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**SOUTHERN ARIZONA GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE**

**REPORT OF HOME VISIT OF POTENTIAL FOSTER/ADOPTER**

This is a combined foster and adoption home visit report. Please fill out the form completely with all the pertinent information. 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 that you provide in this report, so you are their eyes and ears to help them "see" the adoption family through your eyes via this report.

Please save this form on your computer with the Applicant's name and then email it to: GHET@sagrr.org

**EVALUATOR AND APPLICANT’S INFORMATION**

**DATE**: 12/7/12

**HOME EVALUATOR'S NAME**: Pat Jones EVALUATOR'S **PHONE** 742-4001 EVALUATOR'S **EMAIL** pjones@email.arizona.edu

**INTEREST** IN FOSTER ONLY  ADOPT ONLY  WILL FOSTER AND WANT TO ADOPT

OWNS HOME  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 FAMILY'S NAME** Barbara Hoffman

**ADDRESS**: 3696 W Sunglade Dr

**CROSS-STREETS**

**CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE**: Tucson AZ 85742

**HOME PHONE**: 520-579-8037 **CELL**: 520-981-4405 **WORK**: 520-297-5351

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**OCCUPATION**/EMPLOYER: Office Manager, Dr. Brad Brumm

LIST ALL (NON-APPLICANT) FAMILY MEMBERS, AND RELATIONSHIP, AND AGES OF ANY CHILDREN

Name David Hoffman  Spouse/Significant Other  Child Age 62  Roommate  Non-applicant Parent

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**EXTERIOR PHYSICAL PROPERTY INFORMATION**

**DESCRIBE THE DWELLING**:  Single-family Home  Condo or Townhouse  Duplex

Apartment  Mobile or Manufactured Home Comments

**DESCRIBE SURROUNDINGS**, i.e., is home in subdivision, country, on golf course, isolated, etc. In Oro Valley neighborhood with block fences separating lots.

**EXTERIOR**: Is the exterior of the home generally well-maintained (home, landscape, etc)  Yes  No

Somewhat Comments

**YARD**: Is there a fenced yard  Yes  No If the yard is not fenced, describe the surrounding area adjacent to the yard       Will the dog always be supervised or on-leash in the unfenced yard  Yes  No Comments

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

**FENCE**: What type of fence Block Height 5 feet; (note if there are varying heights and provide the lowest height)

Are gates  self-latching  locked  neither -- Explain       Are there any apparent holes or gaps in the fencing  Yes  No Comments Gate to back yard is wrought iron with gaps that would let a puppy through, but owner plans to be in yard whenever dog is let out. A 9-month or older dog could not easily get through gate. I didn't think to suggest that the owner temporarily put up wire fencing around back yard fence if needed. I do think they plan to be with puppy at all times in yard.

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

**POOL** Is there a pool  Yes  No Is it fenced?  Yes  No Is there a Spa?  Yes  No

(Note: if applicant is requesting 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  Not Applicable;  Yes  No

Comments

If unfenced, advise Applicant it is hard to keep some goldens out of the pool and note their reaction

Comments

Any additional comments on the exterior of the home Well-maintained, suitable yard. No special hazards noted other than gate issue.

**INTERIOR HOME ENVIRONMENT**

Is the home generally maintained?  Yes  No Comments

Is the home generally clean and free of debris or clutter  Yes  No Comments Better than my house!

Are their stairs (inside or leading into or outside the home) (This may impact an older dog or one with any mobility issues)  Yes  No Comments House has two stories-- bedrooms are upstairs.

Describe the flooring (i.e., slick tile, carpet, hardwood, etc) All of these. Applicant is requesting a puppy, and flooring would be appropriate.

Is the kitchen or bath trash uncovered  Yes  No Comments Applicant empties bathroom wastebaskets daily. Kitchen wastebasket is covered.

Are any toilet lids open  Yes  No Comments

Is there a doggie door of sufficient size for a large golden?  Yes  No Comments Does not feel comfortable with concept of dog door. Applicant is not gone for long periods and doesn't need.

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

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

Comments Applicant has previously owned a golden who died one month ago. She is well aware of hazards and has taken steps to ensure that there are no problems. Family does have cats, but cat food is kept in a room which is gated off from dog.

While the family is home, where in the home will the Golden be allowed Dog will have run of house.

Where will the Golden sleep In bedroom with owners.

Will the Golden be allowed on furniture, beds  Yes  No Comments Not allowed on bed when guests are present.

When the family is gone, where will the Golden be Will crate puppy initially, but will give dog run of house when older.

Does the family use a crate  Yes  No Comments Has not used one in past, but plans to do so with new puppy.

If so, for what purposes/when /how long will the Golden be in the crate Dog will be crated when owner is absent until he/she knows how to behave. Expectations are realistic-- applicant feels crate is for dog's safety as much as for protection of their possessions.

If not, what is the applicant's view on crating Expects to use it with a young dog. Probably not with an older one, at least not closed.

**PET CARE AND INTERACTIONS**

Are there any other dogs in this home  Yes  No Comments Previous golden died one month ago and owner is anxious to adopt another dog.

Describe all dogs, listing breed, age, sex, and any specific information that might affect a SAGRR Golden No dogs currently. Applicant previously owned female golden.

Are any of the resident dogs unaltered, and if so, explain why they are not altered  Yes  No Comments Previous dog was spayed.

Are there any cats in this home  No  Yes If yes, how many and age 3 7-year-old cats. Is family aware Golden will get into cat food and/or litter box and they should be kept out of reach  Yes  No Comments Applicant has a gate to room with cat food and litter box.

Are the cats used to dogs  Yes  No Comments

Are there any other pets?  Yes  No If yes, please explain what type and where they are kept Comments

Are there any dogs that visit on a frequent basis  Yes  No Comments Relatives occasionally visit with their dogs. They apparently got along with previous golden.

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

How did the family interact with the Golden Applicant enjoyed Jackson's visit and seemed to interact enthusiastically.

How did the resident dogs/cats interact with your Golden Cats did not appear.

How did the family interact with the resident dogs/cats Husband not present.

Are there children on the home?  Yes  No Comments Grandchildren visit occasionally.

Explain their interaction with your dog or the resident dog(s)

Where will the dog eat Bowl near back door. Where will the water bowl be located Near back door.

What food will the family feed the golden Used Pedigree previously. I recommended that she look into Kirkland. (Please discuss quality food with the family)

Remember to explain (if there will be more than one dog) the recommendation to feed separately, at least for the first few weeks minimum

Please list all the ways the family will exercise the golden Family plans to walk the dog regularly-- up to about 2 miles. Applicant has MS and cannot walk a great deal.

**WHAT IS THE RIGHT GOLDEN**

Has the family owned a Golden previously  Yes  No Comments

Do they understand that many Goldens are velcro-type dogs and want to be where their people are?

Yes  No Comments

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

Yes  No Comments

What type of Golden does the family prefer?

MALE  FEMALE  NO PREFERENCE

UNDER 1 YEAR  1 -3 YRS  4-7 YRS  SENIOR  NO PREFERENCE

What are the expectations for the SAGRR Goldens?

COMPANION  HUNTING  OBEDIENCE or RALLY  AGILTIY  CHILD’S COMPANION

THERAPY DOG  SERVICE DOG  DOG'S COMPANION  OTHER Applicant has MS and had trained previous dog as a service dog through an organization that specializes in this type of training. Dog had not passed final test, but was able to carry out some functions. She would like to train this dog as well.

What Activity Level? Applicant is aware of goldens' activity levels (especially after interacting with Jackson!). If I were recommending a dog for her, I'd suggest a smaller female, but she is aware of what she's asking for, so I'm not willing to second-guess her. She does have a husband who will interact extensively with the dog, too.

Is the family willing to adopt a golden with minor health problems? (valley fever, thyroid problems, allergies, arthritis etc)  Yes  No  Maybe Comments Not really.

Is the family would you be willing to adopt a golden with major health issues?  Yes  No  Maybe Comments

Is the family be willing to adopt a golden with special needs that are treatable?

Yes  No  Maybe Comments Applicant has special needs herself, so a dog who needs assistance would not be a good idea.

Is the family willing to adopt a golden that has cancer?  Yes  No  Maybe Comments

Is the family willing to adopt a golden that isn’t house trained?  Yes  No  Maybe Comments

**CARING FOR THE GOLDEN**

Who will be the primary care giver for the golden? Both adults.

How long will the golden be left alone on a daily basis? Maximum of 4-4.5 hours. Applicant works nearby and comes home for lunch on days when she works full-time. Works half days on Friday. (Discuss that we do not allow dogs to be left outside when no one is home, or all day)

**TRAINING FOR 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 in order for it to be a successful placement.

Is the family willing if recommended by SAGRR to use a recommended dog trainer for the golden?  Yes  No Comments

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

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 Comments Not really a problem if she adopts a puppy.

**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 they dog is delivered to them?  Yes  No Comments

$300 0-UP TO 3 YEARS OLD

$250 3- UP TO 8 YEARS OLD

$150 OVER 8 YEARS OLD

SPECIAL NEEDS WILL BE DONE ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS

If family is interested in a pair, did you explain pair price (2nd dog is 1/2 price)?

**MISCELLANEOUS**

List any persons in the home with special needs that should be considered when placing a golden in this home Barbara has MS and occasional problems. However, she works and seems to be mobile.

Does the age and activity level of the dog requested appear appropriate for the family? Yes.

If not, what age/activity level dog would you recommend for this family?

Did you advise them of your recommendation for a different age/activity level dog?

Please list any physical limitations should be considered when placing a golden in this home (i.e., 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 Comments SUV

**SUMMARY**

DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT THIS FAMILY BE AN APPROVED SAGRR HOME  Yes  No Comments

WOULD YOU LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THIS HOME Yes.