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BLUE MOUNTAIN HUMANE SOCIETY

www.bluemountainhumane.org

Summer 2009

Caring for our community's critters

Our mission is to prevent cruelty and promote kindness to companion animals in our community. We are committed to eliminating the euthanasia of healthy, adoptable pets by ending overpopulation and homelessness. To achieve this, we provide quality shelter, spaying and neutering, foster care, adoption, and re-homing services for companion animals in our community. We also provide humane education, animal control services, and cruelty and neglect investigation services. We advocate for local legislation and policies to ensure that companion animals have homes with responsible, committed and loving caregivers.

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Happy tails

This is truly a happy tale of a German shepherd mix named Lefty, who came to the shelter as a stray more than one year ago. Lefty was young, strong and energetic, but he was overlooked time and time again.

Days, weeks and months went by. Lefty watched as other dogs went home with their new owners, yet he still waited patiently for his new forever home.

A short time ago, a volunteer college student, Emily Hanscam, began spending time with Lefty each week. Lefty learned to not pull as hard on his leash, sit, shake paws and play fetch with a tennis ball. He and Emily also went for long walks along the golf course.

Lefty won Emily over with his charm and intelligence, and on March 30 she adopted him and ended his 454 days here at the shelter. He will be traveling with her back to her home and family in Alaska after school lets out for the summer. 🐾



2008: A look back

Last year was another exciting year of change and growth for the Blue Mountain Humane Society. We are proud to have found homes for 692 animals: 368 dogs, 315 cats and nine other pets. We are especially pleased that every dog or cat adopted was spayed or neutered before going to its new home, resulting in fewer unwanted animals in the future.

Our continued commitment to not euthanizing healthy adoptable animals for space encouraged us to develop additional partnerships with other animal welfare groups around the region. With the help of our dedicated staff and volunteers, we were able to transfer 73 dogs and 11 cats to shelters and rescue organizations, where each of them found a home.

Thanks to increased awareness and participation in our licensing efforts, we reunited 345 dogs with their owners during 2008. Many others were returned directly to their owners by local animal control officers without ever having to come to the shelter. It remains a heartbreaking challenge to get cats back to their homes—only 27 cats were reclaimed last year, about 2 percent of those who entered our shelter.

The board's decision to close the thrift store, effective Dec. 31, was a difficult one made necessary by declining net profits. We are so grateful to all who volunteered, donated items, shopped and worked at the thrift store over the years, allowing our mission to take root in the community.

Thanks to each of you who had a part in making 2008 a most successful year for the Society and the animals we serve. 🐾



Thank you for helping!

From July 15, 2008, through March 31, 2009, we received gifts in honor or loving memory of the following people and pets.

PEOPLE

In Honor:

Mary Adamski's birthday

Larry Hoof

Marianne Alessio

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Bruce Barga

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In Memory:

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Thank you to the following businesses for having a change bank on-site dedicated to the Blue Mountain Humane Society. Please give when you visit these establishments.

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Animal Clinic East	Canoe Ridge	John's Wheatland Bakery	Veterinary Hospital	Walla Walla
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Mark your calendar!

Adoption Events at PETCO Last Sunday of each month 1 to 4 p.m.

BMHS will feature adoptable dogs at PETCO. Our adoptable cats are available in the PETCO Adoption Center year-round.

Farmers Market Adoption Events

Watch for us at the Farmers Market on Saturdays throughout the summer months. We plan to have adoptable dogs available at least twice a month. If you are interested in helping walk dogs at the market, please call Crissy Kinney at **529-5188**.

Summer Daze Adoption Event

Saturday, June 20

10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

FREE cat adoptions and deeply discounted dog adoptions for one day only at the shelter. Call Nimo at **529-5188** for details about how to help sponsor an animal for adoption.

Fall Furr Ball

Saturday, Oct. 24

Join us for the best party of the year! Tickets are \$50 per person and include dinner, live music, auction and social hour. Call **529-5188** to make your reservation.

Clip and keep

Donate your used vehicle to BMHS and take a tax deduction! Contact Sara Archer at 529-5188 for details.



Please use the enclosed envelope to renew or begin your membership today!

ALL MEMBERS RECEIVE:

- Paw Prints** newsletter.
- Invitation to our annual meeting.
- Special notice about upcoming events.

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