

Wags' Kids for Kritters Newsletter

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HOTEL FOR DOGS MOVIE



Come see us at the movie **Hotel For Dogs** on January 16th & 17th at the Majestic Theatre in Union Gap.

Hotel for Dogs is a story about two orphans and their friends as they attempt to hide dozens of stray dogs in an abandoned hotel.

Paw prints will be sold and all money raised will go to Wags To Riches to help us rescue more animals.

Have your parents bring a bag of dog and/or cat food and be eligible for one of several drawings. Plus, we will have give-aways there for you.

Thank you, Kathi Mercy and Dale Carpenter for allowing us to be at this movie.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

An old man was walking along a beach. The tide the night before had been higher than it had ever been and the area was covered with thousands of dead or dying sea life that could not make it back to the ocean.

The old man saw a youth in front of him. The youth was picking up stranded Jellyfish and throwing them back into the sea.



The old man said to the youth, "what are you doing? There are thousands of Jellyfish trapped on this beach. You cannot possibly make a difference."

The youth picked up another Jellyfish and said: "it makes a difference to this one." Then he threw the Jellyfish into the sea to join the others.

Do you make a difference?

BE A WAGS KID

Be Gentle With Animals.

This is so important. A gentle hand will help you through so many different situations in life, not just meeting animals.

When you approach a dog or cat, approach slowly. Do not run up to a dog or cat, ever. Hold your hand out, palm down, and let the animal sniff you. Let him decide how close he wants you to get. Many animals love attention, but the first few moments of every new meeting is very important.

Pet "gently". Don't pull on their ears or fur. A gentle rubbing of the fur, or feeling of the ears is okay. Don't squeeze handfuls of fur, and make sure you know that a tail is not a handhold. Talk softly and kindly to your pet.

Never approach a dog when he is eating. Some dogs are very protective of their food. Animals love kids so much. Treat them kindly and they will love you and be your very best friend.

A WAGS BOOK REPORT

Don't Worry, Wags

by Christophe Loupy and Eve Tharlet translated by J. Alison James



An adventure to the Farmers Market with Mom, Dad, Wags, her brother and sisters turns out to be "scary for Wags when she gets lost from her Mom & Dad."

Wags found lots of "friends who try to help" her along the way.

Wags learned a very important lesson. "Wags should always stay next to Mom and Dad."

by: Cameron Wertenberger, age 7- 1st Grade

The illustrations show "lots of detail, are pretty and are very colorful." This book was pretty challenging for a 1st grader that is a good reader. It is probably more suited to a second or even third grader. (By Kim)

WAGS WANTS TO KNOW...

What do you call a happy Lassie?



Answer- A jolly Collie

ASK WAGS...

Do dogs dream?

Dogs are similar to humans when it comes to sleep patterns and brain wave activity. Dogs may move their legs as if they are running, whine or whimper as if excited, and breathe rapidly or hold their breath for short periods.

Not all dogs dream equally. Research suggests that small dogs dream more than larger dogs. A Toy Poodle may dream once every ten minutes while a Golden Retriever may only dream once every 90 minutes. Dreaming also seems to occur more frequently in puppies.

They dream about things they do on a daily basis like running, chasing a ball, eating etc.

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WAGS HEROES

People of all ages can and DO make a difference.

Wags to Riches Animal Rescue and Sanctuary recently found themselves the recipient of over 400 pounds of dog food, over 33 pounds of animal treats, over 30 animal toys and several collars and leashes thanks to McKenzie Mitchell's generosity.

She invited friends to her 14th birthday party but instead of bringing gifts for her, she asked them to bring items that would help the animals of Wags to Riches.

We think that McKenzie and her friends are heroes for helping the animals.

Birthday Bonfire and some of McKenzie's friends.



McKenzie and her dog Otter.