

Greyhounds Pets of America-Northern California (GPA-NC) / Greyhound Adoption California (GACA) Newsletter, Winter 2005

Happy New Year Greyhound Lovers!

As our organization ages, so do our beloved Greyhounds. We know that they will not live forever, but that doesn't make it any easier when our dear friend and companion passes over the Rainbow Bridge. 2004 ended on a sad note with the passing in December, of Cheyenne Bibens, who was loved by Joan and Bob Bibens. Also, Niki Savage, who was loved by Drew and Linda Savage passed away in December. Then, on January 31st, 2005, our dear Scottie Sanders passed away. Scottie was responsible for Scott and I becoming involved in Greyhound rescue and leaves a legacy of over 300 Greyhounds now living in loving "forever homes." All three of these beautiful girls will be missed as are the others who have gone to the Bridge before them.

Fresno Home Show

For those of you in the Fresno area, the Fresno Home show is coming up. March 4th, 5th and 6th. [Contact Jill Mazzei if you would like to help.](#) She still needs help, particularly on Sunday. This is a fun event and you are kept very busy talking about how wonderful your Greyhound is. There is always lots of interest, not to mention, the best cinnamon buns ever.

West Coast Greyhound Gathering

Don't forget the first West Coast Greyhound Gathering in Solvang. The dates are February 25th, 26th and 27th. For more information go to [their web site](#). As we get closer, it looks like there is going to be lots of fun activities and events for the hounds and their humans. Not to mention, lots of shopping for Greyhound stuff. My kind of event. There are several of us from the group going and we are looking forward to meeting lots of Greyhounds. Let me know if you are planning on going so we can meet up while there. Scott and I are attending. If you need to contact the organization while we are gone, you can contact [Sherrlyn Lancaster](#).

Bay Area Events

Our first Show & Tell in the Bay Area is April 16th and 17th at the San Juan Bautista Crafts Festival. We are doing three events in San Juan Bautista this year. June 11th and 12th is the new Rib Cook-Off and July 9th and 10th is the second Crafts Festival. Be sure to mark your calendars as these events are lots of fun. **Spring is Coming!** With Spring just around the corner, be sure that your Greys are getting their daily exercise with all the rain. Sometimes it is really hard to get them out there as we know what prima dona's some of them can be about getting wet. I know I am going to state the obvious to some of you, but we keep a towel on the floor under the dog door and another towel handy to wipe off wet feet and backs. Mine are water babies and love to romp in the rain which can be hard on rugs and floors.

New Adoptions

We have **twelve** adoptions to report.

Goldie Martinez adopted Lady (Alpha). This was the first adoption for our new placement reps on the central coast, Tracy Burns and Jason Crawford. Lady is already traveling with Goldie and going on adventures of her own up in Napa. All ended well thanks to a kindly neighbor.

Stephanie and Brian Copner and son Nicklaus adopted Beau and Ty. Brian is a soccer coach and Beau and Ty are now soccer dogs. The Copner's wanted to "rescue" retired racing Greyhounds after reading about them and we were only too happy to oblige.

George and Carol Robinson adopted Demi, a sweet 9 year old. George and Carol are the Grandparents of Greyhounds Jax and Quincy Robinson who belong to Christine and Darren Robinson. The Robinson's are now truly a Greyhound Family.

Bob and Joan Bibens adopted KC. After the sudden death of their beloved Cheyenne, they knew immediately that they needed to fill the gaping hole that she left. KC came along and the rest is history. It was meant to be.

Randy and Ann Guerrero, son Cameron and daughter Emma adopted Attention, now Apollo. When Randy heard that we were calling him "Attention Deficit" he said he would fit right in with their family. Hummmm....

Carol Herron adopted Kiowa. Talk about love at first sight. Carol was at the retirement party and she, Kahuna (her very tall male Greyhound) and Kiowa immediately hit it off. Kiowa now runs on the secure beach with Carol and Kahuna and is becoming a true Navy dog. Carol is our new placement rep in the Monterey area.

Jeannie Jarnot and Carlos Paz and their Greyhound Franti adopted Negrita (BF's All Alone). Nina Denegri, their placement rep, reports that Franti and Negrita are getting along beautifully and that she is settling in just fine.

Terry Linza and Maritere Lopez adopted Emilio and Resolve. They previously owned a Greyhound that they adopted from Buffalo Greyhound Adoption. When he passed, they decided to adopt two next time and Emilio and Resolve were available. They are doing very well together.

Drew and Linda Savage adopted Shelby (PA's Clean Sweep). Shelby is a beautiful white and brindle lady who will fill the huge hole left when their dear Niki passed away way too soon.

Patricia and Darryl Hudson and daughter Amber adopted Licorice (TKM Shesa Charm). This is Carol Herron's first adoption and she also fostered Licorice for them. They had play dates and such so that the Hudson's existing dog would feel comfortable with her. All is going very well and they are getting along just fine Carol reports.

A big **THANK YOU** to all for giving these beautiful Greyhounds loving "forever homes."

You Say It's Your Birthday!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FOLLOWING GREYS

January - Guinness, Echo, Holly, Checkers, Tabitha, Gracey V., Fiona, Claire, Finn and Resolve

February - Lucy, Zoe, Good Boy, Range Rover, Coco, Raven, Seadra, Vixen, Cotton, Ike and Jackson

Hugs, treats and romps all around.