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NEWS FROM THE FRONT

An itty-bitty weekly e-newsletter from Nittany!

JUST SO YOU KNOW... NEW DOGS COMING!

We're taking a deep breath . . . and enjoying an almost-empty kennel for a few days. Most of our hounds are out in foster homes and we have an opportunity to clean the kennel top to bottom before the Christmas rush.

It starts this Wednesday, and by Thursday night, we'll have more than a dozen dogs on the property being boarded. It's going to be crazy, but fun as well, especially with snow on the ground. The dogs love to get out and play. We'll try to get some video up on the site.

By the way, if you haven't visited the Rooo Valley site at www.rooovalley.com, take a look at the photo gallery! Lots of happy dogs enjoying themselves at the kennel.

While it's true that our mission is greyhounds, and we always have hounds at the kennel for adoption, it's also true that our boarding guests are critical, and their comfort and fun is a high priority when they're here. It's hard to separate the two because without the boarders we wouldn't have the kennel.

On behalf of all of us, I want to wish you a safe, peaceful, and fun holiday season. Take the time to bring your hound to the kennel for a run! We'd love to see you!

Feel free to contact me anytime at tjduchi@aol.com or 814-692-4769.

Toni

Most of the groups in Florida don't want anything to do with bringing dogs north in the winter, and we don't blame them. . . but we need dogs! I called and begged, and we have been granted a haul. In fact, we'll take a full van of six dogs! Now the important thing is to watch the weather but I think we'll get our new shipment of greyhounds on the weekend of January 9, and all the way to the kennel too -- we won't have to pick them up...watch for final plans!

Also, in this haul we're excited to be getting a brood mama! Her name is Butter and she is 7 years old. As you can see, she is a gorgeous light tan color and she is cat-safe and laid back.

She has now served her purpose and is looking for a soft couch. She certainly deserves it. If you would like to consider her, let me know (tonijduchi@aol.com).



FENG SHUI FOR DOGS

Feng shui, which literally means "air" (or wind) and "Water," is the Chinese art by which, through the precise placement of objects, one creates balance, health, wealth, and harmony. Apply the teachings of feng shui to enhance your greyhound's life.

The principles of feng shui teach you how to live harmoniously with your environment by recognizing that everything around you is alive, connected, and changing.

Through feng shui, one balances the extremes of yin (feminine) and yang (masculine). Examples of yin characteristics are objects that are cool, dark, ornate, floral, and curved, whereas yang qualities are hot, straight, large, light, or plain. Additionally, one must consider the five elements of earth, metal, fire,



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DONATIONS LAST WEEK

Carol & Jerry Pollack traveled from Williamsport last week with supplies for the kennel. Thanks!

Dawn Miller also donated a case of canned dogfood for the kennel hounds.

Kelly Ensore donated some slightly loved toys from Gresko, and we received an envelope full of collars and leashes from an adopter in Harrisburg (sorry, I didn't get the name before the envelope was pitched).

Sheena Sovich, in a fund raising partnership with C.J. Banks at the Nittany Mall, made a significant cash donation to our cause.

Amy Nelson also made a cash gift in honor of her greyhounds, Tucker and Jade, and in memory of her angels, Nittany and Freddi.

ADOPTIONS LAST WEEK!

Board members Kim and Mike Mincemoyer flunked fostering! They have decided to make Ray a permanent part of their pack. (If you haven't seen Ray's You-Tube video, go to our website and check it out.) Ray is just about the most energetic greyhound I've ever come across, and Mike and Kim will be the perfect parents for him! Congratulations!

Feng Shui continued . . .

water, and wood. These five elements encompass the building blocks of everything in your environment, carrying qualities of shape, material, and color and must be optimally balanced to optimize chi. Chi is the invisible energy that circulates as the source of prosperity, health, and harmony. Good chi in the home will benefit your dog.

Since your grey spends a lot of time sleeping, snoozing quarters should have good chi and be weighted toward yin qualities. Here's a feng shui checklist for keeping your dog's sleeping space in balance.

- Do not place your dog's bed under a window or in a corner where chi can stagnate.
- There should not be any water elements in the room, since the sound of water can disturb a dog's sleep.
- Do not place the bed directly across from an open door or at the end of a long corridor where chi can travel too quickly.
- There should not be any heavy objects above or behind the bed, such as lighting, shelves, or cabinets.
- Minimize mirrors, which could reflect light and movement, frightening your grey.
- Avoid using bedding of synthetic fabrics that distribute negative chi.
- Place your dog's bed against a solid wall away from any door that could swing open.
- Consider placing the dog's bed on the opposite side of the house from the active front door or garage, to prevent his being disturbed.



NEED STOCKING STUFFERS FOR BABY?

We've got some great new treats at the kennel, including grass-fed, organic buffalo treats from Canine Caviar. People who have bought these treats have commented about how much their dogs love them . . . you really should give them a try.

We also have smoked beef rib bones, Wagatha treats, and Canine Caviar canned foods, among the many other items we have for sale.



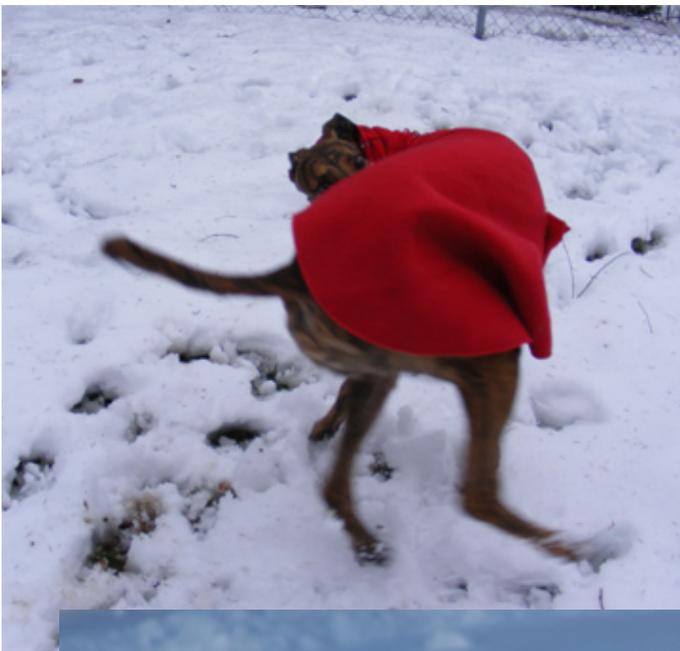
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FUN PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



Two members of the Maddy pack get up close and personal!

Below: Fred Miller says Punkin, now Abby, got a new coat and this is her in the first snowfall. He says she hates the coat!



Kelly & Ozzie Gahagan enjoy a big snowfall in south-central PA!