

GFNJ Home Stretch

Letter From the President

Dear Greyhound Friends,

Another winter is behind us, and I am happy to say our year was a success! As I write this I need to say as I do each year, but it bears repeating that our volunteers, board members, and supporters are what have given this organization the longevity, reputation and the ability to care for the hounds we love. As we look forward to the coming year, there is going to be a lot of change. Amendment 13 in Florida passed so pari-mutuel greyhound betting there will end on December 31, 2020. Although this seems like a long way off, it is providing us with a very real challenge now--a sometimes lack of available dogs and then a larger than usual influx of retirees. However, we have sustained for over 32 years as a well-respected greyhound adoption agency and we are ready to face these challenges with your help.

GFNJ will continue to follow our mission statement to place as many U.S. greyhounds as possible and any hound in need of a safe haven. We are fortunate to have the resources, stamina, and expertise to have both local and international efforts available and have taken Spanish greyhounds (Galgos), shelter hounds from high kill situations and greyhounds from the China meat trade under our protection. We are forever growing and seemingly coming closer to accomplishing our mission statement; but as we all know too well this kind of work is never done.

Currently, we are looking further into the needs of U.S. lurchers, shelter hounds, Spanish Galgos, Irish greyhounds, pharmaceutical test dogs, and China meat trade dogs- all who are in desperate need of our expertise and support. Your continued support and aid help bring these dogs to loving families, comfy beds and the medical care that some require. Floppy, a cute, little mixed breed hound, was in a kill shelter with a severely broken leg and malnourished. We were happy to transport her to GFNJ where she received surgery on her leg and medical support at NorthStar Vets in Robbinsville. She is a happy girl but we could not help her and others without you!



Another note of change, I have received the resignation of board members Ellen Ganopoulos and Jacqueline Howard Cavallo. Thank you for your help and commitment to GFNJ.

As you peruse this informative Newsletter, please mark your calendars with our upcoming events, to include our Spring Picnic and our annual Craft Show. As always, we are brainstorming creative

and interesting fundraisers throughout the year, so please keep an eye on all our social media outlets for other events, dog arrivals, updates and fundraisers.

Sincerely



China dog Ellie (White)



GFNJ Annual Spring Picnic

Sunday, May 19th ~ 11am - 3pm Duke Island Park Old York Road, Bridgewater, NJ

Spend the day with other adopters & their wonderful hounds!



Bring a chair for yourself & a blanket for your hound!

Rain or Shine
Pot Luck Lunch
Great Vendors
Exciting Raffle
Contests

We need food donations for the Pot Luck Lunch!

(Monetary donation requested for your meal)

Pick up your pre-ordered Little House Candles!

We'll collect:
- used cell phone/iPads/iPods
- used dog meds
- gently used coats/collars

Adoptable hounds, including Prison Foster Dogs, available to pre-approved applicants

How about volunteering for set-up/break down? Contact Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com

How the Spring Picnic Works

I realized that there are many new adopters who have never been to a GFNJ picnic, so I thought I would explain how it works...

The picnic is held at Duke Island Park off of Old York Road in Bridgewater. When you pull into the Park, go to the right, go past the Visitor Center/Restrooms, drive past the field and take the first left. There is lots of parking available.

Tip – stop at the Visitor Center/Restrooms when you arrive. There are usually Port A Potties at the end of the parking lot, but the restrooms at the Visitor center are nicer.

LAYOUT

The available dogs crates are set up on the left side of the parking lot.

The raffle and GFNJ Product table can be found in the pavilion.

The pot luck lunch tables are placed beyond the pavilion.

There are picnic tables available (first come/first serve). There's lots of space to place blankets and chairs under trees, as well as a very large open field.

TIMELINE

Raffle tickets are sold throughout the day.

The pot luck lunch starts around noon.

Contests are usually around 1:30.

The Raffle gets pulled starting at around 2:30.

HOW THE POT LUCK LUNCH WORKS

We ask folks to bring an item that can feed at least 6 people.

There is no electricity, so if your item needs to be kept hot you will need to bring something to do that.

Please remember to pick up your dish and utensils at the end.

Even if you bring a dish, a monetary donation to GFNJ is requested – donation jars can be found on the food tables.

WHAT TO BRING

Your food donation for the pot luck lunch

Money to buy things

A chair for you – a blanket for your dog

FOR ALL FOOD BROUGHT TO THE PICNIC

PLEASE label any food that is gluten free, vegan or contains nuts!

Also, if you bring sandwiches, please indicate what is inside!



Little House Candle Fundraiser for Greyhound Friends of NJ

A 27 oz. quart mason jar costs just \$17
Same price as last year!

Delivery will be at the GFNJ Picnic on Sunday, 5/19 or at the kennel in Tabernacle, NJ when available



This fundraiser starts 4/8/19
The last date to order and pay 5/5/19

Please go to the GFNJ website (gfnj.org) for the full list of scents. Payment can be made through the GFNJ On-Line Cart (gfnj.org) or by check: GFNJ/PO BOX 4416/Cherry Hill, NJ 08034



To order, please send an email to Linda Lyman (lelyman7@verizon.net):
of candles/scents/your name/
your address/
your contact info (phone #)

2019 Spring Little House Candle Scents

Angel's Breath Apple Cinnamon Baby Powder Black Cherry Blueberry/Lemonade Citrus Citrus & Teak Clean Linen Coconut Passion Creamsicle **Cucumber Bouquet Dragon's Blood English Tea** French Vanilla Gardinia Honeydew Honeysuckle Hyacinth **Island Breeze** Lavender Lemon Ice

Lemongrass & Lavender Life's A Beach Lilac Lily of the Valley **Monkeying Around** Orange & Evergreen Orange/Sage Peach **Pineapple Crush Pink Grapefruit Puff Away** Rain Raspberry Sandlewood **Sandy Shores** Strawberry **Tahitian Moon Tropical Fruit Vanillaroma** Victorian Rose Woodsman



23rd Annual Greyhound Friends of NJ Pet & Craft Expo

Spring Vendor Special!

Anticipated 2019 Dates: *

November 9 & 10, 2019 (setup 11/8) 10am - 4pm Westfield Armory, Westfield, NJ

\$130 for the 2 days/10'x10' spot

This rate offered until 4/30/19

Indoor event; free electricity; all proceeds to benefit Greyhound Friends of NJ

Please go to gfnj.org to pay through the On-Line Cart

Questions? Contact Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com or 732 566 2226

*We have requested the dates of 11/8, 11/9 & 11/10/19 but have not yet been approved by the State of NJ

23rd Annual

Pet & Craft Expo

Sponsors Needed!

Contact Patty for vendor info pac173@aol.com 732 566 2226 Vendors Wanted!

Contact Linda for sponsor info lelyman7@verizon.net

732 356 4370

Adopt

A Grey!

GFNJ.org

Greyhound Friends of NJ gfnj.org 732 356 4370 Saturday, 11/9/19 10am - 4pm Sunday, 11/10/19 10am - 4pm

Westfield Armory 500 Rahway Avenue Westfield NJ 07091



GFNJ needs lots of volunteers to make the Pet & Craft Expo a success. From set up on Friday to take down on Sunday; helping in the kitchen, Santa photos, GFNJ product table; selling raffle tickets; admissions; bake table—

We need your help!



GARAGE SALE

to benefit Greyhound Friends of NJ

Saturday 4/27/19 9am - 5pm

Rain date: Sunday 4/28/19

107 Colfax Avenue Pomptom Lakes NJ 07742

If you can help or have larger items to donate, please contact Eileen at 201 289 1683



DOG-FRIENDLY OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS

Always ask a veterinarian before giving any medication to your dog. Even "safe" human meds can be toxic to certain breeds or pets with preexisting conditions.



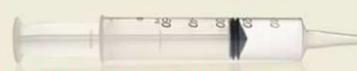
BENDADRYL

FOR ALLERGIES AND ITCHING 1 milligram per pound of dog

DRAMAMINE FOR MOTION SICKNESS

12.5 milligrams for small dogs 25 milligrams for medium dogs 50 milligrams for large dogs





HYDROGEN PEROXIDE

USED TO INDUCE VOMITING AFTER ACCIDENTAL INGESTION OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES

10 milliliters by mouth

HYDROCORTISONE

FOR ITCHING OR IRRITATED SKIN Small amount applied topically up to

twice daily

PEPCID AC (FAMOTIDINE) / ZANTAC (RANITIDINE)

TO REDUCE STOMACH ACIDS CAUSED BY ULCERS, ACID REFLUX OR BELLYACHE

1/4 tablet for dogs under 20 pounds 1/2 tablet for dogs 20-60 pounds 1 tablet for dogs over 60 pounds



BUFFERED ASPIRIN

TO RELIEVE PAIN AND INFLAMMATION

1/2 baby aspirin for dogs under 10 pounds 1 baby aspirin for dogs 10-30 pounds 1/2 regular aspirin for dogs 30-50 pounds 1 regular aspirin for dogs 50-100 pounds 2 regular aspirins for dogs over 100 pounds



FOR BIARRHEA, VOMITING AND GAS

1 teaspoon per 20 pounds of dog's weight (toxic to cats!)

GAS-X



TO MINIMIZE FLATULENCE OR GAS DISCOMFORT

1/4 adult dose for small dogs 1/2 adult dose for medium dogs 1 adult dose for large dogs

IMODIUM A-D

FOR DIARRHEA

1 milligram per pound of dog



ROBITUSSIN DM

FOR COUGHING OR HACKING

1 teaspoon per 10 pounds of dog's weight





Dog First Aid Kits

Many of us have a drawer in our house where we have accumulated items we have used to fix up our dog's scrapes and dings – an odd assortment of bandages, a rainbow of vet wrap, half used tubes of creams/ointments and other items collected over the years. We keep saying that we will organize these odd and ends into some coherent first aid kit, but it remains on the "To Do" list.

Time to organize!

You can go the easy way and purchase an already completed first aid kit. Google "dog first aid kit" the results can be overwhelming, but satisfyingly easy.

Or you can organize a kit of your own – many lists of needed items can also be found on-line. Consider not only a first aid kit for home, but a smaller one for your car or when you travel.

Most lists have 6 main components:

Tools (like a muzzle/tweezers)

Bandages/Wraps

Cleaning solutions (peroxide/alcohol swabs)

Oral medication (Benadryl/Imodium/Pepto)

Topical medications (triple antibiotic ointment)

Miscellaneous (Quick Stop/instant ice pack/dog's medical records)

We recently put up a request on Facebook for folks to post what first aid item they couldn't do without – here is that condensed list:

Tools

baby liquid medication syringe
Comfy Cone
flea/tick comb
hair curlers (plastic)/ 25 cent wrapper for happy tail
muzzle + stool guard/ muzzle taped on the bottom
scissors/bandage scissors
tick key
tweezers

Bandages/Wraps

adhesive tape/paper tape bandage material gauze/nonstick gauze pads/rolled gauze liquid bandage/AluSpray bandages/self-adhesive wraps vet wrap/Pet flex no chew

Cleaning solutions/Topical medications

Bactine (cleansing spray)
Animal Scents Ointment (protective, soothing skin salve)
Banixx pet spray (antibacterial)
Colloidal Silver (skin rashes)
Dermoplast (pain and itch relief)

Cleaning solutions/Topical medications (cont)

ear wipes/_Pharmaseb Flush (ears)
EMT Gel/Spray (healing of cuts, abrasions, reduces bleeding)
Hibiclens (wound cleanser)
Keto-C wipes (antiseptic solution wipes)
manuka honey
peroxide
saline solution (for eyes or wound care)
styptic powder/cornstarch/baking flour/Kwik Stop
Sulfodene ointment (prevents infection, relieves pain)
Terramycin Ophthalmic Ointment (eyes)
triple antibiotic ointment/Neosporin (skin care/infection protection)
Vetericyn plus hydrogel (wound relief)

Oral medication

Benadryl (for allergies, anxiety, motion sickness)
Imodium (anti-diarrheal)
Keflex/Cephalexin (oral antibiotic)
Pepcid/Famotidine/Prilosec/omeprazole/Pepto (for stomach problems)
Rimadyl/Novox (generic) (for pain and inflammation)
Tagamet (for stomach acid)

Miscellaneous

baby socks
Bach Rescue Remedy
canned pure pumpkin
coconut oil (for digestion, coats, prevent infection)
dental wipes/Leba III tooth spray (tartar removal)
dogs' identification and medical info
emergency water
Mendwell essential oil (for healthy skin repair)
Pawz (rubber dog boots)
peroxide dosage chart to make a dog vomit
plain yogurt
PupBoost Harness
Vet's # on speed dial
Zymox Toothpaste Gel (antibacterial tooth gel)

Some other ideas, especially for a travel first aid kit:

blanket
collapsible water bowl
disposable gloves
extra leash
flash light
instant ice pack
Pedialyte (helps replace electrolytes they may have lost from vomiting)
zip lock bags

Animal Poison Control Center: 888-4ANI-HELP (888-426-4435)



Save the Date!!!

MONTCLAIR FILM FESTIVAL

MKA Upper School 6 Lloyd Road, Montclair, NJ 07042

Sunday, May 12 ~ 12:15pm

Dog Walker

Dog Walker is a short film shot in Montclair, NJ.
After losing custody of her children in a contentious divorce, Jill who now works as a dog walker and lives in the low income section of her upscale town, takes revenge on a privileged client.

Featuring Nellie, Buzz, Emily Bergl (actress), Elsie and Mason Unkert





GET YOUR TICKETS! NY Yankees vs. TB Rays

To Benefit Greyhound Friends of NJ Saturday, May 18 @ 1:05p

Level 2 Seat

Field Level Seat

\$60

\$90

(You save \$10,

(You save \$20,

\$25 goes to GFNJ)

\$35 goes to GFNJ)

For questions, please reach out to Nick Cinelli at NCinelli@yankees.com or (646) 977-8965.

Order Here: bit.ly/YankeeHounds
This is a human-only event.

Order here

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10 AM
Colonial Park
156 Mettlers Road, Parking Lot C
Somerset, NJ 08873
Contact: Jacqueline Howard

Sunday, June 9, 2019

The Great Global Greyhound Walk is an annual dog-walking event that brings together greyhounds, lurchers, other sighthounds and their owners to raise awareness of the breeds and show the public just what wonderful pets they make.

9 AM Ridley Creek State Park 1023 Sycamore Mills Road Media, PA 19063 Contact: Joan Hassett



Fostering...



We supply the dog You supply the bed They supply the love

If you are interested in fostering for Greyhound Friends of NJ, please contact Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com or Linda at lelyman7@verizon.net

A BarkBox subscription for him. A \$25 donation for GFNJ.

Check it out and order via:

BarkBox.com/GreyhoundNJ

Greyhound Friends of NJ is proud to announce our new partnership with BarkBox. With every new subscription, BarkBox will donate \$25 to GFNJ!

Starting at \$20 a month, your dog will receive a monthly love package filled with toys and treats.

And your dog's subscription will help GFNJ to continue helping more greyhounds find their way home.





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where pet lovers shop

Chewy will donate **\$20** to GFNJ when a **new** customer places his or her first order!



Hello fellow supporter! Place your first order with us and we'll proudly donate \$20 to Greyhound Friends of New Jersey!



SHOP THROUGH THIS URL:

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Huge selection of Pet Food, Treats and Supplies delivered straight to your door!

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- √ 24/7 customer service
- ✓ Cheaper than your local store
- ✓ Save 20% off your first autoship order

Offer is good for first time customers, one per household. Free shipping on orders over \$49.



DOG BLOOD DONORS NEEDED!

Greyhound Friends of NJ proudly collaborates with NorthStar VETS in their Blood Bank Program. Greyhounds are the very best donors and one unit of blood can save 2 – 4 lives.

Several of our regular blood donors have aged out, and we are seeking new donors.

It's a wonderful feeling to "pay it forward" and have our hounds help other dogs in need.

If you are interested in having your greyhound screened to be a donor, contact Maria Lutz at flutz11331@aol.com or 732-521-8330.

There are some guidelines to review – this can be done at northstarvets.com/blood-bank



Greyhound Friends of New Jersey





DOGGONE, IT'S SUMMER!

Please keep your pets safe this summer.

Dogs don't sweat like humans and can suffer HEATSTROKE far more easily.

Exercise your dog early or late in the day. All dogs, especially flat faced breeds can overheat quickly.



Provide fresh water daily. Clam shell pools and doggy ice treats/kongs/home alone toys are great fun, keeps them cool and provides mental enrichment.



Check the temperature of the ground or sand because if it's too hot to touch, then it's TOO HOT for their PAWS.



Leave dogs in a shady area, bearing in mind the movement of the sun as the day passes.



Never walk your dog when the temperature is over 30C (85F), their paws burn on hot pavement and hot sand.



Never leave your dog in a parked car on a warm day. Even on a cool day, the temperature in the car is much hotter than outside and can lead to brain damage or death!!



SIGNS OF HEATSTROKE

Muddy pink gums (instead of bright pink), heavy panting with occasional frothing at the mouth, disorientation, increased heart rate.

What To Do: Remove the pet from the heat source if possible. Increase ventilation (fan) and apply cool water or a cool towel compress. Do not apply ice, this causes the blood vessels to constrict and takes the dog longer to cool down. Reapply the cool towels frequently. Offer water to your pet, but don't force it.

Get your pet to the veterinarian quickly.

About Greyhounds Podcast—Summer Safety



Easy Ways to Support GFNJ!

Please go to the GFNJ website (gfnj.org) for more info and links



AMAZON SMILE

Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible Amazon Smile purchases to Greyhound Friends of New Jersey. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same Amazon Prime benefits.



AMAZON WISH LIST
GFNJ Prison Foster Program wish list



MATCHING FUNDS

Many companies want to support the causes that their employees care about, so they set up charitable giving programs through which they match employee donations to eligible nonprofits.



GOOD SEARCH

GoodSearch is a search engine which donates 50-percent of its revenue to the charities and schools designated by its users. Under "Who Do You GoodSearch for?" enter Greyhound Friends of New Jersey



iGIVE

iGive is an online "shopping mall" where registered charities can earn a percentage of purchases.



WOOFTRAX

WoofTrax donates money for every mile you walk !Download the app on your Android or iPhone! After downloading the app, take the phone with you when you walk. For every mile you walk, a donation is made to the animal group of your choice.



RECYCLE CELL PHONES/iPADS/iPODS

Adopter Carolann Abbate helps GFNJ by collecting old cell phones, iPads and iPods. Please go to the GFNJ website for more info on how to contact Carolann.



GFNJ MEMBERSHIP Join or Renew Annually

Greyhound Friends of NJ member dues go towards the care of the greyhounds.



PAYPAL GIVING FUND

eBay Giving Works/eBay for Charity makes it easy for members of the eBay community to support their favorite charities when buying and selling in one of the world's largest marketplaces.

Free/Inexpensive Ways to Help Support GFNJ

Everyone gets lots of requests to help various groups, with Greyhound Friends of NJ being just one of them. It's not possible to provide monetary support all the time, but there are several ways that you can help GFNJ on the cheap and still make a greyt impact!

Foster

GFNJ will pay for food, worming meds, any necessary veterinary care and will provide a crate.

Share Facebook posts

GFNJ recently had success finding a foster home for Copper after a Facebook post was shared.

Start a weekly walk

Currently there are 3 weekly walks - one in Paramus, one in Hamilton and one in Brick.

Hold a monthly M&G

In the past GFNJ had numerous monthly Meet & Greets. These have dwindled down to currently very few. A M&G is a good way for folks to learn about greyhounds – it gives them the opportunity to put their hands on a hound. A M&G is usually held in a pet food store, but they can pretty much be held anywhere. They only need to be a few hours and can make a big impact on a potential adopter.

Donate an auction item

Many of us have extra "things" that might make a good auction item. Auction items do not need to be new, gently used items are often perfect. You can donate the shipping or have the auction winner pay.

You could also contact a business/vendor to see if they would donate an item to an auction.

Use Wooftrax, GoodSearch or AmazonSmile for GFNJ

Walk dogs at an Adoption Day

If you are not ready to adopt, you can still help with the newly arrived dogs. They need to be walked so that potential adopters can meet them.

Come to the picnics/Pet & Craft Expo

Attending the picnics is free – GFNJ does ask for a monetary donation for food. Of course there are raffle tickets and vendors, but you don't have to send additional money.

The admission to the Pet & Craft Expo is \$6 (there is a \$1 off coupon). Once in, you can spend the day and it is



HOW TO GET RID OF SKUNK SMELL

DID A SKUNK SPRAY YOUR DOG, CAR, HOUSE, OR EVEN YOU?
HERE'S HOW TO COMPLETELY ELIMINATE THE ODOR!

THESE TACTICS WILL NOT WORK VERY WELL:



HERE IS THE SECRET RECIPE THAT WORKS









Mix these together and bathe ("shampoo" in or rub down) the spray victim thoroughly.



Be sure to use this mixture immediately after it is created, as it is unstable.



Let sit for five minutes and rinse with tap water afterward, and repeat if necessary.



For spray in the eyes, flush with water as soon as possible.

YOUR DOG (OR YOU) WILL NOW BE ODOR FREE! SO LONG, SKUNK SMELL!

GFNJ DOGS LOOKING FOR "FOREVER HOMES"

GFNJ has some wonderful dogs looking for their forever homes—they are in foster care, the Prison Foster Program or the kennel. Some have behavioral problems, some medical needs, some need to live with another dog due to separation anxiety, some need to be an only dog. All deserve their "special family". For more info, go to the GFNJ website,



Black Heart



Chasing Amy



Broadway Johnny



Free Hopper



Rooney



Sweet Tart







GFNJ has been fortunate to welcome several greyhounds to NJ from the China meat trade, in connection with Candy Cane Rescue and Plush Bear. Our next group will arrive in May. Pictured below is Ellie (white dog) who we look forward to meeting soon!



GFNJ recently welcomed 3 mixes from a kill shelter in North Carolina!

Such sweet dogs! Welcome to NJ!



Angel



Floppy



Copper