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A few weeks ago, the Holman Medical Center at OHS hosted a unique group of veterinarians and vet techs. They were all part of an Army unit based at Joint Base Lewis-McChord and were at OHS to learn about high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter surgical techniques and processes. They were preparing for a mission to assist an underserved community in the Northeast. You can read more about their visit on page 4.

As the team left, they told us that they did more surgeries in a week than they typically do in a year. Amazing! But, I was reminded that going above and beyond to serve animals and our community is what our medical team does every day.

When we opened the Holman Medical Center in 2007, we knew we were building something special. Our partnership with Oregon State University, giving fourth-year veterinary students the opportunity to get extensive hands-on experience, was the first collaboration of its kind in the country. When these new veterinarians graduate, they are well equipped for the next phase of their career.

Over the years, the Holman Medical Center has continued to over deliver on our original plans. In addition to performing thousands of spay/neuter surgeries per year, the medical team treats complex fractures, rare congenital conditions, chronic diseases and so much more.

The story of Princess Piggy is a heartwarming example of the extra care and support we give to pets who have lost everything and need a soft place to land. The medical team placed her with an experienced OHS foster parent and worked closely with them to make sure Princess Piggy was stable enough to be available for adoption. On page 10, read the story about the special connection this little dog found with the family who gave her a loving home.

The compassion and expertise the OHS medical team brings to victims of abuse and neglect is truly extraordinary. When more than 30 neglected cats were discovered in a moving truck in Salem earlier this year, a member of our veterinary team raced to help. Five of the most fragile cats eventually came to OHS and have spent months in foster care making a remarkable recovery. Read about the resilience of these cats and the dedication of the medical team and foster parents on page 11.

Summer is one of OHS’s busiest times of the year, and again we are setting our sights high. We have big plans to save as many feline lives as we can this summer -reaching out to shelter partners and answering the call for help as some areas struggle during “kitten season.”

We continue to look for ways to over deliver; for the pets in our care; for the community; and for you, the donors who make it happen.

Sharon M. Harmon
President and CEO
OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY ASSISTS AFTER ALABAMA TORNADOES

After deadly tornadoes hit Alabama earlier this year, the Oregon Humane Society partnered with the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) to help close to 150 Alabama shelter pets from areas affected by the disaster. The animals were available for adoption at Lee County Humane Society and Southern Souls Animal League in Alabama prior to the tornadoes. Moving animals from the area opens space and resources to help pets and people directly affected by the tornadoes. Oregon nonprofit Fences for Fido also assisted with the transport.

“When we get the call to help after a disaster, our goal is to always say ‘yes,’” says Sharon Harmon, President and CEO, Oregon Humane Society. “Our team worked very hard to make sure we could accommodate this influx of pets while still helping our regular shelter partners.”

Luba Wagner from the OHS Admissions team traveled to Alabama and flew back with the pets. She assisted HSUS and helped prepare the pets for the long trip. Her expertise was also helpful in determining if any of the cats and dogs coming to OHS needed additional behavioral or medical care.

OHS received 27 cats and 19 dogs from the transfer while others went to shelters throughout the Northwest. Spicy the puppy was first to be adopted and is now in her loving home with OHS employee Chris Hoffman and his family.

ARMY TROOPS TRAIN AT OHS

A team from Joint Base Lewis-McChord traded their military fatigues for scrubs when they spent a week in the Holman Medical Center at OHS learning high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter techniques and processes.

The group of five veterinarians and five veterinary technicians were refining their skills in preparation for an Innovative Readiness Training mission in July where they will be spaying/neutering pets in an underserved community in the Northeast. This mission is in addition to the unit’s day-to-day work caring for military working dogs and service members’ pets.

Major Makensie Santiago was an Oregon State University veterinary student in 2013 and did a rotation at OHS. She knew the perfect place for her team to learn the latest high-volume spay/neuter methods. “We learned surgical techniques this week that will help us increase our speed and confidence,” says Major Santiago. “We really appreciate the opportunity.”

Dr. Kirk Miller, OHS veterinarian and OSU clinical instructor, was eager to welcome the team. “It was a great chance for us to learn, too.”
OHS ASSISTS WITH LARGE-SCALE ANIMAL FIGHTING CASE

OHS was called to assist the ASPCA in Indiana following the removal of nearly 600 animals connected to alleged animal fighting. Two teams of OHS responders were deployed to care for hundreds of roosters at an undisclosed location.

"Animal fighting is one of the most heinous forms of animal cruelty, and sadly it is far more common in the United States than many people realize," says Jessica Rushin, Senior Manager of Partnerships, ASPCA Field Investigations and Response.

The Oregon Humane Society regularly partners with the ASPCA and is often the first agency called to help during natural and man-made disasters.

"We’re proud to assist the ASPCA with this case," says Sharon Harmon, OHS President and CEO. “With more than 130 staff and volunteers certified in Emergency Animal Sheltering, our team has the skills and expertise to help at a moment’s notice.”

KEY LEADERSHIP ROLES ANNOUNCED

The Oregon Humane Society has announced the hiring of two new key leadership roles that strengthen our commitment to fighting animal cruelty and neglect, and position OHS to serve even more pets and people in the future.

Leon Colas has been named Vice President of Humane Investigation and Law Enforcement. His experience as a police officer, practicing attorney, municipal and circuit court judge, and police officer investigator for the Oregon Department of Public Safety, Standards and Training make him uniquely qualified to lead the OHS Investigations Division.

Dr. Stephen Kochis joins OHS as Chief Medical Officer on August 5. This is a new position and will play a critical role as OHS develops new programs and services to help pets and people in our community and beyond. Dr. Kochis is an experienced veterinarian, team leader and has recently served on the OHS Board of Directors.

“We are excited to have Leon and Dr. Kochis on our team,” says Sharon Harmon, OHS President and CEO. “I am confident both leaders will bring tremendous benefit to our already amazing organization.”
The sun was shining, and tails were wagging at the 32nd annual Doggie Dash, May 11 at Waterfront Park.

It was another record year for this Portland tradition, with more than 6,000 registrants and thousands of four-legged friends enjoying the walk/run along the waterfront, a pancake breakfast, festive libations and close to 100 booths filled with activities and goodies. It was an epic celebration of the special bond we have with our pets and the important role they play in our lives.

It takes an army of volunteers to make Doggie Dash a success. Hundreds of volunteers gave their time and talents to help pets.

Most importantly, Doggie Dash is the largest fundraiser of the year for OHS and supports critical programs and services. Dashers showed their commitment to helping pets in need by raising more than $750,000. Teams and individuals hosted events, organized garage sales, baked cookies and tapped into their network of pet-lovers.

Save the date for next year’s Doggie Dash, May 9, 2020.

THE CHALLENGE BEFORE THE DASH

OHS partnered with KPTV to kick-off Doggie Dash weekend with a fundraising challenge on May 8. In newscasts throughout the day, KPTV anchors and reporters shared stories about pets who have been helped by OHS and asked viewers to pledge their support.

During Good Day Oregon, Andy Carson surprised a few lucky callers by picking up the phone and sharing a few laughs.

The collaboration with KPTV was also a big win for two lucky dogs who found their new home with reporters Brenna Kelly and Stephanie Krevalich.

**Top Individual Fundraisers**
(IN ORDER OF FUNDS RAISED)

1. Mary Slayton
2. Nancy Tonkin-Zoucha
3. Kathy and Jim Lillis
4. Ed and Ellen McClaran
5. Cecil Reniche-Smith
6. John Gustavsson
7. Twila Coleman
8. Gordon Keane
9. Brian August
10. Deb Morgan

**Top Public Teams**
(IN ORDER OF FUNDS RAISED)

1. Highway to Home
2. The Early Thursds
3. Dashing Doggie Doctors
4. Carol’s Canine Companions
5. Friends of Mutts
6. Muttley Crew
7. FCTGK9
8. Oregon First
9. Columbia Bank Dashers
10. Caleb’s Canines

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Teamwork Makes The Dream Work

Camaraderie and a shared sense of purpose help bring Doggie Dash teams together. The desire to have a whole lot of fun helps, too! This year, Doggie Dash teams were made up of co-workers, neighbors, families and friends. Meet two of the teams that banded together to help OHS pets.

DASHING DOGGIE DOCTORS FROM AT HOME VETERINARY SERVICES

17 members, $13,800 raised
Q&A with Rachel Long, team co-captain

What made your team decide to do Doggie Dash and raise funds for shelter pets?
There were so many things that drew us toward participating in Doggie Dash. It is a wonderful, fun outdoor event that allows us to get out in the community and is a nice team-building event for our practice. Most importantly though, we are so very grateful for the work that OHS does to help pets and their owners. OHS has generously helped some of our clients who have been in difficult situations, and we wanted to show our gratitude and support. We love OHS and the incredible work they do for the animals of our community. It means a lot to us.

What advice would you give to other teams for next year?
We send out a friendly challenge to other people who might want to form a team, especially other local veterinary clinics! It really is a lot of fun and it’s very rewarding to feel like we are making a difference and giving back to such a great organization. OHS deserves support for all the difficult but worthwhile work they do. Our best advice would be to not be afraid to ask people to donate! We were overwhelmed by people’s generosity. Such a great feeling!

PDX METRO PACK WALKS

23 members, $2,460 raised
Q&A with George Purvis, team captain

Is there a story behind your team name?
“PDX Metro Pack Walks” is a walking, hiking, and social club for dog owners who want to socialize together, with their dogs. We’re about creating “a world where your dog can come, too!” After finding that most hiking groups didn’t want dogs along, and most dog groups didn’t do much outside of dog parks, our founder created PDX Metro Pack Walks to be a source of entertainment, engagement, and education for dog owners AND their dogs. Our founder has been leading various Pack Walks for five years, and decided to do more with a social club model this year, adding more dog socials, hikes, camping, and community events like Doggie Dash.

What made your team decide to do Doggie Dash and raise money for OHS?
A lot of our members have pets (not just dogs!) who are rescues, and our founder has an adopted cat from OHS. As a group, we believe in the power of community, and strive to create a strong bond between our members and the world we participate in. Seeing the impact of our fundraising, and the amount of fun our members had at the Doggie Dash will keep us coming back every year!

What is the secret to your success?
We had lots of donations from family and friends that know how much we love our dogs (and other pets), and were happy to give when we asked. We used our passion for our group to convey passion about helping OHS. Even small donations meant that a pet got vaccinated, or fed for a few days, so we all talked about how much the donations we got mattered to the lives of thousands of shelter pets. ☺
CAMPING WITH YOUR DOG

Summer in the Northwest would not be complete without a camping trip to your favorite secluded spot. While the smell of pine trees, the crackling of a campfire and sleeping under the stars may sound blissful to you, the new experience could be scary for your dog.

If you have just adopted your furry friend, it is particularly important to develop a bond with them before hitting the great outdoors. Make sure your dog recognizes your voice and responds to their name. Keep in mind that your new dog may have never been camping so the unfamiliar sights, sounds and smells could leave your dog anxiously yearning for the comforts of home.

This doesn’t mean you have to forgo your favorite outdoor adventures. With a little preparation and practice, camping can be a fun and bonding experience for you and your pet.

If you have questions about taking your dog camping, please call the OHS Behavior Helpline at (503) 416-2983.

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

▲ Try a practice “camping trip” in your backyard to see how your dog reacts to being in a tent or sleeping in an unfamiliar place.

▲ Master basic training: sit, stay, leave-it, paw handling and recall.

▲ Make sure your dog has proper identification.

▲ Practice good camping etiquette: stay with your dog, keep him/her leashed and interrupt barking behavior.

▲ Keep your pet away from blue green algae in lakes and other bodies of water. It is toxic to dogs.

▲ Pack a bed for your pet, a first-aid kit and booties if your dog is trained to wear them.

▲ Have realistic expectations. It may take numerous camping trips for your dog to get used to the experience.

▲ Keep dogs on leash when hiking.

▲ Puppies are too young to camp since they lack immunities and risk serious illness. Check with your veterinarian to make sure your dog is healthy enough to camp.
What should pet owners consider when deciding on pest control for their pets?

The most common pest in dogs and cats is fleas, and there are many products on the market that control fleas. Most flea medications are over-the-counter, but some require a prescription from a veterinarian if the medication treats other things besides fleas. Over-the-counter flea products include Frontline, Trifexis, Advantage, Seresto, and others. Make sure that cats are only given a flea medication labeled for cats, as some flea preventatives that are safe in dogs are not safe in cats. Other pests include mites, ticks, intestinal parasites, and heartworms. It is best to follow up with your family veterinarian regarding these other pests.

What illnesses can pests carry?

Ticks transmit diseases such as Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, ehrlichiosis, anaplasmosis and others. Fleas can carry tapeworms. Mosquitos carry diseases such as heartworm. Make sure your pet is on a year-round flea and parasite preventative in consultation with your veterinarian.

Check out the Oregon Veterinary Medical Association for more information on tick-borne diseases, fleas, and heartworm.

oregonvma.org

What should you do if you find a tick on your pet?

First, wear gloves and remove the tick. Using tweezers, grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible, then pull up with an even amount of force. A tick key or tick removal device can be handy as well. Keep the tick and show it to your veterinarian as different diseases are caused by different species of ticks.

SUMMER EVENTS

Corgi Day at the Beach JULY 27

They are the canine to the Queen and adored by pet-lovers everywhere. Corgis capture our heart with their low-riding good looks and feisty personalities. Escape the summer heat and head to Cannon Beach for one of the largest gatherings of corgis on the West Coast. Festivities include a costume contest, corgi races, raffle drawing and a rescue parade.

Canines Uncorked AUGUST 3

Bring your four-legged friend to the most unique wine-tasting event of the year, Canines Uncorked. The “License to Taste” passport includes free tastings and canine activities at more than a dozen participating Williamette Valley wineries, plus two additional tastings to be used anytime during the month of August.

Corgi Walk in the Pearl AUGUST 17

Join more than 300 corgis from Oregon, Washington and California for one of Portland’s most popular events to help dogs in need. Mingle with other corgi fans and enjoy a leisurely walk.

Mutts on the Mountain AUGUST 24

Mount Hood Meadows is the location for this outdoor festival that features live music, food and drink, and vendor booths. Special activities include doggie snow-cones, a cooling station, raffle prizes, and a photo booth with scenic mountain views as the backdrop. People and their pooches can also explore the mountain on three self-guided hiking trails.

Buy tickets and learn more about OHS events at oregonhumane.org/events.
Fairy Tail Ending for a Princess Chihuahua

An old, overweight Chihuahua with a long tongue that draped out of the side of her mouth was the last pet on the request list. As the Second Chance team from OHS was working with their partners from Siskiyou Humane Society to finalize the pets to be transferred to OHS that week, there was one, final hard-luck case to discuss.

Princess Piggy had lived with her elderly owner whose health was beginning to fail. Luckily, a Meals on Wheels volunteer helped care for Princess Piggy when she made her daily deliveries. Princess Piggy’s owner passed away at home, leaving this elder chi alone and confused. She was brought to a local animal control facility by a family member who requested she be euthanized. While Princess Piggy was old and had some health issues, she was spunky and happy. The shelter workers reached out to OHS, hoping to give this little dog a second chance.

When Princess Piggy arrived at OHS, she was placed in a foster home to make sure she was healthy enough for adoption. She had an enlarged heart and a heart murmur, but it was clear that this funny little lady still had some living to do.

Princess Piggy immediately caught the attention of Michelle and Danielle when they came to OHS. It was Danielle’s birthday and all she wanted was the opportunity to help a dog with special needs. She met Princess Piggy and the connection was immediate. “There was an instant spark with her,” says Danielle. “There was something special about this dog.”

Their connection was also unique. Danielle and Princess Piggy share a similar medical condition. Danielle also has an enlarged heart and a heart murmur. “Adopting her was meant to be,” adds Danielle.

The pair began to focus on getting healthier, together. “She is the reason I get more exercise. This wonderful little dog has helped me take better care of myself.” Princess Piggy has made great strides, walking five times a day and slowly losing weight. Danielle has noticed a change in herself too. “I feel better and have stopped drinking soda. We help each other.”

Princess Piggy has also endeared herself to the rest of Danielle’s family. Her partner Michelle, two sons, dog and guinea pig have all been charmed by the Princess. Their nine-year-old son Max will sit and talk to her while he plays video games. George the guinea pig loves to play with Princess Piggy and cuddle up to her when she is sleeping. Danielle is pretty sure Princess Piggy is happy with all the love and attention in her new home. “I swear she smiles when she hears our voice,” Danielle says.

Princess Piggy’s “happily ever after” is a fairy tale ending for a dog whose days seemed numbered. Her new chapter and second chance showcase the magical connection that can happen between people and pets. “She’s so attached to us; it’s like she been with us her whole life,” says Danielle. “I never thought we’d have this strong a bond. She has changed my life.”
Rescued from Neglect

Thanks to the care of the OHS medical team and the dedication of loving foster homes, five neglected cats are getting a second chance.

The news reports were horrifying — more than 30 cats kept in the back of a moving truck in Salem, locked in laundry baskets without food or water in the dead of winter. After they were rescued, Dr. Victry Fredley from the OHS medical team traveled to Willamette Humane Society to assist with the initial assessment and treatment of the cats.

Five of the felines were eventually transferred to OHS for continued care and treatment. They were emaciated, dehydrated, had overgrown claws and some had trouble standing from weakness. All five were in intensive care for several days and were put on a feeding plan as they recovered from their emaciation.

When their condition stabilized, the cats were placed into experienced OHS foster homes.

The girls—Ella, Nina, Sugar and Spice—were placed with OHS foster parents Deb Carnaghi and Rod Campbell. The fifth cat, Swan, was placed with another experienced foster home.

“I’m so grateful that OHS has a structure in place to take care of these complex cases,” says Deb.

This was not a typical foster assignment. The neglect the cats endured left them with mobility issues and some behavior challenges. Deb and Rod reconfigured their home and placed yoga mats around the perimeter of their living room to give the weak cats extra traction as they learned to walk again. Each day, Deb and Rod would help the girls get stronger by encouraging them to walk.

“Despite all they have been through, they are so gentle, sweet and trusting,” added Deb.

The girls formed special bonds. Almost instinctively, the girls paired up with the cat who complemented their strengths and challenges. Ella, who is more social with humans but less stable on her feet, paired up with Nina, who is more mobile but wary of humans. Sugar and Spice created a similar connection.

“They really help each other, physically and emotionally,” says Deb. “Every day there are breakthroughs.”

After five months in her care, Deb was excited to report that Ella had recently let out her first, gentle meow. “It brought tears to my eyes.”

“We feel much richer from this experience,” says Rod. “There’s something for all of us to learn from these cats.”

Sugar and Spice were recently adopted to a loving home experienced in caring for special-needs cats. Nina, Ella and Swan are still looking for special adopters who will give them the love and care they need as they continue to heal from their trauma. The cats are not at the shelter and are available for meeting by appointment only.

Contact foster@oregonhumane.org for more information.
OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY

OHS and the Portland Rose Festival Conclude 2nd Annual Canine Court Selection

Continuing last year’s partnership, the Portland Rose Festival along with LexiDog and the Oregon Humane Society celebrated their second successful Canine Court Coronation Ceremony on May 22 at the Heathman Hotel in Portland. Narrowed down to just 20 competitors from over 100 submissions, (which included one cat), the finalists strutted their stuff and showed off their special talents in front of a panel of celebrity judges with hopes of becoming this year’s Rose Festival Canine Court King and Queen.

All were strong competitors—from a tiny Maltese with no eyes to a graceful Great Dane, from service dogs to therapy pets, both old and young, shy and outgoing. Each pup was highlighted in an illuminating profile, detailing all that makes them extra special. Ultimately, six dogs were chosen to be a part of the Canine Court. In the end, it was 3-year-old Leonberger Otto, and 1.5-year-old Pomeranian/Alaskan Kli Kai mix Fancy who stole the judge’s hearts, and were selected to be crowned King and Queen of this year’s Portland Rose Festival Canine Court.

Following the crowning, King Otto and Queen Fancy were honored in the Rose Festival Starlight Parade on June 1, and rode in style through downtown Portland perched upon a pillow-topped mattress as part of the OHS and Heathman Hotel float. The four royal runners-up were at their side, consisting of Pooka (a terrier mix with a spunky style), Wall-e (a Pekingese you would swear was a fuzzy caterpillar hybrid), Ruby (a Chihuahua with “a chicken wing” according to her loving owner), and Ubu (a Bernadoodle with an infectious smile and distinguished mustache). In addition, the Canine Court could also be seen by admiring fans at the Dog Day Afternoon at CityFair on June 9, where a meet-and-greet was held for the public.

The Canine Court included:

- Otto, Leonberger, 3 years old – KING
- Fancy, Pomeranian/Alaskan Kli Kai mix, 1.5 years old – QUEEN
- Pooka, Terrier Mix, 1.5 years old
- Wall-e, Pekingese, 1.5 years old
- Ruby, Chihuahua, 7 years old
- Ubu, Bernadoodle, 1 year old

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Fancy posing for her headshot after being named Queen of the Canine Court.
As fans prepared for the series finale of Game of Thrones, the Oregon Humane Society hosted the most pug-centric event of the year, Pug Crawl. This year’s theme, Game of Thrones: Pugs are Coming, celebrated the struggle for the Iron Throne and fans’ obsession with this medieval fantasy epic.

The streets outside Rogue Pearl Public House were transformed into a Westeros block party. Hundreds of pugs and people were decked out in Game of Thrones-themed costumes—from white walkers, direwolves, mother of dragons and everything in between.

The Parade of Pugs wasn’t a deadly game of control for the seven kingdoms, but they did compete for prizes. Creative floats celebrated Game of Thrones and showcased originality, imagination and fun.

Corey and Mitch from KINK-FM emceed the festivities and announced the judges’ final selection of winners.

Prizes were selected in four categories. “Cersei’s Walk of Shame” won Best Group; “Games and a Throne” was named Most Technical; “No Face Pug from the Hall of Many Faces” won Best Themed Costume; “Game of Bones” was named Most Creative.

This fun event had a serious mission. Nearly $20,000 was raised to help the pets at the Oregon Humane Society.

Wines & Woofs: Canines Uncorked

Join us August 3 for every pet-lover’s favorite wine tasting.

It’s every dog lover’s favorite wine tasting event: the annual Canines Uncorked tour of wineries in Oregon’s beautiful North Willamette Valley wine region. While humans sample some of Oregon’s finest wines, canine guests can enjoy free activities such as doggie massage, gourmet treats, canine fashion displays, and more.

The Canines Uncorked License to Taste Passport offers tastings and dog-friendly romps at 15 participating wineries, with all proceeds going to help shelter pets at OHS.

The License to Taste passport is $40 in advance and $50 at the door and includes tastings at all 15 wineries. If you can’t make it to all the wineries on August 3, the passport includes two tasting cards that can be used at any participating winery during the month of August.

To purchase your passport in advance online and learn about group discounts, visit oregonhumane.org/canineuncorked.

CANINES UNCORKED PARTICIPATING WINERIES:
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Blizzard Wines
Dion Vineyard
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Kramer Vineyards
Montinore Estate
Oak Knoll Winery
Patton Valley Vineyard
Plum Hill Vineyards
Ponzi Vineyards
Ruby Vineyard & Winery
SakéOne
Willamette Valley Vineyards at Tualatin Estate
Exceptional volunteers who go above and beyond were honored by the Oregon Humane Society including Roger Price who was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. Roger has been a dedicated volunteer for 19 years and an invaluable mentor to others.

Close to 5,400 volunteers (including corporate and group volunteers) gave their time, talents and love to the pets at OHS last year. These compassionate individuals work in every area of the shelter; walking dogs, socializing cats, cleaning kennels, teaching pets good manners, staffing events and helping with administrative tasks.

“We would need 135 additional full-time employees to equal the amount of time contributed by our volunteers last year,” said Sharon Harmon, OHS President and CEO. “We truly could not do the work we do at OHS without our volunteers.”

During the awards ceremony held at the Red Lion on the River in Portland, OHS awarded special recognition to volunteers and one staff member (chosen by the volunteers) in 27 categories.

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Roger Price of NE Portland has been a volunteer at the Oregon Humane Society for 19 years. He is a dedicated dog walker, mentor to new volunteers and is always eager to take on any job that helps the animals. His compassion and kindness are demonstrated in the way he cares for shelter pets and works with the staff and volunteers at OHS. Roger’s commitment sets an example and provides inspiration to new volunteers.

**HUMANE HERO AWARD**

Lynn Esser of Happy Valley was the recipient of the Humane Hero award for volunteering 3,600 hours in 2018. She was honored for her work in the shelter, walking dogs and helping in the Volunteer Department. Lynn is also a dedicated foster parent to pets who are too young for adoption, recovering from surgery or healing from neglect.

**VOLUNTEER’S CHOICE AWARD**

Sherri Brown of Happy Valley was selected by her fellow volunteers for the “Volunteer’s Choice” Award. She is one of the longest serving volunteers at OHS and has been giving back to the pets for more than 28 years. Her hard work and expertise serves many areas of the shelters with a focus on event management and fundraising. She is key member of an OHS steering committee working on the long term strategy for our community.

**LEGENDARY LEADERSHIP AWARD**

Sue Sample of Tigard has been a dedicated OHS volunteer for more than 12 years. She helps train new volunteers and assists staff caring for cats and assessing feline behavior. Her caring expertise is especially helpful with cats who are stressed in the shelter environment.

**VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Christy Heyl of Beaverton has been an OHS volunteer for two years. She cares for cats, mentors others and helps with a variety of tasks around the shelter. Christy especially loves working with shy cats, helping them come out of their shell and get ready for a new home.

**REMEMBERING PORK CHOP**

The Friendly Pit Bull with the Big Heart

Pork Chop came to OHS from a shelter partner in Madera, CA and he quickly became a favorite among staff and volunteers. He was adopted by OHS Animal Care Technician Tyler Jeffe who soon discovered that Pork Chop had a natural gift for helping shy dogs overcome their fears. Together, Pork Chop and Tyler fostered some of the most challenging dogs at OHS. Pork Chop’s happy, friendly personality helped other dogs find their confidence and learn to trust. Sadly, Pork Chop passed away earlier this year from a heart condition. His sweet, gentle spirit will live on in the dogs he helped start on the path to a new life.
Students Honored for their Creativity and Compassion

Winners of the 2019 Be Kind to Animals Poster and Story Contest were celebrated at the “A’Cat’Emy Awards” earlier this year at the Oregon Humane Society. This is the 70th year for the contest that honors young people who use their creative talents to promote kindness and compassion toward animals.

During the awards ceremony, students displayed their artwork and read their essays to the audience of parents, teachers and volunteers.

The contest drew close to 2,000 entries this year from schools throughout Oregon and SW Washington.

Alaina Tarr from Pacific Crest Middle School in Bend, OR took the Grand Prize in the poster category. Her thoughtful poster illustrates the many ways to help animals in need. Landon Singh, from Faith Bible Christian School in Hillsboro won the Grand Prize in the story category for his touching essay about how his pets are part of the family. “Family is always there, every day, no matter what. Family is a bond that can’t be broken. I always think that I am giving them a good life, but it’s actually them giving me a GREAT life,” Landon wrote in his essay.

“The OHS Education team is so grateful to all of the teachers who asked their students to reflect on what it means to treat animals with kindness and compassion, and then turn those reflections into beautiful works of both visual and written art,” says Rachel Gene, OHS Humane Education Manager.

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The complete list of winners and a gallery photos is available at oregonhumane.org/2019bekindtoanimalscontest.

Heroic People and Pets Honored at DIAMOND COLLAR AWARDS

The Oregon Humane Society Diamond Collar Awards honors heroic people and pets who have demonstrated courage and compassion.

Recipients were recognized for their compassion, tenacity, kindness and vision. Their inspiring stories represent OHS’s vision of creating a more humane society.

This year’s honorees included:

SHANNON PRIEM Founder of the FETCH program at Salem Health, Shannon and her team care for the pets of homeless patients and those with no one else to turn to.

JACKIE CHAN This little dog is helping one woman overcome trauma and has opened a dialogue about mental health and the healing power of pets.

CHUCK HAWLEY After rescuing an abused kitten he named Sticky, Chuck used his newfound fame to promote kindness and fight bullying.

ROJO Nicknamed the world’s most beloved llama, Rojo spreads joy and happiness wherever he goes.

Rojo with owner/handler Shannon Joy
WHAT’S YOUR LEGACY?

YOU CAN MAKE A PROFOUND DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY
BY INCLUDING OHS IN YOUR WILL, RETIREMENT PLAN OR LIVING TRUST.

Join OHS experts for an upcoming event focused on estate planning and ensuring your pets get the love and care they deserve after you’re gone.

TUESDAY, JULY 23
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
10 – 11:30 a.m.

Oregon Humane Society
1067 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR

Please RSVP to Kathryn Karr
(503) 802-6743 -or- kathrynk@oregonhumane.org

OHS PHOTO CONTEST NOW OPEN

Vote For Your Favorite
Your know your pet is adorable. Now, show the world why your favorite furry, fuzzy or feathered friend should be on the cover of the OHS magazine.

UPLOAD Photos can be entered into one of three categories: Top Dog, Top Cat, and Top Other Pet (which includes birds, bunnies and other companion animals). Entry fee is $10 and helps the pets at OHS.

VOTE Votes cost $1 each and can be awarded to as many or as few photos as the voter desires. Pet owners are encouraged to start their own “get out the vote” campaigns via email and social media. The contest website will update vote totals in real time and display a leaderboard of the top vote getters.

WIN Winners will be selected in each of the categories listed above. An additional photo will be selected as the “OHS Staff Pick.” The Grand Prize winning photo will be on the cover of OHS magazine and receive an Astoria getaway package complete with lodging, food and entertainment. All winners will be featured inside the magazine, along with runners-up. The winners will also receive a professionally framed copy of their photo from Frame Central, plus a $200 gift certificate from Frame Central.

The contest runs from July 1 to August 15.

To learn more and to enter the contest, visit oregonhumane.org/photocontest

Top Dog winner from 2018 • Buddha by photographer Emily Robinson.
KENNEL DEDICATIONS

HONOR A SPECIAL PET OR PERSON IN YOUR LIFE WITH A KENNEL DEDICATION

A kennel at OHS is more than concrete and metal, it’s a temporary home and a safe space for the pets who come to us for care. You can show your commitment to helping animals begin a new life by dedicating a kennel to a special pet or person in your life.

More than 100 kennels in the dog, cat and small animal area at OHS are available for your special tribute.

$500 for three months
$1,000 for six months
$2,000 for one year

For more information on Kennel Dedications, contact Nicole Lutton, (503) 416-5027 or nicolel@oregonhumane.org.

DOUBLE YOUR DONATION WITH EMPLOYER MATCHING

Did you know your donations to the Oregon Humane Society may be matched by your employer?

Top companies that support OHS through a Gift Matching program include:

- Cambia Health Solutions
- Columbia Sportswear Company
- Daimler Trucks
- Intel
- Moda Health
- Nike
- Pacific Power
- Portland General Electric
- The Standard
- Walsh Construction Co.

Getting started easy. Speak with your Human Resources department to see if your gift to OHS can go even further to help pets in need.

For more information on employer matching or to set up a workplace giving program, contact Nicole Lutton, (503) 416-5027 or nicolel@oregonhumane.org.

Transform that gift of $100 into $200, or more, through your company’s gift matching program. Thousands of U.S. companies match their employees’ donations, doubling or sometimes tripling the donation! Use the online search tool at oregonhumane.org/workplace-giving to see if your company has a matching program.
Finding homes for animals is one of the most important things we do at the Oregon Humane Society. When adopters keep in touch, their stories and photos inspire us.

**Dear OHS,**

Aspen is doing great. She likes lounging in her bed in my room most of the time, and comes out a few times per day to run around the yard and wrestle with my other dog, Butters. She loves being pet more than anything. She does that thing with her paw when you’re not allowed to stop petting her yet. It’s very cute.

Thank you,

Candice

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**Dear OHS,**

We are smitten with Smidge, and she seems to like us too!

Smidge has made a smooth adjustment into our home and is thriving. She loves having lots of toys and balls to play with in our big back yard.

![Smidge](image)

When it’s time for a nap, she pulls several of her plush toys onto her bed just like a little kid. She also has a fondness for lying under furniture which we call her “forts.” Her sweet and silly disposition never ceases to amuse us!

We are so grateful for the time and commitment OHS put in to placing Smidge in the right home and that we get to continue championing on her behalf. Her sweet face and honey colored eyes brighten every day!

Warm wishes and Smidgey licks!

Maggie and Mike

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**Dear OHS,**

Fredrick had his first vet visit and he was stellar as expected. He was just hanging out on the table, happily accepting all the pets and compliments bestowed on him. He is eating well and comes out for pets whenever I enter the room. Thank you all for the supportive comments. He has enriched my life and home already.

Thank you,

Pam

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Smidge recently returned to OHS to visit some of the staff and volunteers who cared for her. Everyone was so excited to see her.

Fredrick has diabetes and needed to be the only cat in the home, so it took him a little longer to find the right adopter. It was worth the wait as he found the purrfect home with OHS volunteer Pam Patten.

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Aspen was one of eight dogs who were rescued from a dog-meat farm in South Korea and brought to OHS in October 2018. Two months later, she found her forever, loving home.

Send your updates, stories and photos to ohsinfo@oregonhumane.org or mail to Editor, OHS, 1067 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97211.
Dear OHS,

On the drive home, Michael and I quickly decided to name our new girl Tobi after our favorite Thorns soccer player, Tobin. She is very snuggly as she loves to rest her head and body on us to fall asleep. We’re just blown away by how smart she is. She knows “Sit”, “Stay” and “Paw.”

I personally cannot put into words how much this little pup has helped me since we brought her home. Working from home can be quite lonely, but Tobi has completely changed that with her playful, cuddly and kind personality.

Thank you so much again for all your help with her adoption. We feel incredibly lucky that we found her and that she chose us to be her humans.

Thank you,

Elissa

Tobi recently started puppy classes, and is learning new tricks and commands.

Meet Sweetie and Tinkerbell!

A SPECIAL PAIR OF CATS FIND THEIR PURRFECT HOME

It’s often said that animals know how to find the right person when they need help. Sweetie and Tinkerbell were each wandering the streets as stray cats when they crossed paths with Barbara, a kind-hearted woman who had compassion for animals her whole life.

Sweetie and Tinkerbell were Barbara’s faithful companions for many years. When her health began to fail, Barbara was diligent about planning for the future and, most importantly, her beloved cats. She’d been a steady supporter of the Oregon Humane Society for many years so she decided to include OHS in her estate plan and enroll Sweetie and Tinkerbell in the Friends Forever program. This meant that when she passed away, OHS would step in to care for her cherished pets and find them the perfect home.

Barbara spent her final days in an assisted living facility with Sweetie and Tinkerbell at her side. She had taken great care to tell the nurses and staff about her plan for the cats. Within hours of her passing, OHS was notified and picked up this bonded pair of cats and brought them to the shelter.

Tinkerbell, age 12, and Sweetie, age 17, received lots of love and attention during the three months they spent at OHS. Nathan and Jen had been watching them on the OHS website and finally decided to make them part of their family.

Tinkerbell and Sweetie were part of the Friends Forever program. After months of waiting, this special pair found the perfect home with Nathan and Jen.
MONTLY DONORS SAVE LIVES

Help the pets at OHS all year long as a PAWS (Planned Account Withdrawal System) member. As a monthly donor, you are ensuring that OHS can help animals when, where, and how they need it most.

$15 A MONTH
Helps transport a pet to OHS for a second chance at a loving home.

$30 A MONTH
Funds the daily care and feeding of the pets at OHS.

$50 A MONTH
Ensures pets receive vaccines to protect them from illness and disease.

$100 A MONTH
Prevents unwanted litters of puppies and kittens through spay/neuter services.

Contact Marsha Chrest, (503) 416-7079 or marshac@oregonhumane.org, to learn more about becoming a PAWS member.

THOMAS LAMB ELIOT CIRCLE


This tradition of pioneering spirit, compassion, and dedication continues today at OHS, with enormous assistance from the donors of the Thomas Lamb Eliot Circle (TLC). TLC donors each contribute a total of $1,000 or more annually to help OHS improve the lives of animals in our community. TLC donors receive special recognition in our annual report, invitations to exclusive TLC events and behind-the-scenes tours.

We invite your participation!

To join the Thomas Lamb Eliot Circle of donors, please use the envelope provided to submit your donation, contact Margaret Clement, Leadership Giving Manager, at (503) 416-7083, or email margaretc@oregonhumane.org for more information.
**TLC Business Partners**

The following businesses have made significant financial contributions ($2,500+) to OHS and/or in-kind donations over the past 12 months. A complete list of TLC Business Partners can be found online at [oregonhumane.org/support-our-partners](http://oregonhumane.org/support-our-partners).

**New members in bold**

* Indicates companies or groups who have held community fundraising events to benefit OHS.

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Oregonian Media Group
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Tito’s Handmade Vodka
VCA Animal Hospitals
Walsh Construction Co.
WebTrends Inc.
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Harvest Fresh Grocery & Deli
Kuni BMW
Lagunitas Brewing Company
Lynde Paule/
Corgi Walk in the Pearl*
Moda Health
Morel Ink
Multnomah Athletic Club
NW Wine Company
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Construction & Forestry
Petch
rover.com
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Slalom Consulting
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**Tito’s Handmade Vodka BUSINESS PARTNER PROFILE**

In the mid-1990’s, as the craft brewery industry was taking hold in the Northwest, Bert "Tito" Beveridge obtained the first legal permit to distill in Texas and created Tito’s Handmade Vodka. As his business grew, Tito began receiving requests for in-kind donations for charity events. This sparked a turning point in the mission of the company.

In the early days of Tito’s Handmade Vodka, Tito was famous for saying, “We’re a vodka company that turned into an event company.” At some point, as that story evolved, so did his musing: “Now we are a philanthropic company that does events and just sells vodka on the side.”

Today, Tito’s Handmade Vodka supports more than 800 animal-related nonprofits a year. OHS has been one of their longest-standing partners. Learn more about Tito’s Handmade Vodka’s commitment to pets at [vodkafordogpeople.com](http://vodkafordogpeople.com).
OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY

Services Directory

ANIMAL ADOPTIONS
Cats, dogs, birds, rodents and rabbits are available for adoption. oregonhumane.org/adopt

ANIMAL-ASSISTED THERAPY TRAINING
OHS prepares people and pets for the national evaluation exam. (503) 285-7722, ext. 296; lorik@oregonhumane.org.

ANIMAL RESCUE
OHS responds to situations where an animal is trapped and needs human help (in case of emergency, call your local police). (503) 802-6707.

ANIMAL SHELTER ASSISTANCE
Food, supplies and training are offered to animal agencies throughout Oregon. (503) 416-2993.

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BEHAVIOR HELP LINE & ONLINE LIBRARY
Consult our online resources, or call the free OHS telephone help line with questions about problem pet behavior. (503) 416-2983; oregonhumane.org/training.

FIND A HOME FOR YOUR PET
If you are unable to keep your pet, OHS may be able to place your pet in a new home. Call first to schedule an appointment. (503) 285-7722, ext. 211.

HUMANE EDUCATION
OHS offers classroom presentations, after-school clubs, summer camps and more. (503) 416-2986; barbc@oregonhumane.org.

LOST AND FOUND PETS
OHS is not able to accept stray animals; please contact your local animal control agency for assistance. More resources available at oregonhumane.org/lostpets.

PET MEMORIALS
OHS maintains an animal cemetery, mausoleum and columbarium and provides private cremation services. Euthanasia services are offered if no other options are available. (503) 285-7722, ext. 217.

PET SUPPLIES
Our retail stores inside the shelter offer a variety of supplies. (503) 285-7722, ext. 201.

PET TRAINING
OHS offers classes and consultations. (503) 285-7722, ext. 486; deborahf@oregonhumane.org.

SPAY & NEUTER FINANCIAL AID
OHS offers discount coupons and participates in the Spay & Save program, (800) 345-SPAY; asapmetro.org.

WAYS TO HELP

To learn more about opportunities to help animals, call (503) 802-6793 or visit us online at oregonhumane.org.

AUTOS FOR ANIMALS™
Donate your car, motorcycle or boat to help the animals. Contact Erin Luther, (503) 802-6766; erinl@oregonhumane.org.

CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES
Lifetime income plus a tax deduction. Contact Gary Kish, (503) 416-2988; legacy@oregonhumane.org.

CORPORATE PARTNERSHIPS
Sponsor an OHS event or organize a benefit. Contact Sarah Yusavitz, (503) 416-7084; sarahy@oregonhumane.org.

ESTATE GIFTS
Include OHS in your will, trust or with a beneficiary designation. Contact Gary Kish, (503) 416-2988; legacy@oregonhumane.org.

FRIENDS FOREVER™
Ensure the welfare of pets who may outlive you. Contact Kathryn Karr, (503) 802-6743; kathryn@oregonhumane.org.

GIFTS OF STOCK
To make a gift of securities contact Shelah Hanson, (503) 802-6776; shelahh@oregonhumane.org.

IN-KIND SUPPLIES, MATERIAL
See our wish list online at oregonhumane.org/donate/wish-list.

PAWS
Monthly gifts through the Planned Account Withdrawal System (PAWS) support OHS throughout the year. Contact Marsha Chrest, (503) 416-7079; marshac@oregonhumane.org.

SUPPORT
Your donation includes a 10% discount at the OHS retail store, subscription to the OHS magazine and more. Call (503) 802-6793 or donate online.

ONE COOL THING
Donate fine art, jewelry, popular electronics, or memorabilia. Contact Erin Luther, (503) 802-6766; erinl@oregonhumane.org.

TLC
The Thomas Lamb Eliot Circle (TLC) honors donors contributing $1,000 or more annually. Contact Margaret Clement, (503) 416-7083; margaretc@oregonhumane.org.

TRIBUTE GIFTS
Tribute gifts can be made in memory of, or in honor of, a pet or loved one. A card will be sent to your loved one. Contact Nicole Lutton, (503) 416-5027; nicolel@oregonhumane.org.

VOLUNTEER
OHS volunteer programs are available for youths, adults, groups and companies. Contact Kim Hudson, (503) 285-7722, ext. 204; volun@oregonhumane.org.

WORKPLACE GIVING CAMPAIGNS
To learn more about workplace giving campaigns, contact Nicole Lutton, (503) 416-5027; nicolel@oregonhumane.org.

OHS is dedicated to making our community a better place. Call (503) 285-7722 for more information or visit us online at oregonhumane.org.
Ways You Can Be A Hero For Homeless Pets

1. Adopt
2. Volunteer
3. Attend an event
4. Include OHS in your estate plan
5. Become a monthly donor
6. Donate your old car
7. Sponsor a pet
8. Create a Facebook fundraiser
9. Purchase an item from our Amazon Wish List
10. Make a tax-free gift from your IRA

Visit oregonhumane.org/donate for more ways to help the pets at the Oregon Humane Society