



2014 Seattle Purebred Dog Rescue Westies*Scotties*Cairns **Rescue Report - by Karin Parish**

WESTIES



Seana (shana): 10 yrs - Seana's owner was 92 yrs old and in a walker. He tripped over Seana and hurt his hip and had to be transferred to a nursing home. The grandson rehomed her with a "friend of the family who always wanted a Westie like "the one in Little Cesaars commercial". Well they enjoyed the "little cesar's dog for xmas and on New Year's, they didn't want her anymore because she slept a lot and wasn't too peppy! Seana was picked up on New Years Eve then we were contacted. The Son drove him to me from Eastern Washington. Seana's shots updated and had her groomed. I picked her up on New Years Day. She was a DOLL. People's expectations of dogs are unreasonable. I swear sometimes I don't think some people should even own a goldfish. I arrived home and left her alone, until she processed where she was. A couple of days later, she was trotting along with her tail up. We were excited to rehome her with one of our Club Breeders, who just kept her to love. Thank you Cyndee Lockwood. Seana wound up having so much fun hanging with 5 other Westies! She found her Peeps. She perked up, played and dug amazing holes in the yard. She is a hoot, and Cyndee likes it that she naps!

Reason for Surrender: – Elderly Owner (92) tripped over dog. :6 days **INTACT: N State: WA**



Auggie – 3 yrs old – Auggie was given up by a backyard breeder who has been doing business in Smoky Pointe. People keep buying puppies because they are \$1K. However, what everyone chooses to overlook is that the parents of the puppy live in hell hole conditions. This circle of life continues for the adults until they no longer reproduce. They are doomed for a life in hell. This is what comes into rescue. Auggie turned out to be a dud on the breeding circuit. He was apparently sold on craig's list, intact, and the owner thought he was going to a nice home and for \$150 rehoming

fee, this puppy miller and lived outside in filth. I say filth because he was handed to me with caked on wet dog poop and soaked in urine and riddled with whip worm. He was so matted that it took me 2 hrs clipping with scissors to take out the mats one by one. He smelled like a baby diaper with a bad case of diarrhea that was shoved into your face. It was laborious clipping him and he stood still. He had chunks of mats on his cheeks, his arm pits, dog poo stuck between his feet. He had a chunk of dried dog poop on his anus that had dried, and his tail was stuck to it, so he couldn't have pooped if he wanted. Unless you were in the bathroom with me holding your hand over your breath, and putting my head out the door to get more air.. you wouldn't appreciate it. This dog LIVED in this squalor for over a year. He was OH SO GRATEFUL when he was all clipped and could poop again! He even let me do his nails. This poor dog was loved once and

knew tricks, had toys and a warm dog bed. He wound up outside in the rain and cold in a dog run with about 4 inches of poo and urine on the floor. I can only shake my head.



If people would adopt or buy a dog from a reputable breeder and not buy puppies from these commercial breeders, then the adult dogs wouldn't be destined to this type of life. Auggie was grateful.

FOOTNOTE: For all you folks who think you are doing a great thing rescuing a puppy from a commercial breeder or a pet shop - remember - you are sentencing the adults to a life of hell worse than anything you can imagine in this lifetime. Photo is of Auggie after I cut off all the putrid hair and put him in the tub. Look at his face. His hair color is stain from being in urine for a year

or more.

Reason for Surrender: Puppymill didn't want him because he wouldn't breed: Foster Karin: 8 days INTACT: Y State: WA



Sophia 14 years old: Sophia was surrendered to us in very bad shape. Her owner wouldn't put her to sleep. She was deaf, blind, had horrible skin, mostly bald and frankly close to death. She was only in foster for a day and she had to be euthanized. The hardest part of this, that it was Tonya's first rescue after she volunteered to foster! Welcome to rescue. I could see in the photo she was going to be Euthanized. You can see the suffering. The vet was shocked and shook his head when he saw her. He told Tonya that Sophia was in excruciating pain. She was euthanized. Thankfully Tonya didn't quit rescue!

Reason for Surrender: Owner moving. Foster Tonya 1 day State: OR (Euthanized)



Kaylee 4 yrs old: Kaylee was a typical example of the type of female dogs we get into rescue. She was pampered like a baby, never socialized, bad behavior not being corrected, and hissy fits which her owners ignored and reinforced this by consoling her when she was naughty – for FOUR YEARS. Every time she was naughty she was treated like an infant and cuddled, kissed and hugged, never left alone, wrapped in baby blankets and held like a baby and rocked and adored. *What kind of temperament do you think that developed?* She got worse, knowing if being a brat didn't work, she'd ratchet it up a couple of notches until she was utterly obnoxious everyone hated her. Her owners had no clue what to do, at this point, so they inadvertently reinforced all this behavior with more attention and treats and

cuddling and baby rocking.

Kaylee was insecure, not confident, nervous, a bully, pitched fits when she didn't like something and figured she would attack whatever was new before it got her. If she was left alone she would pitch a fit so bad she would put herself into hysterics, hyper ventilate until she worked herself into a frenzy and thrashed around, tearing up her blankets and barking hysterically. It gave a whole new meaning to hysteria.

What do you think happened when the real baby was born? (gosh you must be psychic) TADAHHH Then what do you think happened when the next real baby was born 18 mos later? TADAHH... do you have super powers? Two children under 19 mos old.

Imagine the owner's surprise when Kaylee's didn't like human babies and she didn't get attention? Outcome: She had separation anxiety, unsocialized and wanted to attack other dogs her size and smaller. She would

hyperventilate when left alone, and howled in the car if you left her and claw up the seats. When she was out in public with other dogs around she was mostly a replica of the Tasmanian devil on a binge. She would spin wildly on her leash and launch at all other dogs in the area. (even the ones minding their own business) She really had to get a dose of TOUGH LOVE when she got here. She was adopted out as an only dog and had a meltdown. She didn't like being left alone in the house, got into fights in doggie daycare, and so forth. After 4 mos she was returned. **Plan B**, see if we can train some brains into her little shelf. How can you undo four years of having a dog this messed up? She was good with a dominant leader, and she didn't back off from a good fight. She was quite a chore. She wound up being adopted by one of our past foster mom's who was ready to take her on. Mommie takes no prisoners, so Kaylee got whipped into shape, with a lot of work! God bless Lynda!

Reason for Surrender: Owner moving. Foster Karin/Judy 5 wks INTACT: N State: WA



Rowdy 5 yrs old: Rowdy was a well loved dog with a loving owner, who wound up in hospice. He was a good dog, easy to foster and well behaved, including a SUPER temperament. He came in with severe flea infestation (shown in photo). I call this syndrome "loving their dog to death". The owners don't have the money to care for the dog, but they feel they are doing a better job than giving them up because they love them more than anyone else could. Therefore, the dog continues to suffer "oblivious" to the owner that there is an obvious problem. We see this **ALL THE TIME**. This is my "rescue version" of the meaning "love is blind".

Reason for Surrender: Owner in hospice Foster Vicki 2 wks INTACT: N State: WA



Beja 9 ½ yrs old: Beja was an amazing dog and was the product of a divorce. Its very sad when a dog has been raised in the same loving home its whole life, and has to be rehomed. Fortunately, she was a wonderful great happy dog and she was adopted out to a young couple in Ellensburg. They are first time Westie owners, and what a great starter dog. The first thing Judy said when she delivered Beja to her new home was "you'd better fix that gate, she will open it." The husband said he would. Two hours later they called to inform Judy that Beja opened the gate and was chasing the cows! Chase ensued and capture of dog complete! "My husband is out there now in the rain fixing the fence!"

Reason for Surrender: Divorce Foster Judy 1 week INTACT: N State: WA



Carl (Westie Mix) 5 yrs old: Carl turned out to be a big mistake and we have to rethink taking biters. Carl was in trouble in another county from another rescue agency. We were asked to work with him as they didn't want to put him to sleep. He was on his third strike bite, and everyone gave us excuses as to what situation happened to cause him to bite. After he was in foster care for a while, it became very apparent that we could not trust him at all and he was a major liability so with much sadness, we had to euthanize him. The new laws in Washington make dog bites for the third time, a felony charge on the owners

record. You could go to jail and be fined, and be sued to the max. We have made it our policy not to take biters anymore.

Reason for Surrender: Stray with bite record. Foster Vicky 2 weeks INTACT: N State: WA (Euthanized)

Aurora 4 mos: Aurora was a pup bought off of internet for \$1800 from a facility in Missouri that also sold “designer dogs” as well as several other breeds. She was purchased for a 12 yr old daughter’s birthday gift. After a week the novelty of picking up dog poo and trying to housebreak a puppy wore off, the daughter became disinterested in the puppy gift. Aurora was riddled with fleas, and her food was purchased from the dollar store and was adult dog food. Dad called us and asked if we would take her because they couldn’t afford her and no one wanted to housebreak her. Aurora wound up being picked up by our new foster mom, Tonya, who didn’t know what to do about all the fleas. She marched over to PETCO and carried the dog in and yelled HELP. They sent someone out to assist and gave her topical flea care for the pup. Tonya wound up adopting Aurora and renaming her. At 5 mos Rory developed CMO which is a painful situation where the top jaw and bottom jaw grow at different speeds, and it puts pressure on the opposing jaw. This becomes excruciating for the puppy. This continues until they are about 18 mos old. (another hereditary problem) CMO is so painful that the pup can’t chew or eat, and lay the side of their heads on the floor and cry and moan. Some scream in pain. Food has to be softened and they have to be hand fed. Pups must be on anti-inflammatories as well as Pred to help control the inflammation of the jaw. Tonya nursed her through this and she has grown up to be a lovely dog and her muzzle finally aligned. Tonya also contacted the breeder and gave her a lecture about passing on this gene problem. The breeder confessed that two other pups had the same disease as well.



Reason for Surrender: Birthday gift for daughter. Idea fizzled after 2 wks. Foster Tonya 2 weeks INTACT: N State: OR



Tonka/Mack (9 and 10 yrs) Tonka and Mack were really cool dogs. Their owner loved them a lot but she was ill and had to move into assisted living. She was in poor health, on a walker as well as oxygen tank. They only needed dental done. The dogs were great dogs, well behaved and a lot of fun. We were able to adopt them out together to a wonderful person in Oregon who already had two Westies.

Reason for Surrender: Owner health problems . Foster Karin 2 weeks INTACT: N State: WA



Kipper 14 yrs old: Kipper was given to a girl in Kalispell, MT. Her owner had gone into a nursing home. Four years later the new owner was having a baby and she really couldn’t keep Kipper because she was old and didn’t like the noise of babies. She was well behaved, and she even went camping. We flew her in from Montana, and placed her to a couple in SEATAC who agreed to keep her until she died. We are always grateful to people who take our seniors.

Reason for Surrender: New baby . No fostering INTACT: N State: MT



Wolfie 8 yrs old: Technically Wolfie was returned back to his breeder, Sandy Campbell. His owner wound up going into nursing home and couldn’t keep him. Sandy asked us to help her find him a home and that she would ask the adopters to

donate to rescue. He was a great little boy and a well behaved dog He was renamed Bentley and adopted by Claudia Bailey. Claudia has adopted several dogs from us.

Reason for Surrender: Elderly owner in hospice . No fostering INTACT: N State: WA



Chloe 4 yrs: Chloe was a very sweet dog. She was so sweet, I had to pry her out of the arms of my foster family. I don't recall she had any issues, and was pretty easy going. The owner was suffering financial hardship problems. She also couldn't seem to housebreak the dog. I think she had a bladder infection and no one let her out enough. She did well in foster care.

Reason for Surrender: No time for dog .Foster: Vicki 2 wks. INTACT: N State: WA

Ennis 14 yrs old: Ennis was a stray on the street in Port Townsend and was picked up by the shelter. He came into rescue in bad shape physically. He had a vision problem, and was going blind, he was deaf and had some other health issues. We did extensive tests on him and his medication would have cost us about \$220 a month for the rest of his life and taking in consideration his age, and the medication, we had to put him to sleep. It was a very sad decision for us.



Reason for Surrender: Stray – ill Foster: Ardeth 5 days. INTACT: N State: WA (Euthanized)



Ashley Marie 9 mos: Ashley Marie was given to us by a commercial breeder who has been in business a long time in Stanwood. She felt that Ashley had allergies, and didn't want to breed any dogs with allergy problems, so she surrendered her to rescue so that we could get her spayed and adopt her out. Which would insure she wouldn't be bred. She was adopted to a wonderful home in Wenatche and is now named Lucy. Loved and spoiled!

Reason for Surrender: Commercial Breeder - Allergies Foster: Karin/Jason 3 weeks.
INTACT: Y State: WA

Ava-Louise 3 yrs old : Ava was the second dog we received from a commercial breeder and she had allergies, so the breeder didn't want to breed her any more. She and Ashley came in together. Both went into foster care to learn how to be in a house and become potty trained. Both were very smart little dogs, and caught on quickly. Ava went to a wonderful family in Redmond, WA. They just adore her.



Reason for Surrender: Commercial Breeder - Allergies Foster: Jason 3 weeks. INTACT: Y State: WA



Martin – 8 yrs: Marty was a wonderful dog and I enjoyed the heck out of him. He had a bad infection on his tail end from fleas. Otherwise he was great, and just a good dog. He was one of the few dogs who was truly a pleasure to foster. We rehomed him with another family in Oregon who adore him. He is now an RV-er out

of Portland, OR! He is a typical example of why people should consider a male dog. They are easier going, sweeter and more affectionate than the girls by 100%

Reason for Surrender: Nervous around two babies. **Foster:** Karin 3 weeks. **INTACT:** N **State:** WA



Annie 5 yrs old: Annie was given up because they had no time for her and she was always alone in the house. She was a confident and dominant dog who was smart as a whip and in charge. I do think the girls have more on the ball upstairs than the boys. She watched Angie open her gate at the front door on day one, and 5 minutes later, Annie walked up to the gate and opened it and walked off down the street. A chase ensued! More latches secured the gate. She was adopted out and she was too hard to deal with because she was willful and not complacent, so they returned her. Everyone thinks Westies are these cute little fluffy stuffed animals. Anyway she wound up finding a wonderful home with her foster mom Angie.

Reason for Surrender: No time for the dog. **Foster:** Angie 3 weeks. **INTACT:** N **State:** WA



Rudy 7 yrs old: Rudy was a great dog. He was from another commercial breeder in Arlington who retired, and gave us all her dogs. He had a lovely temperament and we neutered him and house broke him and he was just a gem. He wound up being adopted to a lady on Whidbey Island.

Reason for Surrender: Commercial breeder retired. **Foster:** Karin/Jason- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** Y **State:** WA



Cameo – 7 yrs : Another surrender to us from a commercial breeder who has retired. She was easy. We had her spayed and well check and shots, and she was good to go. She housebroke fairly simply. Well adjusted and a lovely personality. She was adopted by a British couple who have always owned terriers. She found a lovely home.

Reason for Surrender: Commercial breeder retired. **Foster:** Karin/Ardeth- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** Y **State:** WA



Little Marcie 4 yrs: Final dog to be surrendered by commercial breeder who retired from Arlington. Dog was a nervous nelly because she had never been outside the back yard of her home. She was adopted to a fabulous family who had previously adopted Kelly Snow from me. Kelly unfortunately succumbed to Westie lung disease within 7 mos of adoption. I didn't even know it. So I gave them Marcie as a gift to lighten their heart. They adore her.

Reason for Surrender: Commercial breeder retired. **Foster:** Karin- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** Y **State:** WA



Rory 4 yrs old : Rory was a sad story. I received a call on Sunday nite from someone in Vancouver, WA who had found a flea infested half dead Westie. It was during a heat wave. He was so thin that he almost keeled over when he walked into the back yard. His red blood count was so low that it was critical. We were feeding him four times a day, one cup, and cooking him liver. After he was in rescue for a couple of weeks, gaining weight and growing hair... the



person who found him wanted to adopt him. We reunited them and it was a match in heaven. He had remembered her saving his life. Feeding him and giving him water. Before on Left, After on Right.

Reason for Surrender: dumped stray. **Foster:** Ardeth- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** N **State:** WA



Whiskey Sticks – 14 yrs I received a call on Friday @ 4pm, from Portland, from a woman informing me and frustrated as she was relocating on Saturday to Ashland, OR. She was retiring and wants to travel and doesn't want her dog (who she raised from a pup). She was frustrated as her relatives said they would take him and now they changed their mind and he had to get rid of him by 6pm that night. (blink) She also told me his shots were up to date, and he hadn't been groomed, and he was neutered, housebroken and he was 12 yrs old. From my magic bag of tricks, I found someone to foster him in Oregon for a month, then asked a friend of mine in Astoria, OR, if she would take him and I wouldn't charge her for him. I was desperate. She picked him up and he was smelly and dirty and a bit NIPPY. She called the vet to get more info on the dog and come to find out the owner lied and he was 14 yrs old! Was I embarrassed or

WHAT. So not only did the owner dump this dog like a sack of wet garbage, but she lied to me on top of it! She would have probably taken him to the shelter, but it was closed! I am grateful to Susan and her husband for taking Whiskey Sticks and muddling thru his attitude, and his adjustment period. God bless their little hearts.

Reason for Surrender: Retired and no longer wanted the dog. **Wanted to travel instead.** **Foster:** Rosie- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** Y **State:** OR



Baby Max 15 weeks old. Max was purchased by an elderly couple in their middle 70s who had lost their Chihuahua. They saw Max in the pet shop and decided they didn't want an old dog, so they bought an 8 week old puppy. Well, they weren't prepared for a puppy who wasn't housebroken, cried at night and tore up the town 14 hrs a day. The wife was also concerned because he was growing way too fast, and she wanted a dog that weighed under 6 lbs. (reality check, Westies grow to 17 lbs) We talked on

occasions through two months and each time I was to pick up the dog, she changed her mind. Eventually she had enough of Max who was chewing up the house and running in circles with one thing or another in his mouth. He came here for a couple of weeks and he and my Sealyham Pup (both wreaked havoc). They became a team in motion and dug under my deck and came out the other end full of cobwebs, and one holding a nail in her mouth!



They ripped the underside of my bed liner to shreds, and just when I thought there was no more, they finished off more. They ate paper, tore up carpets, and chewed up the deck. If one wasn't eating a pine cone, then another was trying to chew on a rock or trying to consume a branch. They did play and run and had a good time together. Eventually I found an ideal Canadian couple to adopt Maxie Paxie.

Reason for Surrender: Retired, dog is too much energy. **Foster:** Karin- 3 weeks. **INTACT:** Y **State:** WA



Carlos/Bentley – 4 yrs old. This dog was brought into the Eugene Humane Society in Oregon. He had chemical burns from his neck to his tail that burnt off so much skin it was so decayed that it was rotting on his back. He was in a lot of pain. The humane society's vet worked on him for three weeks, changing bandages 2x a week and cutting off slices of the dead skin and treating the raw skin beneath and bandaging him up. It was GRUESOME. I have the photos and you would probably just keel over. They worked on this dog for a month then when he was clearing up they called us and asked us to take him into rescue. We had our Oregon rep pick him up and we did a carpool connection and brought him up to Seattle. He was fostered and adopted by one of our people who wanted to adopt a Westie. Allison and her husband worked with him. He had some anger management problems because he had gone through so much. He made 100 percent recovery and grown all his hair on his back. He still has a couple of anger management issues but he is evolving and they love him dearly.

Reason for Surrender: Stray with chemical burns. **INTACT:** N **State:** OR



Yogi – 10 yrs old. Yogi's owner had died leaving him to a friend. She loved Yogi, however, her two dogs didn't like Yogi and kept beating him up. She was south of Eugene, Oregon which is very far away from us. She called me up telling me the issues. Then !! BANG!! Divine intervention interceded. I had a couple who was wanting an older dog. They lived in Walla Walla – a far cry from Roseburg, OR. I called them up and they were packing to go on a camping trip in Ocean Shores, WA the next day! I asked if they might consider to go camping by turning south to OREGON? They laughed and said SURE... so they made reservations for a campground near Roseburg and I connected the two, and they drove down there and picked up Yogi! They were delighted with him and the owner was elated with them. They were elated with Yogi and they all lived happily ever after in Walla Walla, WA.

Reason for Surrender: Owner passed away. **INTACT:** N **State:** OR



Snoopy 8 yrs old. This is a special story because you won't believe it and I can't make this stuff up. Snoopy's owner's adult pregnant daughter moved in with her parents. Daughter had morning sickness and didn't like the dog. It made her stomach churn and she whined so much that the owner rehomed the dog. If it was my mom, she would have told me to relocate! Snoopy was a great dog, well behaved, some allergies, but no problem. He got adopted shortly thereafter to an awesome owner in Federal Way who takes the dog everywhere with her, and goes camping with him in their RVs. So Snoopy went from rags to riches! And they all lived happily ever after in Federal Way.



Reason for Surrender: Owners daughter wanted her to get rid of the dog . INTACT: N State: OR

Moki and Mallie 8/9 yrs: These two dogs are pretty well behaved. Again – buying the dog before the babies. Then babies came along, 2 and 3 yrs and the dogs were a nervous wreck and snappy. Gee like de ja vu? Or could I have psychic powers? I had some friends who just lost their Westie from Westie Lung Disease, and they felt the house was just way too quiet. We took the dogs to the vet and got their dental done and senior panels, and the duo went to their new home. I get frequent reports on how well they are doing.

Reason for Surrender: Not good with new babies . INTACT: N State: WA

Mindy and Tessie 11/12 yrs: This was a tough rescue. The wife had a stroke and was in a nursing home mostly paralyzed. Husband was home, he was in bed, and had a stroke and no one found him for 3 days. He was weak and the dogs were in the house with no use of yard and no food or water. Paramedics showed up and took the man to hospital. No one could get in touch with anyone who was a relative, and eventually two more days later the neighbors wondered who was taking care of the dogs. So five days alone with no food and water. The neighbor got into through a window and let the dogs out, cleaned up the mess and put water and food down. He did this daily for four days and contacted step daughter in New Jersey! Who contacted me. But I couldn't take the dogs until someone signed them over. She had no jurisdiction as she wasn't the blood daughter, she was the step daughter. Eventually with the help of a rehab nurse, and a social worker, we got the dogs signed over and faxed to me, This took another FIVE DAYS alone in the house for these two girls. I drove down to Seattle on a rainy night in 5pm traffic to save the littler buggers! They were so happy to see a human that it took them two days to stop running around with glee. I noticed Mindy's legs weren't working right, and after taking her to the vet, we found out she had two severe luxating patellas. We took her to Bothell and Dr. Kovar operated on both knees. Mindy has been in recovery almost 3 mos. Tessie is vibrant and you'd lose money on a bet if someone tried to tell you that you she was 12. She has more energy than my 8 yr old dog. She is a sweetie pie. Both dogs have grown and we have been rotating fostering. They will be up for adoption in Feb or March. They are FABULOUS dogs.



Reason for Surrender: Elderly owners in assisted living . Foster: 5 mos (judy/bruce/karin) INTACT: N State: WA



Cassie 3yrs: Cassie's owner died and her family (have I heard this story before) didn't want her. They gave her away to a family friend, who kept her 3 mos and decided she really didn't want her. She didn't have a personality like her Lab, and she liked short coated dogs. She also said she was snappy. So we arranged to pick her up. Her current owner, asked us to move up the date, as she was driving over to Spokane to adopt a Min Pin (to replace Cassie). As luck would have it we found a great family to adopt her. They even installed a fence which was a big chore. She is currently living with them and they adore her. She is currently enrolled in basic training, going on daily walks and being loved and adored.

Reason for Surrender: Owner died, family didn't want to keep her and rehomed her. Adopter didn't want her, and gave her up to adopt a min pin. . Foster: Judy – 2 days INTACT: N State: WA

Scotties



Sophie 5 yrs old: Sophie was a well adjusted, well behaved dog, with a bad ear infection. Her owners were great, socialized her, she was raised with kids, she was an easy dog and a ton of fun. Everything for Sophie was an ADVENTURE. The owners had to rehome her as they had a brand new baby, which was a surprise and they were worried about the dogs and the baby. They rehomed four dogs because of the baby. I think Sophie would have been fine, but it is what it is. We found her a wonderful loving home in the Lacey area where she lived happily ever after.

Reason for Surrender: NEW BABY . **Foster:** Karin 1 week - **INTACT:** N **State:** WA



Freddie Ferguson 2 yrs old Freddie was given to us by Oregon Rescue. He was getting attacked by two other rescue males who were being scheduled for neutering. It became a bit overwhelming so I was asked to take him. Freddie was also a wild indian and made the older Scotties in the house – nutz because he wasn't a well behaved little guy. But he was a ton of fun! We eventually discovered that everything the owner told us about the dog was untrue. She said he was afraid and didn't like men and cowered in corners. Well apparently he got his "Party" when he came to Camp Parish! He ran around like a lunatic with the other dogs and he was always smiling and thinking about what he could do to make you chase him. He was a big giant puppy. He was adopted by one of our patrons (Faith) who

always donates a lot of money to our rescue. She adopted Freddy and they are now living happily ever after in Oregon, and he has more Scottie brothers/sisters down there!

Reason for Surrender: no longer wanted to own a dog . **Foster:** Karin 3 week - **INTACT:** N **State:** OR

Rosalie 6 yrs Rosie was a great dog, her owner was elderly and had to go into nursing home. Nursing home means: on walkers, wheel chairs and unable to even take a dog out on a leash, or in some cases, can't even get dressed without assistance or they can't get out to go anywhere and cannot care for the dogs. She was a well behaved lovely girl and was easily adopted.

Reason for Surrender: Elderly owner in assisted living – **Foster:** Kaleen 2 wks, **INTACT:** N, **State:** WA



GRAEME 8 ½ yrs Graeme was from Tacoma shelter. I actually had a call to pick up a Westie. I went down there and a blondish dog came out with his nose on the ground, and he had a poufy haircut. I took the leash and was signing paperwork and out the door we went and he looked up at me and his nose went on and on and on. I thought HAHHAHA this is a Scottie not a Westie! I didn't turn around because I figured they might want him back thinking they could put him up for adoption! He was a great dog and we got him adopted out pretty quickly He was a really really nice



Scottie. Left is Westie Cut, Right is my grooming – Scottie Cut.

Reason for Surrender: Tacoma Shelter - Stray – **Foster:** Ardeth 2 wks, **INTACT:** N, **State:** WA



Gus 10 yrs: Gus was a portly little guy from Spokane. His owner was homeless and couldn't care for him. We did his dental and put him on a HUGE diet. We find homeless people can't afford dog food so they buy loaves of bread to feed the dogs. He was a gentle soul and looked like a baby black bear! This is such bad nutrition as dogs are carnivores and need meat. The vitamin deficiency in this is terrible. We adopted him out to a former adopter of ours – Cheryl Davidson, and we are grateful she added him to her pack in Pullman. Another adopter paid for his adoption fee so he could be placed. It was a great help to everyone concerned.

Reason for Surrender: Homeless – Foster: Shelia White 2 mos, INTACT: N, State: WA

Sherlock 5 yrs old →

Poor Sherlock was a skinny scrawny Scottie that was flea ridden. He was badly bred, but such a sweet soul. I convinced a former Westie owner, that should come over to the Dark Side.. and she adopted Sherlock and has been in love with him ever since! Diane and her husband were also the people who contributed to Gus's adoption fee. They have been avid financial supports to our rescue. As you can see by the photo she is SMITTEN by Sherlock. What's not to love!

Reason for Surrender: Tacoma Shelter - Stray – Foster: Karin Parish 2 weeks, INTACT: N, State: WA



Scotch 7 yrs old Kaleen had to zip up to Wenatchee because the owner was being put into a Nursing home and there was no one to take Scotch. Sadly the woman was distraught to give him up, but she had no alternative. It's very sad when this happens because dogs keep old people alive. He was adopted by a wonderful couple on Camano Island. The first attempt to go over to pick him up from Selah, WA was met with a snowstorm in the pass, and they had to turn around. Second time they made it. And they all live happily ever after on Camano Island.

Reason for Surrender: Elderly owner in nursing home – Foster Kaleen 6 wks, INTACT: N, State: WA



Molly 3 yrs old: Molly came from PAWS and she had no hair on her back from fleas, a staph infection, ear infection. Apparently her owners brought her in to surrender her and said they had hardship and couldn't afford her. They gave a long story on her temperament and likes and dislikes. HA. Everything they said she didn't do. It made me wonder if they hadn't stolen her. They said she liked playing ball. Well she eats them. They said she liked playing with a lizard who lives in the house. She destuffs toys and I can't imagine her allowing a lizard to live. She



picked fights with the other dogs, they said she was very social. (nahhh) They said she was 8 yrs old, and there is no way she is over 3 yrs old. Her teeth were pristine, and her gums and eyes glittered they were in such great shape. She was a silver brindle which could have made her look old, but she wasn't old. The real story. Great dog, young, well behaved, and acted like she was the Queen of Egypt. She walked around here like she had a tiara on her head. She would steal stuff if you turned your head or went into another room and she liked taking apart the waste baskets, and getting on the kitchen chairs to steal food. She wasn't an 8 yr old scottie. She also did not like to RISE early – she preferred you serve her breakfast in bed. She was perfect on a leash and in the car. We found a family that had just lost their Airedale suddenly. They stumbled across me from a Scottie Breeder referral inquiry. They used to always own Scotties and loved their temperament. I recall them telling me that they had a large yard for her to run around. I laughed and told them that Queen's don't run – they have you fetch for them! This is her recent photo from the adopters who think she is perfect. Grandma is even Scottish and daughter dances at highland games! Molly has them all whipped into shape. Photo on the left is the day I picked her up. She wasn't in good shape and very sick. That's probably why they thought she was old.

Reason for Surrender: from PAWS - hardship can't afford dog – Foster Karin 2 wks, INTACT: N, State: WA

Cairns



Tess 7 yrs old: Tess was retrieved from the Tacoma shelter. She came from a situation where animal control had to take some of the dogs. Her sister was in better shape than Tess was. She had produced several litters, had a severe yeast infection, and a bad blood panel which wound up to be kidney failure. In her history from the owner, it was written that Tess enjoyed dill pickles and they gave them to her several times a day and on her dog food instead of biscuits! I suspect the salt, vinegar and spice did her kidneys in.



We spayed her and I did holistic meds. I took her to the holistic vet once a week to the tune of \$100 a pop and drove down to Seattle for the session. I cooked her food, tried herbs and finally wound up putting her on kidney dog food. I figured what the heck, I tried everything else that didn't seem to work. I figured she would stay with me until she died because her kidney values were so terrible. Slowly I monitored her food and she got better until she was almost back to normal. I was SHOCKED and grateful to the powers that be. At a Picnic in May, a former adopter was smitten with her. She had adopted a Westie from me several years earlier. I told her that I needed a home for Tess but that she had bad kidneys. Kathy decided to take Tess. It was a blessing because it opened space at my house for another dog. Tess blossomed at Kathy's and her kidney's miraculously recovered to normal which was a gift from god. Tess was with me for about 5 mos. I saw her in July at the highland games, and she jumped with glee when she saw me. It so moved me that she remembered who I was. This photo is of Tess when she hadn't seen me for 3 mos.

Reason for Surrender: Animal Control cruelty situation – Foster (Renate) Karin 5 mos, INTACT: Y, State: WA



Chex 1 yr old: Chex was on the radar with Bull Dog Rescue, and they wanted him to go to an appropriate rescue. They thought he was a Cairn/Norwich cross. so they asked me to take him so he wouldn't have to go to the shelter. They named him Chex because he was the color of wheat chex. He was adopted out to a lady who had formerly adopted an old Westie from me who had died I matched her up with Chex, and she gave it her all because he was a mighty little tornado in the

household. He was a feisty little bugger and loving. There are no Norwich or Norfolk terrier rescues and a lot of the Cairn rescues have all closed shop, so we try and take the stragglers. It's a fast reality check when you are used to a Westie Temperament! Cairns have been a whole new learning curve to me as well.

Reason for Surrender: Confiscated due to hardship situation by Bulldog rescue – Foster Vicky 2 wks, INTACT: N, State: WA



Rocky 3 yrs old: Rocky was at the Olympia shelter, and they told me he was a cairn. He was being naughty in the shelter, and they felt he would be better in a foster home without so much stimulation. The photo they sent was one with his ears down and all shaggy. When we got him he wasn't a cairn! He was like maybe a schnauzer cairn or something fuzzy. He was a ton of fun, and well behaved, and he had the energy level of a young jack Russell. He got adopted out once, but they found he had too much energy and returned him. We never could find where he hid his battery pack and it apparently never wore down! He was adopted to a gentleman in Everett who also had a 20 mo old Westie. Now

the two of them terrorize the house and yard and run circles around each other. With age they will slow down. He was great with children and other dogs, and very social, just very energetic.

Reason for Surrender: Surrendered to shelter due to hardship situation – Foster Vicky/Judy 6 wks, INTACT: N, State: WA



Finnegan 7 yrs old: Finnegan was one of my Favorites. I think he had the biggest personalities I have ever seen. He was a stray in Tacoma and he was feisty and very vocal. He had a lot to say. If you compared him to a human he was the LIFE of the Party and Center of Attention. He would be the biggest baddest guy your mom told you not to date who had on a leather jacket and road a Harley! He was a man's man and a loyal boyfriend! We all LOVED him.

Finnegan was a great dog, and he had a severe ear infection called pseudomonas. We had to rotate him around to different households because of fosters going on vacations. We treated him for his ear daily and flushed it... it would cure in one side and get raging the next day. The ear flush was very painful for him to tolerate and the infection kept going deeper into his ear until it was in the ear drum. We tried every antibiotic, we tried every culture to see what antibiotic would fight it. Eventually we had to put him under anesthesia so he could tolerate the pain of flushing the ear. After two months the vet said it was cruel and unusual punishment to make him suffer through any more flushings. She said it had now progressed to the ear drum. Our vet likened it to pouring vinegar on an open burn only 10x worse. Maryann and I were shopping when I got the call from the vet. We had dropped him off that morning for anesthesia. After the call we both sat in the parking lot of the thrift shop and cried. It was very sad we couldn't save him. It's the part of rescue you have to do that no one else has the guts to do.

Reason for Surrender: Stray Tacoma Shelter – Foster Maryann/Bruce 9 weeks Intact: Y State: WA (Euthanized)



Baker 8 yrs old Baker was adopted 3 yrs prior from Cairn Terrier Rescue USA (CRUSA) in WA. He probably should have been named Fire Cracker! All the fosters in CRUCA for the state of WA, quit or retired, so he couldn't be returned to them. The owners decided they were going to go off to be "peace corps" workers for 10 yrs and the dog had to leave. He was a great dog and had a high energy level. I think my foster home was worn out when he left. He couldn't believe he was 8 yrs old. He was adopted by a couple in Anacortes who had another Cairn. Their Westie had died and they wanted a Westie. I should have been in Sales, because I talked them into Baker. They picked him up sight unseen except for photos, and off they went to Anacortes, and there he lives Happily Ever After.

Reason for Surrender: Owners going into peace corp for 10 yrs. Foster Bruce/Ralph 2 weeks Intact: N State: WA



Viggo 10 yrs old: Viggo was a wonderful well adjusted dog owned by the same woman for 10 yrs. She decided to have a baby on her own and the child didn't believe in leaving the dog alone. So being 3 yr old child .. no amount of discussion on leaving the dog alone, worked. She was bit a few times for falling on the dog, and yanking his tail or popping him in the head with a Barbie. The dog had to remain in a back room or in an expen to protect him or a crate, and finally the owner said it wasn't fair to the dog, and the child wasn't "getting it" and if animal control heard about the bites, they would make them put Viggo down when he never did anything wrong but protect himself. This was a hard call because the woman really loved him and trying to find a home for a 10 yr old cairn was going to be a feat. Ironically we found a wonderful couple in Bellevue who had a demure little Westie girl. The owner and

the couple met and the dogs were introduced, and Miss Demure Westie fell in love, as did viggo. I think he saw that Westie girl and thought he was face to face with Marilyn Monroe. I had to prod the adopter to take the plunge. She didn't know if she had the best match for her dog, but the husband sure did. Viggo is a man's dog, and loved playing and running, and retrieving a ball, and he was very out going. He had a BUDDY. So they adopted Viggo. They love him to death and everyone is living happily ever after in Bellevue.

Reason for Surrender: Owners needed to rehome due to naughty toddler. Foster none Intact: N State: WA



Finlay 4 yrs: Finlay was a favor for a friend. He was selected from Tacoma shelter to be a service dog. We don't know what Mix he was but we think Tibetan Terrier and Lhasa. He was about 22 lbs, and super smart, and a lot of energy. He got along with all the dogs, and he was great with people but he needed some obedience training.

He was determined not to be a candidate for a service dog and (begged really) to please take him into rescue and rehome him. This dog had a d had to be returned to the shelter. I was asked lot of energy and basically drove us all nutty for a while until he settled down. The greatest part is that he was 100% housebroken. The diving up and nipping and not coming when you call, and running away from you



drive me crazy. As I was praying to the powers that be that I needed to find this dog a home sooner than later... an applicant came into my mailbox. He had just moved from Ohio and lived in Sequim. He had just lost his Lhasa Mix that was similar looking to this dog. I talked to him on the phone and he didn't relent in being determined to adopt Finlay. I was worried because his application said Apartment A. Well come to find out he had a duplex and it was fully fenced, he just lived on side A. He was a retired prison guard, and I figured if he could keep them in line, he surely could keep Finlay in line. He loved training as well and when I told him to come to Whidbey for a meet and greet, he was on the NEXT FERRY. Now those are the types of adopters I love. The rest is history. He was meant to be with this dog. He also gave this dog a fabulous home and adores him. He already recalls, and knows tricks. His wife was also over the moon with Finlay and I couldn't have selected a better home. And Finlay is living happily ever after with his soul mate in Sequim, WA! I normally don't post adoption photos, but you gotta love these two!!

Reason for Surrender: Stray- Tacoma Shelter. Foster Michele/Karin Intact: Y State: WA

2014 STATS

TOTAL: 31 Westies 8 Scotties 10 Cairns 1 Mix = total 50 rescued

Note: some dogs counted 2x because they were returned mos later.

Males	Females	Owner changed Mind	To another rescue group	Spays and Neuters	Euthanized	Dogs refused	Vet Costs
25	21	4	3*	13	5	3	\$14,653 (Westies)
							\$ 2,512 (Scotties)
							\$ 5,250 (Cairns)
							\$22,415 TOTAL VET
			Mileage/Ferries \$3349	Food/Supplies \$5598	Ofc /Postage \$513		\$ 9,990 Operating Costs
							2014 Grand Total Operating Cost
							\$32,405

*not our breeds

** Operating Costs: Gas, food, equipment, leashes, collars, cleaning products, treats, training, grooming supplies, phone, Ofc supplies, postage, ID Tags, prescription foods, toys, supplements

The Rules: We understand your compassion for rescue however due to laws and rules of our rescue, we are unable to go storming around and rescuing dogs off Craig's List or out of the shelter. In dog training we refer to the fact that you need to learn "impulse control". If you feel you have seen a dog in need or on Craig's list we suggest you email the owner and inform them that we have a rescue organization that will help them and insure the dog is placed in a safe home, because this is what we do. Point them to the SPDR site and they can contact us immediately via hot line, or emails that come to our smart phones and computers. You can find SPDR on a Google search under Seattle Purebred Dog Rescue. Or paste the link in for them. We expend enough of our lives taking care of the rescues we have and we cannot go policing Craig's List.



A big NO NO – do not post belittling and inflammatory info on Craigs List to people who are rehoming their dogs. Same for our facebook page! At least they are not dumping them in ravines, and not abandoning them on the highway as we see all the time. This is much crueller than going to a shelter that is SAFE. Domesticated dogs are not wolves. Instead of berating them, maybe education would be a

better course of action. When you berate them they shut down and there is no contact. We also **WILL NOT** buy a dog off Craig's List, it's not our mission and against our policy. If you want to buy it and turn it over to us, so be it. We often see backyard breeders dumping sick dogs which no longer have the ability to breed. Most of these types of dogs already have mammary cancer or tumors which the unsuspecting buyer figures out when they get the dog. So to stop the madness – education is our only chance of making a change. We will take a dog if it is surrendered, but we won't pay!

Therefore - we encourage you not to post things on Facebook about dogs in need of rescue at shelter or they will be euthanized, because this just doesn't happen with purebred dogs!!!! Tacoma and all the shelters in the area have not euthanized an adoptable Westie, Cairn or Scottie nor have they euthanized an adoptable dog in over five years. Tacoma has adopted out over 7000 dogs and cats last year. (I didn't even count rabbits and hamsters, guinea pigs, birds, fish, ducks or turtles) We could never even attempt to make a dent in that amount of animals that are abandoned. We need the Humane Society and shelters! Be grateful and kiss the ground that they exist. The shelters work hard to find rescue groups to take adoptable dogs. I am always contacted by shelters in Oregon, and Idaho to take dogs. In Oregon, the Troutdale Shelter will even spay and neuter and do dental for us for free, before we get the dog, as a courtesy for our travel.

The influx of email hysteria makes so much paperwork for the shelter, the reps and the rescue organizations. We appreciate your consideration in this matter but we need you to practice impulse control.



NEED HELP: We always need drivers to help transfer or pick up dogs. We need foster homes, temporary foster homes as well. It takes a village! Contact Karin: seattleblackandwhite@gmail.com

THE MEDICAL CARE - PRICELESS



We appreciate all the excellent support from our vets. They give us *priority*, and give us first class service and rescue discounts which is very rare these days. If you are looking for a new vet, use one of ours! They know our breeds! We can give you recommendations.

Special thanks to:

<p>Bothell Pet Hospital (425) 486-3251 Drs. Shannon Smith, Kim Hsu, Lesley Kovar (giving us first class care since 2005)</p>	<p>Animal Hospital of Maple Valley Dr. Karla Mooers (425) 432-2999</p>
<p>Selah Vet Clinic (509) 697 6111 Dr. Mike Beksinski</p>	<p>River Road Animal Hospital Puyallup (253) 845-7525</p>
<p>Sumner Veterinary Hospital, Sumner Dr. Kathy Wendt (253)863-2258</p>	<p>Animal Hospital by the Sea Dr. Jean Dieden (360) 331-8090 Langley, WA</p>
<p>Tumwater Veterinary Hospital 360-754-6008 Tumwater, WA</p>	<p>Dr. Donna Kelleher, Bellingham , WA</p>

The People who make it a success:

There are absolutely no words to express that I could not do this alone. I am forceful, demanding, high drive, and have no impulse control at times - if I have to lay it on the line. I have high expectations. My motto is if I wouldn't leave my own dogs with these applicants, then why would I adopt out my rescues to them? So you will be glad I have all those qualities if it came to your dog needing to be placed.

I surround myself with people who are responsible and as passionate as me and who can follow through, or it doesn't work. Years ago, a boss of mine told me a secret, She said, "You are only as good as the people you surround yourself with. If you build your team with good people, it makes you look good and you are all a success and directing them it will be stress free and pleasant". She was so right.

Rep - Karin Parish: I process all the applications, do the interviews, spread sheets, pick ups, coordinate, foster the sickest dogs or the ones with the worst temperament (much to my dogs dismay). I interface with most of the vets for big operations and what I want done on the incoming sick dogs. I talk to all the vets regarding serious operations or tumor removals or anything else that comes up in a test, like cancer, addisons disease, thyroid problems, etc.

I do most of the training and guide all the foster homes, delegate, and yell for help when I am exhausted. I process the reimbursements, pay for all the vet bills on my visa (and then wait for reimbursement from SPDR), I do the fund raising, thank you notes, and write up all the stats on the dogs, handle the photo album, and deal with shelters and veterinarians. I groom, I figure out transports, and probably more, but that is enough to tire you out. So if I am short tempered on the phone, you will understand why – its exhaustion. I also have my own dogs that I do competition with and I am in the Westie Club as well as Board of Directors of WA State Scottish Terrier club and I recently bought a Sealyham Terrier Pup and I am in the national club and working on training and competing with her. (I used to have more energy when I was younger.

Co Rep: Judy Lane: Works full time at Pemco. She has four of her own dogs and a husband. She specializes in nutrition, she grooms, she specializes in diabetic dogs, dogs with cataract surgery, knee surgery and skin issues. She helps me with interviews, and she drives hither and yon on her only weekends off picking up dogs, and scheduling vet appts, transports and getting paperwork. Judy levels me because she is much calmer so we take turns playing good cop and bad cop when we have to deal with some of the applicants or owners. Sometimes we are put in situations where we have to deal with some unbalanced people.

The heartbeat

Vicky Ray- Foster: Vicky works part time, has her grandchildren four days a week, a husband and three dogs. She picks up all my dogs from Tacoma shelter, she is learning allergy problems, she covers the area from Renton down to Yelm. She always is flexible, makes great decisions and I can just point her and let go, and I know it's done. She is thorough, efficient and dependable. She's everything anyone would want for a teammate. Vicky has fostered the most dogs this year. (15).

Bruce Beck - Foster: Bruce applied to foster and I kind of overlooked his application. He was the greatest find in 2014 for my group. He is in Burien and he is an amazing, patient trainer and foster dad. He takes his charges everywhere with him and exposes them to people, walks, car rides, new environments and routine. Bruce is super calm and follows direction and is such a breeze to work with. We adore him and his husband Ralph. We also enjoy having foster dads!

Jason Allen – Foster back up: Jason is a former adopter and always seems to take the difficult cases. I had to call upon him several times this summer when we ran out of foster space. I groveled and whined and begged mercilessly until he couldn't say NO. He was a pleasure to work with, and its wonderful that these dogs can get exposure to men. Its also a great educational experience for Jason On two occasions he took mill dogs, and he did a stellar job with them. He doesn't foster as often as the rest of him, but he is my parachute when the plane is going down! I am grateful

Maryann Guerry-Buck – Foster backup: Maryann has been around fostering for quite a while but she was involved with our rescue since 2007. Between 2010-2014 she was working full time and her own animals and working weekends at Noah as well as fostering for them and doxie rescue. She recently retired and she has a bit more time to help. She is one of our foster back ups and normally covers Marysville and North, although sometimes she had to go to Tacoma in a pinch.

Angie Fellows – Olympia: Angie was on my facebook and I have always seemed to talk to her and gosh I don't really know how it all evolved but she helped us out with several dogs when we didn't know what to do or were out of ideas. She filled in the Olympia area because we lost our foster down there. She has a child and was in the throes of getting married, and darn it if she didn't still step in and help us move Rory up from Vancouver, and care for him and help us with Annie from Portland. She was either on her way to work, or meeting her fiancée for wedding plans or picking up her son, and she ALWAYS fit in how she would handle picking up the dog. We love Angie and we are so lucky to have her on our team. You can see her on our facebook page for rescue. She also recently got married!

June Taylor - Oregon: June represents us in Oregon. She goes beyond the call of duty. She is excellent with dogs, and grooming and evaluating. If she has to pick up a dog from someone who is losing home, or has no money she will bring them dog food, and flea meds for the other animals in the house and give them instructions on ear care, etc. This is what she does. She is very kind and caring. If a new dog is going to a home and its cold she will go buy them a new coat so they look nice when they get adopted. She will give up her weekends to do this. After all this driving she will still groom them or give them a bath, even when she is tired. This is a lot to ask of someone who works four 10 hr days a week and only has Friday-Sunday off, and uses that to transport dogs, and interview people when she still has her own dogs to care for and laundry. None of us get paid.

Tonya Osborn – Oregon: Tonya started a year ago and has pulled me out of a ringer on several occasions. She just makes it happen and she is ready to roll. She is in Beaverton, Oregon. Although I have never met her we talk a lot and she is always covering my area down there. Her very first rescue had to be put to sleep which was Sophie. It was so sad. How can you introduce a person to be a foster and she has to put her first dog to sleep. Talk about tough love. We are so grateful. She has helped us with several dogs and also wound up adopting Aurora who had CMO. She hunted down the breeder and gave her a piece of her mind for breeding dogs with this gene. Gotta LOVE Tonya. I admire her.

Ardeth Bolin Foster Back up and Transport: Ardeth became available this summer and has helped transport and pick up and foster dogs on a temporary basis. She has been an immense help because she lives on Whidbey as well. We were going to use her full time but her female Westie has a hissy fit when another dog is in the house, so its like war zone when a foster comes up. We can manage on a short term otherwise the entire fostering has to be one dog in the bedroom and one in the living room or one in the crate and one not in the crate. It is very difficult. She fostered Rory and brought him back to health and Picked up Ennis who sadly had to be euthanized and fostered a Scottie for the first time (Graeme) who she loved. Its helpful because she is near me on Whidbey.

Renate Audette Back up: Renate fostered Tess for a while, however she wound up adopting a Westie from me and she has since retired from fostering. However she does help me when I am in a pinch and have to stash a dog for a couple of days until another foster home opens up. I use her as back up baby sitter. It comes in handy as she is also on Whidbey.



The helpers:

I have some others I use on occasion when I have to pull out the big guns. Shawnie and April. April is my friend and she has Friday's off, and I am forever asking her to pick up a dog when I am desperate, and she works it into her weekend and delivers it to my door and then I jump for Joy. I know she does it because she is my friend, but I so appreciate it. She has learned a lot from rescue. I also run scenarios off her to see if I am on the right path or have overlooked something. April also listens to me when I want to vent, which saves me a lot in blood pressure meds. Shawnie actually took time off work to

jump a ferry to pick up the puppy from Bainbridge. The owner kept changing her mind and scenarios and Shawnie took the afternoon off work and off she went to get the dog. THANK GOD , or else I would still be wrestling with the owner to get the puppy. It gave me a migrane!

There are many other helpers who assist when I ask but only on occasion. I am grateful for them as well. Even if they drive a dog once, its one less time I have to do it.



SAME OLE SAME OLE: Judy and I hear the same old story over and over for years . Why they want to adopt and why they are giving it up.

WTA: Want to Adopt NTS : Need to Surrender We explain why the reasoning for adoption is wrong... and it's like we are speaking a foreign language

WTA: I would like to buy my daughter a birthday gift she has always wanted a Westie. It will also teach her responsibility

NTS: I have to give up my Westie, my daughter's dog, she : (multiple choice) A) has lost interest in the dog, and won't feed it or take care of it and leaves it in the crate all day and I won't help because I am teaching her a lesson. The poor dog is stuck in his crate, I think we need to give it up ; B) My son is going off to college and can't take the 12 yr old dog, and I don't want it here, can you take it; C) My daughter is dating now and is in sports, and she doesn't take care of the dog.

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WTA: We live in a condo and I know we don't have a fenced yard but we will take it out on a leash

NTS: Multiple choice: A) the dog is too barky and the neighbors are going to evict us because they bark their brains out during the day ; B) I didn't know it would have to go out so many times at night, and I am tired of standing in the rain and wind while its sniffing around; C) It's pottying in the house , I take it out every 8 hrs ; D) It bolts out the door and runs away

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WTA: We just got married, and we want to adopt a dog to complete our family.

NTS: We bought our dog/dogs first, and now they are 5 yrs old and they nip at the children and its getting dangerous, we have to give them up. It's about the safety of the children. We've had them since they were puppies but family comes first so the dogs have to .

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WTA: No we don't have a fence but we will watch them as we are not irresponsible people. Our other dog never ran away before because they love us.

WTA: Our dog ran off. We didn't have a fence, and he's never done it before. Multiple choice: A) ran after a cat and crossed the street and was hit by a car; B) Was attacked by coyotes; C) ran away down the driveway and got run over; D) ran over to the neighbors yard and was killed by their german shepherd; E) all of the above

WTA: My 80 yr old aunt always had Westies and wants a young dog, she doesn't want a dog over 2 yrs old.

NTS: I need to find a place for my 80 yr old aunt's dog (multiple choice): A) had to go into a nursing home and I don't want the dog, I have no time for it; B) tripped over the dog and broke her hip and can't keep it ; C)

dog is way too energetic, she can't chase it and it pulls on the leash and never sits still. It ate the carpeting!; D) she doesn't know how to house break it, and it keeps running out the front door and won't come back; E) she keeps hitting it with a newspaper and now its biting everyone: F) a what? What's an expen? A what, no **we would never crate a dog we think it's cruel (lol no just smack it with the paper instead); G) All the above**

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WTA: My boyfriend and I are renting a house and we want to adopt a Westie, Scottie or Cairn:

NTS: My boyfriend and I broke up and I can't keep the dogs, I have to move into an apartment and I am not paying the extra pet fee to keep it.

And that is what we hear over and over and over and over. Its like ground hogs day!

In Closing:

We have had less dogs in rescue during 2014 - which is a blessing. However this year we are covering more breeds. Less dogs are great! We are all getting old and like the down time!

Thank you all for your donations and support. My motivation below. We can only rescue as many dogs as we have money to afford.



All donations to SPDR are tax deductible and you can mail a check or submit PAYPAL. If you do paypal, make sure you say "WESTIE fund" or "CAIRN fund" or "Scottie Fund" or we won't get it.

Make check payable to the "fund" I need and spend the most money in Westie fund.

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Happy New Year