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### READ “DIARY OF A WOMAN (AND FRIENDS) CHAINED 2”

**Dogs Deserve Better’s Chain Off 2005 Inspires Advocates to Live Chained to Doghouses for as long as 33 Hours to Highlight the Plight of the Chained Dog**

Dogs Deserve Better held its 3rd Annual Chain Off, July 2-4, 2005, as the country celebrated the Freedom of America. **During this time Dogs Deserve Better called attention to those who are still not free—dogs living their entire lives on the end of a chain or enclosed in a pen.** Four people in different locations of the country chained themselves to doghouses sometime between July 2nd and 4th, and remained chained for as long as 33 hours in solidarity with man’s best friends, to whom if chained or penned this day remains just as any other: miserable, sad, and lonely.

Tammy Sneath Grimes, founder of Dogs Deserve Better, lived chained to a doghouse for 33 hours July 2-3, 2005 in State College, PA. At the same time, Monica Kinley-Kuhn and Sam Hogenaur were chained for 24 hours in Richmond, Indiana July 2-3; and Dan Paden was chained for 2 hours, bearing a 45-lb. chain, in Richmond, Virginia.

Amandah Povilitus has rescheduled for July 22nd, in Lackawanna, PA.

**Grimes created a journal of her experience, in photos and in words, an excerpt follows:**

*11:30 a.m., July 2nd.*

*I call Monica Kinley-Kuhn who is chained in Richmond, Indiana to see how she’s doing. She’s all alone right now. I feel badly, because here we’re quite lively, with a booth and a bake sale, and Steve Dershem, Centre County Commissioner, is drawing some people in.*

*I’m rarely alone, and rarely have time to think about actually living as a dog. Monica, on the other hand, is experiencing life of a chained dog firsthand. She tells me she’s beginning to identify with the chained dogs...She even tried to get up and follow her brother, and was jerked back by her chain, giving her an ‘ah-ha’ moment...*

To read more and see photos, go to: <http://www.dogsdeservebetter.com/chaineddiary2.html>

To read about Dan’s experience bearing a 45-lb. chain and see photos, go to:  
<http://www.dogsdeservebetter.com/danpaden.html>

Dogs Deserve Better is the 2003 First Place Winner of the ASPCA/Chase Pet Protector Award, and is a national and international nonprofit working to bring dogs out of the backyard and into the home and family. For more information on the organization and Chain Off 2005, visit the website at [www.dogsdeservebetter.org](http://www.dogsdeservebetter.org).