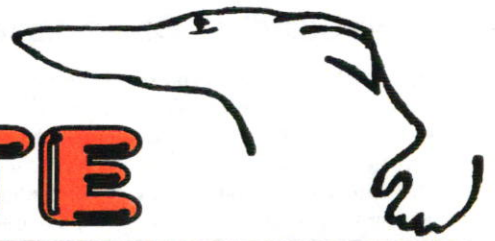


# GREYHOUND UPDATE



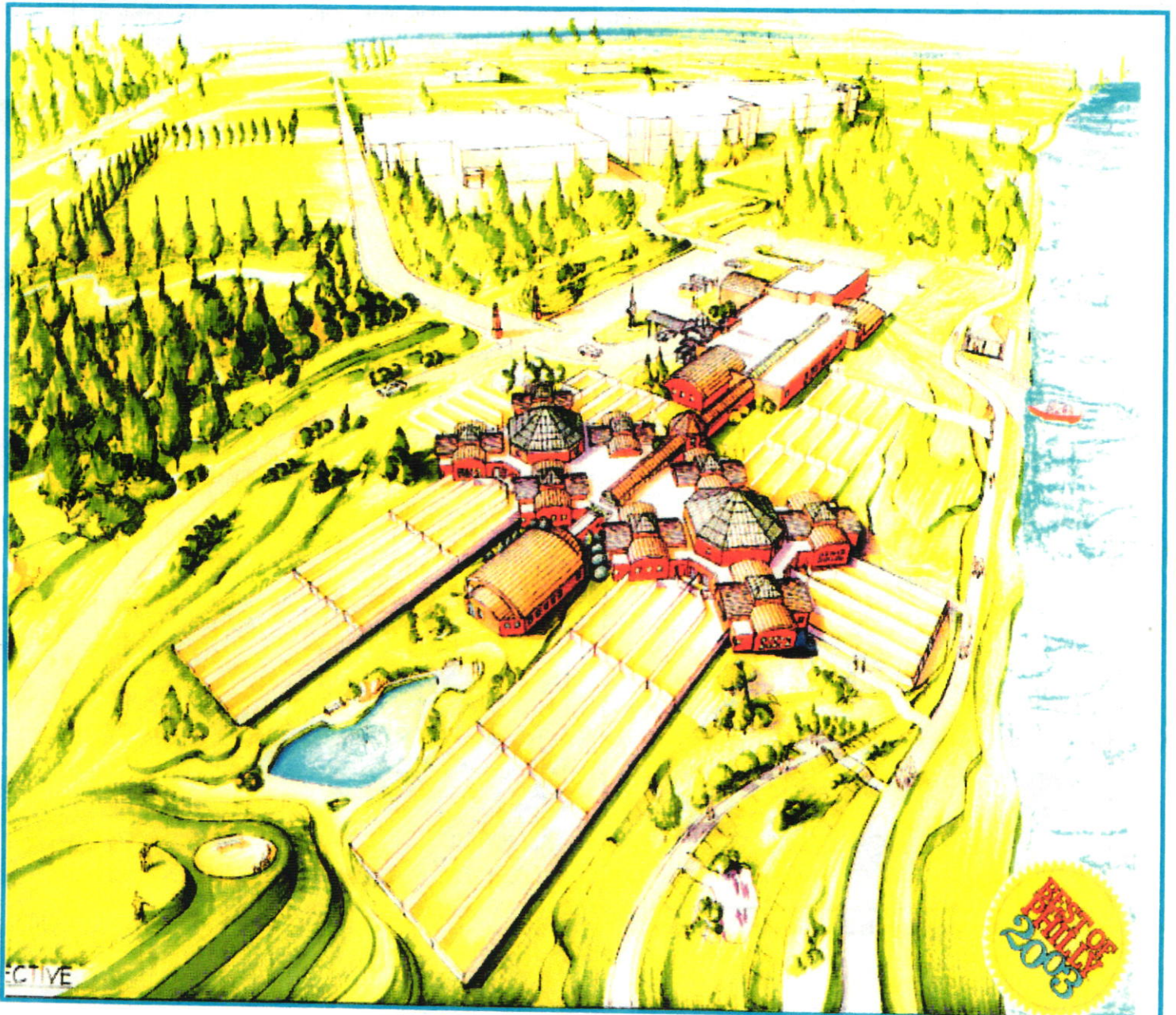
A Newsletter From The National Greyhound Adoption Program

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Dewey Beach Edition

## New Kennel Facility Design Complete! And Much More.....





## Dear Guardians Of Greyhounds At NGAP,

About 3 1/2 years ago, you sent me my best friend, Bosco. You knew him as Dan. When Vivian called me to say she had a dog for me, I'm sure I heard him barking in the background. Vivian said he hated to be crated and was causing quite a ruckus there. You flew him to Cleveland, Ohio, where I met him. When we went to the car for the ride home, I soon found out how right Vivian was. Bosco thought the car was a crate and refused to get in! Bosco learned to love to get into the car over time, because he knew it meant walking in the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area, one of our favorite places.

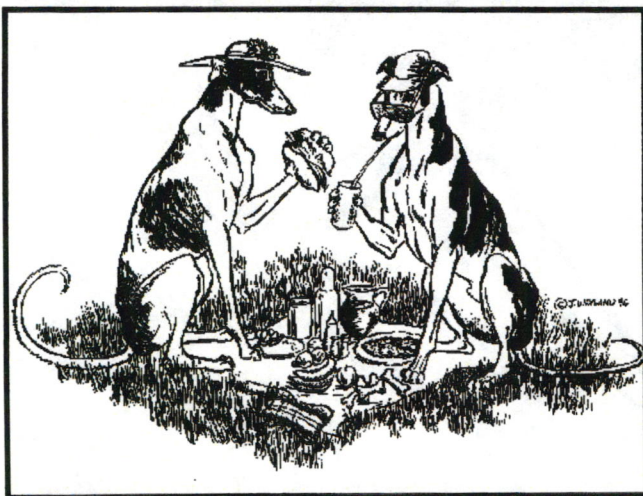
My husband Mark, heard me talk about adopting a greyhound for over three years. When I said I was finally going to meet my greyhound the next day, he thought I was teasing. Mark was surprised when a tall, thin, brindle dog, whose bare skin was visible on his shoulders and hind quarters greeted him shyly that next day! Mark didn't accompany us on our daily walks for over six weeks. But he did suggest the name Bosco. He said the dog's coloring reminded him of mixing chocolaty Bosco syrup in milk when he was little. Instead, my daughter, Meredith, joined Bosco and me on our nightly walks. Meredith and I really became close, as we walked and talked with Bosco in the middle listening to it all. After a while Mark joined us too. Bosco always let us know when it was time to start our walk. Sometimes just Bosco and I would go by ourselves, but he seemed to walk a little taller and strut a little smarter when Mark and Meredith joined us.

My two sons were in their late teens when Bosco joined our family. Bosco brought out a kindness and tenderness in them I had not seen before. I loved seeing one or the other of those tall boys take a nap on the floor with Bosco snuggled beside them!

My Bosco died unexpectedly this past Monday morning, about a week before his 9th birthday. I was totally unprepared. I never knew how totally Bosco had impacted our household, our routines and our lives. I miss seeing him peek out of the window when he would hear my car come up the driveway. I hear jingles and think I'll see him peek around the corner of the doorway. I wake up in the middle of the night to take him out. It'll be a while before I can go to the park for a hike. And so many other little things.....

I want you all to know how much I appreciate your mission. You helped to bring Bosco into our lives and made us all better people. He is greatly missed. I know in a few months, we will be ready to invite another greyhound to be part of our family. I hope you won't mind if I contact you then.

Sincerely, MaryLynn Rockwood



This is what greyhounds like to do in the summer!

## Jack And His Dental Work

Just a note to tell you that Jack is doing fine after getting his 4 canines extracted recently. He is our big black boy who came off the track after 5 years in what I can only imagine must have been horrible shape. Incredibly shy around men in particular, he has made incredible strides thanks to a combination of thyroid and an incredibly patient husband! He also had 31 teeth extracted at rescue. If this is how they treat the winners, what can the losers be like! We had his remaining teeth bonded about 2 years ago but the gum line had receded to the point where his choppers needed to go. He is such a happy boy with them gone. Now really loves having ear scratches where before he loved them but could only tolerate a little bit. Also no more bad breath!! SO nice for his people to not have "bath breath" in the house. He does fine with his chow and just needs a little more gravy to his kibble. We break up his cookies into gulpable size so he doesn't feel left out and he is just a happy guy. Please feel free to refer us to anyone hesitant about have a large amount of extractions done. Our experience has been they are much happier with a healthier body and no nasty teeth giving them low grade infections and probably more pain that we know about.

E-mail message from Debby & Don DeNearing,  
Jessie, Jack and Buffy the Stuff Slayer

## Dear Mr. Wolf,

My thanks to you and your veterinary staff for taking care of Monarch's teeth. She is doing quite well with no teeth, eating heartily and free of pain in her mouth. Monarch is an absolute joy, always ready to go for a walk or to the dog park or anywhere in the car.

I've enclosed some pictures of Monarch (#5547) showing her in her new life with her new family.....3<sup>1/2</sup> year old Fawn (Berta Bell #5244) and 10 year old miniature poodle Picard.

Monarch is a true blessing to me. I am so glad that I stopped in at the kennel that day and asked if you had any "old girls" who might be hard to adopt out. Monarch was there, as if she were waiting for me.

Gratefully, Betty Navarra



Monarch (12 years old)



## Dear Fellow Greyhounds,

I thought that anything on the mantel was up for grabs until I chewed on a favorite doll of mom's. The fireplace is now covered with a clear plastic runner that when turned over, it becomes quite prickly (they can be purchased from any Home Improvement stores). This stuff really works and keeps me off the fireplace mantle. What will my human parents think of next?

Your Pal, Murphy Remar



## How Preventic Collars Can Help Humans!

Last year, while we were hunting a lost pup, we were regularly covered with ticks, all types, sizes and stages. YUCK! I mentioned how uncomfortable we'd been to our vet who suggested keeping the ends we cut from the Preventic collars in the Preventic bags. Then when going into any tick-prone area, to put them in our socks or shoes. We had the opportunity to do this twice last summer and it worked! Neither Dick nor I (nor our pups) had a single tick on us but on both occasions, all of the other human did. By the way, the lost pup was found, skinny, raw pads, covered in ticks, but otherwise healthy! I love happy endings.

Nancy in Ocean City

## Spring Sale Raffle Prize Winners

We wish to thank everyone who attended our Spring Sale and participated in our raffle. We also offer our congratulations to the following prize winners:

**Grand Prize** - 1996 Ford Contour -

Catherine Williams - Kennett Square, PA

**1st Prize** - FUJIFILM-FinePix 4700 Zoom Digital Camera

Jason MacAdams - Doylestown, PA

**2nd Prize** - Multi-Function DVD Player

Joyce Hawlk - Norristown, PA

**3rd Prize** - Hewlett Packard Photo Scanner

B. Pellens - Lansdale PA

**4th Prize** - Bell 2.4 GHZ Cordless Phone

Richard Porter - New Castle, DE

**5th Prize** - Sylvania Wireless Video System

Jerry Bevans - Philadelphia, PA

**6th Prize** - Scott Pedestal Style CD Player

Heidi Kosek -

**7th Prize** - MagPix Binocular/Built In Digital Camera

Denise Orey - Easton, PA

**8th Prize** - Art Dio CD/MP3 Player

Joyce Eble - Doylestown, PA

**9th Prize** - Harley Davidson Novelty Telephone

Jennifer Lessin - Dresher, PA

## DEWEY BEACH

You don't want to miss it! For the past several years, greyhound adopters have gathered in an event called "Reach the Beach", I believe it started about 7 years ago with the gathering of 46 greyhounds, last year there were probably 3500. Greyhounds outnumber the Caucasian population greatly, they take over the town of Dewey Beach as well as most properties renting to pets. Certainly to me the highlight is coming down in the early morning to see thousands of well-mannered greyhounds walking their owners along the beach as far as the eye can see. Even when it rains, greyhound adopters come out and where you find greyhound adopters you'll find vendors selling grey stuff. NGAP is taking down 3 semi-trailers this year and have rented 2 storefronts; Izzy's Plaza Bayside, located between Saulsbury and Swede Streets. Our store hours will hopefully be Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. This is our largest fundraising event of the year. There will be lots of new things no one has ever seen. As in the past NGAP director David Wolf will lecture on health issues, dentistry, and thyroid supplementation and anything you have questions about. The lectures will be Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. If you want more information about the Dewey Beach gathering contact the greyhound project web site. David Wolf's lecturing hours will be listed at the stores where we're selling merchandise and we will also be selling in one of the tents.



## Chit Chat

Dogs are becoming an evermore-important part of our lives. There are currently 68 million dogs in American homes according to the 2001 census bureau, that's 31.6% households with an average of 1.6 dogs per household. They probably didn't factor in the greyhound number; where most households have two to five. Owners spend over 5 billion dollars per year on dog food, and a whopping 7 billion per year on veterinary care. Dogs now change peoples lives and many people adjust their lives just to be sure their dogs have a good life. Come the year 2004, it is expected that a 30,000 square foot facility on 8 1/2 acres in Malvern will be dedicated to physical health and psychological happiness of companion animals. And yet many states still consider dogs as livestock, still its permissible to euthanize with a bullet to the head. Some things have certainly gotten better, and some things remain to be changed.

## WANTED: VOLUNTEER CARPET CUTTERS!

All of our greyhounds, of course, sleep on carpeting. That carpet is washed after it is soiled, but ultimately needs to be replaced. We have a large donation of carpet, which needs to be cut into the appropriate sizes. It can be done either at our offices, or at our kennel. If volunteers don't do it, we'll have to pay someone to do it. Let us know when you want to cut carpet!



## IS MY GREYHOUND DYING

National Greyhound Adoption Program has now been around for 14 years, most of those greyhounds, if not all, adopted our first year are now gone. We now see in our clinic Geriatric greyhounds between 9 and 13 years old every week. It is feeling of National Greyhound director David Wolf that most will die between 9 and 13 years of age. Many of us are so lucky that their deaths come quickly, recognizing and accepting the fact that your greyhound is dying is important and putting off the inevitable is unfair. The two most usual presentations of a greyhound dying are:

- 1) Cancer, that usually being Osteo-sarcoma – the greyhound limps and anti-inflammatory medications don't seem to be working. The normal procedure at NGAP at that point is an x-ray; most often the x-ray will indicate that cancer is present. Osteo-sarcoma generally when you see the first clinical signs; it's at an advanced state and unless cancer is in the lower part of the limb, even amputation will not help for a long life expectancy.
- 2) Internal Failure: this is much more difficult but symptoms are usually the same, your dog stops eating, it may have diarrhea, it may be vomiting. If its something minor – the dog is off track it may need intravenous fluids, possible force-feeding and will be back wagging its tail. If your greyhound cannot hold down food for more than 2 days, it may be dying and all the diagnostic testing in the world will not save it.

Many vets withhold treatment while they try to figure out what is going on, there are times when immediate interaction may save its life, failing to do this may seal its doom. Usually expensive diagnostics tests will only tell us the greyhound is dying, in the mean time you spend \$2,000 - \$3,000 to find out. If treatment does not make your greyhound better, it is going to die, diagnostic tests withstanding. We've recently had to put to sleep an old friend adopted 9 years ago. She could no longer stand she could no longer eat, but yesterday she was fine. It was apparent that after a physical exam without any diagnostic blood work that she was dying. She left us with dignity but after her euthanasia, a needle into her body cavity, we found it was full of blood and yet yesterday she was fine. We could have left her and she would've probably died on her own by internal hemorrhaging in a few hours. You can imagine the shock to her adopters that she left so quickly. If your greyhound seems to be out of sorts – don't delay treatment, you can always call for advice – it's free. Just accept that we often cannot control whether our greyhound lives or dies.

## Easter Bunny Comes To Chagrin Falls, Ohio



Gloria Hines & Darlene Ventura, NGAP volunteers from the Chagrins Falls, Ohio area along with their greyhounds, Poudy, Magic, Ben and the Easter Bunny.

## Vulva Flap / Female Circumcision

Over the last 14 years we've seen many female greyhounds with excess skin partially covering the vulva area to the point where the area under the flap becomes soiled/dirty, gummy and sometimes infected. This may vary greatly on how urine is projected or the angle which urine is projected from the body. Greyhounds with this condition most often suffer with it throughout their lives in varying degrees. Although this procedure is described as low and is not one we do routinely, it has been very effective in arresting the problem. Our biggest concern with this procedure is post-operative bleeding; it is therefore appropriate to very meticulously tie off blood vessels and bleeder areas while the wound is open. This procedure could probably be closely related to male circumcision. Like anything else, the more often we do this procedure, the less post-operative complications occur. If the dog's platelets are low or during surgery indicated excessive bleeding, it is probably appropriate to keep the dog overnight. When the dog is leaving it should be fitted with a collar so that it cannot get to the wound and disturb the suture. This procedure has been very beneficial in eliminating on-going problems in that area.

**Because we feel it's appropriate, this article will appear in every newsletter.**

### **"The Gift of Life, The Gift of Death"**

Each of us can truly say we've adopted a greyhound and we have extended to that greyhound the **"Gift of Life"**. Surely, if it had not been adopted, it would have been euthanized in one way or another. We hopefully have brought as much pleasure to it's life, as it has to ours. But the time will come when it will not feel well, but it won't be able to tell you, and by the time you realize it, it's health is failing. We love our greyhounds dearly but we must consider giving them one final gift. This is the **"Gift of Death"** - without undue pain, without any suffering, we can bestow them with it's final gift. Quality of life is something we all desire for ourselves and our pets. When we lose that quality of life, when there is not a light at the end of the tunnel, when the hope of extended life is more to put off the pain that we would feel at our greyhounds loss, then it is time for the **"Gift of Death"**. As difficult as it is we truly love our greyhounds we don't wish them to suffer. It is always a difficult choice. Try not to prolong life if the quality of life is not worth living. As difficult as it may seem when you are facing the need to euthanize your greyhound you can always give another the **"Gift of Life"**, as a true memorial to the greyhound you lost.





## **E-mail Message**

**From Greyhound Adopter Caryn Danson**

**Hi.** Please let David Wolf know that his suggestion to feed my dogs 3 times a day with the last feeding being at 9pm completely solved the problem of one of them throwing up bile almost every morning. It's been two weeks and not one incident! Thank you, David!

## **Empty Stomach Syndrome Revisited**

We probably receive 100 calls per year about greyhounds not eating or throwing up. Usually they throw up bile. After going out into the yard and eating grass, they sometimes throw that up also. It is not uncommon when having this problem that they do not eat they're morning meal. Many greyhounds digest their food quickly, when the food is fully metabolized, they begin to build up bile. Sometimes you can even hear their tummy grumble, no its not thunder outside, its just your grey. If your stomach rumbles, you usually want to do something right away; most often you'll eat something. Hopefully we don't have to wait for a greyhound's stomach to rumble to know to do something. We usually recommend that dogs with this condition be fed the same amount of food, only spread into 3 meals, with the last meal being given at about 9:00pm. Sometimes a large snack will do the trick. Be careful not to overfeed, if the dog is generally feeling well; just not eating its morning meal, he/she may have Empty Stomach Syndrome; a David Wolf term. This is when its time to open a can of Hills Pet Nutrition Maintenance food and force-feed 6-8 tablespoons in order to settle the stomach. Usually in a short while they will feel like eating their usual food. When greyhounds don't eat, it sends them on a downward spiral. Force-feeding is done by holding the dogs' mouth open with one hand and with the index finger of the other hand; force a tablespoon of food down the throat. Hold the mouth closed and rub the dogs' throat softly until he/she swallows. Repeat. If your dog doesn't respond, it may be appropriate to call us or your vet.

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## **Dutch's Favorite Activities (reprint)**

- 1- To snuggle next to someone
- 2- To take walks
- 3- To play in the back yard
- 4- To lay in the sun on his bed
- 5- To take rides in our station wagon
- 6- To go visiting
- 7- To be around people
- 8- To eat ice cubes
- 9- To be petted
- 10-To lay under his blanket at night in the winter
- 11-To greet people at the door
- 12-TO GIVE US PLEASURE! IT'S TRUE!!

Charles & Linda Bauer - Roslyn, PA

## **Blankets, Blankets, Blankets!**

Small blankets needed 30"X40" to go in each greyhound's crate. Don't you want our greys to be comfortable?

## **Proof Of Pudding**

Almost every newsletter we publish we speak of the importance of a greyhounds self-esteem. We all want our greyhounds to be happy, to interact with people and other animals, and be content with that interaction. We never want them to be fearful.

Over the years we've supplied the use of thyroid supplementation as one of the primary additives that will improve a greyhounds sense of well-being. We've also learned over the years that in order to get good results, we need to give high dose supplementation. High dose can mean double the normal dose.

Of the thousands of greyhounds we've given high dose treatment, we've only seen a few that have become hyperthyroid, where it did not work. Below we've included excerpts from a letter we received from Curt Lamb. We've not seen any long term problems with the use of continuous thyroid supplementation.

### **Letter from Adopter Curt Lamb of Fishers, Indiana**

In September of 2000, I adopted Lance from NGAP. His adoption number is: 4687. Lance's T4 score as tested in September 2000 was .17ug/dl indicating that he could be hypothyroid. His Von Willebrand factor was 37%.

About a year ago, I spoke with Mr.Wolf about Lance's increased fear of thunderstorms. We talked about the relationship that appears to exist between hypothyroidism and this behavior. After our discussion, I spoke with our vet; he believes that there are no behavioral issues with hypothyroid dogs and did not want to test Lance again. He suggested that we put Lance on tranquilizers to calm him during storms. Because Lance's fear of storms is not profound, I chose not to give him tranquilizers, but instead I purchased Nutricalm from NGAP, which has worked to some extent.

Over the last few months, I have noticed that Lance has become very shy around strangers. He is still very playful, active and affectionate around the people he knows, but he backs away when strangers greet us on our walks. I don't recall him being so shy in the past.

I noticed the other day that a few small patches of hair have fallen out of Lance's tail. It has gotten worse so I took him to the vet. The vet could not determine what was causing the hair loss. He did mention that it can be related to hypothyroidism, but he had no reason to believe that Lance has it. I pursued the matter with the vet, suggesting that we test Lance. He said that he didn't think it was the right thing to do at this point. Although Lance's T4 scores are in the vet's records, I mentioned it to him anyway. He checked the report and said it was a false positive because Lance was certainly under stress when the test was given.

I am well aware of the information that NGAP has compiled on this subject. NGAP has dealt with thousands more Greyhounds than my vet will ever see. I feel that putting Lance on Soloxine at this point is well founded, but I am not a vet. I would like to hear your opinion on this matter. If you agree, I'd like to purchase Soloxine from NGAP if that is possible.



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## Annual Membership

National Greyhound Adoption Program has grown over the years and is still growing. We have adopted over 5600 greyhounds since we began in 1990. This could not have been accomplished without the use of our on-site full service kennel, boarding and surgical facility. We are about to embark on a new venture that will allow us to rescue even more greyhounds and have them live in comfort until an adoptive home is found for them. We continue to expand our horizons regarding their post adoption medical issues. Your donations help us help the greyhounds! **Please Support Us!**

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We need a donation if you wish to continue receiving our newsletter!

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## Cats Outnumber Dogs By Nearly 13 Million

The number of U.S. pet-owning households is now 64.2 million, up 10 million from 1992, according to the American Pet Products Manufacturers Association's 2003/2004 National Pet Owner's Survey.

The number of U.S. households owning pets has increased to 62 percent, from 56 percent in 1988.

Those pets now include 77.7 million cats, 65 million dogs, 16.8 million small mammals, 17.3 million birds, 8.8 million reptiles, 7 million saltwater fish and 185 million freshwater fish.

Forty-six percent of U.S. households own more than one type of pet, according to the APPMA.

Among other findings:

\*Households that have the most pet birds live in the Southern and Western regions of the United States.

\*Turtles and tortoises are the most popular reptiles owned by U.S. households with children.

\*One-third of small animal owners consider their pets as children or family members.

\*Companionship, love, company and affection along with "fun to have in a household" are top benefits associated with pet ownership.

### Percentage of Pet Ownership Among Total U.S. Households (2002)

Own Any Pet	62%
Dogs	39%
Cats	34%
Freshwater Fish	13%
Birds	6%
Small Mammals	5%
Reptiles	4%
Saltwater Fish	0.7%

(Source APPMA)

## Just another quiet Sunday in the life of National Greyhound's Director, David Wolf!

This Sunday was different in many respects but not so different in others. Every Sunday I find my way to the kennel to be assured that all is going as it should be. On this particular Sunday, five (5) greyhounds were to arrive at around 7:30 in the morning. I was there to greet them. My usual Sunday new dog welcoming crew Donna McCann, Melissa Caldwell, and Barbara Davidoff were there to deal with all the normal issues of bathing, setting up leashes, collars and name tags, and all incidents necessary to make our new ward comfortable. We additionally expected fifteen (15) greyhounds from Harligan Texas, a small town near the Mexican border, to arrive at about 9:30am after a 48-hour road trip. At 8:30am we welcomed an adopter who arrived with a grey whose tail had been injured, their vet suggested amputation. After removing the dressing I made the determination. It was to my belief that the tail did not require amputation. We carefully wrapped the wound, issued medication and set an appointment to see him on Tuesday to assess the results. At 9am there were dog walkers from a Jenkintown Synagogue KI. Five (5) dogs arrived on a timely basis from New Hampshire. Donna, Melissa and Barb began to do their thing. We had received a call that the dogs were supposed to arrive at 9:30am, but a subsequent call would tell us to expect them at about 12:00pm. As it turned out, they're arrival time was approximately 11:30am. All the greys were in generally good condition. On this date the director helped bathe the dogs, after bathing the dogs he treated his employees to lunch and arrived home at 3:00 pm..... just another normal Sunday.

## Chelsea's Quirk

Eileen Corl adopted two senior citizen greyhounds from us, Chelsea and Flossie. Chelsea recently passed away after only fourteen wonderful months. She was fourteen years and ten months old. Eileen called her; her little angel, and from what she wrote to me in her letter, she surely was. However, Chelsea had a quirk, when Eileen talked on the phone in her kitchen Chelsea would first come and shake her head, then she'd push her head against Eileen's leg, then she'd jump a little, then she'd jump as high as she could and bark. Petting never seemed to appease her nor did talking to her, only when Eileen hung up the phone would Chelsea stop. Once the phone was hung up Chelsea quietly, calmly and elegantly went back into the family room to lie down in her bed and return to being the angel she was. The interesting thing is that Chelsea only did this to Eileen on the kitchen phone, as opposed to the phone in Eileen's bedroom.

People come to me and ask why greyhounds behave certain ways; I didn't have an answer for Chelsea's quirk. I do know that she must have had a wonderful fourteen months. Her companion, greyhound Flossie, has been a little sad, but Eileen promises Flossie she'll get her another greyhound friend soon.....End of story.



Ho! Hum! I can relax now she's off the phone!



"Sure makes us feel good to hear them say the whole world is going to the dogs."





# Greyt New Stuff From The Greyhound Store

Pictured are just a few of the new items available from the Greyhound Store. Other greyt stuff available:

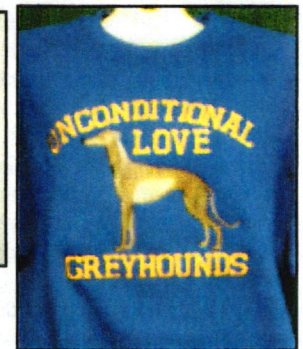
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**We have lots of 2X & 3X Greyt Stuff!**

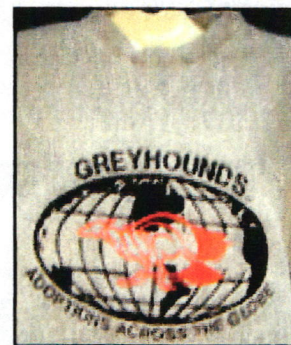
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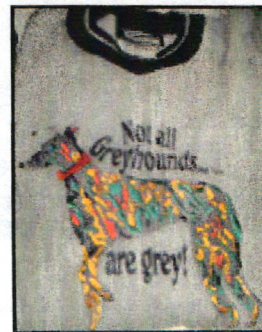
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Celebrating Greyhounds NEW Desk Calendar-Lots of great pictures! \$15.00 plus shipping





## FINALLY A NEW SIGN

After many years of thinking about it, and talking about it, we've finally done it! Anyone visiting the NGAP Kennel will see a large beautiful sign as they enter. It will certainly make giving directions a little easier. See the photo of our new sign below and look for it the next time you visit.



### Celebrating Greyhounds 2004 Calendar, WHOSE DOGS?

In case you didn't notice the 2 dogs on the front cover of Celebrating Greyhounds 2004 calendar were adopted through National Greyhound Adoption Program. Their adoption numbers are #5394 and #5030. The adopters, Cheryl & Ray Vona, have misrepresented information as being adopted through Greyhound Friends in New Jersey. If we didn't know better, you'd think NGAP conspired to get on the front cover. Now available - \$10.00 plus \$3.00 shipping or you can pick them up at the office, kennel or surgery.



### What A Fantastic Photo!

This photo was sent in by owner Joseph Conahan of Glenside, PA. Send us great pictures like this and they will surely make the newsletter! This is BEA !!



### Pfizer Animal Health comes To NGAP For A learning session

On Wednesday, August 13, 2003, twenty people from Pfizer Animal Health came to National Greyhound Adoption Program headquarters for a learning session. Pfizer recently purchased Pharmacia Animal Health and now find themselves with many dental related products from both companies. NGAP of course, uses all of their products, much more so than the veterinary community. Their arrival at our office compound started with a tour of our new building site. After we impressed everyone with our plans, we moved on to the conference room where Dr. Heidi Gates gave a 1-½ hour lecture on dentistry and Pfizer's dental package.

Lunch was at our caretaker quarters and then we moved on to our surgical facility, where everyone put on NGAP scrubs and all the participants had the opportunity to see dentistry close up and try the ultrasonic scaler. It was an interesting and beneficial day for everyone. Over the years Pfizer has helped us with product donations, which have enabled us to gain many of the skills we have today. We look forward to follow up meetings of this type



## A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF OUR NEW KENNEL LAYOUT

We're numbering different areas so we can better describe them, but basically the kennel will be made up of 2 quads. Each quad will have 2 cottages, and each cottage housing 20 dogs. On the lower side there will be an adoption capacity for 80 greyhounds, on the upper side there will be a capacity for 80 boarders. Cages will not be double-decked as they are now. In the center of each quad is an atrium with interior runs. When the weather is too hot, too cold, too rainy or too snowy, the dogs will be turned out to those areas to relieve themselves. Is there anyone with a greyhound that likes to go out in the rain? In between the 2 quads is a control area for food preparation, bathing, and light dentistry for boarders, as well as other important service. In the 3 rooms to the right of the control area, 1 room is the Cat Room, 1 room is the Break Room for the employees, and the large area is for carpet cleaning, since greyhounds sleep on clean carpets all the time. When the weather is good, the dogs will be released to the exterior runs. Some of the exterior runs are as short as 50 feet, and the largest ones are up to 150 feet. Coming out of the kennel is a long hall/gallery with windows facing the river for people to take advantage of the wonderful view. At the end of the hall, to the left, is the entrance to boarding, the store, and the caretakers' quarters. This area is placed between the kennel and surgical areas. Without going into grey detail, the surgical area will have the following: A consultation room, exam rooms, and an x-ray room.

There will be 2 separate surgical suites; one with 1 surgical table, and one with 2 surgical tables. In the general surgical area there will be 4 prep tables for dentistry, 1 prep table for pre-op, and an additional table for light surgery. There is a lab countertop for diagnostics work and behind it 6 immediate post-op cages that can be viewed after surgery. There is an isolation room, and behind the surgical area there is a post-op area with 15 cages, and offices for the director and the veterinarians, as well as a conference room. There will be an adoption room and several rooms for storage, two guest rooms for people that want to spend the weekend enjoying the dogs and the grey view.

Of course, there's the Park, the Park area will begin at the pavilion and run south on the Delaware with pathways and access to the plateau. The plateau will be approximately 30 feet above ground and about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an acre in size. It will be fully fenced with grass for the dogs to run and have fun. Of course there will also be a telescope so you can see the Tacony/Palmyra Bridge to the north, the Betsy Ross Bridge to the south, or even Center City. We undoubtedly have the best view of the Delaware River in City of Philadelphia. The other side of the river is an estuary that will never change and never have commercial buildings, only trees and canals that enhance the overall view. This is a 3 million dollar project; large donors will have naming rights to different

## Volunteers Needed

Don't be shy.....Stop by the kennel and walk some of the greyhounds. They will love you for it!

## Virginia Beach Greyhound Reunion and Picnic 2003

Fun-Food-Contests-Games-Door Prizes

Silent Auction - D.J. and More

Red Wing Park - General Booth Blvd

Virginia Beach, Virginia

Sunday October 19th

Noon - 4:00 PM

Rain Date - October 26th

**BIG RAFFLE**

Raffle Prizes

**1st prize....\$300**

**2nd prize...\$200**

**3rd prize....\$100 gift certificate (Circuit City)**

**4th prize....Noa statue by Lladro**

**5th prize....Artisit Herb Jones "Dune Study"  
framed water color (\$600 value)**

Need not be present to win.....

If you're interested in attending or purchasing raffle tickets - send an email message to Gay Latimer at [gryhound@cox.net](mailto:gryhound@cox.net) or contact her by telephone 757-486-7956

## Are Your Greyhound's Ribs Still Showing

For the most part greyhounds adopted from National Greyhound Adoption Program are not underweight, the ribs you see showing should be showing, if you permit your dog to gain a few pounds its not the end of the world. But because we see so many greyhounds that board with us, we see many 10-15 pounds overweight. This is not good for your greyhound from a health stand point. Many of us have seen on tv; plastic surgery being done to people where fat is sucked out of a persons body. A wand moves back and forth to remove fat. Your greyhounds fat looks just like the stuff they suck through that tube. The photo below illustrates what that fat looks like under the skin of a greyhounds spleen that has no direct relevance to this article. If you cant see ribs - your greyhound is overweight and you need to change its eating habits. This can be done many ways, less food is the best way. Pay attention; your greyhound doesn't need this fat, and its so much easier to slim your greyhound than to slim yourself.



This is what happens when you let your greyhound go roller blading at a picnic!



# NGAP's Greyt Wall Of Fame



Kennedy (adoption #4704) with his new dad William Poulsen and a friend posing for a newspaper article.



Gina (adoption #5541) with her friend Roxie (the cat) after being in her new home for 3 weeks. Proud Daddy - Bill Mikiewicz



Misty (adoption #4540) with her friend Sheena (the Husky) at her 4th Birthday party checking out her goodie bag. Proud owners Donald & Karen Bailey



Prada (adoption #5295) with his friend Jingles (the cat) taking a snooze. Proud parents are Mark & Barbara Shockley.



Daisy (adoption #4994) doing what most greyhounds like to do best - just chill out as the kids say. Her parents are Rick & Cindy Snyder.



Casey (adoption #3473) & Toby (adoption #3524) modeling the latest fashion in rain gear. Their proud mother is Betty Ward.



EXISTING PAVILION

COLLISION w/ ROOF

SALT RAAP

MARINA

MACADAM EXERCISE YARD

STAFF PARKING

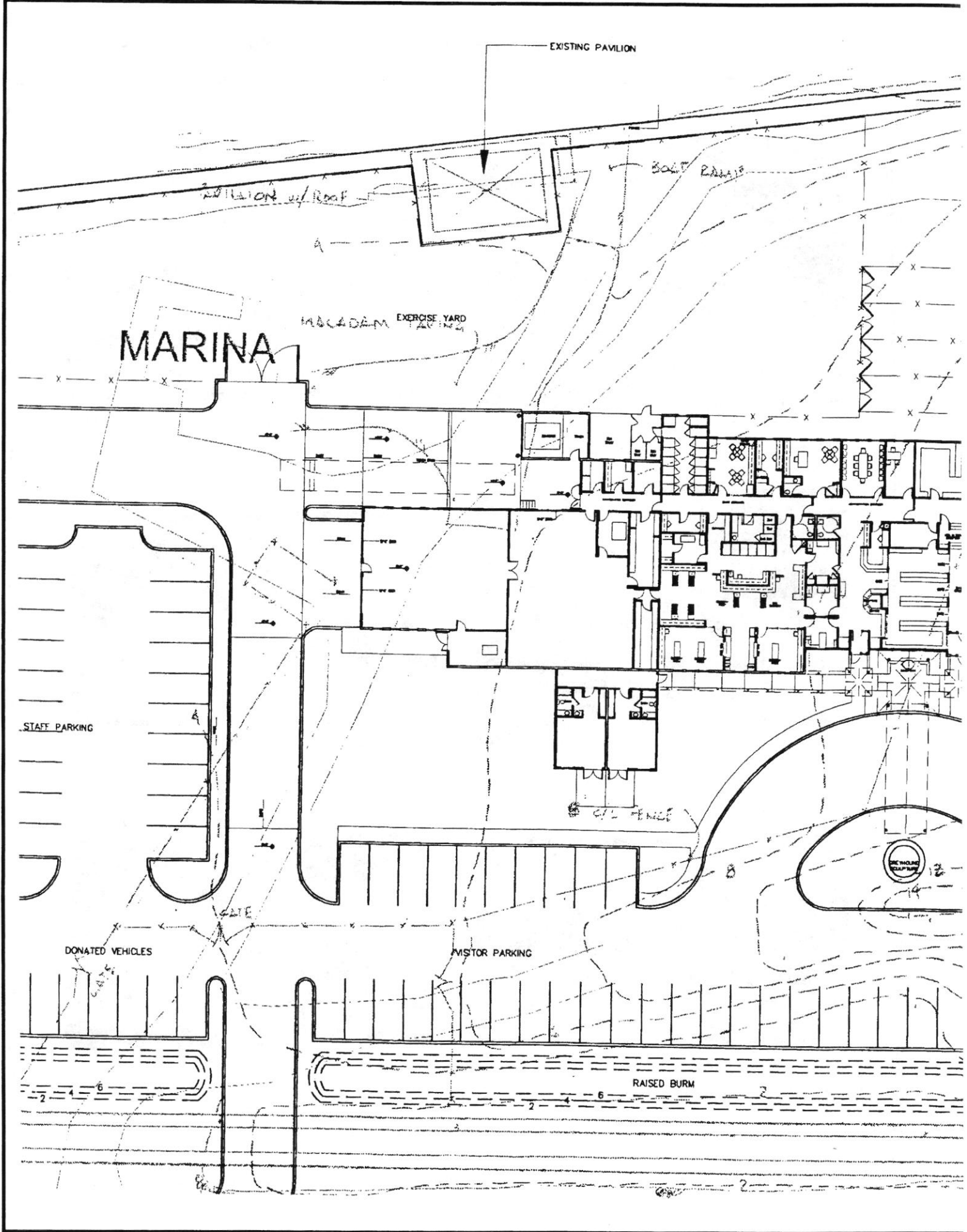
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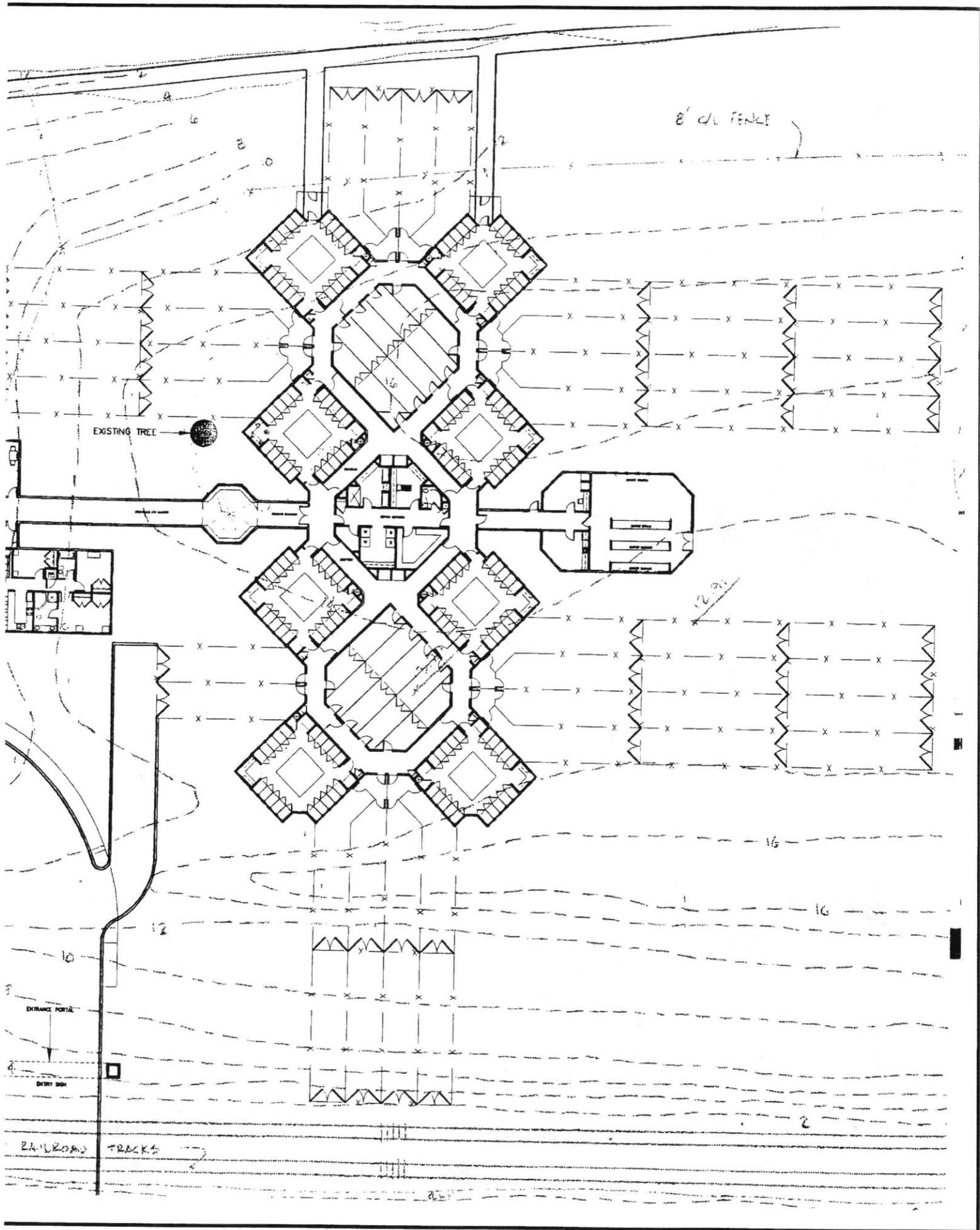
DONATED VEHICLES

VISITOR PARKING

RAISED BURN









**The following poem was written by, Adam Edward Pritzker, age 13. He wrote this poem for his new dog "Snowman".**

The white shimmering hair that covers over a body made of pure muscle. This might make someone intimidated, or scared. But on the inside he is merely a baby untouched by the sometimes-hideous world. When arriving back home the greeting by him is more than enough to fall in love with him. Always wagging his tail, every time I enter. A rare treasure is this, he smiles like no other; he will show all his teeth not as a warning, but as a greeting of happiness. When he is out in the open fields he soars, ripping up the fields with his speed. With his horrible and unwanted years of racing, he has come to my home, to rest with me for the rest of his life. This wonderful individual is my dog, Snowman.



### **The Greyhound Bite**

I have always marvelled and admired at the long nose of a greyhound. Every time I see a greyhound with a beautiful head, a closer look normally tells me that the greyhound has a overbite extenuating the length of the snout.

In my 14 years of greyhound adoption, I have never seen a greyhound with a underbite until last week. Marilyn Healey brought Jack in and sure enough he had a greyhound underbite. We show you the picture below.



### **Your Dog Is Loose!!**

Call your friends and family immediately. Call your adoption group (they can initiate a search and may be notified, especially if your dog is wearing tags) **Always Keep Collar and ID Tags On, Even In The House**, just in case.

If a search of the immediate neighborhood comes up empty, call your local police dept., animal shelters, animal control and state police if you're near and Expressway or Parkway.

**Make** up flyers & posters as well as an ad in you local newspaper, also radio stations may be able to give you a plug. Make flyers in large clear letters, include your phone number and possible a clear picture of your dog.

If one person can't stay home, change your outgoing message to include your pet's name and your cell phone number.

**Work** in pairs. Each person can search on one side of the road rather than one person trying to scan both sides.

**Keep** your windows down and radio off - listen for tags jingling or other dogs barking-this can sometimes lead you to your dog.

**The** best time to search is early morning and after dinner when other people are walking their dogs-one reason is they may have seen a loose dog in the area.

**Put** flyers on telephone poles, especially near intersections where traffic has to stop, give them out when school lets out-kids love to help, especially when a dog is lost. Put them in the post office, pet shops, convenience stores, vet's office-wherever there is foot traffic.

**Keep** a picture with you-show it to anyone walking on foot, mailman, cable guys, telephone repairman etc.

**Leave** your garage door or gate open in case the dog finds his or her way home-this happens often.

**This** is something I take for granted, but if you're stressed you may forget that you need a leash & collar & blanket in the car, as well as treats for your pet. I have a greyhound who will walk over hot coals for a biscuit.

**Drive** with your hazard lights blinking-this is for 2 reasons: searchers can recognize you, as well as local people & neighbors who may have news of your pet. Also, for safety to alert other cars that you may make sudden stops.

**Sounds** like a lot to remember? It is that's why it's also important to have just 1 or 2 people coordinating the efforts-have sectors to search & central numbers to report to, especially if the dog is found. It's your dog, you're not going to be able to think of everything, so ask for help and be willing to listen to suggestions. Last, volunteer when you can it could be your own dog out there in the dark, scared and alone one night.

**2003** BEST OF PHILLY  
3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary



## An Educated Tongue

It's sometimes appropriate to make direct comparisons between people and dogs. Here is one of those times. You just had dinner, you had chicken, your wife had pork, after a good meal and a 20 minute ride home, unless your teeth are different from mine, you spent a greyt deal time using your tongue or fingernail or both trying to remove little scraps of chicken from between your teeth. Now if there was a pill I could invent for so dogs could do just that, I would be soooo rich and dogs wouldn't have the dental problems they have. They get stuff in between their teeth but even more they get food lodged between their teeth and lip that just plain stays there. If it were your mouth it would drive you crazy. I guess our greyhounds just get used to it. It doesn't mean that it doesn't bother them. There are of course ways to mitigate the problem: does it mean you use dental floss between your greyhound's teeth – probably not. But if you are at all aggressive in dental home care you can simply take a finger brush after each meal, run it around inside your greyhound's mouth to get rid of most of that slop that's just waiting to decompose and become bacteria which will then enter the bloodstream. Of course there are other things you can do; regular – daily brushing is best, use of Oxyfresh in the water bowl reduces the bacteria level in the mouth, consistent use of ProVSeal which now has a better formula makes teeth slippery – making it more difficult to begin the process of plaque and tartar accumulation. Of course once a month lifting the lip, looking at teeth, and getting an appraisal of exactly what you're dealing with should be routine, so mark your calendar. It starts with eyeliner (a David Wolf term), which is a thin line that runs along the tooth at the gum line. If your greyhound has root exposure, that area of exposed root is like coarse sand paper, causing it to be a magnet for food lingering in your greyhound's mouth. A greyhounds # 1 impactable health issue is its mouth. Think of your greyhound every time you use your educated tongue and then please do something about it. Dental check reminder stickers are available for your calendar from NGAP for \$3.00 including postage, for one years supply, order from our office today!

## Flashback

It was 1992 when NGAP director David Wolf and wife Gerda, while on their way to their Florida condo during the winter, received a call about two greyhounds, a mother and puppy, found at a prominent restaurant "Salty's" on Key Biscayne. We contacted the finder and suggested she take them to a vet we were dealing with at the time, near the racetrack. The vet refused to take them in for a reason I can no longer recall. She told us they had been wondering around for a week or so, scavenging for food. But we finally hooked up with the good-hearted woman in the parking lot of our condo around 9:00 that evening. What a surprise, the mother and puppy were not greyhounds. The woman said they were potentially a greyhound mix, but I'm not sure. She had gone through such an effort to save them; we wanted to help. We arranged for her to keep them overnight, she slept with them in her car. Saturday morning we picked up the dogs from Hollywood and flew the mother dog, Biscayne Bay Katie, from Fort Lauderdale to Philadelphia. We then drove across the state to give the puppy to Donna Forrester who runs a greyhound adoption program in Fort Myers. However, once we got there Donna had changed her mind and decided she did not want to take the puppy. We then returned to Hollywood with the puppy, now named Salty, and flew him to Philadelphia on Sunday. Both Biscayne Bay Katie and Salty had a rough start. The initial home they were in did not work out. Katie was not taken care of very well, but we would not tell such a story if it didn't have a happy ending.

We've just received a note from Bill Lind and Dr. Elaine Paul, Katie's adopters; Katie now resides in Vermont with a great dane and a schnauzer. Although she is now blind due to glaucoma, she is still the boss. She has 20 acres of field to jog around, but she has slowed down a bit over the years.

Salty lives near Syracuse New York, with Liz & Mike Barsuglia, and Streak the greyhound. Just about every year we receive pictures of the two.

It's always nice to hear a happy ending.

## VET CHECK LIST

You don't live near NGAP or you just don't like us and have wonderful trust in your local veterinarian. Here are some helpful hints. Remember you're the client, your veterinarian is there to serve you and if you disagree with the course of action they suggest don't be hesitant in expressing those concerns. NGAP has an advantage over other veterinarians treating greyhounds. The advantage is the large numbers of greyhounds we receive and being able to determine the most appropriate and cost effective method of treatment.

■ Every time you go to the veterinarian think about your greyhound's ears. Are they clean? It only takes a minute or two to clean a greyhound's ears but more important in that period of time is someone looking and determining if there is a problem. If your greyhound is getting older an exam of its body is appropriate. Stretching the legs and moving the joints may pick up an early sign of a problem.

■ We like to see greyhounds that show a little rib. If your greyhound doesn't, your greyhound is overweight and potentially a thyroid supplementation may help that. If your greyhound is shy, talk to you veterinarian about it. Thyroid supplementation will deal with shyness issues. Your veterinarian can call us if they would like more information about our use of thyroid supplementation.

■ Nails, we like short nails, we clip them short, often going into the quick. If your greyhound is having any anesthesia procedures, while it's sleeping it is easy to cut them short.

■ And last but not least your greyhound's mouth. You and your veterinarian need to be more aggressive with dental care. If your not brushing daily your greyhound will probably build plaque and tartar. It will eventually have periodontal disease with extreme root exposure. These teeth need to be either extracted or bonded, not left root exposed.

■ **Be aggressive! Tell your veterinarian what needs to be done or find another veterinarian!**



## WHAT A GREYT IDEA!

Camille Williams age 7  
 Birthday party 5/18/03 at Kids Quest



I am doing a fundraiser for the National Greyhound Adoption Program, who rescue greyhounds from all over the country and find loving homes for them. Instead of a gift, please support the greyhound organization. You can either write a check made out to NGAP or bring towels, blankets and/or dog treats. Your donation is 100% tax deductible. We will be taking all the donations to the organization the following week end. If anyone would like to come, we can take a kennel tour and learn more about the dogs.

Ian and Collette Williams have decided to do a fundraiser for NGAP. They decided to dedicate their daughter Camille's birthday party to NGAP. We are sending you a copy of the invitation with a picture of the children, Camille and Cole with their greyhound, Chase. Of course, this same idea can be used by others. Why Not!

## A NEW AND BETTER LIFE FOR ZIGGY THE IGGY

We received a phone call over the weekend of June 7<sup>th</sup> about an Italian greyhound being turned over to Camden County Humane Society by animal control. First thing Monday June 9<sup>th</sup>, we called and made arrangements to pick up the small critter and I saw Ziggy Monday afternoon for a moment at our offices before he went to our kennel. He would not let us inspect his mouth closely, but there was something very strange about the way he looked. He had bumps on each side of his upper jaw jutting out. If you felt it, it was hard; we've never seen anything quite like it. Since he wouldn't let us inspect the inside of his mouth, we could only guess what we would find. Tuesday morning he was our first patient, after Dr. Sanguita Patel anesthetized Ziggy and opened his mouth, as we'd suspected there was a disaster found. The 2 bumps on each side of the jaw were actually calculus build up right on top of his molars (see photo). It was observed that Ziggy was already missing many teeth. Dr. Patel began pulling teeth, when she had finished we had at least 19 in the jar. Ziggy had 2 teeth left; his 2 lower canines. His temperature after surgery was low being 91.4 degrees. Ziggy went on a heating pad and warm towels from the dryer were put on top of him, being changed often. Soon his temperature began to rise, Ziggy was soon on his feet and for a dog having gone through this surgery being at least 10-years old, he responded remarkably well. The next morning Ziggy was ready to chow down on some breakfast and has been doing really well ever since. Once again National Greyhound Adoption Program was there to help even a little greyhound. Ziggy the iggy has been adopted by staff member Janet Kent.

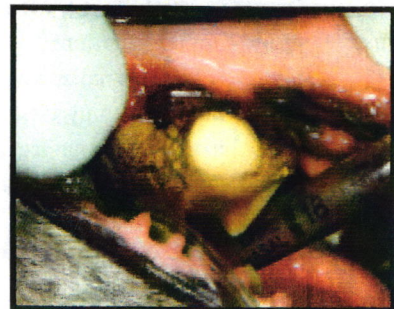
## NGAP South Jersey Volunteers' 6th Annual Picnic

Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> was the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual South Jersey Volunteers for NGAP Picnic in Estell manor, NJ. Despite a deluge the day before & a very rainy Spring, the weather cleared the day of the picnic & the Greyhounds had a beautiful day.....The team-autographed Flyers jersey was won by Meghan Frantz of Drexel Hill, Pa. Along with the Flyers raffle, Chinese Auction, the Greyhound Store, nail clipping, & lots of free goodies, the highlight of the event was a Las Vegas style wedding, officiated by Elvis, aka Charlie Harlan, a Greyhound adopter. Miss Kisses Riccardi, the bride, was resplendent in her red sequined gown and pill box hat. Her groom, Lord Khonsure, attended by Marlene & Milton Knaebel-Brown, was handsome in his traditional Egyptian garb. He was also attended by J.J. Donaldson & his Handmaiden, Barbara Donaldson, & Hershey Riccardi as his Best Dog. The ceremony was performed in front of an arbor decorated in glitter guitars, sequined lips, and fuzzy dice, with Elvis singing in the background. Queen Kisses was surrounded by her Maid-of-Honor, Starry Hall-Abate, & 5 Bridesmaids in red & white "doo-wop" dresses. ....Many thanks to all who attended & helped to make this year's picnic the best one ever. We were able to raise a lot of money for the Kennel Fund., while having a greyt time with our Greyhounds,,,



**"Ziggy"**  
 after being  
 in his new  
 home for only  
 3 weeks!

**Bump inside of  
 Ziggy's mouth!**





## In Celebration Of The Greyhound

By: Greg Wymard

Inspired by Hoss The Tuxedo

I rode on royal barges down the Nile with Cleopatra, witnessed the construction of the Pyramids and was worshipped as the god Anubis. I walked the Acropolis with Aristotle and Pericles, accompanied Artemis and Diana on the Hunt and conquered the known world with Alexander the Great.

I watched the original Olympic games, saw all the Seven Wonders of the ancient world and helped to deliver the birth of Western Civilization. I was in the stable at Bethlehem, with Caesar at Saxony and Napoleon at Waterloo. I was celebrated throughout the history of art and literature: from the ancients to Shakespeare, Homer to Chaucer and Botticelli to Brueghel.

I accompanied the Crusaders to the Middle East, was adored by Frederick the Great, courted by Queen Elizabeth the 1st, loved by Queen Victoria and appeared on the Coat of Arms of eight French and English Kings.

I was first to the New World with Columbus, Drake, DeSoto and Ponce De Leone and I sailed around the world on Endeavor. I shivered at Valley Forge, suffered at Little Big Horn, was "Bully" for Teddy Roosevelt and an inspiration for General Patton.

A superior sighthound, I am agile and alert. I have the body of an athlete, the speed of a sparrow and the grace of a dancer. A natural hunter; now confined to the track, I am the "Canine Cheetah, held captive to competitive racing.

Retired, to become your constant and consummate companion; I am a gentle giant with cats and kids, all pets and people, young and old.

Seminal Dog, sensitive and sweet; I am a music aficionado, midnight muncher, macho mouth-wrestler and 40 mile per hour "Couch Potato-Cuddler."

I am muscle and lungs; sight and speed; heart and soul. Graceful and powerful. Wise and noble. Playful and protective. I am majestic and enchanting, loyal and loving, aristocratic and aware, intelligent and inquisitive.

I am 8,000 years of history. I am eternal mystery.....I AM SEMINAL DOG..... I AM GREYHOUND!

## ISABELLA

Isabella and Jennifer Storm to coin the phrase "a match made in heaven". Jennifer Storm, who is originally from England is familiar with the Galgo and their plight. She volunteers at the kennel on a regular basis and is always bringing treats for the dogs. She is known as the "English Lady". She fell in love with Isabella (a galgo), and wanted to adopt her but circumstances were, that she had to leave the country for a while to care for a sick family member and was gone for quite a while. She did not expect to come back and find Isabella still waiting for her. This is a poem she wrote titled, "Isabella".

Found roaming in the streets alone  
My Isabella, my gentle friend  
Your owner had a heart of stone  
That's how you came to be my own

The loyalty, the love, the trust,  
Amaze me time and time again  
That you still find it in your heart  
When all you ever knew was pain

Betrayals are all over now  
You're safe and sound forever  
A life of play and meals and rest  
Is yours, dear Isabella.



## NGAP Seniors

Pictured below are a few of NGAP's "Senior Greyhounds" taken at this year's "NGAP South Jersey Volunteers Picnic". We wish to thank Merci Riccardi and her faithful group of volunteers for putting on this event for the past 6 years. Everyone had a fantastic time as usual. Shown from left to right are the following:

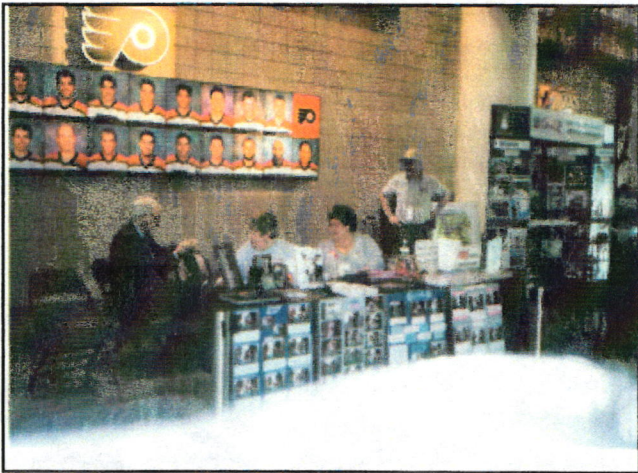


Mike Saks & Dancer (Age 9)  
Eileen Saks & Suzanna (Age 11)  
Karen Joncas & Winnie (Age 10-1/2)  
Sue Knorr & Fame (Age 17)  
Merci Riccardi & Hershey (Age 11)  
Barb Donaldson & JJ (Age 10)  
Sue Welling & Mollie (Age 11) and MacDougal (Age 10)  
Jim Willison & Chris (Age 10)  
Hazel Smith & Frank Smith and Bambi (Age 10)  
Joanne Bagdon & Turbo (Age 13) & Suzie (Age 13)

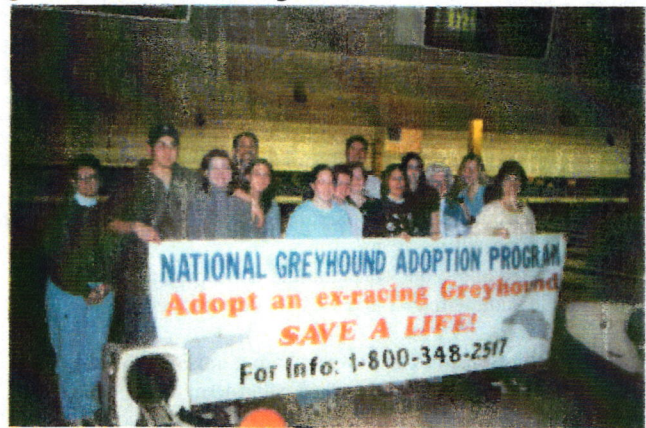


## The Philadelphia Flyers Support NGAP 3rd Annual Greyt Greyhound Bowlathon

If you attend a Flyers game this season you will see a full page ad in the Flyers program about National Greyhound Adoption Program. If you traveled up and down 95 you would have seen two billboards with former Flyer, now broadcaster, Gary Dornhoefer and Flyers coach, Ken Hitchcock supporting NGAP. As a further show of support, on Saturday March 18, 2003 Jackie Dornhoefer arranged for NGAP to have a booth at one of the main entrances at the game. It was a terrific afternoon. We received over \$500.00 in donations, and much encouragement and interest from Flyers fans. Thanks to Jackie for her idea, and the Flyers for permitting us to participate. We hope to do it again.

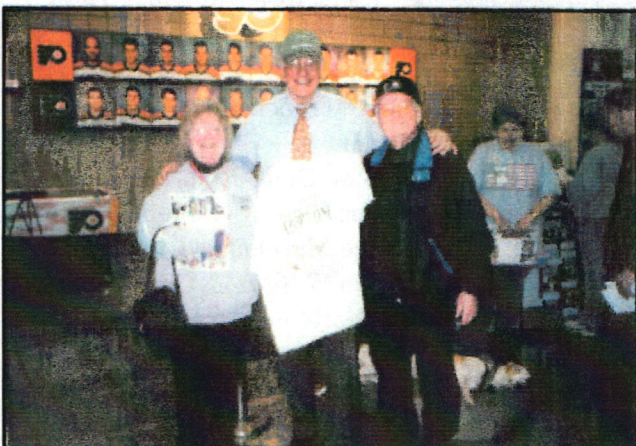


The 3rd Annual Greyt Greyhound Bowlathon was held March 12, 2003 at Pike Lanes in Bridgeton, New Jersey. The funds raised this year will help the kennel fund and surpassed other years! Thanks to Joanne Bagdon who was the highest pledge getter, to all who bowled and to Tom DuBois for a job well done!..... For those of you who don't live in the South Jersey area, you can hold your own fundraiser. Approach the owner of your local bowling alley, or skating rink. Set up information tables at local craft fairs, festivals, garden centers, wherever people congregate. Parades are a greyt way to show off your greyhounds and a lot of fun and you can decorate your car with greyhound magnets and ribbons to be more visible. Brochures are available by calling the office - let's get the kennel fund rolling!.....



### A Wayward Whippet Finds It's Way To NGAP

After 14 years of rescuing greyhounds, with many Italian greyhounds thrown in from time to time, for the first time a whippet has come to NGAP to be saved. We named her LuLu. She had obviously been on the streets for weeks when she was found. We'd received a telephone call from the Abington Animal Society asking if we would take in the whippet. We dispatched our driver who went to get her and brought her in to us. It was a good thing we got her when we did. She was truly a mess, weighing only 16 pounds, and her mouth was atrocious. She needed a considerable amount of dental work and many extractions. In the first day she was with us, she received probably 1/4 of her body weight in intravenous fluids. We coaxed her with whatever we could to get her to eat. She's probably over 10 years old. After she regained some strength, after being with us for about a week, she went into surgery and we extracted 14 teeth, 3 of them were canines. When we opened her mouth to take pictures 1 of her large molars actually fell out. She's been mending and gaining strength at the director's home, sometimes causing extreme frustration when she does not eat. She's a sweet old girl and I'm sure she'll be placed in a safe & quiet home soon. See photo below of LuLu.





Registration Form

Check one: 5K Run- 1 Mile Walk-  
(Greyhounds invited to walk!)

I am unable to attend, but please accept my  
donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Age on Race Day \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Required - read and sign waiver:

I know that running a race is potentially hazardous and I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running and event participation including effects of weather, traffic and road conditions, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver, and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself, and anyone acting on my behalf, waive and release Doylestown Township, Runners Helping Racers, race organizers and volunteers, National Greyhound Adoption Program, Runner's Advocate, and all sponsors, their representatives, and successors, from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event. I attest that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for this event. I hereby allow uncompensated use of my name and likeness in any way the race director sees fit.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Doylestown Township, PA

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GREYHOUNDS

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**Save a Greyhound Donor Form**  
 Bring your donations to the event on Oct. 19  
 to qualify for prizes. (Donations can be  
 mailed, but will not qualify for prizes.)

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Make checks payable to:  
 National Greyhound Adoption Program  
 & bring to the event on October 19.

**When**  
 Sunday, October 19, 2003  
 Registration begins at 7:30am  
 Events start at 9:00am

**Where**  
 Central Park, 425 Wells Road, Doylestown  
 (between Lower State Rd. & Rt. 611)

**What**  
 Scenic 5K Race and 1 Mile Pledge Walk

**Entries**  
 \$15 Pre-registered/postmarked by Oct. 14;  
 \$20 Day of event & after Oct. 14.

All checks must be made payable to:  
National Greyhound Adoption Program

Mail check & registration form to:

Runners Helping Racers  
 1206 Bergan Road  
 Oreland, PA 19075

Register online:  
[www.RunnersHelpingRacers.org](http://www.RunnersHelpingRacers.org)

**Amenities**  
 Souvenir T-shirts  
 Post race food and drinks  
 Ample free parking  
 Digital clock timing at finish  
 Lavatories

**Awards**  
 To male/female overall  
 & top 3 in age group, male & female.

More Information, directions, online  
 registration:  
[www.RunnersHelpingRacers.org](http://www.RunnersHelpingRacers.org)  
 215-836-4011



**We Need Your Help!**

Over 20,000 intelligent and friendly Greyhounds  
 are still being destroyed or sold for medical  
 research annually.

Runners Helping Racers benefits the nonprofit  
 organization that works to improve the prospects  
 for life beyond racing for greyhounds, National  
 Greyhound Adoption Program (NGAP).

Since 1989, NGAP has been saving greyhounds  
 from being destroyed, providing medical  
 attention for injured greyhounds, helping people  
 to adopt greyhounds, and demonstrating that  
 retired racing greyhounds are wonderful  
 companion pets.

NGAP also has the integrity and the courage to  
 oppose the harsh practices and deadly results of  
 an industry devoted to the commerce of  
 gambling at the expense of so many greyhound  
 lives every year.

**Please support our  
 Fifth Annual  
 Runners Helping Racers!**

At this event NGAP will have available  
 All of those items for sale that were  
 Displayed at the Dewey Beach event  
 The previous week.

**THIS IS A GREAT EVENT DON'T  
 MISS IT!**

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# Where does your greyhound fit in?

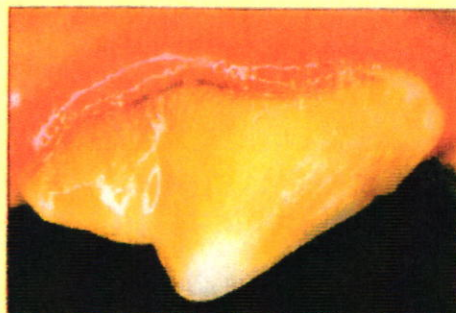
(You probably don't know and may not get a good evaluation from your vet\*, ask NGAP)

## Stage 1

*Gingival inflammation, no evidence of attachment loss*



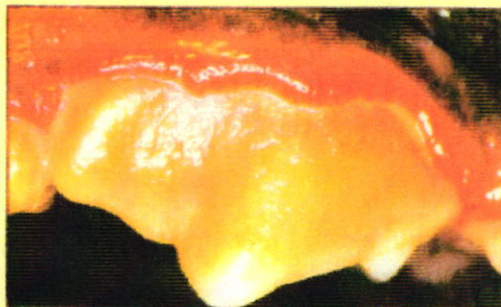
Early gingivitis



Advanced gingivitis

## Stage 2

*Less than 25% attachment loss*



Early periodontitis

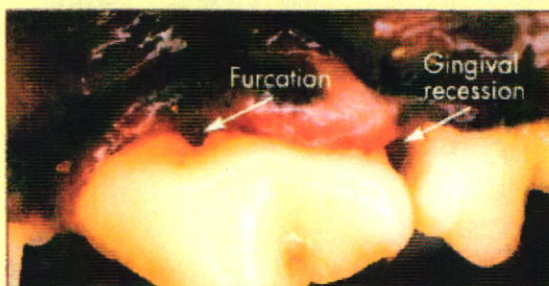
## Stage 3

*Established Periodontitis*

*Between 25-50% attachment loss: Grade 1 tooth mobility*



Moderate gingival recession



Furcation involvement

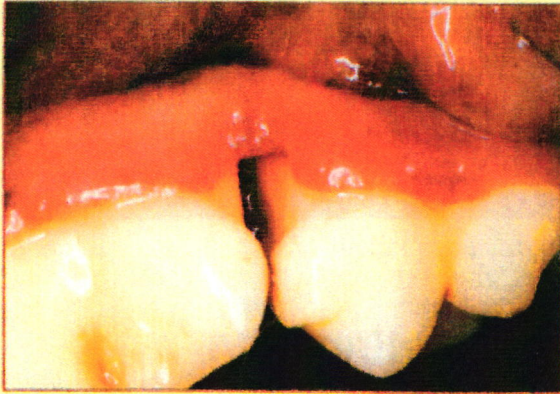
Stages of Periodontal Disease



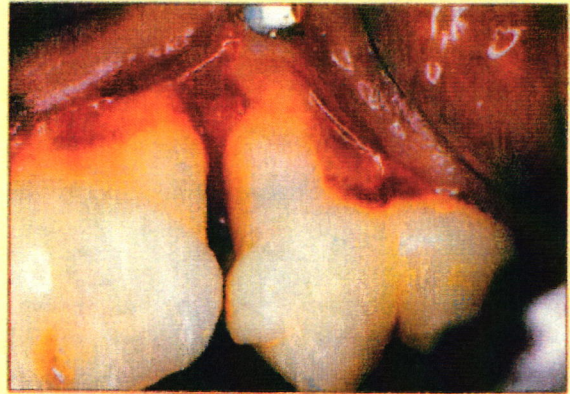
# Stage 4

## Advanced Periodontitis

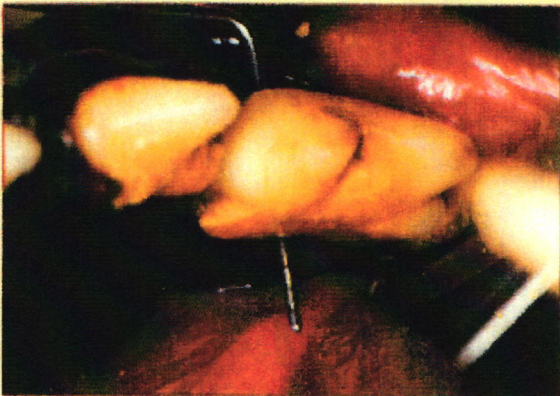
Greater than 50% attachment loss;  
Grade 2, 3 mobility in single rooted teeth



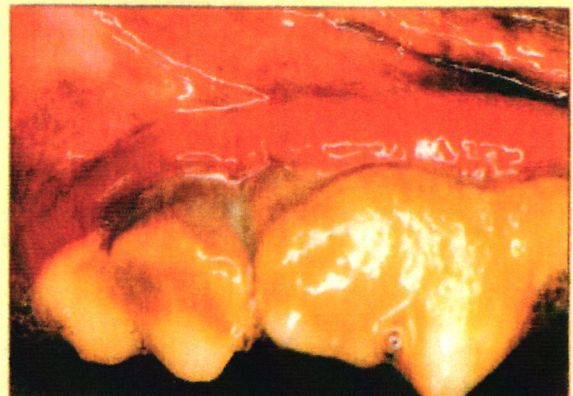
Marked gingival recession  
Left maxillary, fourth premolar and  
first molar



Flap exposure revealing greater than 50%  
support loss around distal root of maxillary  
fourth premolar and mesial root of first molar



Periodontal probe exits through  
furcation exposure



Calculus and marked gingival recession  
in Stage 4 periodontitis



# If You Love Animals.....HELP US! Donate Your Car!



Donate your car or other valuables.  
Bring them to us or we'll pick them  
up. Your donation is

**"Tax Deductible"**



Greyhound racing kills its losers.

**WE SAVE THEM!**



We're legitimate. Check out  
how we handle donations or  
visit us. Call for adoption  
information.

**FREE**

Greyhound T-Shirt  
(If you bring the car to us, yo get 3 shirts)

## National Greyhound Adoption Program

Main Office - 4701 Bath Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19137  
Kennel - 4800 Wingate Street  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19136



**1-800-8GREYHOUND**

**Visit our website - [www.ngap.org](http://www.ngap.org)**

This letter was received in the mail this week, unsigned and attached was our car donation ad that appears in the Sunday Inquirer.

Dear Sir

There's a black Pontiac parked in the rear of 5119 Valley St. Its about a 1985, flat tires and the wind shield & side windows are broken, the radio is missing and its an eye sore. The owner has said he would like to get rid of it. It hasn't moved in cour 4 months. Please haul it away

**Editor Note:** No thank you, we'll pass this one up!

### Boarding Is Better At NGAP

You are about to go on vacation and you want your greyhound to be well cared for while you are gone. The best place for your greyhound to be is home, but if you can't do that, boarding at NGAP is like going to camp, but instead of bunks we have cages and everyone gets to go outside and have fun. Most greyhounds actually like it, and most don't mind chowing down, but then ours is different from any other, ordinary, kennel. While boarding with us medical needs are tended to, and includes a nail clipping and ear cleaning, but most will need at least a little dentistry touch-up, for \$10-\$20 dollars extra. Some will need full dentistry while others may require some extractions. Whatever services we perform are only what is needed and necessary, and we can say confidently, "What we do costs less than other veterinary or boarding facilities". Your dog can be bathed with a few different sweet smelling shampoos before he/she comes home, and some would actually like to stay. Greyhounds don't run away from NGAP, as can happen when a neighbor is looking in on the dog. We can say that staff may become testy if you bring in a greyhound in desperate need of dental work and you pass on it. The number of greyhounds boarding with us continues to expand. Our new facility will have a capacity of 80, but on a recent weekend our count was 57 boarders. Its worth the ride for piece of mind and knowing that your greyhound is being cared for by people who enjoy taking care of greyhounds 365 days a year.

**2003 BEST OF PHILLY**  
3 Anniversary  
**WINNER**

**Use NGAP For Your Vet Services!  
We're Better & Cheaper  
4800 Wingate Street - Phila, PA**

Dentistry	\$75.00
Extractions (Normal)	\$10.00/\$15.00
Dental Bonding	\$10-\$20 per tooth
(Not done at other clinics) We do more dentistry than anywhere in the United States!	
Extreme Nail Cutback	\$12.00
Shot Combo	\$40.00
(Rabies, DHLPP, Corona, Kennel Cough & Lyme Boosters)	

#### Clinic Hours

Usually Tuesdays & Fridays  
Call the office (215-331-7918) to schedule an appointment - Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8:30AM - 4:30PM. If you get our voicemail, please leave a message, someone will return your call. You can always call for advise.

\*\*We now do in-house CBC and Chemistry for immediate analysis.



## Million Dollar View

You only have to visit us once to see the spectacular view we have from the Delaware River banks. Where our new facility will be built as we look across the river we only see beautiful trees with no commercial development and no residential development. Everyone should take time out the next time they visit the kennel, whether it be for boarding drop-off or clinical work, to visit the new site. See Photos Below!☺



Looking West - May 2003



Looking West From the River - August 2003



Looking South - June 2003



Looking South - August 10, 2003 - Betsy Ross Bridge in the background.



Former River View



Looking North - June 2003



Looking North from site - view of Tacony Palmyra Bridge



Another view looking North