



## MICHIGOLDEN NEWSLETTER

Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.

December 2013

**NEXT PROGRAM MEETING - 1/11/2014, 6:30 PM**

### **AWARDS BANQUET, ANNUAL MEETING, AND ELECTIONS**

Please come for a fabulous time at FDGRC's Annual Awards Banquet with excellent food and good friends at the River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall in Rochester on Saturday 1/11/2014.

**THE MORE PEOPLE, THE MERRIER - RSVP BEFORE JANUARY 1ST. See flyer in this issue for details.**

### **Calendar of Events**

#### **January 11, 2014**

location: River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall

Awards Banquet, Annual Meeting, and Elections. See flyer this issue.

#### **March 18, 2014**

location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills, MI

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - TBA

### **Minutes 11/19/13**

FDGRC - Board Meeting Minutes - November 19, 2013

The meeting was held at Leader Dogs For The Blind, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order @6:45PM. Board Members Present: Cindy Collins, Peg Burlett, Laura Fabbro, Dianne Baker, Judie Weisman.

**New Obedience Regulations 2014** - Refunds will be returned to bitches in season. We will need to check with MBF for their policy to follow their rules as far as any documentation and withholding fees.

**St Clair Kennel Club Agility payment** - Payment will be made at 40%, as agreed upon.

**Life Memberships** - Any past or present Club member, having rendered outstanding service to the Club, may be proposed by the Board of Directors for election to life membership at any Annual Meeting of the Club. The individual so proposed must have been an active member of the Club for at least 15 years. Election shall be by secret ballot. An affirmative vote of 2/3 of the members present and voting is required. Life members shall be exempt from payment of dues, and shall have all the rights, privileges, and duties of membership, including the right to hold office and to vote.

**Field Training combined with Marshbanks GRC** - Marshbanks would like us to consider a joint venue for WC/X tests. Cindy will gather information and get info back to board for review.

**IRS Status Update** - Nothing to date

**Educational Programs for March, April, May 2014** - suggestions for Chiropractor, grooming, and dentition.

**Treasurers Report**

Meeting adjourned at 7:28pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Baker

**PLEASE COME**



**Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club's  
Awards Banquet, Annual Meeting and Election**

**Saturday, January 11, 2014**

**River Crest Catering & Banquet Hall**

900 West Avon Road, Rochester, Michigan 48307 248-652-6706  
(West of Rochester Road, on NE corner of Avon and Livernois Roads)

**6:30 p.m. Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar**

**7:30 p.m. Delicious Buffet Dinner**

featuring Sliced Roast Beef with Mushroom Gravy and Chicken Piccata  
plus much more!

\$25.50 per person, includes tax and gratuity

RSVP before New Year's Day

Make check payable to FDGRC and send to

Libby Lybecker

123 Clair Hill

Rochester Hills, MI 48309

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE FOR A GREAT TIME!**

## Resumes of prospective Officer/Board members

Our first important purchase when we were married was a home with a big yard, so we could get our second most important purchase! In 1979, we bought our first Golden Retriever. I went to three different breeders, leaving the "most expensive" for last. We didn't do any research, but recognized that the last breeder I visited was totally dedicated to the welfare of her Goldens. I am forever grateful to Cherie Berger for that first joyful Golden experience!

I was very involved in our scuba diving business for many years. Our son's academic and athletic pursuits kept us very busy, too. By the way, he and his wife are volunteers for GRREAT on the East coast. And now, I have the time to pursue more involvement with Goldens. I consider myself sort of an "old newbie" and many people in our club have been kind to me.

I've been a member of Fort Detroit GRC and GRCA since 2008. I have enjoyed helping out with many of our club's activities including ring stewarding and assisting with WC/WCX events. Most recently, I assisted with the GRCA Central Regional Specialty and learned so much from Chairperson Cheri Stager.

I consider it an honor to be nominated to serve on the Board for Fort Detroit and will do whatever I can to help our versatile breed and our club. Thank you for your consideration.

Kathleen McElroy

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I've been a member of FDGRC for approximately 19 years and have been a member of the Board a few times as Recording Secretary. I've shared responsibilities of the trophy grid and trophies, hospitality and decorations for a number of years for our FDGRC Specialty (as far back as when we used to hold our Specialty at the Detroit Fair Grounds) and the Regional Specialty we held a few years ago in Kalamazoo.

My start with Goldens began after my daughter had a peeping tom in her bedroom window one night, and her father said we could get a dog. I didn't particularly like dogs, but agreed with the decision with all the "rules"...not on the furniture, not fed from the table, etc, etc. We got our first Golden, Shamon, out of the paper (I know, I know). And of course I was the first one to break all the rules!!! Now, my dogs are a major part of my life - I don't know how I had survived without one!

I love my Goldens dearly, and enjoy helping out when needed. If you believe these attributes would enhance a position on the board, then I would appreciate your vote of confidence.

Dianne Baker

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Many of you at least know my name, JUDIE WEISMAN, since I am currently the person/treasurer haranguing you all for Dues Renewals. Goldens have been my passion since 1974, as an exhibitor in both Conformation and Obedience, and as a breeder. Prior to this current term, I have served as Treasurer for 5 full terms, chaired our Fall Specialty several times, and been treasurer for our current and previous Central Regional Specialties. As a Life Member, it is an honor to serve FDGRC.

Judie Weisman

## BRAGS



From Pat Thebo:

As I retired I had Build a Snowman again on my Bucket list. I have been recently doing some art stuff so I decided to make my snowman a Snow Golden. It turned out better than expected and the dogs had a great time with this but it could have just been they were loving the "snow with Mom" experience. I captured Flurry out of breath with her tongue hanging out as I posed her by the new snow dog. Funny thing is I used sand to do the color but did not know Tom had mixed salt in the sand! Did not really matter much our snow dog stayed around a long time. I may try another one this year. 4th place- Yea!! I sent several photos but did not expect this one to win. Comedy Golden does fit with Flurry who is a real comedian and a lot of fun (Loonsong Steamboat SnowsAComin- note Steamboat Ski hat on snow dog).

From Cindy Collins:

Cindy Collins reports that CH Verity's Arcade Fire finished her championship in early December, finally winning those last two points! Cindy, as KD's breeder, is especially proud!

From Peg Burlett:



Yeah!!! Jay is now a Champion - CH Rhapsody Yet Another One WC. Many thanks to Eileen Hackett for handling him to all his points and finishing with a 4 pt major at one of the Columbus, OH shows in November.

**Minutes 11/19/13**

FDGRC - General Meeting Minutes - November 19, 2013

The meeting was held at the Leader Dogs for the Blind Facility, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order @7:40PM. Board Members Present: Cindy Collins, Peg Burlett, Laura Fabbro, Dianne Baker, Judie Weisman. Members: Larry Weisman, Dorothy Scarborough, Ann Heilbrun, Lisa & Russ Taddiken, Linda Schultz, Carol Ruby, Peggy O'Keefe, Sue Szeremet, Lynn Knapke, Judy & Kurt Macauley, Carla Haupt. Guests: Diane Brown, Shirley Julin, Susan Coppins

**Sunshine Report -**

Get well card sent to Nancy Chapman.

**Brags** - Peg Burlett - Rhapsody Yet Another One WC earned his CH and also went Select Dog for 4 GCH points!!!! Lynn Knapke - Can Ch Tangleloft's Rock'N At Forest Creek earned her Am Championship at Kalamazoo with a 3rd Major on 11/1, and on 11/2, went Select for 3 GCH points!!! Lisa Taddiken - Misty Morning's Peaceful Prince CGCA - earned his Canine Good Community Award!!! Congratulations to you all.

**September Board Meeting** - published in November newsletter were accepted as printed without changes.

**Treasurers Report**

**Committee Reports** - **Puppy Referral** needs puppies. **Fall Specialty Trophy Grid** was passed around for additional sign ups. **2014 Fall Specialty** - Cindy Collins chairperson, Amede DeCruydt - Obedience/Rally.

**Unfinished Business** - **Judge preferences** - please submit to any Board member, for any venue. **Dues Renewals** - forms were available at meeting and were passed out, others will be mailed. Return form with dues, to Judie Weisman by January 1. **Awards Banquet, Annual Meeting, Election** - is Saturday, January 11, 2014 at River Crest. Flyer is available on our website: fdgrc.org

**NEW BUSINESS** - The committee has nominated Dianne Baker, Kathy McElroy and Judie Weisman. There were no new nominations from the floor. Resume to Peg Burlett by December 1.

***Our next meeting is January 11, 2014 at River Crest, 900 West Avon Road, Rochester. (Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet)***

Sam Ziegenmeyer gave a very interesting, educational program on Puppy Self-Control.

Meeting adjourned, 8:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dianne Baker



## Misc. Info

**Specialty Show Trophy donations:** If you are interested in donating money to sponsor a class (i.e. 6-9 puppy dog, BOW, Utility B, etc.) at our specialty shows please contact Lynn Knapke at [fcgoldens@hotmail.com](mailto:fcgoldens@hotmail.com) or talk to her at a meeting. A sign-up list is usually passed around at the program meetings. Now taking donations for 2014.

**Sunshine:** Please let Dorothy Scarborough ([dorothys@charter.net](mailto:dorothys@charter.net)) know of anybody (human or canine) that is in need of a sympathy/get well/ sunshine card from FDGRC and she will send one out.

**FDGRC now has a Facebook page.** Check it out and 'Like' it! There is a link to it on our website.

**From the MORRIS ANIMAL FOUNDATION:** Scientific discoveries are continuous, and Morris Animal Foundation's quest for better veterinary medicine never ends. Whether the goal is understanding the role of genetic mutations or unmasking the mysteries of a new virus, veterinary advances transpire one step at a time. Every study leads us one step closer to new treatments, better preventions and, ultimately, hope for a brighter world for animals.

### A Golden Opportunity to Make a Difference

Three thousand—that's the golden number! Application for Morris Animal Foundation's Golden Retriever Lifetime Study is now open, and we're actively recruiting 3,000 Golden Retrievers under 2 years of age. If you have loved more than one Golden Retriever, you have also likely experienced the heartbreak of losing one to cancer. This unprecedented study is an opportunity to join a groundbreaking scientific effort to discover how to prevent cancer and other diseases.

To determine if your dog is eligible for participation in the Golden Retriever Lifetime Study, you must first register for the Canine Lifetime Health Project at [www.CanineLifetimeHealth.org](http://www.CanineLifetimeHealth.org). After you sign up for the Canine Lifetime Health Project, you will be notified by email if your dog qualifies for the Golden Retriever Lifetime Study. Join us in the largest and longest observational study ever undertaken to support science that advances veterinary care for dogs.

**GRF Updates:** GRF Updates list - To join, simply send a blank email to: [grfupdates-subscribe@yahogroups.com](mailto:grfupdates-subscribe@yahogroups.com)  
For more information about the GRF, please visit our website at <http://www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org/>

## Other Upcoming Shows/Events

Find out details and/or other local shows at <http://www.akc.org/events/search>  
**Obedience/Rally trials:** see AKC website

**Breed shows:** also see AKC website or [infodog.com](http://infodog.com)  
\* Obedience/Rally at these shows

**Agility trials:** pretty much every weekend in Dexter, Flint, and Lapeer, MI. See AKC's website for details.

**Field trials/Hunt Tests:** see AKC website

\*\*\*Please note: please verify shows and dates through AKC's website.\*\*\*

**GRCA info:** 2014 GRCA National will be hosted by Sandlapper GRC and will be held on Oct 24-Nov 1, 2014 at Asheville/Fletcher, NC (breed/obedience/agility), Bristol, TN (hunt test/WC/WCX) and Cheraw, SC (field trial) and you can get all the latest information by joining this Yahoo group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GRCANationalSpecialty/join> or visit their website at [www.2014National.com](http://www.2014National.com).

**FYI:** The Huron River Labrador Retriever Club will be holding field training days that are open to non-members. You can get more info at their website at [www.huronriverlrc.com/field.html](http://www.huronriverlrc.com/field.html).

## Notes from the Editor



FYI, the deadline for getting stuff (articles, brags, pictures, etc.) to me is the last Sunday of the month.

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## For Your Information

MB-F, Inc:	32351 Edward Ave., PO Box 9999, Madison Heights, MI 48071, ( <a href="http://www.infodog.com">www.infodog.com</a> )
Roy Jones Dog Shows:	PO Box 307, Garrett, IN 46738, ( <a href="http://www.royjonesdogshows.com">www.royjonesdogshows.com</a> )
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Dr. Paws (TDInc)	Terry Seraceno, 248-888-7488, ( <a href="http://www.drpaws.org">www.drpaws.org</a> )
Orthopedic Foundation for Animals	2300 Nifong Blvd., Columbia, MO 65201, ( <a href="http://www.offa.org">www.offa.org</a> ) - also doing eye certifications (ECR)
CERF, Inc	South Campus Courts, Bldg A, Purdue Univ., West Lafayette, IN 47907, ( <a href="http://www.vmdb.org">www.vmdb.org</a> )

### Websites for additional information on upcoming shows and trials:

**AKC:** [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org), click on EVENTS, then EVENTS AND AWARDS SEARCH

**UKC:** [www.ukcdogs.com](http://www.ukcdogs.com), click on DOG EVENTS, then UPCOMING EVENTS

**CKC:** [www.ckc.ca](http://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.