



## Golden Retriever Rescue of Atlanta – Silent Auction September 19, 2010

July 15, 2010

Dear Friend,

Have you ever driven around your neighborhood or on the streets of your town and seen dogs wandering the streets with no place to go? Imagine not having a place to sleep, eat or feel safe. Since 1991, Golden Retriever Rescue of Atlanta™ (GRRATM) has been helping homeless Golden Retrievers and Labrador Retrievers find their forever homes and families. Golden Retriever Rescue of Atlanta™ is an all volunteer organization dedicated to saving the lives of Golden and Labrador Retrievers who are abandoned, mistreated, neglected or left in shelters throughout the State of Georgia and around the Southeast.

In 2009 GRRATM placed over 150 Golden and Labrador Retrievers in forever homes. For each dog, the average amount spent was \$575. This may sound high, but the cost to treat a dog for Heartworms alone can run as high as \$500. Further, many of our dogs require specialized medical care before they can be adopted. As our adoption fee averages only \$300, you can see that we often can't cover the cost to vet a dog and place them in their forever home.

Each fall, GRRATM invites all of our adopted retrievers and their humans and all retriever lovers to join us in a celebration of all of the forever homes found over the years. We celebrate with a cook-out, entertainment and swapping of dog stories. It's a great day of fun and frolic for everyone.

This event is also our biggest fundraiser of the year. The Golden Store, where we sell retriever and GRRATM related items, and our Silent Auction help us to bring in the funds we need to treat our more extraordinary rescues. The silent auction showcases items big and small.

On **Sunday, September 19, 2010** at Blackburn Park, we will hold the annual **Rescue Romp & Silent Auction**. By donating an auction item for the event, you will provide hope to homeless Golden Retrievers and Labrador Retrievers. All funds raised from this event will go directly to helping rescue and rehabilitate homeless dogs thru Golden Retriever Rescue of Atlanta™. For more information on how the lives of these special dogs are transformed through the generosity of our donors, see our website,

<http://www.grra.com>

Please see the enclosed information form. Fax the enclosed form to 770-200-8772. If you have any questions, please contact Mia Simpson at 404-402-0259 or e-mail [silentauction@grra.com](mailto:silentauction@grra.com). Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Allen, Chair  
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*Rescue Romp Silent Auction Committee*

Cathie Andress, President  
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