

### **GFNJ Home Stretch**

#### **Letter From the President**

Hello again GFNJ family!

I am writing to welcome you to join us for our 2019 Fall season!

As always, we have our biannual picnic on Sunday, September 15th, at Mighty Mutts Kennel in Tabernacle. Family fun to be had by all, and some handsome dogs looking for homes. Our second staple event of the fall is our Craft & Pet Expo on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> at the Westfield Armory. We hope to see you at the raffle table or perusing some of our unique vendors; and of course there will be dogs available for adoption.

GFNJ prides itself on the thought that "We just help". We help any hound dog in need that we can accommodate. We endeavor to continue our efforts outlined in our mission statement.

"GFNJ (Greyhound Friends of New Jersey) is a non-profit organization dedicated to placing retired greyhounds into responsible, loving homes. While GFNJ is predominantly a greyhound adoption group, we will also help some non-greyhounds in need of rescue from high-risk situations by providing them monetary support and/or safe haven."

Currently, GFNJ has a stable intake of both greyhounds and other hounds, all of whom are available to be viewed on our website the same weekend of their arrival. Keep an eye out for our social media and website to know when these dogs are coming in, and the opportunities available! One such opportunity is the option of sponsoring a greyhound's transportation. You can pick out a dog to sponsor, a \$50 donation pays for his or her bus ride. Have you missed the bus? That's ok. The bus will return next month sometimes more than once a month. Speaking of traveling, GFNJ continues our efforts to aid international dogs in crisis and help them find their way to us from faraway lands.











Jake—Oman



Fina—Spain



Eddie—Ireland



PeggySue—Oman

As always GFNJ is busy with our annual and bi-annual events, our work at the kennel bringing in new dogs, the Prison Foster Program, finding new fun ways to "just help" and we appreciate your support.

Sincerely,





# GFNJ Annual Fall Picnic Sunday, September 15th 11am - 3pm

~ Rain or Shine ~

Mighty Mutts, Tabernacle Kennel 46 Carranza Road, Tabernacle, NJ

Come spend the day with other adopters & their wonderful hounds!

Pot Luck Lunch ~ Great Vendors ~ Exciting Raffle Adoptable greyhounds available to pre-approved applicants!

We need food for the Pot Luck Lunch!

(Monetary donation requested for your meal)

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

How about VOLUNTEERING to help at the Picnic? Contact Patty at pac173@aol.com Greyhound Fun Run!

### We'll collect:

~used cell phones/iPads/iPods ~gently used collars & coats for our Prison Foster Dogs and the Spanish Galgos

Dog Bathing and Nail Clipping available!

#### **How the Fall Picnic Works**

The picnic is held at Mighty Mutts Kennel, 46 Carranza Road in Tabernacle.

Parking is on the lawn in front of the house.

There are port a potties available.

#### **LAYOUT**

No picnic tables are available, so bring a chair for yourself and something for your dog to lay on.

The kennel is a large fenced in area, which is why we feel safe having the Fun Run there.

#### **TIMELINE**

Raffle tickets are sold throughout the day.

Dog baths and nail clipping is done throughout the day.

The pot luck lunch starts around noon.

Fun Run usually starts around 1:00

The Raffle gets pulled starting at around 2:30.

#### **HOW THE FUN RUN WORKS**

This is a timed sprint within a soft fence area.

Volunteers are at the start and end of the run.

There is a cost to enter your dog.

#### **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 yourself and something for your dog to lay on.



Meet & Greet
Tuesday, 9/17 (rain date: 9/24)
Ilam - 2pm
McCann Health New Jersey
3 Sylvan Way, Parsippany

Greyhounds invited to meet employees and show off how wonderful they are as pets

## JOIN GFNJ AT WOOFSTOCK 2019! SATURDAY. SEPTEMBER 28TH\*



11AM - 4PM

voorhees town center 2120 voorhees town center voorhees NJ 8043

\*RAINDATE SEPTEMBER 29TH

### Save the Date!!!

# Join Greyhound Friends of NJ at Raritan Township Community Day

Saturday, September 28, 2019 12pm - 5pm

Lenape Park
115 Sergeantsville Road, Flemington, NJ 08822



### Join GFNJ for BARKtoberfest 2019

October 26th ~ 11 - 3



Turtle Back Zoo 560 Northfield Ave West Orange, NJ 07052 A fun filled day at the Zoo celebrating and supporting local animal adoption groups.

Shop local vendors, food trucks and enjoy entertainment!

# Greyhound Friends of NJ is looking for foster homes for our retired greyhounds...



To find out about fostering for GFNJ, contact patty.comerford@gmail.com or lelyman7@verizon.net

Click to go to:

**GFNJ Facebook Group** 

**GFNJ Facebook Page** 

**GFNJ Instagram** 

**GFNJ Twitter** 



# 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

Click to go to:

**Greyhound Friends of NJ Website** 

Website for the Pet & Craft Expo

Facebook Page for the Pet & Craft Expo

# WANTED

# Gift Cards for a special raffle to be drawn at the Pet & Craft Expo in November.

Any denomination or store is appreciated!

Please send gift cards to:
Barbara Wyker
502 Corliss Ave
Phillipsburg, NJ 08865





To donate a raffle prize to the Pet & Craft Expo or to Tina and Sam's Dinner, please contact Maria Lutz at <a href="mailto:flutz1131@aol.com">flutz1131@aol.com</a>

# Volunteers Needed!



GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo Westfield Armory Westfield, NJ

Setup is Friday, 11/8
Various positions available on
Saturday, 11/9 and Sunday, 11/10

Your help is needed!
Can you please spare a couple of hours?

Contact Carolann Abbate at carolannsgreyhounds@gmail.com

Click to contact Carolann by email

If you need a GFNJ tag, please contact Linda at <a href="mailto:lelyman7@verizon.net">lelyman7@verizon.net</a> and she will be happy to send you one.

If you have an old tag that has 2 phone numbers on it, please ask Linda for an updated tag—the only phone number on the tag should be 732 356 4370.

The 2019 Coloring Contest picture. You can color it ahead of time and bring it to the Pet & Craft Expo, or come to the Expo and color one there!

### I'M A GREYHOUND FRIEND!



NAME: AGE: PLEASE PUT YOUR PHONE # ON THE BACK!

# WISH LIST

### GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo

Saturday, 11/9 10am - 4pm ~ Sunday, 11/10 10am - 4pm Westfield Armory, Westfield, NJ

Help make our 23rd Annual Pet & Craft Expo our biggest and best ever! This event is GFNJ's most important fundraiser of the year. Funds raised at this event help ensure that GFNJ is financially ready to find homes for the hundreds of greyhounds that will come through our doors in 2019.

Please consider donating an item from our Wish List.

### ITEMS NEEDED - GIFT CARDS FOR:

Costco BJ's Walmart Staples

If you can donate an item on the list please contact Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com or 732 566 2226

### Click here to contact Patty by email

GFNJ has a **Wish List on Amazon** with items that we need for the kennel and Prison Foster Program.

Please click here to see the list: Amazon Wish List





All proceeds benefit GFNJ

### GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo

Saturday, 11/9 10am - 4pm ~ Sunday, 11/10 10am - 4pm Westfield Armory, Westfield, NJ

Baked goods and other edibles needed! Can you donate an item to our Bake Sale?

### Please bring your donations to the Expo

Please note any items that contain nuts

### 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!

# Please join GFNJ for a special Blessing with Chaplain Matty Guiliano

Chaplain of All Denominations, Monmouth County SPCA

Blessing of the Animals Blessing of the Volunteers Sunday, November 10th, 2019 12pm - 1pm



### GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo

Westfield Armory, 500 Rahway Avenue, Westfield, NJ





For more information: gfnjcraftandpets.com

Information on the Monmouth County SPCA can be found at: <u>monmouthcountyspca.org/</u>

Or on Facebook at: <a href="mailto:facebook.com/MonmouthCountySPCA/">facebook.com/MonmouthCountySPCA/</a>

# Santa Photos for Pets & People





🧗 GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo

Saturday, 11/8 10am - 4pm ~ Sunday, 11/9 10am - 4pm Westfield Armory, Westfield, NJ



Digital photos of your beloved pet with Santa, or a family photo (with/without pets!)

Makes a great Holiday card!



Contact Marybeth Kayne at santaphotosgfnj@gmail.com



### **Click to contact Marybeth by email**









HOUND MIXES

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ADOPTION

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Junior

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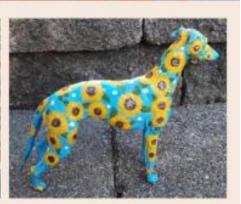
# Seeking artists for a fundraiser for Greyhound Friends of NJ



Artwork by Sheila



Artwork by Andrea



Artwork by Patty

If you have artistic ability and creative talent, please contact GreyhoundParade@gmail.com for more information

Click to contact Greyhound Parade by email





# Donations Needed Raffle Baskets/Prizes

# Greyhound Friends of NJ needs raffle baskets/prizes for 2 upcoming events!

- our 23rd Annual Pet & Craft Expo on 11/9 and 11/10
- Dinner with Tina from Galgos del Sol on 11/9 (all raffle money from the dinner will be donated to GDS)

#### Some Raffle Basket ideas:

- anything pet related, like dog beds, toys, statues, jewelry
- wine or craft beer basket
- sports, such as tickets, jerseys, memorabilia
- arts and crafts for kids
- home items, such as a vacuum, decorations
- art/framed prints
- coffee maker accessories
- anything electronic (tv, iPad)
- gift cards/certificates
- a day of beauty basket
- for the men basket
- movie night basket
- gourmet food basket
- holiday items
- jewelry
- collectables
- outdoor fun





Please contact Maria Lutz at flutz11331@aol.com with any questions or to let her know you have a donation.

### Dinner with Tina & Sam from Galgos del Sol

Join us for the 4th annual dinner celebrating the partnership between GFNJ and GDS...



Greyhound Friends of NJ is honored to host Tina Solera and Samantha Sacido Siekmann from Galgos del Sol in Spain for a celebration dinner! GDS will be a vendor at the GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo on 11/9. A day of vending followed by the dinner.

Join us! Space is limited!



LOCATION: Villa Gennaro
75 Lincoln Highway
Edison NJ 08820
732-549-8554
villagennaros.com
DATE: November 9th
TIME: 7PM COST: \$55

Dinner and dessert, including soda, beer and wine; 50/50; basket raffle (with proceeds to GDS). Presentation by Tina about the plight of the Galgo and the GDS Centre that is providing a safe haven for these beautiful animals.

To purchase a ticket, contact Maria Lutz at flutzl1331@aol.com or 732-213-1789

### Click to contact Maria by email

Information on Galgos del Sol can be found at: galgosdelsol.org/

Or on Facebook at: facebook.com/Galgos-del-Sol-175718192447988/

#### GREYHOUND FRIENDS OF NJ PET & CRAFT EXPO SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

### PLATINUM Sponsor - \$5,000 - Presenting Sponsor will receive:

Recognition on exterior of the Armory and posters in local towns
Recognition in event advertising – media vehicles TBD
10' X 10' booth for company display and material distribution
Recognition in E-mail blasts to GFNJ adopters promoting event
Recognition on event flyers distributed in local areas and GFNJ events
Plus GOLD Sponsor benefits

### **GOLD Sponsor - \$3,000 – Greyhound Adoption Area Sponsor** will receive:

Recognition in Adoption Area where 15 or more available Greyhounds are on view Announcements acknowledging sponsorship throughout the event Plus SILVER Sponsor benefits

### SILVER Sponsor - \$2,000 - Santa Photo Sponsor will receive:

Recognition at Santa Photo Area
Recognition on Save-the-Date postcard to 3,000 households
Table space for company literature
Plus BRONZE Sponsor benefits

### **BRONZE Sponsor - \$1,000 – Raffle Sponsor will receive:**

**Recognition at Raffle Area** 

Acknowledgement and logo link on GFNJ Website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram Plus DIAMOND Sponor benefits

### **DIAMOND Sponsor - \$500**

Banner Recognition at Pet & Craft Expo entrance Plus OPAL Sponsor benefits

#### **OPAL Sponsor - \$250**

Acknowledgment and Logo link on GFNJ Website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram Full page advertisement in virtual event program

### **SAPPHIRE Sponsor - \$100**

Full page advertisement in virtual event program

### **EMERALD Sponsor - \$60**

Half page advertisement in virtual event program

RUBY Sponsor - \$25
Name listed in virtual event program

# GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo Virtual Progam Cover Contest

Parts of our Virtual Program will be posted on GFNJ's various on-line platforms (websites, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)

Make your pet a star!

### Photo submission will END Thursday, October 17th at 9pm

You can submit as many photos as you want for \$5 each An On-Line Cart button can be found on the GFNJ website (gfnj.org)
Or mail a check to: GFNJ, PO BOX 4416, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034
(checks can be mailed until 10/10/19)



Photos (jpgs) can be sent to Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com

We will vote for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place winners. Winning photos will be featured on the Virtual Program Cover.

Voting will run Friday, October 18th through Sunday, October 20th

### Click here to contact Patty by email

For information on Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze or Diamond Sponsorships, please contact Linda Lyman at <a href="mailto:lelyman7@verizon.net">lelyman7@verizon.net</a>

For information on On Opal, Sapphire, Emerald and Ruby Sponsorships, please contact Patty at <a href="mailto:patty.comerford@gmail.com">patty.comerford@gmail.com</a>

# BUY A GFNJ Pet & Craft Expo Virtual Admission Program Ad

A link to the Virtual Program will be posted on the GFNJ website, the GFNJ Pet & Craft Show website, GFNJ's 2 Facebook pages, Twitter feed and Instagram account.

It's a great way to advertise your business, recognize your pets or family, or just say "thanks" or "hi"!

Open to vendors, businesses and adopters

For a full list of Sponsor Opportunities, go to gfnjcraftandpets.com

Ad dimensions:

full page 5" wide x 8.5" high 1/2 page 5" wide x 4.25" high

\$100 full page color ad or \$60 half page color ad

We can help you design your ad - contact Patty at patty.comerford@gmail.com or 732 566 2226

### Ads must be submitted by October 30th!

### Click here to contact Patty by email

AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION











**Boss Man** 

Darko

McCoy

Santas Finn

Trey



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 need 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 at northstarvets.com/blood-bank





### Click to contact Maria by email

Information on NorthStar Vets can be found at: northstarvets.com/

Or on Facebook at: facebook.com/NorthStar-VETS-98279254547/