

Yankee Golden Retriever Club  
Educational Program



**September 22, 2009**

**7:00 PM, Acton Congregational Church, Acton MA**

***Speaker: Linda Wright, Evaluator for Therapy Dogs International, Inc.  
I want my dog to become a therapy dog – how can I do that?***

Linda Wright is an evaluator for Therapy Dogs International, Inc. and has been with TDI for over 15 years.

She started out working in an animal shelter/vet office about 25 years ago, placing dogs in homes with well-suited owners. She decided she could place more dogs in more homes if they were trained, so she started her own obedience business. To expand her knowledge of dogs and obedience training, she attended various clinics, one of which took her to New York state. There, Linda brought her 4 month old Labrador Retriever, Jake. While studying under Wendy & Jack Volhard she decided to have Jake tested with TDI to do therapy work, and he passed with flying colors.

Jake and Linda did visitations to many nursing homes, and after a while she decided she would love to work for TDI. Linda applied for a job as one of their evaluators, got accepted and has been testing/training dogs every since.

Come and find out what you have to do to get involved with your dog and to help make a difference!

For more information about *Therapy Dogs International* go to [www.tdi-dog.org](http://www.tdi-dog.org)

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**Free program visitors welcome!**

Refreshments: 7:00 – 7:30 PM. Meeting begins at 7:30 PM  
Congregational Church, Acton MA – Intersection of Route 27 & Concord Rd.

For directions see [http://www.actonc.org/au\\_directions.php](http://www.actonc.org/au_directions.php)

Enter from the back of the building at the bottom of the parking lot by the patio