## WHAS TO RICHES

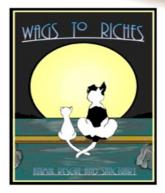
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### ANIMAL RESCUE AND SANCTUARY, INC.

**February 2017 Edition** 

# WHIS TO RICHES SPAY-GHETTI AND NO BALLS DINNER



Saturday February 11th, 4pm-7pm Washington National Guard Armory 2501 Airport Lane, Yakima 98903 (off of 26th and Ahtanum)

> Spaghetti (regular or vegetarian) Salad-Bread-Beverage

\$10.00 Adults - \$5.00 kids 12 & under Dessert is extra

Dine-in or take out (same price)

Tickets available at the door

50/50 drawing Be a Winner. Take Her to Dinner and a Movie Raffle tickets available

Proceeds to benefit the Wags to Riches: "Spay it Forward Program"

#### YOUR DONATIONS SAVED HER LIFE - December 22, 2016



Today a friend of Erika Moore found a elderly Black Lab laying in their driveway in a snowbank at 5:00 am. They have no idea how long she was there or how long she has been in the snow and cold. She was unable to walk on her own. Erika stepped in and took her to see if she was chipped and of course there was no chip. Erika ran her out to Summitview Cowiche Vet. She was being checked out when I got there. She is/was covered in fleas and her nails were very long. We ran blood work and nothing significant showed up, no broken bones just utter exhaustion. She was taken to the ARC. Ken thinks the peace and quiet is what she needs. Introduction in next post.

Please meet Luna! 8-9 year old Black Lab. She is in the ARC by herself and is so exhausted that she found her orthopedic bed and instantly fell asleep. She has been checked by the Vet and we found nothing wrong. She was prescribed Dermax to help with any pain and arthritis she has. I will cover shift in the

morning so I can check on her. At that time I will decide if she needs to stay there or if we are going to try and find a foster. She needs rest right now and peace and quiet. She is either past the point of exhaustion or deaf. Both times I walked in her kennel she never moved until I touched her. I am praying after a good night's rest and her meds that she feels better in the morning. I will cover shifts since it's Christmas and I gave all of you the weekend off lol. She is in quarantine and will be posted as a found dog. If anyone ask any questions about her please direct them to me. Thank you!

(4 days later) The blood work came back within normal ranges for her age. Ken started her on Dermax and said we should see results in 24 to 48 hrs. I have not seen any difference and she has been on it since Thursday.

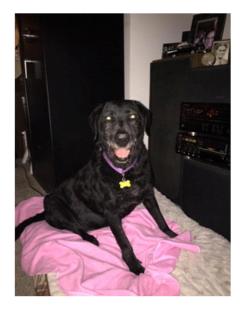
Luna has a VERY hard time getting up and down and walking in general. She is eating and drinking but it is put very close to her bed so she doesn't have to get up. She seems to be in pain to and very tired. Kristi is going to authorize a Vet visit for her tomorrow for x-rays of her hips and back. I want to make sure that we have done everything possible for Luna.

(1 day later) Dr Ken took X-rays today and found nothing significant. There is a strange area on her lungs in one view

but not in the other view. He doesn't think it's a concern. He did send in some blood for a thyroid test at his cost because he wants to know, lol. It does make sense it could be the problem. The test will go out tomorrow and he will call me with results on Friday. In the mean time he started on some donated thyroid medicine. We should see results in 24-48 hours. I will keep you up-

(Jan. 2nd) SVCV started her on prednisone on Friday and we are seeing some positive results from that. Ken is going to give me another 6 days worth and we will go from there. All of the thyroid tests should be back by tomorrow because of holiday delays.

Some very special people have graciously offered to foster/sanctuary Luna. They just recently lost their dog but they couldn't bear to see Luna at the ARC and opened their house and hearts to her. They are fully aware of the commitment and the possible outcome. I believe with all my heart this gives Luna the best possible chance to live out the rest of her life in comfort and love, how ever long that may be. (This is a combination of messages and emails from Linda, our Adoption Coordinator.)



Editor's note: None of us thought that Luna was going to make it but thanks to Linda, our ARC volunteers, to Dr. Ken and his staff at Summitview Cowiche Veterinary Clinic and to the family who stepped up to take her into their home she has a great chance to live out her remaining years in comfort and warmth and love.

Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference.

#### THIS IS WHAT ADOPTION LOOKS LIKE

#### Violet (Nelly) Update!



I hope this email finds you well. Nelly is still growing and thriving. She weighs over 52 pounds. 52 pounds of complete love. She loves to sit on your lap and when she is not sitting on you she needs to be touching you. She is full on energy and very curious. She saw snow for the first time

up at our cabin and it was love at first sight. She spent the

whole day outside in the snow. When we would bring her inside she would go back to the door and whine to go back outside. She loves fetching and chewing on anything (including my work shoes and the Christmas tree) Nelly was spayed a



couple of weeks ago and tolerated it well.

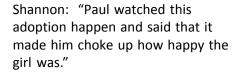
Her personality cracks me and Peter up everyday. She sleeps with her eyes open and her under bite continues to grow, making her lower lip look fatter and fatter. We are so lucky to have her in our lives. Peter says we didn't choose her, she chose us!



Hey! I adopted Bert (we renamed him Seymour) around Thanksgiving. Just wanted to update you! He has no acknowledgment for personal space (which i love) and drools like a puppy! Also can stretch out about as long as me ha-ha. Thanks again for helping me adopt my bestie!

#### Merlin on Adoption Day

Stacy: "This adoption was so incredible. Her parents told they were coming to get a puppy to "foster." Once they had the "foster", her mom told her it was forever. She cried beautiful tears right before this picture was taken. What a moment."





Wish we had room in this newsletter to show all of the adoptions and the happy families. We will be including them in our 9th Annual BBQ and Brew event video this year. The date is July 22, 2017 at the Selah Civic Center.

#### Just thought a New Year's update on Indi (formerly Tink)



was in order. She's been such a great addition to our family and made 2016 all the better. Thank you! Her last checkup at the vet recorded a strong and healthy pup of 67 lbs.

She doesn't like to swim or play in the water, but loves to play in the snow and is happy

to go for a ride in the car or boat. She's a scaredy cat when first meeting people, but will snuggle and cuddle with almost everyone after a few minutes. She thinks she's a lap dog and will summersault into your lap if you're sitting on the floor. She greets us each morning with a vocal yodel/ yawn and has a deeper bark than anyone would expect. She still doesn't understand why our cats don't want to play. She regularly tries to share her blanket and her Kong with them, but her kindness is misunderstood. Cheers!

#### "BE A WINNER, TAKE HER TO DINNER...AND A MOVIE" RAFFLE

14 Dinners at 7 Different Restaurants and 14 movies at Yakima Theatres

OVER.00 \$500.00 Bob's Burgers and Brew Carousel French Cusine Second Street Grill Zesta Cucina Sea Galley El Porton

Cowiche Canyon Kitchen + Icehouse Bar

Drawing May 11th-8:10 a.m. -Live- On the Air - 104.1



TICKET SALES START FEBRUARY 11TH AT THE SPAY~GHETTI AND NO-BALLS DINNER Can be purchased at K9 Country Club, Little Paw Playhouse, Tieton Drive Veterinary Clinic and Summitview-Cowiche Veterinary Clinic and follow us on Facebook for other locations.

#### Please do the Extraordinary!

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#### **Chevy Came to Visit**

She approaches the house excitedly. It's familiar but how? She can't quite remember. She climbs the steps and hesitates at the stranger in front of her. Confusion is on her face but then her glowing golden eyes reach down into my soul, mine into hers... and in an instant she knows, she remembers, she recognizes me!

Leila (aka Chevy) came for a visit on Thursday. It was so nice of her new mom, Kris to bring her to see us all. Zoey and Leila fell back



into their old play habits and had a great time running around the yard. It was so great to see how much she has grown and matured into such a wonderful companion for Kris Banda. Thank you.

Donation In Loving Memory of ....

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#### Darlene J. Elliott - 1949-2016

Darlene Elliott was met at the Rainbow Bridge by numerous dogs on December 3, 2016. On that day the rescue community cried at the loss of an important part of our community.

Darlene started volunteering for Wags to Riches in 2008, shortly after we started. She was an active volunteer whose heart was always for the dogs. She was the Adoption Coordinator, then became the Foster Coordinator. Darlene was also on the Board of Directors of Wags.

She excelled as a Board Member. Understanding the depth of need in our area Darlene took an active part in creating another rescue, All Mutts Great and Small, providing another much needed resource for our community.

There are no words to express the sadness we feel at the loss of Darlene both as a fellow rescuer but also as a friend.

In Memory of Darlene Elliott for her most positive influence, friendship and mentoring of their grand-daughter Mary Powers. "It has been a joy to watch Mary grow into the responsible, dedicated Woman she is today."

And a donation to honor their granddaughter Mary.

Donated by Joan Bergman Bruce Davis

#### Donation In Loving Memory of . .

"Happy Birthday Dad, love Roscoe" from Linda Lewis

In Memoriam

Bootsie and PeeWee donated by Karen Roff

Shiloh (My Gentle Giant)
Chowder
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