

Greyhounds Pets of America-Northern California (GPA-NC)/ Greyhound Adoption California (GACA) Newsletter, Winter 2006

Happy New Year!

It's the year of the Dog. Well, for Greyhound lovers, it's always the "year of the dog." Were you one of the millions of Americans who bought valentine presents for your Greys? If so, according to my favorite radio station, more people buy valentine presents for their pets than their human friends. Hummmm...

Fresno Home Show

First off, [Jill Mazzei](#) still needs help with the Home Show in Fresno. The dates and times she needs coverage are:

Friday, March 3rd from 11 - 3 and especially from 3 - 7 PM.

Saturday, March 4th, from 2 - 5 and definitely from 5 - 8 PM as she has no volunteers for this time slot.

Sunday, March 5th, there are no volunteers to open from 10 - 2:30.

If you can help Jill out, please [let her know](#) as soon as possible. **If she does not have these times filled by Monday, the 20th of Feb., she will have to cancel.** This has always been a very successful venue for our organization and for the Greyhounds. We would hate to miss out this year.

Going to Solvang?

A quick message for those of you who are going to Solvang. Teddy Palmer is going to be there and she would like to meet all of you who have her "Oakie" dogs. She is asking that all dogs from Oklahoma wear a blue ribbon so she can identify her "kids." Cara Brockhoff of Northcoast Greyhound Support is preparing lots of pretty blue strips which she'll hang on her door in the vendor hallway, Door #138. Stop by and grab one if you are escorting an "Oakie." **Available Greys!** We have nine Greyhounds in our foster care system that need homes. There are four females, all cat safe, young and sweet. Also, there are five males. One of the males, Teddy, is a very sweet boy who needs to be in a calm home with little or no stress. He is also on a special diet as he has several food issues. If you are interested in taking on Teddy's care, you can contact either [Delene Dunne](#) or [me](#). Also, if you are interested in any of these Greys, please feel free to [contact me](#) and I can tell you more about them. It is a wonderful group. **Spread the Word** We really need you all to get out there and help stir up interest in our wonderful Greys. There is so much you can do and it takes so little of your time. For example, a group in Modesto meet at the local Petsmart every Saturday morning for one hour. They answer questions and hand out brochures and show off their Greys. This has been very successful for the Modesto group. Just go to your local pet store and spend about an hour with some friends and you will be surprised at how much attention this brings to your wonderful Greyhound(s). If you [contact me](#), I will send you a copy of the brochure in Word. Let's get out there and promote these wonderful Greys. [Click here to download it now in pdf format.](#) **Upcoming Show and Tell Events** Besides the Fresno Home Show in March, we also have the first of the three San Juan Bautista Craft Fairs coming up on April 12th & 13th. I will be sending out sign-up sheets for volunteers. This is a great event for us and we hope to see lots of you there with your Greys.

Traveling Any Time Soon? Don't forget to make your reservations at [Greyhound Bark](#) if you are going on vacation this summer. They fill up fast.

Also, if you want to exchange babysitting, be sure to [get the information to me](#) in plenty of time for me to send out a notice. Be sure to include your location, if your Grey is cat safe, kid safe and anything else that will help.

New Adoptions We have six new adoptions to report.

Kay Baca adopted Tina (TV Tiki Tina), a beautiful little blue girl. She is a companion for her other female Greyhound and is helping her overcome her shyness. Also, Kay has fostered two males for us, Gottie and Tivo. Thank you so much for fostering and adopting. Tina's new home is in San Jose.

Robert & Tonya Ball and their three children, Samantha, Deborah and Sebrina, adopted Princess Bella (Bande's Pal). Bella is living up to her name and is also doing wonders for Greyhound adoption by going to the Modesto Petsmart every Saturday morning for an hour. Good for her and the Ball family.

Karen Keys and Michael Blankenship, their children Emma and Holly and Glennis, their Greyhound, adopted Jake (Houston). Jake is fitting right in and getting along just fine with Glennis and her rambunctiousness in Concord.

Shelly & Frank Sheperson and their Greyhound Willow adopted Colby (Gottie). They just lost their male Greyhound and Willow missed him. Colby is doing fine other than some "stair issues" that he is slowly overcoming. His new home is in Belmont.

Phyllis Dean adopted Tivo. Phyllis just lost her other Greyhound and was missing his presence around her home. Tivo came along and is doing very well. The only issue she is having is that she has a couch that is just for him and he won't get on it. Prefers to lie on the floor on his pillow. Apparently he isn't a "couch potato." They live in Redding.

Dan & Bic Nguyen adopted Breaker (Flashback). We met Dan and Bic at Bark in the Park. They were obviously in love with Greyhounds and Breaker fit their needs wonderfully. They live in San Jose.

Thank you all for giving a retired racing Greyhound a wonderful "forever home."

You Say It's Your Birthday!

Happy Birthday To The Following Greys:

January: Guinness, Echo, Holly, Checkers, Tabitha, Gracey V., Fiona, Sarah, Finn, Stella, Voudousi, Island Joe and Tweety.

February: Lucy, Zoe, Good Boy, Rover, Coco, Raven, Seadra, Vixen, Cotton, Ike, Jackson, Winnie, Annie, Finnigan, Uma Mae, Caramel, Leggs and Erica.

Hugs and treats for all! We will be reporting on the Solvang Greyhound Fest in the next newsletter. It will be bigger and better this year and we are looking forward to the events and the shopping.