



Wallowa County Humane Society Newsletter – Fall 2021

THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING UP AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO SHARING THE JOY WITH OUR FURRY FRIENDS

DUST OFF YOUR APRON AND PREPARE TO BAKE A TREAT

This year our volunteers will once again “Let Us Do the Baking for You” at Thanksgiving by providing an array of pies, cookies, breads and more. Date: **Wednesday, November 24 from 10-2.** Location TBA. We need donated baked goods, so please call Denise Michnick at (206) 307-4240 to volunteer.

BUDDY'S HAPPY IN HIS NEW HOME



From an abused life to a good life with lots of love. When Buddy was surrendered to WCHS he had a broken tail, bite marks and older scars all over. He had been (ab)used as a bait dog until someone was able to convince the dog fighter to give him up. That's when our volunteer Kathy Reynolds got the call. His previous name was Stryker but Stryker was not a fighter but a big lover. His name now is Buddy and he has a happy life in his new home.

Kathy also reports that to date we've facilitated 12 dog adoptions, assisted with four private adoptions, and helped eight lost dogs reunite

with their owners. We've also found homes for six goats and one bunny. Bravo to Kathy and all who helped!



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

The delightful Jane Dunn is amazingly helpful at our Re-Tail boutique and Information center. She takes the Saturday afternoon shift every week, welcoming everyone who walks through the door. She's always busy helping when we have our Dog Washes during the summer. Then she heads inside to run the boutique in the afternoon. On days when we're closed, Jane has worked with one or two other volunteers, sorting the donated items. She happily helps take care of the kitties' as needed. She's fun to work with and much appreciated. *Thank you Jane!*

PET THERAPY VISITS

We'll be visiting **Alpine House in Joseph Nov. 11 & Dec. 9.** We also plan to visit **Wallowa Valley Senior Living Nov. 17 & Dec. 15.**

December dates are special visits by Santa and his elves. Volunteers with dogs and/or cats are always welcome.

COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 11 & 17 + DECEMBER 9 & 15

1:00 PM – PET THERAPY

**NOVEMBER 24 – THANKSGIVING
BAKE SALE**

**NOVEMBER 26 & 27 CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR SILENT AUCTION**

**DECEMBER 3 & 4 CHRISTMAS
BAZAAR SILENT AUCTION**

SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER ON TAP

The annual Christmas Bazaar at the Joseph Community Center is the site for our Silent Auction Fundraiser. **Plan to stop by Friday & Saturday, November 26 & 27 and December 3 & 4** to bid on a selection of items that will help fund our many endeavors. If you'd like to volunteer to help out, please call Carol Vencill at (541)263-0336, or stop by the Re-Tail Boutique in Enterprise where we have a sign-up sheet.

CAROL'S CORNER

Does your dog pull while trying to go on a walk? Is your arm or shoulder complaining? Maybe you have very little control when a person or a dog approaches, and you're trying to keep your pooch from jumping or lunging. Many folks are using harnesses these days. There are many styles to choose from. They work great on well-mannered dogs that are responsive to their owners. However, for dogs that are reactive to situations and pretty much ignore you pulling and tugging against them, a proper training collar or head halter, when used correctly, can benefit both you and your dog greatly.

If you think about draft and sled dogs for instance, they wear special harnesses that allow them to pull with their body. Their heads are free and the harness allow the dogs more freedom of movement while using their muscles, similar to your own dog's harness.

Most dog harnesses have a ring on the back that connects to the leash, allowing your dog to pull you wherever he wants to go. You have no control of the front end. However there are harnesses that have a ring on the front, on the chest, that the leash attaches to and this does

give you considerably more control. You can turn your dog away from an approaching target, instead of pulling back against your dog, which encourages him to pull harder against you.

Of course nothing takes the place of training and setting rules on how you want your dog to behave on leash, especially in public. Going on a walk, hike, bike ride or jog with a behaved companion, is truly a pleasure.



AUGUST SHOW AND SHINE SUCCESS

Thanks to the generosity of the Show and Shine organizers WCHS received over \$840.00 as the results of the 50/50 ticket sales. This money is earmarked toward the future Sanctuary. **Thank you Bob Rush and Cathryn Patterson for organizing and ticket sales, and to our volunteers Sherry Murphy, Catherine Fish, Julia Petersen and Carol Vencill** for answering questions, selling tickets and handing out coupons to be used in the WCHS Re-Tail Boutique. It was a fun time for all.

For information on animal adoption, our programs and how you can help out please visit our website at

www.wallowacountyhumanesociety.org

You can also find us on Facebook, and please visit our Re-Tail Boutique in Enterprise.

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