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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD



With a team of highly motivated and skilled volunteers I am happy to announce the addition of 4 new kennels to our facility. A heartfelt thanks goes out to all who have made this possible. I invite you to come visit the Rescue Ranch and see firsthand the improvements to our facility. As we expand to help more homeless pets, the need grows for additional funding to assure that all the dogs in our care receive the best medical attention and proper nutrition for good health. Please consider an extra-special donation to help us meet the needs of our extra-special friends. With your help we will continue to provide the level of care that you, our supporters, have come to expect.

Thank you!! ~ Rick ~

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"IF MY DOG IS BARRED BY THE HEAVENLY GUARD, WE'LL BOTH OF US BRAVE THE HEAT." W. DAYTON WEDGEFARTH

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**SHELTER HOURS
FOR VISITORS**
Open Daily
12:00 to 4:00

WORKDAY AT RESCUE RANCH



It was 100 degrees outside on Saturday, July 12th when many hard workers gathered to help erect 4 new kennels and to do some pretty complicated re-configuring of several of the



outside runs.

Everyone* worked hard and were rewarded with a good barbecue lunch, lots of water and many, many thank you's.

Thanks to * Bill, Sue, Leslie, John, Larry, Sonya, Rick, Heather, Bob, Jack, Pat, Darlene and Lauri.



OPEN HOUSE, OCTOBER 4, 2014

The Annual Rescue Ranch Open House is just around the corner, so to speak.



Many activities get rolled up into this one busy and interesting day, and allows a time for the public to come out and see with their own eyes and hear with their own ears what is happening at this extraordinary dog rescue facility which only exists to serve the needs of the public and of the many dogs that are, for whatever reason, temporarily without a home.

We raise money for the financial support of the Ranch through raffle ticket sales and open auction bidding on many items that have been donated for that purpose, including a dessert auction. Pies and cakes and cookies and brownies and baklava...you name it—the bidding is fierce. It's all in fun and all the proceeds go directly to the rescue program.

An informal election is held to determine the composition of the Board of Directors for the coming year in which anyone can be nominated and all get to vote. There are currently nine positions on the Board. Each member serves for 3 years, so that each year three positions are up for election.

There is always good food for sale at easy-going prices. Hot dogs, hamburgers, beans, chips, soda and water.

There is live music for your enjoyment.

There is the satisfaction of knowing that your presence is an encouragement to the members of our dedicated staff, selfless, serving volunteers, and Board members.

We always try to hold the Open House on the perfect day...no wind...not too hot...not many competing events in the area. Last year we did pick a perfect day. Who knows what it will be like on October 4th?

Hope you'll come and find out along with the rest of us.

It all gets done because of the dogs...no other reason.

Jack Bergen,
Volunteer and Board Member



MEMORIES FROM THE KENNEL — “REMEMBERING FAWN”



She is no longer there when I open the door. At night she not sleeps by my bed as before.

For in truth she is buried in a small garden plot, 'neath a circle of oaks in a secluded spot.

She was clearly no blue-blood with pedigree chart, just a loveable mixed-breed who captured my heart.

My fondest remembrance of her at young age, a-romping in meadows of silvery sage.

Some say “she’s not human, so why all the fuss?” I’d explain she was given a heart just like us.

‘Cos the day she was rescued, in her eyes I could see, she made it quite plain she was rescuing me!

~ DORA VOSTI MARTIN ~

WE CONTINUE TO NEED FINANCIAL SUPPORT

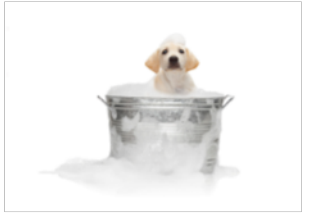
In addition to regular food supplies, veterinarian services and regular operational expenses, we need extra funds for the injured and neglected souls who come to us in need of specialized treatment. No amount is too small and all donations are tax deductible.

Another way to help is by sending a donation to honor your loved ones at special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, births and deaths, which will be acknowledged with an appropriate card.

HAPPY AND HEALTHY

BATH TIME

Here's the simple truth: dogs don't actually need to be bathed. The oils on their skin and hair help retain moisture, and the scents they accumulate in their day-to-day excursions alert other dogs to where they have been and what they have seen. It's an important aspect of the canine communication process.



That said, dogs don't live just with each other: they live with us, and we may see things differently. Most people want their dogs clean if their pets sleep on the bed or lie around on the couch or rugs—and every pet dog has to lie somewhere. That's why bathing is part of dog ownership. But is there a right way to do it?

Yes. First, it's best to use a gentle dog shampoo, not one for people. Human skin has a different pH. It's more acidic. Thus, shampoos manufactured for people could wash away a dog's acid mantle, which is a barrier to environmental contaminants like bacteria and viruses. The bacteria that proliferate on a dog as a result of the stripped-away protective layer can end up adding an unpleasant scent of their own. Over-bathing with a shampoo for people will also leave a dog's skin dry and often irritated.

Once you have the proper shampoo, it's fine to bathe them no more often than every month or two. Thorough rinsing is key. If shampoo remains stuck in the hair coat, it can actually lead to infection.

So, start the water, get out the towels and shampoo and good luck catching him/her if the bath is not his/her favorite thing to do. Lucky you if it is.



Dogs have given us their absolute all. We are the center of their universe. We are the focus of their love and faith and trust. They serve us in return for scraps. It is without a doubt the best deal man has ever made.

~Roger Caras~

IF YOU CAN'T HELP RIGHT NOW AS A VOLUNTEER OR BY ADOPTING, PLEASE CONSIDER A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION. THANK YOU!



Rescue Ranch participates in many events where a booth is set up and several rescue dogs are showcased, hoping for a home. There is information about boarding, volunteering and adopting. Some of those venues include PetSmart, Siskiyou Central Credit Union, Sears, Gold Rush Days, and Iron Dog Competitions.



As this Newsletter is being printed, we are in the process of receiving sixteen new, needy four-legged creatures. Eleven of them were rescued from a puppy mill and five were saved from euthanasia at a facility out of the area. All of them will visit the vet for neutering/spaying, all need current vaccinations and at least 2 of them are sick and need special treatment. This will be a huge bill! If you can help, it would be very much appreciated.

Happy Endings

My name is **LADY** and this is the story of how I was adopted.



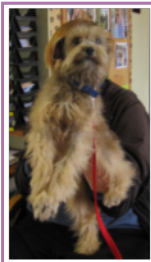
After cruelly being left in the woods with my puppies, I was found by a kind man nearby who took us all in. Unfortunately, his other dog and I had a difference of opinion. That is how we ended up staying at the Rescue Ranch. My puppies found homes and I was listed on PetFinder.com.

To my surprise some people in Sequim, WA, who had recently lost their beloved boxer to cancer, decided to rescue another who needed a loving home and came upon a gorgeous picture of me on PetFinders and decided to contact RR to hear my story. My friends there talked to this family in my behalf and a week later I was enroute to meet them. It was love at first sight! A few hours later we arrived at my new home where I have a fenced-in yard and my own bed INSIDE! Get this....I am allowed on the furniture!! I am very happy and almost have my family trained. I want to thank my

friends at RR for making it possible for me to be a member of this wonderful, loving family. 😊

Please let us know how your dog has settled in. We LOVE to get e-mails and letters: especially with photos! info@rddog.org

TRENTON was living in very poor, crowded inside conditions with more than a dozen others. He wasn't at RR long when a Board member decided to take him home he has become such a loving, calming influence that you can find him any day at the local hospice as an official, charming ambassador whom everyone loves.



This little girl had been in a home with lots of teens and other dogs, when all she wanted was a quiet place to call her own. A very kind senior who was losing her older poodle decided to take **SADIE** to help fill the hole left in her heart when her friend passed. Sadie has not only filled that hole, but has made a quiet, loving place for herself in that grateful heart.

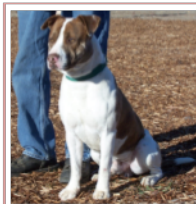


"JACK is doing fantastic here in Alaska!" He gets to go to work everyday with his logger "dad". They drive dump trucks and backhoes together. After work they go fishing, where Jack wears his own special-made lifejacket. He has quickly become the camp dog and has everyone looking out for him. PS: Jack was Best Man at his "Dad's" wedding just recently.

SAMI is one very lucky guy. We were afraid we'd have trouble finding him a home because of his fearfulness issues, but it just takes the right people to turn a situation around. His new home houses 3 "siblings" on 3 acres and he loves to run and run. His family says "he is a real joy and is doing fantastic". "He's a happy, happy kid!"



This young lady went to a BIG ranch as a working dog, herding livestock. **TIPPER'S** family says she works with sheep, goats and their babies and is "doing amazing". She's such a "sweet girl, a joy to be around and you guys were right...she sleeps in our bed!!" Tipper has found her forever home and an important job to do.



"We are so in love with **BO**", I never thought I'd love a pitbull but he's so sweet and does such funny things. He's our little darling". "We love his smile"....and he's friendly with all creatures.....he loves the cats and other dog in the family. After found running with

a pack of dogs in Mt. Shasta and then spending a month in another facility, Bo knows a good thing when he sees it!

WANTED: MORE LOVING HOMES. The adoption fee is \$150.00 (\$100.00 for seniors) which is much less than the cost of caring for one dog for one month, with vaccinations, food, and medical care.

STEADFAST VOLUNTEERS

BILL DORON - VOLUNTEER



Bill Doron, Volunteer Extraordinaire, has been volunteering at RR probably the longest of anyone. He started up on Black Mtn. in 2000, by spending one day a week walking, grooming and “fussing over” the many inhabitants there. Those were the days when he had full-time positions working in the classroom as a Teacher’s Aid or teaching History and Political Science at COS.

Bill (and his wife, Sue) were instrumental in helping to re-home dozens of dogs during the transition to the Oberlin Road site, by fostering about 17 of them at one time or another.

These days, Bill is at the Ranch 3 full days a week, cleaning, walking dogs and accomplishing any task that is asked of him, and in his “spare time” he and Sue, are the principal transportation to the veterinary appointments in Mt. Shasta. Bill spends time with his favorite “Libby” or “Rubber Lips” as some call her, and when there are local events where RR could participate with a booth and by showcasing dogs, Bill is always ready to participate. Bill also has a regular route for maintaining the dozens of donation boxes in local businesses scattered around the county which are so instrumental in helping to finance the care of the dogs.

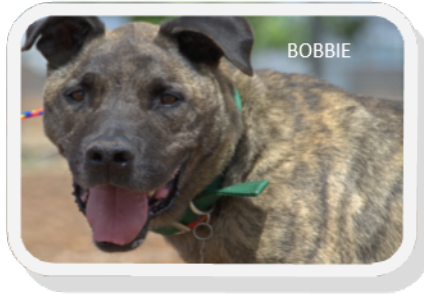
When asked “Why do you do this?”, Bill replied that the “dogs are great” and the folks at Rescue Ranch are the “best people I’ve ever worked with”.

Rescue Ranch is very grateful for the commitment that Bill made to the dogs “way back when” (and continues to display) and couldn’t imagine trying to operate without him. Thank you so much, Bill.

YOU TOO CAN HELP

Volunteers are the lifeblood of any organization. Along with board members and staff, regular volunteers help by providing muscle, love and compassion with great team spirit. The rewards for helping those in need and especially those who cannot speak for themselves, are life changing. RR is an organization that has set a very high standard in all aspects of rescue and is most grateful to the generous, caring people who donate to this very worthy cause. Please call (530) 842-0829 today, to see what you can do to help. With your support we are making the world a better place.

LOOKING FOR A HOME



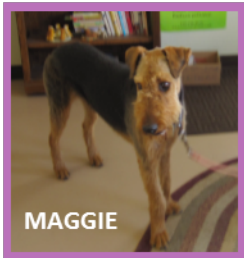
Our volunteers are the greatest! Rescue Ranch literally could not survive without these wonderful people who so generously give of their time to help care for the four-legged friends who live here. We also praise and thank those who stop by just to drop off a bag of food, a box of treats, a dog bed, a leash or a bag of sheets, towels or blankets. You are all our heroes!!

~Boarding News~

The Rescue Ranch Boarding Facility is growing by leaps and bounds. We acquire new clients almost daily and on many weekends, have to turn away people because we are full (and maybe have been booked up for weeks!).

Remember to call and book your dates as far ahead of time as possible, to ensure that your 4-legged friend(s) will have a space.

We thank you, our clients, for making our facility the success that it is and the tremendous help that the boarding fees are in helping to care for the rescue dogs.



MAGGIE

HAPPY BOARDERS



ODIE



ELLIE

DID YOU KNOW.... When a dog bays at the moon he is following a basic urge to call the pack together.

A man wrote a letter to the owner of a small hotel he planned to visit on his vacation. He wrote: "I would very much like to bring my dog with me. He is well-groomed and very well-behaved. Would you be willing to permit me to keep him in my room with me at night?"

An immediate reply came from the hotel owner, who wrote: "Sir: I've been operating this hotel for many years. In all that time, I've never had a dog steal towels, bed clothes, silverware or pictures off the walls. I've never had to evict a dog in the middle of the night for being drunk and disorderly. And I've never had a dog run out on a hotel bill.

Yes, indeed, your dog is welcome at my hotel. And, if your dog will vouch for you, you're welcome to stay here, too."



DID YOU KNOW.... Dogs have to *learn* that hugs are good. They instinctively see putting a limb over them as a sign of dominance.

Making a donation to Rescue Ranch has just been made easier. We now have a [donate button](#) on our website at www.rrdog.org.

Because our boarding facility has been such a resounding success, our goal is to expand our kennels to accommodate more happy customers and their dogs. If you would like to make a contribution to help us reach our goal, any amount helps and would be greatly appreciated. All donations are tax deductible.

Rescue Ranch Happenings

NEW ROAD

You may have noticed that the road into the Ranch has been widened and re-graded. That was the first step in the road improvement plan. The second step will be to apply a sealant after some settling has occurred. All of this is thanks to our neighbors to the south, Chuck Vasey of Barnbuilders Plus and Clayton Hansen of Advantage Paving. Thank you, neighbors.

AGILITY CLASSES—This year has shown record interest in the classes here at RR. The second session is about finished and the third will begin at the end of August. Call us at 842-0829 for more information. The first 10 who pre-register and pre-pay will be assured of a spot. If you are not in the first 10, there's a waiting list and/or arrangements can be made for private lessons. Kathy and her husband, Vern, are two of our greatest supporters and we appreciate them and what they do so much.



My dog is worried because Alpo is up to \$3 a can. That's almost \$21 in dog money.
~ Joe Weinstein ~



LOTUS FINDS A HOME—Our sweet Lotus “is settling in nicely and already feels like one of the family! She enjoys sniffing around the yard, lounging in the grass, and of course playing fetch with her precious ball! Thanks for letting us take such a precious pup home. She’s a wonderful dog and we love her very much.”

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR COMPASSION, YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS, THE TIME YOU VOLUNTEER, YOUR CARING. THE BOARD, THE STAFF AND MOST OF ALL THE DOGS, THANK YOU WITH ALL THEIR HEARTS.



BARKLEY



PENNY



BATMAN

STILL LOOKING FOR A FOREVER HOME

*"You took me in.
You gave me love
and may we never
part"*

TIM

RANDY



GUINNESS