



# MICHIGOLDEN NEWSLETTER

Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.

MAY 2012

**NEXT PROGRAM MEETING - 5/15/12, 7:30 PM**

**Topic:** Grooming demonstration by Mike Pickard. Come watch how to neaten your goldens feet, etc. - no more 'slipper' feet or 'tufted' toes for your pet/show/performance golden!

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

**May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012** location: 3655 Brauer Rd., Oxford

5:30pm - WC/WCX training. Working spots are filled but everybody is welcome to come watch and learn. See flier this issue for details.

**May 15, 2012** location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - grooming demonstration with Mike Pickard.

**June 9, 2012** location: Omega Farms, Williamston

9:00am - Field Training Day at Omega Farms. Focus will be on fine tuning WC/WCX training. Everybody welcome to come train. See flier this issue for details.

**June 10, 2012** location: Omega Farms, Williamston

**FDGRC's WC/WCX Test** - Working Certificate and Working Certificate Excellent Tests - Judges are Kim Bridgewater and Jan Masica. Premium list in this issue and up on our website - [www.fdgrc.org](http://www.fdgrc.org).

**July 20-22, 2012** location: Omega Farms, Williamston

**FDGRC's AKC Hunt Test** - Premium list is up on EntryExpress ([www.entryexpress.net](http://www.entryexpress.net))

**September 14, 2012**

**FDGRC Specialty Show, Obedience Trial, & Rally Trial**—See premium list at [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)

**September 18, 2012** location: Leader Dogs, Avon Rd., Rochester Hills

6:30pm—Board Meeting

7:30pm—Program Meeting - TBD

## BRAGS

From Lisa Taddiken:

Winnie and Buddy passed their Therapy Dog tests in April in the following combinations.

Winnie/Lisa passed TDI

Buddy/Lisa passed CGC and TDI

Winnie/Russ passed TDI

Winnie and Buddy passed TDI as a team with Lisa

### 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 2013.

### 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:

5/12-13/2012\* - White River GRC Specialties, Lebanon, IN

5/12-13/2012\* - Midland Mi KC, Midland, MI

5/19-20/2012 - Genesee Co KC, Corunna, MI

5/24/2012\* - GRCA Central Regional, Hamilton, OH

5/24-28/2012\* - West Michigan Apple Blossom Cluster (5 shows), Kalamazoo, MI

Agility trials: pretty much every weekend in Dexter and Lapeer, MI. See above link for details.

\* Obedience/Rally at these shows

Seminars: TBA

### Notes from the Editor



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

Peg Burlett

FDGRC Newsletter Editor & Webmaster

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**FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB  
CORDIALLY INVITES ALL RETRIEVER BREEDS  
TO FIELD TRAINING SESSIONS FOCUSING ON SKILLS FOR  
WORKING CERTIFICATES AND WORKING CERTIFICATES EXCELLENT**

ON WEDNESDAYS: **MAY 2, MAY 9, MAY 16, MAY 23, MAY 30, 2012**

AT 5:30 P.M. AT 3655 BRAUER ROAD, OXFORD, MI,

(ONE SESSION MAY BE PRE-ARRANGED FOR ANOTHER LOCATION)

AND ON SATURDAY, **JUNE 9, 2012** AT 9:00 A.M. AT OMEGA FARMS.

ON THAT DAY, MEET FIRST AT OMEGA SALES BARN LOCATED AT  
4900 N. M-52, WILLIAMSTON, MI, AND BRING YOUR LUNCH AND CHAIR.

**COST:** FOR PAYING IN ADVANCE FOR ALL 6 SESSIONS IS \$40 PER DOG.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO *FDGRC*.

**COST:** FOR PAYING PER SESSION IS \$7 FOR EACH OF THE MAY

SESSIONS AND \$17 FOR THE JUNE 9TH SESSION, PER DOG.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO *FDGRC*.

TRAINING WILL INCLUDE DEAD BIRDS, POPPER GUNS, AND LAND AND  
WATER WORK TYPICAL OF GRCA WC AND WCX TESTS.

SEE TEST RULES AND OTHER INFO AT

<http://www.grca.org/events/field/index.html>

WEAR A WHITE OR LIGHT-COLORED SHIRT. BRING WATER AND SHADE  
FOR YOUR DOG. ALSO CONSIDER BRINGING SUNSCREEN, RAIN GEAR,  
BUG SPRAY, WHISTLE, CHAIR, AND WATERPROOF BOOTS. REMEMBER TO  
BRING YOUR LUNCH TO THE JUNE 9TH SESSION AT OMEGA FARMS.

PLAN TO TAKE YOUR TURN **HELPING** AT THE BIRD STATIONS,  
NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY, BEFORE YOUR DOG RUNS.

FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB, INC IS PLANNING WC AND  
WCX TESTS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2012 AT OMEGA FARMS.

INFO WILL BE AVAILABLE AT <http://www.fdgrc.org>

TO **REGISTER** FOR TRAINING: CONTACT CINDY COLLINS AT  
[veritygoldens@comcast.net](mailto:veritygoldens@comcast.net) OR 810-919-2306



# FORT DETROIT GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB, INC.

## Working Certificate Test (WC) & Working Certificate Excellent Test (WCX)

Date: Sunday, June 10, 2012

Time: WCX judging begins at 9:30 AM EDT  
WC will follow the WCX

Judges: Kim Bridgewater & Jan Masica

Location: Omega Farms, 4900 N. M52, Williamston, MI 48895

Birds: Pigeons, Chukars, Guinea Hens, or Pheasants and Ducks

Entry Fees: WC - \$35.00 pre-entry, \$40.00 day of test  
WCX - \$40.00 pre-entry, \$45.00 day of test

PLEASE USE THE ATTACHED OFFICIAL  
G.R.C.A. ENTRY FORM FOR YOUR ENTRIES!

**PRE-ENTRIES CLOSE AT 8:00 PM EDT on Monday, June 4, 2012**  
**POST-ENTRIES CLOSE AT 9:00 AM EDT on Sunday, June 10, 2012**  
**NO PHONE or EMAIL ENTRIES ACCEPTED**

Make check payable to FDGRC and mail with completed entry form to:  
PEG BURLETT, 3655 Brauer Rd., Oxford, MI 48371  
248-236-9486 auncieve@netzero.net

**The tests will be run under AKC Field Trial Rules as modified by GRCA.**  
Please find Rules & Regulations at [www.grca.org/StandProgs/wcwcx.htm](http://www.grca.org/StandProgs/wcwcx.htm).

Qualifying dogs will receive certificates and rosettes.

**BITCHES IN SEASON ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE TRIAL GROUNDS.**

Wingers may be used in the WCX at the discretion of the judges.

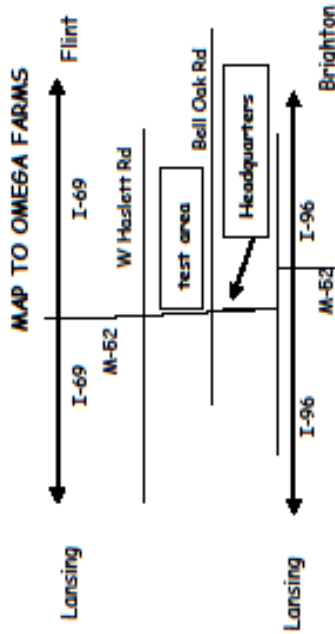
You are cordially invited to come to the WC/WCX sponsored by the FDGRC. These tests are open to all AKC retrievers. Golden and Flat-Coats will run before all other breeds. The tests will not be altered to fit other non-Golden breed Club rules. Please bring any official rules from your specific breed Club and any forms that need to be signed by the judges. **A POTLUCK LUNCH WILL BE ENJOYED ON SITE FOLLOWING THE WC/WCX LAND SERIES. BRING A SALAD, DESSERT OR SIDE DISH TO PASS IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE, BUT ALL ARE WELCOME REGARDLESS.** Bring water and shade for your dogs.

Scratches: Full refund will be made for sickness, injury, death, or bitches in season upon receiving a note from a veterinarian. Others as follows: Before the draw, full refund. After the draw and before the start of the test, refund less \$15.00. After the start of the test, no refund.

WC/WCX Committee: Cindy Collins, Chairperson  
 Peg Burlett, Ann Heilbrun, Ralph Chapman, Kathy McElroy

**DIRECTIONS**

Headquarters and WC/WCX tests are located at Omega Farms, 4900 N. M-52, Williamston, MI 48895. From I-69 take exit 105 (Perry/M-52) south on M-52 to Headquarters. From I-96 take exit 122 (Webberville/M-52) north on M-52 to Headquarters. Note: Map not drawn to scale.



**MOTELS IN THE AREA**

(Check individual hotels for their pet policy and PLEASE pick up after your dog)

- Best Western Fowlerville 517-223-9165 I-96 exit 129
- 950 S. Grand Ave., Fowlerville, MI 48836
- Red Roof Inn Lansing East 517-332-2575 I-496 exit 11
- 3615 Duncel Rd., Lansing, MI 48910
- Holiday Inn Express 517-349-8700 I-96 exit 110
- 2209 University Park Dr., Okemos, MI 48864
- Comfort Inn 517-347-6690 I-96 exit 110
- 2187 University Park Dr., Okemos, MI 48864

Golden Retriever Club of America, Inc.  
 Official WC/WCX Test Entry Form

Test Giving Club: Fort Detroit Golden Retriever Club, Inc.  
 Date: Sunday, June 10, 2012  
 Location: Omega Farms, 4900 N. M-52, Williamston, MI 48895  
 Entries Close: 8 PM EDT, Monday, June 4, 2012  
 Entry Fees: WC = \$35.00 pre-entry, \$40.00 post-entry  
 WCX = \$40.00 pre-entry, \$45.00 post-entry  
 Make Checks Payable to: FD6RC

(Canadian Checks should be made payable in U.S. funds)  
 Mail Entries to: Peg Burlett, 3655 Brauer Rd., Oxford, MI 48371  
 Phone: 248-236-9486 (after 7 PM) e-mail: auretrieve@netzero.net

I enclose \$\_\_\_\_\_ for entry fees. CALL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

____ WC TEST, SUNDAY, 6/10/12 ____ WCX TEST, SUNDAY, 6/10/12	
DOG'S REGISTERED NAME _____	
BREED _____	SEX _____
ENTER NUMBER HERE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____	
____ AKC REG. NO. _____	
____ AKC LITTER NO. _____	
____ TLP NO. _____	
____ FOREIGN REG. NO. _____	
PLACE OF BIRTH _____	
____ USA ____ CANADA ____ FOREIGN	
BREEDER _____	
SIRE _____	
DAM _____	
ACTUAL OWNER(S) _____	
OWNER'S _____	
ADDRESS _____	
CITY, STATE, ZIP _____	
HANDLER _____	

I agree that the dog named herein is entered in and will be in the test at my own risk and that I will hold the host club, its members and agents, free from liability for any claims arising out of the entry of the dog or its presence at the test.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 FOR CLUB/JUDGES' USE  
 ONLY  

NO. _____	JUDGE _____
PASSED/FAILED _____	JUDGE _____

**Board Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2012**

The meeting was held at the Leader Dogs for the Blind facility, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order at 6:42PM. Members present: Cindy Collins, Christina Curling, Peg Burlett, Laura Fabbro, Dianne Baker.

March Specialty 2013 and Supported Entry at DKC - Badger Club has lodged a complaint with GRCA due to the fact that our March Specialty was held on the same weekend that they held their Specialty. For years FDGRC held a Specialty in March, but most recent years we had given that up. Badger has been very successful with their Specialty being a 2-day event and a 5-point major. This year, it was reduced to a 4-point major. Our profit was minimal from this Specialty. Should we simply forget the Specialty and renew our friendly terms with Badger and just support the DKC shows? Chris C made the motion to support the DKC show, Laura F second the motion. All in favor. Motion passed.

September 2012 Specialty - Exhibitor Luncheon - Chris Curling has volunteered to chair this event. She will pass around a "sign up sheet" for anyone who will be willing to offer their help.

Treasure update - Report was not available at this time.

AKC Electronic submission of member contact information - Membership should be allowed to opt out if they don't want their email information submitted. A notice will be printed in our Newsletter, and we will get their feedback.

Educational Programs -

Sept 18 - Dr Shepard - Canine Nutrition - Cindy Fisher to confirm. Dianne Baker will confirm with Cindy

Oct 16 - Dr Obradovich (Oncologist) - Meeting at Animal Cancer & Imaging Center in Canton, 6:30 Board meeting. Note: 7:00 General meeting, 7:30 Program

Nov 20 - Amede DeCruydt on Puppy Socialization, other members welcome to contribute to discussion of ideas and techniques

GRN Column - Chris Curling is working on our first column, and needs information from everyone who has had Major wins with their dogs recently so they can be published.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Baker

**More misc. info**

**AKC SCHEDULE OF POINTS FOR DIVISION 15 - EFFECTIVE MAY 16, 2012**

Division 15 is comprised of: Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin.

	1 POINT		2 POINTS		3 POINTS		4 POINTS		5 POINTS	
	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches
Retrievers (Golden) . . . . .	2	2	8	8	15	15	18	18	30	35

**General Meeting Minutes - April 17, 2012**

The meeting was held at The Leader Dogs for the Blind facility, Rochester Hills, MI and called to order at 7:40PM.

March Attendance: Board: : Cindy Collins, Christina Curling, Peg Burlett, Laura Fabbro, Judy Weisman, Dianne Baker. Members: Larry Weisman, Dorothy Scarborough, Ann Heilbrun, Connie S McAdow, Bob McAdow, Kathy McElroy, Cheri Stager, Lind Grzywacz, Lynn Knapke, Carol Ruby, Carla J Haupt, Lisa Taddiken, Russ Taddiken, Judy Macauley, Roseanne DiMaria. Guests: Sue Szeremet, Linda Piette.

Members and Guests were welcomed.

**Member Brags:**

"Harvey" - New CGC - Am Can Dreamworks I Make My Own Luck - CGC (Weisman)

"Tessa" - New UKC CH - Rosebrook Look At Me Please (DiMaria)

"Picabo" - New UKC CH & Reserve BIS - Loonsong Ski Loveland (Macauley)

"Nikki" - BISS at Mid Michigan GRC Specialty - BISS Tangleloft's Rock'N At Forest Creek (Knapke)

"Chatter" - Completed her OAP & OJP in March - MACH4 Starburst's If Only, CDX, OAP, OJP (Haupt)

"Deacon" - 3rd leg 1st place, H.I.T. Therapy Dog - CAN CH Autumn Grove Face The Promise CDX, THD, CCA, CGC, CAN CD (Ruby)

"K-D" - UKC Best Of Breed Puppy - Verity's Arcade Fire (Collins)

"Venus" - Now U-GR CH Gazebo's Dreamy In Blue Jeans (Baker)

The Minutes from the previous month were published in the newsletter and there was an error pointed out. The Rally date that was printed was September 12th and should have been 14th.

Judie Weisman reviewed the Treasurers Report.

**Committee Reports:**

Agility -amended constitution approved by AKC. We are now licensed for agility trials, and looking to set up a date that doesn't conflict with other trials that are scheduled within our area.

Field Training Sessions (focusing on skills for working certificates and working certificates excellent) will be held on Wednesdays beginning May 2nd at 5:30pm. Fliers were available with total information concerning the training and the tests. Tests for the WC & WCX to be held June 10, 2012 at Omega Farms in Williamston.

Puppy Referral has had quite an increase of people looking for puppies, and this is the first time in a long time that we have had so many puppy/litters available that we can refer.

Fall Specialty Trophies - please contact Lynn Knapke if you wish to contribute for our Specialty, September 14, 2012. Please check with Lynn ASAP, as we will need to get the final trophy list submitted in May.

Fall Specialty Exhibitor Luncheon - Chris Curling has volunteered to head this committee. If anyone would like to help Chris to make this another great luncheon, please contact her. Chris passed a sign-up sheet around at the meeting for anyone offering a dish to prepare, etc.

Christina Curling will be putting together FDGRC's column and submitting to GRN's Member Club Column. Chris would appreciate your contacting her with any Major Brags regarding your dogs.

**Unfinished Business:** March 2013 Specialty and Supported Entry for DKC - Due to the Badger GR Club's complaint to GRCA, we are reconsidering our participation to hold a Specialty next March in conjunction with the DKC Shows. Badger feels they lost participants and went from a 5-point major to 4-point major weekend, due to FDGRC's new Specialty held the same weekend. Our participation shall only be to support DKC shows next year.

**New Business:** AKC has requested electronic submission of club member contact information, including email addresses. Not everyone is comfortable having their information given out without their permission, and we are going to submit member list of names and addresses, however, will not include email addresses unless the member so requests we do so. Notification will be published in our newsletter and any member who would like the additional information submitted can advise us to do so.

Public Education info from GRCA - There were a number of handouts available to membership which was provided by GRCA. We can refer to the website for additional literature/brochures.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at Leader Dog.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Baker

A very informative presentation was given by Dr Will Schultz DVM on Lepto & Thyroid.

**GRCA Topics**

Dear Members of the GRCA and GRCA Board:

The 2012 GRCA Nominating Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the members who submitted their names and resumes for consideration for nomination to the GRCA Board of Directors - each of these individuals had outstanding qualifications. If future nominating committees have such choices, the GRCA has a bright future indeed! We hope those not selected will contribute to the success of the GRCA by volunteering in other capacities in the coming year. Additionally, the Committee further hopes that the members not chosen for 2012 will consider submitting their resumes in future years. The 2012 GRCA Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following slate for the 2012 election to the Board of the GRCA:

President: John Cotter  
Secretary: Janet Peacock  
Eastern Region Vice President: Cathy Story  
Western Region Vice President: Dick Caldwell  
Eastern Region Director: Pat Kopco  
Central Region Director: Lesley Albin  
Western Region Director: Wendy Johnston

Sincerely,  
Beth Gerdes,  
Chair (Central Region)

CENTRAL REGION  
Beth Gerdes (Chair)  
Karin Boullion  
Patty McCabe  
ALTERNATE - Susan Leese

WESTERN REGION  
Suzi Bluford  
Glenda Brown  
Anne Shannon  
ALTERNATE - Bobbi Eller

EASTERN REGION  
Gerry Clinchy  
Jean McAloon  
ALTERNATE - Anney Doucette

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The Picnic Time Chairs are on sale at [grcasales.org](http://grcasales.org)  
There is no additional cost for personalized embroidery on the chair back - a savings of \$25.  
Limited time offer until June 15.



**GRCA Topics cont'd**

MEMBER CLUBS may order Annually from Jolene at [careyjolen@aol.com](mailto:careyjolen@aol.com)

50 each Acquiring A Golden Retriever booklet (100 each for Rescues)

25 each Color Me Golden coloring books

Unlimited copies of the following:

Hi, I'm a Golden Retriever poster

So You'd Like to Know More about Golden Retrievers brochure

Introduction to the Golden Retriever Club of America brochure

Welcome Home Puppy brochure

**VERN BOWER HUMANITARIAN AWARD**

In 1989, the GRCA Board of Directors approve the Vern Bower Humanitarian Award for the purpose of recognizing those who have made exemplary contributions to the Golden Retriever, with the prerequisite being a selfless devotion to our breed. Your Board of Directors is once again considering nominations for this prestigious award.

Nominations to be send to the Club Secretary, Janet Peacock, 16 Desvio Court, Pacifica, CA 94044 or by e-mail to [jepgr@aol.com](mailto:jepgr@aol.com)

**RACHEL PAGE ELLIOTT FEATHERQUEST LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

In March, 2009 the dog fancy worldwide and particularly the Golden Retriever community lost one of our most beloved and most valuable assets. To commemorate the life and the impact of the many contributions of Rachel Page Elliott, the Board of Directors of the Golden Retriever Club of America has established the Rachel Page Elliott Featherquest Lifetime Achievement Award.

This award will be presented at the annual meeting of the GRCA to an individual or group who has made exemplary contributions using their talents to educate others in such areas as knowledge of structure, health, breeding and training. This award should also serve to encourage others to develop their talents in a similar way and to share their knowledge with the dog fancy.

The deadline for nominations will be June 1st and received by the secretary of the GRCA with the successful candidate to be determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors (2009 being the exception wherein the Board of Directors shall choose the first recipient). It is understood that the requirements for the prestigious award may preclude it being awarded on an annual but only when an outstanding candidate is nominated. GRCA members will be given priority consideration, however this would not exclude those in the veterinary field or other individuals whose contributions have benefited the Golden Retriever breed. This award will not be presented posthumously.

As a memorial token, the recipient will receive a sterling silver pin inscribed with the year awarded.

Nominations to be send to the Club Secretary, Janet Peacock, 16 Desvio Court, Pacifica, CA 94044 or by e-mail to [jepgr@aol.com](mailto:jepgr@aol.com)

## GRCA Topics cont'd

## JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Unlike Junior Showmanship, there are few records kept on those juniors who excel in other facets of being a dog owner. It is up to their friends, instructors, 4-H leaders or clubs to recognize their contributions. These juniors work hard with a passion for dogs that is rarely rewarded. It was with this in mind that the Junior Achievement Award was designed. Look around your area at your local club, dog shows, fairs, schools and community centers. It is time to sponsor one of these hardworking juniors for a job well done. Send your nomination to Stephanie Smith, 33-07 Crescent Street #3R, Astoria, NY 11106. [sys7212003@yahoo.com](mailto:sys7212003@yahoo.com).

Deadline: June 1 of the Award Year

## GRCA Junior Achievement Award

The Junior Achievement Award is designed to recognize young people for their varied interests with the dogs, and to encourage well-rounded participation in all facets of dog ownership.

An award will be given each year by the GRCA to the one junior who in the eyes of the GRCA Board of Directors most fulfills its basic premise. The award will be presented at the GRCA National Specialty.

The Junior Achievement Award Chairman will be responsible for publicizing this Award and for soliciting applications. The Chair will review all applications and will send the resumes to the Board Liaison for Board distribution and decision.

A plaque will be purchased and engraved with the name of the winner. The plaque will be approximately 5 inches by 8 inches, solid wood, with a brass plate on which will be inscribed:

## GRCA JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

(Junior's name)

In Recognition of Outstanding Achievement

(Year)

In addition to a plaque, the Junior Achievement Award shall include a \$200.00 check.

## Qualifications:

1. The junior must be between 10 and 18 years of age for the year being nominated.
2. The junior, his/her parents, or sponsor must be a member in good standing of the GRCA.
3. Consideration will be given to any dog-related activity with a Golden Retriever, such as, but not limited to:
  - a. Any AKC event: conformation, obedience, tracking, agility, field trials or hunting tests.
  - b. Any GRCA WC/WCX event
  - c. Any academic endeavor such as term papers on the history of the Golden Retriever or school assembly speech on dog ownership.
  - d. Community service, such as nursing home visits, obedience demonstrations in the community or a "Walk with Fido" for charity.
4. The junior, or his/her sponsor, must submit to the Junior Achievement Chairman by June 1 a written account of the junior's qualifications and accomplishments for the previous calendar year.
5. Where applicable, copies of titles, certificates, grades, letters of appreciation, etc., should be submitted with the nomination to verify authenticity.
6. Emphasis will be on excellence in a broad spectrum of activities.
7. Except in very unusual circumstances, a junior may win this award only once.

## GRF Info

The Golden Retriever Foundation Board has been busy and we have some exciting news to share with you.  
Bulletin! Bulletin!

**Pigmentary Uveitis Update:** Dr. Wendy Townsend has been awarded a research grant through the Canine Health Foundation to determine the genetic basis of Pigmentary Uveitis and to develop a genetic test for this disease. The GRF has agreed to sponsor the entire amount of \$12,957 for this grant.

**April Fund Grants:** For the months of February and March, the GRF approved \$13,601.28 in grants from the April Fund. As we pointed out in our holiday outreach email the total of grants approved since the inception of the April Fund in 2000 is \$879,882. The Fund has generated \$533,083 in donations. These figures certainly illustrate the need we have for more donations to support the work of our rescue organizations. We are delighted to tell you that Iowa Golden Retriever Rescue has commissioned and produced an adorable poster depicting all the things our Goldens are to us. The majority of the proceeds from the sale of this poster will be donated to the April Fund. Visit <http://www.igrr.net/files/index.html> to see this artwork!

**Senior CERF Program Update:** Since this program has proven to be so popular, the GRF Board has eliminated the expiration date and will continue it indefinitely! As of the end of March, we have had 243 senior Goldens participate in this program. For more information on this project, please visit <http://www.goldenretrieverfoundation.org>.

**Purina Parent Club Program:** GRCA is one of the original parent clubs to enroll in this program which awards monies to the parent club each year, based on the number of weight circles submitted by participants. One half of the amount earned is given to the Canine Health Foundation for our Donor Advised Fund, to be used for research. We are grateful to Purina and our PPCP members for generating \$7,549 this year. For more information on this program, visit <http://www.grca.org/thegrca/PPCP.html>.

**Trophy Card Donation Program:** Is your club planning a specialty, agility trial or other activity where trophies are awarded? We hope you will consider offering a donation to GRF to honor the winners in lieu of a standard trophy. Our trophy card is a lovely montage of Goldens designed by artist Katie Ropar and will be personalized for your event with the host club's name, sponsor information and placement. Visit <http://goldenretrieverfoundation.org/Trophycardprogram.html> to view a sample card and access the order form.

**Golf Fore Gold:** Back by popular demand, this fund raiser for GRF will once again be held in conjunction with our National! Barb Rollins and Patty McCabe will join Patty Pace as co-chairmen of this event which is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 3. Watch the web site for more information (<http://grcanational.org>)!

**Coming Soon:** Watch your in-box! In the next few weeks GRF will be sending information on the Golden Retriever Lifetime Study (GRLS) and how to enroll your dog.

Please share this newsletter with everyone you know who loves Goldens! Permission is given to cross post on your favorite list. Your friends may subscribe by sending a blank email to [grfupdates-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:grfupdates-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

Sincerely,

Dianne Barnes

GRF Secretary

Nancy Talbott - President

Collette Jaynes – Vice-President

Linda Johnson - Treasurer

## GRF Info

## AKC Canine Health Foundation Launches Public Awareness and Fundraising Campaign for Pet Cancer Awareness Month

RALEIGH, N.C. (April 30, 2012) - Fifty percent of dogs aged 10 years or older develop cancer at some point during their lives. To help dog owners better understand the treatment options, cutting-edge research and ways to support canine cancer research, the AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) today launches a public awareness and fundraising campaign to kick off Pet Cancer Awareness Month, May 1-31, 2012.

"Cancer affects all dogs," said Dr. Shila Nordone, CHF Chief Scientific Officer. "Canine cancer research is a major funding priority of our parent clubs and individual supporters. As stewards of their contributions, we make sure that cancer research continues to be a major component of our research portfolio".

CHF is the most highly regarded organization funding sound, scientific research exclusively for dogs. Since 1995 CHF has funded nearly \$8.3 million in canine cancer research. This research has provided breakthroughs in treatment options and diagnosis and has helped scientists study cancer at the cellular level, allowing veterinarians to diagnose cancer earlier and treat it more effectively. CHF-funded research has a broad impact, extending beyond dogs to having application to human cancer diagnosis and treatment.

The public awareness and fundraising campaign runs through the month of May and uses social media and online outreach, podcasts and website features to promote not only CHF-funded research, but information on different types of canine cancer, care for dogs with cancer and other cancer-related health resources. The podcasts release schedule and topics are:

1. Thursday, April 26: CHF Cancer Research, with Dr. Shila Nordone, CHF Chief Scientific Officer
2. Thursday, May 3: Cancer Research Infrastructure, with Dr. Bruce Smith, Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine
3. Thursday, May 17: Hemangiocarcinoma Research, with Dr. Jaime Modiano, University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine
4. Thursday, May 31: Osteosarcoma Research, with Dr. Kerstin Lindblad-Toh, Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard University

Dog owners and dog lovers are encouraged to take part in the Foundation's goal to help raise funds for canine health research through two special honor and memorial gift programs. The Celebration Wall is a special online photo gallery in memory of much loved dogs. This memorial is a fitting tribute for dogs that have died from cancer or another disease. For more information about the Celebration Wall, visit [www.akcCHF.org/celebrationwall](http://www.akcCHF.org/celebrationwall).

Heroes for Health Research pages are custom-built personal donation webpages. Pages can be created for any canine hero - whether it is a dog battling cancer or a dog that has been a great companion. Participants are encouraged to invite family and friends to donate to their page. For more information about Hero for Health Research, visit [www.akcCHF.org/heropages](http://www.akcCHF.org/heropages). Contributions raised through the Celebration Wall and Hero for Health Research will help CHF advance the health of all dogs by funding sound, scientific research to prevent, treat and cure canine disease.

For more information about Pet Cancer Awareness Month, visit [www.akcCHF.org/cancer](http://www.akcCHF.org/cancer).

To make contributions directly for canine health research, visit the CHF website at [www.akcCHF.org](http://www.akcCHF.org) to make a \$5 donation.

To keep up-to-date on podcast releases, articles, and facts during Pet Cancer Awareness Month, like CHF at [www.facebook.com/akccaninehealthfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/akccaninehealthfoundation) or follow CHF on Twitter at @CanineHealthFnd.

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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> )
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.