



Wallowa County Humane Society Newsletter

Spring 2024



COMING EVENTS

KIDS' MOVIE NIGHT-PARENTS' NIGHT OUT
 Fridays: May 17 "Rio", June 7 "Madagascar"
 6:30-9 pm at Re-tail Boutique

PET THERAPY
 Alpine House – May 9, June 13, July 11, Aug 8 1 pm
 Wallowa Valley Senior Living May 15, June 19, July 17,
 August 21 - 1 pm
 Followed by
 Wallowa Memorial Hospital after Senior Living - 1:45 pm

SUMMER DOG WASH
 Saturdays: June 15, July 20, Aug 17, Sept 21

CAROL'S CORNER

Does **Mom** usually take care of the needs of the family pets? Give her a break for Mother's Day. Give her a special gift from the whole family.

Step up to take care of the feeding, watering, cleaning, grooming and exercising, the fur, fin and feather members of the family, for one week. A trip to the groomer's for Fluffy or Fido. The birdcage might need a complete make over. How about changing the filter in the aquarium? Mom will appreciate the help and you will appreciate just how much she does. **Happy Mother's Day!**

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

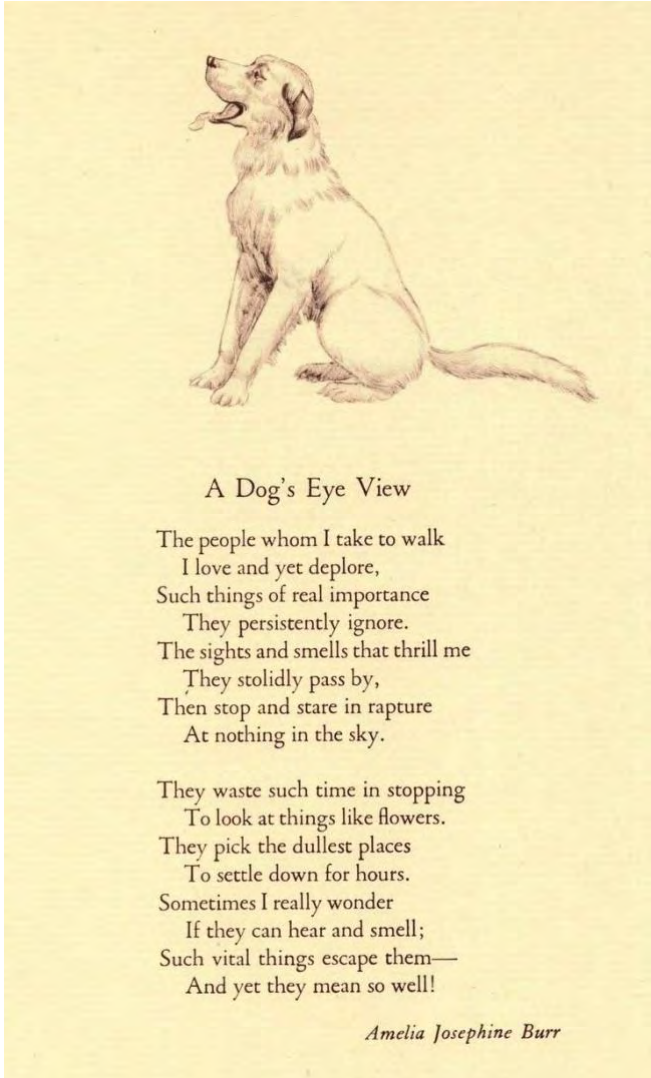
Cathryn Paterson has been a long-time volunteer with the

WCHS. A familiar face at the Re-tail Boutique, she covers many areas from serving customers, pricing items, helping with sales and running errands.

You will also see Cathryn at our Bake Sales offering the great assortment of breads, cookies, and sweet treats our volunteers donate. She

has organized and set up the past two Bake Sales, which are our Easter and Thanksgiving, fundraisers.

Cathryn often comes up with good ideas when it comes to helping the humane society, and for all this and more we **thank you Cathryn.**



A Dog's Eye View

The people whom I take to walk
I love and yet deplore,
Such things of real importance
They persistently ignore.
The sights and smells that thrill me
They stolidly pass by,
Then stop and stare in rapture
At nothing in the sky.

They waste such time in stopping
To look at things like flowers.
They pick the dullest places
To settle down for hours.
Sometimes I really wonder
If they can hear and smell;
Such vital things escape them—
And yet they mean so well!

Amelia Josephine Burr



THE ADVENTURES OF RAFA – Episode 6: Rafa in repose

Over the past month, I have been trying to come up with some new story about Rafa and I. We have just been doing all our normal activities. Being so small at under 8 pounds he tucks right into my shoulder bag, and travels with me.

I went to Ashland for my birthday to see lots of old friends. Rafa stayed right in there as I drove and drove, stopping once each way, getting out to use his litter box, eat and have a drink of water, then back in his external “Kangaroo Pouch”. The miles passed.

In our home his favorite places are on a soft down comforter by the window in the sun; another is of course in front of the wood stove, the hotter the better, he is Burmese. Then there is yet another place. I have dedicated a small room in my home for stretching, exercises, and yoga, with a chair facing the wall to relax and meditate.

Funny thing, no matter where he is, even if I am as quiet as a mouse, after I sit, relax and start breathing deep and long, he leaves those comfortable places, to lie on the floor, looking at me, waiting for me to pick him up, put him in my lap, curl him in my forearms, and we go “someplace else” together.

SUMMER DOG WASH

Have a dirty pooch?

Come to Dog Wash Alley behind the Enterprise Fire Department on the third Saturday of every month this summer from 11am to 3pm. (See **Coming Events** for dates) We supply shampoo, or bring your own. There will be warm water and clean towels for each dog. \$10 big dogs, \$5 little dogs – you wash or we wash, price the same. Volunteers are welcome to join the fun. Snacks for helpers and dogs too.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Wallowa County Humane Society runs on the energy and enthusiasm of countless volunteers. There are always ways to help for an hour or two or three. Whether it's baking a batch of cookies for one of our fundraisers or getting a little wet having fun washing a dog, we can always use your help. Here are some opportunities:

Pet Therapy in Enterprise or Joseph – see **Coming Events** for the schedule. Bring your pet to brighten the residents' day.

Re-Tail Boutique – Volunteers help serving customers and keeping up the shop.

Woodlands and Watershed Festival June 28 – Greet visitors at our booth and hand out information.

Dog Wash Saturdays – Help greet visitors or wash a dog.

Cycle Oregon September 11 – WCHS volunteers will help serve lunch to hungry cyclists visiting the county.

Volunteer Coordinators – We are looking for an adult and also a youth volunteer coordinator to manage various volunteer projects.

Contact WCHS at (541)398-8586 for more information. We welcome your help as we serve our county's pets and their owners.

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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 at 119 E Main St. in Enterprise.