# GC Connection

"Reunion Edition"

Sunday ~ September 25, 2011

You are cordially invited to an afternoon all about greyhounds!

Join us for some fun and games, chances to win greyt prizes, have some great food, stock up on greyhound merchandise for human and hound, and share the joys of greyhounds!

We are back at Sylvan Springs Park ~ Ordnance Shelter
12:00 pm until 4:00 pm



#### **GCMO REUNION 2011 SCHEDULE** 12:00 Registration begins (don't forget to register your senior!) Be one of the first 50 families to sign in at the welcome booth and receive a free tote bag full of goodies 12:15 Welcome Announcement by GCMO President, Lisa Will Nail trims (from 1:00 to 3:00pm) - donations to support closing 1:00 greyhound farms \* First 50/50 playing card winner announced 1:10 Greyhound Game - "Dress up your Greyhound" 1:15 1:25 Salute to Seniors with the crowning of the King and Queen (oldest male and female present and registered at the welcome booth) Greyhound Game - "Find your Greyhound Blindfolded" 1:45 \* "Wagon of Fun" basket AND Lottery Ticket basket winners 2:45 drawn3:00 \* *First* group of raffle basket winners drawn \* Second 50/50 playing card winner announced 3:15 3:30 \* <u>Second</u> group of raffle basket winners drawn

Food will be available from 12:00-3:00pm

Nail trims from 1:00 to 3:00pm to support closing greyhound farms

\* You don't need to be present to win any of the raffle baskets, just put your name and phone number on the back of each ticket.

\*\* See page 2 for a preview of some of the greyt raffle items!



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#### <u>This will be our</u> <u>15th</u> <u>Annual Reunion!</u>

We Thank You all for your continued support each year.

We hope you can join us for another fun afternoon celebrating the joys of greyhounds!

Your support is what allows us to continue spreading the word about greyhounds!

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# Help! My dog is loose!

If you have ever had this happen, you know how frightening it can be. And if you don't know how long your dog has been out, it is even more frightening. No matter how careful you try to be, it can still happen We are going to give you some things to do to help get your dog back as quickly as possible. Many of you are aware that we have an emergency phone number. That number is 314-221-5274. Why don't you take a moment right now to write this number down and put it on your refrigerator or some place when you can get to it easily if you should ever need it. If no one answers immediately, leave a message and you will be contacted as quickly as possible.

Now, here is a list of things you need to do. Call the police. They may spot your dog as they are driving around town. Call the local shelter, Rabies Control, Humane Society. If possible, get

some help from a neighbor or friend to help search. If you walk your dog, drive the route you usually walk. That will be familiar to your dog. Ask anyone and everyone you see if they have seen your dog. If you can't find your dog quickly, make some BIG signs on bright colored paper to post at stop signs and places where people are more likely to be able to read them. Use the largest font possible. Offer a reward. You don't have to say how much the reward is. Just say RE-WARD \$\$\$. If by the next day, your dog is still missing, make some fliers to place at stores, vets offices, any place that will let you leave a flier. The more people who are aware, the better your chances of getting your dog back. Check with delivery people in the area. Talk to kids going to or from school. KEEP US IN-FORMED. We will help you search.

We really hope your dog never gets out but, just in case, it is a good idea to have them chipped. Often, people say they don't see the need to chip their dog because they wear an ID tag on their collar. Sometimes, dogs lose their collars and a chip can identify them quickly. Here is one more thing you might want to do right now. Make a list of some of the emergency numbers we talked about. That way, if you need help you won't have to spend your time looking up the numbers. You can concentrate on finding your dog. And, remember, you can always count on Greyhound Companions to help with an emergency.



#### Reunion Raffle Preview!!

We will have some exciting items for raffle as well as merchandise for both you and your hound! Below are some of the raffle items.



Beautiful porcelain statue!



Wonderful 2Hounds Design Martingale Collar!



Handsome Greyhound Bust!



Stunning

Antique Pin!

We will also have another "Lottery Ticket" raffle basket, get your tickets for a chance to win big on scratch off lottery tickets!

Check out our "Wagon of Fun" a collapsible wagon full of some surprising fun!!

Look for our theme baskets, some of them include:

"I Love GCMO"

"Pampered Pooch"

"It's fun to be a kid"

"Night on the Town"

"New Arrival"

And Many More!

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### Our Heartfelt Thanks



#### <u>General</u>

Giles Blair

Larry and Vhaness Brinker

Nancy Burke

Rick and Elaine Cameron

Laurie and Dale Dendtler

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Ronda Cumberland in memory of Bently

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Gia

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Jocko

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Linda Pleshe and Angel

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Ernie Restoff and Reba

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Sabrina

Ronda Cumberland in memory of Zoe

Lisa Fetters in memory of Scarlet

Phyllis and Joe Follmer in memory of Elkhart

Jim and Jane Jackson in memory of Sabrina

Karita and Chris Miller in memory of Cleo

Bob and Jean Neunreiter in memory of Wylie and Winnie

Nancy Palmer and Gene Vanek in memory of Ghostie and Moe

Biagio Pietroburgo in memory of Jack and Joanne James

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Nancy Sammelman in memory of Dakota

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Thank You!

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"What a difference a grey makes!"

#### **Upcoming Events**

Watch your email for reminders! If we don't have your email address, you can send it to us via the website.

Saturday, 8/27/11 - Brentwood PETCO [8404-B Eager Road (Brentwood Pointe) Brentwood, MO 63144 Meet & Greet 11:00am to 2:00pm

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Saturday, 9/10/11 – Nail trims - Best Friends Animal Hospital (202 Frank Scott Parkway, Swansea, IL 62226) 8:00am to 12:00pm

Saturday, 9/10/11 – Hazelwood Harvesfest – Howdershell Park (6701 Howdershell Rd, Hazelwood, MO 63042) – information table/booth with dogs 9:00am to 6:00pm – **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** 

Sunday, 9/18/11 - Manchester Petco (Baxter & Manchester, Lafayette Center) Meet & Greet 11:00am to 2:00pm

#### Monday, 9/19/11 – Monthly meeting

Monthly meetings held at the Thornhill branch of the St. Louis County Library. Fee Fee road between Page and Olive. 7:30-9:00 pm

Saturday, 9/24/11 – Brentwood PETCO [8404-B Eager Road (Brentwood Pointe) Brentwood, MO 63144 Meet & Greet 11:00am to 2:00pm

Sunday, 9/25/11 - GCMO ANNUAL REUNION - Sylvan Springs Park - 12:00am to 4:00pm

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#### Meet Our Illinois Nail Trim Team!



(Don, Fran, Kathy, Lori & Ronda)

Have you had a chance to meet our Illinois Nail Trim Team---With the perseverance of Lori Langenhorst and Ronda Cumberland with their dedication and talent they began the Nail Trim-East side almost two years ago.

Ronda secured the fabulous location at Best Friends Animal Hospital with Dr. Craig whom graciously donated space for the team to get started and his staff refers many clients their way.

Lori started out as "The Trimmer" with her to loyal holders Kathy Scott and Don Langenhorst (Lori's Siblings) and Ronda as Crowd control. Lori is a certified groomer and volunteers her talents in helping raise money when she can for the rescue efforts of Greys and does a lot work with the Clinton County Humane Society. Lori is the proud Grey mom of her 4 girls, Winnie, Trixie, Lacey and Smilee.

Lori's Team of Holders have magic dog whisper level capabilities when it comes to the most anti nail trim dogs I have seen—even the dogs owners are in Awe of their abilities of getting those nails trimmed. Kathy has fostered many Greys in the past had recently lost her beloved Nate. Kathy also has a Pet Sitting business where she will watch your beloved fur babies in the comfort of their own home—she comes with high recommendation from several families in the GCMO network. Don comes from the animal loving family and lost his beloved dog earlier this year-his dedication is astounding, he will work a long shift the night before and then with a smile on his face and little sleep still come to help hold those very anxious pups.

Ronda has been a dedicated member of the GCMO family for years and many of you have probably had the opportunity to meet Ronda. She was an very important part of the rehabilitation of the two greys GCMO brought in a couple years ago Jayden and Brian, she volunteers countless hours with Greet and meets, transportation, walking our dogs being kenneled and is there for anyone that needs help. Ronda and Deb have been blessed to be parents with many greys over the years their current Pack is Lola, Rosie and their newest member Dudley.

As business grew and the dissolution of the Missouri Nail trim team Fran Davis joined the East side nail trim team and what a great addition. Fran is a board member for GCMO, adoption rep and has been personally responsible for the saved lives of many Greyhounds, including two of my own pack. Her talents and the ability to keep the dogs calm and very comfortable on her nail trim pad ease the many pups and their guardians.

So come out and let our team take good care of your Greys nails. (Dremel is available.)

Special thanks for the assistance of Bob Helbig, Deb Thrasher, Jeanne Moldin and Jennifer Love that has volunteered over the past two years in assisting and getting Nail trims established in Illinois.

Watch the web site for Nail trim dates, usually the first Saturday of every month from 8am until Noon.

# Look Who's Home!!!!!



The Eastman Family Lola The Barrett Family Bella The Grunwald Family Zac The Racette Family Athena The Fischer Family Sophie The Sander Family Lily The Hunn/Slawinski Family GoGoThe Holtzbauer Family Cupid The Croissier/Balkansky Family Reya The Saltamachia Family Layla The Feldhake Family Rogue The Hood Family Archie The Rodebaugh Family Jax The Cumberland Family Dudley The Sparkman Family Missy The Kister/Wolfe Family Anna The Fulton Family Vesta The Roberts Family Fev The Sander Family Prince Hairy The Bleisch Family Ru The Cornett Family Jill The Sisson Family Babe The Ellermann Family Avery The Grbcich Family Katie

In Loving Memory

The Erdman Family

The Luter Family

The Jackson Family Sabrina The Unlu Family Keegan The Grunwald Family Buzz The Stevens Family Susie The Murray Family Crissv The Pleshe Family Angel The Shapiro Family Macy The Rettig Family Rubv The Croisser/Balkansky Family LuluThe Neunreiter Family Dusty The Sander Family Gia The Follmer Family Ekhart The Burlis Family RooThe Burlis Family Howie The Rung Family Dakota The Spears Family Gracie The Davis/Hargadon Family Jocko The Lynch Family Barcadi The Moore Family Cinderella The Frycki Family Hunter The Oelzen Family Freeda The Roberts Family Patsy The Sander Family Stan

The Collins Family The Grommet Family The Sagitto Family The Luter Family The Scott Family The Sisson Family The Sagitto Family The Ellermann Family The Erdman Family The Howell Family The Evdman Family The Flores Family The McClure Family The Flahart Family The Stevens Family The Will Family

> Always In Our Hearts



Joey

Dave the Dog

Lady Day

Belle Star

Brooke

Roy

Nate

Sally

Bud

Jack

Lacev

Bella

Ladv

Silkie

Chevelle

Shortcake

Aimee