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May 2010 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President, Tim M. Pat M. moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Kathy D. and passed. There were no corrections to the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Beth J. gave the treasurer's report. Our account balance at the beginning of April was \$4,613.76. Income was \$1,085.00 (\$17.67 was from our Schnuck's e-script cards). Expenses were \$1,070.38 leaving an ending balance of \$4,646.05. Beth asked that when sending her a check in the mail, please make sure there is a note with the check

that has your name on it and what the check is for.

Membership Report

Janice E. reported that there was one membership inquiry during April and no new



Hi, I'm Mango and still looking for my forever home! Please see my bio on our website!

members. There were no visitors at the meeting.

Intake Report

Carrie T. was absent, so Heather H. gave her report.

Four dogs came in during the last month.

010-010 Sammy—a 15 month old male

010-011 Bella—a 6 year old female

010-012 Finnegan—a three year old male

010-013 Daisy—a 7-1/2 year old female

Adoption Report

Amy A. reported that two dogs were placed in their forever homes during the month of April:

010-009 Cody

010-010 Sammy

Amy announced that we have six good families on our waiting list and most are looking for dogs in the 2-4 year range.

GGRR Website Report

Paul S. reported on our website traffic during the previous month. Our website had:

Hits: 98,848

Page Views: 15,072

Visitors: 6,402

Unique Visitors: 2,250

Paul announced that the adoption page will be up

on the website soon. He also fixed the membership portion to make sure the membership emails were getting to Janice E. Paul also announced that he'll be making some improvements to the Adoption Applications page.

Wags & Brags

Four teams have passed the test to become registered in the Delta Pet Partners program:

Bentley and Tim M.

Boomer and Tim's Mother-in-law
Max and Barb B.

Sebastian and Pat M.

We still have several teams that will be tested in the near future. Thanks goes out to Nancy R. for teaching the Delta training class. With her expertise, Nancy was able to guide and motivate us to become Pet Partner teams that will bring joy into the lives of the people we visit.

GRRR Events



10 month old Emma was placed in her forever home in April!

Barb B. reported on our upcoming events:
Lucky Dog
The following people signed up to do our Lucky Dog Adoption Day
June 19th—Donna S.
July 17th—Chris R.
Golden Specialty
Barb reported that we made \$236.00 in donations on Saturday and another \$295.00 in donations on Sunday. Our proceeds from the sell of our merchandise totaled \$470.00 for the entire weekend!

Under One Woof Garage Sale
Sharon W. at Under One Woof is hosting a garage sale on Saturday, June 12th. It is \$5.00 to set up and have a booth and all proceeds from the garage sale will go to Fire Department for dog oxygen masks. There will be activities for your dogs and we will have a table there selling our merchandise. See Barb for more information on this event.
Field Hunt Tests
Tim M. reported that the Field Hunt Test will take place May

22nd & 23rd at Bush Wildlife. We need six runners for each day. Runners need to be there at 9:00 a.m. both days. Please talk to Tim if you're interested in helping.
Leash Holders & Magnets
Barb B. showed some wrought-iron leash holders that we are going to be selling that say "Rescued & Loved" with a Golden on them. The will be \$18.00 each. Barb also announced that she has some new rescue magnets to sell at our events too.

**Upcoming Event
All Members
Needed!!!**

**GRRR Reunion
Picnic—Sunday,
June 13th at
12:00 p.m.**

GRRR Reunion Picnic

GRRR's reunion picnic will be Sunday, June 13th at the Dog Museum in Queeny Park from 12:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Amy G. announced that she has sign-up sheets for set up at 10:00 a.m., for volunteers during the picnic to help with food and games, and for clean-up afterwards. Set up begins at 10:00 a.m. and we will be able to unload and set up everything

outside until the Museum opens at 11:00 a.m. Then we can set up the food inside. We need to make sure we do a better job of cleaning up this year because the Dog Museum was not happy with the way the facility was left. All members are encouraged to help out with our reunion picnic. This picnic means a lot to our adoptive families and we want to

make sure they have a great time and enjoy their day.

We will be putting together our raffle baskets on Friday, June 4th at Amy G.'s house in Warson Woods. Please get all raffle basket items to Amy by June 4th. If you have something after that date, please try to put it in a basket or make it look presentable for our raffle table for the day of the picnic.



Walter & Rusty Gerber Love riding in the car!

Happy Dog In A Car

By: Flying Lemming

I'm a happy dog in a car
Hope we're not going far
I walk up and down the backseat
At each corner I'm rocked off my feet
I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
Zooming down miles of tar
Sniffing around everywhere
I know where we are by the scents in the air
I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
I'm feeling well above par
On the window I'm sniffing near
My nose leaves a slimy wet smear
I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
We're on our way, hurrah
Happy thoughts run through my mind
As I stare and wag at the car behind
I'm a happy dog in a car

I'm a happy dog in a car
And going slightly gaga
Too excited to lay down and nap
I'll look out the window and let my ears flap
I'm a happy dog in a car

Old Business & New Business



Upon learning of her paternal heritage, Kaia goes out to demonstrate that she's ready for next year's Iditarod!

Old Business

There was no old business to be discussed.

New Business

Donna S. spoke about her Golden, Oliver, and how special he has been to her. She has diabetes and five times in the last four months Oliver has woken her up when she's having insulin reactions. If he

wouldn't have woken her up each time, Donna may have slipped into a coma.

President, Tim M. announced that our coordinator positions are up next month. The following positions are available:

Adoption Coordinator: Amy A. said that she would like to do it

again next year.

Intake Coordinator: Carrie T. would not like to continue on.

Membership Coordinator: Janice E. would not like to continue on.

Events Coordinator: Barb B. expressed that she would like to continue on.

Website Coordinator: Paul S. would like to continue on.

Amy G. expressed interest in handling the Membership duties.

Nominations will happen next meeting.

A motion was made by Paul S. and seconded by Nanette S. to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

**GGRR
Coordinator
Positions
are up in
June.
Nominations
will be at our
next
meeting!**

Warm Weather Tips for Your Dog

www.canismajor.com

By: Norma Bennett Woolf

- When you're home on summer vacation, spend some time playing with your dog and making sure he is as comfortable as possible on hot, humid days.
- Give him plenty of fresh, cool water.
- Walk him in the morning or

evening, and always keep him on a leash.

- Brush his coat and check for fleas, ticks, and debris in his hair.
- Give him a child's wading pool to splash or lie in if he likes water.
- Limit active games to the cooler hours of the day.
- Remember that heat and hu-

midity are especially stressful on dogs that have shortened muzzles, heavy coats, black fur, or spend most of their days in air-conditioned splendor.

- Be aware that short-coated white or cream-colored dogs can get sunburned, especially on their ears and around their noses.



Why Some Men Have Dogs & Not Wives

Submitted by Barb B.

1. The later you are, the more excited your dogs are to see you.
2. Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name.
3. Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor.
4. A dog's parents never visit.
5. Dogs agree that you have to raise your voice to get your point across.
6. You never have to wait for a dog; they're ready to go 24

- hours a day.
7. Dogs find you amusing when you're drunk.
8. Dogs like to go hunting and fishing.
9. A dog will not wake you up at night to ask, "If I died, would you get another dog?"
10. If a dog has babies, you can put an ad in the paper and give them away.
11. A dog will let you put a studded collar on it without calling you a pervert.

12. If a dog smells another dog on you, they don't get mad. They just think it's interesting.
13. Dogs like to ride in the back of a pickup truck.
14. If a dog leaves, it won't take half of your stuff.

Ultimate True Test:

Lock your wife and your dog in the trunk of your car for an hour. Then open the trunk and see who's the happiest to see you.



Emma's new family threw her a 1st Birthday Party with her own special b-day cake!



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Next Meeting

Thursday, June 10th at 7:00 p.m.
At the Dog Museum in Queeny Park
We love having happy healthy Goldens at
our meetings! Please make sure your dog
is up to date on shots and vaccinations.

To Adopt or Surrender a Dog Call the GRR Phone Lines: (314) 995-5477

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