

MSGAO Board of Directors Announces Restructuring

As it turns out, filling the void left by former Executive Director Vicki Cohen has proven to be difficult. Vicki's diverse set of experiences, knowledge, and creative talents are difficult to replace in one person. Therefore, the MSGAO Board of Directors has decided to restructure the program to make sure all areas of greyhound welfare, adoption, and fund-raising are properly addressed by experienced people.

Beginning Sunday, July 12, former Board member Adam Loeffel will be the Interim Director of MSGAO. Adam has served on the Board of Directors for a number of years, and has assisted Vicki in various MSGAO public outreaches such as the Lichterman Scarecrow Contest, the Enchanted Forest Festival of Trees at Pink Palace Museum, the annual MSGAO Dog Wash, the Annual Reunion, and he has hosted the annual MSGAO Howl-iday Paw-ty at his shop, Seize the Clay. In addition to these volunteer events, Adam also formerly worked in the greyhound racing kennels and has owned several retired racers. Adam will take over the day-to-day MSGAO management and adoption activities, passing on the supervision of Seize the Clay to a talented employee. Adam brings his creative flair, business acumen, and greyhound knowledge to the MSGAO operations.

Adam will work with Adoption Manager Patty Williams and staff members who all have experience in racing kennels, bringing a wealth of knowledge about the greyhound breed to our services. For example, former trainer Tracy McMillian started out as a teenager assisting with the racers and worked his way up to trainer. The kennel staff's extensive experience and relationships with the Southland's racing kennels helps transition greyhounds from the racetrack to MSGAO, and afterwards to forever homes.

The next time you visit MSGAO, please be sure to introduce yourself to Adam and welcome him to the MSGAO team!

Thank you for your continued support and service to this excellent program!

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At left, new Interim Director Adam Loeffel holds a 6-month-old greyhound puppy.

Below, Adam and former Executive Director Vicki Cohen with the MSGAO entry in the 2019 Lichterman Scarecrow Contest.



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