

## “Par For Pets” Golf Tournament *benefit for the Northwest SPCA*

Please join us for one of our most unique fund-raisers yet: a golf tournament, held at the beautiful **Tuscan Ridge Golf Club in Paradise**, on **Friday, September 16**. Bring your friends and form a team, or we'll pair you with some other animal-loving golfers! **Check-in time is from 7 am to 7:45 am; tee off at 8 am**. The event will include some fun mini-contests and other features, such as:

- ❖ **CLOSEST TO THE PIN (MEN & WOMEN)**
- ❖ **LONG DRIVE (MEN & WOMEN)**
- ❖ **MULLIGANS FOR SALE AT CHECK-IN**
- ❖ **AWARDS LUNCHEON TO FOLLOW**
- ❖ **50/50 RAFFLE**

The cost for each golfer is \$90 – or, if you put together a 4-player team, each golfer plays for \$85. This includes greens fee, cart, range balls, and lunch. The format is a 4-person “shotgun scramble.”

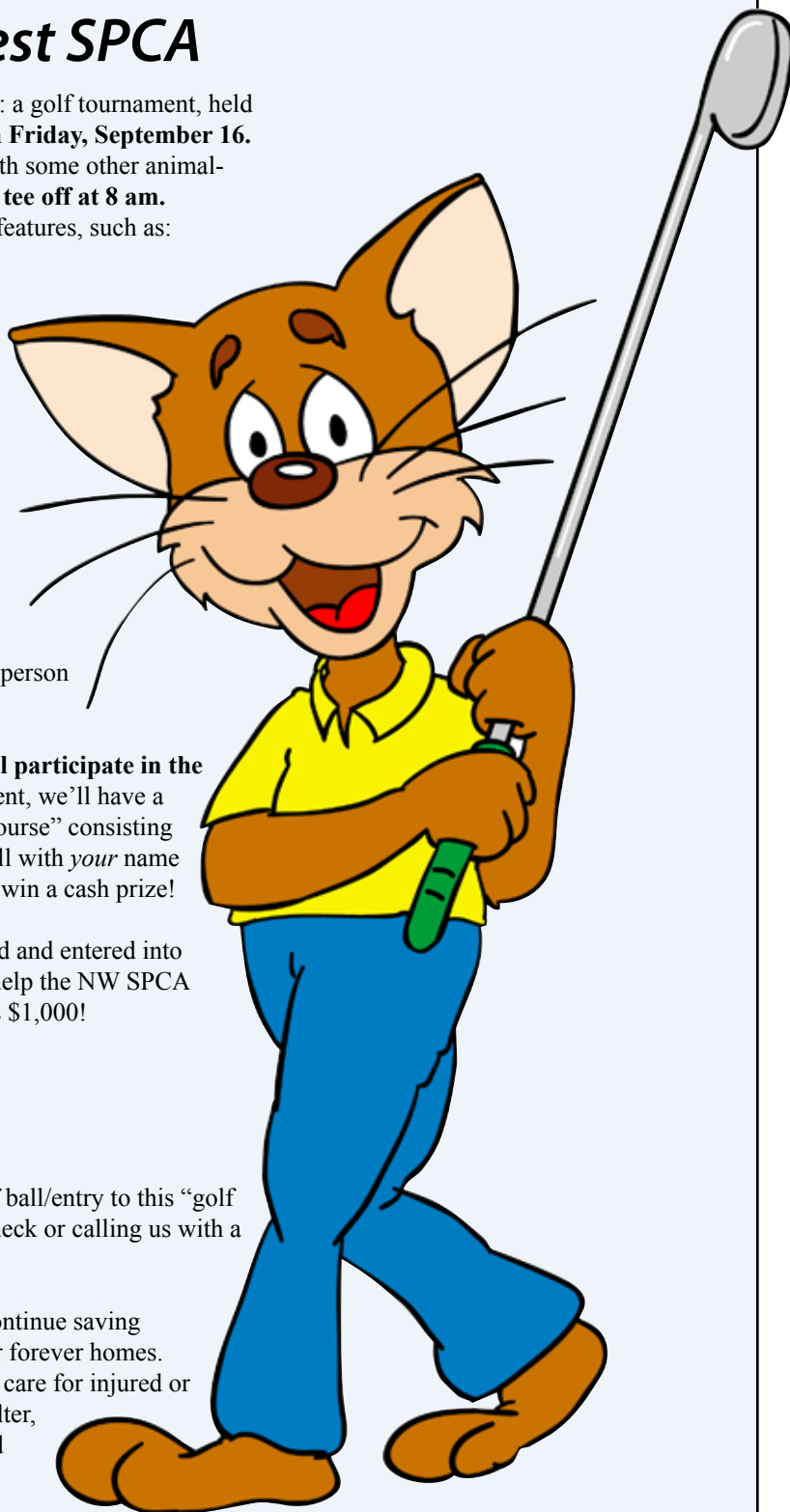
**What's that? You say you don't play golf? You can still participate in the fun!** After the luncheon at the Par for Pets Golf Tournament, we'll have a helicopter dropping golf balls onto a specially marked “course” consisting of six holes. Each golf ball will have a name on it. If a ball with *your* name on it lands in (or closest to) one of the six holes, you will win a cash prize!

The NW SPCA is selling just 500 golf balls to be air-lifted and entered into this contest. For a donation of just \$20 per ball, you can help the NW SPCA – and maybe help yourself win a cash prize of as much as \$1,000!

<b>1st PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>2nd PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$200</b>
<b>3rd PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>4th PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>5th PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>6th PRIZE:</b>	<b>\$50</b>

You do not have to be present to win. You can buy a golf ball/entry to this “golf ball drop benefit” at the NW SPCA, or by sending us a check or calling us with a credit card number.

All proceeds will go to the Northwest SPCA to help us continue saving animals in our community and assist them in finding their forever homes. Some of the services provided from these funds: Medical care for injured or abused animals, spay/neuter for every pet leaving the shelter, vaccination, heartworm testing, treatment/prevention, and countless other services.



# In memory of special friends

The NW SPCA provides this space to gratefully acknowledge donations made in the honor of a loved one.

**Barbara Barnes**  
by Bob & Queena Cardinal

**Ron Boles**  
by Charlene Peery

**Burdette Carroll**  
by Charlene Peery

**Carolyn Grieve**  
by Betty Z. Scott; Sierra Ave School Staff

**Howard Grieve**  
by Horace Duncan & Mary Schuping

**Carol Hill**  
by Laura & Tracy Conley

**Dave & Bev Kauk**  
by Stephanie Couris Odekirk

**Dr. Verlan Glade Leavitt**  
by Bobbie Richter

**Joe Lipka**  
by Carmen Lipka

**Betty Loofbourrow**  
by Tom & Reggie Dowd; Randy & Leslie Kostiz;  
Keith & Debra Mc Elroberts; and Jeannie  
Slinkard

**Heidi McClellan**  
by "Poco"

**James Metz**  
by Ms. Dolores June Edwards

**Jason Prouty**  
by Kenneth & Marion Geiger; Bobbie Richter

**Donald "Dyke" Richter**  
by Bobbie Richter

**Roy Hill Straka**  
by James & Darla Straka

**Beth Swett**  
by Pat Thelander

**Paul Thengvall**  
by Pat Thelander

**Tom & Viola Winter**  
by Jean Blake; Benjamin & Sarah Holt;  
Robert & Linda Johnson; Karen N. Kamaka  
King; Beth Stolzy; Robert Wertz; Mary  
Whitehill D.V.M.; and Nancy Winter

**Pat Zariello**  
by Dave & Kate Carr

## In memory of our loving pets

**"Buffy"**  
by Joy Harwood

**"Duncan"**  
by Nancy Crowe

**"Harry"**  
by Harry Aubright

**"Jesse"**  
by Russell & Joan Sheppard

**"Lulu"**  
by Clark & Joan Bridgman

**"Precious"**  
by Paula LaRose

**"Rusty Girl"**  
by Joy Harwood

**"Zeke"**  
by Bill & Shirlee Morris



**"Jazzy"**  
by the NW SPCA Board

We had to take extra space here to remember "Jazzy," a very special dog who belonged to the family of a very special person on the NW SPCA staff.

Isha Buis is our veterinary technician, responsible for the lion's share of the veterinary attention our animals receive: vaccinations, heartworm tests, health exams, treatment for illness and wounds, and more. Jazzy was brought to the NW SPCA about four years ago after being found in the middle of a field by some kids taking a shortcut

to school. She was tiny – just a few weeks old – and she had multiple injuries, including some sharp lacerations, and a broken jaw. Given the location where she was found (far from any home) and the injuries, we surmised she had been picked up by and then dropped by a hawk or owl!

Like she does very frequently when an animal needs round-the-clock care and extra attention, Isha brought tiny Jazzy home for nursing. At first, Isha's husband Derrald made fun of the minute fluffball. But then the ball of fluff started to bark at him, play with him, and fall asleep in his arms. Well, Jazzy (as she became known) had found her forever home. The tiny dog became an important part of the entire family, but had a special bond with Derrald.



In early August, Jazzy was fatally injured in an unfortunate accident. All the members of Isha's family (but especially Derrald) are acutely grieving for the

special little dog who stole their hearts.

We know that animal lovers like yourselves can only imagine how difficult it's been for Isha to continue to come to work every day (even on the day of the accident) and care for animals when she's so sad about her own little dog. Here's to the memory of Jazzy, the pets mentioned on the left side of this page who have been honored with donations to the NW SPCA, and all the pets we have lost who have touched us so deeply.



## Overwhelmed by Dogs Who Have Been Surrendered by their Owners

We know that the news is full of drama concerning the U.S. economy – but frankly, we haven't been able to pay much attention to it. We've got our hands full with the downstream victims of it – almost 100 dogs, many of whom have been surrendered to the shelter by their



owners. We have, to put it simply, never seen so many "owner surrendered" dogs before. It's unprecedented.

We have dogs of divorce; we have dogs whose owners could not afford veterinary care to treat the illness the dogs had; we have

dogs whose homes were foreclosed – the families moved to apartments that don't allow pets, and the family dogs came here. If that sounds irresponsible, it's not. These dogs are luckier than the ones that really keep us up at night.

The cases that really hurt are the half-dozen dogs who have been rescued from abandoned houses by animal control officers. In each case, a neighbor called to say someone had moved away and left a dog behind. In each case, the dog was left without food and with a source of water that had long since dried up. A couple of the dogs were on chains; each was enclosed in a yard with no way to escape. If the neighbors hadn't called, these dogs would have starved to death – or died of dehydration, more likely. We worry that there are more of these dogs out there. And cats, left *inside* houses.

When you combine the fact that we have never had so many owner-surrendered dogs with the fact that donations from the community have never been lower, you understand why we haven't been reading the headlines about the U.S. budget. We're too busy fretting over our own.



Long story short: the NW SPCA is packed past its usual capacity, and we really need some help to find homes for some of these unfortunate animals. More so than ever, many of these dogs have nothing wrong with them: they are friendly, well-behaved family dogs who, through no fault of their own, have been placed in our hands. All of the dogs have received medical care for any condition they may have had,

have been treated for fleas and ticks, vaccinated, spayed or neutered, and implanted with a microchip ID.

**Donations of dog food (or cash donations for food) are also desperately needed; we are blasting through our usual food budget.**



## Urgent Need for Dog Food, Cat Litter

Because of the unprecedented number of adoptable animals in our shelter, we are asking for help from the community. We urgently need donations of dog food to help us support the unfortunate dogs who need a little extra time here to find a home.

In addition to the greater number of surrendered and abandoned dogs we have received this summer, we have seen fewer people coming to the shelter looking for dogs to adopt. We want to give these dogs every opportunity to find just the right home; we just need a bit of assistance to give us more time to do so.

We have a perennial need for cat litter, too; we go through these two items at extraordinary rates. Even one bag of food or litter from any family who can spare one would really help us help these animals. Thanks for your consideration.

## Decorative or Memorial Plaques Available

You may have seen them in the NW SPCA shelter – those beautiful tile plaques with poignant remembrances of special pets and special people, or quoting famous animal advocates. What you may not know is that you, too, could order a plaque that we'll display in the shelter! We make the plaques available as a fund raiser for the NW SPCA, and for our supporters to publicly acknowledge a beloved animal lover or pet. Here is a sample:



The plaques are available in two sizes: 6" X 12" for \$100 and a 12" x 12" size for \$150. A substantial portion of that amount is donated to the shelter, and the plaque is displayed in our public adoption area.

If you are interested in purchasing one of these plaques, please contact the NW SPCA at (530) 533-7636.

*Please Join Us For the*

**NW SPCA Annual Membership Meeting and Lasagna Lunch!**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • 11 AM TO 1 PM**

**THERMALITO GRANGE, 479 PLUMAS AVE, OROVILLE**

You are invited to the annual membership meeting of the NW SPCA! We'll meet and socialize, give a report on the state of the organization, introduce the Board members, and raffle off some terrific prizes donated by some of our valued supporters in the community.

- ❖ **HAVE SOME LUNCH (SUGGESTED DONATION \$5)!**
- ❖ **LEARN ABOUT YOUR LOCAL SHELTER**
- ❖ **AND DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO BUY RAFFLE TICKETS FOR OUR GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE: EIGHT (8) HOURS OF TRACTOR WORK (VALUE: \$800) PROVIDED TO OUR RAFFLE ONCE AGAIN BY MARTIN FRAME OF DUNRITE CONSTRUCTION. THANK YOU, MARTIN!**

