



# The Grey Gazette

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While the months have shifted into fall, the temperatures are still saying summer! It has been a record heat wave going into November. Since the weather seems to be remaining hot and humid, please remember that greyhounds are INDOOR dogs and should stay inside with air conditioning when the temperatures rise. Greyhounds can overheat easily. Please remember to take early morning and late

evening walks. Watch for signs of overheating.

- Panting, followed by disorientation and fast, noisy breathing
- Collapsing or convulsing
- Bright red or blue gums or tongue
- Vomiting and diarrhea

If your greyhound is exhibiting any of these signs, take him or her to your vet immediately!



## Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

Grab your ribbons, bells and Santa hats! It's time for the Annual Franklin Christmas Parade. MCGA will be participating again this year and we need you to be there. So pull out your holiday cheer, grab your greyhounds and join us for a fun filled day at the Franklin Christmas Parade!

\* If you would like to participate, please let us know. We will need several volunteers to help carry the MCGA banner. We would also like to have as many of our greyhound friends as possible, there to join us for the fun and festivities. Stay tuned for more details !



*2016 has been an amazing year of 40+ adoptions, with more still to come. Let's celebrate and thank each of these individuals for opening their hearts, homes and couches to adopt a forever friend!*

Brittney & Matt Cooper – Laverne TN

- Ratchet adopted on 1/2/16

Rich & Holly Fickes – Murfreesboro, TN

- Fuse adopted on 1/31/16

Jamie & Nathan Thomas – Laverne, TN

- Whiskers adopted on 2/6/16

Linda Bates – Lebanon, TN

- Cyrus adopted on 2/14/16

Amanda Barfield – Brentwood, TN

- Issy adopted on 2/20/16

Chelsey & Jonathan Hiedle – Madison, TN

- Rob adopted on 2/28/16

Lori Fedall & James Hoegeri – Nashville, TN

- Spark Plug adopted on 3/5/16

Thom Ruberts – Nashville, TN

- Kerby adopted on 3/15/16

Al & Amy Schmid – Bellevue, TN

- Woody adopted on 3/16/16

Matthew Layson – Owensboro, Ky

- Cat adopted on 3/19/16

Haley & Nathaniel Somers – Clarksville, TN

- Blitz adopted on 3/26/16

Nancy & Jeff Cardwell – Nashville, TN

- Riley adopted on 4/2/16

Eva Ribman – College Grove, TN

- Oreo adopted on 4/2/16

Becky & Mark Orman – Antioch, TN

- Kitten adopted on 4/2/16

Kate & Mike Um – Clarksville, TN

- Alissa adopted on 4/9/16

David & Elisabeth Silva – Franklin, TN

- Cougar adopted on 4/23/16

Susan Drupiewski – Hendersonville, TN

- Blitz adopted on 5/14/16

Sandra Scott – Tullahoma, TN

- Ram adopted on 5/14/16

Lindsey & Joey Pounds – Gallatin, TN

- Lana adopted on 6/18/16

Watson & Ann Chaney – Madison, TN

- Lego adopted on 6/25/16

David Dye – Smyrna, TN

- Lester adopted on 6/23/16

Morgan Melton – Murfreesboro, TN

- Tulip adopted on 7/9/16

Daryl & Kathy Bryant – Franklin, TN

- Darlene adopted on 7/12/16

David & Patricia Morrison – Mt Juliet, TN

- Baron adopted on 7/30/16

Britt Phillips, Sheryl Naron & Linda DeBaum

- Buie adopted on 8/3/16

James Hulsey – Hendersonville, TN

- Magic adopted on 8/6/16

Julia & Kevin Grass – Spring Hill, TN

- RC adopted on 8/6/16

Al & Amy Schmidt – Bellevue, TN

- Prickly adopted on 8/6/16

Eric & Sarah Reynolds – Fayetteville, TN

- Fugi adopted on 8/6/16

Eric & Nicole Petersen – Franklin, TN

- Darelene adopted on 8/26/16

Alicia & Jeff White – Old Hickory, TN

- Amigo adopted on 8/27/16

Jan Bornstein – Kingston Springs, TN

- Pluto adopted on 8/27/16

Kim & Chuck Leisure – Nashville, TN

- Roo adopted on 9/10/16

Kim & John Coke – Franklin, TN

- Rev adopted on 9/17/16

Tosha McElhiney – Murfreesboro, TN

- Raisin adopted on 9/25/16

Mary & Trey McCormick – Murfreesboro, TN

- Kelly adopted on 9/25/16

Chris Hensley – Franklin, TN

- Tulip adopted 9/25/16

Gayle & Tom Mayberry – Lexington, KY

- Carrie adopted on 10/9/16

Liz Trapp – Ashland City, TN

- Skittles adopted on 10/27/16



# Thank you!

Thank you to all of our amazing board members, volunteers, fosters, greyhound friends and families. We had a greyt turn out for our MCGA picnic celebration. It is always wonderful when we are able to have all of our four legged and two legged friends together for the day.

The food and fellowship was plentiful. We were joined by several of our long distance supporters Elaine Gower and Leslie Balcerak. Leslie is the author of *The 45 mph Couch Potato*. She was gracious enough to offer book signings while visiting at the picnic.

We appreciate everyone's help securing, preparing and hosting such a greyt day!



## Training Your Greyhound to Sleep Late

Here is a terrific suggestion from greyhound owner, Joe Wnuk, about training a greyhound to sleep late:

*“ One of our hounds used to get up a little to early for my liking. It took some time, but I retrained him. Here’s what I did. I set my alarm for his wake up time for a day or two. Then after that, I pushed the time a minute or two later every day until I got him trained to get up on my schedule.*

*I only had to change his wake up 45 minutes or so. It was kind of funny. I wake up to my cell phone alarm. Till this day when my alarm goes off, even if I set it for the middle of the day, he gets all excited like he is going to get something to eat. I guess there is something to Pavlov’s principles of classical conditioning.”*

- Joe Wnuk







## ***The Rainbow Bridge***

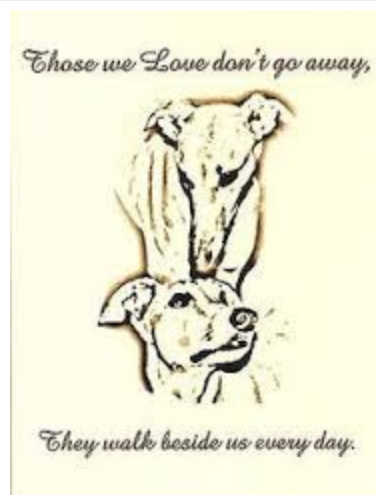
*(inspired by a Norse legend)*

By: Steve and Diane Bodofsky.

*By the edge of a woods, at the foot of a hill,  
Is a lush, green meadow where time stands still.  
Where the friends of man and woman do run,  
When their time on earth is over and done.  
For here, between this world and the next,  
Is a place where each beloved creature finds rest.  
On this golden land, they wait and they play,  
Till the Rainbow Bridge they cross over one day.  
No more do they suffer, in pain or in sadness,  
For here they are whole, their lives filled with  
gladness.*

*Their limbs are restored, their health renewed,  
Their bodies have healed, with strength imbued.  
They romp through the grass, without even a care,  
Until one day they start, and sniff at the air.  
All ears prick forward, eyes dart front and back,  
Then all of a sudden, one breaks from the pack.  
For just at that instant, their eyes have met;  
Together again, both person and pet.  
So they run to each other, these friends from long  
past,*

*The time of their parting is over at last.  
The sadness they felt while they were apart,  
Has turned into joy once more in each heart.  
They embrace with a love that will last forever,  
And then side-by-side, they cross over... together.*



Rocco Oaks - "Rocco" 2/16/04 – 2/9/16

- Loved by Al & Amy Schmid

Greta's Oddtom - "Woody" 12/23/04 – 3/1/16

- Loved by Jim & Sandra Sims

PWS Take A Strike "Amos" 7/31/09 – 3/30/16

- Loved by Phil & Debbie Stanfield

Miz Zircon - "Zircon" 10/4/02 – 4/4/16

- Loved by Liz Trapp

Miami Picture - "Miami" 2/16/04 – 5/7/16

- Loved by Al & Amy Schmid

Miz Zamboni – 12/9/02 – 5/23/16

- Loved by Liz Trapp

Sweet Grace – 10/26/02 – 6/30/16

- Loved by Wilma Watts

BD's Hendrix - "Hendrix" 1/4/04 – 7/14/16

- Loved by Sharon Lyons

O Ya Mary Lou – 1/16/12 – 7/20/16

- Loved by Britt Phillips & Sheryl Naron

Smooth Drambuie "Buie" - 10/18/05 – 8/15/16

- Loved by Britt Phillips, Sheryl Naron & Linda DeBaum

Ritter - "Ritter" 6/8/11 – 8/18/16

- Loved by Trey & Mary McCormick

Don Quixote - "Quixote" 2/22/03 – 8/29/16

- Loved by Jennifer Norton

Sooner Drive - "Sooner" 4/12/06 – 9/16/16

- Loved by Cathy Wilder

BB's Bugs By U – 4/4/03 – 10/22/16

- Loved by Paul & Liza Downey

Miz Cookie – 1/12/03 – 10/31/16

- Loved by Wayne Travis



# ***Greyhound Fun Fact***

## ***Did you know???***

### **President Hayes Owned a Greyhound**

A greyhound named Grim lived in the White House with the president when he took office in 1876. This presidential pet, known as a crooner, is famous for being the first dog adopted by President Hayes when he was in office, when Grim was 2 years old.

The president once wrote, "He is good-natured and neat in his habits ... and took all our hearts at once." But sadly, this beloved dog was hit and killed by a train soon after his master left office.



Looking to create that one of a kind Christmas card? Why not bring your fur-kids for pictures with Santa! For a \$5 donation to MCGA, you can have a special photo keepsake. Don't delay, Santa is very busy and will only be available for 2 days!

Licker & whine Pet Market  
3419 Memorial Blvd  
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Saturday, 11/12/16 from 11am – 2pm  
Saturday, 12/10/16 from 11am – 2pm



# **BAKE SALE**



**11/19/16 10am – 4pm**  
**Cool Springs Pet Smart**

Getting ready for the holidays? Planning to bake pies, cookies, candies and more? Why not practice ahead of time and help raise funds for MCGA at the same time?

We will need plenty of volunteers and goodies! If you are available to help work the sale OR even donate baked goods, please contact Mary Palagonia for details and arrangements.



# MCGA Prison Program



Our Prison Program began August 2015, when we placed several greyhounds into the Metro-Davidson County Detention Facility, located in Davidson County, Nashville, Tennessee. The greyhounds live in the facility and their assigned dog handlers care for them, including feeding, exercise, grooming, companionship and training. Dana Mead is our dog trainer working with the handlers and dogs each week. This program benefits both the dogs and their handlers and lasts ten weeks. Afterwards, the dogs move into foster homes and are available for adoption.



Dana Mead, our wonderful dog trainer.



*It's time to celebrate the season with our greyhound friends and family!*



**Sunday, 12/11/16 1pm – 4pm**  
**Charlie Daniels Park**  
**1075 Charlie Daniels Pkwy**  
**Mt Juliet, TN 37122**



**\*\*\* Stay tuned for more details! \*\*\***







# What's Happening?

*We want to know... What's happening with you?*

*Please send your photos and stories to:*

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