



**DOBERMAN  
PINSCHER**  
— HEALTH FOUNDATION —



## **Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation Winter 2019**

### **President's Message**

Welcome to the Winter 2019 DPHF Newsletter. It has been a busy year and we have a lot of exciting information to share with you. This issue will cover our annual fundraiser results, our current grant process, the introduction of our Pet First Aid Kits, and information about our Ambassador Program.

We want to thank everyone who took time to stop by and talk to our members who were in attendance at the DPCA Nationals. We love sharing information about who we are and what we do. We would also like to thank the donors who chose to support us after talking with our members there. We are extremely grateful for your support.

We would also like to thank our friends at The Doberman Network Magazine for helping us to distribute our promotional towels. We cannot express our gratitude strongly enough for the continued support we receive from the Doberman Network Magazine. We hope all of you in attendance were able to stop by their booth and pick up a towel.

We want this newsletter to be informative and be a useful tool for keeping you, our donors, in touch with what we are doing and what your money is being used for. We understand the trust you put in us when you donate money to help with our mission, and we understand and honor our responsibility to live up to that trust.

### **DPHF Annual Grant**

The Doberman Pinscher Health Foundation is currently in the final stages of our grant award process. This year we received five strong proposals for grant funding. We would like to thank our research committee for all of their hard work reviewing the proposals and scoring each one on well-established criteria including: Scientific Merit, Impact / Relevance, Attainability of Objectives, Appropriate Budget and Technical writing.

We are excited to announce that the grant recipient is Tamas D. Ambrisko, DVM, PhD,

DACVAA, DECVAA, Assistant Professor of Anesthesiology and Pain Management at the University of Illinois at Champaign – Urbana, School of Veterinary Medicine. The one year study explores the use of High-Frequency QRS Electrocardiography to detect Occult Dilated

Cardiomyopathy in Doberman Pinschers. The goal of this research would be to create an inexpensive, accurate, high speed diagnostic tool, that can be used for early diagnosis of the diseases. If this is successful, it could replace the need for a 24 hour Holter. Some of our supporters may already be aware of this research. Dr. Ambrisko was on site at the 2019 Doberman Pinscher Club of America Nationals capturing EKG data from 65 dogs who participated in the Cardio Clinic. Additional data will be collected from other Dobermans at events around the country.

Due to the number of proposals received in the 2019 grant cycle, it is likely that the research committee will return multiple proposals to consider for funding in the future.

The DPHF is excited to share information about our grant process as it moves forward. We would love to be able to fund multiple grant requests that have passed our research committee, but we need your help and financial assistance to do that. Keep your eyes open for a possible “Special Edition” of our newsletter that has further information on our grant process and how you can help us achieve our goals.

The DPHF has two other smaller grants currently open for applicants.

The first grant is available for Doberman owners who participate in the clinical trial for the Therapeutic Osteosarcoma Vaccine. This treatment is made up of a series of vaccines and is designed to aid the dogs immune system in fighting cancer cells. It is used in conjunction with traditional treatment of Osteosarcoma including amputation and chemotherapy. The DPHF will pay up to \$500 to cover the cost of one vaccine treatment in the series, for Doberman Pinscher owners who have completed the traditional treatments and are willing to share their results with the DPHF.

The second small grant, which was discussed in our previous newsletter, is a \$1000 grant to Veterinary Research Students, to be used to complete a research project involving the genetic diseases affecting the Doberman Pinscher breed.

## **Annual “Tex’s Tribute” Fundraiser**

As announced in our Fall Newsletter, November marked our 4<sup>th</sup> annual Tex’s Tribute Raffle Fundraiser at the Mt. Hood Doberman Pinscher Club Agility Trial. We would like to thank Mt Hood once again for hosting our annual event, as well as all of the people who donated items and services to make this another successful event. The DPHF raised over \$1500 from this annual event in 2019.

Our annual events provide us with a stable source of revenue that help us project what our available funds will be in future years. If you think you might be able to help sponsor a fund raising event please let us know. We can put you in touch with one of our Regional Ambassadors to help with your event.

## **DPHF Ambassador Program**

The DPHF is actively looking for motivated Doberman owners who are passionate about the health and future of the Doberman breed to serve as Ambassadors for our Foundation.

Ambassadors are appointed by the Board of Directors to be our representatives at local and regional events and shows. DPHF will provide basic promotional items (cards, brochures etc.) that can be distributed at local events.

Ambassadors will also be encouraged to support or chair fundraising efforts in their region. Silent auctions, raffles, booths or donation jars at local dog events have all been successful ways to raise additional funds for our Foundation. Any ideas on local fund raising will be greatly appreciated. The Fund Raising Committee, as well as Board of Directors are eager to hear any ideas and help you succeed in your efforts.

## **First Aid Kits**

Are you looking for the perfect gift for the dog lovers in your life? The DPHF has got you covered! We are proud to announce our newest fundraiser – the DPHF Pet First Aid Kit. This kit, in an attractive black case featuring the DPHF Logo it is a compact size to make it convenient for your car or travel bag and 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 (Bleed Stop)

These kits are priced at just \$35 each and are available to purchase [here](#).

## **What's Next?**

We hope you have found this issue of the DPHF Newsletter interesting and useful. Our next scheduled newsletter will be our Spring 2020 issue .

Please keep your eyes open for a Special Edition of our Newsletter as our grant process is moving fast and we could have more information to share with you in the near future.

Do 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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Mission Statement:

To advance Doberman Pinscher health research and related initiatives toward the discovery, practical application, and communication of scientific knowledge that successfully addresses the genetic diseases of the Doberman Pinscher. We are also dedicated to the development, publication, and dissemination of educational information about Doberman Pinscher Health related research.

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