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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

It's a big year coming up for Rescue Ranch. A lot of challenge, a lot of opportunity to grow. It is important to remember the people who made this whole thing come to be. Like the people who donated the land the Ranch sits upon. Like the people who put a chain link fence all the way around the perimeter of the property. Like the people who graded the site, poured the concrete slab, bought the bricks.

Like the people who laid the bricks and built the roof, installed the kennels, laid the drain field and met every other need. Those who opened the door and let the world come in. People like Ralph Hill, who remembered RR in his will with an astonishing gift.

I can remember a time when there was just an empty field, and now look.....

We're at the point where we're outgrowing the existing facilities and looking now for ways to grow the rescue program without having to spend a lot of money to construct more buildings. We have a staff in place to meet every situation in a professional and caring manner. To me they are the beating heart of RR.

We have a corps of talented and generous volunteers who give selflessly of their time, treasure and gifts of every kind. Someone planted all of those trees, nurtured them into shade-providing areas in the outside kennels.

We have a Board of Directors; 9 people doing their collective best to chart the wise course. We can't lose!

We do it to help our four-legged friends find loving homes...we do it for the people who benefit from the service that RR provides. WE DO IT ALL FOR THE DOGS.

We look forward with eager anticipation to whatever the new year provides.

Thank you for your continuing support. All of us together make a pretty formidable team! ~ JACK

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

"KITU"

Thank you to all those caring and compassionate people who so generously gave to "KITU'S FUND" to help him and other fourlegged spirits who are in need of specialized treatment.

Kitu is doing very well and enjoying being a puppy (since he missed out on puppyhood due to injuries and pain), and now post surgery, he is chasing grasshoppers and his foster sisters. His helicopter tail never stops twirling and his goofy grin is infectious. He is also playmate and teacher



to four-month-old shelter pup, Bear, helping him learn to play politely and to be better socialized when he is adopted.

Kitu's foster family have decided to commit to him for life and adopt him, "he is such an integral part of our family now.... but we realize that there will always be an ongoing need for emergency funds for future dogs like Kitu", says his "Mom".

TOWARDS A BETTER WORLD WITH YOUR SUPPORT



...dogs can smell a good person a mile away!

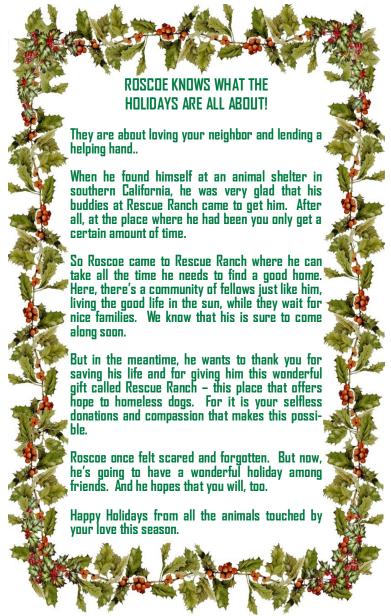
ADOPTION AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Thanks to a generous grant from the ASPCA for the Adoption Ambassador Program (AAP) we can finally kick off a foster program we have long been awaiting at Rescue Ranch. The AAP is exciting in that it allows foster parents, who have time and love invested in their foster pups, to be an integral part of placing a Rescue Ranch pup in the perfect home. We at Rescue Ranch have had a vision for a long time that an active foster program is the best way for us to increase the numbers of dogs that we can save when our shelter is full and the pups are out of time at other facilities. This grant has allowed us to cover increased expenses due to additional insurance costs for dogs cared for outside our Rescue Ranch shelter walls.

We hope you are excited, as we are, about this new program! If you are interested in more information, making a specific donation or becoming a foster parent yourself contact Rescue Ranch via phone, (530) 842-0829, Facebook, or email, info@rrdog.org. AAP Coordinator Alisa Fraser will be happy to answer any questions and help you find a way to get involved in this exciting program that saves lives.







RESCUE RANCH COMPLETED 166 ADOPTIONS IN 2014 AND HAS RE-HOMED 160 DESERVING DOGS ALREADY THIS YEAR!! YOU HAVE HELPED MAKE THAT POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

WE CONTINUE TO NEED FINANCIAL SUPPORT

In addition to regular food supplies, veterinarian services and day-to-day operational expenses, we need extra funds for the injured and neglected souls who come to us in need of <u>specialized</u> treatment. We call that fund "KITUS Fund.", (see page 1). 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 Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries, births and deaths, which will be acknowledged with an appropriate custom card.





JOSÉ TRUJILLO—VOLUNTEER

This 79-years young gentleman, reliable and consistent, began volunteering at Rescue Ranch in September of 2014. He read a small article addressing RR and the need for help and just showed up one day looking to do whatever was needed.

This was not José's first rodeo in regard to volunteering . He has driven the hospital Auxiliary transport van for Fairchild Medical Center, he helps out at the "Broadway New To You" shop in

town and at the Siskiyou Arboretum.

After trying several other types of "chores" at the Ranch, he decided he wanted to "just walk dogs". "I really enjoy walking dogs. I'm very comfortable here", says José, who shows up almost every day.

He's big on staying healthy and exercising, both outdoors and in the pool. "I'd rather be walking than sitting around the house." he says.

Even so, when José is walking dogs, he saunters rather than sprints. He says, "Sometimes I'll just stopand the dogs look back at me as if to say 'C'mon, Boss, let's get going.'"

This very much appreciated, dedicated man says, "I like dogs. I really like dogs. Dogs are better than people".

Thanks, José, we couldn't possibly do what we do without great folks like you!







MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

On Sunday, December 6th, from 11:00 to 3:00 Rescue Ranch is meeting up with Santa at Tractor Supply Company to take pictures with you, and/or your kids, and/or your dog(s). A \$5.00 donation, a bag of Diamond Lamb and Rice dogfood or dog toys and goodies would be appreciated. Come, say hello to Santa and have a great picture taken for your Holiday cards or just for fun!

Join all of us at Rescue Ranch in thanking the Board of the Arthur R. Dubs Foundation for their a grant award of \$2,500 to assist with Rescue Ranch's veterinary expenses. The Arthur R. Dubs Foundation is a local organization in Medford, Oregon and we greatly appreciate their support and recognition of, 1) our mission and programs for shelter dogs and, 2) the people "south of the border" in Siskiyou County. Please visit their webpage to learn more about their philanthropic efforts in our rural communities.

http://www.ardubsfoundation.org

VOLUNTEERS MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE!



"Annie has been such a perfect addition to our family. She gets along well with adults, kids and other dogs however, she IS a

skunk-killer! She is very smart and soon figured out our routine and habits – actually she whipped US into shape!! Rescue Ranch...keep up the great work!!"

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.

Did you know that 45% of dogs sleep in their owner's bed (we're pretty sure a large percentage also hog the blankets!)

OPEN HOUSE, 2015 WAS A ROUSING SUCCESS!

Rescue Ranch celebrated its annual Open House on Saturday, October 3rd. A good time was enjoyed by everyone, as we had barbecued foods, great music provided by the River Rock band, a yummy dessert auction, (orchestrated by our new friend, Harold McFall, awesome Auctioneer), election of next year's Board of Directors, and an information table attended to by Tammie Pipkin informing visitors about dog training for Post Traumatic Stress victims.

The upbeat mood was matched by the bright sunny weather, though mid-afternoon winds gave organizers fits trying to keep displays from blowing off table tops. Some lucky raffle winners claimed a Zuma scooter, two beautiful homemade quilts and a \$500 gift certificate from Tractor Supply, plus a host of very nice items donated by generous local merchants.

The revenue raised will help the Ranch care for the adoptable, lovable dogs until they can find their forever homes. This is a big task and the loyal support of our community has been awesome since we opened in 2009. We deeply appreciate the help of our many supporters and merchants. Please come out and visit our wonderful staff, volunteers and four-legged friends.

2014 VET BILLS: \$20,684.00

2015 VET BILLS TO-DATE: \$17,600.00

FOR DONATIONS

Please fill out below and insert in enclosed envelope. Thank you so much!

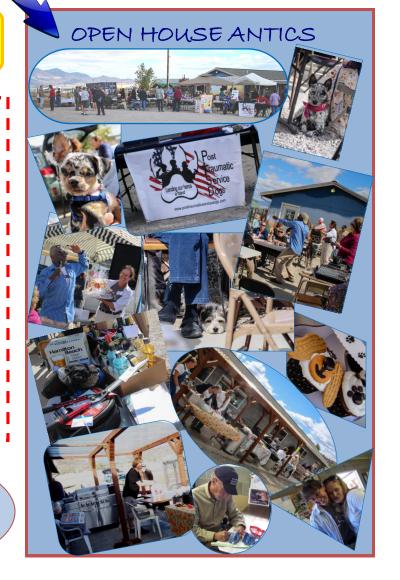
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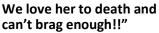
"No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as the dog does."

— Christopher Morley —



Happy Endings

"MATTY" is doing excellent...healthy and happy. "She never does anything wrong, and she's so smart! She'll "talk " to you when she wants attention. We swore she would never sleep on the bed.....guess where she sleeps!!







"BELLA" loves to cuddle on the couch and to play and swim with her step brother 'Brody'. Her favorite place is on the bed! "She has bonded very closely with her 'Daddy' and we thank you so much,

Rescue Ranch!"

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







"She's the most wonderful companion" and even fits in with and likes the cats! "

"MAY", now "Miss Daisy May", is amazing says her happy Mom! "We were made for each other".

A RESCUED DOG WILL LEARN THE SONG IN YOUR HEART AND SING IT BACK TO YOU WHEN YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN IT.

"LAYLA" also known as Lyla, is very sweet. She has a few funny quirks, like rock chewing and greeting visitors with a friendly "I'mtalking-to-you" barking monologue, and her family



says "Lyla is a really cute, good girl. ...a sweet dog and we love her."



"We weren't exactly out looking for a new dog, but when I learned that RR needed kiddie pools due to the hot summer heat, I had to bring some down. A dangerous proposition for someone who had lost their dog only weeks before! I decided to just "take a peek" at the dogs. Of course the first set of big, puppy-dog eyes I see are "SIMBA'S." I couldn't resist the urge to go inside his kennel. He gladly greeted me, showering me with wet kisses, snuggles and wagging tail. I responded by bursting out in tears. Instantly, it was a yes for me. His personality shines more and more by the day. He is showered with toys, playtime, treats and homemade food. He takes us on walks, snuggles on our bed at night and sneaks in a French

kiss (yuck) now and then. RR is amazing. They invest in their pups, by altering and shot updates. They screen new pet people's homes, other family members and pets. They want to know that every dog from their no-kill shelter will be



happy, safe and healthy. And Simba certainly is."

Did you know....Dogs' eyes contain a special membrane, called the tapetum lucidum, which allows them to see in the dark?

WANTED: MORE LOVING HOMES.

Part Schipperke and a little something



else, "ROSEANNE", now known as Nicki, has found herself a very cool home with two loving people and a step-sister. She pays her way by keeping the deer away and in return, gets

lots of ball play-time. She's a "nice, calm dog" and is "doing wonderful". "We're happy we got her".

This pretty girl is the neighborhood raccoons' worst



enemy! Even so, "HANK'S" new family says she is the "most beautiful dog in the world" and has "become my best friend". Hank is pretty lucky, too, she gets several walks a day, a soup bone almost daily, long hikes in the mountains and lots of loving!!

SAVE A LIFE ... ADOPT A DOG!



OUR BOARDING CLIENTELE LIST CONTINUES TO GROW AND IS DEFINITELY HELPING TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF CARING FOR OUR RESCUE DOGS. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR WONDERFUL AND GENEROUS CLIENTS.

WHY SENIOR PETS ARE THE BEST!

If you're the proud pet parent of a senior dog, you already know how lucky you are. The love, loyalty, and wisdom of a super senior is sure to fill the hearts of any family. If you are thinking about adopting an older animal, don't miss these 5 reminders why senior pets are the best!

- 1. They're totally willing to show younger canine companions the ropes: If you have younger pets in the house, seniors are good at stepping up and being a good example.
- 2. They're content sleeping in with you: Nothing's better than a lazy morning snuggling with your four-legged best friend!
- 3. They've learned to read you like no one else can: The comfort of a dog is sometimes the best cure for a bad day! Even a newly adopted senior has likely had many years of experience reading human emotions and will probably have no problem reading yours.
- 4. They're pros at their favorite game: Your senior pooch may be a little slower at retrieving that ball, but he's still a pro.
- 5. They're thankful for their time with you: Whether it's out and about for an adventure together or quality time on a comfy couch, senior pets just want to be loved and truly appreciate their time with you......We hope you will consider a senior!

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO CONTINUE OUR LIFE-SAVING WORK.

"'SADIE' loves everyone!....other dogs, the cat, the goats and people. She likes to swim but her greatest joy is chasing the stream of water from a garden hose. She runs, barks and can even get air chasing that elusive stream. She gets her daily exercise while I water the trees.



Miss Sadie is a lover and expresses her affection by sharing the recliner any time I park myself in it. It doesn't matter that she

is contorted and appears to be less than comfortable, she just wants to be close to me.

She smiles with her eyes to let me know all is well in our little world together. I love this little pup."

VOLUNTEERS ROCK!!

Rescue Ranch is seeking some very special volunteers who have a heart for raising funds for the support of the dogs. This is a critical need...so if you have not only the heart, but some skills or experience or even just the desire to learn, we need you.

Please call the Ranch at (530) 842-0829 now!



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"JOE COCKER", now just Joe, is "doing really well". This very sensitive guy knows when his mistress isn't feeling well and sticks to her wherever she is, "he doesn't leave my side", she says.

We saw him at the Ranch and instantly, "that was it, we had to have him that day! We are very happy we took him home."

AGILITY TRAINING

CALL THE RANCH TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST FOR NEXT SPRING'S AGILITY CLASSES. THEY FILL UP FAST.

DATES ARE YET TO BE DETERMINED.

FUNDRAISING EFFORTS AND DONATIONS ARE REAL BLESSINGS AS WE STRUGGLE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF SO MANY.

DOG RULES

- 1. The dog is not allowed in the house.
- 2. Okay, the dog is allowed in the house ... but only in certain rooms.
- 3. The dog is allowed in all rooms.... but has to stay off the furniture.
- 4. The dog can get on the old furniture only.
- 5. Fine...the dog is allowed on all furniture,but is not allowed to sleep with humans on the bed.
- 6. Okay, the dog is allowed on the bed ... but only by invitation.
- 7. The dog can sleep on the bed whenever he wantsbut not under the covers.
- 8. Okay, the dog can sleep under the covers... by invitation only.
- 9. The dog can sleep under the covers anytime.
- 10. Humans must ask permission to sleep under the covers with the dog.

EVERY YEAR THOUSANDS OF DOGS ARE ABUSED, ABANDONED, STARVED, MAIMED, TORTURED OR DESTROYED. PLEASE DO WHAT YOU CAN.

> DONATE...ADOPT... **VOLUNTEER...**



FUTURE VOLUNTEER

Kaiya Davidson was 13 years old in September and her birthday wish was to donate to the dogs at Rescue Ranch. Her Dad helped her bring in 2 big bags of dogfood and treats for

our pampered tenants. Thank you so much, Kaiya!!

"Thank you, we are both doing well." says "PRINCE'S new best friend. (He is now known as Christopher.) "My sister-in-law saw his picture in the paper and insisted that 'he's the one for you'", and he was!......" liked him from the very beginning." In the morning he "has to have some love" and "whenever I sit down, he's in my lap!" A very successful adoption!.







"She is great!" says GISELLA'S new best friend. This beautiful senior girl had lost her home and the people she knew, but after being at RR only 20 minutes, a traveler from Washington state just dropped by to check out RR and immediately fell in love with her. He said he wanted to "take her home to enjoy the rest of her life". She has fit in real well with the other dogs (also rescues), is eating good and is being well taken care of. "She's always waiting for me at the front door or at my

chair. She is a sweetie and I love her."



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THANK YOU FOR THE COMPASSION, THE GENEROUS DONATIONS, THE ADOPTIONS, THE TIME YOU VOLUNTEER, AND THE CARE YOU SHOW FOR THE DOGS WHO FIND THEMSELVES AT RESCUE RANCH LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL FOREVER HOME. THE BOARD, THE STAFF AND MOST OF ALL THE DOGS, THANK YOU WITH ALL THEIR **HEARTS.**









WE ARE LOOKING FOR LOVING HOMES—WE NEED YOUR HELP.

DONATE.... ADOPT.... VOLUNTEER....

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



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