



PROJECT POOCH[®]

Learning responsibility, patience, and compassion for all life

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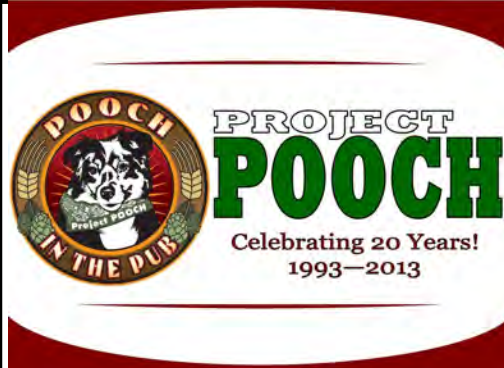
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SAVE THE DATE!

Date: Saturday, October 19, 2013

Where: The Tiffany Center
1410 SW Morrison Street
Portland, OR 97205

When: 5:30 pm—9:00 pm

This fundraiser will be a night you do not want to miss!

Enjoy an evening of conversation, dinner, and live & silent auction, along with entertainment by Left Coast Jazz.

Be Part of our 20 Year Celebration! Dress up or dress down—you'll fit right in!

To learn more about our event, visit:
www.pooch.org or call: (503) 697-0623.

Reservations begin on: September 1, 2013

Ticket price (\$100) includes scrumptious food paired with a beverage. There will be opportunities to bid and win on one of a kind items and experiences as you enjoy friends and support youth and dogs returning to the community as good citizens. Youth graduates will share what they have achieved since leaving corrections. They are looking forward to meeting and talking with YOU at POOCH in the Pub. Tickets go on sale September 1 at www.poochinthepub.org. Tables of eight can be purchased for \$800.



Project Pooch welcomes a new member to the team!

Shannon Campbell has joined us as Program Assistant in the Project Pooch Outreach Office. She has a wide variety of experiences in both non-profit work and animal shelter work, and is, of course, an avid dog lover (office requirement!). Shannon will be assisting in the planning of our annual outreach events, program management and day-to-day office management. Never hesitate to contact Shannon with any Pooch-related questions you might have! shannon@pooch.org

From the Executive Director

The youth in Project POOCH have been learning many new skills as they enclose three outside dog runs so that we can house more dogs during the winter months.

A non-POOCH youth has painted a mural of two beagles to represent the dogs of the Hayes family who provided the grant for the project.

The maintenance staff has helped install grates to cover the run off area of the dog runs.

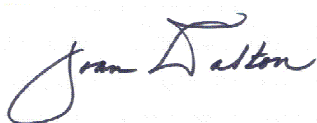
Re-planting the meditation garden and digging out the roots left when the tree was cut down will be a project to last throughout the summer. Many of the pavers will have to be reset.

The corn and other vegetables are planted and will be harvested for the end of summer barbecue as a thank you to the staff and youth who joined the Project POOCH team in completing the many projects that have needed attention.

Dog walks include rest time under the shade of the campus trees. After the walks, the dog swimming pool is open for the enjoyment of our water loving dogs.

Dog adopters provide social skill training for the youth as each dog handler tells about his dog and answers questions from potential adopters.

In gratitude,



Executive Director

Thank You!

Project Pooch donations in lieu of birthday gifts

Jake Randall recently celebrated his 6th birthday, and asked that friends bring items to be donated to Project Pooch. We at POOCH find it to be so inspiring to see children learning the importance of giving back at such an early age.

POOCH thanks Jake and his family for their generosity!

Special Volunteer thank you—Doug Brewer

Doug Brewer, one of our many valued and talented POOCH volunteers has been working overtime to keep the technology in our Outreach Office running smoothly and efficiently. We cannot thank Doug enough for his flexibility, expertise and patience with our various systems. We could not do this important work without Doug!

We did it!

The following youths successfully passed the Canine Advanced Education Examination:

Sang, Marino, Cayce, Brian, and Izzy.

Our volunteer, **Petrea**, worked with the youth on how to study and successfully pass the test.

Congratulations!

Do You Need a speaker for your club?

Former board member, **Ted Paul**, is available to speak to clubs about Project POOCH. Ted is a professional speaker and no one falls asleep when he beats the drum for Project POOCH.

If interested, call Ted: 503-982-4616.

First Aid

The youth recently spent a half day learning pet first aid from the American Red Cross. The training came in very handy when Daniel went to let his dog out of the kennel run the next day; he discovered blood from the dog's paw due to an escape attempt during the night. Daniel knew what to do because of the Pet First Aid training he had learned.



UPCOMING POOCH EVENTS!

July

Sixth Annual Stumptown Cluster—Portland Kennel Club Dog Show
Portland Expo Center
July 20-21, 2013

<http://www.expocenter.org/events/stumptown-cluster-portland-kennel-club-dog-show-1>

Visit us at the Project POOCH booth!

August

Petco 5k9 Walk Run—Columbia Annex Park
August 18th, 2013
Register online at:

<http://www.5k9walkrun.com/portland.php>

Visit us at the Project POOCH booth!

POOCH EVENT VOLUNTEERS

Event volunteers are needed to help staff our booths at both the Stumptown Cluster—Portland Kennel Club Dog Show and the Petco 5k9 Walk Run.

Additionally, we are looking for volunteers with auction experience for our October 2013 POOCH in the Pub Fundraiser.

Contact Shannon for more details regarding volunteer roles and shifts that need to be filled!

Shannon's Email: shannon@pooch.org

Phone: 503-697-0623

DONATIONS NEEDED

All POOCH dogs are rescued from shelters and are in desperate need of teeth cleaning, treatment for parasite infestation, poor diet and other medical issues that need to be addressed. Monetary donations of any size help fund this much needed veterinary care and ensure that our dogs go to their new homes healthy and happy.

Donations can be mailed to:

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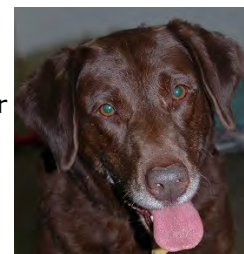
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Can You Help Lady?

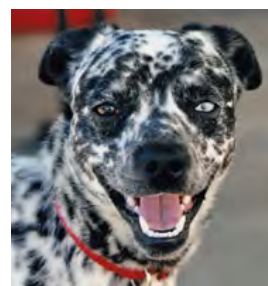
Lady was adopted from Project POOCH six years ago and proved to be a loving and loyal dog. She is now seven years old and doesn't understand why she no longer has a home. Her pet parent gave her up due to a move to another state. When adopted, Lady weighed 60 lbs., but put on more than a few pounds in her adoptive home. She weighed 93 pounds when returned to Project POOCH.



Lady's handler at POOCH exercises her on a regular basis and has taught her the importance of portion control; she now weighs 73 lbs. This wonderful chocolate lab is housebroken and loves a place on the sofa. She likes being petted and prefers to be the only dog. Riding in the car is one of her favorite activities. Can you help her? She is waiting for a home where she can retire and be wanted again.

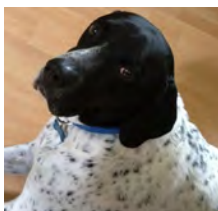
Deaf Dogs of Oregon—Spots

Meet Spots, POOCH's 5th deaf dog. In the past, we have used American Sign Language (ASL) for working with deaf dogs, but we have learned even more from Deaf Dogs of Oregon. They brought a deaf dog and a deaf and blind dog currently in their care, and spoke to Project Pooch youth about working with deaf dogs. Invaluable information was learned by all—thank you Deaf Dogs of Oregon!



In Loving Memory

Sampson



Sampson, a handsome Project Pooch adoptee, lived a brief but amazing life in his forever home with the Rabing family, and his German Shorthair brother Elvis. Days at the beach, playing in the high desert and relaxing at home with his favorite people was just a few of the ways that he spent his time. His spirit and good nature will live on with his forever family.

Odin

Odin, a Hurricane Katrina dog adopted from Project Pooch in 2006, spent a fantastic 6 years with his beloved guardian, Lynnette. He was an energetic and sweet companion, enjoying all of his walks, cuddles and playtime immensely. At 7 1/2 years of age, he was diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. He passed away peacefully at home in the arms of Lynnette.



Boogie



Boogie, a Project Pooch adoptee, lived a full and fantastic life of playing in the woods and taking cross country adventures with his forever family. He passed away peacefully, choosing when he was ready to go. He was a great dog and will always be missed.

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Thank you for your letters!



We often receive letters from adopters that are affirmations to the youths that, through their dedicated work, they have helped save a dog. Here is one of those letters:

“Rusty is the best office dog ever! Izzy and Kevin did a wonderful job yesterday showing me some basics, and we are going to practice. Thank you all so much for this wonderful being and all of your support! You have truly touched my heart. Blessings, Julie”

Do you have a letter about your adopted POOCH dog that you would like to share? If so, we would like to hear from you.