

Old Dog
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July
Newsletter

Old Dog Haven WALK FOR OLD DOGS July 23, 2017



Special
WALK
FOR OLD
DOGS
Edition

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE 6TH ANNUAL WALK FOR OLD DOGS!

Please join us for the
6th Annual Walk for Old Dogs and Old Dog Pageant
Sunday, July 23, 10:30-3:00
Cromwell Park
18030 Meridian Ave N
Shoreline WA
Registration fee: \$25 (includes a Walk tote bag)
Old Dogs, young dogs, and people of all ages
welcome!

2016 TOP FUNDRAISERS PEABODY JOHANSON AND MEREDITH MOSES WALK THEIR TALK

We thought you might like to meet the top two individual fundraisers from last year's Walk with the hope that they might inspire you to get involved too.



Peabody Johanson has been an active ambassador for ODH for many years because she has a special place in her heart for old dogs. Peabody and her husband Jason rescue senior/special needs Cavalier King Charles Spaniels and English Toy Spaniels. **Peabody is**

pictured above with Jason, Holly, Mickey, Crissy, and Daisy Mae.

Last year Peabody not only raised \$4,750 individually, but her team, Crazy Cocker Spaniels, raised an additional \$6,060. This year Peabody's team is called the **PNW Spaniel Squad** and they walk in honor of their beloved Holly, who is no longer physically with them.

Peabody is a constant presence on Facebook, posting photos of ODH dogs and asking people to "help me raise funds for these wonderful senior souls." There's nothing reserved about Peabody when she's promoting ODH: "I've had a seriously crap day. Who wants to make it better by donating to ODH?"

"Peabody says ... "people know that finding old dogs, especially dogs with special needs, is my passion. My friends say I get a look in my eyes when I talk about them. I think just knowing how important it is to me and that I'm always talking about it and trying to educate people about the awesomeness of senior special needs dogs through my own dogs, helps. It's not a once a year kind of thing for me; it's a year-round thing. So when it comes time to open up their wallets they do."

Meredith Moses, long-time foster mom for ODH, raised \$3,580 last year. **Meredith is shown right with her "Pirate Girls" team: Bridget Rose, Kizzy Louise and Marcia Jean.** According to ODH Executive Director Judith Piper, Meredith is a "true member of the Sisterhood and Brotherhood of Suckers for Old Dogs. Meredith started out in 2008 by adopting her foster dog, and since then has been a Final Refuge home to quite a number of dogs. Currently she has three little one-eyed ODH girls. She's competent, thoughtful and extremely patient. Nothing has been too much trouble for her, and she's stuck with dogs through the tough times. Besides caring for our dogs, she represents ODH at events. She's always spreading the word!"



Meredith's system for raising money for the Walk involves email campaigns, putting photos of her dogs on her fundraising page, and creating postings on Facebook following her email schedule. She keeps detailed spreadsheets and is diligent about following the yellow brick road of donations.

"I do it because they need us. Every donation goes very far and welcomes you into a world where senior dogs can live in peace with families who love and care for them. Old, sick, homeless, and helpless old dogs deserve the best and so very often get the worst. I think we are called to do good in the world. There is so much need and pain we just need to pick a place and start. For me it is Old Dog Haven."

Our thanks to Peabody and Meredith for their continuing fundraising efforts and we look forward to seeing them ... and YOU at this year's Walk.

WHAT THE WALK IS ALL ABOUT



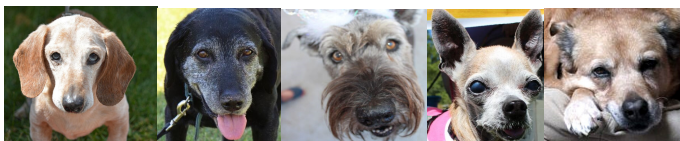
The Walk for Old Dogs is our biggest annual fundraiser. Our vet bills average about \$80,000-\$90,000 per month and every penny raised at the Walk will be used to care for the senior dogs in our permanent foster homes.

What began six years ago as a way to raise money and provide an opportunity for people who love old dogs to spend time together has morphed into the largest gathering of old dogs ever held anywhere in the United States. You have to be there to believe it!

Last year over 400 people and their dogs came to not only support Old Dog Haven but to celebrate the value of old dogs in our community. (The dogs cooled off in kiddie pools around the park and we'll have them again this year.) Dogs of every imaginable breed and size walked on four legs, three legs, hauled carts, rode in strollers, wore costumes, socialized, made new friends, smiled their best dog smiles, and loved being celebrated by their families. And ... we raised over \$117,000!

This event is an experience you won't want to miss. The Walk is a fun 1/3 mile promenade to celebrate with our senior dogs. It's a nice stroll on a paved path along lawns and fields. Walk as much (or as little) as you and your dog prefer. Before the Walk you can browse the many sponsor booths (**many offering samples and goodies**) and pet-related vendors. Go to the Walk website: <http://odhwalkforolddogs.org/> to register, make a donation if you're unable to attend and find out everything you need to know about the event.

HOW OLD IS YOUR DOG?



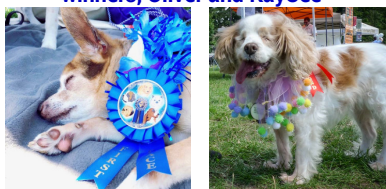
Which dogs will win prizes for being the three oldest dogs in attendance at the Walk?

Just before the Pageant begins all dogs 10 and older will be asked to enter the roped off area and we'll begin a process of elimination to determine the three oldest dogs at the Walk.

Last year's 1st and 2nd place winners, Oliver and KayCee

Old dogs rock!

And ... really old dogs that are happy and healthy deserve prizes.



HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE



Register to participate in the 2017 Walk for Old Dogs & Old Dog Pageant!

Join as an individual, start a team or join a team, and raise money for the old dogs!

It's easiest to register online.

http://olddogs_new.blueskysweet.com/Register.asp

(You can register at the Walk, but you can't raise money once you're there, and you may have to wait in line.) The registration fee is \$25 and includes a Walk for Old Dogs tote bag.

Ask family, friends and coworkers to sponsor you or your team. We even have pre-formatted emails you can send from your own Walk page. All donations are tax deductible. The top team and individual fundraisers receive prizes (announced at the Walk).

If you are unable to participate but would like to support the Walk by making a donation, you can use the coupon on the next page.

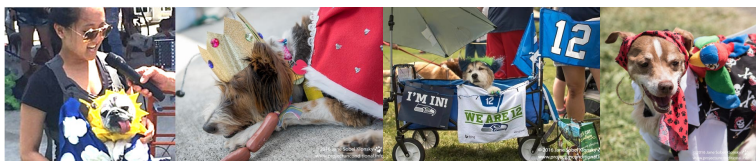
Note: Donations turned in the day of the Walk will not count toward fundraising awards.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



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| 10:30-11:30 | Walk and Pageant registration, meet the sponsors and vendors |
| 11:30-12:00 | The Dachshund Race for the Rescue |
| 12:15-12:30 | Welcome, team and individual Walk prize awards |
| 12:30-1:00 | The Walk for Old Dogs |
| | After you walk, get some tasty food from our vendors and gather around for the Old Dog Pageant |
| 1:15-2:45 | The Old Dog Pageant and Old Dog Pageant awards |
| 2:45-3:00 | Tail wags and goodbyes |

OLD DOG PAGEANT



An attendee favorite! Here's your chance to have fun with your dog in a variety of ways:

Best Costume



Let's play dress-up!

Best Trick



Show off something your dog does that you think is cute, quirky or awesome.

Best Dancer



Strut your stuff and shake a tail with your dog. Your dog can dance, you can dance, or you can dance together. Just move to the music and see what happens.

Fabulous prizes for all winners! Any dog eight and older can enter.

The pageant is held in front of the amphitheater after the Walk. Entry is free to all Walk registrants.

Register your dogs for the Pageant at the Walk. Just look for the tent next to the main registration tent. Registration is free.

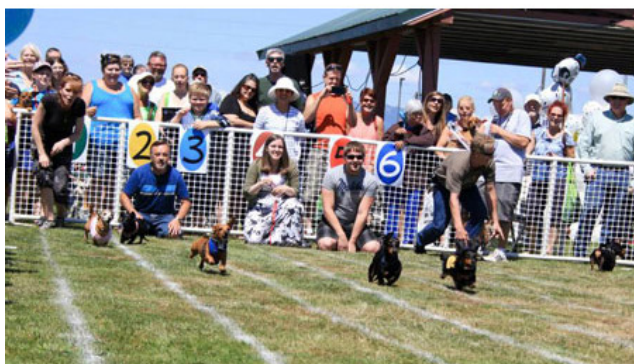
OLD DOG HAVEN RACE CAR



Gene (R) with ODH dog, Wicket

Every time **Gene Melange** races at Evergreen Speedway, he promotes ODH. He'll be at the Walk with his car, and even though you can't drive it, you and your dog can have your photo taken with the car to show that ODH is on the fast track! Gene will also be selling T-shirts and hats, and he'll be holding a raffle to support Old Dog Haven.

DACHSHUND RACE FOR THE RESCUE



New this year at the 2017 Old Dog Haven Walk for Old Dogs! They may be low, but they aren't slow!

See your dachshund run! Three race categories. Open to dachshunds of all ages.

Prizes for the first four winners in each category! There is a registration fee of \$25 for each dachshund you enter. To enter your dachshund simply make a \$25 donation to the Dachshund Race for the Rescue Team on the Walk website. <http://odhwalkforolddogs.org/schedule.asp> Scroll down to the Dachshund Race for the Rescue information.

Race Categories:

Pros - Dachshunds that have placed (1st through 4th) in any dachshund race in prior years.

Rookies - Any dachshund that hasn't run a race to a placement.

Alumni - Any dachshund foster, Final Refuge, or adoptee of Old Dog Haven.

All donations go to Old Dog Haven.



Race organizer Gretchen Howell is seen left with Floyd Von Howell as he receives his CGCA title (Community Canine). This is Floyd's second AKC title: he earned his Canine Good Citizen in 2016. Floyd represented ODH at the Dachshund Race for the Rescue at a Seahawks game last year when he was still an ODH foster dog, but he was

officially adopted by Gretchen and her husband Norman and will be racing at the Walk this year as an ODH Alumni. Floyd will be available to sign autographs.

Yes, I would like to donate to the 2017 Walk for Old Dogs by sponsoring a team, individual or making a general donation.

Team Name _____ Amount \$ _____ Individual Name _____ Amount \$ _____

General Donation _____ Amount \$ _____

Please make check payable to: Old Dog Haven

ODH is a 501(c)3 charitable organization: donations are tax-deductible.

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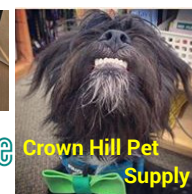
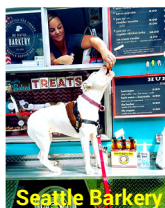
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Or, if your dog would like a hand-made scarf, [Barb's Pet Project](#) will be showing off their latest creations. How about a professional photograph of your dog? Check out [DunderPants Photography](#). [Kait's Calling](#) offers custom pet artwork, and [LuLa Roe](#) sells comfortable clothing. A few of the other vendors and sponsors you'll meet are [Save-A-Mutt](#), a group that assists local shelters and rescues in finding homes for senior dogs and [Fifth Avenue Animal Hospital](#). And, of course [Old Dog Haven](#) will have a booth where you can buy ODH T-Shirts, sweatshirts, books, and lots of other ODH swag. You and your dog can eat and shop 'til you drop!



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