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The President Barks

Hope all of you and your hounds are having a wonderful fall. It has been a great time of year for long walks and good times. My hounds and I have been enjoying the weather--not so much looking forward to winter and cold weather.

Here at MGC, we've been busy. The economy in Michigan has not been good and we've gotten a few pups returned because of the poor economy, etc. All of those pups have been re-homed thanks to some wonderful folks. We did a long distance rescue in late summer involving one of our senior dogs and it turned out better than I could have imagined. I don't want to say too much but I will say the dog is re-homed into a wonderful family out of state and all is well. This was a very emotionally challenging rescue for Nancy Wallace and myself but it is over now and it was very gratifying that the ending was good and very happy for our pup. Thank you to those of you who helped in this rescue in whatever way—we appreciate the support you have given to us when we were upset and didn't think things would work out.

Thanks to Margarite's work, our events have been numerous and very beneficial to us. We have been able to adopt out quite a few dogs because of our exposure at these events. This is an extremely important part of rescue and adoption so thank you to all of you who volunteer for these events. It is much appreciated and more and more dogs are adopted because of the work that YOU do.

Have a wonderful holiday season. Kiss Your Doggies, Susan







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Welcome to the MGC Family.....New Adopters November 2010

Sue Lillibridge and Joel Ravas welcome the wonderful Moonie into their home to be sister to the fantastic twosome of Guido and Chloe.

John and Charlotte Renaud welcome the handsome Southern Express now Custer into their home after their grey passed away a while ago.

Dan & Chelsea Montague welcome the cutest Flying Minion now Romeo into their home.

Zetta and Irv Propst welcome Olga into their home to be sister to the wonderful Tasha and Sand.

Jean Paul Mareniette and Mary Montech adopted the lovely Anna.

Robert and Sarah Pagel adopted the fabulous Kingsley into their home to be brother to the wonderful Amanda.

Mary Hudson greeted sweet Yankee with open arms into her home.

Jim Hehrer adopted the wonderful Seth into his household.

Roger Marz adopted Artie into his home to be sister to the wonderful Butch.

Brittany Fisher adopted the handsome Behold now Jackson into her home.

Pat Theisen adopted the wonderful Sopris/Cisco to be brother to Starz Calvin and Tara. She failed fostering 101!!

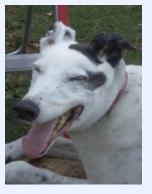
Ron and Carolyn Kuehl adopted Lares who is full of personality and fits perfectly into their family.

Carol and Burt Pawlowski adopted the lovely Tunes to be sister to their senior guy Rocky. They're the perfect pair!

Michelle Stevens and Shean Brennan adopted the handsome Mack—We know this is a perfect match!

Cheryl Epstein adopted the beautiful and charming Blue Babe into her home. Congrats!

Mary Conway told me she had room for one more greyhound after sweet Tawny passed away so she adopted a cutie pie named Devious. Perfect!



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Memories & Celebrations FALL 2010

To the sweetest Bogie from his favorite other Mom--Susan Bilsky

To the best Rudy who got a second chance from Ken. Susan Bilsky

MGC from Philip & Judy Strbik

In Memory of Rudy Mitchell from Carolyn Baker: I didn't get to know him very well. I know he brought joy, laughter and amazement to Ken and other dogs and human friends. I suspect that Dasher was waiting for him for another greyhound to play with. Even in death our greyhounds are always in our hearts and memory.

When I asked Nancy and Jeff to write a little memory about Bogie, they said it was just too hard. Bogie was almost 15 when he died and during his life he had befriended more greyhounds, foster and otherwise, than we can count. He always went on vacations with Nancy and Jeff and was the adored doggie that Nancy and Jeff will always cherish in their hearts and memories. May he rest in peace.

Gilda and Roy Ford gave a generous donation to honor their lovely Chloe.

Jill Langer was walking her three dogs and two that she borrowed for the Craft Show on Labor Day after we closed down and came across this guy who asked her about the greyhounds. She chatted him up for a while and when she got back to her car she found the attached check. The guy didn't put a name on the "Pay to the Order of" line but left a note that said "For the greyhounds, thanks for doing what you do." She added our name to the check and mailed it to me. So, thank you to Daryl Stevens for a generous donation!

In loving memory of Rudy Mitchell, a true friend who touched the lives of all who knew him. From Jeff & Nancy Wallace



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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Would you like to show off your Grey?!?!?!

Volunteer to attend an event so the public can get a better chance to meet you & your greyhounds. We try to keep the shifts to a maximum of 2 to 3 hours if possible. Even an hour would help!

So come join the fun and volunteer for and event! Check out the website events & when you find something that fits your schedule contact Margarite McLeod and come join in on the fun..

Or maybe you have an idea for a fundraiser!!! Let us know.

Contact Margarite McLleod & join the fun!

If you would like to come to any of our fundraising events, have a good time and meet other members visit the website often and check out the events.

And don't forget we always welcome volunteers to help out.



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Available Fosters.....

Casper is a beautiful and silly red fawn 2-year-old female who is learning the ropes from the 3 other greyhounds she currently lives with. Her motto could be "free kisses for everyone". She LOVES to play with squeaky toys especially the doubleended tennis ball. Casper walks politely on a leash with no pulling and does stairs like a champ (even going into the basement with a little encouragement). She loves to ride



in the car, going for walks in the park, and going to the pet store to meet new people.

When she is done playing, she is content to rest in her crate or on a nearby dog bed. She is working on house training and paces in a circle when she needs to go out. Casper has met several small and large dogs and showed no signs of aggression. However, she gets extremely excited when she sees a squirrel outside.

She is great with older children and adults, but is easily startled by younger children and sometimes backs away when they want to pet her.

Wouldn't you like to adopt this super sweet and hilarious girl?"



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Advanced Veterinary Medical Center Dr. John Rozenbaum 30470 Grand River Avenue Farmington Hills, MI 48336 248-478-5400

www.advancedvetmedcenter.com

D'Adamo Veterinary Hospital 3000 Joy Road., Livonia 734-421-1800

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Moore Veterinary Hospital Dr. Richard Nurse 22300 Mack Ave., St. Clair Shores 536-573-4760

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Available Fosters......

Kiowa Wind is a friendly, outgoing boy who loves everyone he meets. He has conquered the smooth kitchen floor in just one day. His tail never stops wagging. He is beginning to play with the squeaky toys in the house and loves to interact with children. He gets along well with the other dogs in his foster home. He has a hefty appetite, but is learning to wait his turn for his meals."



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A GREYT THING HAPPENED....

The woman who runs the Crafty Labor Craft Show at the Peach Festival had an incident with our runaway tent...... The tent blew into her windshield and broke it while I was setting up. I told her I would pay for it (\$160.00) but she said to donate the money to MGC instead.

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ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL GARAGE SALE

Our Annual MGC Garage Sale Fundraiser was a huge success!

Once again for another year we would like to thank **Nancy Kornfield** for the use of her home,garage and life... We could not have done it without the help of everyone that pitched in and spent some time sorting clothes,books and other items that were donated for the sale..





The Michigan Greyhound Connection has been holding Fundraising activities for the past year! Maybe this is the year *that you will participate*!



MGC Mission Statement

Michigan Greyhound Connection is committed to finding responsible and loving adoptive homes for retired racing greyhound dogs and educating the public about the inhumane treatment of these dogs by the greyhound racing industry.

In support of this mission, Michigan Greyhound Connection actively opposes organized greyhound racing and all associated activities that contribute to the death of thousands of greyhounds

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IT STARTED OUT JUST FINE....THE SUN WAS SHINING. THE WEATHER WAS GREAT. THEN

THE STORM SHOWED UP





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THE FARMINGTON FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

THANKS TO THE QUICK THINKING OF OUR MEMBERS, MARGARITE WAS OUT THE NEXT MORNING WITH ANOTHER TENT AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL..









Check out our website for updates! www.michgreys.org







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It's a Dogs Life - April 25, 2010

Kevin Jacobs and Cari Crawford with Luna

Sue Lillibridge and Joel Ravas with Chloe, Guido, and Moon

Dennis and Robin Underwood with Soleil

Mike and Mim Ondercing with June Bug

Thanks to all for representing greyhounds at this rainy event. Special thanks to Ken Mitchell for his help in setting up and tearing down our booth.

Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo - May 1-2, 2010

Barbara Hagen with Jenny Tom and Denise Duffy with Princess Lilly Priscilla Donegan with Bogey Don and Jane Ensley with Phantom, Mini, and Cooper Carolyn Baker with Garrett John. Gloria and Shelby Phillips with Sugar and Lollipop Mark and Margie Stoltz with Chelsea Andy Wieczorskowski with Lacy Dawn Weaver with Ruthie Jeb Bettis and Laura Schwartz with Bubba Bill and Renie Giezyng with Gypsy Special thanks to these volunteers for braving the rain ar



Special thanks to these volunteers for braving the rain and wind, barking dogs and crashing cages for this event. I've said it before and I'll say it again, MGC volunteers are the best!





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& EVEN MORE THANKS...

Farmington Founders Festival - July 15-17

Susan Riegel with Mini and Jack

Holly and Mark Richardson with Dodger

Linda Kort and granddaughter, Christina with Sheba

Ian Bost with Shata

Carolyn Baker with Garrett

Barbara Hagen with Jenny

Tom and Linda Milanov with Buddy and Sam

Andy Wieczorskowski with Lacy

Allan Fiscus with Nosey and Singer

Alan Causer with Lilli

Susan Bilsky with Gordy

Nancy Kornfield with Otter and Frankie

Karen Deren with Scooby

Bill and Renie Giezyng with Gypsy

Robin and Dennis Underwood with Soleil



Special thanks to Ken Mitchell for captaining this event and making sure everything ran smooth. We couldn't do this event without him.

Petapalooza - July 24-25

Linda Kort with Sheba Barbara Hagen with Jenny Don and Jane Ensley with Mini, Cooper, and Phantom Carolyn Baker with Garrett Susan Bilsky with Gordy Tom and Linda Milanov with Buddy and Tunes Carolyn Kuehl with Lares Pat Wieczorskowski with Lacy



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Crafty Labor Craft Show - Sept. 4-6, 2010

Mike and Alex Murphy with Tux, Gilley, and Mac

Bill and Renee Giezyng with Gypsy

Beth and Kevin Piatkowski with Alan

Holly and Mark Richardson with Dodger

Carolyn Kuehl with Lares and his pal, Lainie

Linda Kort and grandaughter Christina with Sheba

Susan Bilsky with Gordy

Andy Wieczorskowski with Lacy

Tim and Jill Langer with Magic, Birch, Elysia, Snoopy, and Woody

Thanks to all who volunteered for this first time event for MGC. Special thanks to Tim and Jill Langer and their crew for all their help in set up, tear down, and for the many hours they spent at the craft show filling in on empty shifts and generally keeping things running smoothly.

Rockin' Art in Mott Park - September 11, 2010

Jane and Don Ensley with Mini, Cooper, and Phantom

Fall in Love with Your Best Friend - September 18, 2010

Linda Kort and her grandaughter, Christina, with Sheba Don and Jane Ensley with Mini, Cooper, and Phantom Ron and Carolyn Kuehl with Lares Barbara Hagen with Jenny Priscilla Donegan and Ryan Mathews with Bogey

Howl-o-Ween at Lyon Oaks

October 16, 2010

Ron, Carolyn, and Reagan Kuehl with Lares and Laney Carolyn Baker with Garrett



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Fall Meet your Best Friend at the Zoo - Sept. 25-26, 2010

Kathy Mayfield with Fuller

Roy and Gilda Ford with Kloie Carolyn Baker with Garrett Priscilla Donegan with Bogey Bill and Renie Giezyng with Gypsy Carolyn Kuehl with Lares Linda Korte and grandaughter, Christina, with Sheba Tom and Denise Duffy with Princess Lilly Jill Langer with Snoopy and Woody Shellie, Cassidy, and Madison Thomas





A little hint for training your grey and maybe saving a life.

Try teaching your dog to stay when you open the door. Then tell them ok to proceed. This will prevent them from bolting as soon as the door is opened.. It works great for car doors too!

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We are happy to tell you that one of our foster dogs, Larse was mentioned in a blog at:

http://rugpisser.com/events

look for Howl-O-Ween at the Park



















