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Welcome

Greyhounds in Gettysburg® is a three-day annual fundraising event that includes vendor shopping, educational seminars, social activities, and more. All proceeds benefit sighthound adoption activities. **Dogs are welcome at all venues**, including in the Museum and at the evening events. Please check at registration for any last-minute changes to the events schedule, vendor list, etc.

Special Thanks

Nittany Greyhounds would like to take a moment to thank those who have made this event such a success. To all our volunteers who dedicate their time so the event runs smoothly. To all the local Gettysburg businesses that participate and allow us (and our dogs) onto their properties. And lastly, to the Greyhounds in Gettysburg® Planning Committee members:

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World War II Museum
845 Crooked Creek Rd.
Gettysburg, PA

Event Location Addresses

The following is a list of the locations where events will be held:

Adams County Winery: 251
Peach Tree Rd, Orrtanna

**The Outlet Shoppes at
Gettysburg**

1863 Gettysburg Village Dr.
Gettysburg, PA

New Oxford Social Club: 200
W Golden Lane, New Oxford

**Gettysburg National Military
Park & Visitor's Center**

1195 Baltimore Pike
Gettysburg, PA 17325

Dogs are Welcome at All Event Venues



Reach out to any staff member if you can give some time to help during the event.



Notes About the Event



Event Staff:

If you have a concern or see something that needs attention, any Planning Committee member (who will be wearing a safety orange T-shirt with "Authority Figure" on the back) can help you. There is typically always a member of the Committee at the Registration Desk by the main entrance.

Registration:

The Event Center is open from 9 AM to 4 PM on Friday and Saturday. It will NOT be open on Sunday. Walk-in event registrations will be available for \$40, but we cannot guarantee swag (goodie) bags, banquet tickets or T-shirt availability. All registered guests will receive a wristband, which is their "pass" to the Event Center, Speakers Area and other weekend events. Pre-registered guests will receive their wristbands and preordered swag bags, event tickets and T-shirts at check-in.

Seating:

We recommend bringing a chair, as we cannot guarantee enough seating at each venue to accommodate everyone. While there are some chairs at the Event Center, seating may still be limited. X-pens and pop-ups are welcome on the lawns area to keep your dogs safe and nearby, space permitting. Do not let your pets unattended.

Weather:

Even though most of the activities are inside, a few will be outside. Please come prepared for any type of weather. The event is held rain or shine. Be prepared. Space indoors can become tight if we have rain or cold weather.

Code of Ethics:

This event is for dog lovers to come together to celebrate sighthounds and the efforts to place them in loving homes. Everyone is entitled to personal beliefs, but by participating in this event, you are an ambassador and advertisement for the breeds. Please be positive and respect others who may not share the same opinions. Civility is expected, and we reserve the right to remove anyone who is not being civil.

Water for Dogs:

Water will be available in 2-gallon blue buckets in the off-leash play area and open locations around the building. However, we cannot place water at frequent intervals inside the building due to safety concerns caused by water spills on the smooth concrete floors. Therefore, we recommend bringing your own portable water bottle and bowl for your dogs.

Clean Up / Poop Stations:

Please be diligent about cleaning up after your dogs at all areas! We will provide bags and 5-gallon orange buckets at the Event Center. We must leave the grounds of each property cleaner than we found them. Gettysburg, local residents and businesses are going the extra mile to welcome our hounds and us, sometimes in areas where dogs are not usually permitted. We must earn this privilege by continuing to be courteous guests.

There will be cleaning stations inside the Event Center. Please check at the registration table for specific locations. These stations will contain everything you need to clean up any accidents you cause (or see). We ALL must participate in keeping things clean.

Notes - Continued

Leash Rule:

All dogs **MUST** be leashed at all times unless in the designated off-leash play area. Retractable leashes of any kind are **NOT** permitted anywhere during this event! This includes all event locations. No exceptions. For safety reasons, leashes should be no longer than 6'.

Bring a Muzzle:

Muzzles are required in the off-leash play area for all large dogs during large dog play times. Small dogs (Ig-gies or dogs under 30 pounds do not need to be muzzled). Special hours for small and large dogs will be posted on the fencing around the play area. Please plan ahead and bring your muzzle(s). There will be a limited supply for sale by vendors if you need one.

If your dog is known to be unsocial with other dogs or small dogs, please wear a muzzle inside public areas (socials, Event Center, etc.). Turning your back for even a moment can result in a nose-to-nose confrontation. In the past, we have heard of dog-on-dog aggression in the tight hallways of hotels and outside the dog relief areas. Please wear a muzzle on your dog when moving around in the hotels and the walking areas, particularly if you have multiple dogs, because if they want to pull you toward another dog, they can do it unless you are on alert. This has happened: it's fast, awful and we just want you and your dogs to be safe.

Red Bandanna Rule:

A red bandana worn on a dog indicates that the dog needs space for various reasons, including dogs that have a high prey drive or are not small dog safe, are nervous in crowds, or any other reason deemed important for the dog's comfort. If you see a red bandana, please give that dog space.

The red bandana should not be an excuse to ignore your dog's behavior in a crowd. Pay attention to what your dog is doing. Small dogs and possibly other breeds will be around, and while they may seem social, nose-to-nose contact can quickly escalate into a fight. We don't want any dog-on-dog confrontations to ruin anyone's weekend.

Helpful Tips:

- Please ensure your dogs are tagged with contact information, including temporary local information. Hopefully, this won't be needed, but better safe than sorry.
- Bring blankets to cover the hotel beds and bedspreads, or bring dog beds. Most hotels prefer you crate your dog while in the hotel rooms if possible, but realize that this isn't always feasible.
- Remember to use the "Do Not Disturb" sign if you leave your dogs in your room alone.
- Ask your vet to recommend the best medication to have on hand if your dog experiences diarrhea from stress.
- A change in water may affect your dog, so consider bringing water from home if your dog is sensitive.
- Offer water regularly, even when traveling in the car. Panting/nervous dogs may dehydrate quickly.
- Walk your dogs before bringing them inside. If you have a dog who marks, consider using a belly band indoors. We usually have some for sale at the GiG store.
- X-Pens are a great way to give your arm a break. There will be room to set them up outside.
- Bring a cleaning product in case of accidents. Make sure that the product is safe for use on multiple surfaces.
- There will be designated dog walk areas and plenty of extra poop bags around the grounds. Please use them and clean up after your dogs.
- April weather in Gettysburg can be unpredictable, so pack accordingly for you and your dogs.
- Check your dog daily for ticks. They are common around Gettysburg and on the battlefields. Please visit the first aid station if you have trouble with a tick.

Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

4:00 PM	Welcome / Blessing of the Hounds / Social Come to the Gazebo at the outlet mall for a blessing of the hounds. Hot dogs, cake, and a free raffle of great prizes! (Note: We will NOT be doing the parade this year.)	Gettysburg Outlet Mall 1863 Gettysburg Village Dr. Gettysburg
6:00 PM - ?	Bill's Get-to-Know-You Game Night Billy will do his usual game shenanigans in the covered pavilion, and the winery will offer tastings, a food truck and other surprises. GiG Registration & Reservation Required Cost: \$5/person	Adams County Winery 251 Peach Tree Rd, Orrtanna

FRIDAY, APRIL 24 - Vendor Center Open 9-4 (Museum Motor Pool Room) Registration Required

8:00 AM	Battlefield Walk - Learn about the intense fighting just north of the Angle William Thomas, Licensed Battlefield Guide	National Military Park Taneytown Rd Parking Lot
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Vendor Center Opens (Registration/Vendor Shopping/Raffle Ticket Sales) (Event Registration Required)	Museum Motor Pool Room
11:00 AM	Speaker #1 (Bracelet Required) Chrysann Collatos VMD, PhD, DACVIM, FFCP Life with Rescue Dogs: A Journey of Shared Healing This presentation will share some of the insights gained from living with and rehabilitating traumatized Spanish Podencos for the past 11 years. Chrysann is not a dog trainer. She is a scientist and a veterinarian who is crazy about dogs and fascinated by behavior. Her goal is to give you some food for thought to take home, share with your dogs, and perhaps help you nourish relationships and enhance well-being.	Museum Seminar Room
12:00 Noon	Speaker #2 (Bracelet Required) Dr. Sarah Urban, Enabled Integrative Veterinary Services, Gettysburg Topic: Integrative Veterinary Medicine - Integrative Veterinary Medicine is a healing-oriented medical approach that takes into account all aspects of an individual: body, mind and spirit. It uses all appropriate conventional and complementary medical options to offer a broader range of treatment options for patients. It emphasizes the importance of choosing the “best tool from the box” when considering treatment options for patients and often combines the best options from both Eastern and Western medical approaches to achieve the maximum benefits.	Museum Seminar Room
1:00 PM	Speaker #3 (Bracelet Required) Dr. Karen Michalski, Serenity Animal Hospital, Sterling Heights, Michigan Topic: Ask The Greyhound Doc. Dr. Karen will answer any health questions you may have. Dr. KAREN MICHALSKI is also known as the Greyhound Doc. She established Serenity Animal Hospital in 1992 to provide a higher level of veterinary care for the animals in her area.	Museum Seminar Room

Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, APRIL 24 - Continued

Vendor Center Open 9-4

2:00 PM	<p>Speaker #4 (Bracelet Required) Leslie Dunkle Animal Communication and Pet Reiki: How and Why to Use These Supportive Care Modalities Leslie Dunkle understands that the bond between a human and their dog—especially the sensitive and intuitive Greyhound—is written in more than just body language. As the founder of Etheric Connections, Leslie has spent nine years as a "Teacher of Love, Tolerance, and Compassion," helping owners tap into the deeper, energetic layers of animal communication.</p>	Museum Seminar Room
6:30 PM	<p>6:30 PM Hawaiian Howliday!*</p> <p>Get out those Hawaiian shirts and grass skirts! We are going to Hawaii this year! Look for great food, games, contests, music, and whatever else Crazy Carol can think up! Yes, our dogs are welcome too!</p> <p>* Event Ticket Required Cost: \$25/person</p>	<p>New Oxford Social Club 200 W Golden Ln, New Oxford</p>

SATURDAY, APRIL 25 - Vender Center Open 9-4 (Museum Motor Pool Room)

8:00 AM	<p>The Motor Head Tour Guided Tour - World War II Museum (outside) Meet at the front entrance to the Museum The Museum has a large collection of equipment from the War -- tanks, trucks, jeeps, etc. -- and has agreed to give us a guided "tour" of the gear. Each piece of equipment comes with a story, and the Museum docents are more than happy to talk about those histories. Please join us for a fun, unusual discussion of all that the Museum has to offer. Dogs are welcomed to this talk.</p>	World War II Museum
8:30 AM	<p>ART WORKSHOP with GREYHOUND DESIGN ARTIST LINDA K EVANS *Event Ticket Required</p>	Museum Cafeteria Area
9:00 AM	<p>Vendor Center Opens (Registration/Vendor Shopping/Raffle Ticket Sales) (Event Registration Required)</p>	Museum Motor Pool Room
9:10 AM	<p>Documentary Screening (Bracelet Required) Adopting Greyhounds David Goodman, Associate Professor of Film, University of Memphis Join us for a special screening of this 54-minute film, which documents the final year of greyhound racing in the Mid-South.</p>	Museum Seminar Room
10:30 AM	<p>Costume Contest A perennial favorite! This year, our prize categories will be: --Best Group --Best Hawaii Interpretation --Do Your Own Thing --Make Us Laugh! Each category will have both first- and second-place prizes.</p>	Museum Lobby

Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, APRIL 25 - Continued

11:00 AM	Ice Cream Social for People & Dogs Hosted by Senior Sighthound Sanctuary	Museum Cafeteria Area
11:30 PM	Speaker #1 (Bracelet Required) Chrysann Collatos VMD, PhD, DACVIM, FFCP Life with Rescue Dogs: A Journey of Shared Healing See Friday's Speaker Schedule for more details.	Museum Seminar Room
12:30 PM	Speaker #2 (Bracelet Required) Karen Dwyer, Certified Canine Rehabilitation Veterinary Nurse Enabled Integrative Veterinary Services, Gettysburg Topic: Injuries and Rehabilitation for Greyhounds Discussion on common injuries seen in Greyhounds and how Canine Rehabilitation can support recovery and performance. We'll explore how targeted rehab therapies promote healing, improve strength and mobility, and help greyhounds safely return to everyday activities after injury	Museum Seminar Room
1:30 PM	Speaker #3 (Bracelet Required) Dr. Karen Michalski, Serenity Animal Hospital, Sterling Heights, Michigan Topic: Ask The Greyhound Doc Dr. Karen will answer any health questions you may have.	Museum Seminar Room
2:00 PM	Raffle Tickets Drawn & Posted Winners will have until 4 PM to pick up their raffle prizes.	Museum Lobby
4:00 PM	Vendor Center Closes Thank you for supporting GiG! Safe Travels Home!	



Poop Stations

There are several poop stations outside of the Vendor Center that will be cleaned on a regular basis. Poop stations will have rolls of poop bags and orange buckets for disposal.

Please, clean up after your dogs. This is vitally important to be welcomed back at venues and hotels. Also, try to walk your dogs outside before entering any building to allow them time to do their business. There are clean-up stations with gloves, paper towels, and cleaner available in the Vendor Center if an accident does occur.

Off-Leash Play Area

A fenced area will be set up in one of the open areas for large and small dogs Friday and Saturday. A Registration Bracelet is required to enter the Play Area.

Note that there is a designation of "big dogs" - greyhounds, wolfhounds, whippets, etc.) and "little dogs" (iggies, doxies, etc.), and there are play times for each. Do not put little dogs (under 30 pounds) in with big dogs. All big dogs must wear muzzles (bring your own or buy one from one of our vendors). Littles are exempt from the muzzle rule.

All Dogs in the OFF LEASH Play Area MUST BE Supervised at ALL Times. DO NOT Put Your Dog(s) in the Off Leash area and Leave Them, and PLEASE Pay Attention to What Your Dogs are Doing. The "big" and "little" dog play times will be posted on the fence. Please be courteous.

Please observe the posted rules to ensure that everyone is considerate and safe.

- Use of the play area is for our registered guests with a bracelet
- Use of the play area is at your own risk
- All big dogs must be muzzled, regardless of breed
- No bullying or aggressive behavior
- Dogs must be under the visual and voice control of an adult
- Limited to 10 dogs at a time
- Clean up after your dog immediately
- No large dogs during small dog hours

Emergency Information

In the event of an emergency, please go to the Registration Desk for help

Local Vet Information

If you have an emergency either before or after our vending hours, see the list of available local veterinarians below.

[Care Veterinary Center](#) (24/7)
1080 West Patrick St.
Frederick, MD 21703
(301) 662-2273

[Central Carroll Animal Emergency Center](#) (Evening Hours)
1030 Baltimore Blvd. Ste 180
Westminster, MD 21157
(410) 871-2000

[Confederate Woods Animal Hospital](#)
10 Confederate Dr.
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334- 1179

[Emmitsburg Veterinary Hospital](#)
9436 Waynesboro Pike
Emmitsburg, MD 21727
(301) 447-6237

[Gettysburg Animal Hospital](#)
996 Old Harrisburg Rd.
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-2177

[Partner Veterinary Emergency & Specialty Center](#) (24/7)
7330 Guilford Dr.
Frederick, MD 21701
(301) 200-8185

[Westminster Veterinary Hospital](#)
269 West Main St.
Westminster, MD 21157
(410) 848-3363
Mon-Fri 8-8 Sat 8-2

[Willow Mill Veterinary Hospital](#)
11 Willow Mill Park Rd.
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
(717) 766-7981

[VetUrgency](#) (Evenings)
434 Prospect Blvd
Frederick, MD 21701
301-288-8387

Human Emergencies: Dial 911 for emergencies.

Gettysburg Hospital
147 Gettys St.
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 334-2121
Everyday 24 hours

WellSpan ReadyCare (Walk-in health care for minor injuries)
40 V-Twin Dr.
Gettysburg, PA 17325
(717) 339-2121

Do Not Leave Dogs Unattended!

Under no circumstance should a dog be left in a vehicle unattended. Dogs left in cars are often stressed, barking and panting, which can quickly lead to dehydration. When a dog is left unattended, we will announce your license plate and vehicle make and model so you can retrieve your dog. If you need temporary assistance, please come to the registration desk.

Vendors

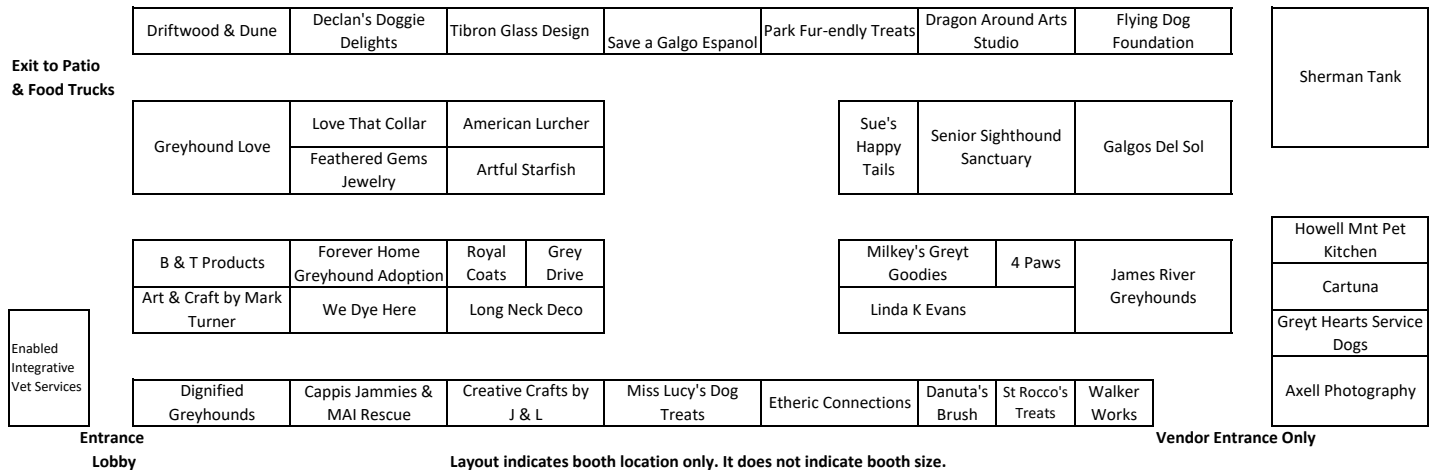
4 Paws Massage
 American Lurcher
 Art & Craft by Mark Turner
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 Creative Crafts by J&L
 Danuta's Brush & Court's Art
 Declan's Doggie Delights
 Dragon Around Arts Studio
 Dignified Greyhounds

Driftwood & Dune
 Enables Integrative Vet Services
 Etheric Connections
 Feathered Gems Jewelry
 Flying Dog Foundation
 Forever Home Gryhnd Adoption
 Galgos Del Sol
 Grey Drive
 Greyhound Love
 Greyt Hearts Service Dogs
 Howell Mnt Pet Kitchen LLC
 James River Greyhounds
 Linda K Evans

Long Neck Deco
 Love that Collar
 Milkey's Greyt Goodies
 Miss Lucy's Dog Treats
 Park Fur-endly Treats
 Royal Coat Tails
 Save a Galgo Espanol
 Senior Sighthound Sanctuary
 St. Rocco's Treats
 Sue's Happy Tails
 Tibron Glass Design
 Walker Works
 We Dye Here

Indoor Vendor Layout

GIG 2026 Vendor Map



Food - On-Site Food Vendors:

The following food vendors will be available onsite at the Museum and have vegan choices:



Grillbilly's Smoke Wagon

<https://www.facebook.com/smokeyourmeat/>



Mad Dash Grilled Cheese

The grilled cheese sandwich is a beautiful thing, isn't it? It's comfort food at its finest. Simple, honest, and delicious, and always made with love. The kind of food that makes life a little easier. The kind of food that feels and tastes like home.

We went one step further by making artisan sandwiches to satisfy your taste buds. The griddle is always hot, the cheese ready to get all melty and tasty.

That's why we're committed to bring you the very best in gourmet grilled cheese using the freshest and most flavorful ingredients available.

**Thursday Night
at the Winery
Food Adventures
Food Truck**
<https://www.foodadventurespa.com/>



Revival Coffee Catering

Serving specialty Lattes, Espresso, milkshakes, cold brew, hot drip coffee, tea, fruit smoothies and more.

Local Restaurants

Note: Listing does not endorse or confirm availability of any restaurant.

Health codes prohibit dogs from entering indoor eating areas. However, some restaurants have limited outdoor seating and will allow your dog to join you. Following is a partial list of restaurants in the area.

Appalachian Brewing Company
259 Steinwehr Ave.
(717) 334-2200

McDonald's
517 Steinwehr Ave.
(717) 334-5920

The Pike
985 Baltimore Pike
(717) 334-9227

Cone Sweet Cone
433 Baltimore St.
(717) 420-0058

Mr G's Ice Cream
404 Baltimore St.
(717) 334-7600

The Pub & Restaurant
20 Lincoln Square
(717) 334-7100

Dobbin House
89 Steinwher Ave.
(717) 334-2100

O'Rorke's Family Eatery
44 Steinwehr Ave.
(717) 334-2333

Scozzaro's
4797 York Rd.
(717) 624-8987

Farnsworth House Inn
401 Baltimore St.
(717) 334-8838

One Lincoln
1 Lincoln Square
(717) 338-5455

Sunset Ice Cream Parlor
33 Steinwehr Ave.
(717) 337-3125

The Hoof, Fin & Fowl
619 Baltimore St.
(717) 549-2160

The Outlet Shoppes at Gettysburg
Food Court
1863 Gettysburg Village Dr.

Tommy's Pizza
105 Steinwehr Ave.
(717) 334-4721

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Thank you!

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