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GOOD NEWS STORY - "Miss T."

**After spending over 7 months with Concern for Animals,
Miss T. has found a home!**

Cynthia Murray, owner of 4legz All Natural Dog Treats, met Miss T. when she was at the CFA booth at the America's Family Pet Expo in Puyallup. Cynthia and her husband, John, continued to visit Miss T. throughout the three day event, deciding to adopt her if she was still available at the end.

Towards the end of the event one of the CFA volunteers noticed that Miss T. was under weight so she was taken to Yelm Veterinary Hospital to be checked out. She ended up staying there for over 2 weeks to undergo tests, blood work, and the insertion of a feeding tube.

Did these complications scare away her adopter? NO WAY! Cynthia came to the vet to learn how to feed Miss T. through the feeding tube until she was ready to eat solid food. She spent the first three days feeding Miss T. five times a day! Days went by and Miss T. started eating more and more on her own. She passed her check up at the vet with flying colors and had the feeding tube removed. She was back to her normal weight!

Cynthia is so excited about her new family member. *"To this day Miss T. is reigning over the cats and dogs in our household. She is the queen and she is loving the space and freedom of being in the home. Very sweet, social, well adjusted and cuddly for an older cat. Miss T. is now an official member of the 4legz team." GO MISS T.!*



DONATIONS NEEDED

- * An enclosed **TRAILER** that is in good shape to use as a temporary food bank, then to haul our items around town.
- * **Pet Food**
- * **Cat Litter**
- * **Treats or coupons** for all brands

EXTREME COUPONING

CFA is going **EXTREME COUPONING** for our **supply bank**. We can save a ton of \$\$ and help a lot of families and pets in need with something this simple!

Please start saving and mailing us your coupons that you don't use on any of these items for any brands.

EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS FOR OUR PETS

Tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanoes...the disasters just keep happening. We don't even have time to take in all the important details about one before the spotlight shifts to another. For us who are reading this newsletter, the scope of concern and heartbreak always includes the animals—hurt, abandoned, hungry, scared. We hope that we, and all our loved ones, two legged and four, will never have to go through that. Yet, our region is at risk for large-scale natural disasters, and we can't assume that we will never face one of them or any of the smaller-scale emergencies that happen somewhere in our state every year. What we CAN do is to be prepared. We are, in fact, the actual first responders for ourselves and our households. If we are prepared with the knowledge and resources to take care of ourselves and our loved ones, we can help the emergency personnel and resources in our community stretch further. By giving us reason to be prepared, our pets can help us to save ourselves and them...and make it easier for help to reach all who need it. (continued on page 3)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

5th Annual

Toasts for Tails!

Wine Event & Silent Auction

November 12, 2011 ~ 2 pm to 8 pm

Lacey Community Center



Please join Concern for Animals in supporting our 5th Annual "Toast for Tails" Wine Event & Silent Auction benefit. This year's event will be held at the Lacey Community Center at 6729 Pacific Avenue SE, Lacey.

The Toast for Tails event raises funds each year to provide support to animals in Thurston, Mason, and Lewis Counties by providing needed veterinary services along with spay and neutering services. This is a valuable service to all animals, preventing overpopulation and providing needed care. The proceeds will go toward our goal of building a low-cost spay and neuter clinic and adoption center for the animals in our service area.

This year's drawing will, once again, feature a fabulous item donated by Panowicz Jewelers

Order 2011 "Toast for Tails" Tickets in Advance and Save \$2.00

- Mail your completed order form and check (payable to CFA) to:

Concern for Animals
Attn: Advance Ticket Sales
PO Box 4422
Tumwater WA 98501

Your order must be postmarked no later than Monday, November 1, 2011 to receive the Pre-sale discounted ticket pricing.

You will be notified, via email or phone, once your order has been received. You may wish to print off the email as a receipt and bring it with you to the event.

For mail/phone orders please pick up your tickets at the "Toast for Tails" entry booth on Saturday, November 12, 2011. **NO REFUNDS!**

~~\$15.00~~ **\$ 13.00** for 1 glass and 5 wine tasting coupons (Single Package)

~~\$25.00~~ **\$ 23.00** for 2 glasses and 10 wine tasting coupons (Double Package)

of Single Packages: _____ # of Double Packages: _____ Total number of packages ordered: _____

Check Total \$ _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

For more information please visit www.concernforanimals.org

Guests must be 21 years of age with valid ID to attend

Pre-sale tickets also available at Rick's Auto Repair

5th Annual Toasts for Tails!

Still Accepting Donations

We are still accepting donations for our silent auction. If you have goods or services to donate we would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Some suggestions include: Gift cards, Retail items (your business will be listed as a recognized donor), Art work, Services (hair stylist, accountant, yard service, massage, legal services), Antiques/Collectibles, Gift baskets.



Volunteers are Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help set up, to work the event, and for clean up. If interested in volunteering at this great event please email us at info@concernforanimals.org. As a thank you for volunteering you will receive one entry ticket, a CFA wine glass, and 5 wine-tasting coupons. This is our major fund raising event for the year and with your help we can make it a huge success! More animals than ever are in need of our help.

Concern for Animals Adoption Program

Our adoption program at Northwind Pet Care Center has closed effective August 20, 2011. This will just be temporary, as we plan to reopen once we are in our own office location.

We would like to thank the staff at Northwind Pet Care Center and all of the volunteers who made our program such a great success over the past two years.

PLEASE ADOPT ME!



Solomon is a 1 year-old neutered male, tan and white pit bull. His left rear leg has been amputated from being hit by a car. He is a very sweet dog and does well with other large dogs. He is NOT good with cats or small dogs, but he loves kids! Solomon is currently in a foster home.

Let's find him his forever home!

Emergency Food/Supply Bank Assistance

January through August 2011

- 156 bags of Cat Food
- 167 bags of Dog Food
- 16 bags of Cat Litter

Veterinary Assistance

January through August 2011

<u>Cats</u>	<u>Dogs</u>
510 Spays	249 Spays
358 Neuters	229 Neuters
278 Vaccinations	72 Vaccinations
32 Medicals	10 Medicals

We also assisted with 5 Rabbits

Prepare and plan ahead for everyday emergencies

The key to survival during a disaster, crisis or emergency is to be as prepared as possible beforehand. Take the time to make a disaster plan and assemble an emergency kit for you and your pet. By taking these steps now, you will greatly increase your pet's chances of survival in the event of a disaster.

- ◆ The roads are icy, traffic is a mess and you decide to stay with a friend instead of rising the drive home from school or work. Who will check on your cat and feed her?
- ◆ While you are out running errands, a propane truck overturned on the street near your neighborhood and you are not allowed to go home. A police officer tells you the electricity to your neighborhood was shot off. How can you make sure your birds stay warm?
- ◆ Your mother-in-law has had a heart attack and you are going to meet your wife at the hospital. It may be a long night, Who will give your dog his medicine?

The Humane Society of the United States recommends the following actions to make sure your pets are taken care of when events like these prevent you from taking care of your pets:

- ◆ Find a trusted neighbor and give them a key to your house or barn. Make sure this person is comfortable and familiar with your pets.
- ◆ Make sure the neighbor knows your pets' whereabouts and habits so they will not have to waste precious time trying to find or catch them.
- ◆ Create a pet emergency/disaster kit and place it in a prominent place where your neighbor can find it.
- ◆ If the emergency involves evacuation, make sure the neighbor would be willing to take your pets and has access to the appropriate carriers and leashes. Plan to meet at a prearranged location.
- ◆ If you use a pet sitting service, they may be able to help, but discuss the possibility well in advance.

Disaster Supply Checklist

- ◆ Food & water for at least 5 days for each pet, bowls and a manual can opener for canned pet food.
- ◆ Medications & medical records stored in water proof container & a 1st aid kit. A pet 1st aid kit is also good to include.
- ◆ Cat litter box, litter & scoop, garbage bags to collect pet waste.
- ◆ Sturdy leashes, harnesses, and carriers for transportation so pets can't escape. Carriers should be large enough for animal to stand comfortable, turn around & lie down. Blankets or towels for bedding & warmth.
- ◆ Current photos & descriptions of your pets to help identify them in case you become separated and to prove they are yours.
- ◆ Pet beds & toys, if you can easily take them, to help reduce stress.
- ◆ Info about pets' feeding schedules, medical conditions, behavior problems & the name & number of your vet in case you have to board your pets or place them in foster care.

Find a Safe Place Ahead of Time

Evacuation shelters generally don't accept pets (except for service animals). Contact hotels & motels outside your immediate area to check policies on accepting pets. Ask about restrictions on number, size and species. Inquire if the "no pet" policies would be waived in an emergency. Make a list of animal-friendly places and keep it handy. Call ahead for a reservation as soon as you think you might have to leave your home.

The next installment of *Emergency Preparedness for Pets* - "What to do when ordered to evacuate and after the emergency is over," will be in our next newsletter. Stay tuned!

SPECIAL THANK YOU!

Apex Mailing Service—as always, your help is invaluable!

Elyse's Catering—for providing the food for our September board meeting in our new office.

Hawks Prairie Furniture—for donating furniture for our future office.

John Erwin Remodeling—for donating time and expertise drafting office plans & working with the city for our new office.

Kelly Foster Consulting—for donating her consulting services and our very own CFA truck!

Larry Stamp, Cameo Home Inspections—for donating his services for our office inspection and for his fabulous article about CFA in the real estate section of the *Olympian* on Sunday, September 18th.

Matthew Kermutt, Owens and Davies Law Office—for donating his advising services.

Mud Bay—for their donation of dog and cat food.

Rick's Auto Repair—for allowing CFA to use their location as a drop off point for donations.

Suzanne Thielen, Padgett Business Services—for preparing our 2010 tax statements.

Venerables Pest Management—for donating their pest management services.

Our 2011 Toasts for Tails Sponsors (so far):

Platinum Sponsors

America's Credit Union

Mixx 96 FM

Panowicz Jewelers

Rick's Automotive

Ted Leland, Realtor

Van's Burgers

Gold Sponsors

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Putnam and Lieb

Twinstar Credit Union

Silver Sponsors

Cascade West Veterinary Clinic

Scatter Creek Veterinary

South Bay Veterinary Hospital

Thurston First Bank

Yelm Veterinary Clinic

WELCOME TO OUR NEW OFFICE!

Opening in 2012

Our new office is located at **1414 State Street** in Olympia. With over 1,100sf of space, we will finally be able to have everything under one roof! There will be plenty of room for 2 offices with a lobby, our pet food and supply bank, a future home for a cat adoption room with an outside cat play area, kitchen and laundry facilities, a large storage area, and more. Conveniently located on the city bus line, it is close to downtown and all city services. We hope you'll come visit us soon!



How you can help us open our doors...

CFA is looking for volunteers for cleaning, painting, landscaping and much, much, more. Donations of cash, Lowes, Home Depot, and Costco gift cards for supplies, and trade skills of all kinds. For more information on how you can help please email us at info@concernforanimals.org. Your donations are considered tax-deductible under IRS regulations.



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Annual Dues Payable -*NOW*

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

- Single - \$15.00 Family - \$25.00 Senior or full-time Student - \$10.00
- New Member Renewal

DONATION \$ _____ I would like a receipt My check is my receipt

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Volunteer Opportunities: Please let us know how you would like to help: _____

Concern for Animals was incorporated in the state of Washington in December 1980 as a charitable, non-profit 501(c)3 corporation.

You can also donate by going online to the CFA Web site: www.concernforanimals.org