

## Greetings!

Today marks the first anniversary of the launch of The Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation. We couldn't be more grateful to all of those who have contributed over the course of the past year, enabling us to get off to a great start! It is also a very bittersweet day for all of us at the Foundation, as it was two years ago that Tex died suddenly at the Mt. Hood Doberman Pinscher agility trial. The subsequent outpouring of support, both locally and across the country, resulted in the formation of the Foundation.

## Fundraising

Last year's launch was accompanied by a very successful raffle held in conjunction with the MHDPC agility trial. We are once again holding a raffle at this year's trial beginning today. With the support from local agility competitors, there is no doubt that this year's raffle will again be a huge success.

While our fundraising efforts began at the trial, there were a couple of other fundraising efforts this past year conducted on our behalf and are worth mentioning:

When Kim Langley lost her amazing DPCA Top Twenty agility dog, Payton, to DCM in May, Carol Moore arranged a tribute to them in the August issue of Doberman Network. All the funds raised over the cost of publication were donated to DPHF. Thank you to Carol, and all the friends of Kim and Payton for your generosity.

Just recently Nicole Bailey held a Facebook donation campaign for her birthday and in honor of her girl Jinn. Thank you Nicole and all of your friends, Happy Birthday!

Thanks also to the Puget Hounds Flyball Club for their fundraiser efforts to benefit DPHF.

## Research

We would also like to take this opportunity to announce that we have awarded our first grant to the Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Details of the MSU research project can be found <u>here</u>.

## Join Us in the Fight

The Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) formed for the sole purpose of promoting research into the genetic diseases and conditions that affect the Doberman Pinscher. Please join us in our battle against genetic diseases plaguing the Doberman Pinscher. All donations are tax deductible in the U.S. and Canada.

Visit our <u>website</u> to learn more about us or for details on becoming a Sustaining Donor or Member of DPHF. We are happy to publish any memorial that is submitted with your donation.

Follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> for updates on our activities and projects you help to fund.

Best Regards,

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