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Pets on Wheels

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What's Happening!



COLGATE ELEMENTARY READING PROGRAM

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The Stats:

No. of volunteers with
Pets On Wheels: [248](#)

No. of animals with
Pets on Wheels
(including dogs, cats, a
ferret, a rabbit AND a
goat): [283](#)

No. of facilities cur-
rently being served by
Pets On Wheels: [117](#)

PET EXPO

The last weekend of January had us starting off the year with one of the biggest events that Pets on Wheels participates in. It's the 10th annual Maryland Pet Expo held on January 28th, 29th and 30th at the Timonium Fair Grounds. This event is filled with everything pet oriented that's out there to see and Pets on Wheels will be represented all weekend by 27 volunteer teams manning (and dogging) our booth for three days. This is a wonderful way to spend time with your family

and your pet, as they are welcome as well. See the agility trials, pet the birds, visit the pet rescue booths, shop for some very unique animal related projects and eat some good food. Visit our booth while you are there. We are located on the corner near the petting zoo.

JOE CORBI'S PIZZA

Pizzas will be delivered to Vicki's house in Perry Hall on Tuesday, February 1st. Please make arrangements to pick them up there. THANKS!

Once again, we are looking for volunteer teams to be "reading buddies" for elementary school children who are having difficulty reading. The students each get a dog that will attend every week for six weeks to read to. This program has been extremely successful as the children find the dogs non judgmental and it easier to read to them than to people. Please contact Vicki if you can make this commitment to help some kids by providing your dog as a good listener.

Volunteer Spotlight

Tyler and Cathy (POW volunteers since 2008) were representing POW in the Santa Parade at the Avenue and a little boy saw Tyler has only three legs and asked his Mom how the dog was injured and if it was alright. His Mom contacted Vicki through our website and Vicki passed the inquiry on to Cathy. Cathy's response was that Tyler was hit by a vehicle when he was

only four months old and his leg had to be amputated. When Cathy brought him



Tyler

home seven days after his surgery, Tyler ran through the house and jumped on the sofa. Tyler runs very fast, loves to go hiking and swimming. The little boy was so touched by Tyler's story he wanted to know if Tyler's leg was in Heaven with Jesus. Cathy made arrangements to take Tyler to meet the little boy and his family.

Past Events



5th ANNUAL DOG-A-THON

We had another beautiful day for fun for our families, friends and their animals. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to bring it all together. Rachael did a wonderful job with the bake sale table. Thanks to her items and all the volunteers that donated bake goods, it was a sell out. Thanks to Dawn who put together the beautiful baskets and organized the silent auction and the raffle. Thanks to those who helped out at the gate, the bake sale table, and the POW booth. Volunteers did a fabulous job raising over \$15,000. Special commendation to Val Donaldson who was our grand prize winner of a weekend away with her dogs by raising the most money.

DOG WEEKEND IN OCEAN CITY

It was a small crowd of four with six dogs that enjoyed a wonderful weekend at the Quality Inn the last weekend in October. With wonderful weather, the dogs and the people enjoyed days on the beach and nights on the boardwalk. Hopefully many volunteers looked at the pictures that were posted on snap fish and see that fun was had by all and will attend next year.

HALLOWEEN AT THE AVENUE

Many volunteer teams got together at the Avenue in White Marsh to trick or treat with their dogs on October 30th. There were dogs dressed as Steelers fans, Ravens fans, pumpkins, ghosts, bees and a grey hound bus, People came as witches, bananas, and cats. All the stores had treats for the dogs and the people. Afterwards, POW teams met at Tilted Kilt for food and drink. The dogs were exhausted after all the attention they got during the day.

WHITE MARSH HOLIDAY PARADE

On December 4th, volunteer teams braved a very cold but dry day to march in the White Marsh Holiday parade. All the dogs wore red antlers to get the holiday celebration going.

HOLIDAY PHOTOS

On December 7th, Pets on Wheels held it's first annual Holiday Photo fund raiser and what a success it was. We raised \$650 in one night. Special thanks to Santa (Bob), his main Elf (Robin), our photographer (Dave), our backdrop/ costume designer (Dawn), our photo cropper/ print person (Barbara), our "do whatever needs to be done" person (Kari) and Tom for spending hours the day before making sure everything fit together.

HOLIDAY PARTY

The Holiday party was held on December 7th at Glory Days. We filled the bull pen with volunteers who enjoyed good food and drink, wonderful company and the added fun of door prizes.

POOL PARTY

POW ended the year with a last minute visit to Pet Depot for a good swim and lots of laughs. The people were as wet as the dogs by the time it was over.

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next newsletter.
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sending your story to
nancy@petsonwheels.org.*

Welcome to the Newest POW Volunteers!

SEPTEMBER

Marcia Denmark and Mocha
Brenda Detweiler and Lindsey
Valerie Donaldson and Zoey
Lisa Feather and Bootsy
Emily Kaiser and Liliana
Nicole Kasson and Bernie
Gina Kline and Hersey Bear
Cristina Mollenkopf and Simon
Karen Romanelli and Hanna
Brenda Scott and Ben
Ben Steinberg and Miley
Elizabeth Stitz and Sarah

OCTOBER

Julie Brady and Madison
Gina Brown and Trinket
Terry De Guilmi and Bodhi
Bob Pazdersky and Teagan
Rebecca Easterly and Seamus
Karen Hagerman and Sugar
Jessica Hartman and Cupid
Meghan Johnston and Murphy
Susan Markowitz and Leo
Julie Morgan and Phoebe
Patricia Steger and Joy
Eileen Steinberger and Morgan
Julie Sullivan-Shetter and Miami
Barbara Waskiewicz and Nala
Valerie Wilson and Rocco

NOVEMBER

Kimberly Bohle and Winston

NOVEMBER (Cont.)

Pat DeGuilmi and Stella
Jennifer Mosca-Benckert and Jameson
Monica Murphy and Penny
Mark Neumann and Teddy
Mark O'Brien and Rocko
Whitney Rice and Bijoux
Wendy Robin and Breezy and Otis
Janine Ruckle and Hannah
Emily Sanders and Molly
Marie Sciscione and Stella
Jason Starr and Chloe
Megan Trump and Indie
Karen Weisenmiller and Murphy
Laurie Weiss and Ella
Dan Wilson and Rocco

DECEMBER

Corin Anderson and Phil
Troy Gwin and Phil
Gene Cairns and Barney
Gail Cairns and Gracie
Valerie Donaldson and Jasmine
Lindsay Dutton and Cooper
Cassie Fairchild and Ginger
Kim Gurski and Casper
Particia Haviland and Bella
Ginny Jump and Baxter
Betsy Keithley and Bella
Mary Schmitz and Riley
Vivian Schrupf and Amy
Anita Shaw and Penny
Debra Sherwin and Bobby Flay
Liz Snowden and Remington

The Rainbow Bridge

We lost our loyal volunteer, Barbara Young after a long battle with cancer.

The Rainbow Bridge Story (Author Unknown)

Just this side of heaven is a place called Rainbow Bridge. When an animal dies that has been especially close to someone here, that pet goes to Rainbow Bridge. There are meadows and hills for all of our special friends so they can run and play together. There is plenty of food, water and sunshine, and our friends are warm and comfortable. All the animals who had been ill and old are restored to health and



vigor; those who were hurt or maimed are made whole and strong again, just as we remember them in our dreams of days and times gone by. The animals are happy and content, except for one small thing; they each miss someone very special to them, who had to be left behind. They all run and play together, but the day comes when one suddenly stops and looks into the distance. His bright eyes are intent; His eager body quivers. Suddenly he begins to run from the group, flying over the green grass, his legs carrying him faster and faster. You have been spotted, and when you and your special friend finally meet, you cling together in joyous reunion, never to be parted again. The happy kisses rain upon your face; your hands again caress the beloved head, and you look once more into the trusting eyes of your pet, so long gone from your life but never absent from your heart. Then you cross Rainbow Bridge together...