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# 2018 Annual Report

### **Greetings WAG supporter:**

Here at WAG, we're calling 2018 "The Year of the Milestone" and for good reason: in March, we completed our **50,000th** spay/neuter surgery--a number conservatively representing a quarter of a million less unwanted cats and dogs suffering on our streets or taxing our community's shelters and rescues. WOW!

WAG also celebrated its tenth year in January, a feat possible in part by the incredible support WAG has received from hundreds of clinic volunteers over the years. We're so grateful for their dedication.

Our amazing veterinarian, Dr. Robe, celebrated his very own tenth anniversary and 50,000th surgery at WAG this year--a truly incredible accomplishment. We're immensely proud of Doc and of all of our compassionate and committed staff members without whom WAG could not have reached these goals. Thank you, Team WAG!

Of course, all these milestones were made possible with support from our loyal donors. Whether you send monthly donations, make a year-end contribution, donate items or services for our fundraising events, sponsor our Night of a Thousand Spays gala or drop a donation in our clinic jar--YOU are the lifeblood of this organization and we cannot thank you enough. Together we can FIX pet overpopulation!

~Misha English President, WAG Board of Directors











### Help Us Secure a \$15,000 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 \$15,000!

Please help us reach this \$30,000 goal by donating today using the enclosed envelope. WAG receives no government funding and depends on community donations to meet our mission of making spay/neuter accessible to all. Your support is very much needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you!

### SAVE THE DATE 2019 Night of a Thousand Spays

Mark your calendars!! WAG presents its 2nd Night of a Thousand Spays gala on March 30, 2019 at The Shedd in Eugene. In 2017, 300 gala attendees raised over \$42,000 to fund WAG's goal of providing low-income subsidies for 1,000 spay/neuter surgeries in 2017. Let's do it again in 2019!

Please plan to join us for this fun-filled event featuring silent and live auctions, fantastic raffles, wine walls, an elegant attire contest and the fabulous WAG Wheel!

We want to thank our returning sponsors including our Platinum Sponsor, Edgewater Furniture and Mattress, as well as Luvable Dog Rescue, English Cycles, Caddy Daddy Golf, KMTR, Castile Construction, Pure Oregon Productions and Velo Bed and Breakfast.

Advance tickets for open seating: \$50/1, \$45/each for 2 and \$40/each for 3 or more. \$50/each at the door. Tickets will be available for purchase through The Shedd website or at the WAG clinic in 2019. Admission includes hors d'oeuvres and Sweet Life sweets plus drink, raffle and WAG Wheel spin tickets.

Group tables (parties of 3-10) are available to purchase by contacting Misha at eventdirector@wagwag.org. Reserved tables are \$50/per person and are sold on a first come, first serve basis.

#### A SPECIAL THANK YOU

### To Our 2018 Clinic Volunteers

We want to extend a huge thank you to our amazing 2018 clinic volunteers including: Lacey, Margaret, Jody, Gail, Sandy, Janie, Cheryl, Frannie, DeAnn, Kelli, Carlee, Lynda, Sharon, Santana, Cindy B., Barb, Joy, Megan, Audrey, Cindy L., Diane and Bonne.









#### YEAR TO DATE 2018

### **WAG** by the Numbers

S/N SURGERIES YTD 4,505 53,309 S/N SURGERIES SINCE 2008 10 SPECIALS FOR LOW-INCOME CLIENTS YTD 673 CLIENTS RECEIVING S/N SUBSIDIES YTD 381

FERAL PKGS. (S/N, VACCINES, FLEA Tx) YTD





#### WE APPRECIATE

### Local Businesses and Individuals Who Keep WAG Running Smoothly

WAG is grateful to those who donated time, talent and materials in 2018. Many thanks to the following businesses and individuals:

- Castile Construction Think Electric
- Sherwin-Williams
- Jerry & Joyce Haffner
- Dennis Straub
- Cheryl Byer
- Petersen Plumbing
- Rosie Leung
- Radley Sustaire
- David Delgado
- The Painting Guy
- Jim Ott

#### **FUNDRAISING HIGHLIGHT**

### **Spay It Forward**

In 2018, over 300 WAG clients Spayed It Forward by rounding up their bill or donating at the time of service, collectively raising over \$2,500! 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!

### **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

### **PenFed Credit Union**

In August, WAG received a \$5,000 donation from PenFed Credit Union's Eugene Service Center. The gift was part of PenFed's 2018 commitment to give \$100,000 to Eugene nonprofits that "make a tremendous impact on the lives of those who live in the Lane County community."

Each quarter, PenFed Service Center employees "select local charities that are in alignment with PenFed's core values and resonate with them personally" to receive charitable gifts. WAG is grateful to PenFed and its Eugene Service Center employees for selecting WAG to receive this sizable donation in support of our spay/neuter goals!



### MORE SUPPORT FOR S/N

### **Grants Support WAG's Mission**

WAG received several grants in the first three quarters of 2018, enabling us to run a host of promotions for pets from low-income situations. We'd like to thank the Petco Foundation, the Isaac and Leah M. Potts Foundation, Inc.,

the Mary Wall Trust and the Leslie G. Ehmann Trust for their long-standing, generous support of WAG's mission to curb pet overpopulation.





### **HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS**

### **Socks for Spays!**

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. These colorful and fun cycling (or everyday) socks are available at hbstache.com.



### **WAG Gift Certificates**

Give the gift that keeps on NOT giving! WAG gift certificates are great for family, friends and neighbors. Can be used for spay/neuter services or for wellness services such as flea treatments or vaccines. Contact WAG for more information or purchase at our clinic.

### **Support WAG Today!**

Be a part of making spay/neuter affordable for all! Please use the enclosed envelope and form to support us today. You can also make a donation online: www.wagwag.org/donate/Thank you!

#### **CALL TO ACTION**

### Volunteer with Us!

#### **VOLUNTEER AT EVENTS**

Join our fundraising team by posting fliers or by working a shift at our gala or other community events. Share our spay/neuter mission, collect donations and visit with our community members and supporters.

#### **VOLUNTEER ON THE MAT**

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

#### **VOLUNTEER IN OUR PACK ROOM**

Clean surgical instruments, sterilize them, wrap spay/ neuter packs, clean e-tubes and masks for the following 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 animal exams, and settle our patients into their kennel for the day.

Contact us about volunteering and apply at: wagwag.org/support/volunteer/







#### WHAT'S NEW AT WAG?

### **WAG Website Revamp**

WAG's new website was launched in late October! We're still at wagwag.org but our site is now much more user-friendly. We'd like to extend a big thank you to our website developer, Rosie Leung, for creating a smart and easy-to-use website for WAG. Check it out!

### **New WAG Email Addresses**

Please note that all email addresses for WAG have now changed. Contact us at appointments@wagwag.org for surgery appointments or questions, and contact us at wellness@wagwag.org for appointments or questions related to flea treatments, vaccines, microchipping, etc.

### **Welcome Charlotte!**

Charlotte Helton joined the WAG team as our scheduling coordinator in July. She has degrees in Applied Science in Energy Mgmt. and Business Mgmt., and worked in retail mgmt. and hospitality before coming to WAG. Charlotte enjoys spending time with her family and cats. Solo, her youngest kitty, is now the official WAG office cat.

### **CALLING ALL SHOPPERS**

### Your Purchases Support S/N

What's the easiest way to support WAG? Shopping! Link your Fred Meyer Rewards card to Willamette Animal Guild # QJ330 at fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. Reward designations expire every year, so be sure to check your card is still linked to WAG. Also, see smile.amazon.com to link your Amazon account to benefit WAG. Thank you!

(Cut here and keep on-hand!)

### WAG CONTACT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE



Online Form: wagwag.org/contact/request-spay-neuter-appt/ Email: appointments@wagwag.org | Phone: 541-345-3566

## TO SCHEDULE A WELLNESS APPOINTMENT (vaccine, etc.)

Online Form: wagwag.org/contact/request-wellness-appt/ Email: wellness@wagwag.org | Phone: 541-461-1762



