



# GGRR Newsletter

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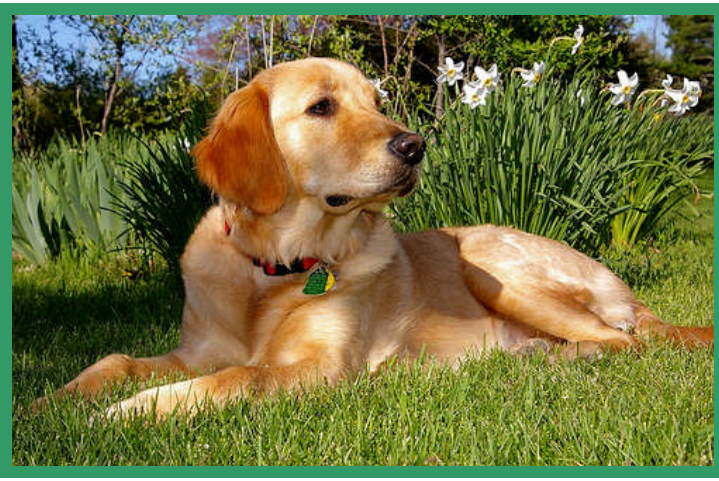
## \* \* \* Meeting Notice \* \* \*

**Date: Thursday, May 14, 2009**

**Time: 7:15 p.m.**

**Place: The Museum of the Dog**

*We love having well-behaved, healthy Golden Retrievers (up-to-date on shots please) attend our meetings. However, please keep them leashed and at your side while we conduct the business portion of our meeting. Dogs are welcome to romp and socialize both before and after the meeting.*



*Spring Has Finally Sprung!*

### **GGRR Minutes from April 9, 2009**

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 February meeting. The motion was seconded by Kathy D. A vote was taken and the motion passed. Kathy D. also made a correction to the minutes stating that we do not want people to bring garage sale

items to the picnic in June because it will already be past the garage sale date.

### **President's Report:**

Tim M. reported that on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a Training Session for all people doing home visits, dog visits, phone lines, etc. at the Dog Museum from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The training session will be taught by Rich T., Mike S., and Shane S. Everyone who does any of the above mentioned items needs to be there.

Tim mentioned that we have a 2 year old female that is overweight with elbow problems that is waiting to come in. She will need to be taken to VSS to see how to correct her elbow problems and will be a long time foster. This surgery will also be dipping into our Flash Fund. If you are interested in being a foster home for this female, please see Tim M. She will need a low-key household and definitely need to lose some weight.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Beth J. was late getting to the meeting and didn't have her report with her. She will give her report at the next meeting.

### **Membership Coordinator's Report:**

Janice E. was not able to attend the meeting so Heather H. gave her report. We had one membership inquiry in March, and no new members.



*After Reggie Tennesen's sisters, Kayla and Megan, brushed her, they piled her hair on top of her head to give her a fancy bouffant hairdo!*

### **Intake Coordinator's Report:**

Barb B. wasn't able to make it to the meeting so Heather H. gave her report. Heather reported that three new dogs came in this month:

**09-007: Sparkles**, a 3 year old female, being fostered by Betsy F.

**09-008: Gabby**, a 13 month old blond female, up-to-date on shots and spayed, is being fostered by Kathy D. Kathy reported that Gabby is a handful and is into everything. She is a counter-surfer and is very high energy.

**09-009: Hunter**, a 4-1/2 month old medium gold male, being fostered by Paul and Nanette S. Hunter was at the meeting and Paul reported that Hunter has a potty problem. They are having him tested to find out if he has a urinary tract infection or something like that. We should know soon the results of those tests.

Heather H. also gave an update on Chance. His pancreas enzymes are fine. Dr. Buss did a scope of his upper digestive tract. He found some lesions in the duodenum, although they are non-cancerous. He is on a 9-week prednisone regimen to heal the lesions and on Tylen powder to help regulate his digestive system. Chance is currently with the Blackshers.

Barb is tracking the number of days each month that we pay expenses for dogs that are being kenneled. Below are her figures for March:

Chance	3/1 thru 3/18 & 3/21-3/31	29 days
Gabby	3/17 thru 3/29	13 days
Cody	3/18 thru 3/23	6 days

March Total: 48 days  
2009 TOTAL TO DATE = 110 days

### **Adoption Coordinator's Report:**

Carrie T. reported that three dogs were placed in their forever homes during the past month:

<b>09-005:</b>	<b>Tyler</b>
<b>09-007:</b>	<b>Sparkles</b>
<b>08-048:</b>	<b>Sparky</b>

Carrie also reported that she has new waiting lists available up at the desk.

### **Event Coordinator's Report:**

#### **Purina Farms GRCA Golden Specialty**

Chris R. reported that the Golden Specialty was a lot of fun and the food worked out great! GGRR also made a good amount of money that weekend on the food donations and from selling our merchandise.

#### **GGRR Sports Print Order**

If you want to order any of our GGRR t-shirts, polo-style collared GGRR shirts, or the camo shirts for the duck shoot, please get your order to Chris. She needs at least 12 items to place an order.

#### **GGRR Garage Sale**

Kathy D. is collecting items for the garage sale. It will be held on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at her house on Union Rd. in South County.

#### **Annual Paw Festival**

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Paw Festival sponsored by Belleville Area Rescue of K-9's (B. A. R. K.). It will take place from 10:00 – 2:00 in Swansea, IL. Kathy and Amy said that they would go with Chris and help out that day. This event has over 50 vendors already!

## **Events Continued:**

### **Duck Shoot at Busch Wildlife**

The Duck Shoot at Busch Wildlife will be Saturday and Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Tim reported that they will need more runners for the Field Hunt Test. There will be four events. One runner will need to be at each event. The runner will basically assist the judges in anything they need; more shells, paperwork, lunch, supplies, etc. All volunteers need to be there at 7:00 a.m. The event will begin at 8:00 a.m. both days. Tim reported that he has plenty of volunteers for Sunday, but could use a few more for Saturday. GGRR is the primary group on this event so we will need a lot of people to help out. They will tell us what we need to do when we arrive the day of. This event will most likely take most of the day.

### **Lucky Dog**

We need a volunteer to do Lucky Dog in May, June, and July. Please check your calendars and let Chris R. know at the next meeting if you can help out. We are usually at Lucky Dog in Webster Groves on the third Saturday of the month.

### **GGRR Reunion Picnic**

The GGRR Reunion Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Dog Museum in Queeny Park starting at noon. Amy G. will have more info and sign-up sheets at the next meeting.

### **Golden Retriever Weekend at the Museum**

Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> is the Golden Retriever Weekend at the Dog Museum from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **APA Carnival**

Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> is the APA Carnival.

### **Greentree Festival**

September 18<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> is Greentree Festival at Kirkwood Park.



*Stone Carbone poses with a hand drawn portrait of himself that his mom had made from a picture she took. They did a wonderful job because it looks exactly like him!*

### **Website Coordinator Report:**

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

Hits: 99,617  
Page Views: 23,543  
Visitors: 6,705  
Unique Visitors: 2,695

Paul reported that our number of hits was up slightly from previous months.

### **Old Business**

There was no Old Business to be discussed.



*This picture was taken of 'The Rescue Ring' at the Golden Specialty by Rich T. Pictured above are Max and Tank Bayer looking eager to find a way to get their friend Warner R. to come back and hang out with them! Warner R. spent most of the day in the ring keeping the dogs company!*

## **New Business**

GRRR received a \$1,000.00 check from the Pfizer Corporation this month. Kate R. that is fostering Cody works for Pfizer and entered our organization in a drawing for a charitable donation and they pulled GRRR's name! Please thank Kate when you see her at our training session for entering us in this drawing!

Paul S. brought up that while he was retyping the Constitution, Bylaws of our Group, he came across the different kinds of membership types and the fees associated with them. Do we want to change these membership fees since our individual fees went up earlier this year? Mike S. stated that these memberships were just a way of getting donations in the past and all they receive is a copy of the newsletter. Pfizer will be named as a Supporting Member and we will make sure they get a copy of our newsletter and a thank you letter for the donation. It was determined to leave it as it is in the bylaws for now.

A motion was made by Paul S. and seconded by Heather H. to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

## **Donations**

GRRR received donations from the following individuals and groups:

### **The Pfizer Foundation Volunteer Program**

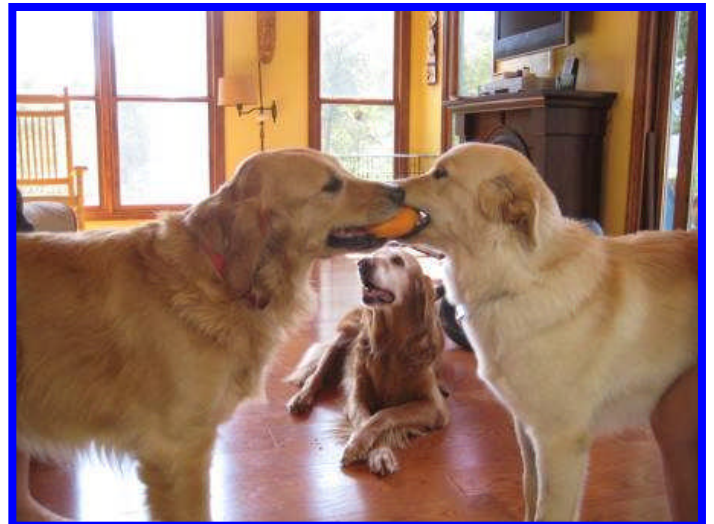
**Eileen & Barney Combs**, in loving memory of their beloved Buddy.

**Jeffrey & Kristen Figge**, in memory of their beloved Newton.

**Chris & Warner Rogers**, in memory of Chloe's beloved baby brother, Newton.

**Pamela Wollenberg**

**Laurie Free**



*"It's MY Toy!"*

*Jack & Kaia Tennesen play tug of war over a toy as Reggie looks on as referee!*

## **Wanted!**

### **Items for our Newsletter!**

**Please send photos and any articles or items for the Newsletters to Tracie B.**

**[tbayer80@gmail.com](mailto:tbayer80@gmail.com)**

**Please submit items by the last day of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter.**

## Homemade Frosty Paws

All of the furry members of your household will absolutely love this recipe! Mine are hooked on it and I fill their Kongs with it and freeze them for the following night! Very simple to make and much cheaper than the Frosty Paws in the grocery stores!

1 quart vanilla or plain yogurt  
1 medium banana (ripened is better)  
2 Tablespoons peanut butter  
2 Tablespoons of honey

Blend or mash up the banana.

Add peanut butter and honey and mix until smooth.

Add yogurt and mix well.

Put mixture into small paper cups (bathroom size), plastic fruit cups (from single servings of applesauce or fruit cocktail), ice cube trays or even small molds (like Kongs). Place in the freezer until solid.

For a special treat, you can place the mixture on a baking sheet and freeze. After freezing, use cookie cutters to make fun looking treats!

Before serving, microwave for a few seconds to soften the treat and serve to your pups!



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## **TO ADOPT OR SURRENDER A DOG, CALL THE GGRR PHONE LINES: (314) 995-5477**

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