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**SIGNS OF SPRING:
SWALLOWS COME BACK TO CAPISTRANO,
BUZZARDS COME BACK TO HINKLEY, OHIO
AND**

HUSH PUPPIES HIT THE ROAD TO CANTERBURY VILLAGE NOT BIRMINGHAM

LAKE ORION, MICH.—Once again the Basset Hounds will hit the road for the GREAT AMERICAN BASSET WADDLE FOR RESCUE on Sunday, May 15, 2011. The WADDLE, hosted by Michigan Basset Rescue, has a new home this year. The annual fund-raiser for Michigan Basset Rescue will be held at [Canterbury Village](#) in Lake Orion. This non-profit organization has rescued nearly 3,000 homeless basset hounds in the past 18 years.

The event began in 1993 with 12 basset hounds waddling up Woodward Avenue. Last year there were 400! Each year it grows, and this May 15th the rescue organization expects more than 500 short-legged, long-eared, vertically-challenged, drooly hounds to strut their stuff in support of their less fortunate doggy brothers and sisters. Bassets, many of them having been rescued themselves, will converge on Lake Orion from 45 states, six Canadian provinces and Ireland. The event which has been called the “Basset Hound Dream Cruise” has been featured in LIFE Magazine, and *Animal Planet’s “Breed All About It”* presents a segment on the WADDLE in its program on basset hounds.

The WADDLE, a spectacular event and an incredible sight, is enjoyed by everyone including the hounds. Following the parade, the “pooped pups” will “hang out” in the Park at [Canterbury Village](#) to sniff each other, have a cool drink and greet their many friends and fans.

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