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2017 Annual Report

Greetings WAG supporter!

It's been another exciting year at WAG, with 2017 being The Year of Improvements. We leased space next door and moved check-in from outside to inside—no more clients standing in the cold and wet! We also remodeled the clinic to provide a better wellness appointment experience, including a new exam room. These improvements were possible thanks to donors like you!

In August, we welcomed a new Director of Operations, Kurea Delgado, who brings strong leadership experience to WAG. Longtime staffer, Tracy Busby, was promoted to Office Manager, and works closely with our new Scheduling Coordinator, Jill Barnes. In three months, this new team has greatly improved clinic efficiency and client experiences.

What didn't change in 2017? Our amazing medical staff! Dr. Robe, Roni, Dee, Jenny, Kelli, Debbie and Amber have rolled with two years of big transitions at WAG, maintaining the competence, commitment and compassion WAG has come to be known for. Thank you staff!

Next year promises to be another successful year, with WAG reaching some huge milestones including our 10-year anniversary and 50,000th spay/neuter surgery. We are grateful for the support WAG receives from the community and are eager to continue improving client experiences. Thank you WAG supporters!

~WAG Board of Directors



Help Us Reach \$20,000 Matching Donation!

Thanks to a very generous WAG donor, every donation we receive in response to this newsletter will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$20,000!

Please help us reach this \$40,000 goal by donating today. WAG receives no government funding and depends on community donations to meet our goal of making spay/neuter accessible to all. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated!



COMING NEXT YEAR

Celebrating 10 Years and 50,000 Surgeries

It's hard to believe that nearly ten years have passed since WAG's founders, Jill Winans and Kathy Ford, first opened our clinic doors for business. And when WAG reaches its 50,000th spay/neuter surgery next year, that number will conservatively represent a **QUARTER OF A MILLION fewer animals** over the last ten years taxing our local shelters and rescues or suffering on the streets.

Stay tuned for announcements on how WAG plans to celebrate these incredible upcoming milestones in 2018!

FUNDRAISING HIGHLIGHT

Night of a Thousand Spays

This March, over 300 supporters celebrated WAG's mission at our Night of a Thousand Spays gala—the event was a smashing success! We raised over \$41,000 thanks to generous business donors, community sponsors, event volunteers and attendees. A special thanks goes to our Platinum Sponsor, Edgewater Furniture and Mattress, and our Gold Sponsor, Lovable Dog Rescue, whose support made this event a true success. Our paddle raise alone brought in over \$16,000 which was used to buy much needed medical equipment and cat kennels. The remaining \$25,000 raised continues to fund monthly subsidy promotions for limited-income pet parents.

This year's promotions included FREE spay/neuters for pits/pit mixes, as well as much-reduced surgery prices for cats and dogs with specials like our "Summer Spayathon."

Thanks to everyone who made our gala a huge success and helped us reach our goal to make spay/neuter surgery affordable for all in 2017!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To Local Businesses and Individuals Who Keep WAG Running Smoothly

WAG is grateful to businesses and individuals that donated time, talent and materials in 2017 for our clinic remodel, maintenance and marketing. A huge thank you to:

- Castile Construction
- Sherwin-Williams
- Dennis Straub
- Brandt Weaver
- Radley Sustaire
- Meghan Morgavan
- Think Electric
- Pure Oregon Productions
- Rob English
- Rosie Leung
- Lee Ordonez
- Serena Walsh

SPREAD THE WORD!

WAG Seeks to Expand Its Board of Directors

WAG's Board of Directors is comprised of six compassionate individuals with unique skills and perspectives working to make a real difference for animals. Does this sound like you? Consider joining us!

The WAG Board meets monthly, with occasional supplementary meetings and events. Whether a professional, retiree, or any other walk of life, if you are a passionate about animal welfare issues and have the time and skills to lend in furtherance of WAG's mission, we encourage you to apply.

We're particularly interested in individuals with experience in marketing, bookkeeping/accounting, social media, fundraising, grant writing and public outreach. Applications available at <http://bit.ly/WAGboard>.



FUNDRAISING HIGHLIGHT

Spay It Forward

In 2017, over 400 WAG clients Spayed It Forward by rounding up their bill or donating at the time of service, collectively raising over \$4,000! Funds from the Spay It Forward program go toward helping limited-income community members afford to spay/neuter their pets. Thank you, WAG clients, for your support!

A SPECIAL NOTE

From Our New Director of Operations

I want to thank everyone for the warm welcome I have received in my first three months at WAG, especially from the wonderful staff and volunteers. I am excited to have joined WAG just as we make celebration plans for our 10-year anniversary and our 50,000th surgery in 2018, and I look forward to meeting many of the wonderful WAG supporters that make our spay/neuter clinic possible. We couldn't do it without you!

Sincerely,
Kurea Delgado

SAVE THE DATE!

SPOT Wild West Casino Night

Stop Pet Overpopulation Today (SPOT) provides spay/neuter vouchers to limited-income dog parents for use at WAG's clinic. On **April 21, 2018**, SPOT will present their Wild West Casino Night at The Shedd's Jaqua Concert Hall.

Please plan to join WAG in supporting this fun event and help SPOT fix 4,000 more dogs at WAG! For more information: 541-684-4429 or spotspayneuter.org.



(Willamette Animal Guild staff)

COMING IN 2018

Parking Lot Sale

WAG plans to have a big fundraising sale next May and will start collecting donations in 2018—stay tuned for donation drop-off dates/times! We will happily accept any new/used items that are clean and in good repair, and we would love to take those “not quite right” holiday gifts you may receive off your hands! All donations are tax-deductible.

Holiday Gift Idea

Local bike builder English Cycles and Handlebar Mustache Apparel have teamed up to support WAG with a limited edition run of specially-designed, made in the USA socks. Just in time for the gift-giving season! 100% of the profits (\$10) for each pair sold will go directly to WAG. And for every 2 pairs you buy, Handlebar Mustache will donate a pair of socks to a homeless shelter. A limited run of these fun cycling (or everyday) socks will be released on Black Friday (November 24) at hbstache.com.



Support WAG Today!

Help us make low-cost spay/neuter accessible to all! Please use the enclosed envelope and donation form to support us today. You can also make a donation by credit card/Paypal:

www.wagwag.org/donate. Thank you!

CALL TO ACTION

Volunteer with Us!

VOLUNTEER AT EVENTS

Join our Fundraising Team by posting flyers, or working a shift at an event. Share our spay and neuter mission, price of services, collect donations, and visit with our community members.

VOLUNTEER ON THE MAT

Spend time recovering patients after their spay or neuter surgery. These pets need to be monitored as they awaken from their anesthesia.

VOLUNTEER IN OUR PACK ROOM

Clean surgical instruments, sterilize them, and wrap spay & neuter packs. Also, clean e-tubes and masks for the next day. Meanwhile, you get the best view in the clinic of our busy treatment room.

VOLUNTEER WITH ANIMAL CHECK-IN

Walk out to our clients' cars to gather cats in their carriers and dogs on their leashes for surgery check in. Weigh dogs, assist the doctor/tech with their exams, and settle them into their kennel for the day.

Contact us about volunteering and apply at:
<http://wagwag.org/volunteer-opportunities/>.



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WAG CONTACT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

TO SCHEDULE A SPAY OR NEUTER SURGERY

Online Form: www.wagwag.org/request-an-appointment

Email: wagappointments@gmail.com | Phone: 541-345-3566

TO SCHEDULE A WELLNESS APPOINTMENT (vaccine, etc.)

Online Form: www.wagwag.org/wellness-appointment

Email: wagwellness@gmail.com | Phone: 541-461-1762

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To Our 2017 Volunteers

We want to extend a hearty thank you to our 2017 volunteers including Margaret, Jody, Gail, Sandy, Janie, Cheryl, Frannie, DeAnn, Dianne, Carlee, Lynda, Sharon, Santana, Cindy, Barb, Joy, Kelli, and Bonne.

To Our Landlords

Many, many thanks to WAG's landlords, Joyce and Jerry Haffner, whose care, concern and support have been so instrumental in WAG's success. You have given WAG a long-term home, room to expand and five-star service. We truly cannot thank you enough!

Did You Know?

Dr. Bernie Robe joined our clinic staff just two months after WAG's opening, which means that Dr. Robe will be celebrating his 10th year anniversary and 50,000th spay/neuter surgery with WAG in 2018 as well! WAG is so lucky to have found such an incredible surgeon and a wonderful human being who works so hard to fulfill our important mission. Thank you for everything, Doc!

Shop & Support WAG

What's the easiest way to support WAG? Shopping! Link your Fred Meyer Rewards card to Willamette Animal Guild (# 83445 at fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. (Community Rewards expire so be sure to check that your card is still linked to WAG). Also, see smile.amazon.com to link your Amazon account to benefit WAG. Thank you!



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