



Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation Fall 2020

President's Message

I would like to welcome you to the Fall 2020 DPHF Newsletter. I hope that this newsletter finds you well. I have been thinking about what the message of this quarter's President's Message should be, and I have decided it should be "adaptation".

There is no doubt that this is a challenging time. We are entering the holiday season and being told that Covid cases are rising in the US. This will result in very different holidays for many. Holiday shopping and Black Friday rushes will be replaced with online events and curbside pick-up, more presents will be shipped, and fewer people will travel. At-risk populations may be joining by zoom or similar technologies. We will adapt, find a way to celebrate each other, and look forward to more normal times.

There is good news since our Summer Issue and things are starting to open, including many dog events. As with the rest of our lives, we are adapting to changes, including limited entries, social distancing, competing in masks, mandatory temperature checks, lack of spectators and more depending on your venue and region. This "new normal" may not be ideal, but it is a step that offers hope for a better future.

Just like the rest of the world, The Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation is adapting to our current situation. As mentioned in our last newsletter, we are not able to have two of our traditional fundraisers this winter due to Covid 19. Both Mt. Hood Doberman Pinscher Club and Puget Sound Doberman Pinscher Club have traditionally held raffles in conjunction with agility trials. Unfortunately, we are just not able to do that this year due to state restrictions, so we have adapted and are offering two separate fundraisers to help offset that loss of revenue. You will hear more about those later in this newsletter.

We will also be telling you about our 2020 election of Officers, appointment of a new Director, and our 2020 Annual Grant Process which is currently underway.

As always, we are grateful for all the support we receive, especially in times like we are currently living in. Take care of yourself, your family, and your dogs. I hope you find our newsletter informative and enjoyable.

2020 Election of Officers

The DPHF bylaws require the organization to hold elections of Officers and Directors every two years at our Annual meeting in September and 2020 was an election year.

We are excited to introduce all of our supporters to our newest Director Jenn Cannerelli. Jenn brings us a presence on the east coast of the United States. In her professional life, she works for a non- profit organization. Jenn is very active in the dog community, and has competed in Conformation, Agility, Dock Diving, Rally, Obedience and more. She got her start with the DPHF as a Founding Member of our Fundraising Committee.

In addition to her work with the DPHF, she currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Doberman Pinscher Club of Tappan Zee in New York, as well as Desert Valley Doberman Pinscher club of Arizona, and is a member in good standing of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America.

While we are excited to welcome Jenn to the board of directors, we are sad to say good-bye to Marj Brooks, as a Director. Marj is a Founding Board Member of the DPHF and we are forever grateful for all of her help getting this organization off the ground. Marj's knowledge and passion for the breed are second to none. Her vast knowledge makes her a walking encyclopedia and amazing historian.

While Marj is stepping down from the Board of Directors, we are looking forward to a continued working relationship with her in other roles in the organization.

The remaining DPHF Officers and Directors remain in their existing positions.

2020 Grant Process

The 2020 Annual Grant Process is just getting underway. The DPHF has sent our Request For Proposal (RFP) applications to the Schools of Veterinary Medicine and have started to receive some returned applications. The application process is scheduled to close on October 31st at 5 PM PST.

We are not certain how the ongoing COVID19 pandemic will affect this year's applications, but we remain hopeful that we will once again have a quality group of applicants to evaluate.

While we wait for the application process to close, the DPHF is finalizing our Research Committee Members. Our committee is comprised primarily of experts in the field of veterinary medicine and other scientific fields. If you meet these criteria, would be interested in investing time reviewing and scoring our RFP responses and can be available for one or two virtual meetings, please contact our committee chair, Kelli Rosen, DVM at K9Bud@msn.com for more information.

Look for updated information in our Winter 2020 newsletter.

2021 Calendar

The DPHF is in the process of finalizing our inaugural calendar. We are thrilled with the response to this project. This calendar will feature pictures of Doberman Pinschers that were submitted by our supporters. The DPHF was thrilled with all of the submissions we received, and our fundraising committee struggled for several days to come up with a group of finalists for each month. The monthly winners are now posted on our Facebook page.

The finalists that did not make the "winners" list will be featured in a beautiful collage within the calendar. We offer a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has helped with this project.



In addition to these fabulous pictures, this calendar will feature valuable health information and tips each month, such as; taking your dog's vital signs, performing CPR, suspected poisoning and more!

The Calendars are available to preorder now here.

On-Line Auction

As we told you in our last newsletter, the DPHF is planning an online auction, which we have decided to run on Facebook. Our current plan is to have a series of auctions, with only a few items available at any given time.

Once an auction ends, another auction will be launched, so remember to keep coming back to our Facebook page to see what treasures we currently have available for you!

The auction will start soon after the completion of our current calendar project, in order to allow plenty of time for shipping before Christmas.

The DPHF will be making an announcement a few days ahead of the launch of our first auction, so our followers will know when to expect the auction to begin.

We are excited for you to see the great items that we have available! There is still time for you to donate and help make this one of the best fundraisers ever. If you have any items that you believe could help make this a success, please reach out to us here. All donations will be greatly appreciated. We are a 501.c.3 Charity Organization and all your donations are tax-deductible.

DPHF Facemasks

The DPHF is very thankful for the amazing support we received for our facemasks. Our original supply sold out in just days. We have a new shipment in stock and available for shipment today. The facemask is a soft triple-layer, machine washable, DPHF Face Mask.

Part of protecting our dogs is protecting our ability to care for them. It looks like COVID-19 is not going away any time soon and we will be wearing facemasks for the foreseeable future.

If we are going to be wearing masks they might as well make a statement. The DPHF facemask is the perfect accessory as dog events are beginning to reopen, as well as daily public activities.

The DPHF now has a package deal that includes a leash for your facemask. A leash allows you to keep the facemask around your neck when not in use, eliminating the possibility of leaving it in your car or placing it on a possibly contaminated surface. In addition to being a convenient way to store your mask, the leash can be used to secure the mask, with an adjustable band that can be tightened around the back of your head. This can help take the stress off of your ear cartilage or add extra comfort for those who find the mask a little tight.

Consider adding a leash to your order! Both items are available <u>here.</u>

First Aid Kits

Are you looking for the perfect gift for the dog (or cat) lovers in your life? The DPHF has got you covered! We have refreshed our stock of the extremely popular DPHF Pet First Aid Kit. This makes a great gift for any dog lover!



This kit, in an attractive black case featuring the DPHF Logo, contains the following essential items:

- 5 Benzalkonium Chloride Antiseptic Towelettes
- 2 Gauze Pads 5.1 x 5.1 cm (2" x 2") Sterile
- 2 Gauze Pads 7.6 x 7.6 cm (3" x 3") Sterile
- 1 Conforming Stretch Gauze Bandage Roll 5.1cm (2")
- 1 Conforming Stretch Gauze Bandage Roll 7.6cm (3")
- 1 Cloth Tape 1.3cm x 4.57m (0.5in x 5 yd)
- 3 Povidone Iodine Prep Pad
- 1 Paramedic Scissors 5.5"
- 1 Metal Forceps/Tweezer 8.8 cm (3.5")
- 2 Examination Gloves (Pair) Large
- 1 Abdominal/Combine Pads 12.7 x 22.9cm (5" x 9")
- 12 Cotton Tip Applicators
- 2 Hand Cleansing Towelettes
- 2 Sani-Hands Hand Sanitizing Wipes
- 1 Self-Adhering Wrap Bandage 2"
- 1 First Aid Guide for Pets
- 2 Non-Adherent Pads 5.1cm x 7.6cm (2" x 3") Sterile
- 2 Non-Adherent Pads 7.6cm x 10.2cm (3" x 4") Sterile
- 1 Mylar Emergency Rescue Blanket
- 1 Emergency Flasher with Clip
- 1 Thermometer, Oral, Rectal, C/F
- 1 Eyewash Solution, 30ml, Bottle
- 2 Tongue Depressors
- 1 Penlight, Paramedic, Disposable
- 1 Oral Syringe, 10cc
- 1- kennel lead
- 1- Styptic powder

These kits are priced at just \$35 each and are available here for immediate delivery.

What's Next?

We hope you have found this issue of the DPHF Newsletter interesting and useful. Our next scheduled newsletter will be our Winter 2020 issue, which will include information about our Annual Grant Process and updates on the current research that you have been instrumental in funding.

If you have questions or ideas for useful information for our newsletter, please let us know!

Remember, none of this is possible without the generous support of our donors!

Sincerely,

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