### DoveLewis<sup>•</sup> Canine Therapy Teams

PORTLAND AREA CANINE THERAPY TEAMS

# April 2025 Newsletter



We honor our magnificent therapy teams on National Therapy Animal Day—and every day—for the joy they bring to everyone they meet. These teams are truly the best of the best and are deeply appreciated by all who cross their paths.

From children who read to our dogs, to Honor Flight veterans, travelers and staff at PDX, court victims and employees, first responders, hospital patients and staff, and so many more—our dogs are always ready to lend a wag, share a little fur, and lean in to brighten someone's day. The pictures tell the "tail" of how much these pups love their work. This week, we received a generous donation from a woman traveling from New Mexico who met our teams at Portland International Airport. She wrote:

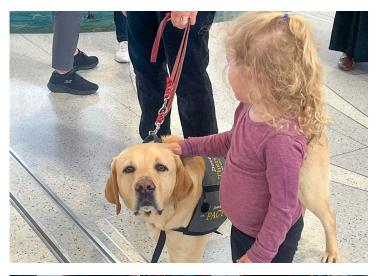
"I met Willow & Presidio at the airport along with their lovely handlers. I would like this donation to go toward things the Canine Therapy Teams may need. These ladies were wonderful, and I so admire what they are doing. Thank you, ladies!"

Thank you, Willow and Presidio for making her day!

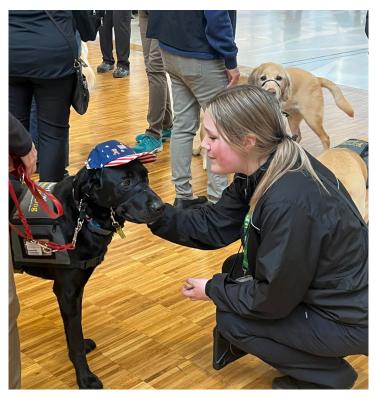




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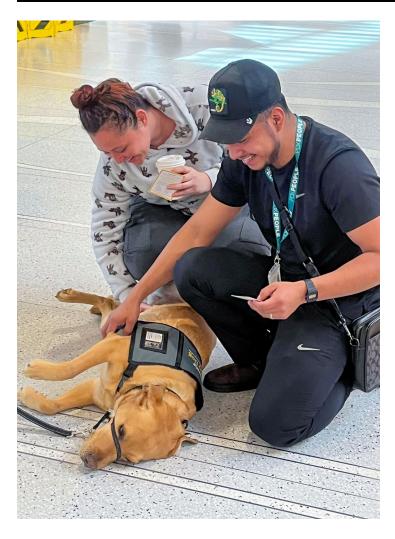








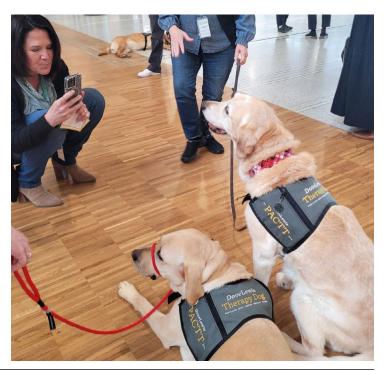
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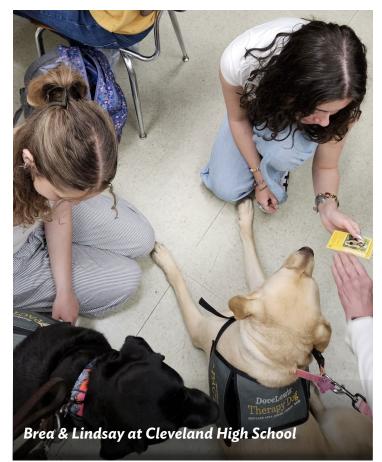


# Sun's Out, Pups Out!





Brea Weighing in with Alaska Airlines!





Judge Lavin Multnomah County Mock Trial



Presidio had Fun with this Family at Read to the Dog at the Ridgefield Library









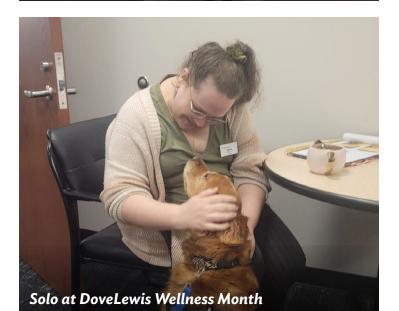






Rocket Relieving the Stress at Lewis and Clark





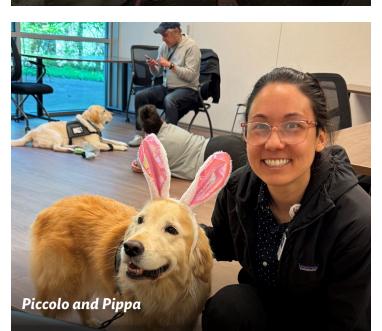














# Pet Loss Support Program

The loss of a pet can be devastating. For many, this is a loss not only of a beloved companion animal but of a best friend and cherished family member. We share our lives, dreams, homes, and affections with our companions. They touch our lives deeply and are deserving of our grief.

#### **Upcoming MAY Pet Loss Support Meetings:**

Thursday, May 1 | 12:00-1:30 PM | In-Person Meeting Thursday, May 8 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Virtual Meeting Thursday, May 15 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Virtual Meeting Tuesday, May 20 | 6:30-8:00 PM | In-Person Meeting

#### **Upcoming JUNE Pet Loss Support Meetings:**

Thursday, June 5 | 12:00-1:30 PM | In-Person Meeting Thursday, June 12 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Virtual Meeting Tuesday, June 17 | 6:30-8:00 PM | In-Person Meeting Thursday, June 16 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Virtual Meeting

#### **Upcoming JULY Pet Loss Support Meetings:**

Thursday, July 3 | 12:00-1:30 PM | In-Person Meeting Thursday, July 10 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Virtual Meeting Tuesday, July 15 | 6:30-8:00 PM | In-Person Meeting Thursday, July 17 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Virtual Meeting Grieving for a beloved pet is a natural and personal process that deserves expression and acknowledgment. The DoveLewis Pet Loss Support Program offers free monthly support group meetings, providing a comforting space for reflection, sharing, listening, and healing at your own pace.





<u>Click Here or Scan</u> <u>the QR Code to</u> <u>Learn More</u>

# **Provide Support for Fellow Animal**

We are grateful for the contributions from generous donors who make it possible for the Pet Loss Support Program to offer its services to our community of loving families. If it serves you, we welcome you to donate in honor of your beloved companion and to continue to make this space available in the future.



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## Additional Pet Loss Support Offerings

Grief deserves to be witnessed, and it needs expression. Sharing and giving voice to experiences of profound love and loss through our Pet Loss Support Groups is one way people may find that expression. And for some, it may serve them to find expression by memorializing their beloved companions creatively through art or writing.

Virtual Memorial Writing Workshop: Sunday, June 8 from 3-5pm

In partnership with Write Around Portland.

#### Memorial Art Workshop: Sunday, May 11 and Sunday, July 13 from 3-4:30pm

Past projects have included memorial candles, picture frames, pendants, and flower pots.



## Virtual Caregiver Support Group

Caring for a beloved companion animal who has special needs or a life-limiting illness is an act of love and can come with challenges and frustrations. While we lovingly provide care to our cherished companions, it can also be a confusing, tiring, overwhelming, and isolating experience. The Caregiver Support Group is a space where people can connect to learn about topics relevant to caring for a companion, as well as yourself, and to find support in community with others.

Free Monthly Meetings on Zoom. Visit dovelewis.org/events to register. Or scan the QR code.

#### Save the Date for the

## **Golf Tournament**

Friday, July 25 Langdon Farms Golf Club

Mark your calendar for the annual DoveLewis Golf Tournament which supports all the work you do for the community. Stay tuned for more details!



### Roses are Red, And Some of our PACTT Merchandise is Too



Check out all the PACTT merchandise available for you including polos, long sleeves, and more. <u>Click Here to Shop Now!</u>



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