

## **Everglades Golden Retriever Rescue Meeting, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

The meeting, held at the home of Jane Lipson, was called to order at 7:30 PM. Members in attendance were: Holly Bittle, Ellen Bloome, Denise & Doug Carrier, Kara Clark, Marlene Goldman, Jeri Guise, Laura Kelly, Ellen Lindenfield, Jane Lipson, Stacey Lopater, Hermine Scolnik, and Diane Snow-Posner.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the last meeting were sent via e-mail uploaded to Box.Net. They were accepted as sent.

**Treasurer's Report:** Marlene presented the report as of December 31, 2007. We have \$17,180.91 in the checking account, and \$5770.26 in the SOS Fund, for a total of \$22,951.17. We took in \$1468.41 and paid out \$2512.68 for a net loss of \$1,044.27.

### **Committee Reports:**

- ?? **Adoption** – It was reported that 1 dog has been officially adopted since our last meeting. The Carriers adopted Trooper. We still have not received payment for Sonic and it has been 3 months. Marlene will send a certified letter to the family to try and collect payment.
- ?? **Foster** – There are 8 dogs either in foster or being boarded at out vets' offices. Micah and SySy/Chelsea are in foster-to-adopt homes. In regular foster homes are Clancy, Linda, Sunset, and Xena, Maggie Mae, Dorsey, Coco 2, and Benji are at Dr. Butzer's.
- ?? **Follow-up** – Carly and Austin passed to the Rainbow Bridge.
- ?? **Last Chance Ranch** – Captain is at Last Chance Ranch
- ?? **Membership** – June Ettari, Erin Grassie and Dave Hendrix became new members.
- ?? **Sunshine** – A sympathy card was sent to Tom Fuerig for Carly.
- ?? **Intake** – We expect to take in Bear a 5 yo neutered M to Dr. Cordova on 1/11.

### **Old Business:**

- ?? **Newsletter** – We have a call out for items to be submitted to Hermine to be published in the next newsletter. We've asked Jane Donelson to do a feature story on Phoenix. Ellen Lindenfield will do "Book Reviews" by Ellen which also may be titled "Library Corner". We will also publish an article by Dr. Krane on tick borne diseases.
- ?? **Fund Raising:**
  - **Girl Scout Cookie Treats** – We will sell these at the EGRC Match in January and our Expo on March 31<sup>st</sup>. We will not sell these at Specialty as they do not allow items for sale.
  - **Monthly pledge donations** – Will be sending these with the dues statement. We will receive these pledges using pre-addressed envelopes, or PayPal.
  - **Raffle trip to the Keys** – We will be selling the tickets for the 2 trips, second prize 3 days and 2 nights at the Islander Resort in Islamorada Sun to Thurs only and first prize 3 days and 2 nights at the Doubletree Grand Key in Key West with many attraction passes, a hat, beach towel, drink holder, and beach bag. Tickets will be \$5 each or 6 for \$25. We plan to begin selling the tickets immediately after the New Year, to

announce winner at the Expo. ***We are currently holding off on this due to the unfortunate situation at the Doubletree hotel in the Keys.***

- **Garage Sale, West Boca HS** – Ellen Bloome will follow up on this project. The youth participating in the event will handle the project to obtain community service needed for graduation
- **Goodsearch.com** – Some people have already started using this search engine, which donates a penny per search to our organization. Tracey will put a link on the EGRR web site, at her earliest convenience. We will put a blurb on this website in the newsletter in hopes of gaining more user awareness.

?? **Coordination With the Breed Club:**

- **Match** – January 27<sup>th</sup>, Easterlin Park, 2:30 pm Oakland Park, Broward County
- **Specialty** – March 9<sup>th</sup>, PBC Fairgrounds

?? **Grants:**

- **Goldstock** – Karen will be turning over responsibility to Stacey after the first of the year. Stacey needs to speak to Karen as a follow up.
- **Others** – Stacey will explore other grant options.

?? **NRC President's Message Board** – The trend is currently to restrict families with children under 10 yrs old from adopting dogs. We do not agree with that policy although we do limit the adoption of strays and shelter dogs to families with children over age 9, and have begun to limit the adoption of young puppies to families with children over 5. ***We've decided this needs to be on a case by case situation and that these are just standard guidelines to go by.***

?? **Expo** – Items have already started to be collected for raffle table gift baskets. Paula may have a karaoke machine for us to use. Diane will check with Hebrew National for hotdog donation. We need a photographer. DVGRR donated fanny packs, towel, and wine glasses. Kara said we will definitely have Rally and Obedience. Rescue Rocks tee shirts have been ordered.

**New Business:**

- ?? **Holiday Gifts for Vets' Offices** – These were delivered to the two vet's offices. Next year we will consider doing something different as the gifts were much smaller than they appeared when ordered.
- ?? **Book Reviews** – We have asked Ellen Lindenfeld to share with us the book reviews she does for the GRRMF Newsletter.
- ?? **Newsletter** – "Understanding Aggressive Behavior in Dogs" article to be put in the next newsletter.
- ?? **Vets** – Kara will check with Dr. Mitchell in Davie regarding doing intake like Dr. Cordova does. Jane will check with Dr. Eich for the same thing.
- ?? **Pledge envelopes** – It was agreed to order 1000 preprinted pledge envelopes.

**Next Meeting:** Will be held at the home of Marlene Goldman, Thursday., February 15th. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Kelly, Acting Secretary