

IT'S A WRAP NEWSLETTER

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IT'S A WRAP! This is the official newsletter of Westie Rescue and Placement (WRAP) of Northern California.

MESSAGE FROM THE WRAP PRESIDENT

We have just completed a successful auction on Facebook. As you know this is our largest fundraiser of the year and with your help we raised net proceeds of more than \$7,300 this year. This didn't happen by accident. It took the hard work of many dedicated volunteers to make it happen. I would like to extend my appreciation on behalf of all the Westies that will benefit and thank our volunteers for their tireless efforts.

The success of this auction could not have come at a better time, as it turns out. Within the last few weeks we have received eleven dogs in need of our help and placement in loving homes. These funds will be critical in this regard.

On a separate note; I am pleased to report that we have received a donation from the San Francisco Bay West Highland White Terrier Club, which represents the net proceeds from the monies West Rescue raised prior to its dissolution as part of that club. It is the feeling of the WRAP Board members that this is a fair and reasonable resolution.

I hope to see all of you at our upcoming Winter Fun(raiser) on Saturday October 28, 2017 at the Las Palmas Dog Park in Sunnyvale. This will be a fun event that will include a costume parade for our fur-buddies. Also, be sure to mark your calendars for our Holiday Wine Tasting Party on Sunday December 10th.

Sincere Regards,
David Snook

Auction News

The Annual Fundraising Auction took place August 25- 27th on Facebook. We had a lot of wonderful support from supporters across the country. We received wonderful private donations from Michigan, Florida and California as well as other places. The highest bid on a single item was the Mrs. Santa Westie Holiday Rail which went for \$200.00. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. We realized about \$7,300.00 in spite of the many challenges this year. Unfortunately, Hurricane Harvey hit Texas during the auction and there were also two competing auction one on the East Coast and one in the Midwest. Shipping costs also increased this year. In spite of the challenges the funds raised by the auction will go a long way to pay the medical bills of our Rescued Westies. We are already planning next year's auction and improvements.



Dedication

This issue of "It's a WRAP" is dedicated to the Auction Volunteers who worked long and hard to raise fund for Westies in need. Special Thanks to Susan Acevedo, Tony Devol, Brandy Daniel, Gerry Cannavan, Ramona Rule, Teresa Houseworth, Sandy Gilmer, Judy Fields, Mary Young, and Barbara Mordy. Special Thanks to all our donors both private parties and corporate donors. Last but not least Thank You to our bidders.



Private Donors of Auction Items

Rebecca Ramlow
 Ramona Rule
 Dave & Marge Phillips
 Nancy Nee
 Nancy Hacker
 Mary Young
 Susan Acevedo
 Jo Flemming
 Diane Orange
 Gordon Shumway
 Debbie & Ceilidh McAllister

Anonymous Donor
 Marie & Milton Thompson
 Shelly Olivares
 Barbara Mordy
 Jean Delwich
 Sandy Gilmer
 Teresa Houseworth
 Rebekah & Marshall Culp
 Susan & Harry Robbins
 Judy Fields

Thank You one and all!!!



Rescue News

Holly- Hi I am Holly. I am an 11 year old girl who came to rescue because my mom had to move in with her daughter who didn't want me. I was a well-loved sweet girl who now has a forever home with a retired man. I am very happy and we go for walks daily and I enjoy the adult children and grandchildren.



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Faren – I am Faren. My mom was no longer able to keep me due to life circumstances. I am 9 years old and getting use to life with a big sister. I like to walk with her new mom and cuddle her. I also like to seep in mom's bed.



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Darbin- I am Darbin. I came to rescue because my owner was moving and was have trouble caring for me. Everyone says I am a very sweet loving boy. I have a new brother to play with in my new home and I now live in the country. I am 8 1/2 years old. My foster parents adopted me.



Cooper – Hi I am Cooper. I came to rescue from a shelter where they said I was a stray. At 1 ½ years old I am very active and busy. They say I am a sweet and loving Westie mix. I just got adopted and I am very happy with my new family and human brother.



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Marcus – Hi I am Marcus. I came to rescue from a home where I lived 8 ½ years, since puppyhood. I was fighting with my much larger canine brother. My mom and dad were afraid someone would get hurt. I now live in a home with another Westie brother. We are doing really well together. My foster family intends to adopt me.



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Christie- Hi I am Christie. I came to rescue from a woman who rescues breeding dogs. I was a breeding dog and I am about 5 years old. I am in a foster home where I am learning the basics of life in a home, potty training and leash training. My foster Dad says I am doing very well. He says building trust is my biggest challenge. Sometimes I shy away from people. My foster Dad says I am a very smart girl and learn quickly. I got spayed. And my foster Dad plans to adopt me



Before



Now



Milo- Hi I am Milo. I was in Doggy Jail as Stray until Westie rescue came and got me. I was glad to get out. Now I am staying with a nice lady until I get my big boy operation. I am 4 years old and have not had much of a home life. My foster mom wants me to eat kibble, figure that! I like people food. And she wants me to potty outside. My foster says I am making progress and I am very smart. My new Mom and Dad are willing to work with me on these things. Yay! I have a home.



Quill- Hi I am Quill and like Milo I was I doggy jail until I was bailed out by WRAP. I am a little over a year old. At least they took care of my sore foot and cut some of my mats out. I was out on my own for a while before I was found. I am now in a foster home and I am getting along well with the people and doggies. My adoption is pending and I will be in my new home by the end of September.



Ross- Hi I am Ross. The say I am a lovely Westie boy. I am 7 years old. I have always been in a loving home. My mom got sick with Alzheimer's and couldn't take care of me anymore. The lady from rescue was real nice and took good care of me until I went to my forever family. By the time you read this I will be with my new family. I am very excited.



Scotty and Emma- Hi we are Scotty and Emma we came to rescue because our mom is moving. We are 5 years old. We are very loving Westies and very bonded. We are litter mates and have always been together. Are adoption is pending and we are very excited. We will be adopted by the end of September.

**Scotty sitting
Emma lying down**



Westie Angel

Some Westie Angels have fur and some come in human form. Ramona Moenning Rule has been a Westie Angel watching over WRAP from the beginning. She has supported us by giving us valuable guidance and advice, donating her time and energy- even hand making blankets for our recent auction. Donating items to the auction and rescue, and taking time to help with the packing and shipping of items. Thank You Ramona from all of WRAP for all your help and Support we can't thank you enough.



SFBWHWT Club makes a Donation by Mary Young

WRAP is pleased to report to our supporters that the San Francisco Bay West Highland Terrier Club has cut a check in the amount of \$5,151.16 following an audit of their financial records by Jim Gilcrest. Jim requested and received information from Mary Young and David Snook regarding the amount of funds in the Rescue Account left when we left the Club and formed our 501(c) (3) WRAP Rescue. This amount matches what I personally believe is the funds we requested as raised by Rescue and not spent by us. Thanks to Jim who reconciled records from multiple sources to enable this outcome. Thanks to the Board of the SFBCWHWTC for voting to give these funds to us to be used by WRAP in Rescuing needy Westies.



DONATIONS

Any tax deductible donations can be made on our web page (on PayPal) at: www.westierescuenorcal.org or Facebook page using the Donate button. You can also send a check to: Susan Acevedo 32 Oak Knoll Dr. Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Please make the check out to WRAP or Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California. Thank you for your support.

HELP WANTED

WRAP is looking for some volunteers who possess certain skills to advise the board (pro bono) on issues that may arise over time. We are asking for a limited number of hours, as needed. We are seeking an **Attorney**, a **CPA**, a **Veterinarian** and an **Animal Behaviorist**.

If you would be willing to help us or want more information please contact:

Barbara Mordy at BarbaraMordy@westierescuenorcal.org or

Susan Acevedo at Susanacevedo@westierescuenorcal.org

2018 WRAP Calendar On Sale Soon

We are in the process of finalizing the 2018 Westie Calendar...it its looking great!! We hope to have them ready and on sale at the 2017 Westie Autumn Fun(draiser). More will be made available and on sale through our Facebook page and at the 2017 Westie Holidays Happy Hour event on December 10. These will make a great little gift for family members, friends, clients, work colleagues, groomers, dog walkers, veterinarians, etc.

All proceeds will be used to rescue and rehabilitate our favorite little white dogs!

If you have a good quality, high resolution photo of your rescue(s) please consider sending it in for the 2019 Calendar. Please know we may not be able to use all pictures. It needs to be a jpeg and the higher the megapixel the better. You may send photos to Susan Acevedo at susan.acevedo@gmail.com

WESTIE IN THE KITCHEN



Apple pupcakes

Ingredients

- 2 ¾ cups water
- ¼ cup applesauce (unsweetened)
- 2 tbsp honey
- 1/8 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 medium egg



- 4 cups whole wheat flour or other flour substitute
- 1 cup dried apple chips (unsweetened)
- 1 tbsp baking powder

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees
2. Mix water, applesauce, honey, egg, and vanilla together in a bowl
3. Add remaining ingredients and mix until well blended
4. Pour into lightly greased muffin pans
5. Bake 1 ¼ hours

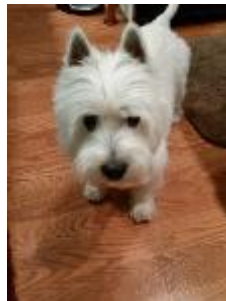
IN MEMORIAM

Let us take a moment to honor our wonderful four-footed friends who have recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge.



Sam

Sweet Sam went to the Rainbow Bridge on July 12, 2017. He'd been rescued and adopted last June, when his first Dad had a stroke and went into a nursing home. Sam was already almost 14 and had slowed down quite a bit, but he still had plenty of Westitude. Sadly, after about a year, he began to have trouble eating and digesting his food. When he had a full series of sonograms done, they showed that he had very extensive metastasized cancer. When he was going to sleep on his journey to the Rainbow Bridge, he was still kissing his Dad and eating treats, showing just what a sweet, loving little boy he was. It was a privilege to have Sam for the last year of his life and is missed like crazy by his Dad and younger sister.



For future issues, we ask that you send your memorials to us at: bgmordy@comcast.net. Please send a photo, birth (an estimate is fine if you don't have the exact date) and passing date along with a short note to include in the memorial.



Christie's Story- Story of a Breeding Westie by Tony Devol

Christie has had a hard life up until now. For the first five years of her life she was a puppy mill breeder who never did anything but stay pregnant and pop out puppies. When she came into rescue she knew nothing about the outside world, had some very bad teeth, ear infections, hook worms and, compounding her misery, was in heat. She didn't know about walking on a leash, what grass was, going up and down stairs, taking treats from someone's hand, getting petted and loved, or any of the other things that doggies deserve to know about. She was scared of almost everything.

But, she's an amazing and brilliant girl! Within a very short time she learned a whole lot of stuff. She started making eye contact on the first day, became potty trained in three days, and learned her name shortly thereafter. Initially, she would scoot away and try to hide when I approached her, and had to be cornered to leash her up, put drops in her ears and all sorts of other things. Now, she lets people pet her and enjoys it, looks to me for reassurance and guidance, has learned all about going up and down stairs, and is so cute when she gets super excited at mealtime and then rolls around on her back in ecstasy after eating. She's even begun showing some interest in toys recently.

My doggies always sleep on the bed with me and, while she didn't mind being on the bed with her sister Terry, she had a big problem with being up there when I was there too, preferring to sleep in her crate, but in the past few days, with a lot of encouragement, she's stayed on the bed with us all night.

Sometimes I think she now plays keep-away now and then as sort of a game, but not nearly as much as she did in the beginning. She's gotten over almost all of her trust issues within a month, although I still try to be vigilant in case she gets spooked about something, and be ready to soothe and reassure her if something pops up. She's really a sweet soul, with plenty of Westitude as well, who's now been allowed to be herself for the first time in her life and makes more progress every day. With a lot of love and patience, this little girl has become a wonderful little Westie, and her new forever Dad and her big sister Terry just love her to pieces.



The Transformation



Do you shop on Amazon?

If so, then you can support WRAP by now using Amazon Smile. Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop you will find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion (0.5%) of the purchase price to WRAP. Simply go to www.smile.amazon.com, and enter "Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California" as your preferred charity. Thank You. Start shopping!

Looking for a few good men and women...

- Do you have fundraising and/or event planning experience?
- Do you have the ability to build strong relationships with new people and organizations?
- Are you detail-oriented with excellent time management skills?
- Do you have strong interpersonal skills?
- Do you work well independently and as part of a team?
- Do you have experience with Microsoft Word?
- Do you have some knowledge of Microsoft Excel?

If you replied "yes" to one or more of the above questions, then you could be who we are looking for to join the WRAP Fundraising Committee. We are always in need of more volunteers to help:

- Assist with the planning and management of fundraising events
- Assist with general fundraising activities (e.g., set up, registration, auctions, merchandise sales, beverage/ food, parades, contests, etc.
- Coordinate and follow up on donor requests, and mailings, as needed
- Assist with prospecting and soliciting donors
- Identify and approach potential business partners
- Help increase communications with supporters

Please contact Linda Snook(L_snook@att.net) or Susan Acevedo (susan.Acevedo@westieresucenorcal.org) if you would like to donate your time and talents as a volunteer to support fundraising for Westie rescue.

WESTIE HEALTH CORNER

Symptoms of Gluten Intolerance in Dogs by Unknown

Consumption of glutinous grains in sensitive pets, can lead to the following symptoms:

Chronic GI upset – intermittent or continuing diarrhea and/or constipation including mucousy stools. Vomiting may also occur in more severe cases.

Repetitive chewing at the feet - as well as red and inflamed paw pads.

Dermatitis – chronic dry and flaky skin, hair loss, redness, bumps, rashes, and constant scratching are classic signs of a food intolerance.



Chronic ear infections – over-consumption of grain can lead to a buildup of excess sugars in the system. This in turn can contribute to yeast overgrowth, leading to dark, smelly waxy debris in the ears, head shaking and scratching.

Other health problems that may be related to food intolerances such as grain sensitivity include: arthritis, epilepsy, abnormal behavior, allergic and inflammatory reactions, conditions like pancreatitis and hepatitis, as well as an increased susceptibility to infection, Cushing's, Addison's, and thyroid problems.

SOURCES OF GLUTEN:

- wheat, barley, rye, triticale - oats are considered questionable - oats are gluten-free but processed oats can be contaminated with gluten, while buckwheat, corn/maze and rice are gluten-free.

Certain grains contain molds or storage mites that can cause an allergic reaction.

FYI-corn gluten meal is a waste product from the human food industry used as a cheap low-quality protein and is a mark of a poor quality food.

2017 WESTIE AUTUMN FUN(DRAISER)



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

2017 WESTIE AUTUMN FUN(DRAISER)

**LAS PALMAS DOG PARK
850 Russet Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94085**

Celebrate the Autumn season with Westies and Friends starting at 9:30AM. Bring your Westies and their friends to play in a fenced in area, dress them in Halloween costumes for the parade, pose for photos, buy fun merchandise, share in the potluck lunch, and make new friends!



Gen. Admission:
\$10 per Adult
\$0 per Dog

Play

Parade (Dogs in
Costume)

Win Prizes

Take Photos

Shop

Eat Lunch

Help Westies Find
Forever Homes

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UPCOMING EVENTS..... SAVE THE DATES

Autumn Event - October 28th 9:30 AM Las Palmas Park 850 Russet Dr. Sunnyvale

Holiday Wine Event- Santa Clara, CA December 10th 3-6pm.

Visit us online at <http://www.westierescuenorcal.org> for the latest news and updates.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

WRAP Officers and Board of Directors for 2016 are:

President David Snook
 Vice President Mary Young
 Secretary Barbara Mordy
 Treasurer Susan Acevedo

The WRAP Committees for 2016 and some of the volunteers are:

Fundraising Committee (including Activities, Events and Sponsorships):

Linda Snook, Susan Acevedo, Vacancies

- Auction Committee- Susan Acevedo, Barbara Mordy, Mary Young, Ramona Rule, Tony Devol, Teresa Houseworth, Brandy Daniel, Sandy Gilmer.

Program Operations Committee (including Surrender, Foster Care and Adoptions):

Mary Young, Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Susan Acevedo.

Foster/volunteers Janet Kurnick & Christyne Johns Mills- Sacramento, Linda Levinson- North Bay, and Nancy Mathews- Vacaville area, Central Valley –Linda Stockle.

Vacancies-North Bay, East Bay, Far North, Central Valley, Reno Area.....

Communication Committee (including Email, Website, Newsletter, Photography, Social Media, Liaisons):

Webmaster- Tony Devol

Group Email- Tony Devol

Newsletter- Barbara Mordy

Photography- Bill O'Such

Social Media-

Facebook - Barbara Mordy (Facebook),

Twitter- Vacant

Snap Chat-Vacant

Liaisons- Mary Young

Please consider volunteering your time by serving on one of the committees. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and to help shape the future of our organization. If you are interested, please contact any of the above Chairs, Officers or Board Members



IT'S A WRAP will be published at least four times per year in March, June, September and December. We encourage friends and supporters to submit articles, photos, brags, and other Westie related information that they feel would be of interests to our readers. Please send the material to the Editor by the first of the month in which the newsletter issue is scheduled to be published to allow enough time for the volunteers and Editor to do their magic! When submitting items for publication, please have all photos camera ready (.jpeg formats are preferred). All copy should be submitted in a widely accepted electronic format such as MS Word. If you are unable to provide in the preferred formats, contact the Editor Barbara Mordy bgmordy@comcast.net

All material submitted will be published at the discretion of the Editor and may be edited to fit the available space. Opinions are always those of the author/submitter and do not necessarily reflect those of the Editor or Board of Directors.

Until next time.....IT'S A WRAP!!

