

# MISSION *in Motion*

Quarterly Newsletter

Summer 2021



## Save the Date for **A Tail To Remember**

**A Tail to Remember Dinner and Auction is October 9th at Heathman Lodge in Vancouver, WA. We are excited to announce that this year we will have an in-person Super Silent and Live Auction.** Under current guidelines, we are planning for 200 - 250 attendees at the event, with a cocktail reception and Super Silent Auction followed by dinner and the Live Auction. Our Silent Auction will be held online from October 1st through October 7th. Participation in the Silent Auction is free and tickets for the Dinner and Live Auction will go on sale soon. Please mark your calendars and save the date for these two exciting events.



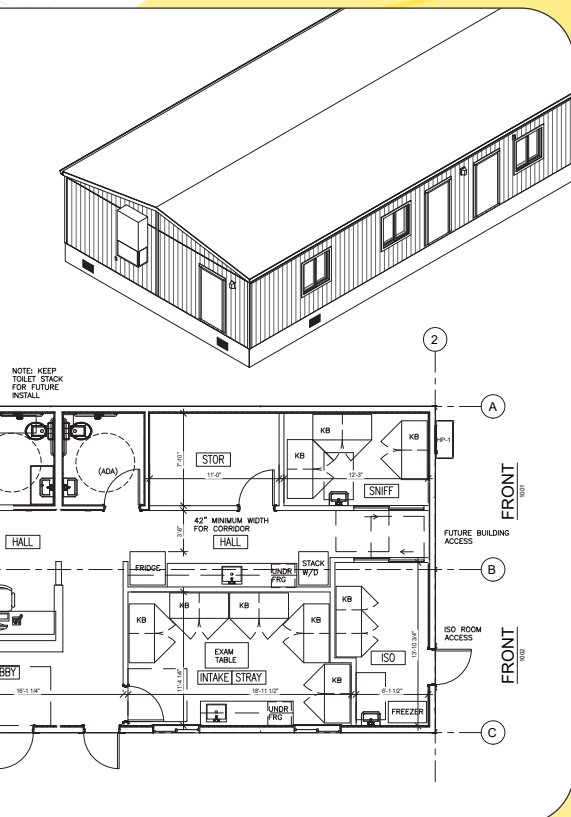
**Saturday, October 9th**  
Heathman Lodge · Vancouver, Wa

## Cat Shelter Update

**Great news! We have been given the green light to replace our cat shelter building.** We are now in the process of purchasing a completely refurbished, 2017 commercial modular building that was previously used as a portable classroom. This 1,800 square foot building is everything we could have asked for and we are excited to custom build the interior to make it fit our unique needs for cat care and colony style sheltering.

The estimated cost for this project is \$400,000. WCGHS is using a \$100,000 bequest from some very special previous adopters, Jim and Ann Ruscigno, to kick off the fundraising. That leaves us with \$300,000 to raise.

**If you, or someone you know, is interested in making a substantial donation toward the future and life saving mission of West Columbia Gorge Humane Society, please contact our Development Director at [peggyd@wcghs.org](mailto:peggyd@wcghs.org).**



## A Word From WellHaven Our Diamond Collar Partner

“Pets are good for people!

Did you know that pets lower your blood pressure, strengthen your immune system, decrease risk of heart attacks, decrease obesity, relieve depression, decrease stress, decrease cholesterol, increase healing, and provide purpose and connection?

Keep your pets healthy and happy by visiting your WellHaven veterinary team routinely to ensure you and your pet live their best lives.”

**Dr. Bob**  
WellHaven Pet Health



## Hike on the Dike & Supporter Appreciation Day

Even though Hike on the Dike was postponed, we had a very fun and successful event! On July 10th, the weather cooperated and many of our loyal supporters showed up to walk for the animals of WCGHS. A big thank you to all of you who participated in person for the walk and online by fundraising and donating. We also want to thank our Community Partners and Sponsors for supporting Hike on the Dike and Yappy Hour. **Because of YOU, we were able to raise approximately \$23,000! These funds will help us continue to take in, provide daily care for, and meet the needs of many animals over the next couple of months.**

We also want to say thank you to all of you who were able to come out for our second annual Supporter Appreciation Day! It was a warm afternoon, but between the Kona Ice and the shade, fun was had by all. JLyn Studios was there taking complimentary photos and lots of goodies were given away. We were happy to get a chance to visit with our supporters in attendance.

**Thank You!**



## Impact Tracker

We're halfway through 2021, but thanks to our generous supporters, we've been able to accomplish some amazing things already. Here's a few of the lifechanging numbers so far this year.

- 269** Pets transported to WCGHS from other shelters (*Thank you Dick Hannah Dealerships for our transport van!*)
- 394** Pet adoptions
- 72** Pets in foster care
- 350** Surgeries year to date

**Thank you for believing in our vision for all pets to live healthy lives, in loving homes. We're grateful to do this work in partnership with generous supporters like you. We can't do it without YOU!**