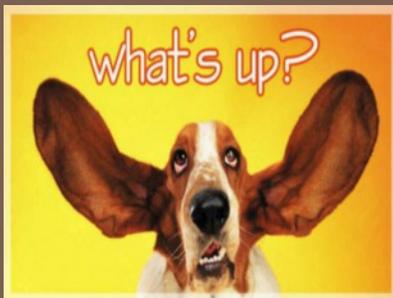




GREY Tales

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What's coming up?

The "Oktoberfest On-Line auction" will kick off on 6 October 2020. Be prepared to bid often and generously. Look for updates on the GREYlong Facebook page for the donated items that will be in the auction. Please tell your friends about our auction, especially if you know new Greyhound adopters who may not be aware of GREYlong.

This is one of our biggest fund raisers, so we ask you to consider what you might donate. Items do not have to be dog related. Please let Lori at greylong3@yahoo.com know if you have something you would like to donate or know of a business or organization that might be willing to donate.

If you would like to help with the auction by taking pictures of the items, or packing and helping ship the items, please let Lori know.

Where Are We At?

There has been a lot going on this year, not the least of which is a pandemic! I tell myself each day, to put one foot in front of the other and be safe. I was rather upset when I learned in February that the Aratana listeria vaccine study had been stopped. From what I had read, this vaccine along with amputation and chemo was having great results in dogs with osteosarcoma. A much larger corporation, Elanco, bought Aratana in 2019 and decided to terminate the study. The good news is that Dr. Nicola Mason is working on a study in conjunction with Morris Animal Foundation and she wrote the following:

I think what is important to note is that there are 2 vaccines - the one that we are working with at University of Pennsylvania (Known as ADXS31-164) and then the one that Aratana put out on the market - which is similar but different from ADXS31-164 in several important ways. We are performing a study in dogs supported by Morris Animal Foundation that involves 11 different academic sites in the US and in Canada to determine whether ADXS31-164 is safe and effective. That study is still ongoing although enrollment has now closed and we are now in the follow up phase. If this study shows benefit then we have to see what can be done about getting the license back from Aratana and if possible, try to find another company who might be interested in trying to take ADXS31-164 through the licensing process.

And at the University of Minnesota, Dr. Modiano is working on an early detection test for osteosarcoma. His team is communicating with a number of breed related associations and foundations in the hopes that they will partner on this unique project. Included are the Golden Retriever Foundation, Golden Retriever Association, Rottweiler Health Foundation, Irish Wolf Hound Club of America, American German Shepard Dog Charitable Association, and GREYlong. The Leonberger Club of America, Irish Setter club of American, and Great Dane Club of America have also expressed interest. The initial proposal was around \$330k over three years which would have allowed for a

reasonable entry level validation of the test and then recruiting around 180 dogs (potentially 30-60 for each breed).

Dr. Modiano has provided the following brief summary:

The University of Minnesota Animal Cancer Care and Research Program (ACCR) is committed to a vision of a world where we no longer fear cancer. One way their researchers, led by Dr. Jaime Modiano, are working toward this goal is by taking an approach of early detection of diseases, wherein tests are developed to detect cancers before they are clinical entities. The ACCR program has made meaningful gains in building this test for hemangiosarcoma, and they seek to now develop and validate a test for osteosarcoma. Support from a number of breed clubs and foundations would fund an OSA test which aims to open up more opportunities for owners and veterinarians to focus on prevention and earlier treatments before disease advances.

We are proud to tell you that our Flamingo "Putting Our Foot Down on K9 Cancer" auction in May raised \$2,500. GREYlong donated the money to Dr. Nicola Mason's ADXS31-164 Vaccine study. We would like to support Dr. Modiano's efforts with the money raised from our Oktoberfest On-Line auction. We are hopeful that GREYlong will be able to contribute \$5,000.

Changes in the Board

Karen Randall has resigned to focus on her family. Karen joined the Board in October of 2012. For eight years she has donated her time, her ideas, and many, many fabulous items from her Greyhound collection that we have sold in our auctions. She was the most organized person behind our kitchen at the GREYlong Gathering and Gallivantasia. She helped with setup and tear down. She helped round up mailers, and boxes for our auctions, and would help even though packing and shipping the auctions items was not her favorite task. We have been fortunate to have her help and support.

Long term supporters Nancy DeSmet and Nancy Singer have graciously agreed to join the GREYlong Board. These gals bring their creativity and energy to the Board. They have strong business backgrounds, have been active in many charitable endeavors including 4H Club and animal rescue, and are animal lovers. We are thrilled to have their support.

GREYlong's 2021 Photo Calendar

Barbara Rix puts together a fabulous calendar for GREYlong, that is sure to make you smile and makes a great gift.

More significantly the sale of the calendar raised almost \$700 in 2019. For 2020 we would love to increase the amount raised from sales to \$1,000. Can we do that? We're counting on you and hope you will support GREYlong by purchasing and gifting the 2021 calendar to friends and family.



You can order them from the [GREYlong website](#) or buy them in our upcoming Oktoberfest Auction.



Tracking the Treasurer

Why donate to GREYlong? To make a difference in the lives of pets and the lives of their owners.

Here is the financial summary for the calendar year 2020:

- GREYlong received very generous gifts totaling \$600 from individuals, organizations including Amazon, and Facebook fund raisers.
- The Flamingo I am Putting My Foot down Auction, raised \$2,440.
- Donations from the sale of calendars, and other products, including dog snoods and collars, and donated items sold in the GREYlong EBay store brought in \$2,450.

Since its inception, GREYlong has provided \$171,500 in support of ongoing canine cancer studies. Approximately 62% has gone to osteosarcoma studies and 25% to hemangiosarcoma and lymphoma studies.

There are many worthwhile organizations to support, and we deeply appreciate that you choose to support GREYlong. If you are an Amazon shopper, please consider supporting GREYlong on Amazon Smile. In 2019 Amazon donated \$232 to GREYlong. Every dollar makes a difference.

THANK YOU for your generosity and continuing support!

Thank You

GREYlong would like to thank everyone who participated in the Facebook Global Day of Giving. GREYlong gratefully acknowledges donations of cash and goods made by the following individuals and organizations:

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GREYlong gratefully acknowledges donations made in memory of:

Copper Bell

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- ▶ Shroom
- ▶ Zephyr

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- loved by Lora and Mykal Vuncannon
- loved by Cheryl Plunk
- loved by Amalia and Richard LaViolette

One
Final
Rescue...

Book That Date!

October 6 – 10th
Oktoberfest On-Line Auction
Things for you, for your dog, and
for your home.

GREYlong is a 501(c)(3) organization established in 2006 and devoted to raising funds to support canine cancer studies. Gifts donated are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. We have no paid employees, so all gifts make an impact on finding a cure for canine cancer.

Our name "GREYlong" is symbolic. It represents our goal that everyone's pets should live LONG lives in their senior-citizen GREY fur.

We are grateful for all of your support. Our year end financial report is posted on <http://greylong.org/Financials.html>

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