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Our special thank you to some friends who help GDA carry out its mission.

This issue of **Partners** begins what we hope will be a tradition, a chance to thank all those who give of their time and resources to provide guide dogs for people who are blind or visually impaired.

"Every charitable organization says they love their volunteers and supporters," GDA President Jay Bormann says. "But GDA is really different. Maybe it's because we provide a service that costs over \$38,000 per team, and we do it without any government support.

"Our mission wouldn't be possible without these friends. It's really that simple. Everyone says that, but for GDA, it's really true.

*"We want to make sure our supporters and volunteers know how much they mean to us and how much we appreciate them. That's why we are starting this new tradition of dedicating an issue of **Partners** to saying 'THANKS!'"*

On the following pages, you'll see lists of many names. But these are not just any names. To us, they are a **Parade of Partners** – generous friends who are making life better for people who live without sight.

The people who are honored here are just as much a part of the GDA family as our staff and our dogs. Together, we bring safety, independence, mobility and companionship to people who are blind or visually impaired.

Thank You!!

PUPPY CORNER



We're proud to announce that this summer brought 32 new puppies to the GDA family who will soon be going home with our loving puppy raisers. If you'd like to be a puppy raiser for a future guide dog and live on the west coast, please call Louise Henderson at (818) 362-5834, ext. 234. 🐾

TAKING A PAWS FOR THANKS

In addition to the many friends who make regular contributions by mail or payroll deduction, GDA is grateful to those who conduct special events or donate goods or services to help us carry out our work.

Special Events—GDA is fortunate to have so many fun-loving and dedicated members of the IAM&AW and other puppy-loving friends who sponsor some great fund raising events. Many thanks for their ready willingness and superb ability to combine fun and hard work to benefit GDA!

June

- IAM&AW District Lodge 837 - St. Louis Golf Tournament
- IAM&AW District Lodge 751 - Seattle, WA "Puppy Putt" Motorcycle Ride
- IAM&AW District Lodge 143 - Minneapolis, MN Golf Tournament
- Dave Ritchie Golf Tournament - Toronto, Canada
- IAM&AW Local Lodge 1297 - Ohio "Ride for Guides"
- Boots & Slippers Square Dance Benefit
- IAM&AW District Lodge 143 - Lakeville, MN Golf Tournament

July

- IAM&AW District Lodge 160 - Tacoma, WA "Run for the Dogs" Motorcycle Ride
- "Hawgs for Dogs" - Minnesota Chapter
- IAM&AW District Lodge 9 - St. Louis, MO Golf Tournament
- IAM&AW District Lodge 751C - Seattle, WA Golf Tournament

August

- IAM&AW Local Lodge 743 - Connecticut Hamilton Sundstand/United Way Golf Tournament
- IAM&AW District Lodge 190 - Oakland, CA Mike Day Memorial Golf Tournament
- IAM&AW District Lodge 15, Local Lodge 44 - Northborough, MA Charles W. Foley Memorial Golf Tournament
- IAM&AW Local Lodge 751E - Seattle, WA Horseshoe Tournament
- IAM&AW Local Lodge 1414 - San Mateo, CA Frank Souza Memorial Car Show
- GDA Foundation Golf Tournament - Santa Clarita, CA

Special thanks to the Harley Davidson Foundation for completing their three year commitment to sponsor three guide dog teams!

Thanks to all who donate, volunteer or raise money for GDA. We are so grateful for your dedication and hard work!!



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A Dog's Best Friend for 20 Years!

If it were possible to take a vote of "favorite people" among our dogs, there's no doubt that Florence Mast would be the candidate to beat. For 20 years, Florence has come to GDA every Saturday to give dogs staying at our kennel a little attention and care. Florence's unique ability to comfort and amuse our dogs is proven by the fact that years later, even older dogs turn into helplessly wagging puppies in her presence.

When Florence retired in 1985 at the age of 64, after being widowed twice, she was determined to start a new life, not simply sit around thinking about the past. *"I moved to a senior center, but I just couldn't see sitting around watching television and playing Bingo all day. I wanted to DO something. So when I saw an ad from what was then International Guiding Eyes, I thought it was just for me. I had always had dogs, but I couldn't have one in my small apartment, so I would go to GDA once a week to get my fix of dogs."*

Florence has also been a steady and regular volunteer for the Burbank Retired Senior Volunteer

Program, helping out in local hospitals, libraries and nursing homes.

Sadly for GDA, the need to care for her ailing 91 year old aunt and 73 year old cousin, coupled with the increasing strain of making the trip to and from GDA means that Florence has been forced to end her amazing stint of volunteering for GDA.

"I have always been active, but those dogs, they tired me out. It was good for me. Volunteering for GDA was very rewarding. I went to nearly every graduation for 20 years because I wanted to see the end result. It was wonderful."

At a special party in her honor in August, everyone at GDA expressed their enormous gratitude to our most dedicated volunteer. We will miss her terribly. But it's a safe bet that those who will miss her most are her four-legged friends who gained so much from her tender loving care over the years. 🐾





THANK YOU

The following lists include the puppy sponsors, puppy raisers, breeding dog families, and *Partners in Trust Society* members who have helped GDA carry out its mission during the last fiscal year, July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. If your name has been inadvertently left off one of these lists, please contact Lorri Bernson at 818-362-5834, ext. 251 or at partners@guideddogsofamerica.org.

A PUPPY'S BENEFACTOR

GDA PUPPY SPONSORS

A very generous donation of \$4,000 as a Puppy Sponsor Gift provides the funds for breeding and delivery, as well as GDA's expenses of raising a puppy to the point at which it is ready for formal training. Puppy Sponsors receive regular updates on their sponsored dog's progress.

Puppy Sponsor	Puppy
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Ashimine	Gianna
Lorraine A. Barth	Branson
Paulette & Mel Blumenthal	Hunter
Boots & Slippers Square Dance Club	Nelson, Dixie, Star, & Regan
Joseph K. Buchanan, D.D.S. & Associates	Bella
Bruce & Ann Creager	Shiloh
CPS - Ron Viola Insurance Services	Calvin
Isabelle & Bernardine Daskoff	Winston
Steve & Jackie Gittleman	Max, Dawn, & Tasha
Grace Community Church of LaVerne Children's Ministry	Grace
Mrs. Olive M. Kemp	Meg
The Wilma Kennedy Memorial Fund	Merit
The Laner Family	Fergi
Lang Ranch Elementary School - 2nd Grade	Wrangler
Lifelighters, Inc.	Morris
Mrs. Sarah F. Manson	Roscoe
Mrs. Waltrut Milton	Kandy

National Charity League, San Fernando Valley Chapter	Charity
North Woods Inn of Covina	Woody
Orco Block & Sepulveda Building Materials	Molly & Fiona
Kristin & George Pitt	Strider
Post Bros. Construction Co	Radar
D. Max Reid	Nevada & Falken
Susan Renwick	Emmett
Run for the Dogs Assn.	Harley
Rusack Vineyards	Wrigley
Phil & Lynn Solomita	Tyler
Mark Solverud	Emma
Stephen S. Wise Temple Elementary School	Frida, Josie & Venus
Suzanne Tennenbaum	Colette
Tennenbaum Capital Partners	Becky
Anonymous	Carson, Crilee, Gator, Lady, Mika, Panzer, Patty, Rigby, & Schroeder

BRINGING PUPPY UP RIGHT

GDA PUPPY RAISERS

The process of turning an eight week old puppy into a well-socialized and trainable young dog of 16-18 months is crucial to developing great guide dogs. Our Puppy Raisers share their homes, their lives, and enormous amounts of their time with our guide-dogs-to-be. And they accept the pain of giving up a dog they have grown to love. For all those reasons, our great thanks go to all our dedicated Puppy Raisers!

Puppy Raiser	Puppy
Beverly & Allen Adams	Kenai
Karen & Marc Amling	Hobie
Angela Anderson	Iza
Tiffany Andrews	Keiko
Karen & Paul Apolinario	Marshall & Ferris
Jennifer & Marcello Apollonio	Klover
Theresa & Alex Arriola	Vegas
Kim Ashimine	Gianna
Susie & Bill Atherton	Darby & Winston
Dawn & Tess Atkinson	Chela & Kaddy
Kari Auclair	Ricky
Mary & Gary Augustine	Jolene
Nancy Ayers	Roscoe
Mary & Don Ball	Hannie
Nicole Bannerman	Dreamer
Kerry, Jenny & Marie Barefoot	Gypsy & Willy
Karen & Guy Barger	Tara
Carolyn Barnes	Pacey
Cheri Ashley Bartels	Ebony
Jan Bartlett	Dane
Christina & Shayla Behringer	Bailey
Janet & Ron Bell	Elsie
Sandy & Leonard Beller	Deejer
Kathy & Mike Bennett	Holly
CJ Benoit	Ben
Ann Benya	Liebling
Catherine Berent	Finnigan
Eric Bergemann	Max
Alisa & Jan Berman	Lindley & Wilkie
Melinda & Robert Bernhardt	Carson
Debbie & Jim Beydler	Nitro
Nancy Beyer	Dandy
Judith & Brian Billson	Ciarra
Rhonda & Brian Bissell	Tyler
Paul Blank	Nate
Cathy & Bill Blevins	Summer & Zeus
Stephanie & Kathleen Bocian	Romer
Debbie & Bruce Boe	Joelle
Sarah Bosch	Naia
Mary Bouvier	Marcel
Suzanne & Jeff Breaw	Shiloh & Vance
Eric Bregemann	Max
Kandi & Eric Brennan	Abby
Kellie & Kurt Brimberry	Nilsson & Atticus
Jane & Sarah Broome	Tessa
Denise Brown	Kamra
Jan & Eric Brown	Danny
Mary & David Brown	Hazel
Marge & Jim Brunson	Jake & Luke

Jacque & Jack Butler	Becky
Sydney & Jerry Cain	Shaq
Sondi & Brooks Callaway	Gita
Cara Candish	Raisin
Nick Carey	Buckley
Dana Carter	Asha
Jeanne & Daniel Cassidy	Trista & Ginger
Linda Centurian	Oliver
Teri Chang	Higgins
Carolyn Chowanec	Emma
Laura & Katie Christensen	Wrigley & Nevada
Eileen & Mark Cinque	Dixie
Karen & Wayne Clark	Neon
Jan & Keith Cody	Gus
Shannon Conklin	Nesa
Kathy Connell	Newton
Marianna Conway	Diiga
Rachek Conway	Petra
Vivian & Katelyn Cooper	Yahtzee
Cindy & Carl Corbin	Annika
Brenda & Brianna Cowin	Carly
Kristine & John Coyle	Tala
Dawn Crane	Pax

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GDA Puppy Raisers continued from page 3

Terry & Ray Crawford.....Beacon
 Dave Crawley.....Margot
 Beth & Bob Crizer.....Kelby
 Renee Crozier.....Laredo & Diego
 Charlene & Lee Cunningham.....Argos
 Pat & Chuck Czuleger.....Riley
 Toni Daves-Johnson.....Kovu & Angus
 Cindy & Bob Dabic.....Jasmine
 Bobbie Jo Dean.....Havana
 Mary Deets.....Rainier & Falken
 Lori & Dan Delgado.....Gucci
 Jenny Dennis.....Nori
 Jill & Mike Deschamps.....Dale
 Teri & Jerry Dillingham.....MarLee
 Karen Dillis.....Astro & Zoelle
 Shelly DiTommaso.....Chanel
 Cheryl Doherty.....Ally
 Donna Dolan.....Amiee
 Maggie & Gino Domico.....Woody
 Kristin Donaldson.....Mylo
 Marilyn Doram.....Saxon
 Jeff Dunn.....Dirk
 Diona & Alan Durham.....Gordy
 Kathryn & Karl Dyer.....Wally & Kona
 Susie Edwards.....Hawkeye & Volt
 Amber & Chris Ekstedt.....Bowie
 Debra Engilman.....Julius
 Robbyn & Mike England.....Vesta
 Pam & Bob English.....Rex, Cadet & Rooney
 Carol Enochs.....Tawney & Cricket
 Lidia Eslinger.....Elan
 Kay & Kurt Evans.....Laya
 Patti & Kurt Feddersen.....Lark
 Nancy Feldman.....Nico
 Patricia & Michael Fenstermaker Bradley
 Donna & David Fernandez.....Paloma
 Lisa Fletcher.....Nina
 Lawrence Fontaine.....Pablo
 Kim & Kent Freeman.....N-Charity
 Patti Friedman.....Nora
 Patricia & Kristina Garcia.....Wesley
 Trish & Gordon Geddes.....Valor
 Phillis & Don Genereux.....Hedda
 Barb & Niki Gilliland.....Salem & Coco
 Judy Gomez.....Richter & Fina
 Debbie & Jerry Green.....Woodrow
 Karen & Samantha Gregg.....Woodstock
 Bobbie Greiner.....Ensign
 Anne & James Gunderson.....Hogan
 Ankur & Rayshmii Gupta.....Boris
 Sarah & Miriam Hacker.....Sable & Rupert
 Judy & Kevin Haggard.....Diego
 Ginger & Dennis Hain.....Libby
 Elizabeth & Lewis Hall.....Merrick
 Bettie Hallett.....Roger
 Roger Hansen.....Walker
 Kelly Harms.....Faryn & Winicka
 Alizon & Anthony Harris.....Whisper & Treasure
 Lynn & David Harris.....Bella
 Teryn & Seth Hartnett.....Vector & Vala
 Sheila & Shelly Harvey.....Panzer & Rumor
 Diane & Wayne Havron.....Janna
 Barry Hayes.....Paxton
 Nancy Hayes.....Odessa
 Mary Hayworth.....Sophie
 Louise Hefner.....Gator & McCoy
 Marilyn Hemsath.....Omar & Everly
 Peter Hendriks.....Nesa
 Michelle Henson.....Harlynn
 Archie Herrera.....Dusty
 Cindi Heslin.....Kirby
 Rhonda Heth.....Lacey
 Maggie & Betty Hicks.....Sutherland
 Judith Hopkins.....Bonnie
 Judi & Steve Hoppes.....Ponteo
 Cecilia Horne.....Aspen & Tiara
 Jean & Bill Howard.....Patience
 Cat Howell.....Cigfa & Venice
 Stephanie & Denise Hughes.....Perra & Kristy
 Jeannette & Blaine Humbert.....Harrison
 MaryKate & Ashley Hunt.....Weston
 Judy & Marty Husted.....Emmy
 Melissa & Joe Hyams.....LJ. & Morris

Sandy & Ed Irvine.....Finn
 Betty & Ken Iverson.....Shasta
 Lee & Russ Jacobs.....Napa
 Teri & Steve Jensen.....Gem & Lexie
 Debra & Jeff Jewel.....Walden
 Dawn & Mike Johnson.....Chagall
 Cherie Johnson.....Onyx
 Shonnice Jones.....Livingston
 Glyn Judson.....Bruce & Clark
 Patricia Kampman.....Rushi
 MaryAnn & Mitchell Kaufman.....Varekai
 Brenda Kenworthy & Howard Fitzer.....Phineas
 Judy & Bill Kerler.....Breena
 Pat & Chuck King.....Netty
 Laurie King.....Magic & Shadow
 Betty & Bob Kingman.....Jacy
 Robin Klein.....Cosmo
 Cheryl Koalska.....Naia
 Peggy & Rich Kollen.....Zoey
 Judy Kovaric.....Othello
 MaryLou Kozub.....Kali
 Joan & Bob Kulpa.....Kandy
 Ga-Wing Lai.....Waverly
 Kim & Scott Lambert.....Diamond
 Kate Lancaster.....Frisco & Tango
 Bari & Erwin Laner.....Rigby & Fergie
 Jean Lang.....Wade
 Helen & Richard Lau.....Yazee
 Francois Leclair.....Nate
 Gail Leonard.....Levi & Branson
 Cathy & Phil Lichtenberger.....Neka
 MaryEllen Likins.....Lexa
 Juliana Lima.....Meigha
 Cindy & Daniel Lindenman.....Fremont
 Talicee & Kree Lindsay.....Luka
 Lily Lo.....Pippin
 Sue & Dick Logemann.....Dawn
 Brett Loutensock.....Herbie
 Amy & Mark Lyen.....Destiny & Faith
 Ginger Maas.....Josh
 Emalee & Thomas Mackenzie.....Harvey
 Janet Madden.....Hannah
 Sharon & David Majewski.....Flite, Squire & Poet
 Cathy & Morris Makshanoff.....Caleb
 Cathie & Frank Malis.....Lexiss
 Terri & Jeff Marcus.....Sedona
 Chris Marfone.....Axel & Parker
 Nancy & Brian Matthews.....Mika
 Peggy & Garth Mattson.....Wrangler
 Beth Mazner.....Atlas
 Christina & Brock McDonald.....Hewey
 Karen & Jeff McKenzie.....Hero & Alaska
 Ruth & Keelin Meese.....Jaxy
 Vicki & Lou Mele.....Scully
 Lisa Mendoza.....Kai
 Mary & Tom Meusborn.....Kanan
 Sylvia & Mike Michalski.....Harlo
 Sue & Lisa Miller.....Capri
 Cindy & Dan Miller.....Webber
 Sherry & Jim Miller.....Kosi
 Ann & Mark Miller.....Nathan
 Corinne & Jose Miranda.....Dalila
 MaryAnn & Greg Mogab.....Junior
 Raychel Moldover.....Lorax & Rio
 Lisa & David Moore.....Tawney
 Laurie & Mike Moore.....Jasper
 Jennifer & Joyce Morgan.....Alpine
 Chandra & Doug Morton.....Lila
 Denise Moss.....Elmo
 Rick Muir.....Monty & Hemi
 Tammy New.....Lady
 Sha Newman.....Sebastian
 Diane & Paul Niesen.....Bailey
 Nancy & Tim O'Gorman.....Patton
 Setsu Okada.....Fumi
 Leslie & Ron Ostrin.....Vikayla & Ashlyn
 Susan & Richard Pearsall.....Dorie & Cydney
 Lynn & George Peavy.....Verrina
 Lisa Perez.....Freedom & Vinny
 Connie & Rachel Peters.....Tacoma
 Kaitlyn & Carl Peterson.....Jadyn
 Judy & D.K. Philbin.....Ashton
 Susan & Nathan Phillips.....Gipper
 Suzan Phoenix.....Sami

Susan Pickles.....Brando
 Kristin & George Pitt.....Strider
 Elin & Burt Pittler.....Radar
 Kristen Pobanz.....Jack
 Kathy & Kendall Podley.....Nestle
 Beckie & Jeff Polson.....Logan
 Victoria & Joseph Prieto.....Rudy
 Liisa & Andy Primack.....Lola & Mona
 Debbie & Amanda Prince.....Josie
 Deborah & David Prough.....Sequoia
 Kathleen & Kelsey Puntar.....Sarek
 Kim & Matt Reed.....Merit
 Barbara & Dave Reed.....Hunter
 Judy Reilly.....Venus & Frida
 Susan Renwick.....Emmett
 Pat Reynolds.....Whimsy
 Linda & Kneave Riggall.....Raleigh
 Nancy & Lindsay Robb.....Sierra & Meg
 Terry & Lenny Robbins.....Java
 Celeste Robertson.....Samson
 Sylvia Rodriguez.....Pongo
 Carolyn & Jon Romer.....Vita & Laney
 Enriques-Barragon Rosa.....Aldo
 Teri Roveda.....Onna
 Alyssa & Wende Roy.....Maci
 Stephanie & Gary Ruggerone.....Calvin
 Linda & Marty Ruggles.....Spencer
 Melanie Ruiz.....Fiona & Riva
 Amber Salway.....Jersey
 Paula Sargent.....Jada
 Janet & Joe Scavo.....Buster
 The Schmid Family.....E.J. & Cohen
 Alison Schooley.....Harriette
 Tami & Samantha Semler.....Jonah
 Mindy & Nick Sharp.....Beijing & Roxy
 Yvette & Robert Sheehan.....Lindsey
 Peggy & Hayley Sherer.....Gilly & Tovah
 Kristi Slane.....Vespa & Marco
 Karen Smith.....Parma & Chanel
 Tracy & Jeff Stansfield.....Willia
 Kathie & Bob Stegemann.....Tasha
 Corey Stein.....Sousa & Merle
 Sandy Steinblums.....Peri
 Ellen & Robert Stone.....Sky
 Kim Stultz.....Shanti
 Amy Sutherland.....Voight & Liam
 Kathy Tallant.....Schroeder & Wyler
 Linda & Bruce Tarpey.....Baxter
 Rita & Don Tayenaka.....Mocha
 Suzanne Tennenbaum.....Colette
 Cherry Teter.....Star
 Linda Thalberg.....Malone
 Amy Thaler.....Roku & Vesper
 Robyn & Karyn Thomas.....Raven & Febe
 Tina & Rona Thompson.....Willow
 Matthew Toussaint.....Liam
 Marianne Townsend.....Archie
 Frank Traficante.....Renzo & Falco
 Jennifer Tsumura.....Valerie
 Debi & Katie Tupper.....Vijay
 Sherry & Laura Uroff.....Griffin & Theta
 Rachel & Dale Utiger.....Sadie
 Cindy Valancius.....Mia
 Melinda & Patrick Valerio.....Fritz
 Brenda & Fred Vance.....Regan
 Sandy & Larry Vaughan.....Mahina
 Alyson & Alan Verchick.....Monroe & Ashby
 Sue & Tom Vessella.....Sport
 Monique & Robert Waddell.....Mitch & Keegen
 The Walcker Family.....Shadow
 Linda & Tom Walker.....Tori
 Karen & Bryan Warloe.....Wailoa & Molly
 Marcie Watanabe.....Brinkley
 Mary Watts.....Lara
 Kari & Cory Weber.....Cleat & Kohl
 Joan Webster.....River
 Randi & Michael Weiner.....Goby
 Cindie & Dave Weldon.....Paisley
 Joanna & Ted Wilkinson.....Vienna & Lomax
 Madeline Wright & Bob Jaroneczyk.....Voyager & Trooper
 Robin Wynslow.....Kiwi
 Gaye & Joe Zezulka.....Ohana

ENSURING FUTURE GUIDES

BREEDING DOG FAMILIES

Our breeding dogs are extraordinary and extremely valuable to the future of GDA. Our Breeding Dog Families keep them safe, happy, and in prime condition and we appreciate their commitment enormously.

Tim Baccia & Kevin McgettiganShamrock
John BarlettaAstro
Bernie BernsteinMaple
Ann Marie Biden.....Amelia
Chris BirkettKong
Suzanne & Jeff BreawZara
Kriste Bret-HartePenny
Darlene Caraway.....Hope
Nancy CarneyAlley
Stacy DancyIkka
Bobbi Jo DeanKoda
Shelly DiTommasoCinder
Ronnie EichstaedtAngie
Patti & Kurt FeddersenLark
Rebecca & Jason Feld.....Vaughn
Vannessa ForneyPeri
Janette GalloCarlee
Lindsey GleasonKiara
Louise GrimmFinnegan
Sylvia & Charlie HallNelson
Louise & Graham Henderson.....Sela

Lori HensonDaisy
Michele HensonKadin
Cindy HeslinKirby
Melissa & Joe HyamsCadence
Ed JetteGoldie
Ellen LatzerBianca
Ginger MaasJosh
Sharon MargosVanna
Nancy & Brian MathewsJetta
Charles McAustinOtis
Meg McKeeverSushi
Julie & Ted MetzFlash
Sylvia & Mike Michalski.....Sienna
Jan Miller & Tim VientMaestro
Lori MontigelShelby
Kendall MooreKimball
Laurie & Mike MooreJasper
Rebecca Pastel.....Francia
Lynn & George PeavyVerrina
Kristin & George PittStrider
Kathy PuishipAutumn

Susan RenwickEleah
Craig Ridenour & Barbara HiserDee Dee
Nancy & Lindsay RobbLucy
Teri Roveda & Mary ShileikisHeidi
Elaine SartinLindy
Dianne SchlittGrace
Laurel SchumanPaisley
Mindy SharpVashti
Lydia & David Soleil.....Raya
Colleen SparksHalley
Jan & Ron StevensNellie
Susan & Stan SteinbergQuetzle
Shaunna ThomasPearl
Rachel & Dale UtigerLoree
Brenda VanceMimi
Nancy WalterRoxy
Kari & Cory Weber.....Kohl
Linda & Dave WiltzHauna
Robin Newell WynslowKiwi
Sue ZepezaurerIris

SECURING GDA'S FUTURE

PARTNERS IN TRUST SOCIETY

By thoughtfully naming GDA in their wills, trusts, and life insurance policies, the members of the **Partners in Trust Society** ensure that their support for GDA will continue long into the future. We are eternally grateful to them and to those who remember us, in any amount, in their estate plans.

The following people have notified us that GDA is included in their estate plan:

Mordechai Arditti
Helen Barnes
Barbara Barry
Lorraine Barth
Sondra & Otto Bennett
Bradley M. Bittan
Donald Borwick
Brooks Family Trust
Delores Bruckmaier
Helen Burwell
Sally Cairns
Michelle E. Chapman
Doris & LeRoy Christensen
Dorothy & Vincent Cipolla
Carole Crean & Edward Shipuleski
Samuel Curtis
Donald Dailey
Susan DeAntonio
Lorne DeBeau
Cherie A. Degen
Conrad Dratwa
Ms. Marion Egly
Kathye Faries & James Braun
Janet Feiler
Janice Fleup
Betty Fontaine
Lenore Clare Fusano
Beverly Gale
Lola Hagstrom
Bettie Hallett
Jack & Dee Higgins
Freda Hoffman
Sylvia Hoffman
Cheryl Hovanick
Judge Charles M. Hughes
Robert & Edith Hunio

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Mrs. Abe Lander
Leslie Chauncey Latimer &
Kenneth G. White
Alice Leighty
John & Marcia Lucas
Connie & Mike Mancari
Rita Marchi
Carolyn Martin
Ida A. Masters
Richard M. McAllister
Elizabeth Crawford McMurray
Maxine & Stephen Mitchell
Sonya Most
Cristina & Darrin Nedrow
Dorothy Owens
Gene & Lucille Peters
Rick Petersen
Kathy A. Phillips
Sandy Podall
Scott Polk
Cathy Rake
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Janet Swanson
Mark & Diane Taylor
Amy Thaler
Dayna Thomas

Ralph & Patricia Tindall
Jeri Truesdell
Margaret Van Ostrand
Timothy Vient—In Memory of Maestro
Jeanne Ward
Shane Wetzels
Bridget & Jim Winnett
Ruth & Alex Zapassoff
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The following friends have left us, and long into the future their intentions will be at work helping GDA to breed, raise, and train guide dogs.

Corrine E. Abel Estate
Bolin Trust
Lucille and George Churcher Estate
Janice Dahlheimer Estate
Frances Alyce Davis Estate
Valerie Douglas Estate
Dayle Ann Fischer Trust
Virginia Frinell Estate
Henry and Carmen Gonzales Estate
Philip G. Gould Trust
Esther H. Hagberg Estate
Mary Irene Hodges Estate
Ruth C. Jaffke Trust
Kennedy Family Trust
Valerie C. Kristensen
Henry Chaim Lerner Estate
Helen D. Lucas Estate
Richard L. Mapes Estate
McKnight Family Trust
Leland and Dorothy Muller Estate
Alice Seline Munnings Estate
Ila Mae Phifer Trust
Janet L. Phillips Estate
Dorothy J. Phillips Estate

Margaret H. Powers Estate
Diana Scura Estate
Luther E. Swink Estate
Charlotte M. Toale Estate
Marie L. Weichhold Estate
Dorothy M. West Estate
Leo J. Zaman Estate



Just as blind men and women partner with GDA's remarkable dogs for more independence and mobility, generous friends and supporters partner with GDA to help us carry out our work. Become a member of the **Partners in Trust Society** by naming GDA in your will or trust and receive this beautiful, crystal biscuit jar. Call Rhonda Bissell at (818)362-5834, ext. 229 for more information.



A Day for Everyday Heroes

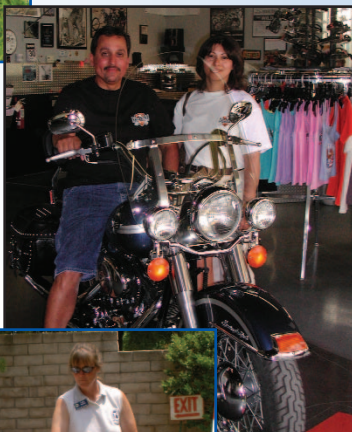
It is fitting that our first **Parade of Partners** issue follows close on the heels of our most successful Open House on June 11th. The theme of this year's Open House was "**GDA Honors Everyday Heroes.**" And so many of the names listed in this issue of Partners truly fall into that special category.

The Open House was a great day for remembering all those who with courage and generosity live heroically every day. Almost 1,000 people joined us for a fun and inspiring family event that included our famous puppy trials, guide dog demonstrations, and a very successful silent auction.

Two raffle events proved to be the highlights of the day. First was a raffle of a Harley Davidson motorcycle donated by **Chet and Merlene Diercks**, owners of the **Eagle Rider of Las Vegas**. The thrilled winners were **Eric and Martha Ayala** of central coast, CA. Eric is a member of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers.

The other raffle that generated great excitement was our "A Day With a Trainer" prize. **Kandace Delgado** and **Nancy Benson** spent a full day working with our trainers and future guide dogs. Past winners have hailed this as a life-changing day and we hope Kandace and Nancy agree.

All in all, the Open House was a great day to celebrate some amazing guide dogs – who are themselves everyday heroes. And the food was fabulous! 🐾



**Announcing
NEWS**

Two New Ways to Sponsor a Guide Dog Puppy

We are extremely grateful to those who become full **Puppy Sponsors** with a donation of \$4,000 or more. But we recognize that many people cannot give that amount, but would still like to play a special role in a specific dog's future. So we have created two new types of puppy sponsorship:



Litter Sponsor



For a gift of \$2,500 or more, you can sponsor one litter of future guide dogs (GDA's choice). Your generous donation covers the breeding and delivery expenses of the litter. You'll receive a special certificate and a photo of the mother and puppies.



Newborn Sponsor

For a gift of \$1,000 or more, you can sponsor an individual puppy (GDA's choice). Your gift covers the cost of breeding and delivery of a guide dog puppy. You'll receive a special certificate and a photo of the puppy you are helping.

Our hope is that when our next **Parade of Partners** issue is published, we'll be able to list many new Litter Sponsors and Newborn Sponsors. 🐾





Something for Every Dog Lover in Your Life

just in time for holiday shopping!



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inside message: "Happy Holidays"
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300 tasty recipes!
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Mail this entire form with your payment in the enclosed envelope.

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Throw			\$50 ea.	
Tote			\$25 ea.	

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shipping and handling cost is included

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1 package	Add \$3
2-4 packages	Add \$6
5-10 packages	Add \$8
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THROWS	Add \$7.50 ea.
TOTES	Add \$5 ea. for 1 to 2 totes

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GRADUATION

Class #347

Seated from left to right
—Sharlene Ornelas &
Whisper, Amanda

Weare & Wally, Karen McIntyre &
Willow, Steve Flerman & **Gipper**,
Christina Ringler & **Vespa**,
Mario Mesa & **Monty**,
Mary Novak & **Voight**,
Deborah Paul & **Fremont**,
Marguerite Paschall & **Vita**

Instructors: Steve
Burkman, David Ponce,
Robert Wendler, Wendy
Roof

Puppy Raiser: **Whisper** -
The Harris Family; **Wally** -
The Dyer Family; **Willow** -
Tina & Ron Thompson;
Gipper - The Phillips

Family; **Vespa** - Kristi Shane; **Monty**
- The Muir Family; **Voight** - Amy
Sunderland & Matthew Toussaint;
Fremont - Cindy & Daniel
Lindenman; **Vita** - Carolyn & Jon
Romer



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IN MEMORY



Guide Dogs of America has recently lost some wonderful dogs. We know these fine animals will be missed.

Guide Dogs

- **Cookie** – Class #310
- **Dottie** - Class #308
- **Erko** - Class #291
- **Kristen** - Class #329

- **Litany** - Class #315
- **Nell** - Class #313

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