be made that would make it appropriate (fencing, a doggie door) and to further educate the potential adopter. This is not a judgment day. If we are really familiar with our available dogs, now is the time to suggest appropriate matches. Even when someone is dead set on a particular dog, it just might not be the best match given family dynamics or the dog's temperament. Once the adopter and a dog have been approved, we proceed with the adoption.

Again, education is a key. Usually, new adopters have lots of questions or concerns that your greyhound expertise can address. Adoption fee is \$175. If another dog is adopted later, there is a \$25 discount. This discount also applies to a double adoption. There is a 7-day foster-to-adopt period, after which, if successful, the adoption is final. We hold the adopter's money for this period and return it if the adoption is not successful. Sometimes, another match just needs to be made. After the adoption is final, medical records and rabies certificate are sent to the new adopter who sends to Pima County Animal Control with the licensing fee.

Hope this helps you understand the adoption process better. Please consider spending a few hours a month helping with the adoption opportunities. Please see my article "Adoptions, Mentoring and Tabling Training" describing a training program for volunteers to mentor, transport, inspect homes and tabling.

Let's do everything possible to make the adoption process more successful.

Mary Freeman ~ Adoptions Director  
886-7411 or <maryagr@cox.net>

## Hound Tails

### A hound bed time story

The sun has gone down and there is a rustling sound in the air as 60 greyhounds begin to settle in their runs for the night. A small brindle female named Mattie huddles deep in the corner against the night. Mattie is afraid. She is afraid of everything and everyone. Mattie has no faith in the hands that try to touch her, and she cringes in her sleep as she dreams of her past hardships.

Maybe she dreams of a green yard with trees that provide shade against the sun. Maybe she dreams of yogurt in her bowl and a chew bone on her bed.



*Mattie is a special needs hound. Mattie has abuse syndrome and will need a loving and patient environment. If you have a little extra of both, Mattie needs you! For more information call 886-7411.*

Maybe Mattie dreams of a beautiful collar and a ride to the dog park with the wind tossing her ears, of her person's key in the door and the gentle hand that will greet her.

Maybe she dreams of a warm bath and a vigorous drying with a soft towel and liver treat. Maybe she dreams of Friday night french fries and laying on the couch with the person that came and rescued her that one happy day.

Mattie would dream about these things if only she knew that they really do happen.

Story by Mattie as told to Elle Liebrown  
~ Kennel Director

## Recent Adoptions

**Bebe** - Shelly Bronstein  
**Benson** - Chad Mosher and Dameyon Catron  
**Maggie** - Chad Mosher and Dameyon Catron  
**Maverick** - Deborah Kauffeld  
**Prescott** - Edie Madson  
**Tico** - Rich Braren  
**Douglas** - Shawn Ranges and Betty Pietsch  
**Emme** - Pennie Wamboldt  
**Wendy** - Patricia Defeyter  
**Paris** - Ursula Bradley  
**Sierra** - Laurie Goodine  
**Gil** - Pennie Wamboldt  
**Jetson** - Rudy and Anne Lopez  
**Sunday** - Brad and Laurie Pearson  
**Pat** - Brad and Laurie Pearson  
**Louie** - Steve and Leann Smith  
**Tonto** - Theresa Cleary  
**Dixie** (Clarice) - Jennifer Yount  
**Buster** (Monty) - Scott Marchand and Sharon Hesterlee  
**Sandy** - Andrew Maxam  
**Mitre** (Jimmy) - Judy Shultz  
**Oreo** - Dan Simmons  
**Utah** (Dillon) - Renata Golden and Thomas Duncan  
**Zoola** - Donna and Keith Beifus  
**Sissy** (Mazel) - Joyce Rosenfled and Lois Estok  
**Gerty** - Joan and Paul Athey  
**Lucy** - Linda Goucher  
**Banjo** - Sharon Hartung and Mike Nervik  
**Grady** - Mike Miller and Judie Albano  
**Oscar** - Bonnie Neuss

## Adoption Scoop

Ever wonder how many hounds we have coming and going? You might find the stats for the last four years interesting.

	2001	2002	2003	2004	*2005
<b>New Hounds</b>	57	78	63	60	21
<b>Adoptions</b>	83	113	85	76	21
<b>Rebounds</b>	34	34	14	25	2

\*These figures are from January 1 through March 7, 2005

According to other rescue groups, adoptions were down in 2004. We now have the opportunity to save even more dogs with our expanded kennel space and the help of many dedicated volunteers. The monthly adoption rate is keeping up with 2002, our best year. On the plus side, rebound hounds are at an all time low. Let's keep up the good work and break all the records of the past years.

With the April 23rd training on adoption, home checks, mentoring and tabling, we hope to place even more dogs in the most appropriate homes with a good follow-up and support system with the adopters. Hopefully, our new mentoring program will reduce the number of dogs that bounce back.

## Hounds Crossed to Rainbow Bridge

**We are so sorry for the loss of your beloved dog companion.**

**Lady** - Beloved hound of Pennie Wamboldt  
**Desi** - Beloved 3 year old hound of Angela and Tony Williams  
**Kelly** - beloved 3 1/2 year old hound of Rich Braren  
**Joy** - beloved 14 year old hound of Carol and Terry Sampson  
**Fanny** (Bella Fantasia) - beloved 7 year old hound of Dan Simmons  
**Phoebe** - beloved 10 year old hound of Judie and Vaughn Green  
**Copper** - beloved coonhound of Leslie and Charlie Drewry  
**Reeces** - beloved 8 year old hound of Staci and Jarret Schonbrun  
**Felton** - beloved 9 year old hound of Leah and Jerry Hufman  
**Rusty** - beloved 13 year old hound of Scott Marchand  
**Aimee** - beloved 10 1/2 year old hound of Sean and Debbie Merritt

Donation made in memory of Sadie S. Rogers by Elaine Baker

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## Adoptions, Mentoring, and Tabling Training

Want to play a vital role with home checks, adoptions, mentoring, and tabling? In previous years AGR has had a number of bounce-backs. AGR is on a mission to lower that number.

Discover the details of the adoption process and how we can put our hounds in the best possible forever homes by offering adopters support and follow-up through the mentoring process. You're already a hound expert – why not share your knowledge with a new adopter?

We're also going to review Tabling Education 101 so we're all on the same page.

**Help: Home inspections** assess the home to make sure it is appropriate for a greyhound. To help match a dog to a family, we look at other pets, children, and family dynamics.

**Help: Transporters** are involved in transporting the dog from the kennel or its foster home to the new adopter's home. You help with orienting the dog and adopters, especially if there are other dogs, cats, pets, and children in the home. The contract must be signed. This process can last 1-2 hours.

**Help: Mentoring** is an important new program starting soon. A mentor will be assigned to each new adopter and can keep in touch as a resource and to answer their many questions. It's a good way to stay in touch with adopters and make them feel welcome about AGR activities and volunteer opportunities too.

**When:** Saturday, April 23rd

**Time:** 2 to 5 p.m.

**Where:** Bookman's  
6230 E Speedway Blvd.

Refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP to Mary Freeman ~ Adoptions Director: email to <maryagr@cox.net> or call 886-7411.

## 10 Ways You Can Volunteer for Arizona Greyhound Rescue

As with most pet-related, non-profit organizations that save lives — volunteerism is vital to our success. AGR realizes that everyone has various amounts of time and skills to offer. Please peruse the list to see where you fit in and what you can do to help:

**Fostering** – Greyhound socialization is a necessary component to successful adoption. Help make the transition from track to couch potato easier and more streamlined.

**Tabling** – Put your best face forward and volunteer to table once a month at Petsmart, Petco, Bookman's or other venues. Tabling is often the first step to piquing potential interest in an adoptable greyhound.

**Transporting** – Perhaps you'd rather get behind the wheel instead of meeting people face to face. Transporting hounds to and from tabling events takes a few hours a week as does squiring hounds to and from vet appointments.

**Kenneling** – Help out at the kennel whether you have a set schedule or not. We need people who have a flexible schedule to show dogs to prospective adopters at the kennel.

**“The broadest, and maybe the most meaningful definition of volunteering: Doing more than you have to because you want to, in a cause you consider good” Anonymous**

**Grant writing** – A continual flow of grant monies for dog food, medical supplies, spay/neutering, broken bones, micro-chipping, and educating the community is crucial to our coffers and the number of dogs we can rescue. Grant writing can be done from the confines of your own keyboard. You can do this solo or make it a team effort. If you want to add grant writing to your resume, this would be the place to start.

**Mentoring** – This is a new program (See Mary Freeman's article) where you can provide new adopters with your good old greyhound expertise. Set your own hours and who knows — you could make some new friends along the way.

**Event planning** – Are you creative and organized? Are you an idea person? Do you get satisfaction starting at point A and executing to point Z? Then you qualify to be the AGR event planner. Don't worry, you don't walk this line alone but let's make it fun and fruitful along the way.

**Coordinating** – It's difficult to walk a mile in Linda Kangas shoes but is there anyone willing to try? AGR needs a volunteer coordinator to move us forward in our grey adventure.

**Publicizing** – You and your hounds are the best walking billboard for AGR. Print some inexpensive business cards (Go to Kinko's or VistaPrint.com) that have our website address – <azgreyhoundrescue.org>, mailing address, and phone number listed. You might add your own name and phone number too. Give them out when people start asking questions about greyhound rescue; they always do.

**Crafters** – We know you're out there knitting, sewing, quilting, painting, crafting. You're a crafty lady or gentleman and your donated handmade one-of-a-kind items would make awesome fundraisers for online auctions or raffle items.

Karyn Zoldan ~ Communications and Promotions Director  
318-1222 or <karyn@bridgemarketing.com>

## Greyhounds Get Culture

**ORO VALLEY ART  
and MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
**Saturday and Sunday**  
**April 9th and 10th, 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.**  
**Riverfront Park ~ Oro Valley, AZ**

In an effort to expose greyhounds to new audiences, AGR is proud to announce our participation in the Oro Valley Festival of Arts. We are looking for volunteers to table and transport to and from the kennel.

Everyone is invited to enjoy the art and music. Bring your hounds as they always make a grand first impression and know how to hit the high notes.

To get involved, contact Mary Freeman at 886-7411 or email <maryagr@cox.net>



*This is Pepper. She is a high-energy young gal who will be 2 in May. She's still looking for her forever home!*



## Shopping & Raising Money for AGR

Throughout the year we all need to buy groceries, toys, gifts, clothes, and home computers. By purchasing all of these items using certain websites and programs, not only do you get a new CD player but Arizona Greyhound Rescue receives money.

### <iGive.com>

<iGive.com> is a virtual shopping mall with over 200 retailers including Lands End, Avon, 1-800-Pet-Meds, Circuit City, K-B Toys, Office Max, Linens 'N Things, FTD flowers, and Sure Fit Slipcovers just to mention a few. Each retailer donates a percentage of your purchase to the cause of your choice. You can compare prices and amount of donation percentages when you shop at iGive. That is a win-win situation for you and the greyhounds. I have purchased birthday gifts, a Dell computer and toys for Snowy using iGive. You can access iGive through AGR's website or at <igive.com>. It is easy to join, designate AGR as your cause and shop until your mouse drops.

## Spring Yard Sale

**Saturday, April 16**  
**7 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**6151 E. 29<sup>th</sup> Street (near Wilmot)**

Bring us your tired treasures and worn wares. Get rid of unwanted gifts and those jeans that no longer fit. Just do it for the dogs! We need volunteers the night before from 7 to 9 p.m. to price and organize and two people are needed on Yard Sale Day from 7 to 11 a.m. and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please call 745-5115 or email [tbaker60@yahoo.com](mailto:tbaker60@yahoo.com) to volunteer or arrange for drop-off or pick-up.

Other drop-off locations include: Midtown – 2550 E. Edison Street (326-1362) and Northwest -5930 N. Placita Chico (326-1362). Thank you to Terry and Suzan Baker for coordinating the Yard Sale event. This is an important AGR fundraiser so come drop (off) and shop!

## United Way

Designate Arizona Greyhound Rescue as your United Way recipient. AGR's Agency number is 138642.

## Charity Blends Coffee and Teas

Charity Blends Coffee and Teas is dedicated to providing the finest quality products at a competitive price for the sole purpose of assisting non-profit organizations in fundraising. Charity Blend Coffee and Teas has wonderful coffee and tea items that can be purchased individually or in a gift basket. Check out their website at <charityblends.com.>

Lastly, when you buy something from a greyhound related website please inquire if they would donate a portion of your purchase to AGR. Many of them will if you ask. Please email Kim de Araujo <dearaujo1@cox.net> if you come across any programs, local or via the internet, which might benefit AGR.

The greyhounds thank you for your support!

Dawn Melichar ~ Volunteer



*Ben is a handsome, red fawn. He is 3 years old and is ultra-sweet. He needs a quiet home and walks ... but not acres where he can run as he came to us with a severe leg injury.*

## Roll Out the Lazy Daisy Kennel Days of May

Bring your hounds, yourselves, good friends, and a potluck dish to the northwest kennel .



- Tour the kennel facility
- Get to know AGR's board of directors 2005 and let them get to know you
- Perform smart dog tricks
- Socialize your hounds with other hounds
- Dog runs available
- Buy fun toys for your fur friends
- Dine on delicious potluck
- Raffle prizes

### **Dogs must be on a leash or muzzled.**

NW Kennel – From I-10, go east on Tangerine. After passing the Trico Building, you will soon see the Paradise Kennel sign. Turn right. Take the first right to the AGR sign and the property lies ahead.

See you there!

## Do You Have a Crate that Belongs to AGR?

Our last newsletter brought such a wonderful response, we are asking again. If you borrowed a crate from AGR, we need it returned so new adoptees can adjust to their homes. Please help us avoid the expense of purchasing new crates. To arrange a pickup, call 886-7411

## Communications and Marketing

AGR seeks people with connections to the media and to other organizations that would consider joining forces with us for certain events. For instance, we need to expand exposure beyond pet stores. What if our elegant hounds were in a fashion show hosted by another charity or in a ballet or art show?

Do we have any authors who are having a book signing or artists who host open studios and would display our marketing materials? Would your vet or pet groomer display AGR marketing materials on a counter or bulletin board? What about nail salons, coffee houses, gyms, and your place of business? If you have a website, does it link to <azgreyhoundrescue.org>?

**Help: Newsletter committee:** It's more fun with a few helping hands to coordinate, proofread, layout, format, and fold. Chocolate will be served.

**Help: Audio whiz:** Seeking dynamic professional voice to record public service announcement (PSA). Need MP3 expertise and recording tools.

Please contact me if you and friend/s can help with any of the above. Let's brainstorm what other groups you belong to/active in and see how we can mutually benefit.

Karyn Zoldan ~ Communications and Promotions Director  
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## Change of Address and Phone Number

Are you planning to move? 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. So, drop us a note or leave a message at 886-7411.

## Bits & Pieces

### Greyhound Radio

Tune in and turn on "Greyhound Make Great Pets" with Greyhound Pets of America's Rory Goree and Kari Morrison Young every Friday from noon to 1 p.m. MST at <voiceamericaradio.com>

Also Friday from 11 a.m. to noon, animal communicator, Joy Turner, hosts "Talk with Your Animals".

### Greyhound Amber Alert

Please heed the precautionary measures found in Diana Hansen's "Your Dog is Lost" article. Nationwide there is a greyhound amber alert where folks are willing to give tips, share traps, and possibly help with the search. Check it out at

<greytalk.com/~forums/lofiversion/index.php/f24.html>

### Greyhound Adoption on Local Talk Show

Tune in April 3 at 6 a.m. for "One-to-One" on KVOA Channel 4. Kristi Tedesco interviews our adoption director Mary Freeman and her sight hound sidekick Domino.

### Dine Out for AGR – June 2005

Every June and October, Pastiche Modern Eatery offers diners an opportunity to donate 5% of the check to their favorite registered 501(c)3 charity. When they bring the check, all you do is write "Arizona Greyhound Rescue" on the donation card.

To date, they have donated more than \$45,000 to local and nationwide charities. Any charity that earns more than \$10 has the option of taking the 5 percent in cash or doubling that amount in donated gift certificates for silent auctions and giveaways.

For the past two years, **Pastiche** has received the Arizona Restaurant and Hospitality Association's "Good Neighbor Award" for their commitment to Philanthropy With Phlavor. Put it on your calendar or PDA to support a local restaurant, as well as, your favorite charity (AGR). Pastiche is located at 3025 N. Campbell Ave, 325-3333.

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## Your Dog is Lost!

These are the most horrifying words to hear. Now what do you do? If the dog is within sight, do not run towards him. Get close to the ground and call him to you. Or, you might try running in the opposite direction, Flash just might follow you. If he turns and runs the other way ... GET HELP!

**Get going immediately!** Don't sit around waiting for Flash to show up at your front door. It is rare he will.

**Don't start driving** around looking for him alone. Lost greyhounds are usually found within a mile or two of where you lost them. However, this equates to about 16 square miles. Instead of starting your search alone, recruit the neighbors, relatives, and friends to help you. It is imperative that you get many people out looking for Flash.

**Call Arizona Greyhound Rescue** (AGR) at 886-7411. You will be given a phone number of an AGR member who will get the word out to the membership about your lost greyhound and be willing to help search.

**Get the word out!** Post flyers at stores, on utility poles, at any public place you can think of. Wallpaper the area where he was last seen. The flyers should be on bright paper with a picture of your dog, if possible, and with the words "LOST GREYHOUND". Include your phone number in large type. Be sure to use a phone number that will be manned and not just answered by an answering machine.

**Start talking to people!** Talk to everyone you see on the street in the search area. You need sighting information ... and anyone on the street may have seen your lost greyhound. It also puts people on alert. As you talk to them, give them a flyer. You have just increased the searchers looking for Flash.

**Make some phone calls!** Call the Humane Society and other animal control offices in your area. Even call your police department. Call often. And visit the animal shelters to make sure they don't have your greyhound. Be sure to keep in contact with the

people helping to provide the latest sighting information.

Hopefully by now, your grey will have been found and is sleeping off his adventure on the sofa. But if you are not this lucky, here are some further suggestions:

**Expand the search area!** Extend the flyer posting area. Your friends, relatives, and greyhound group should still be helping you.

**Run newspaper ads!** Be sure to submit descriptive information about your greyhound.

**Talk to the Department of Public Works!** Sorry to say but if a dog passes to the Rainbow Bridge, the highway department or city works might know of this.

**Keep searching!** If Flash has been gone for more than a few days or even a week or two, don't give up hope. Keep looking. Don't assume that a phone call you receive about a lost dog is yours. If you get a call be sure to get the name and phone number of the person calling. Ask questions as there can be false leads and you might end up running down a beagle. Find out about the color of the dog, how large he is and what direction he is heading.

**IF YOU RECEIVE A CALL THAT THEY FOUND A GREYHOUND ... TELL THEM TO CONFINE THE DOG.** There have been situations where people have found a greyhound and they were not aware that it would run again if not confined in some way.

There is the possibility that Flash has been spotted and is running free, and the question is how to catch him.

First, if you chase him ... he will probably run. It is best to make believe you are ignoring him. You have to outsmart him. You can try running in the opposite direction and he just might think you are fun to chase and chase after you.

Use a squawker (predator call device) used to call dogs at tracks. But, if this scares the grey, do not use again.

You can also try food and water. He will be hungry and this should interest him. You might just try sitting on the ground and see if he comes to you. If he does, toss treats to him to lure him close.

If he likes "bye-byes" go to your car and leave the car door open. If none of these methods help in capturing the greyhound, contact AGR and they might have access to a live trap or even discuss chemicals that could be used.

Now a word to greyhound owners ... be sure your dog is wearing his collar with tags at all times. Nothing worse than taking his collar off and then having him bolt out the door. Just breaks our hearts when we get a call about a dog running free with no identification.

Consider having your dog micro-chipped. Some of the AGR dogs have been chipped when they were first received but most of them have not. The next time you and your grey have a vet visit, discuss this option with the vet. We have had dogs found and reunited with owners because of the chip.

Just because you have had your grey for years and think he will stick close to home so you walk him without a leash, you might have a surprise when he spots another animal and takes off ... and maybe across a busy street.

So ... in closing, we hope you never have the experience of having your grey do a walkabout. Use common sense and keep him safe.

This article is based on a Forum at <greyhound.com.> Diana Hansen ~ volunteer



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## AGR's Wish List

- Foster homes
- Medicines - not expired:  
Rimadyl, Nizoral, Sporanox,  
Cephalexin, Amoxicillin
- Medical Supplies: vet wraps,  
bandages, tape, neosporin
- Muzzles
- Crates
- Blankets
- Collars - 14 -18"
- Nutro dry dog food
- Pedigree canned dog food
- Dog treats
- Dog toys
- Stamps
- Envelopes
- Standard copy paper
- E20 Canon copy cartridge

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