

Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.

Jan/Feb 2015

#### NEXT PROGRAM MEETING - 3/17/2015, 7:30 PM

**Topic:** Dr. Leeah Chew, DVM, of Wilson Veterinary Hospital will be speaking about "Canine Reproduction" (see page 3 for her Bio)

Be sure to come and bring your friends. Location and time: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Avon Rd. (southeast corner of Avon Rd. and Rochester Rd.), Rochester Hills, MI. Program meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

	Calendar of Events
<u>March 17, 2015</u> 6:30pm—Board Meeting	location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills
7:30pm—Program Meeting -	"Canine Reproduction" presented by Dr. Leeah Chew, DVM
April 21, 2015 6:30pm—Board Meeting	location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills
7:30pm—Program Meeting -	Ari Briscoe will be sharing her experiences showing Goldens around the world, especially Italy
<u>May 19, 2015</u>	location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd. Rochester Hills
6:30pm—Board Meeting 7:30pm—Program Meeting -	"Grooming Your Golden" by Carolyn/Gary Cooper

### GRCA 2015 National

Mark Your Calendar for the GRCA National in Wilmington, Ohio hosted by the Greater Cincinnati GRC during the last week of September 2015.

Please note, this is a huge undertaking and they have asked FDGRC members for our club's support in hospitality. See Page 7 for all volunteer opportunities.

Merchandise is already available (including a wonderful recipe book with artwork).

A tentative schedule has been posted, and all pertinent information can be found at

http://www.goldensrule2015.org/ or by following them on their Face Book page.

New Member					
None at this time					
Misc. Info	Other Upcoming Shows/Events				
July Specialty Show Trophy donations See Page 3 Now taking donations for 2015 per the email sent to club members. If you are Interested in donating money to sponsor a class (i.e. 6-9 puppy dog, BOW, Utility B, etc.) at our specialty show please contact Lynn Knapke at fcgoldens@hotmail.com	<u>Find out details and/or other local shows at</u> : http://www.akc.org/events/search http://www.infodog.com/ http://www.entryexpress.net/				
Please note all Trophy donations must be turned in to Lynn Knapke by February 28th as our specialty will be in July this year. A sign-up list is usually passed around at the program meetings, however, there is no February meeting.	<u>Fun Matches</u> : at Sportsman Dog Training Club in Warren, All Dogs Can in Lapeer, Companion Dog Training in Flint (refer to respective websites for information)				
Sunshine: Please let Dorothy Scarborough (dorothys@charter.net) know of anybody (human or ca- nine) that is in need of a sympathy/get well/ sunshine card from FDGRC and she will send one out. Notes from the Editor	GRCA info: 2015 GRCA National hosted by the Greater				
	Cincinnati GRC will be in Wilmington, OH the last week of September. You can get all the latest information by visiting their website at				
	http://www.goldensrule2015.org/ ***Please note: please verify all shows and dates***				
FYI, the deadline for getting stuff (articles, brags, pictures, etc.) to me is the last Sunday of the month. Lisa Taddiken FDGRC Newsletter Editor & Webmaster listad@chartermi.net					
<b>GRF Updates</b> : GRF Updates list - To join, simply send a blank email to: <u>grfupdates-subscribe@yahoogroups.com</u> For more information about the GRF, please visit our website at <u>http://www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org/</u>					

Dr. Leeah Chew, of Wilson Veterinary Hospital, will be speaking about Canine Reproduction at our March meeting

Dr. Chew received her B.S. from Notre Dame in 2002. She continued her education at the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine, graduating with honors in 2008. She then completed a three year residency in theriogenology (reproduction) at the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. She plans to become board-certified with the American College of Theriogenologists. Her special focus is on reproductive studies; including artificial and transcervical insemination, surgical implants, C-sections, medical management of pyometra and other reproductive diseases/ disorders, neonatal medicine, and semen evaluation and freezing. In her spare time Dr. Chew breeds and shows her Golden Retrievers in field and obedience rally competitions.

#### July FDGRC specialty 2015 Trophy Donations Due to Lynn Knapke by February 28th

\$50 Best of Breed:	\$15 Bro
\$40 Best of Opposite Sex:	\$50 Hi
\$25 Best of Winners:	\$25 Hi
\$25 Winners Dog:	\$15 No
\$25 Reserve Winners Dog:	\$15 No
\$25 Winners Bitch:	\$15 Op
\$25 Reserve Winners Bitch:	\$15 Op
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\$15 Amateur Owner Handler Dog:	\$15 Pre
\$15 15 and under 18 mo dog:	\$15 Ral
\$15 12 and under 15 months dog:	\$15 Ral
\$15 9-12 puppy dog:	\$15 Ra
\$15 6-9 puppy dog:	\$15 Ral
\$15 Open Bitch:	\$15 Ra
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\$15 Bred By Bitch:	\$15 Vet
\$15 Amateur Owner Handler Bitch:	
\$15 15 and under 18 months Bitches:	
\$15 12 and under 15 months Bitches:	
\$15 9-12 Puppy Bitch:	
\$15 6-9 puppy bitch:	
\$15 8-10 Veterans Dog:	
\$15 10-12 Veterans Dog:	
\$15 12+ Veterans Dog:	
\$15 8-10 Veterans Bitch:	
\$15 10-12 Veterans Bitch:	
\$15 12+ Veterans Bitch:	
\$15 Hunting Retriever Dog:	
\$15 Hunting Retriever Bitch:	
\$15 Stud Dog:	

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FDGRC - Board Meeting Minutes - January 10, 2015, 8:28pm The meeting was held at at Ike's Restaurant 38550 Van Dyke Avenue, Sterling Heights, MI. January Attendance: Board: Cindy Collins, Judy Weisman, Dianne Baker, Cindy Fisher, Peggy O'Keef	
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New Business:	
Board Positions are as follows:	
President: Cindy Collins	
Vice-President: Christina Curling	
Recording Secretary: Dianne Baker Corresponding Secretary: Peggy O'Keefe	
Treasurer: Judie Weisman	
Director: Kathy McElroy	
Director: Cindy Fisher	
Meeting adjourned, 8:48.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Dianne Baker	

#### \*\*\*\*\* Workshops/Seminars \*\*\*\*\*

Hadley Acres - Sunday, March 1 Nosework and Barnhunt Seminars 9:30-noon Contact: Hadley Acres at 810-797-4538 or email Daphne at <u>daphne@hadleydogtraining.com</u>

Sportsman - March 14th 9-4 Mental Skills Training for Competitive Canine Handlers Brenda Reimer, Ph.D Contact: Sportsman Dog Club www.sportsmens.net Ph: 586-754-DOGS (3647)

Megan Strickland/Courtney Morris March 29th "Beyond the Basics" Professional Grooming and Handling Seminar Dover, Ohio Contact: Vicki White 330-819-5568

Denise Fenzi of Fenzi Dog Sports - April 18-19 2 day workshop in Lansing (drives/motivation and ring prep) Contact: Wynell Brush at: <u>seefenzi@gmail.com</u>

Sporting Dog Seminars – June 20 – 21, 2015, at the Ortonville Recreation Area. Open to anyone who wants to bring a dog. Contact Kathy Wiecha 586-779-3520.

#### **General Minutes**

FDGRC - General Meeting Minutes - January 10, 2015. The meeting was held at Ike's Restaurant 38550 Van Dyke Avenue, Sterling Heights, MI, 7:22pm.

January Attendance: Board: Cindy Collins, Judy Weisman, Dianne Baker

Members: Diane Loudon, Linda Gryzwacz, Dorothy Scarborough, Libby Lybecker, Peg & Don Burlett, Carla & David Haupt, Susan Coppens, Cindy Fisher, Judie & Larry Weisman, Cheri Stager, Peggy O'Keefe. **Guests**: Al Loudon, Jerry Scarborough, Wayne Lybecker, Jerome Gryzwacz.

**Special Thank You's** were given to Libby Lybecker for organizing the banquet. Christina Curling and Kathy McElroy for exploring new venues for our banquet. To Linda Grzywacz for being the club statistician, and to Cheri Stager for being the annual trophy curator! Amede DeCruydt and Laura Fabbro for serving on the FDGRC Board for six years and thus have "termed out". And in general, to all our members who support our activities throughout the year in various roles. Your contributions make the club active and vital!

**BRAGS** - Cindy Fisher reported her boy Reese went Winners Dog & Best of Winners at the Eucanuba show. Cindy Collins reported that Dylan went Best of Breed.

Minutes - published in the December, 2014 newsletter were accepted/approved as printed.

Corresponding Secretary - Event approvals have been received

Treasure's Report - Judie Weisman reviewed the Treasurers Report - Annual Financial Statement.

Committee Reports were reviewed-

Agility - Carla Haupt - June trials all set, and September is in the works.

July 9, 2015 Specialty - Cindy Collins - on track.

Puppy Referral - Currently have one litter & one puppy

#### **Unfinished Business**

Thank you note received from the family of Sam Gay.

We also lost two other members of FDGRC this year - Russ Taddiken and Connie MacAdow.

#### New Business:

Instagram - is this a possibility of working for FDGRC? Sue Coppens will check out the possibilities

FDGRC is willing to sponsor a Hospitality at the National in OH, with volunteers from FDGRC to work.

Sporting Dog Seminars – June 20 – 21, 2015, at the Ortonville Recreation Area. Open to anyone who wants to bring a dog. Contact Kathy Wiecha 586 779 3520.

Annual Election took place. Ballots were passed out for voting of the new Board Members. The four members were approved and are Cindy Collins, Chris Curling, Cindy Fisher, and Peggy O'Keefe.

FDGRC next meeting will be held March 17, 2015 at the Polk Building at Leader Dog. Board Meeting begins 6:30 pm, General Membership Meeting begins 7:30 pm, followed by an educational meeting on Canine Reproduction. Please join us.

Meeting adjourned 7:41pm.

Respectfully submitted, Dianne Baker

#### A Special Congratulations

# Congratulations, Terry!

The Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce gave a Making a Difference Award to our own Theresa "Terry" Seraceno on Friday, Jan. 23. She was selected for her tireless work running Dr. Paws Inc. Therapy Dogs of Michigan. It's a 501c3 started by Terry, a Farmington Hills resident, and a handful of dedicated volunteers and their dogs, as a support group for therapy dog teams.

Dr. Paws just celebrated its 20th anniversary last year. When the group first started testing dogs at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills for therapy work, most hospitals didn't want them. Thanks to Botsford, where Terry works, they have tested more than 2,000 dogs, trained 13 new testers and numerous branches have formed their own groups. Dog teams are now in more than 250 locations in Michigan. From hospitals, nursing homes, Read to Rover programs at public libraries, the Make A Wish Michigan events, and now branching out to Michigan's public schools and



colleges to help students lower their stress. Therapy dogs are proven to lower blood pressure, reduce stress and help the healing process; these dogs bring joy and comfort to everyone they meet.

The group has more than 500 active members and is financially supported by a handful of organizations.

2015 GRCA National	Calling All Volunteers
September 26th October 3rd     Roberts Centre Wilmington OH	It's hard to believe we are already planning for the 2015 GRCA National. We can't make it happen without the help of our amazing volunteers. Below are the areas we need help with and are asking for some of your time to help make this happen. If you would like to volunteer your time please email Pamela Tibbs at volunteer@goldensrule2015.org . We look forward to seeing you all again this fall.
<ul> <li>Decorations</li> <li>Hunt Test</li> <li>Agility</li> <li>CCA</li> <li>Conformation</li> <li>Ring Stewards</li> <li>Field Trial</li> <li>WC/WCX</li> <li>Parking &amp; Traff</li> <li>Obedience</li> </ul>	Center  Health Clinics
<ul> <li>Rally</li> <li>Tracking</li> </ul>	Ring Workers     Gala
Volunteers will be	compensated: 4h - Food / Equivalent 8h - Thank you gift
	Pamela Tibbs, Volunteer Chairman 2015 GRCA National Volunteer@goldensrule2015.org

#### **Transformational Puppy Rearing**



Transformational Puppy Rearing: Creating Dogs that Enrich People's Lives and

Advanced Transformational Dog Breeding: Creating Dogs that Enrich People's Lives

a seminar with

#### Gayle Watkins, Ph.D., of Avidog® International, LLC

#### and Gaylan's Golden Retrievers

April 18 - 19, 2015 Leader Dogs for the Blind, The Polk Residence, 1039 S. Rochester Rd, Rochester, MI 48307

#### About Gayle

Dr. Gayle Watkins of Avidog® International (<u>www.Avidog.com</u>) has actively shown and bred multi-purpose golden retrievers under the Gaylan's kennel name since 1979. Over the past thirty years, she has produced, owned and/or shown over 50 American and Canadian conformation, obedience, agility and tracking champions, as well as Master Hunters, Qualified All-Age and mission-ready Search and Rescue dogs. Her breeding program has also produced over a dozen GRCA Outstanding Dams and Sires.

The keys to Gaylan's success are the techniques Gayle has developed to rear litters, evaluate puppies, and match them to homes based on measurable traits. Recently, Gayle started Avidog® International with two co-breeders, Marcy Burke and Lise Pratt. Together, they teach these puppy rearing and evaluation systems to breeders of all types—pet, competition and working, and of all breeds.

The Avidog® puppy rearing system is carefully designed, from conception to placement, to bring out the best in every puppy. It mixes science, nature and experience in a balanced blend of mental, physical, and social developmental opportunities with nutritional support. Furthermore, before pups are placed, they are thoroughly assessed on conformation (structure, type and athleticism), temperament, and working ability using a comprehensive evaluation process that seeks to give every owner the ideal puppy for them and provide them a training plan for their individual puppy.

#### Seminar Details

These two stand alone seminars will focus on the why, what and how of the ground-breaking system Gayle has developed to bring out the best in her puppies.

**Day 1 - Puppy Rearing** from before conception to nine weeks. During this session, she will present Avidog's many different things used to raise pups, week by week, to produce healthy, stable dogs that are well prepared for their future homes.

**Day 2 - Breeding Strategy**, Gayle and participants will discuss the eight components of the Avidog® breeding system, from setting and measuring goals to analyzing progress toward them. More than simple breeding methods, this system focuses on using a broad, holistic approach to breeding strategy that is applicable for seasoned, novice and one-time breeders.

Applied Epigenetics. With the recent explosion in epigenetics research and findings, we are learning more and more about how the environment influences a dog's genetics and that some of these changes can be passed on to future generations. Although a very young science, these findings should play a role in how

#### Transformational Puppy Rearing cont'd

dog breeders and owners select, raise and breed dogs for future breedings. In this session, Gayle will share her understanding of epigenetics from the perspective of a dog breeder rather than a geneticist and how this understanding has changed her breeding methods.

**Breeding Stock Selection.** Once breeders have established their goals, we will then tackle breeding stock selection. Sires and dams contribute differently and play different roles in a breeding's success but each plays a critical role in their puppies' future. We will also discuss how population genetics influenced breeding stock selection and vice versa.

This seminar will include detailed videos and practical exercises, in addition to lectures.

#### Who Should Attend?

The seminar has something to offer any serious dog person but will have particular appeal to present and future breeders of performance, conformation, and pet dogs who are seeking to produce stable, confident canine competitors and companions. Dog owners involved in performance sports and working dogs, as well as those who test and evaluate litters, will also benefit from this seminar.

#### OPEN TO BREEDERS of ANY BREED

NOTE: Participants will be able to get ongoing support from the Avidog® Team and you will be able to access password protected parts of the Avidog® website (www.Avidog.com) where you can continue the discussions started at the seminar.

#### Registration Details

Spots are limited so register early! Registration closes April 3, 2015.

#### Please leave your canine companions at home.

Full payment must be mailed with the registration to hold your spot. No refunds after the closing date.

\_\_\_\_ Both days – \$100.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Day 1 - Transformational Puppy Rearing \$60.00

Day 2 - Advanced Transformational Dog Breeding \$ 60.00

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I will not hold Gayle Watkins, Avidog® International LLC, the Leader Dogs for the Blind, or their team members liable for any loss, damage or injury to myself or my dog, or my property while attending this event.

Signature (required)\_\_\_

Acknowledgment and seminar details will be sent upon receipt of registration.

Please mail registration form and payment **payable to Leader Dogs for the Blind** to P.O. Box 5000, Rochester, MI 48308. For more information, please contact Sam Ziegenmeyer at 248-218-6327 or sziegenmeyer@leaderdog.org

#### **FDGRC** Awards and Trophies

September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014 Challenge Period

#### AM CAN CH GAYHAVEN LLDIEL AM CAN CDX AM WC TROPHY

CH Mihran's Rise To The Top Judie and Larry Weisman and Carol Cooper 41 Defeats

#### AM CAN WYLWIND MIHRAN TIME N SPACE AM CAN CD WILD WINGS DOG MEMORIAL TROPHY

CH Mihran's Rise To The Top Judie and Larry Weisman and Carol Cooper 8.5 Points

#### **GOLDENWIRE PUPPY BITCH OF THE YEAR TROPHY**

U-CH, IABCA NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Magical Bewitching Hour Diane D. Baker 5 Defeats

**THE BIRNAM WOOD CHALLENGE TROPHY** Not applied for

> **OCOEE BREEDER TROPHY** Not applied for

J.J. TAILFEATHERS DOG TROPHY Not awarded

TROPHY IN MEMORY OF AM CAN CH HOLIDAY'S TOP CONTENDER CGC DOG

Stonehedge Storyteller Cheri Stager 1 Defeat

TROPHY IN MEMORY OF AM CAN CH HOLIDAY'S TOP CONTENDER CGC BITCH

> U-CH, IABCA NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Magical Bewitching Hour Diane D. Baker

#### FDGRC Awards and Trophies Cont'd

September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014 Challenge Period

#### HALLTREE BREEDER TROPHY

Judie Weisman, Carol Cooper and Chris Crone CH Mihran's Rise To The Top

#### THE CHAMPION BARDFIELD BOOMER UD WC TROPHY FOR NOVICE OBEDIENCE

Torwoods The Tough Get Going CD GN Linda M. Grzywacz Average 196.8 THE FORT DETROIT TOP OBEDIENCE TROPHY

> Torwoods The Tough Get Going CD GN Linda M. Grzywacz 17 Points

**THE MEADOWPONDS OPEN OBEDIENCE TROPHY** *Not applied for* 

#### THE FORT DETROIT TOP AGILITY TROPHY

MACH2 Starburst Gld Oaks It's Outta Here BN OAP NJP T2B3 CCA ADHF Carla J. Haupt and David M. Haupt 707 Points

> THE FORT DETROIT FIELD TROPHY IN HONOR OF AFC HUNTRAIL'S WAILIN WILLIE Not applied for

> > HURON ACRES AYMAR DERBY TROPHY Not applied for

**THE GAYHAVEN CHALLENGE TROPHY** *Not applied for* 

#### FDGRC Achievement Awards

September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014 Challenge Period

#### AKC CHAMPIONSHIP

CH Mihran's Rise To The Top Judie and Larry Weisman and Carol Cooper

MASTER AGILITY CHAMPION MACH2 Starburst Gld Oaks It's Outta Here BN OAP NJP T2B3 CCA ADHF Carla J. Haupt and David M. Haupt

> AKC COMPANION DOG Torwoods The Tough Get Going CD GN Linda M. Grzywacz

> AKC GRADUATE NOVICE Torwoods The Tough Get Going CD GN Linda M. Grzywacz

AKC COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT

Dreamwork's Sailing First Class CDX RA CGC Diane E. Loudon

AKC UTILITY DOG Meadowpond What-A-Ketch UD RE CGC TDI Diane E. Loudon

AKC THERAPY DOG Dauninge's Who's The Blonde Stranger THD CGCA Jim and Christina Curling

AKC COMMUNITY CANINE Dauninge's Who's The Blonde Stranger THD CGCA Jim and Christina Curling

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#### FDGRC Achievement Awards Cont'd

AKC WORKING CERTIFICATE Misty Morning's Peaceful Prince TDI CGC WC CGCA Lisa Taddiken and Rachael Taddiken

AKC COMMUNITY CANINE Misty Morning's Peaceful Prince TDI CGC WC CGCA Lisa Taddiken and Rachael Taddiken

> UKC CHAMPION U-CH, IABCH NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Magical Bewitching Hour Diane D. Baker

#### **UKC CHAMPION**

U-CH, NAT''L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Hockey Night @ Gazebo's Diane D. Baker

#### **UKC COMPANION DOG EXCELLENT**

UCDX Torwoods The Tough Get Going Linda M. Grzywacz

#### NATIONAL JUNIOR PUPPY CHAMPION

U-CH, IABCA NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Magical Bewitching Hour Diane D. Baker

#### NATIONAL JUNIOR PUPPY CHAMPION

U-CH, NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Hockey Night @ Gazebo's Diane D. Baker

INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR PUPPY CHAMPIONSHIP U-CH, IABCA NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Magical Bewitching Hour Diane D. Baker

#### **INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR PUPPY CHAMPIONSHIP**

U-CH, NAT'L/INTERNAT'L CH Gazebo's Hockey Night @ Gazebo Diane D. Baker

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Websites for additional information on upcoming shows and trials:

AKC: www.akc.org, click on EVENTS, then EVENTS AND AWARDS SEARCH UKC: www.ukcdogs.com, click on DOG EVENTS, then UPCOMING EVENTS CKC: www.ckc.ca, click on CKC SERVICES, then choose CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Club Policy

Membership in the Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club is open to any person actively interested in promoting the aims of the Club, i.e., careful and restrictive breeding of genetically sound, instinctive and temperamentally balanced Golden Retrievers. The Club meets monthly for Golden Retriever related activities such as field training sessions, informal and AKC sanctioned matches, obedience and conformation work, specialty point events, working certificate tests, tracking tests and educational presentations. The key word in the above outline is ACTIVE. We are not just a social club, although there is much sociability. Persons who wish to become active members are invited to subscribe to our Club Newsletter, which has information about our activities. Anyone is welcome. If after attending at least three of our meetings within twelve months you find yourself in accord with our aims, we invite you to submit an application form to the Board of Directors. Please include on the back of your application form, the activities you have attended, and be sure that you sign the attendance roster any time you attend a meeting.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: \$10.00 per year - Open to everyone - This is NOT membership. Please make checks payable to FDGRC and send to the Newsletter Editor.

MEMBERSHIP RATES: Individual: \$20.00 per year. Family (2 people): \$25.00. Associate: \$15.00. Obtain forms from Treasurer or Secretary or Membership Chair.

ADVERTISING POLICY: Open to members only. All advertising must be in "Classified Ad" style. Minimum cost is \$2.00 for 4 lines, maximum of 6 lines for \$3.00. For Golden Retrievers only. Member owned adults or litters from member owned bitches, dog related services and items excepting stud service.