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Mr. Snow

Greater Racine Kennel Club, Inc. (GRKC) hosts American Kennel Club (AKC) All Breed Dog Shows at Pershing Park in Racine, WI annually. The shows this year (2012) are scheduled for Sunday August 12th, 2012 & Monday August 13th, 2012. Historically, a number of RV's park on the lakefront east of Pershing Drive near Pershing Park. The last few years (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011) we were able to control the parking on the lakefront and things went very well for GRKC. Until 2008, GRKC has never controlled the parking on the lakefront. We have told our exhibitors that they park there at their own risk. This has been happening for about 15 years or more.

GRKC is interested in possibly reserving and controlling parking on part of the lakefront as we did last year. We would like to make sure that the space is used efficiently and effectively. GRKC would sell a number of spaces from the North side of the lot, south to about the skate boarding park. GRKC will pick up and discard all garbage and trash generated by the RV's (we always try to pick up after our event). GRKC will mark the spaces with an appropriate marking material (temporary paint or chalk). GRKC will guide the RV's to the particular assigned space.

GRKC does not want to negatively impact other events that are organized on the lakefront. Last year there was a basketball tournament at Gateway. Things went reasonably well with this other event. We just wanted to bring this to your attention. GRKC believes that if we can control the parking, that the space will be used most efficiently as possible, helping all that want to park on the lakefront.

The RV's start arriving on Saturday August 11th, 2012 and will leave Monday August 13th, 2012 after the show is over.

Could you please let us know if this is possible again for 2012. Otherwise, we will just keep things as they have been in the past prior to 2008. This show has a significant positive economic impact for Racing and the surrounding area. The show brings many people from outside Racine into area hotels, shops, and restaurants.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kevin & Dawn Carlson
GRKC Co-Show Chairpersons

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