

# IT'S A WRAP

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Dear Friends of WRAP,

We are WRAP-ping up 2023 and looking back at the many Westies we rescued, events that we held and new Westie friends that we made. Great memories in 2023, however we are already looking forward to new Westie adventures in 2024!

In 2023 we rescued a total of seven (7) Westies. Not as many as our first year as an organization, however we still can provide all the love and attention to those who come knocking on our door. I want to give a special thanks to Barbara Mordy and her volunteers for transporting and taking care of these Westies with much love and kisses. I also want to give a special thank you to all the 2023 foster and adoptive parents for taking in these special little bundles of joy, caring for them and loving them every day while in your home.

In 2023 we hosted some great events and successful fundraisers. In April, we enjoyed a nice walk at Agnews Historic Park in Santa Clara, CA. In June, we had a fun day event at Twin Pines Park in Belmont, CA. In August we met at Oak Meadows Park in Los Gatos, CA for a short walk around the park perimeter and a train ride on the Bill Jones Wildcat Railroad train. In October, we had our annual Autumn Fun Day at Hap Magee Ranch Park in Danville, CA. Lastly, we created a 2024 Westie Calendar (with Westie newbies and some Westie oldies) to raise funds and to enjoy seeing a beautiful Westie face each month in 2024!

In 2023, we created and distributed our quarterly IT'S A WRAP newsletter (a total of 4 newsletters including this one). We are always looking for new content to keep it interesting...so if you can write a short essay on any topic that might be useful, educational and/or entertaining to the Westie community please contact me or Barbara Mordy.

We look forward to planning more walks, fun days, fundraisers, etc. in 2024. However, to do these activities, we need more volunteers to help us. Do you have a new activity or location that you want to suggest? Can you make a new year's resolution to help us next year?

Please let me know if you have any ideas (e.g., next year's events, projects, communication) or interest in volunteering by sending me an email at [susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org](mailto:susan.acevedo@westierescuenorcal.org)

Regards,  
Susan Acevedo (WRAP President) &



Hamish (Santa Paws)

## FUN EVENTS & FUNDRAISING

### 2023 WRAP October Fun Day

We had a great turnout for the 2023 WRAP October Fun Day on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Hap Magee Ranch Park in Danville, CA. We co-hosted the event with the Golden Gate Scottish Terrier Rescue (GGSTR) group. The weather was perfect, and the venue was easy to access with plenty of parking, shade, facilities, etc. Somehow, we ended up sharing the park with another Halloween costume parade/contest sponsored by the City of Danville!

We had lots of attendees set up their lawn chairs and exercise pens on the grass under the big shady trees. There was mingling, barking and general mayhem, however everyone behaved (including the humans).



We had a short walk from the picnic area to the gazebo in the middle of the grassy park area. On the way to the gazebo, we passed the City of Danville Halloween costume parade. Our doggies and their humans continued on to the gazebo to pose for a group photo before heading back to the picnic area.



The Halloween costume contest was the highlight of the day. There were so many great costumes and enthusiasm that it was difficult to select the winners. At the end of the contest, the prizes (snuffle mats and treats) were awarded to the following winners:



After the costume contest, we had an impromptu photo session when we asked some of our families to strike up a pose and smile for the camera.



At the end of all the activities everyone was ready to sit down and partake in a delicious potluck lunch. We had so much food we had to use three picnic tables! We also used a fourth picnic table filled with doggie treats (including some very special Auntie Ramona's Homemade Jerky Treats) and assorted freebies.

This event was made possible by several wonderful volunteers that we need to acknowledge and thank:

Thank you to Maggie Halberg who secured the permit for the picnic tables from the City of Danville.

Thank you to all the helpers that came early and helped with the set up and those who stayed late and helped with the cleaning up.

Special thanks to Ramona and Maggie for organizing and selecting the winners of the costume contest.

Extra special thanks to Bill O'Such and Veronica Stewart for bringing their cameras and taking so many awesome photos!

Thanks to everyone (including our Scottie friends) that attended and/or donated to this event.

We hope to see you all next year!!

To see more photos, click on the links:

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.1231043294512173&type=3>

<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=oa.228974930184656&type=3>

### **2024 WRAP Westie Winter Wonderland Paw-ty**

We are planning to kick off the new year with a little Westie paw-ty!

To thank our donors/supporters of Westie Rescue And Placement (WRAP) of Northern California we are inviting all Westies and their Wonderful Families/Friends to a WRAP Westie Winter Wonderland Pawty on Saturday, January 27, 2024 from 1pm-3pm



This event will take place at a canine community center known as **Pup Plaza (14408 Union Avenue, San Jose) in the Cambrian Park Plaza Shopping Center (next to Dollar Tree Store) in San Jose**. The Pup Plaza facilities consist of two indoor, dog friendly rooms (including tables, chairs, and sofas) and an outdoor, dog friendly fenced brick patio.



WRAP will provide hot beverages, savory snacks and tasty treats. WRAP will also provide some cute winter theme photo backdrops for photo opportunities...so bring your cameras!

**Please R.S.V.P. by sending an email to Susan at [susan.acevedo@gmail.com](mailto:susan.acevedo@gmail.com)**

Come rain or shine we will have a great dog friendly paw-ty!

### **2024 Westie Calendar by WRAP**

Many of you have ordered, purchased, and received your 2024 Westie Calendars.

We still have some calendars that need a good home! So, if you did NOT order, purchase and/or receive your calendar(s), please contact Susan ASAP at [susan.acevedo@gmail.com](mailto:susan.acevedo@gmail.com).

We hope you enjoy the little Westies on the colorful tartan backgrounds each month in 2024.



**Thank you for your photos, donations, and continued support!!**

## ANNOUNCEMENT

If anyone has any articles or topics for the newsletter, let us know. Email [bgmordy@comcast.net](mailto:bgmordy@comcast.net).

## RESCUE NEWS

**DeeDee and Mira**- two beautiful Westie girls came to Rescue in in early November 2023. They were placed into a forever home in Northern California. DeeDee was a 11 year old girl and Mira was 6 years old. DeeDee is in front and Mira is behind her. They are a loving pair and have settled into their forever home nicely.



**Archie Update**- Archie came to rescue from a Bay Area shelter about 6 months ago on June 24<sup>th</sup>. He is about 5 years old. Unfortunately, he had been badly traumatized prior to coming to rescue. He has made tremendous progress in adjusting to livings in a normal home environment, however, he continues to need work. He is good with most dogs his size (It took a while, but he and Annabelle play daily.) but he is very wary of people especially men. He does not bite and is crate trained and walks on a leash. **We are looking for a forever home.** Archie is basically a good dog but is scared of people he does not know. Once he knows you, he will cuddle. If you are willing to foster, the Rescue will pay Archie's bills. He is neutered and up to date on his shots, and house trained. Call or email Barbara if you can help or want more information. [bgmordy@comcast.net](mailto:bgmordy@comcast.net) 1-408-242-0990

## DONATIONS

- Thank you to all the individual donors who have given cash or written personal checks.
- Donations can be made on our webpage. **Please DON'T make donations via Facebook.**
- Finally, we want to thank all of you that have designated WRAP as your charity of choice for donation dollars at your workplace



## **WRAP**

**Officers and Board of Directors for 2022-23 are:**

**President: Susan Acevedo**

**Vice President: Barbara Mordy**

**Secretary: Ramona M. Rule**

**Treasurer: David Snook**

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**The WRAP Committees for 2020 and some of the volunteers:**

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

Linda Snook, Susan Acevedo, Teresa Houseworth, Vacancies

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**Webmaster-** David Sklar

**Group Email-** Tony Devol

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

**Photography-** Bill O'Such

**Social Media- Facebook -** Barbara Mordy

**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 Chairs, Officers or Board Members listed above.**

**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 the 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 your material in the preferred formats, contact the Editor Barbara Mordy at [bgmordy@comcast.net](mailto:bgmordy@comcast.net).

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