WHOS TO RICHES

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WAGS AT THE MOVIES- HOTEL FOR DOGS

Wags had a great weekend at the Premier the movie **Hotel For Dogs** on January 16th & 17th at the Majestic Theatre in Union Gap.

We gave away 500 Wags to Riches dog tags on chains and placed several hundred tattoos on kids. Even adults got into the spirit. We met hundreds of kids and adults who were very interested in Wags and in animal rescue. This movie was a great example of kids saving animals.

The great staff at the theater sold 776 paw prints.

Paw Print Sales	\$776.00
Dog Tag Necklaces given away	500
Cat and Dog Food	400 lbs
Thousands of people seeing Wags and	
learning about animal rescue	Priceless

WAGS AT THE CWHB HOME AND GARDEN SHOW - MARCH 20-21-22, 2009



Come see us at Space 118

Don't forget to vote for us.

Come see pictures of some of the animals that we have saved and pick up some tips on animals and your yard. We will have copies of our newsletters for both kids and adults.

Plus, come see our Custom Made Dog House designed and built by Jim Rowland from Rowland Construction. THANK YOU JIM!!!

Or, just come and say hi. We would love to meet you.

AND THE WINNER IS.....



The drawing for the Brad Paisley Concert, Tony's Steakhouse and Kameo Flowers package was held at the Union Gap Police Department by Officer Joe Vanicek and the winner is Anita Adolf.

Thank you so much to every person who bought tickets for this great package. 100% of the money raised will go to benefit the animals of Wags to Riches.

Winners Anita and Mark Adolf



Board Members-

Roger Vandiver	Board Chair
Elizabeth Carroll	Vice Chair
Anne Eichler	Secretary
Kim Wertenberger	Treasurer
Jennifer Berndt-Ray	Board Member
Steve Hart	Board Member

The Board of Directors would like to welcome Jennifer Berndt Ray of AIM, Link 2 Site Web Design and J Ray Photography and Steve Hart, General Manager of Sea Galley Restaurant, to the Board.

Each Board Member is carefully selected and goes thru a screening process before they are invited to join the Board. Every new Board Member is exciting because of the fresh ideas and thoughts and expertise that they bring to the future of organization. We said that we were recruiting smart and we meant it.

So welcome aboard Jennifer and Steve.

WHAT IT TAKES TO BE A FOSTER......

Being in a foster home can be a lifesaving bridge for a stray or frightened pet.

Foster parents provide temporary homes for animals prior to adoption. Dogs and cats are our most common pets needing foster homes.

We provide foster parents with all the necessary food and medication. We also will request that you use a specific veterinary clinic for treatment of your foster animal. That is because we work with certain clinics and some give us a discount on treatment.

Shy cats often need time to learn to trust and the quiet of a home environment. Just by getting to know the animal, you'll help us learn more about the personality prior to adoption.

We have our own policies and specific requirements that will vary depending upon the animal you are fostering. For example, some animals will need fenced yards, medications, or isolation from your personal pets for a few days.

Our main requirement is love, time and a nice warm and clean place. Providing foster care is a wonderful and personal way to contribute to saving homeless pets. They really need you!!

WAGS SEEN AT 2009 WESTMINSTER DOG SHOW. YOU TWO LOOK GREAT!!



ERIC AND CHRISTINA ELDRIDGE



CANINE AND WINE- MAY 9, 2009-

Events starts at Cherry Wood BB and B. Come walk your dog and sample some wine at selected wineries. (\$10.00 donation)

Wags will be serving Hot Dog Cuisine at Cultura and Christopher Cellars Winery. (Donation.)



WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE

www.WagstoRichesAnimalRescue.org

All donations will go to specific animal rescue groups.

RESCUED-

It took several days and several volunteers and the lure of several different types of dog food to catch this mama dog. We were also able to get one of her babies who is more than half grown but so far we have been unable to get the other 3. We had heard that she had a new litter but after spending several days searching and following her tracks along ditch banks and across fields it seems highly unlikely that if she did they are alive. She is one of the skinniest dogs that we have seen and she would have not lived much longer without food.

Now she is being socialized and cared for and she is safe. We will keep you updated on her and the pups.



JUST A QUICK "HEY' TO LIL' MIKEY!! 107.3 FFM

Just wanted to remind everybody that every Thursday at 7:30 pm Lil Mikey on 107.3 FFM brings you information about animals available for adoption. Thanks!!

WHAT WE HAVE DONE LATELY! (cont.)

CAT PROGRAM UP AND RUNNING

Everybody knows that there are more cats than there are owners. All you have to do is look around. Look down the street or in a vacant lot. Some people think that cats can take care of themselves. But how????? They need food, they need water, they need a warm and safe place to sleep, they need love and attention and they don't need to keep breeding and having more litters. As humans do we want to keep having kids? Many, many kids? I suspect that mama cats feel the same way. When does it end? When do they get a break from having babies? How about if you commit to fixing the mamas?

Below is a picture of one of our transports. In all, 26 cats and 4 dogs were transported over to Western Washington where they will have a great opportunity to be adopted. Each one either will be or has already been spayed/neutered.

Lori Young has put together a great Foster Parent Cat Handbook. Please contact us if you are interested in getting more information about being a Wags Foster.



WAGS IN THE NEWS

Thank you Erin Snelgrove of the Yakima Herald for her terrific article on Wags to Riches. Her story was picked up by newspapers in Seattle, Wenatchee, Spokane, Tri-Cities, Lewiston and Kansas City.

As proud as we are about that we are also more proud of the fact that the story draws attention to the very real need for animal rescue.

DONATIONS AND FOOD NEEDED

Please consider making a donation to Wags to Riches to help us feed and house these animals. You can go to ourwebsite at www.WagsToRichesAnimalRescue.org and click on the Donation button. Or make checks payable to Wags to Riches.

We are in need of dog and cat food and kitty litter.

DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE and...

are necessary for the animals to survive. We are an all volunteer organization and all donations received go to help Wags help the animals.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS- WE THANK YOU

Children's Education Committee

We would like to thank WSU for providing us with their program to use as the bones of our program which we named The "3 R's" of Wags. (Respect, Responsibility and Rescue.) This program will be completed and in the schools by May. We believe that by teaching the kids we will be helping teach the parents too.

Rita Taylor-Co-Chair Christina Eldridge- Co-Chair Hannah Goins Emily Stoddard Heather Goins TJ Martin Madison Haynes Kaneata Haynes Juanda Krebs Roger Vandiver- Board Chair

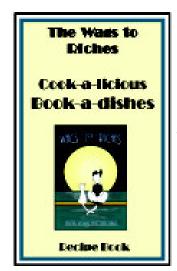
In the next newsletter we will list another committee and it's members. Please tell them thank you and that you saw their name in the Wags newsletter. We appreciate them so much.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

We want to thank Jo-Anne Eldridge for making the very cute neck scarves that the dogs wear as they go to their new homes.

We also want to thank Bill Patnode for very generously sharing dog and cat food with us. You are terrific!

WAGS TO RICHES "Cook-a-licious Book-a-dishes" DUE TO ARRIVE ANY DAY



\$14.99 each. Shipping will be extra.

Please email the quantity that you want to order to juandakrebs@charter.net and I will send you the price including shipping. (Least expensive for you.) (Unless you want to pick up.)

Can be paid by PayPal via our website or by check made out to Wags to Riches.

EVENTS IN OUR FUTURE......

These events are planned and put together by our Fund Raising Committee.

Home & Garden Show March 20, 21, 22

Canine and Wine May 9, 2009

Yakima Bears Night June 24, 2009

Wags Reunion Exact date unknown

Photo contest start for 2010 July 2009

Calendar

Brew and Barbeque August 22, 2009

Unnamed Event September 2009

Dia De Los Muertos October 2009

Photo's with Santa November 2009

Christmas Event December 2009

Each one of these events is a fund raiser for Wags to Riches but equally as important, they are designed to educate the public about animal rescue and create topof-mind awareness of pet over-population and the need to Spay and Neuter.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

So many individuals help our animals in so many different ways. We would like to give special recognition to:

Kameo Flowers for their donation of flowers for the Brad Paisley Concert package raffle.

Tony's Steakhouse for their donation of dinner certificates for the Brad Paisley Concert package raffle.

Bob Chism for his donation of the Brad Paisley tickets. **Sea Galley** for their donation of 2 gift certificates for the Hotel For Dogs paws contest.

Red Robin for their donation of a gift certificate for the Hotel For Dogs paws contest.

Applebee's for their donation of gift certificates for the Hotel For Dogs pet food drive.

CR Baskets for their donation of baskets for the Hotel For Dogs pet food drive and for the baskets for the Brad Paisley ticket raffle ticket sales.

Pizza Hut for their donation of gift certificates for the Hotel For Dogs pet food drive.

El Pastor for their donation of 2 gift certificates for the Hotel For Dogs pet food drive.

Mercy Theatres for their donation of movie passes for the Hotel For Dogs pet food drive.

Our Anonymous donor who sponsored 20 spaces at The Yakima chapter of the American Red Cross Pet First Aid classes.

Jane Bumgardner and Renee Jarvis at Manning's Dog Training for taking the time to teach a class on Animal Assessing. This is a very important area of the pre-adoption process so that we make sure that an animal is placed with the right people.

It was good to know that Jane and Renee both think that we are doing it right. Our goal is to continue to upgrade our process and knowledge of the various breeds.

And....to our volunteers who work tirelessly for the animals. Each one of you, no matter what division of the organization you volunteer in, plays an integral part of the success of Wags.

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