I imagine that this will find many of you as happy to say goodbye to winter as I am. It was a long and challenging season for many of our membership. Now is the time to enjoy the wonderful summer weather and spend some time outdoors with your dogs.

Included in this issue of the Bulletin is a report from a newly formed GDCA committee, the Membership Health and Welfare Committee. Linda Cain brought the suggestion to the Board and will be heading up the committee. Its function is to be used as a vehicle to keep our membership informed of changes in the lives of our friends and family. If you have news that you would like to have Linda share with the membership please contact her at fromtheheartkennel@sbcglobal.net.

Lastly, as many of you know we lost a long time member this year when Keith Hanlon passed away. His desire was to provide care for his dogs and support the Charitable Trust. I wanted to take a minute to thank all those involved for their assistance in finding a loving forever home which will allow Keith’s 2 Danes to stay together. A special thank you goes to MJ Cohen for his dedication and drive in unraveling the legal work necessary to release the dogs and to honor Mr. Hanlon’s wishes in supporting the Charitable Trust. The Trust will provide an update in the next issue of the Bulletin.

The Southeast Division is hard at work organizing what will be a great National. The first of the deadlines will come up faster than you think...and that is September 1 for the room raffle...better get your tickets in on time for the chance for free room for the week. Take a look at the offerings they are planning for educational programs, a handling clinic and more. You can find all information at http://national.gdca.org/ or follow them on Facebook (2015 GDCA National Specialty Show - Southeast Division). The auction promises to be exciting this year as well....lots of great items already donated. Take a look at them on Facebook at (GDCA 2015 National Auction).

The next meeting of the GDCA Board will take place on July 25 in Chicago. If you have items you would like to see placed on our agenda please feel free to contact our Corresponding Secretary, Sue Davis Shaw at davidshane@comcast.net.

Best wishes to all for a wonderful summer, Dianne

Congratulations to the 2016 panel of Judges

Dale Suzanne Tarbox – Bitches  Susan Yotive – INTERSEX  Jack Watts – Dogs
Lorraine Rainwater – Futurity  Tiffany Cross - Futurity
The Venerable Great Dane award is available to Great Danes of 10 years of age or older. It may be applied for and awarded while the Dane is alive, or after he or she has passed away. The owner must be a member of either the GDCA or an Affiliate Club and they must provide reasonable proof of the dog’s age. Applications for this award can be found on the GDCA website at: [http://www.gdca.org/forms/awards-form.pdf](http://www.gdca.org/forms/awards-form.pdf). If you have additional questions please contact diannepowers@comcast.net

We will review additional awards in the next Bulletin.
The Board of Directors approved the following for membership.
We welcome them to the GDCA

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Sponsors: Joyce Guthrie & Mona Brown
Interests: Companion Events, Rescue

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Interests: Futurity, Health & Research, Judges’ Ed, Standard, Yearbook

*Marni Kueber
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Letters concerning the approval or disapproval of applicants should be directed in writing to:

Lynda Moriarty  
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West Salem, WI 54669

The following applicants have been approved by the Membership Committee for publication in the GDCA Bulletin. The Membership Chairman must receive comments concerning these applicants during the forty-five (45) day period following publication. Any comments received after July 26, 2015 will not be accepted.

Donna Albrecht  
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Corporate Sponsorship, Fundraising, Futurity, GDCA Website, Historic,

Judges’ Selection, Membership, Pedigree Bank, Rescue, Standard Committee

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Interests: Newsletter, Fundraising

These applicants were omitted in the last bulletin:  
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Interests: Awards, Championship Awards, Membership
GDCA BOD Teleconference Meeting –
Motions Passed 04/25/2015
All motions are considered unanimous
unless otherwise noted.
1. For the Judges Committee to send a letter to AKC judges to look for color/pattern on
both sides of the dog.
   Moved: Dale Tarbox   Second: Jason Hoke

2. To accept the Treasurer’s report.
   Moved: Dale Tarbox   Second: Jean Highlands

3. To reimburse Dianne Powers the cost of purchasing antique trophy and have it dis-
played at the GDCA National Specialty.
   Moved: Jason Hoke     Second: Lynda Moriarty

4. To approve Dale Tarbox as Chairman of the Nominating Committee.
   Moved: Jean Highlands   Second: Linda Cain

5. To recess until Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 4:00 PM Pacific.
   Moved: Nancy Ridgway   Second: Dr. Neil O’Sullivan

GDCA BOD Teleconference Meeting – Motions Passed 04/29/2015
All motions are considered unanimous unless otherwise noted.

1. To approve the following applicants for membership: Karen Whiteman, Ann Hein-
rich, Sandee Elliott, Rayna Orgill, Mary Miller, Sharon Sturm, Kristen Kenny, Darryl
Pitts, Karen Szaradowski, Faye Zahorchak, Marni Kueber.
   Moved: Teresa LaBrie   Second: Cindy Harwin

2. To rescind the motion on 4/25/2015 pertaining to sending the letter to AKC judges in-
structing them to examine both sides of the dog for patterns and col
   Moved: Dale Tarbox    Second: Phil Gray

3. To accept the CPA report for the 2014 National.
   Moved: Cindy Harwin   Second: Dale Tarbox   Abstain: Lynda Moriarty, Jean Highlands

4. To approve both January 2015 teleconference meeting minutes.
   Moved: Jean Highlands   Second: Lynda Moriarty

5. Adjourn
GDCA CHARITABLE TRUST
Our Next Fundraiser

"Show Bound" ~ by Jerry Lobato
This is the first sketch of "Show Bound" - a life size 10 week old Dane Puppy in Bronze. As Jerry works through the creation, we will update with more photos.

Tickets ~ $5.00 each
Winner Need Not Be Present to Win
Tickets will be available soon through your GDCA Affiliate Club Delegates and all week at the GDCA National Specialty in Myrtle Beach, SC. See us at the GDCA Charitable Trust Booth in the Exhibition Center. Winning ticket will be drawn on the night of the Awards Banquet, 10/31/15.

Questions or Additional Info ~ Please Contact
Cathy Schaefer * dick.schaefer@gmail.com
# Current Breed Standings for 2015 Show Year

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THE DONATION IS 10% OF THE DOLLAR VALUE OF YOUR WEIGHT CIRCLES SENT IN TO YOUR PRO CLUB ACCOUNT.

This donation comes from the Purina coffers and goes to the GDCA and the Canine Health Foundation for bringing solutions to the health issues of your breed and related programs.

A PARTNERSHIP THAT WILL BRING RESULTS WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER!

This is what has been done from Jan. 1 thru May 31, 2015

439,698 lbs. redeemed

PPCP earned $4,302.93

Need some 'how to help' for sending in your wt. circles?

Visit http://www.silverhairedlady.com/circlehelp.html
GDCA CHARITABLE TRUST

HELP WANTED

Do you have some time, expertise or resources that you can donate?
If you can help, we are in need of the following:

Grant Writer

Brief Description: Grant Writer may work on several projects at once under tight deadlines. Public, Private and Government policies and online submission processes change frequently. The availability of funding also fluctuates, so Grant Writer must develop a diversified network of funding organizations. Though challenging, grant writing can also be personally and professionally rewarding, and donating your time to the GDCA Charitable Trust will be good service for your resume. The Grant Writer will prepare grant proposals, beginning by performing research. To develop the proposals, the Grant Writer will be completely familiar with the GDCA Charitable Trust's programs, goals and financial needs, and will also look into potential funding sources. After compiling all the information needed, the Grant Writer will compose the proposals and send to the Trustees for review and after approval, send out proposals. The Grant Writer must also keep careful records to track proposals. If a grant-making organization requests additional information, the Grant Writer will supply the missing items. On occasion the Grant Writer may have additional duties, which include managing volunteers, working with an executive board, planning fund-raising campaigns and promoting the organization through public relations work.

Printing Services

Brief Description: Through the year, we often need the services of a printer to produce items such as Raffle Tickets, Brochures & Handouts, Note Cards, Stationary, Flyers, etc. We are looking for someone that owns a printing company or works at a printing company that would be willing to donate their products and resources to produce these items or to offer us a discount on these services.

Accountant

Brief Description: This volunteer will assist the Charitable Trust by performing an Annual Audit for us.

It takes many pieces of the puzzle to help our Danes, so if you have some time or resources that you can donate, please contact Linda Ridder: lindaridder@me.com
Here is the list of clubs that voted in the last election:

GDC GREATER ST. LOUIS
GDC OF CLEVELAND
GDC OF CNC
GDC OF GTR DALLAS
GDC OF GTR DENVER
GDC OF GTR HOUSTON
GDC OF GTR KANSAS CITY
GDC OF HAWAII
GDC OF LAS VEGAS
GDC OF LEHIGH VALLEY
GDC OF MARYLAND
GDC OF MAT-SU
GDC OF MID FLORIDA
GDC OF MID-SOUTH
GDC OF MILWAUKEE
GDC OF NO CENTRAL FL
GDC OF OKLAHOMA
GDC OF PA
GDC OF RARITAN VALLEY
GDC OF WESTERN WA
HEART OF MN GDC
HEART OF OHIO GDC
HEART OF TEXAS GDC
HOOSIER GREAT DANE CLUB
MONTEREY BAY GDC
WOLVERINE GDC

Lin
Linda C Beenen CPA CFP® MST
Great Dane Club of America

Membership Health and Wellness Committee

**Membership Serious Illness or Death Notifications**

This Committee has been established in order to keep our membership apprised of serious illnesses or deaths among our membership.

Many of us are friends or acquaintances but only get to visit during the Nationals. Many of us may keep in touch throughout the year or watch for comments from social media, but as our lives get so hectic in the day to day, the GDCA would like to offer the opportunity to list this important information about our members in our Bulletin.

These notices will allow GDCA members to send cards of encouragement and get well wishes to our members who are struggling with severe illness so they know that they are being thought about and sympathy cards to let the families of our members who have passed know how important their loved one was to the GDCA membership.

Members are encouraged to notify Linda Cain, if you know of a GDCA member who is seriously or terminally ill or who has passed away. Provide specific information that the member or family would like to pass on to our membership. If special wishes are made known for those that have passed, it allows the GDCA membership to honor those wishes. The information will be formatted to be concise so that it will fit into the Bulletin.

Please send your information to Linda Cain via email at fromtheheartkennel@sbcglobal-nets.com.