



Wallowa County Humane Society Newsletter – July 2022

THIS MONTH WE CELEBRATE OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS AND THEIR FURRY FRIENDS

ELLEN AND PEPPER SAVE THE DAY!

Pepper, a two year-old Border Collie, and her owner/staff-person, Ellen Bishop, recently were certified as a Search and Rescue (SAR-K9) Air Scent search-dog team, part of Wallowa County Sherriff's Search and Rescue (WCSAR). The certification qualifies them to work in search and rescue work across the nation. Pepper and Ellen join four other WCSAR-K9 teams that include two certified tracking dogs, one other air-scent dog, and a dog certified to find human remains. Pepper and Ellen trained for more than a year before taking the certification test. WCSAR-K9 is in need of volunteer hiders to assist in their weekly training sessions. If you are interested in "getting lost", and being found by a friendly and enthusiastic search and rescue dog, please call Holly Akensen at (541)398-0498.



MANY THANKS TO THREE SPECIAL VOLUNTEERS!

Recently volunteers Diana and Bob Rush announced their beautiful lab Buddy passed over the Rainbow Bridge. We will all miss



Buddy and his wonderful eagerness to greet all the folks where ever we visited. Also, after several years of service, Gloria La

Bolle's French Bulldog, Lola and Cathy Fish's, Chihuahua mix, Bella are taking a well-deserved retirement from pet therapy visits. We will fondly remember their individual personalities that brought joy to all our friends at assisted living. The Wallowa Valley Humane Society gives special thanks to our pet therapy volunteers and their "furry best friends" for the many happy visits to the Wallowa County assisted living residence.



COMING EVENTS

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July 29 & 30 BARN SALE

PET THERAPY

Thursday, July 14, 1 pm Alpine House - Joseph

Wednesday, July 20, 1 pm Wallowa Valley Senior Living- Enterprise

Wednesday, July 27, 10:30 am Wallowa River House – Wallowa

MONTHLY SATURDAY DOG WASH

July 9, August 13 & September 17

UPCOMING PET THERAPY VISITS

We'll be visiting Alpine House in Joseph July 14 at 1:00 pm. We also plan to visit Wallowa Valley Senior Living July 20 at 1:00 pm. And we're back at Wallowa River House in Wallowa on July 27 at 10:30 am.

Volunteers with dogs and/or cats are always welcome. For more information please contact Sue Barcik – susanbarcik@gmail.com.

BIG BARN SALE!

LOTS OF GOOD STUFF WILBUR

CHIEF JOSEPH DAYS WEEKEND
FRI-SAT

JULY 29 & 30 9 AM to 4 PM

**FOLLOW SIGNS ON WILSON LANE
NEAR JOSEPH TO THE OLD
RIVERVIEW DAIRY BARN**



FUNDRAISING EVENT 20+ YRS
FOR THE WALLOWA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY.
COME FIND A TREASURE
VISIT THE GOATS THEY LOVE ATTENTION

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Plan to attend our big barn sale the end of July. Donations welcome. Please contact Carol Vencill 14carolann@gmail.com for more information.

CAROL'S CORNER

Boredom... we can suffer from it, and our pets can as well. Destructive behavior can occur when pets become bored. If they are left alone for long periods at a time, they may look for something new and exciting to do--rearranging furniture, pruning houseplants, climbing curtains, tearing up fluffy pillows, these misbehaviors are special delights for some. Those pets that reside outdoors may take up sculpting in the garden or have a taste for wood carving, perhaps on patio furniture or the siding on your house.

While there are a number of pet repellents on the market to help dissuade dogs and cats from these acts, safe, fun toys give pets something positive to turn to. A variety is important, but not all of them at once. Leaving five or six toys of different textures at one time should be enough. Rotate a couple every day or so with ones the pet hasn't seen in a while. Pets can get tired of seeing the same toys day after day. Rotating helps hold their interest. Of course a cherished, favorite toy should be available at all times.

And for house cats, a paper sack or cardboard box is a delight. And a scratching post or larger climbing cat tree is a must. Adding a sprinkling of catnip should keep most cats entertained before a nice nap sets in.

FUN TIMES AT THE DOG WASH

Have a dirty pooch? Come to Dog Wash Alley behind the Enterprise Fire Department. Upcoming dates: July 9, August 13, and September 17 from 11am to 3pm. We supply shampoo, or bring your own. There will be warm water and clean towels for each dog.



Volunteers are welcome to join the fun. Snacks for helpers and dogs too.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



For 30+ years volunteer Stuart Vencill has been known to many as the dastardly villain as well as other characters, on stage with Wallowa Valley Players, and the past 20 years with Mid Valley Theatre Company. For the same amount

of years he's been mostly behind the scenes with the WCHS hauling pick up loads, setting up at events, hosting barn sales, fostering cats and bottle feeding kittens, designing flyers for events, ordering needed items, baking, and creating newspaper ads. Stuart has served on the board as Secretary and more. At home on the farm, he enjoys his garden, taking care of the many animals, and undertaking on-going renovation projects over the years. Thank you, Stuart!!!

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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