

All of us at Old Dog Haven are thankful for our loyal supporters.



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"WE LOVE THIS ORGANIZATION!"

Diane and Dave with Ellie, Sully, Randall Boggs and Celia Mae

"Back in 2005 we were looking for an animal volunteer situation for our disabled son, David Carl. He was too medically fragile to ever work, but needed a 'job' to give him purpose and pleasure. I discovered ODH, and a perfect partnership was formed. He took to it instantly, and made sure that each dog was loved, cared for, and found a perfect home. Until his death in 2016, he had dogs surrounding him, and they loved being adored by him.



David Carl with Macy (L) and Mickey Mouse

"Our first dog, Ginger, stumbled into our home so sick I wondered if she would last the night. Several months later she glowed with health, and we had to face adopting her out. I was way too attached to let go, but David Carl kept telling me that another dog needed us.

MEET FOSTERS DIANE AND DAVE LEE

"A good friend adopted Ginger, and for five years we saw Ginger regularly. She was usually riding shotgun in a '69 Firebird, with a huge smile on her face. (Unless she was ensconced on the couch watching football.)

"So began our journey, with many dogs receiving love and care in our arms. The memories are sad and sweet, but DC always told me, 'Mom, it's OK. Another dog needs us.' And they did.

"Today we have three tiny dogs, a new adventure for us. Judith laughs that I always say the present dog is my favorite. But they are!

"As the journey continues, we love doing events spreading the word about ODH, and an endless (hopefully!) procession of dogs passes through our lives and hearts.



"Life is never simple or easy for anybody, and my shattered heart has barely begun healing.

"But today we are taking three tiny love bugs to the park. I will take a deep breath, say a prayer, and carry on. Life is good."

"P.S. This is Hester, a strong, brave, British gal—our newest Final Refuge dog. A 14 old silky terrier, she is shell-shocked from a month in a shelter, followed by an adoption and immediate rejection. Again. She is a determined, loving girl, filled with playfulness, fear, eagerness, and energy. She is slowly realizing she is

home for good - safe, and loved. We are so glad she found us!"

Thank you Diane and Dave for all you do to help our dogs. David Carl was right: another dog will always need you.

FUNDRAISING BENEFITS FOR ODH

We're always very grateful that so many individuals, groups, and small businesses take it upon themselves to host benefits for ODH. This kind of unsolicited generosity is a wonderful compliment, as well as a tremendous boost to our financial ability to help old dogs. We'd like to especially thank the following groups and individuals:





Final Refuge dog Bones (L) and resident dog Uncle Morrie were there with foster mom Leslie

A big BOW WOW THANK YOU to our friends No Bones Beach Club - Seattle for choosing Old Dog Haven to be the beneficiary of their first "We Give Wednesday." Thanks to everyone who came out to say hello and enjoy No Bones Beach Club's delicious vegan food and yummy drinks!





ODH Final
Refuge dog
Squirrel had a
great time! (No,
she didn't drink
the beer; she
was just saving
it for her mom.)

Many thanks to the Irishman Pub in Everett for hosting a Pooches Pub Pawty for ODH. 100% of the proceeds from a special menu went to help our dogs.



Thank you to Mud Bay at Broadway and Thomas for holding a food and supply drive for Old Dog Haven.



Brats, Beer and Bones! Our friends at The Hop and Hound celebrated their mascot Charlie Dog's 14th Birthday! \$1 per pint went to Old Dog Haven!

Thanks to Chuck's Hop Shop in Greenwood for donating \$1 from each flight sold to ODH.



On Community Tuesday at Wander Brewing, their original brew dog, Jangbu, chose Old Dog Haven to benefit!

In his words, "Old Dog Haven provides safe, loving homes for abandoned senior dogs. I was abandoned as a teenager but was

lucky to find my forever home. I want to be sure other senior dogs like me now find theirs! \$1 from every pint sold was donated to Old Dog Haven!"

Aperture Investments are donating funds from a part of their business to support ODH.





Northwest Cellars
hosted a Calendar
Release Party to
benefit ODH dogs.
Thank you to Bob Delf
of NW Cellars for
donating a portion of
proceeds from ticket

and wine purchases to ODH.



Thank you to photographers Julie Austin (L) and Lara Gale for the wonderful photos they took of our dogs at the ODH picnic.



Thanks to Barb's Pet Project (Sheryl, Sue and Kristi) who sell their great pet scarves and donate some of their profits to ODH. (Bennett72 and Thomas29 suit up in their Seahawks scarves for every game.)



Puget Sound Labrador Retriever
Association hosted a senior/retired dog
agility run with proceeds to ODH. Final
Refuge dog Ivy (L) hosted the ODH booth
spreading the word about ODH.

Very special thanks to the following businesses who always go above and beyond to help our dogs:



Pawsitively Styling in Arlington groom the Piper pups (like Princess Toffee (L) with such patience. Guest groomer, (R)

grooms "Chubby," who only has appointments in October.





Day of Doggie Beauty in Lynnwood have been wonderful to ODH dogs for years. Seen left, Dorothy (groomer), with ODH dog Yukon Cornelius.



Also ... a big thank you to Shane and Adam at Paddywack! They do so much for our dogs (Walk sponsorship, month-long sponsorship drives, special events to benefit ODH and much more) and we really appreciate their continuing support!



And ... Crown Hill Pets for everything they do to help ODH, including special promotions, Walk sponsorship, photos with Santa and more. (owner Chris is seen left).

VALERIE GILSTRAP – BAILEY'S BEDS







If you're an ODH foster you need to check out Bailey's Pet Beds on Facebook! Valerie Gilstrap, bed maker extraordinaire, provides free dog beds to Old Dog Haven homes, and when she appears at events, all proceeds from the beds sold to the community go to support Old Dog Haven. What a deal!

Valerie says:

"When I got my first dog Bailey from Old Dog Haven I was fully prepared but hadn't bought a bed, not knowing what size dog I would be getting. I posted my dilemma on the ODH Facebook page and an ODH mom provided me with a bed she didn't need.

"Soon after, someone in the ODH support network posted a link to YouTube with instructions on how to make pet beds from old sweaters or sweatshirts. An idea was born! That's how I could give to ODH. My Bailey needed THREE beds: living room, near kitchen, and by our bed. I figured others must be going through the same thing.



"I started with beds but so many who have pets already have them that I branched out a little and started making stepping stones (if someone wants a specific breed they pay only for the mold), and now I'm making slings. The biggest bed I made was for an Irish

Wolfhound with joint problems and the tiniest was for a two pound dog that needed a sling.

"I love doing this and supporting ODH. If I make more beds than are currently selling I also donate beds to the Stilly Senior Center subsidized housing that allows small pets."



"There are many sizes and styles to pick from. I hope you enjoy them as much as my Bailey.

To order a bed, email me:" baileysbeds@gmail.com

Thank you, Valerie!

DYNAMIC DUO TRANSPORTERS- SUE & JEAN





Sue & Winston

Jean and Talulah

Sue Hayes and her sister Jean have driven over 3,000 miles to transport dogs so far in 2017, combining trips for ODH and Beck's Place. (Beck's Place provides animal and human support services to low-income families to enable them to stay with their pets.)

Sue: "After retiring in 2006, I began fostering underage kittens and working part time at our local shelter. Ten years later circumstances changed and I was looking for a new outlet for helping critters. I knew of ODH from my shelter work and since I was (and am still not) in a position to foster, transporting was a no-brainer. I don't know which I love more—the pups themselves, or the joy on the face of the recipients. (Actually, it's the pups.)

"Jean came on board as my co-pilot shortly thereafter, and we both feel that it's one of the best things we do. Paws down. I love having her along, not only to help pass the time, but to provide a warm lap for our charges. We've never had to use a crate. She barely weighs 100 pounds and was happy to accommodate a very sweet rottie. I wish I had a picture of that one.

"Recently we actually had a lovely pooch on the return trip too. We delivered one from the Tacoma shelter to Vancouver WA, and picked up another at the Humane Society there, and drove her back to Covington. The best."

"I do hope that I can one day foster an ODH dog, but in the meantime transporting is what feeds my soul."

From Jean: "I feel extremely fortunate to be Sue's co-pilot, and as a result, the official dog petter on her transports. I get to spend time with my sister while cuddling precious old dogs, and as far as I am concerned, it just doesn't get any better than that."

Thank you Sue and Jean! We really appreciate your efforts for our dogs! Paws up to both of you!

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A MESSAGE FROM ODH'S FOUNDING DAD



THANKS to our ODH Family for the effort, energy, time, compassion, hope, mercy, peace ... GIV ING to our senior dogs.

"What you special people have accomplished is remarkable!

Happy Thanksgiving Lee Piper

> ODH dogs featured in the header on page 1 are: (L-R) Charm, Pippin, Corrie, Logan, Molly, Brandy and Wilbur.

Dog Activity: January-October

322 dogs in care as of 10/14/17 322 are in Final Refuge homes 1 are in foster homes awaiting adoption

164 new dogs were taken into care between 1/1 - 10/14 152 came from shelters 12 came from individuals

318 new dogs were posted for individuals, shelters and other rescue groups

482 new dogs were helped 1/1-10/14

247 dogs were adopted 1/1-10/14



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Thanks to you over 310 senior dogs have safe and loving homes with our foster families. On behalf of all of us at Old Dog Haven, thank you for loving them. As we launch our Year-End campaign our hope is to continue helping as many senior dogs as possible.

There are so many ways you can help the dogs: Becoming a Golden Guardian monthly donor, donating a vehíclé, or sponsoring one of our Final Refuge dogs this holiday season are just some of the ways you can make a lasting impact on so many senior dogs in need. Visit our web site to learn more about the dogs and how you can help. www.olddoghaven.org

Golden Guardian logo created

OLD IS GOLD

by Gillian Levine







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One of the vet techs at Mountain View Veterinary Hospital said, "I used to say when I die I want to come back as a dog. Now I say I want to come back as an ODH dog because of the amazing care they are given and the big hearts of their volunteers.

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