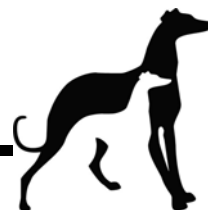


ON THE RIGHT TRACK



FROM THE PRESIDENT

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You Know You've Gone to the Dogs When....

- You break down and buy another pillow so you can have one to sleep on
- While proudly showing off your family album , your guest asks , "Isn't there anyone else in your family besides the dog ?"
- Nobody's feet are allowed on the furniture , but your dogs are welcome to sleep on any piece of furniture they so choose .
- You describe your children as having temperaments rather than personalities.
- Your cookie jar has never seen the likes of people cookies .

Home Visits

To decrease the number of returned greyhounds and better educate our new adopters, the board of directors has implemented changes in the adoption process. Since the beginning of September, new applicants are required to have a home visit in addition to the standard office appointments. Research shows that groups requiring home visits have a significant reduction in the number of returns. This increased interaction will enable us to make a better match and provide additional opportunities to educate the adopter on the needs and behavior of the greyhound. The home visit will also give us a better idea of where the greyhound will live and aide in the adjustment and accommodation of all involved.

Mentor Program

In an effort to help new adopters with the adjustment period, we recently launched a Mentor program. The volunteers in this program call new adopters to check on things, offer advice on greyhound care, and try to solve any problems before they reach a critical point. I remember how scary it was when I adopted my first greyhound, Peaches, and experienced first hand some of the behaviors that are peculiar to greyhounds. We didn't have "Greyhound for Dummies" then and I was reluctant to tell anyone I was having trouble out of fear that I would be considered a bad adopter. I was wrong and I later found out that many others experience the same anxiety. It is our hope that this new program will eliminate this. Even if

there are not any problems, this will allow the new adopter another opportunity to brag about what a wonderful greyhound they have.

Adoption Fees

Effective November 1, 2003 adoption fees for greyhounds under the age of 8 will be increased to \$225 while the fee for seniors (8 years old or older) will remain \$175. Both of these fees will still include a 1-year GPA membership. This increase will help offset the cost per dog, which is currently almost \$400. Our research with other breed-specific adoption groups in the Houston area and other greyhound groups around the nation has shown that our current adoption fees are on the low end. We hope that this will be received as a positive step in supporting our adoption program.

Change in Staff

Our Executive Director, Nicole Butler will be leaving us October 5th. She has accepted a position at a day care center allowing her to spend more time with her daughter, Laura. We will miss her in many ways--her dedication to the greyhounds and as a friend and wish her all the best with her new job. Nicole has promised to keep in touch and will continue to volunteer in the future.

Volunteers Needed

As a result of Nicole's resignation, board members and volunteers will run our office. We need people to perform office tasks, handle merchandise, transport dogs; answer the phone and just plain socialize. If you would like to help us out with these duties please contact us.

We are all working hard to make this a better organization and appreciate your patience through these changes. Sharry MacLaren

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Area Coordinators

We have broken down the Houston Metropolitan Area into sections to facilitate handling storefronts and other local events. Each area has a "coordinator" that is in charge of things going on in that part of town. Below is a brief outline of each area and where it is located. Also listed are area coordinators for that area.

Area 1	Roughly inside Loop 610, beginning downtown and going north and west through the Bellaire area.
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Area 11	Far West Houston and Katy
Coordinator	Laura Marshall

GPA Houston Regularly Scheduled Events

Date	Location	Time	Contact	Place
1st Sat. each mo.	Pearland, TX	<i>not in operation at this time</i>	for more info contact: Julie@gpahouston.org	PETCO: 3265 East Broadway
1st Sun. each mo.	Sugar Land, TX	1-3pm	JEANNINE@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: 16758 SW Freeway
1st Sun. each mo.	Houston, TX	1-3pm	JANNY@gpahouston.org	PETCO: Hwy 6North / FM529
1st Sun. each mo.	The Woodlands, TX	1-3pm	MARTHA@gpahousotn.org	PETSMART: I-45 south of 242
2nd Sat each mo.	Houston, TX	1-3 PM	AMY@gpahouston.org	PETSMART:19945 Katy Freeway
2nd Sat each mo.	Houston, TX	12-2pm	CHERI@gpahouston.org	PETCO: 2110 S. Shepherd near San Felipe
2nd Sun each mo.	Houston, TX	1-3pm	MARTI@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: I-45 and FM 1960
2nd Sun. each mo.	Webster, TX	2:00-4:00pm	ROSE@gpahouston.org	PETSMART:1549 West Bay Area Blvd.
3rd Sat. each mo.	Beaumont, TX	1-3pm	DONNA@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: 6430 Eastex Freeway
3rd Sun. each mo.	Houston, TX	1-3pm	KIM@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: WILLOWCHASE. FM249
3rd Sun each mo.	The Woodlands, TX	10:00am-12pm	DIANA@gpahouston.org	PETCO: 522 Sawdust Rd near I-45
4th Sun. each mo.	Houston, TX	2-4pm	TIM@gpahouston.org	PETCO: 12015 Northwest Frwy- 43rd St @ Hwy 290
Last Sun each mo.	Humble, TX	<i>not in operation at this time</i>	for more info contact: JULIE@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: 20407 Hwy 59 N
5th Sun of the month	Houston, TX	<i>not in operation at this time</i>	for more info contact: JULIE@gpahouston.org	PETSMART: 5415 WEST LOOP SOUTH (FOURNACE/BISSONET EXIT)
Last Sun each mo.	Spring, TX	9-? This is a 'Walk in the Park'--see pics for more idea of event.		Elizabeth Kaiser Meyer Park- Steuber- Airline & Cypresswood Dr. For directions from your home go to mapquest.com and enter Cypresswood Dr.

Calendar of Events

Event	Date	Location	Contact Information
Houston Hound Walk	Oct. 19	Galveston Island State Park 11:00—??	Noreen@gpahouston.org
Rib Fest 2003	Oct. 24, 25, 26	Old Town Spring	Julie@gpahouston.org
GPA Houston Annual Meeting and Halloween Party	Oct. 26 1:00—4:00	Dogwood Training Center 8425 West Road	Diane@gpahouston.org
Holiday Gift Wrapping	Nov. and Dec	Barnes and Nobles all around Houston	Check the website for dates, times and locations
Sandy Paws	March 5-7	Jacksonville Beach, FL	Boomer0150@msn.com

GPA Houston Annual Meeting and Halloween Party

The Hounds and Humans will be gathering at the Dogwood Training Facility for a howling good time at our Annual Meeting and Halloween Party. Activities will include introduction of the new board members, Costume Contest, pictures in the pumpkin patch, and a delicious potluck feast. (Please be sure and bring a dish to share)

The howling good time will begin at 1:00 and continue until 4:00. The Dogwood training facility is located at 8425 West Road about a mile south of the Horse Track.

Bring your hounds, bring your kids, bring your friends, we are sure to have a wonderful time. For more information contact diane@gpahouston.org



(Picture from www.houndmountain.com. T-shirts with this design are available for sale at their online store.)

Volunteers Needed

We are still in need of volunteers for some of our upcoming events.

We will have a booth at Rib Fest in Old Town Spring Oct. 24, 25, and 26th. Some of the best local bands will be performing at the event so why not sign up for a shift and bring the family down for a day filled with fun. For more information on RibFest visit their website at

<http://www.ribfesttexas.com>
To sign up for a shift, contact Julie@gpahouston.org

Believe it or not the holidays are quickly approaching and with the Holidays come our Barnes and Nobles gift-wrapping fund raisers. Be sure and watch the website for dates, times locations and contact information.

Spending Other People's Money

By Catherine Coulter



"Spending other people's money" – it has a lovely ring to it, doesn't it? Well, now you can help support the greyhounds with other people's money. The opening page of GPA's website has two new features. In the bottom center is a logo for Amazon.com and on the left bottom is another box that says "Support your cause, click here."

The first is a link to Amazon.com's website. If you purchase from Amazon and enter through GPA's website by clicking on the button Amazon will automatically contribute a percentage of your purchase to GPA. That's all there is to it.

The box on the bottom left is a link to iGive.com. iGive is a little more complicated initially, but has a number of interesting features. If you register with iGive designating GPA Houston as your charity, and make purchases from the many, many online merchants that are part of their network, not only will those merchants (through iGive) make a contribution to GPA, iGive will track your account and all contributions are tax deductible to you. iGive will keep track of these contributions and provide you with the documentation for your tax return. The percentage contribution varies from merchant to merchant, and you can scroll through the list on their site to see what products and services are offered and what percentage each merchant will contribute. Ordering Christmas presents from Harry & David, buying new polo shirts from Land's End, the hard-to-find dog training book from Alibris, that perfect sauté

pan from Sur La Table? All are available through iGive. For the die-hard Ebay-ers, even a bid, successful or not, generates money for GPA. Remember when you set up your account to designate Greyhound Pets of America Houston as your charity, with our address. We don't want the money going to the national organization. If you have any problems setting up your account, just email board@gpahouston.org and someone will get in touch with you.

Of course, until the Rockefellers and the Sultan of Brunei start shopping for GPA through Amazon and iGive (or until the hounds quit eating and going to the vet), we'll still be asking you for some of your own money, but just think how virtuous you'll feel shopping with us as partners.



GPA Houston Garden Party and Pet Spa

The event not to be missed in Houston this year was Garden Party-Grey Spa held at the historic Parador in the Museum District of Houston, Texas. The party was a huge success and everyone that attended seemed to have a grey time. In addition to GPA Houston adopters, special invitations were sent out to individuals who adopted from Gulf Greyhound Park Adoption Program.

One hundred and five hounds got their special spa treatment. Many had their pictures taken in the beautiful garden setting. Veterinarians were present to answer question for new and old adopters along with a Pet Py-



At the bridge:

Our deepest sympathies to those whose greyhounds have recently crossed the bridge. May your memories bring a smile to your face

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|---------|-------------------------|
| Molly | The Chesterfield Family |
| Bear | The Priest Family |
| Jackie | The Rodriquez Family |
| Augie | The Strandberg Family |
| Parfait | The Malcore Family |
| Chevy | The Knizer Family |
| Berts | The Jukes Family |
| Kachina | The Lyons Family |

schic to share the inner most thoughts of our hounds. Merchandise was in abundance and the shopping frenzy was something to see. Other activities included a Silent Auction, agility and obedience demonstrations and lots of great food and drink. GPA Houston would like to thank all of the vendors that contributed to this event and our wonderful volunteers who spend the day bathing dogs, maning the merchandise tables and on clean up patrol. Thanks to them, we were able to raise close to \$10,000 which will help many of the hounds of Texas find their forever homes.

Red, White and Greyhound

A story by Beth the Greyhound with help from her human mom.

If you haven't already guessed, my family loves animals, plus, my older brother works for a pet store where we get great deals on crickets. Don't ask me why this is important, but around here it seems to be. I think it may have something to do with my human brother Ryan's "things" that he keeps in his room. I never go in there...the creepy creatures are in there and they don't interest me one little bit.

When I first was adopted, my parents were concerned that there was a weakness in my back legs. Now, after being walked for months and allowed to run, I am proud to say that I am a number one Greyhound. I have beautiful muscles in my back legs and I no longer have trouble getting around. See, exercise is good for everyone. Even my mom and dad have lost a little of the middle age (how do I say this nicely) couch potato look.

I also have a terrific walking buddy. Her name is Callie, the cat. That's right, SHE IS A C A T! See, Greyhounds can make friends with anyone. We enjoy our evening adventure together and I protect her from the other C A T S in the neighborhood. There is sometimes a conspiracy in the neighborhood where word has gotten out about our friendship. So, I go first and am the lookout. If I see anything in the way of trouble, I give my fiercest look and that clears the way for Callie to make the 1-mile trip safely. This is what you call being a GOOD FRIEND.

Just between you and me, I think all kids think their parents can be a little, shall we say, "dumb", sometimes. Well, one night we were out for our walk and my Dad say the cutest "kitty" ahead of us. As we approached, I knew something wasn't quite right. The "kitty" just didn't look or smell like anything I had seen before. The closer we got the more I KNEW it wasn't right! This KITTY was black with a LONG WHITE STRIPE RUNNING DOWN IT'S BACK! A SKUNK! We all ran indifferent direc-

tions! Boy, that was close...a bath in tomato juice wasn't in my dreams!

Then, if that wasn't enough excitement, on another evening walk my mom was coming around a corner and thought she saw a very LARGE BUTTERFLY coming towards her. NOT!! IT WAS A VERY LARGE BAT! That landed on her chest! I think I might enter her in the People races. She could win me some spending money for pig's ears.

One of my favorite things to do is meet people. I love everyone, particularly children. If I can get a pet, ear rubbing or a kind word I am happy. The people in my neighborhood know me and if they are out, I usually will get a greeting or two,

Recently, since the weather has turned cooler we have started taking our walk early in the morning. I couldn't see the advantage to this at first, but I soon discovered that I got to see all the children standing on the street carrying bags. Gee, I thought at first they knew I was coming and HAD TREATS! DOG HEAVEN! But before I could get even one hello or a pet from any of them or any of those treats in those bags, BIG YELLOW MONSTERS would come along and SWOOP up the children and EAT THEM!!! I REALLY DID NOT LIKE THOSE THINGS! Until my mom explained to me that they were school buses and they bring the children back home in the afternoon, too.

So, now every morning I talk to the kids before they go to school knowing that the BIG YELLOW MONSTERS will bring them back safely in the afternoon, and they would be there again the next morning. I still don't understand about those bags. Mom? Are you sure they don't have something for me in the there? Maybe you should have a talk with their Mom's I CAN always share.

When I go out, my mom dresses me (girl stuff), which I just go along with. Next thing you know I will

have rollers on my "accidental ears" (that's what mom calls them) and painted nails. A girl needs to look her best. I have the entire back seat of the car to myself and my favorite places to go are to the bank (I get free dog biscuits) or Petco.

To other Greyhounds or parentals (owners) I have discovered two terrific games you can play together. One is the Bathroom Game. The rules are: wait until your owner goes into the room with the BIG drinking bowl and when "rents" are seated, go blasting through the bathroom door. If toilet tissue gets involved, it is even better. Great fun!

The second game I called the Docking Game or "Houston We Have a Problem" Wait for your owner to get comfortable in their favorite spot and walk up and "dock" your face on their lap. Give them the sad eye look and the part you need to practice is the whine/groan/moan (Lamaze classes come in handy here or (just watch the Baby Story on TLC for all you of the male gender,) Don't give up, practice and this part will usually get the desired effect. A treat, walk, or whatever you had decided you wanted. Remember you are in CONTROL!

When I was adopted, my mom and dad were told that I would just be a "couchie". NOT ME! I have developed a Greyhound/Chihuahua personality. I keep up with my brothers and sisters just fine. As a matter of fact, we may start a Greyhound/Chihuahua alarm company. I may be a budding CEG (Chief Executive Greyhound)

Well that isn't the end of my adventures. Only the beginning.... I'll keep you updated.

Remember. ADOPT A GREYHOUND, SAVE A LIFE.

Love, Beth

Letter from GPA National President Rory Goree Introducing New Kennel to Shelter Program - Paws Across the Pond

Many of you had the opportunity to hear Anne Finch of Greyhounds In Need, speak at the conference in Birmingham. You heard the inspiring stories and the hard work that they are doing and the challenge facing the refuges in Spain. Many have asked how we can help in Anne's cause. As the world's largest single breed adoption program, and one that is fully committed to welfare, we are offering you the opportunity to make a difference and build a relationship with one of the Spanish Galgos refuges. This is in no means mandatory and should not take away from your current duties and goals in accomplishing GPA's mission. We are asking that should your chapter have some extra time, or other things, depending on the need of the refuge you are paired with, we ask that you seriously look into building this relationship and help them. If we don't, parties that may not be into welfare such as ourselves may do so. I think it is a worthy cause to look into and shows the leadership that GPA is willing to take to keep welfare as not only a focus of our own greyhounds, but a worldwide effort.

If you are interested in being a sister chapter to one of the Spanish Galgos refuges, please contact Bobbie Wier at corrsec@greyhoundpets.org. She will help you connect with a refuge for you to contact as well as give you more details regarding this new endeavor. Best regards,
Rory

The board of GPA Houston has agreed to participate in this new program to help the galgos and greyhounds in Europe. The following pages will give you some information on the work that is being done by Greyhounds In Need and the areas in which they need assistance. Please contact noreen@gpahouston for more information or call the office.



The Life of a Galgo in Spain

Written originally in Spanish in September 2003
by Ana Fernandez, Volunteer in Castilla La Mancha

We may have to go back 40 or 50 years in order to understand what is happening to galgos in rural Spain. At that time, the galgo accompanied the peasant farmer into the fields and, while the farmer looked after his crops, his dog brought home a rabbit or a hare for his evening meal. Dogs in general and galgos in particular lived indoors with the family and were fed on scraps. The word "pet" didn't exist. Each dog had to work to "earn his keep", hunting for his master, looking after the farm animals, etc.

Families were usually large and incomes were small so dogs were considered to be mere "tools". A farmer might be proud of the fact that his galgo was a good hunter and give it fresh water when he got home and the leftovers from the family's supper; but that was as far as the relationship ever went between dog and master. If the dog became ill, most families could not afford to take it to the vet, which was almost a luxury. In any case, it was easy to get another dog through family or

neighbors: nearly everybody bred dogs.

Even today, many things have not changed. We surf the Internet, watch cable TV and DVD, but we still think in the same way as our forefathers – at least, as far as galgos are concerned. I live in a village in the heart of 'La Mancha', a region populated with vineyards where hunting is still a popular 'pastime'. Hunters still breed galgos indiscriminately at home without any sort of control. There is a law protecting domestic animals, but it is hardly ever enforced and not at all in the case of galgos, who have never been regarded as pets. As far as farmers are concerned, galgos are simply 'hunting dogs'. All my life I have witnessed and heard about terrifying cases of cruelty, and these are precisely the ones that attract public attention because they are so dramatic. Of course, there are cruel people in Spain, like everywhere else in the world, but it would be too simple to explain a problem of this size just by saying "the Spanish are cruel".

Cruelty, neglect and a total disregard for the rights of galgos are, in this case, a direct result of years and years of ignorance about these beautiful animals, and it is precisely this ignorance that we have to tackle once and for all.

Until 10 or 15 years ago, nobody in this part of Spain would have dreamt of buying "special food" for his dog or of taking it to the vet (the vet's main function was to look after cows, sheep and other animals regarded as "useful").

But today these things are becoming more and more the norm. So, when are attitudes towards galgos going to change? There are many people in Spain today fighting to improve the lives of these animals, often with invaluable support from organizations outside Spain. There are many – but there are by no means enough! Every year, at the end of the hunting season, our streets are filled with galgos – the ones that "have no further use" for hunting. Galgos are regularly crossbred with those of friends and acquaintances and, when a litter is born, the breeders take their pick: "There are seven, but I only want two..." The rest of the puppies are eliminated. Any method will do: some breeders put the dogs in plastic bags and then suffocate them with the exhaust fumes from their cars ("they don't feel a thing", the breeders claim); others put them in a cardboard box and leave them by the roadside ("maybe someone will find them and adopt them"). Or they throw them over the wall of the local refuge or dog pound ("this lot will take care of them").

Usually, the fate in store for the "chosen few" is even worse. They are brought up on stale bread and water (which often

leads to malformations of the bones making it impossible for the dogs to run) and are often deprived of the warmth of their mothers and any hint of human affection.

Gradually, they will start to go out with their "master" for a day's hunting ... but they will not be able to enjoy the sunlight or the fresh air that they miss when they are locked up at home. On the contrary, they will have to imitate the other dogs by searching, running incessantly, catching their quarry and handing it over obediently to their master. If they do their job well, they will return home exhausted at the end of the day and have their reward; water, stale bread and the right to live a little longer .

But if they hesitate when pursuing the hare, if they cannot catch it or are not obedient at all times, their master will lose his temper and maybe he will beat them "to teach them a lesson". Then he will load them mercilessly into the car, thinking: "Tomorrow I'll give them another try, and if that doesn't work...." The unspoken half of the sentence is the worst thing that can happen to a galgo.

The next day, the scene is reenacted: the galgo does not do what is expected of him ("Stupid animal. Is that what I've been feeding him for?") and his master decides that there will be no return trip for this dog. He takes aim and, without a second thought ... A shot rings out, dry and muffled ... The galgo's eyes glaze over and now there is no more sun, nor air, nor smell of earth; but the kicks, the dry bread and the darkened room are also at an end. But the master does not always pull the trigger. Sometimes, he lacks the "guts", as his fellow hunters would say, and while the galgo

runs around heedlessly, he packs the rest of the animals into the car and simply drives away. When the galgo realizes what has happened, it starts to run desperately after the car until, panting and bewildered, it is

forced to give up. It starts to wander at random. At first, it is so wonderful to be free... but there is no water on our great plains and the animal is too tired to hunt. Many dogs, frightened of people, lose their way in the fields and finally lie down to die of hunger and thirst in the merciless sun. Others, sick and terrified, manage to reach a village. Nobody seems to notice them. We are so used to seeing them die in front of our very eyes that we no longer even stop to look. And they, noble and fearful, quicken their step and vanish.

They hide by day and roam the streets by night. Many of them die right there in the middle of the road. Others, if they are spotted in open country during the day, will be shot by hunters (the hunters say that abandoned galgos that survive in the countryside "spoil the hunt"). Yet others will be run over and left lying by the side of the road; no-one will even bother to remove their corpses. A few will arrive, half-dead, at an animal refuge.

Like many other people, I have seen these survivors. My heart bled to see their sad faces and stroke their wasted bodies exhausted after such a long journey...delicate, sweet and full of tenderness in spite of their never-ending suffering. They arrived at the refuge half-dead, almost hopeless, with multiple fractures, severe leishmaniasis, malnutrition, open wounds and parasites of every description.

The pregnant females could hardly walk – they were little more than skin and bone. Nearly always, a volunteer feels overwhelmed. There is no money for veterinary care, or medicines and barely enough for food... just a living creature looking at us and timidly asking to be stroked in spite of all that it has suffered. Sometimes I have received photos of these dogs leading a new life thousands of miles from here. I can see them, still amazed at their good fortune, walking happily along a beach or being patted and kissed. I think I am a realistic person and I know that we are never going to change the attitudes of our parents and grandparents ... but we *can* try to break the vicious circle of pain and death and make this a better world for our children by teaching them, educating them and so eradicating the ignorance that surrounds our magnificent companions, the galgos. Sometimes I have thought of adopting one of the many galgos that are sent abroad, but there is a problem: my galgo would never be safe if we went out for a walk in the countryside as I do with my other dogs. Someone could steal him at any moment if he strayed too far from my side ... and I could not bear, while he was running happily in the open fields, to hear one of those shots that terrify me so much and that I can hear even now from my house as I write these lines At present, no galgo is safe from ignorance. We can save hundreds, even thousands ... but, if we do not fight the battle once and for all on the education front, we will simply be applying Band-Aids to open wounds.

By Ana Fernandez

PAWS ACROSS THE POND'

SUGGESTED ITEMS HELPFUL FOR THE WORK IN SPAIN- List for the Spanish shelters

COLLARS AND LEADS

- **For the shelters in Spain:** Basic, new or second-hand, for kennelling and transportation

COATS **For shelters in Spain, from Madrid northward:**

Warm coats, homemade or second hand, waterproof (preferable) or indoor quality are much in demand. We have patterns on our website. If you are making them, please note that as these dogs spend many hours unattended in shelters and velcro is not secure enough. Firm stitching is best over the breast bone, and either buckles, or two ties sewn firmly on the middle back, one yard each and at least 2 and half inches wide, are the best fixing option.

MUZZLES

Moderately used in Spain, new or second-hand, clean and intact.

ANTIPARASITICS

Flea/tick preventative and treatment, Frontline, Drontal plus. If you could write the correct dosage (in metric), method of application and warnings in Spanish, that would save accidents and would be much appreciated.

ANTIBIOTICS: oral and parenteral

Moderately helpful, though we prefer to commend them into the hands of vets.

ANTIBIOTICS: topical creams and powders etc.

Very useful

ALLOPURINOL (Xyloric Acid) tabs.

Used widely for long-term treatment of Leishmania.

Fluids are not practical for sending. Sorry

CELEBRATING GREYHOUND. Calendars, Diaries , Magazines, always very welcome and useful for resale by all of us

CONCERNING SENDING of PARCELS FROM USA TO EUROPE

We in the EU must pay import duty on valuable goods according to the value displayed on the customs label. Therefore, when you write the value of the goods, always underestimate (for example \$20 or less or 'No Value') Goods can be sent via courier, airmail or by sea but the latter can take at least 6-8 weeks but is useful and efficient for very big boxes. Medicines (antibiotics, antiparasitics etc) should be sent via *us in UK* to forward on to 'your' refuge in Spain because medical goods from outside the EU are retained at the Spanish customs, whereas this does not happen it seems between US and UK and does not happen between EU countries.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Finch

Anne

Greyhound Vet Network

CLINIC NAME	VET NAME	ADDRESS	CITY, ST	PHONE
Bissonnett/Southampton Vet Clinic	Dr. Taffi Tippett	2028 Bissonnett	Houston, TX	(713) 520-8743
Memorial Town and Country	Dr J M Brasher	12661 Memorial Dr	Houston, TX	(713) 464-4686
Rice Village	Dr. Wilkie	2348 Rice Blvd	Houston, TX	(713) 527-0489
Memorial 610 Animal Hospital	Dr. David Shell	910 Antione	Houston, TX	(713) 688-0387
Southside Place Animal Clinic	Dr. Alice Frei	6902 Stella Link	Houston, TX	(713) 349-0718
Meyerland Animal Hospital	Dr. Wemer	4995 W Bellfort	Houston, TX	(713) 723-8612
Post Oak Willowbend	Dr. John Shelton	11227 S Post Oak	Houston, TX	(713) 729-5210
Fairbanks Animal Clinic	Dr Glen Reiger	7151 Fairbanks N Houston	Houston, TX	(713) 937-7274
Wilcrest Animal Hospital	Drs. Milan and Chandlen	704 Wilcrest Dr	Houston, TX	(713) 781-3770
Voss Road Animal Hospital	Drs. Tharp, Hayes & Glass	2215 S Voss Rd	Houston, TX	(713) 782-1500
Bay Glen Animal Hospital	Dr. Lisk & Janney	1616 Clear Lake City Blvd	Houston, TX	(281) 480-8800
TLC Animal Hospital	Drs. Kuecker & Richardson	14870 Space Center Blvd S	Houston, TX	(281) 282-9944
Tanglewilde Animal Hospital	Dr. Stiles	2717 Rockyridge	Houston, TX	(713) 783-4044
Animal Medical Center	Dr. Wayne Johnson	11100 Cypress N Houston	Houston, TX	(281) 469-1171
Northwest Animal Clinic	Drs. Peggy Huckabee	3031 FM 1960 W	Houston, TX	(281) 444-1084
FM 1960 Animal Hospital	Drs. McLaughton & Simpson	6703 FM 1960 W	Houston, TX	(281) 444-4170
South Gessner Pet Clinic	Dr. Tabatha Rowe	10323 S Gessner	Houston, TX	(713) 777-0543
Nottingham Animal Clinic	Drs. James Fix & Jon Brooke	14465 Memorial Dr	Houston, TX	(281) 493-1919
Bellfort Animal Hospital	Dr. Harkness	6633 Bellfort St	Houston, TX	(713) 643-2626
Longenbaugh Veterinary Hospital	Dr. Keadle	15703 E Longenbaugh	Houston, TX	(281) 856-7023
King's Crossing	Dr Diana Blessman	3425 W Lake Houston Pwy	Kingwood, TX	(281) 360-5550
Atascazoo Animal Hospital	Dr Bolleter	5910 FM 1960 E #5	Humble, TX	(281) 852-8398
Porter Animal Hospital	Dr Phillip Elmer	23545 FM 1314	Porter, TX	(281) 354-8099
Critter Fixer	Dr. Bob Rogers	5703 Louetta	Spring, TX	(281) 370-3262
Kuykendhal Veterinary Hospital	Drs. Green and Dunn	17740 Kuykendhal	Spring, TX	(281) 353-5700
Stuebner-Airline Champions Vet Clini	Dr Max Heimlich	16116 Stuebner-Airline, St 7	Spring, TX	(281) 376-2505
Enchanted Oaks	Dr Tony McCall	153 Cypresswood Dr	Spring, TX	(281) 350-3730
Southwest Animal Hospital	Drs Von Eiff and Silbeman	4570 Bissonett	Bellaire, TX	(713) 668-4466
Telge Rd Vet Clinic	Dr. Ricardo A. Battistini	11430 Telge Rd	Cypress, TX	(281) 955-9797
All Pets Animal Clinic	Dr. Pat Choyce	959 S Mason Rd	Katy, TX	(281) 579-7083
Lake Olympia Animal Hospital	Drs. Jacob and Dobson	3603 Glenn Lakes Lane	Missouri City,	(281) 499-7242
Paws, Claws and All	Dr Deb Cunningham	2499 Cartwright Rd	Missouri City,	(281) 261-7953
Brazos Bend Animal Hospital	Dr. Karen Ross	721 FM 359	Richmond, TX	(281) 342-1117
Animal Hospital Highway 6	Dr JP Hauke	3429 Hwy 6	Sugarland, TX	(281) 980-8387
Arkmobile Vet Housecall Service	Dr. Cordon	PO Box 45	Sugarland, TX	(281) 265-7387
Old Town Animal Hospital	Dr Shannon Hicks	6025 Highway Blvd	Katy, TX	(281)392-8387
Deer Park Animal Clinic	Dr. Lonsford	202 W San Augustine	Deer Park, TX	(281) 479-0405
Bay Creek Animal Clinic	Dr. Hoffman & Mogas	1236 E Main	League City, T	(281) 332-3051
Forest Lake Animal Clinic	Dr Roof	3942 Nasa Road 1	Seabrook, TX	(281) 326-2576
Brenham Veterinary Hospital	Dr. Glen Gaines	PO Box 241, 2455 Hwy 290 w	Brenham, TX	(979) 836-2472
Aggieland Animal Hospital	Drs. Herron and Hannes	13223 FM 2154	College Station	(979) 690-7775

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Annual Adoption Questionnaire and Membership Renewal

GPA/Houston, Inc P.O. Box 741176 Houston, TX 77274-1176 713 667-3804 / 713 866-4466

Completion of this annual questionnaire by each greyhound adopter is required per GPA/Houston's Adoption Application. This information is essential for the benefit of you and your greyhound(s) Please return the completed form by mail to the above address, or bring it to the adoption center. Please make a copy of this form if you have more than four greyhounds.

Owner's Name (s) _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone 1 _____ Work Phone 2 _____

Is this a new address? Yes No

Cell Phone _____ Email Address _____

Occupation 1 _____ Employer _____

Occupation 2 _____ Employer _____

Greyhound's Name _____ Age _____ GPA Tag # _____

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Has your greyhound experienced any health and/or behavioral problems during the past year? Yes No

If yes, please provide a brief explanation _____

Vet _____ Address _____ Phone # _____

Brand of Heartworm Preventative used _____

I am renewing my GPA/Houston membership for 2004. (If you adopted after October, your dues are paid for 2004)

\$25 Member \$50—\$74 Supporting \$75—\$199 Benefactor \$200—\$999 Angel \$1000+ Saint

Payment Information Check Visa MasterCard

Visa or MC # _____ Exp. Date _____ Signature _____

I would like to help the greyhounds by : (Circle all that apply)

Volunteering at the kennel Being a holiday or Transporting greyhounds to Participating in store-
front as-needed foster homes the vet. events in my area.

Other: Please list any other skills (professional or hobbies) that you would be willing to share with GPA Houston.

I am enclosing a tax deductible donation in the amount of \$ _____ Please apply the donation to...

The building fund Special Needs Emergency Fund Food for the greyhounds Operating Expenses

My employer offers matching funds. Please contact me at _____

GPA Houston would like to acknowledge members who donate to our organization on our website and in our newsletter. Do we have permission to list your name. Yes No

The greyhounds appreciate your continued support. Thank-you.

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