



## SOUTHERN ARIZONA GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE REPORT OF HOME VISIT TO POTENTIAL FOSTER/ADOPTER

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*This home visit report is for both potential fosters and potential adopters. Please fill out the form completely with all pertinent information, then send it in. (See the submission instructions on the last page.)*

There is room for comments in all sections, and the better you can describe the home and family, the better match SAGRR can make for just the right Golden for this family. Keep in mind that the Placement team does not know this family or anything about them except what you provide in this report, so you are their eyes and ears to help them "see" the adoption family via this report.

### EVALUATOR AND APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date of Visit 4/18/2015 EVALUATOR S Wasley & B Schwimer PHONE 325-2786 EMAIL suswasley@gmail.com

Address Visited 5310 N Falcon Crest City, ZIP 85749 Cross Streets Catalina Highway/Soldier's Trail

*Explain what a foster family does.*

FAMILY INTERESTED IN  FOSTER ONLY  ADOPT ONLY  FOSTER AND ADOPT

HOMEOWNER STATUS  OWNS HOME  RENTS OR LEASES HOME

*If the family rents or leases home, obtain copy of Landlord approval for large breed dog; family will not be approved until this document has been received.*

APPLICANT Lorin and Kevin Michel EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONES: HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_ CELL 818-414-9875

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER Writer and Internet web designer/marketer

CO-APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONES: HOME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

### LIST ALL NON-APPLICANT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS, RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT, AND AGES OF MINORS

*(Relationship types are Spouse/Partner, Child (including grandchild), and Non-applicant Adult)*

Name	Relationship	Age, if minor

## EXTERIOR OF PROPERTY

**TYPE OF DWELLING:**  Single-family Home  Duplex  Condo or Townhouse  
 Mobile or Manufactured Home  Apartment

**DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS** (e.g., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc.)

Home is in a gated community at the base of Mt Lemon.

**EXTERIOR:** Is the exterior of the home and the landscape generally well-maintained)?

Yes  No  Somewhat

Is the yard reasonably clear of feces, trash or other objects (and hazardous plants) that might present a health problem to the Golden?  Yes  No

Is there a fenced yard?  Yes  No

**FENCE:** What type of fence \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_ ft. *If there are varying heights, provide the lowest height*

Type of gate:  self-latching  locked  neither

If neither, explain Planning to build one soon. Have plans for metal fence with tiny holes in small area outside carport

Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing?  Yes  No

If the yard is not fenced, describe the surrounding area adjacent to the yard:

Home is newly constructed. It is built on a hill so as yet no landscaping other than natural desert vegetation. They plan to keep it mostly as is but with small fenced area leading from garage mainly for the dog to use. Will have small patch of artificial grass and rocks or something TBD. This will be only fenced area as HOA does not allow for walls or fences.

Will the dog always be supervised or on-leash in the unfenced yard?  Yes  No

Describe type of yard (i.e., grass, rock, dirt, natural desert, etc.)

See above. The small enclosed area will also have the metal fence which will be 5-6 feet tall and have 2 gates which they will keep properly latched or locked.

**POOL** Is there a pool?  Yes  No

Is it fenced?  Yes  No

Is there a spa?  Yes  No

*If applicant is requesting a puppy, verify if the puppy could get through the fencing and if so, is applicant willing to put up chicken wire or other safety measure to safeguard small puppy?*  Yes  No  Not Applicable

*If pool or spa is unfenced, advise Applicant it is hard to keep some Goldens out of the water, and note their reaction.*

Comments on the exterior or landscaping:

Amazing views from every window.

## INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT

Is the home generally well maintained?  Yes  No

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter?  Yes  No

Are there stairs inside or leading into or outside the home?  Yes  No

*This may impact an older dog or one with mobility issues*

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered?  Yes  No

Are any toilet lids open?  Yes  No

Is there a dog door of sufficient size for a large golden?  Yes  No

If not, are there any plans to install a dog door?  Yes  No

*Look for any plants, fragile items at Golden tail level, shoes, toys, etc. that may be an issue and discuss with family.*

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed? Anywhere it wants!

Where will the Golden sleep? In their bedroom, on dog bed.

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds?  Yes  No

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be? In the house.

Does the family use a crate?  Yes  No

If so, for what purposes / when / how long will the Golden be in the crate? They have a crate and are not adverse

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating? to using, especially at first, if needed.

Are they willing to use other ways of containing a dog (e.g., baby gates) if they do not want to crate train?

Yes  No

### Comments on Interior

Spotless, beautifully decorated. All toilet seats down, trash out of sight. Only concern is that there are interior steps and entire house has porcelain tile so might be hard for older dog. They allowed Sugar full access to the house and she loved running up and down the stairs from one end of the house to the other. Before I got the tour, she had been everywhere.

## PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS

Who will be the primary care giver? Both How long will the Golden be left alone on a typical day? 0-2 hours  
**Discuss that we do not allow dogs to be left outside when no one is home, or all day.**

Are there any other dogs in this home?  Yes  No

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden:

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Are any of the resident dogs unaltered? If so, explain below  Yes  No

Are there any cats in the home?  Yes  No

If yes, list age and gender of each: \_\_\_\_\_

Is family aware that cat food and litter box should be kept out of the Golden's reach?  Yes  No

Are the cats used to dogs?  Yes  No

Are there any other pets?  Yes  No

If yes, please explain what type and where they are kept

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Are there any livestock?  Yes  No

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis?  Yes  No

Did you take a Golden with you on this visit?  Yes  No

How did the family interact with your Golden?

Great! They had water bowl and cookies for her to enjoy and seemed to really enjoy her - even the fur balls left behind!

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How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden?

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How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats?

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Are there children in the home?  Yes  No If yes, explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s):

Where will the dog eat? Laundry or Kitchen Where will the water bowl be located? Laundry room

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What food will the family feed the Golden? Good - they fed last dog one of the best on handout I left about food.

**Please discuss quality food and leave the "How to rate your dog's food" handout with them if appropriate.**

**Explain that if there will be more than one dog, we recommend feeding them separately, at least for the first few weeks.** How did they react to this recommendation?

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the Golden. Walks - at least 2/day and playing fetch, etc.

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Additional comments on Pet Care and Interactions:

## THE GOLDEN FOR YOU

Has the family owned a Golden previously?  Yes  No

Do they understand that many Goldens are velcro-type dogs and want to be where their people are?  Yes  No

Do they understand the shedding of Goldens and need for frequent brushing and grooming, vacuuming and sweeping?

Yes  No

What type of Golden does the family prefer?

MALE  FEMALE  NO PREFERENCE

AGE RANGE PREFERRED 3-8 - maybe older

What are their expectations for the SAGRR Golden?

COMPANION  HUNTING  HIKING  SWIMMING  AGILITY  
 CHILD'S COMPANION  OBEDIENCE or RALLY  THERAPY DOG  SERVICE DOG  
 DOG'S COMPANION  OTHER (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

What Activity Level? No preference but one that would take 2-3 mi walks.

Would the family consider a bonded pair?  Yes  No  Maybe

Is the family willing to adopt a Golden with these conditions?

minor health problems?  
(mild valley fever, thyroid, allergies, arthritis etc.)  Yes  No  Maybe  
major health issues?  Yes  No  Maybe  
special needs that are treatable?  Yes  No  Maybe  
cancer?  Yes  No  Maybe  
not house trained?  Yes  No  Maybe

### Comments on The Golden for You:

Depending on the circumstances, they would be open to hearing about dogs with health issues that are in need. They are seldom gone from the home and usually one or the other is home excepts for an occasional dinner out or something like that.

## TRAINING FOR YOUR GOLDEN

*Please discuss that it is always advisable to take any age Golden to training/CGC/obedience classes as part of the bonding experience. Also, advise family that some Goldens really need training for a successful placement.*

If SAGRR recommends training, is the family willing to use a trainer we recommend?  Yes  No

Is the family willing to crate train if recommended by SAGRR?  Yes  No

Does the family understand that there is an adjustment period for most dogs, and it will be a few weeks or longer for the dog to settle into their home?  Yes  No

## FEE STRUCTURE FOR YOUR PERFECT GOLDEN

Did you review the fee structure with the family and explain that they will be paying the adoption fee, at the time the dog is delivered to them?  Yes  No

\$300 0-UP TO 3 YEARS OLD

\$250 3- UP TO 8 YEARS OLD

\$150 OVER 8 YEARS OLD

*Let the family know that fees for special needs dogs are determined on a case by case basis.*

If family is interested in a pair, did you explain pair pricing (second dog is 1/2 price)?  Yes  No

## MISCELLANEOUS

List any persons in the home with special needs that should be considered when placing a Golden in this home. \_\_\_\_\_

Does the age and activity level of the dog requested appear appropriate for the family?  Yes  No

If not, what age and activity level dog would you recommend for this family? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you advise them of your recommendation for a different age/activity level dog?  Yes  No

Please list any physical limitations that should be considered when placing a Golden in this home (e.g., the applicant weighs 80 pounds and would not be able to control a 100-pound untrained Golden) \_\_\_\_\_

Does the family have a vehicle appropriate for a Golden?  Yes  No

*Please discuss and leave a copy of "What's Next."*

## SUMMARY

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT SAGRR APPROVE THIS HOME?  Yes  No

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME?  Yes  No

*If you answered NO to either of the above, you must comment below.*

COMMENTS ON TRAINING, FEES, MISCELLANEOUS, OR IN GENERAL:

Sugar didn't even want to leave! Other than not having fenced in area YET, this would be a wonderful home for some lucky golden. If they have not completed fencing by time they will always keep dog leashed and supervised when outdoors.

## SAVE AND SUBMIT YOUR REPORT

**IMPORTANT: Please save the completed form as a PDF on your computer for your records and as a backup.**

In most cases you can simply click the button below. This will open an email addressed to [GHET@sagrr.org](mailto:GHET@sagrr.org) with this form already attached. Please include a brief summary in the body of the email so Placement can quickly ascertain if this family is a possibility for a given dog. Then just send the email.

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