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Westie Spotlight :

Buddy Found His Forever Family!



Buddy is a sweet, loving 9 yr old little boy dog that found his forever family. Joan and her late husband adopted Buddy last November. With her husband's recent passing, Joan said "Buddy has been a godsend, he is just perfect in everyway." Buddy was relinquished to Westie Rescue after his original family had gone through a

second marriage with a newly blended family. Buddy was having a hard time fitting in with the new situation. His family asked Westie Rescue to find Buddy a loving home where he could have the life he was meant to live. Joan says Buddy is her "little prince" and is grateful that the Westie Rescue Organization brought them together.

Your Donations Save Lives

Without your support, little Casper would not be alive today. He was found in November of 2010, limping along a back road. He was 5 years old, the tip of his right ear had been bitten off, his tail broken and his intestinal tract was impacted with birdseed among many other serious issues. The Vet reported that Casper had lameness in both of his back legs and suspected he may be in constant pain. Westie Rescue took Casper in. Through the constant loving care of his foster mom he was able to regain his health so that he could be adopted. Today, 4 years later, Casper still needs daily physical therapy but is able to walk ½ mile, loves playing with other dogs and is great with children. His owners say that Casper inspires them everyday, he has a big heart, and is truly their best friend. They cannot thank all of those enough for helping Casper find his way into their home.



WRN At-A-Glance

2014 In Review

28 Westies Rescued
26 Westies Adopted
Total Vet Expense <\$14K
Year End Donations \$14,000
Reserve Balance \$5000
(includes Calendar Sales and Relinquish fees)

2015 WRN Events

Colorado Springs

Bring your Westie and Join our Team
to march in the
St Patrick's Day Parade, March 14th
For more information contact Mark Iancone
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Denver

Bring your Westie and Join the
West Highland White Terrier Club
of Greater Denver
to march in the

St Patrick's Day Parade, March 14th
Please go to the WRN Website for
participation details

From the Editor

We Need Your Help!

We want to showcase your Westies!
Please send your suggestions, stories,
pictures and videos to:
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Your Outreach Team at WRN

Sarah Doud

& Family



Sarah is our Facebook Page Administrator and is a Social Media expert. She has revolutionized the WRN Facebook Page as an avenue for difficult to place fosters and general information to our public. Sarah grew up in Rochester NY and learned to train dogs from an early age by her father. She is an Air Force Veteran for 10 years, stationed in both Vandenberg AFB CA, Malmstrom MT, and recently in Colorado Springs. Currently an AF civilian, she is working in space and cyberspace operations at Peterson AFB. She is married (Mike) w/two kids, Mikey, 17, and Kennedy 10, with Duke (Westie) and Jack (Basset mix). Duke and Jack have both become great foster parents! Sarah started volunteering with WRN in 2010 as a foster parent and to-date has successfully helped placed 8 Westies in new homes.

Lori Searls

w/Casper



Lori has recently joined our marketing team and is very excited to manage the WRN Newsletter and Website content. She comes to us with 20+ years of marketing experience working with such companies as the Danaher Corporation, Kraft Foods and Campbell Soup. She and her husband Doug own a Bio-remediation company. They live in Windsor Colorado and have adopted 4 westies (Quincy, Katie, Ricky and currently Casper) and fostered 2 (Izzy and Doc) over the past 8 years.

Dianne Veno

w/Chester & Beau



Dianne is our Coordinator for Fundraising and Events. She is a professional who during her tenure at both the Pinehurst Country Club and Columbine Country Club in Colorado, was responsible for managing their events. Dianne is currently working as a victims advocate for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department. She has been happily married to David for 23 years and has raised 2 Westies, 2 Cairn Terriers and a Maltese mix. Diane is a proud Colorado native and is excited to be part of the Westie Rescue organization.

A Word From the WRN President

To our WRN family,

It has been 8 months since I took office and I wanted to share a few thoughts. As you may be aware, WRN has experienced many changes within our organization over the last year. I have spoken and met with many of you, both donors and volunteers, and have to say how impressed I am with the love and compassion our organization has for the welfare of Westies in need. The success of WRN is the direct result of our generous donor community and our selfless volunteers. We could not stabilize and nurture the dogs we adopt out without our incredibly dedicated network of foster homes. To all of our fabulous fosters, thank you.

In 2014 we received just over \$14,000 in donations which offset our Veterinary Dog Services and Supply expenses of just under \$14,000. What an incredible outpouring of generosity. We ended the year with a positive cash flow of just under \$3,000. This was generated primarily from adoption fees, relinquishment donations and calendar sales. As a result we have been able to maintain a Board restricted cash reserve balance (our contingency fund) of \$5,000.

We received 28 dogs in 2014 and their average age was 5.8 years. Eighty-one Percent were relinquished by their owners primarily for what was described as "behavior issues" or "not a good fit". We adopted out 26 dogs leaving 2 dogs in the program at the end of the year. It is worth noting that for each dog adopted out we received approximately 4 inquiries from those interested in adoption. It is not unusual for our adopters to wait weeks and sometimes months to receive the right dog. We thank them for their patience.

Thank you again for all of your support. I am looking forward to getting to know and work with all of you.

Gene Bourque, President



Gene w/his boys



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Anytime Puppy Pumpkin Pie Snacks

Yummy, Sweet and So Delicious. If you want to give your dog a special treat, then they will love these homemade snacks. They are hearty, easy to make and *Westie approved!*



- 1 Lg Carrot, Scrubbed and Grated
- 1 Over-ripe Banana, Mashed
- 2 to 3 tsp Parsley Flakes
- 1 tsp Pure Vanilla Extract
- 2 TB Honey
- 1 tsp Cinnamon
- 1 Egg Lightly Beaten
- 1 ½ Cups Raw Rolled Oats
- ½ Cup of Blue Berries (optional)
- ¾ Cup Pure Pumpkin Puree (not pie filling)
- 1 Cup Regular or Gluten-Free Flour (if your dog has allergies)

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees (325 degrees for glass or nonstick pan)
- Line your pan w/parchment paper in a 11" x 15" or 9" x 13" rimmed baking sheet.
- In a large bowl mix all ingredients together until well blended.
- Spoon and spread the batter into prepared pan and smooth out evenly to about ¼ inch thick.
- Using a sharp knife or pizza cutter, score the raw batter into sticks or squares that are the appropriate size for your dog.
- Bake for 25 minutes, rotating the pan after 12 minutes.
- Let the snacks cool on a wire rack
- Break into pieces – these snacks will be cake like, so if you would like to have crunchier treats, simply preheat your oven back to 350 degrees, place the snacks into the oven and turn the oven off. Let your snacks sit/dry in the oven for 1-2 hours. Store the snacks in a tight container in the refrigerator or freeze in storage bags.

Nutritional information: Servings 50ish, Calories 26, Calories from fat 0, Total fat 0g, Cholesterol 5 mg, Sodium 0 mg, Carbohydrates 5g, Dietary Fiber 0g, Sugars 1g, Protein 1g.

Adapted from Penzeys Spices Fall Catalog 2014



Thank You for your Donation!



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dogs could not be
rescued, rehabilitated or
rehomed without your
love and support.*

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