2020 GSMDCA Annual Awards Form

☑ Margaret Poole Lifetime Achievement

☑ Ambassador of the Breed · ☐ Friend of the Swissy

☑ Exemplary Junior · ☐ AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship

Deadline: March 1, 2021

Procedure: Please use the Awards Nomination Form to nominate individuals for awards. Or contact Anna Wallace boardgsmdca@gmail.com to request a mailed form.

Submit to: Please submit your nominations to the GSMDCA Board of Directors by email boardgsmdca@gmail.com or via mail to Anna Wallace, 9145 Liberty Run Rd. Guthrie, OK 73044. Late nominations will not be accepted.

Process: The GSMDCA Board is requesting your nominations of outstanding members of the GSMDCA to be honored for the following 2020 Annual Awards. These awards are for the year ending December 31, 2020 and will be presented at the 2021 GSMDCA National Specialty. If no qualified candidates are nominated the Board may elect not to present the award.

Awards:

• **Margaret Poole Lifetime Achievement Award**—To honor from time to time a person or team demonstrating a lifetime commitment to the GSMD breed and exemplary service to the GSMDCA. Nominees must have been active members in good standing of the GSMDCA for at least 15 years.

• **Ambassador of the Breed Award**—To recognize purebred Swissies demonstrating extraordinary accomplishments as working/service dogs, both perpetuating the breed’s historical purpose by example and through motivating others in the interest and pursuit of preserving the GSMDs working heritage. Nominees must be purebred GSMD. (Note: Titles may be considered but are not to define qualification for this award.)

• **Friend of the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog**—Awarded to the individual who has done the most for the GSMD in the United States in the preceding year (2020).

• **Exemplary Junior Award**—To honor an individual who has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship and dedication to the GSMD in the preceding year through participation in AKC’s Junior Handler Program (provide AKC Handler number on nomination) and various events or community service that has contributed to the welfare of the breed or the GSMDCA. Parent or guardian of the junior must be a member of the GSMDCA.

• **AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award**—To honor the individual who deserves special recognition that has made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and has been an active and valued member of the GSMDCA.