

# IT'S A WRAP NEWSLETTER

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**IT'S A WRAP!** This is the official newsletter of Westie Rescue and Placement (WRAP) of Northern California.

## MESSAGE FROM THE WRAP PRESIDENT

Welcome to the Fall edition of the WRAP Newsletter. Summer is winding down and a busy Fall is upon us.

WRAP continues to have a successful year, rescuing many unfortunate Westies and placing them in loving "forever" homes. This is the good news. The not so good news is that several the rescued Westies this year have needed extensive, specialized medical help and extended foster care to bring them back to good health and ready to meet their new families. You may have followed the stories of some of these on our Facebook page. As you can imagine, this has had a severe impact on WRAP's financial and volunteer resources and we need your help.

I mentioned that we have a busy Fall scheduled. Our Annual Fundraising Auction on Facebook will run from Friday September 28th to Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup>. This is always our largest fundraiser of the year and your opportunity to bid on and, hopefully, win many valuable items. All the proceeds from this auction will go to WRAP to directly fund our rescue and placement activities.

We are always in need of more volunteer temporary foster homes for our rescues in transition. If you feel that you may like to help, please let us know and we will let you know what is like to be a foster family and what is required to be a foster home. I will be at the WRAP Autumn Fun Day registration table if you wish additional information.

Speaking of The WRAP Autumn Fun Day, mark your calendars for Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> because that is when WRAP will host our annual Autumn Fun Day and dog costume parade. It starts at 9:30am and will be held at Las Palmas Park and Dog Park in Sunnyvale, CA (the same place as last year). This promises to be a great opportunity for both dogs to show their 'Westie-tude' and dog lovers to get together. There will be a potluck picnic lunch for the humans so bring your favorite food dish to share.

Winding up our 2018 schedule, in December we will host a Holiday Party for all our WRAP friends and supporters. We will let you know the date and location soon.

Best Regards,

David Snook, WRAP President



**Corporate Donation Programs** Many corporations have programs that allow employees to donate to charities and will, in many cases, do matching funds. WRAP (Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California) is eligible for many of these programs. We are currently registered with Cisco, Hewlett Packard Enterprises and Wells Fargo Bank. This is a painless way to donate and maximize your donation.

## Rescue News

### **Becker is adopted.**



Becker is a 12 year old Westie boy whose mother got sick and could no longer care for him. He has been adopted by a wonderful Mom and Dad with another 12 year old Westie named Marty. Becker is very mellow and sweet. He gets along well with other dogs and people. He likes to cuddle with his people. He is house trained and crate trained. He travels well in the car. He will bark to tell you he is ready to eat.

### **Annabelle and Jack Are adopted.**



Annabelle and Jack are a lovely pair who were given to rescue due to small children in the home. They have been adopted together by a wonderful family. They now have a Westie brother to show them the ropes of life in their new home.

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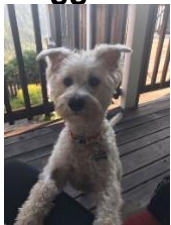
### **Jenny Is adopted.**



Jenny is a sweet friendly Westie girl from a local shelter. Jenny was stray and when her people were found they signed her over saying they could not care for her. She had serious skin problems (hair loss) and mats. Jenny has been adopted by her foster Dad where she has spent months being rehabilitated. As you see her fur is returning. Her foster dad says she is the sweetest girl ever.

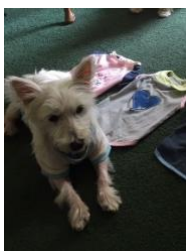


### Maggie is adopted



Maggie is a wonderful Westie mix. She was given to rescue by her owner who found she was too active for her household and older dog. Maggie is just 2 years old. She is enjoying life with her new family and 5 year old Westie brother. Maggie and her brother can play for hours and enjoys long walks and an active life.

### Gemma



Gemma is a beautiful little girl from an east bay shelter with a bad skin infection and hair loss. Gemma is in a foster home and has months of recovery ahead of her. She was recently spayed and had some lumps removed. She is a sweet girl who likes to play with toys and likes to play with her Westie foster sister. She also likes to cuddle with her foster mom.

### Kiki



Kiki came from a northern California shelter. She had a massive skin infection causing hair loss and skin infection. Kiki also had two malignant mammary tumors and a cyst which was also malignant. Kiki had surgery to remove the masses and is now getting follow up care. She is doing very well and improving daily. Kiki has a long recovery ahead but has a wonderful and committed foster family. She loves to play with toys and her sisters. She also like to help her foster mom in the kitchen.

### Riley is adopted



Riley came to WRAP from a northern California shelter. Riley is a Wauzer (a Westie-Schnauzer) pronounced Wow-zer. She was a stray and is about 6-7 years old. She's loving, playful, & sweet. Riley likes to go for walks and play with toys. She knows how to sit, go down and roll over.



## Keira



Keira is a senior girl from a Central Valley Shelter. Keira is about 80% blind and deaf. She has some weakness in her back legs and incontinence. She is getting a complete medical workup. She has already improved just with antibiotics to address some infections, and some pain medicine to deal with pain issues. Keira needs a long-term foster home where she can spend her remaining days. She is very sweet and does not have a mean bone in her body. If you would be interested in fostering Keira please call Barbara Mordy at 408 242-0990

## DONATIONS for Kiki & other Westies

A tax deductible donation can be made for Kiki and other dogs in need on PayPal at: [susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org) Please choose friends and family so we don't have to pay a fee, or you can also send a check to: Susan Acevedo 32 Oak Knoll Dr. Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Please make the check out to **WRAP or Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California**. Thank you for your support.

## Westie Events & Fundraisers

### 2018 WRAP Autumn Auction on September 28-30

Are you looking for a gift for a friend's special birthday? Your anniversary? Christmas? Hanakkah?

No need to look on Amazon.com or make a trip to the mall...instead join us on **September 28, 29, and 30<sup>th</sup>** for the **2018 WRAP Autumn Auction on Facebook**.



**Join us during the  
2018 WRAP Autumn Auction  
from Friday, Sept. 28th  
thru Sunday, Sept 30th  
Help fund our efforts to find  
forever homes for all Westies!!  
Sponsored by  
Westie Rescue And Placement  
(WRAP) of Northern California**

You will find a variety of items to bid and/or buy:





- For Dogs: apparel, beds, bowls, blankets, carriers, shampoos, treats, toys, etc.
- For Women: bags/totes, jewelry, pajamas, socks, sweaters, stationary, t-shirts, etc.
- For Men: mugs, luggage tags, tumblers, t-shirts
- For Family & Friends: holiday cards, gift cards, gift certificates, Scottie candy, etc.
- For Collectors: Westie & Scottie statues, sculptures, vintage items, etc.
- For Christmas: ornaments, stockings, dishes, etc.
- For the Home: blankets, clocks, picture frames, pillows, prints, signs, etc.
- For the Kitchen: aprons, cookie jars, dishes, glasses, towels, etc.
- For the Bedroom: bed sheets, blankets, pillow cases/covers, etc.
- For the Outdoors: garden flags, outdoor lights, picnic backpack, pillows, etc.

If you use Facebook, but you are not currently a member of the WRAP Auction Facebook page, then click on this link TODAY and ask to join:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/WRAPFundraisingAuction/>

**This is the biggest fundraiser of the year to help Westies in Northern California find forever homes!**

### 2018 WRAP Autumn Fun Day on October 27th

Do you have a cute/scary/funny costume for your Westie, but nowhere to go?

If “yes”, then get ready to join us and enter your Westie in the Howl-o-Westie Costume Contest on **Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>** during the **2018 WRAP Autumn Fun Day**.



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018**  
**2018 W.R.A.P.**  
**AUTUMN FUN DAY**  
**LAS PALMAS PARK**  
**800 Spinosa Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94087**

Celebrate the Autumn season with family, friends, and Westies **starting at 9:30AM**. Bring your Westies and their friends to play in the Small Dog Park, dress them in Halloween costumes for the parade, pose for photos, buy Westie merchandise, share in the potluck lunch, and make new friends!



Gen. Admission:  
\$10 per Adult  
\$5 per Child  
\$0 per Dog

Play

Enter Dog  
Costume Parade

Win Prizes

Take Photos

Shop

Eat

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All Westies, their canine friends and human families are invited to join us at the **Las Palmas Park, 800 Spinosa Dr., Sunnyvale, CA.** starting at **9:30am.**

There will be time to play in an enclosed small dog park area, pose for photos, participate in the dog costume contest for prizes, shop at the pop-up store, make friends, share a dish and eat during the potluck lunch. Beverages and sweets will be provided by WRAP.

Admission will be \$10 per adult and \$0 per dog. For more information, questions, or if you would like to volunteer to make this a success, please contact Susan Acevedo at [susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org).

## 2019 WRAP Calendar

The **2019 WRAP Calendars** have been finalized...they are adorable!!

Each month features one or two of our Northern California rescues with their unique bio. For example, Fiona is Miss January 2019:



**Fiona**

Parent(s): Melissa  
Hometown: San Jose, CA  
Favorite Food: Fish flavored dog food  
Favorite Treat: Anything...including fruit like bananas and apples  
Favorite Toy: Stuffed pig  
Favorite Activity: Sleeping in the sun in the backyard  
Least Favorite Activity: Going to the vet or groomers  
Most Unique Quality: I like sticking my snout in the backyard pond and eating the fish food!

Westie Rescue And Placement of Northern California

"Forever homes for all Westies!"

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A beautiful 8.5" x 11" calendar makes a perfect gift for friends, family, co-workers, and pet service providers (e.g., veterinarians, groomers, doggie daycare staff, etc.).

Calendars will be sold (\$20 donation) during the **2018 WRAP Autumn Auction** on Facebook and the **2018 WRAP Autumn Fun Day** in Sunnyvale, CA.

If you want to purchase a calendar but cannot join us during these events, then they will be available by mail. Please contact Susan Acevedo at [susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org) to reserve your calendar(s) today!

We will accept payment using PayPal or checks made out to "WRAP of N. Calif."



All proceeds from the sale of these calendars supports W.R.A.P., a 501(C)3 nonprofit organization devoted to the rescue, rehabilitation and placement of dogs who have overcome great odds and deserve wonderful, caring forever homes.

## HELP WANTED STILL NEEDED

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WRAP is looking for some volunteers who possess certain skills to advise the board (pro bono) on issues that may arise over time. We are asking for a limited number of hours, as needed. We are seeking an **Attorney**, a **CPA**, a **Veterinarian** and an **Animal Behaviorist**. If you would be willing to help us or want more information please contact:

Barbara Mordy at [BarbaraMordy@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:BarbaraMordy@westierescuenorcal.org) or  
Susan Acevedo at [Susanacevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:Susanacevedo@westierescuenorcal.org)

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## WESTIE IN THE KITCHEN (send in your favorite recipe)

### Frozen peanut butter yogurt dog treats

The perfect snack to cool your pet down after a vigorous play session

#### Ingredients

- 32 ounces vanilla yogurt
- 1 cup peanut butter –(**make sure the peanut butter does not have artificial sweeteners**)

#### Directions

1. Melt the peanut butter in a microwave safe bowl
2. Combine the yogurt and melted peanut butter
3. Pour the mixture into cupcake papers
4. Place in the freezer



## IN MEMORIAM

Let us take a moment to honor our wonderful four-footed friends who have recently crossed the Rainbow Bridge.



For future issues, we ask that you send your memorials to us at: [bgmordy@comcast.net](mailto:bgmordy@comcast.net). Please send a photo, birth (an estimate is fine if you don't have the exact date) and passing date along with a short note to include in the memorial.



**Editor's Note: The following story was written by one of our Supporter. She is a long time Westie lover and has had 3 Westies. Clancy 1974-1988, Dandy 1988-2003 and Annie 2000-2017 (the story subject). Annie was 5 years old at the time this story took place.**

### **ANNIE AT THE RITZ**

By Nancy Nee

Miss Annie, a charming and very well-mannered young Westie lady, was introduced to San Francisco canine *haute societe* at a high-tea charity event to benefit Pets Unlimited at the Ritz Carlton.

Annie, dressed in a traditional Scottish black brass-buttoned jacket and red plaid kilt, was escorted up the red-carpeted entrance by her friend, Larry, a very large and handsome Bouvier.

Upon arrival at the Ritz Terrace, they were given elegant brass name tags engraved with the Ritz lion logo. Then they were greeted by many other canines, all very *soigne* and (mostly) well-bred. Annie was especially intrigued by a courtly black Greyhound and his pal, a suave, diminutive Italian Greyhound .

Many of the guests were gowned in designer outfits: an English Bull in pink ruffles, a Pug in polka dots, a Peke in patterned silk to match her Guardian's dress, a King Charles in tailored black and white checks.

All the guests mingled and chatted politely, voices modulated, exchanging views and opinions without rancor or argument until tea was announced. And what a tea! Exquisite varieties of *petit gateaux* served in crystal bowls. Annie's favorite *biscuit de chien* was shaped like a squirrel which she devoured daintily but with gusto (she has, shall we say, an adversarial relationship with squirrels).





After tea and a trip to the ladies room (pink hydrant on turf enclosed in a white picket fence), Annie enjoyed watching the fashion show which featured many designer clothes worn by several models. Among those posing on the runway were twin Yorkies primping in Chinese silk, a Terrier cavorting in a multi-striped sweater, a Chihuahua pirouetting in taffeta, a Beagle prancing in *peau-de-soie*, and, best of all, a Bull Mastiff parading in a red quilted overcoat.

After the show, the Mistress of Ceremonies interviewed a number of guests including Annie. The interviewer was pleased to hear that Annie is a rescue Westie girl and that she is adjusting happily to her new life. She praised Annie's good manners and affectionate nature and got a big kiss in return.

At last the party began to break up and several people came up to compliment Annie on her handsome attire and her warm and friendly personality. And so we said *au revoir* to the Ritz.

It was a great day and Annie plans to return in the future to the felicitous welcome of tea at the Ritz.



Annie



Dandy

### Looking for a few good men and women...

- Do you have fundraising and/or event planning experience?
- Do you have the ability to build strong relationships with new people and organizations?
- Are you detail-oriented with excellent time management skills?
- Do you have strong interpersonal skills?
- Do you work well independently and as part of a team?
- Do you have experience with Microsoft Word?
- Do you have some knowledge of Microsoft Excel?

If you replied "yes" to one or more of the above questions, then you could be who we are looking for to join the WRAP Fundraising Committee. We are always in need of more volunteers to help:

- Assist with the planning and management of fundraising events
- Assist with general fundraising activities (e.g., set up, registration, auctions, merchandise sales, beverage/ food, parades, contests, etc.
- Coordinate and follow up on donor requests, and mailings, as needed
- Assist with prospecting and soliciting donors
- Identify and approach potential business partners
- Help increase communications with supporters



Please contact Linda Snook ([l\\_snook@att.net](mailto:l_snook@att.net)) or Susan Acevedo ([susan.Acevedo@westieresucenorcal.org](mailto:susan.Acevedo@westieresucenorcal.org)) if you would like to donate your time and talents as a volunteer to support fundraising for Westie rescue.

### **Do you shop on Amazon?**

If so, then you can support WRAP by now using Amazon Smile. Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop you will find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion (0.5%) of the purchase price to WRAP. Simply go to [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com), and enter "Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California" as your preferred charity. Thank You. Start shopping!

## **WESTIE HEALTH CORNER**

### **What do Titer Tests Cost?**

Testing costs vary widely from practice to practice, so shop around. Some vets do in-house testing. Others use outside labs. Some mark up tests and services a little; others, a lot.

You should be able to have parvo/distemper tests done most places for less than \$100.

Rabies tests, on the other hand, can cost considerably more, in large part because they are sent overnight to a lab. (Ask your vet to have a Titer Testing Day so that they can send multiple tests in one package and save.

### **WRAP Officers and Board of Directors for 2017 are:**

**President David Snook**

**Vice President Mary Young**

**Secretary Barbara Mordy**

**Treasurer Susan Acevedo**

**Board Member Christyne Johns-Mills**

**Board Member Ramona Moenning Rule**

### **The WRAP Committees for 2017 and some of the volunteers are:**

*Fundraising Committee (including Activities, Events and Sponsorships):*

Linda Snook, Susan Acevedo, Vacancies

- Auction Committee- Susan Acevedo, Barbara Mordy, Mary Young, Ramona Rule, Tony Devol, Teresa Houseworth, Brandy Daniel, Sandy Gilmer.

*Program Operations Committee (including Surrender, Foster Care and Adoptions):*

Mary Young, Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Susan Acevedo, Christyne Johns-Mills.

Foster/volunteers Janet Kurnick & Christyne Johns Mills- Sacramento, Linda Levinson- North Bay, and Nancy Mathews- Vacaville area, Central Valley –Linda Stockle.

Vacancies-North Bay, East Bay, Far North, Central Valley, Reno Area.....

*Communication Committee (including Email, Website, Newsletter, Photography, Social Media, Liaisons):*

Webmaster- Tony Devol

Group Email- Tony Devol

Newsletter- Barbara Mordy

Photography- Bill O'Such

Social Media-

Facebook - Barbara Mordy (Facebook),

*Twitter- Vacant*

*Snap Chat-Vacant*

Liaisons- Mary Young

Please consider volunteering your time by serving on one of the committees. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and to help shape the future of our organization. If you are interested, please contact any of the above Chairs, Officers or Board Members

**IT'S A WRAP** will be published at least four times per year in March, June, September and December. We encourage friends and supporters to submit articles, photos, brags, and other Westie related information that they feel would be of interests to our readers. Please send the material to the Editor by the first of the month in which the newsletter issue is scheduled to be published to allow enough time for the volunteers and Editor to do their magic! When submitting items for publication, please have all photos camera ready (.jpeg formats are preferred). All copy should be submitted in a widely accepted electronic format such as MS Word. If you are unable to provide in the preferred formats, contact the Editor Barbara Mordy [bgmordy@comcast.net](mailto:bgmordy@comcast.net)

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**Until next time.....IT'S A WRAP!!**

