

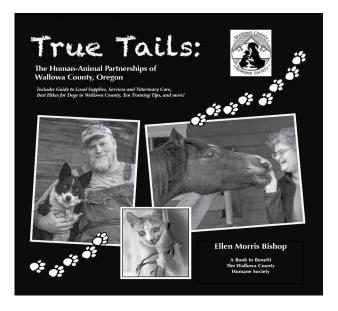
## WALLOWA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 2017



## TRUE TAILS Is Here At Last!

## True Tails available at Santa Paws

Oregon book award winning author and photographer, Ellen Morris Bishop, has completed her tribute to the many extraordinary human-animal partnerships in Wallowa County. Ellen painstakingly gathered inspiring stories and photographs from around the County and presents them in this wonderfully written compilation. In addition to the poignant "Tails," there is practical advice on what makes your animal friend tick, dog training, favorite Wallowa County dog hikes, health tips from our local veterinarians and much more. True Tails may be purchased in advance at Santa Paws for \$14.95. One hundred percent of the sales proceeds will benefit the Wallowa County Humane Society. What a unique way to remember all the animal lovers in your life this holiday season!



Join us for Santa Paws! Santa Paws will be at the Joseph Community Center on Friday, December 1 and Saturday, December 2, as part of the Jingle Through Joseph Holiday Bazaar. Santa will be in residence again this year, so bring your camera and your best furry friend for your holiday photo op. There will be assistance with picture taking for a suggested donation of \$5. We'll have animals for adoption, a silent auction to benefit the work of WCHS and of course, advance sales of *True Tails* by Ellen Bishop for \$14.95.

Let us do your Thanksgiving baking It's time once again for our Thanksgiving bake sale at Wallowa County Grain Growers on Wednesday, November 22 from 10:00 to 3:00. Thanks to the generous support of Grain Growers, WCHS will provide you with the solution to your holiday baking. All baked goods are sold by donation only and we can guarantee that our dedicated volunteers/bakers will provide a wide variety of delicious treats to choose from.

Look for our food barrels and remember the animals Thanks to the support of our local merchants, we will once again display food donation barrels starting November 30 at Wallowa County Grain Growers, Mt. Joseph Family Foods, Dollar Stretcher and Safeway. We are in need of pet food and kitty litter. It's easy to add an item to your purchases and drop it into our donation barrel as you're leaving the store. We've had great success with this program in the past thanks to the caring hearts of Wallowa County residents.

Pet Therapy Days in December and January We've added a new location to our much-appreciated pet therapy days: Wallowa River House in Wallowa. In December, Santa and his Elves will visit Alpine House on December 13, Wallowa River House on December 14, and Wallowa Valley Senior Living on December 21. In January, we'll visit Alpine House on January 10, Wallowa Valley Senior Living on January 18 and Wallowa River House on January 25. All visits are at 2:00 p.m. If you have a well-behaved pet who would love to bring cheer to our senior residents, call Sue Barcik at (541) 432-3907.

Open House & Mary Pillar tribute At its annual open house/volunteer appreciation in October this year, we honored our longtime volunteer and friend, Mary Pillar. Mary, former Wallowa County Animal Control officer, has been an active volunteer with the Humane Society since 1991. She has served for many years on the board and tirelessly sees to the needs of lost or abandoned animals in Wallowa County. Thank you, Mary, for your love of the animals and your years of service to them.

Josephy Center in January! As part of a new exhibit *Puppy Love* at the Josephy Center for Arts & Culture in January 2018, copies of *True Tails: The Animal-Human Partnerships of Wallowa County, Oregon* will be available for sale for \$14.95. Award winning author and photographer, Ellen Morris Bishop, will be available to sign your copy(ies) of *True Tails* at various times during the exhibit. Watch for information on the Josephy Center website, www.josephy.org.

Join us for the annual Wallowa County Chamber dinner The Wallowa County Humane Society is sponsoring a table at this year's Chamber dinner on January 28. Please join us in supporting the Wallowa County Chamber of Commerce and our local merchants.

**Volunteer Orientations** Welcome to all our wonderful new volunteers! Please stop into the Information Center to sign up for your orientation session with Carol Vencill. Once we have a number of volunteers signed up, we'll schedule a time for the class.

Carol's Corner If you or a neighbor, friend or family member has to give up a pet, please contact WCHS as soon as possible so that we can help you find your pet a new home. Even if there are no available foster homes, we can give important information that will help you find a placement for your companion. Disturbingly, we are seeing instances where cats and dogs, as well as other species of pets, are left behind to fend for themselves with no food, water or shelter. This practice adds to the burden of homeless pets in the County and is a Class C misdemeanor. People who can't take their pets with them often wait until the day before to contact WCHS for help. It takes time to find a temporary placement, so please contact us as soon as you know you must leave your pet.