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GPA-WI Meet & Greets

DATE AND TIME	LOCATION	COMPLETE DETAILS
October 1, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Orvis/Bay Shore Center, Glendale	Click here
October 7, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Mounds, Fitchburg	Click here
October 7, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Mighty Pet, Menominee	Click here
October 7, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Bentley's Pet Stuff, Delafield	Click here
October 14, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Mounds, Madison East	Click here
October 14, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Mounds, Sun Prairie	Click here
October 14, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Hooves & Paws, Oconomowoc	Click here
October 14, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Petsmart, Onalaska	Click here
October 15, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Bentley's Pet Stuff, Brookfield	Click here
October 28, 2017 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Mounds, Madison East	Click here
October 28, 2017 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	HAWS, Waukesha	Click here
October 28, 2017 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Petsmart, Brookfield	Click here

Other Events

DATE AND TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	COMPLETE DETAILS
September 30, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	23rd Annual GPA-WI Greyhound Gala	Waukesha County Expo Center, Waukesha	Click here
October 7, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Winnebago Pet Expo	Sunnyview Expo Center, Oshkosh	Click here

All About Gala: Get Ready for GPA-WI's Biggest Event!



Gala Schedule

10:30 a.m.	Welcome, announcements, group roo
11:00 a.m.	New adopters parade
11:30 a.m.	Essential oils demonstration
12:00 p.m.	First set of bag raffles ends
1:00 p.m.	2017 gala king and queen announced
1:05 p.m.	Live auction
1:45 p.m.	Essential oils demonstration
2:00 p.m.	Second set of bag raffles ends
2:30 p.m.	Costume contest and winners announced
3:00 p.m.	Silent auction ends
3:30 p.m.	Cash raffle winner announced
3:45 p.m.	Third and final set of bag raffles ends
All day	Concession stand open

All-day Activities

- Blue fund bandanas: Purchase a bandana to raise fund to assist medical or special-needs greyhounds.
- Radar run: Clock your dog's running speed. (Weather permitting.)
- Vendors: Discover greyhound-related products.
- Madison David Photography: Professional photos of your pet. Reservation required.
- GPA-WI resale booth: Purchase gently used greyhound and human merchandise.
- GPA-WI retail booth: Get your 2017 GPA-WI merchandise!

Sign Up to Participate in Gala Activities

To participate in special activities — the radar run, Madison David Photography, new adopters parade or the costume contest — simply sign up for these activities at the gala registration table.

Don't miss the new gala activity: essential oils demonstration! You'll learn how and when to use oils for K9 uses

Grab Your Raffle Tickets!

Everyone loves a raffle, right?! Gala raffle tickets help raise money for GPA-WI and will help a few lucky winners walk home with some cash! The 2017 1st place prize is \$1,000 cash, 2nd place is \$500 cash and 3rd place is \$250 cash

Why not sell tickets before the gala? To sell raffle tickets in advance, stop by any southeast Wisconsin GPA-WI event to grab your tickets.

You can also purchase tickets in person at the gala. Don't forget to bring your address labels to save time when filling out your raffle tickets at the gala! Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$12. The drawing will be held at the gala on September 30. You do not need to be present to win.

2017 Gala Logo Winner

The gala logo contest took place earlier this summer and included a new twist! The voting for the logo submissions took place on Facebook on the GPA-Wisconsin Facebook page. Facebook likes and comments on the submissions determined the winner.



Congrats to Malinda Gilbertson on her winning logo!

Also, check out the GPA-WI retail booth at the gala to buy your 2017 gala t-shirt!

Come Hungry!

Don't eat a big breakfast the morning of the gala. The gala has you covered! The menu at the gala has new and improved items this year, sure to please all event guests. The menu will now include breakfast and brunch items. Gala menu items include:

Brunch: Assorted pastries, breakfast sandwich and coffee.

Lunch: Burgers, hot dogs, brats, turkey wraps, chips and fries.



All About Gala: Shop Till You Drop!

Shopping opportunities at the gala

Gala 2017 Fast Track Coffee Blend

Help raise money for retired racing greyhounds with freshly roasted coffee by Milwaukee's Stone Creek Coffee. Each one-pound bag features the new gala logo on the label. When you buy a \$15 bag, \$6 per bag goes to GPA-WI.

Join the coffee craze!

Giving back to GPA-WI with Fast Track Coffee is easy:

1. Tell your friends about Gala Coffee, get them to buy some, and collect their money.
2. Send GPA-WI a check for the total number of bags you sold.
3. Pick up your fresh coffee at the gala. Pass it out to your greyhound friends.

Don't forget to provide the following:

- Your name and cell phone number.
- Number of bags you would like, priced at \$15 each.
- Your check made payable to GPA-WI. Do not send cash.



Ready to Buy Your Coffee?

Make checks payable to GPA-Wisconsin.

Mail payment to GPA-WI, c/o Mary Koenig, 12550 W Lakeland Dr, New Berlin, WI 53151.

All orders must be prepaid. Orders cannot be accepted unless you include payment. Extra bags of coffee will be available at for sale at the gala on a first come, first-served basis.

Volunteers Needed!

In order to make the gala a success, we need your help.

GPA-WI is using SignUp.com to coordinate volunteer assignments at the gala. Volunteer time slots are available for activities like working the GPA-WI retail booth, helping out as a greyhound photo booth assistant, working at the radar run or manning the registration booth, just to name a few. **Sign up now:** [Click here.](#)

Gala Vendors (at press time)

Discover exciting greyhound-related products and services!

Bentley's Pet Stuff	GPA-Wisconsin Retail
Candy's Collars	Greyt Glass & Graphics
Clays Greys	Kim Good Lula Roe
Crown Collars	Long Neck Deco
Essential Oils for People and Animals	Madison David Photography
Garden Greyhounds	Midwest Greyhound Adoption
GPA-Wisconsin Resale	Petlicious Dog Bakery
	Woof and Wear

GPA-WI Retail

GPA-WI is offering several new retail items this year.

Stemless GPA-WI wine glass	2017 gala t-shirt
Wine bottle-shaped bamboo serving board with GPA-WI logo	Limited amount of Stone Creek coffee available for those who did not preorder
Rectangular bamboo cutting boards with rounded corners with GPA-WI logo	Six kinds of freshly made fudge: chocolate, chocolate walnut, peanut butter, maple, cookies & cream, and sugar-free fudge
Front-zip GPA-WI hoodies	