

# IT'S A WRAP

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends of WRAP,

It is that time of year to reflect on the accomplishments of the past year and begin to make our 2022 resolutions. We had many challenges due to COVID-19 and its variants, but we adapted and continued to grow our Westie community here in Northern California in 2021!

This year we have rescued a total of 12 Westies. Again, I want to thank Barbara Mordy and her volunteers for transporting and finding great homes (both temporary and forever homes) for all these pups. I also want to thank all the 2021 foster and adoptive parents for taking in one or more of our rescues, caring for them and loving them to pieces. I hope you all find this experience rewarding!

We had our first face to face event in June, the 2021 WRAP Walk in the Park in Willow Glen (San Jose, CA). We had an amazing turnout (over 25 Westies) and celebrated our 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! The second event of the year was the much-anticipated 2021 WRAP Autumn Fun Day in Pleasanton, CA at the Val Vista Park in October. Again, a great turnout of Westies and Scotties with their human families/friends. So many wonderful costumes and treats (including in kind donations from Blue Dog Bakery). Lastly, some of us participated in the East Bay Westies Holiday Stroll in Walnut Creek, CA at Broadway Plaza Shopping Mall earlier this month.

We began to sell our 2022 WRAP Calendars in November and have found “homes” for many. **We still have a few 2022 WRAP Calendars...let me know if you want one.**

As you can see, we had some nice accomplishments in 2021. However, we hope and plan to have fewer challenges and more accomplishments in 2022...if we have your involvement and support!

Please let me know if you have any ideas for next year's events, projects, or ways to improve our communication by sending me an email at [susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org) .

Regards,  
Susan Acevedo (WRAP President) & Hamish



## FUN EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

### 2021 WRAP Autumn Fun Day

We had a huge turnout for the **2021 WRAP Autumn Fun Day** on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at Val Vista Park in Pleasanton, CA. We invited the new Scottie Rescue group so we had not only many Westies, but Scotties with their human families/friends. It was a brisk but bright sunny Autumn day!

We started the morning with hot coffee and sweets, then off for a short walk around the park. We walked past the soccer fields, the children's playground and the community garden area. It was enough to get the legs and paws moving, and a way to make some new friends.

Throughout the day we had doggies posing for the camera under the photo booth canopy with a lovely autumn background.



Some doggies spent time socializing in the Canine Corral.



The highlight of the day was the Halloween costume contest. There were so many great costumes it was difficult to award prizes, but the judges narrowed it down to the following four winners: Fiona the Postal Carrier, Bailey the 49er Cheerleader, Watson the Turkey, and Max the Karate Kid.



You can see more photos on our Facebook page by following these links:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.4741763255847309&type=3>

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.4742262569130711&type=3>

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with set up, registration, merchandise sales, food, treats, beverages, and clean up.

Special thanks to Ramona Rule, Rowena Dizon Burger, and Heather Hampton for organizing the much anticipated, highly competitive Halloween costume contest.

Another special special thanks also goes out to Veronica Stewart for taking so many great photos and capturing all the smiles!

Lastly, thank you to everyone that came, contributed and/or supported this event (including some of you that wanted to participate but were unable to attend).

### 2021 WRAP Holiday Party

We initially postponed the December event (Holiday Party) to January 2022, however due to the latest COVID-19 concerns and statistics we will cancel this indoor event for now.

### 2022 WRAP Calendar

Many of you have ordered, purchased, and received your 2022 WRAP Calendars. Thank you for your donations and continued support. I hope you enjoy looking at these lovely faces all next year!



Did you forget to order your calendar? We still have a few 2022 WRAP Calendars...so send me an email TODAY ([susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org)) to order one! They are each \$20 (includes USA shipping). We accept checks and PayPal.

### Donations that Keep us going...

We continue to receive donations from hard working Westie lovers that set up and contribute to their workplace donation accounts. Thank you to all that have made your contributions via these important accounts: The Bright Fund, the Blackbaud Fund, Benevity Fund and the Network for Giving! A special thank you to all of you and to all of individual donors who have made contributions.

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 among others. This is a painless way to donate and maximize your donation to help Westies.

Facebook...we continue to raise funds through the generosity of many Westie lovers via our Facebook page. Some of you donate through Facebook for individual dogs and others do Birthday fundraisers. Thank you to all that have donated and/or created a Facebook fundraiser through which your friends and family have donated money to us!

Still others of you help us at rescue to help Westies via personal checks and/or PayPal. Thank you to all that have made your donations this way too!

Lastly, we know that Westies and their families like to shop via the internet...you can never have too many doggie treats or doggie toys! As a reminder, we benefit from quarterly donations from Amazon (at no additional cost to you) when you use AmazonSmile to purchase any items on Amazon and have designated Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California as your charity of choice.

Thank you to all our great AmazonSmile shoppers!

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## RESCUE NEWS

**Tavish** - came to rescue after a hard start in life. He was found by the side of the road in Arkansas after being hit by a car. He required leg surgery and he has a permanent limp which does not seem to slow him down. He is a good traveler in the car and likes walks. At 3 he is young and active and needs some training but is a loving, sweet boy. He has been adopted.



**Mackie** is an 11-12-year-old, healthy, 16.6-pound male. He is house trained and gets along well with other dogs. He loves to go for walks and will dance when you get out the leash. He also enjoys time outside in the yard. He is shy but likes pets and cuddles. He just had his teeth done and his bloodwork

was normal. He sleeps well at night in an x-pen. He knows how to use a doggy door. Mackie is looking for a home if you are interested let Barbara know.



**Wyman** is an 8-year-old boy who had his birthday December 1<sup>st</sup>. Wyman is an active, healthy boy. He likes to go for walks. He is very social and does well with other dogs. He needs some training -- i.e., not to jump. He knows how to sit. He is sweet and affectionate, and he sleeps well at night in an x-pen. He is house trained and can use a doggy door. He is 17 pounds. Wyman has been adopted.



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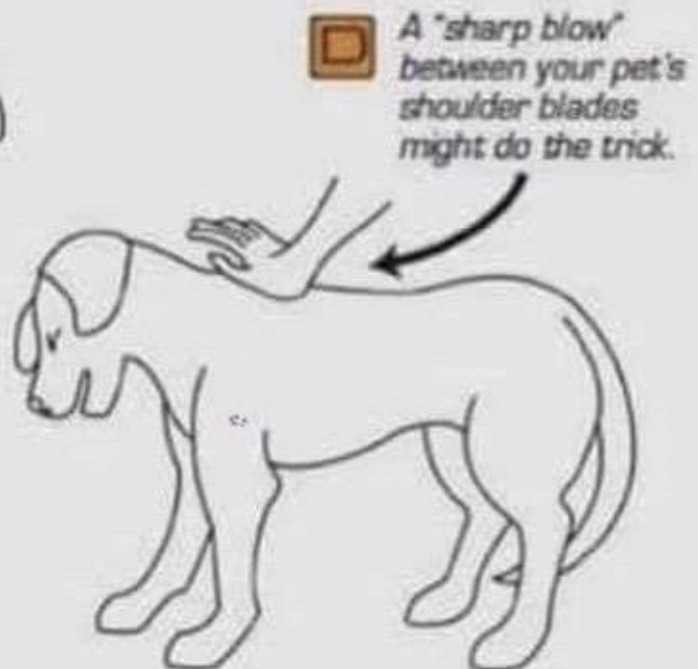
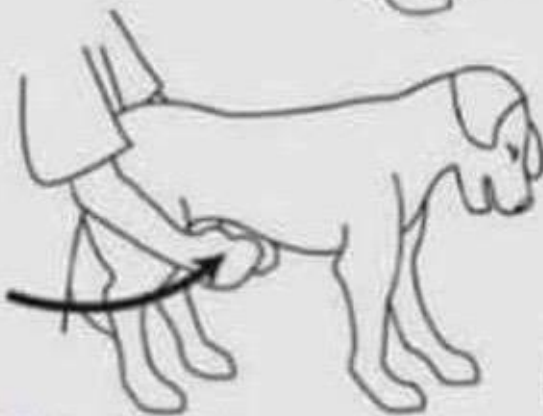
## In Memorial

### Jimmy

Our sweet boy Jimmy passed this December  
He kept us entertained  
With his evening song  
And his run across the  
yard. He would sit with  
Me hours after Angus and Chris had gone to bed,  
always by my side  
He is greatly missed  
Sue and Chris and his  
dear dog friend Angus



# Heimlich Maneuver for Dogs



Please keep in mind that, as with humans, if they can still breathe then these measures can do more harm than good so be sure to evaluate the need before letting panic set in

Do NOT blindly sweep their mouth!

It may push an object further in and worsen the situation. If you can't see it/grab it, then don't waste time. Go to one of the other methods mentioned.

## **Please Remember Monetary Donations**

A tax deductible donation can be made for Westie 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: **David Snook 3532 Pinnacle Court San Jose, CA 95132**. Please make the check out to WRAP or Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California. Thank you for your support.



# **WE WANT YOU!**

**To join our community of West Highland White Terrier (Westie) lovers to transport, foster, adopt, donate, volunteer, get/give advice and/or come to fun events!**

**Send us an email: [westierescuenorcal@gmail.com](mailto:westierescuenorcal@gmail.com)**

**Check out our website: [www.westierescuenorcal.org](http://www.westierescuenorcal.org)**

**Follow us on Facebook: Westie Rescue and Placement of Northern California**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022**



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**President Susan Acevedo  
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Board Member Christyne Johns-Mills, Janelle Brokenshire-Cyr**

**Vice President Barbara Mordy  
Treasurer David Snook**

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

Linda Snook, Susan Acevedo, Vacancies

***Program Operations Committee (including Surrender, Foster Care and Adoptions):*** Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Susan Acevedo, Christyne Johns-Mills, Ramona M. Rule.

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**Group Email-** Tony Devol

**Newsletter-** Barbara Mordy, Tony Devol, Suzanne Wilsey

**Photography-** Bill O'Such

**Social Media- Facebook -** Barbara Mordy (Facebook),

**Liaisons-** David Snook, Barbara Mordy

**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 interest 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!!**