



## **GreyHeart Greyhound Adoption**

### **Newsletter - Fall 2019 Edition**

#### **The President “Speaks”**

Hello GreyHeart! Hope your summer went well. It sure did go by fast that’s for sure. Get those greyhound coats out and washed up, it’s almost that time!

Linda Cliffler from Sunburst recently invited Assi and me to spend a long weekend with her in Ebro, Florida where her kennel is located. This would be quite an experience for me as I have never been on a plane before. Assi and I were overdue for a vacation so we took her up on the offer. We booked a room in Panama City which is just about half an hour south of the kennel in Ebro.

I survived the flight down there with a layover in Atlanta. When we arrived at the Panama City airport I felt like we just arrived on another planet. 90+ degrees and palm trees everywhere. Nice! Assi chauffeured Linda and I back to the hotel. It was late in the afternoon so we just met up with some mutual friends, had dinner and then went back to the hotel for the night. In the morning we were going to the kennel and that was all I could think about! Just about every one of our hounds has spent time here! Not to mention some of our future hounds were there too!

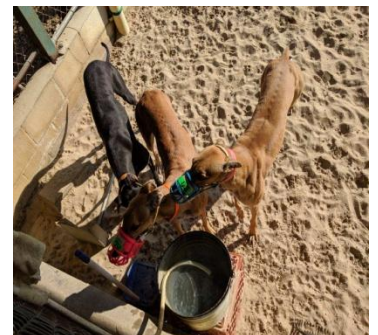
We arrived at Sunburst Kennel for the first turn out around 9 a.m. The security guard let us through and right around the corner there they were! Dozens of happy greyhounds in the turn out area. It was already starting to get warm out but these hounds didn’t care. The males were in the left pen and the females in the right one. I’m guessing about 15 to 20 on each side. They all were playing like crazy with an occasional vocal correction from kennel hand Stacie. Probably some of the happiest and the healthiest hounds I have ever seen! One by one they would start to get tired and lay down in the sand and sun. Eventually Stacie or Ashley would open the gate and herd the hounds inside into the kennel where they ate and slept. I’m pretty sure the boys were brought in first. Nothing like being in a kennel with that many crazy big boys running around. It was a feeling like no other! The energy level was through the roof. One by one Stacie and her husband put each hound into their designated location. Once the boys were in it was time to let the girls back in. Here they come with the same energy level as the boys. Again, one by one they were guided into their designated location. The females are kept above the male hounds so they would open the door and the little girls would effortlessly jump up about 3 feet and go right into their crates perfectly. Within a few minutes the kennel takes on a different tune and everyone is laying down and about to sleep. The radio was playing in the background either country or oldies. The air in the kennel was very fresh especially for having so many hounds in one area. The air conditioner probably never shuts off in the kennel and made it very comfy, probably in the mid to lower 70’s.

In the front of the kennel there was a small office where the girls prepare the paperwork for the adoption groups. There was also a small area where the daily meals of raw and kibble mix meals are prepared for the pups. Very organized and sanitized. I was impressed.

We went to several more turnouts during our visit. It was an experience I will never forget. We met some great people that love these pups just as much as we do.

Linda has expressed some concern about the amount of hounds that are coming in right now. She is working on opening up a second kennel and hiring more help. Daytona will be closing soon and this will not make it any easier. We are going to have to try to step up our fostering as much as possible. I have no business taking on a foster right now but I'm going to do it! If you have been thinking that you might have room for one more foster, now is the time! Please let us know if you can help out!

Hope you enjoy these photos from one of the turnouts.....



*Art Zylka*, GreyHeart President

## **August Greyhound Haul**

It was a greyt day for a haul on Saturday, August 3rd. We brought in 2 beautiful females and 4 handsome males. The hounds were brought to the Michigan/Ohio border by Victory Lap Transport. A HUGE thank you goes out to Moira Hagan and Joe Reo who actually flew down to Pittsburgh to meet up with David and Sandy from Victory Lap. They then drove down to Florida to pick up our hounds as well as a few that were dropped off at a prison in Indiana. Moira said she was a little tired but it was a great adventure and she would be happy to do it again. Jeff Henkel, Ed Pietrzak and Kathy Cooper drove to the border to pick up the hounds and Dahn Brickner joined Moira and Joe as riders. Once again thank you Linda Cliffler and Sunburst Kennel for these amazing hounds. And a big thanks goes to Courtney Evans from Unleashed Vets for checking out our new pups.





**WW Pick Up Lines (Kip)** is a white/red male cow dog fostered by: Linda Santo

**KC's Set Em Up (Casey)** is a red fawn female fostered by: Jeff Henkel

**DKC Rolex (Rolex)** is a white/brindle male cow dog fostered by: Stacy Mykolaitis

**Atascocita Balm (Bali)** is a brindle female fostered by: Robyn Wittner



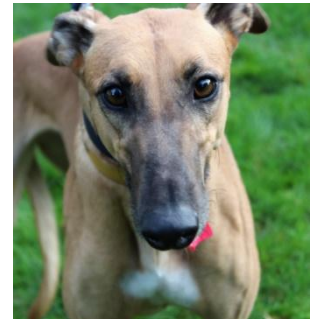
**Mirando** is a red fawn male fostered by Erin Ropes

**XT's JJ Da Boss (Boss)** is a black male fostered by: Sandi Shalhoub

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## **September Greyhound Haul**

It turned out to be a sunny but chilly day as our hounds (3 males & 4 females) arrived from Florida on Saturday, October 12th. A HUGE thank you to Jim Simmons from GEM and one of his volunteers who offered to drive down to Florida, pick up our pups and deliver them to us safe and sound. They also picked up 3 hounds for GEM. As always, thank you Linda Cliffler and Sunburst Kennels for sending us such amazing hounds. Thanks also to Cassie Oviatt-Mosher (vet tech) who made sure our greys were in good shape (with a little help from Jeff!)



**PJ Yes Sir** is a black male fostered by Stacy Mykolaitis

**KB's Hatter (Hattie)** is a white/brindle female fostered by Carol Gilin

**Top Notch (Notch)** is a black male fostered by Gail Phelps

**VMR Gypsy Woman (Gypsy)** is a fawn female fostered by Kim Ridge



**Arkans Lion** (Lion) is a brindle male fostered by Amy Hensley



**PJ Losin Control** (Lolo) is a black female fostered by Jeff Henkel



**Flying T Elsey** (Kelsey) is a brindle female fostered by Linda Santo



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**Our next haul is scheduled for some time in November**

**If You Open Your Heart To Them, They Will Open Your Eyes.**

We currently have several short and long sleeve shirts and hoodies that are available for purchase. If you are interested in purchasing one of the items listed below, please text Assi at (248) 939-0965. You can then discuss the best way to purchase and pick up your order.

L Pink Hoodie

2XL Lt Grey Long sleeve

XL White Long sleeve (2)

XL Dark Grey Long sleeve

M Pink Long sleeve

M Lt Blue Long sleeve

M White Long sleeve

M White Short sleeve

S Lt Blue Short sleeve

## **Upcoming Events**

► **Meet & Greets** (*Specific maps/locations can be found on the GreyHeart website*)

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| • Sat, October 19  | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Shelby Twp Purely Pets       |
| • Sat, October 26  | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | South Lyon Pet Supplies Plus |
| • Sat, November 2  | 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  | Farmington Pet Valu          |
| • Sat, November 9  | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Livonia Pet Supplies Plus    |
| • Sat, November 16 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Shelby Twp Purely Pets       |
| • Sat, November 23 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | South Lyon Pet Supplies Plus |
| • Sat, December 7  | 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  | Farmington Pet Valu          |
| • Sat, December 14 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Livonia Pet Supplies Plus    |
| • Sat, December 21 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | Shelby Twp Purely Pets       |
| • Sat, December 28 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. | South Lyon Pet Supplies Plus |

**Please Note:** We have temporarily discontinued the Grosse Pointe Pet Supplies Plus and the West Bloomfield Pet Valu Meet and Greets.

**WANTED - VOLUNTEERS!!** *Please consider bringing your greyhound to one or more of these fun events. Not only are Meet N' Greets a wonderful opportunity to introduce our wonderful greyhounds to the public, it also gives us a great opportunity to educate possible greyhound adopters. It's a lot of fun to meet with other greyhound owners and share experiences!*

**Stay tuned for impromptu fun walks & other events. Check Facebook for announcements of dates & times when we will walk our hounds (i.e. Hines Park, Downtown River Walk, etc.) or organize play dates. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our amazing hounds and solicit potential adopters. If you have any other fun ideas, let us know!!**

*If you have any suggestions for future newsletters, please let us know. These articles can be about information you believe will be useful to all greyhound owners or stories you would like to share.*

*→ Please forward all newsletter inquiries, suggestions and photos to: Ginnie Bondy at [bond0011@aol.com](mailto:bond0011@aol.com)*

*→ Articles, photos and any items to be included in the next newsletter must be submitted to Ginnie by November 1st.*

