



**Gateway Golden Retriever Rescue**

**May 2010**

# May 2010 Newsletter

## April 8th 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 Paul S. and passed. There were four visitors at the meeting.

## President's Report

Tim announced that the coordinator positions are up in June. These positions include: Events, Placement, Intake, Adoption and Membership.

## Treasurer's Report

Beth J. forgot the GRRR checking account information but she did have the Flash Fund amount. The Flash Fund has \$15,447.39. This fund is used for dogs that have health problems or need surgeries, etc.

## Membership Report

Janice E. was not at the meeting, but there were four visitors present: Barb B. and Debbie D., who are both new

foster homes, Robin B., and Trisha Q.

## Intake Report

Carrie T. reported that four dogs came in, in the month of April:

**010-007 Hannah**—a 5 yr. old female who is spayed

**010-008 Emma**—a 10 month old female who was given up by the Owner (needs to be spayed).

**010-009 Cody**— a 1 yr. old male who was a stray from a kill shelter in Sikeston, Mo.

## **08-036R**

**Duke**—a return from a family that has had him for 1-1/2 years. He is dog aggressive.

Carrie also reported that Rich T. was going to do a dog visit on 6 year old siblings, Tim M. was

going to do a dog visit the following day and that another dog visit was needed in Marthasville. Pat. M. volunteered to do this dog visit.

## Adoption Report

Amy A. was absent, so Tim M. gave her report. Two dogs were placed in the month of March:

- 010-005—Cheyanne
- 010-007—Hannah



Think they're getting us a treat???  
 Bob Blacksher, Rain Moran, Max Blacksher and Fosters, Sammy and Bella, all wait patiently at the back door!

## GRRR Website Report

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

Our website had:

- Hits: 66,562
- Page Views: 12,813
- Visitors: 6,241
- Unique Visitors: 2,265

- Paul also reported on where we get our visitors from:
- 861 from Google
- 207 from Yahoo
- 89 from Absolutely Gold
- 74 from Bing
- 49 from The Golden Retriever Club St. Louis
- 45 from PetFinder

- 28 from Facebook
- 19 from GRCA NRC.

We now have 158 fans on Facebook and 27 followers on Twitter. Please remember to post pictures of your pooches on our Facebook page!

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Stone Carbone tries to figure out the new foster dog living in his house! Korisa won this life-size stuffed Golden at the Golden Specialty.

## GGRR Upcoming Events

Barb B. reported on our upcoming events:

### Golden Specialty—April 10th & 11th

Golden Specialty will be held at Purina Farms. A list was passed around for volunteers and side dishes. There will be an open for the dogs and we will also be selling our wares. GGRR gets to keep all donations from the lunch we serve.

### GGRR Reunion Picnic

Our reunion picnic will be Sunday, June 13th at the Dog Museum in Queeny Park at 12:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed for set up, clean up, and to help with food and games. Pat M. volunteered to handle the games, Mike S. volunteered to take pictures and Paul S. will contact Stephanie A. about nail trimming. More information will be given at our next meeting.

### GGRR Trivia Night

Our first trivia night will be held on



Look at all of those pretty Golden!  
This picture was taken at the Golden Specialty on April 10th & 11th at Purina Farms.

January 29, 2011. Our first planning meeting will be Wednesday, April 14th at 6:30 p.m. at the Bread Company on Manchester in Des Peres. If you would like to help plan the trivia night, please try to attend.

### Field Hunt Test—May 22nd & 23rd

The Field Hunt Test will be held at Bush

Wildlife. We have launchers and shooters already lined up for both days. We need runners for both days to run shells, supplies and to help with serving lunch. GGRR will get a donation for their efforts these two days. Tim would d like to have 6 runners for each day. A sign-up sheet was passed around and the volunteers are:

#### May 22nd

1. Chris R.
2. Tracie B.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

#### May 23rd

1. Chris R.
2. Jim D.
3. Pat M.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Please contact Tim M. or Barb B. if you would like to be a runner at the Field Hunt Test.

## GGRR Old Business & New Business

### Old Business

There was no old business.

### New Business

Kathy D. announced that she had the DNA test back on Shadow's puppies that were born two years ago. Shadow, the mom, is definitely a Golden, and the results of the test show that the dad was a Siberian Husky! After reading up on the traits of Siberian Huskies, Kathy had determined that her pup from Shadow's litter has a lot

of those characteristics! Kathy also announced that she had made \$41.00 for GGRR at the Flea Market she participated in.

Jessica W. announced that she needs a home visit in the Collinsville, IL area.

Kayla and Megan T. along with their friends made and sold braided bracelets and donated their profits to GGRR. A big thank you to Kayla and Megan!

Mike S. announced that he has the new copies of our Agricultural License. If you are a foster home or transport dogs, you need a copy of this license.

Tim M. announced that we have plenty of business cards at the desk. If you need some, please take some.

A motion was made by Paul S. and seconded by Chris R. to adjourn the meeting. A vote was taken and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

## Donations

### GGRR received donations from the following individuals and groups:

**Randy Karraker & Joan Foley**, in memory of Kay Callison's foster dog, Nala

**Tracie Bayer**, in memory of Sadie—Rescued Golden of Pam, Mark & Emma Schaefer

To the right is Emma Schaefer and her Golden, Sadie. Sadie went to the Rainbow Bridge suddenly in April and will be missed by her family dearly.





## Photos From the Golden Specialty



GRRR served breakfast and lunch at the Golden Specialty for donations. We also sold our wares at a booth and got to see lots of good looking Golden Retrievers, including the cute little puppy pictured to the left with Paul S.



## The Therapy Dog

By: Sarah J. Holden

Submitted by: Kayla Tennesen

There's a friendly paw by grandma's side,  
With a hairy grin and patient eye.

Gentle, trusting, polite and sweet,  
The dog is a friend, a comfort, a treat.

She visits the sad, lonely, and sick,  
Extending a paw, providing a trick.

For people in wheelchairs, on crutches,  
or in a bed-  
All she asks is a stroke on the head.

She is comfortable in a bustling crowd;  
She never barks or is very loud.

She is carefully groomed, and very clean-  
She is the cleanest dog you've ever seen!

Grandma is happy—just look at her smile!  
I'm glad the therapy dog could stay for a  
while.



Dance Party at the Tennesen House!  
Kayla is partnered with Kaia, Megan with Jack,  
and their friend Lauren with Sammy.

# Camping With Your Dog From: [www.lovetheoutdoors.com](http://www.lovetheoutdoors.com)



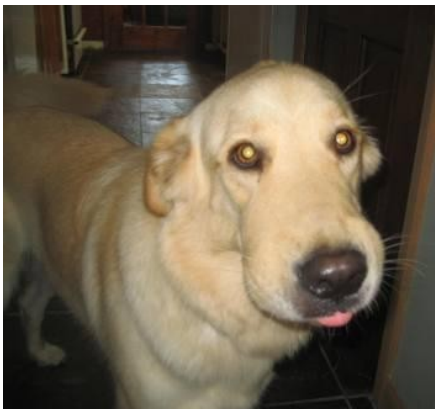
Walter Gerber and Cami Anzelmo are pictured together on a recent camping trip. After a full day of canoeing and a few hot dogs, they cozied up together!

Are you thinking about taking your dog camping? The outdoors is one of the best places to spend time with your dog. The dog loves all the new sights, sounds and smells. Here are a few tips that may make camping with your dog a bit more enjoyable and possibly safer.

Consider a pre-traveling vet visit. Get current on all shots and vaccinations and obtain a Rabies tag for your dogs collar.

Consider a possible Lyme disease vaccine. Obtain a current copy of their records and vet's phone number.

Get a proper dog license & ID tags for your dog--their name, your name and address and phone number. Temporary tags may be a good idea -- name and phone number of where you are stay-



Kaia Tennesen must have gotten stung by something and her whole snout swelled up! Where's the Benadryl???

ing. Microchips, tattoos and pet registries are also available.

Bring medications and copy of prescriptions.

Consider use of a crate for travel and short term restraint.

Don't forget to pack plenty of water **from home** for your dog. Bring their regular food bowls, food and treats. To avoid problems, keep them on their regular schedule.

Bring their chew toys and dog brush.

Always bring their collar and leash. Extras may be a good idea.

For unexpected situations, pack first aid items for your dog and also a towel. Obtain the phone number of a vet in the area where you are staying.

Check with your destination to be sure whether dogs are permitted. Pets are prohibited at many state and national parks. Try to get a site with some shade for your dog.

Many private campgrounds allow dogs but it is of utmost importance that you respect the other campers around you. Make sure you have complete control over your dog at all times. Keep them on their leash. Do not allow your dog to bark. Frequent and continued barking disturbs the wildlife and other campers. Closely supervise your dog around children, other visitors and other dogs. Never leave your dog outside unattended.

Always pick up after your dog. (Make use of designated dog walking areas. Use Ziploc bags to pick up after them and properly dispose of it in appropriate trash containers. )

Give your dog time to adjust to their new surroundings. Give them time to rest.

Watch that your dog doesn't get tangled around tent poles or stakes, tables, trees, rocks etc.

Make sure your dog is getting enough exercise. But consider the effect of activity and energy levels on your dog health.

Be aware of how weather conditions effect your dog--heat, cold, rain, etc.

Remove any leftover food after your dog eats. This food could attract unwanted insects or wildlife.

Be courteous of others while walking your dog. Keep your dog calm and controlled.

Consider your dogs sleeping arrangements.

Be aware that your dog may have increased exposure to ticks and fleas. Have the proper tick/flea collars, repellants or use Frontline applications. Other diseases can also be obtained from wild animals and insects.



## Volunteer Opportunities

**New to GGRR and not sure how to get involved?**

**Interested in getting involved in a different area of GGRR?**

**Just not clear on what you can do to help?**

Simply contact GGRR President, Tim M., and he will be happy to discuss any of our volunteer opportunities with you!

Tim can be reached by email at: [tmsmiget@charter.net](mailto:tmsmiget@charter.net)



Pupperoni Pull

## **GGRR 2010 REUNION PICNIC**

**Date:** **Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>** (rain or shine)

**Time:** **12:00 noon – 3:30 p.m.**

**Place:** **AKC Museum of the Dog** (same as last year!)

It's an afternoon of fun for our adoptive families  
and their Golden Retrievers!

Lunch served from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

Free games with prizes for you and your dog

Let your dog try some agility challenges, including an  
open tunnel, jumps, and the weave poles

Low-cost dog nail trims, family photos, and raffle tickets

Raffle begins at 2:30 p.m.

*You do not have to be present at time of drawing to win.*

***All proceeds help us find forever homes for our Golden Retrievers.***

### **Directions to THE DOG MUSEUM:**

Hwy. 270 to Hwy. 40 / 64 west: Exit 24, Mason Road.

Go south on Mason Road and follow the Dog Museum signs.

Turn right at the park entrance. Make an immediate left into



Dog Cake Walk

Please **R.S.V.P.** to let us know how many two-legged and four-legged  
guests will be attending **by Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**:

By Internet: [www.ggrr.com/rsvp](http://www.ggrr.com/rsvp) and complete the online form.

By Phone: **Amy: 314-591-8297**

*If you give us your email address, we'll even send you a reminder!*

**NOTES:** The Dog Museum does not have picnic tables. Please bring **lawn chairs**.

**Dogs MUST** be current on vaccinations and kept on a leash.





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Next Meeting

Thursday, May 13th 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 please!

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

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