Hello all,

I have been nominated for Midwest North Chapter Chairman. I would like to thank Ned Sorely for his service in this role for nearly the past six years and take a moment to introduce myself.

I would describe myself as a "regular" guy. I am a husband and father of two children (ages 5 and 7). I hunt as much as I can for whatever is in season both around home in southern Wisconsin and also making out of state trips. My son loves to go hunting already and my daughter is all about the dogs!

I have been a member of VDD-GNA for the past 10 years. In that time, I have been active member in the club training dogs, running tests, and attending as many club functions as possible. My passion for this club and breed has also pushed me to pursue breeding these wonderful dogs. I anticipate my "E" litter vom Duck Creek later this winter.

As Chairman, I would build upon what I see as our greatest assets, our dogs and our people. Both Ned and Jerry Schneck before as him chairmen have represented this same vision. With the strong board the Midwest North Chapter has in place, we are set up for success for the future.

My priorities as Chairman would be:

- 1) Getting our dogs prepped for hunting and testing
- 2) Continuing to build a network of mentors for our membership
- 3) Partnering with other groups with similar goals (other JGHV affiliated groups, NAVHDA, etc.) to continue to have areas close to home for our members to find training help and locations to train
- 4) Pursuing educational seminars and social gatherings for our members to grow in this club I am ready to give back and do more for this club. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions.

Thank you for your time and consideration of me for Midwest North Chapter Chairman. Respectfully,

Mitchel Thiele