



Walt,

Partnering with you at Portland International Airport has been an adventure for all of us. From the very beginning of the canine therapy program at the airport, you helped shape it into something truly special. Your dedication, vision, and energy brought the program to life and created a welcoming community for everyone involved.

You were always the cheerleader—encouraging teams, lifting spirits, and reminding us why this work mattered. Your positivity made even the busiest days fun, and your support helped both new and seasoned volunteers feel like family.

The success of this program carries your fingerprints throughout. Travelers found comfort, handlers felt supported, and countless people walked away smiling because of the atmosphere you helped create.

Thank you for your friendship, leadership, laughter, and for helping create something that continues to make a difference every day.

With gratitude,

Kathy, the PDX teams, PACTT, and DoveLewis

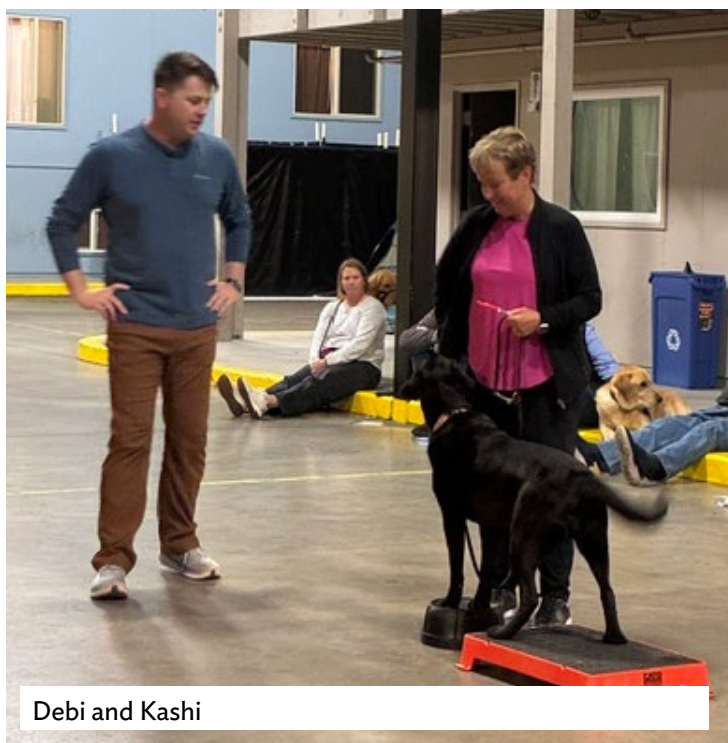


Training with Michael Montgomery

Therapy dogs do much more than sit quietly beside someone. They navigate slick floors, stairs, tight spaces, and busy environments that require strength, balance, and body awareness.

More than 35 PACTT teams joined Michael Montgomery and Nancy Denier for an interactive presentation on the hidden fitness behind therapy work. Michael is a Certified Canine Strength and Conditioning Coach who competes in flyball and rally obedience, helping sport, working, and senior dogs stay active and healthy. Nancy Denier is a professional dog trainer, multi-sport competitor, and former flyball judge with extensive hands-on experience.

Through live demonstrations and hands-on activities, teams learned simple exercises to help dogs build strength, coordination, and confidence so they can continue bringing comfort and joy to others.



May Cuddles Were in Full Bloom



Brea and John at PDX



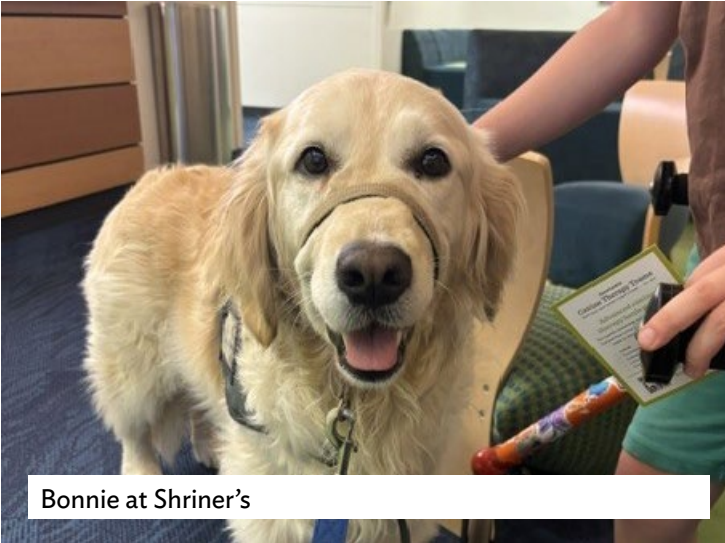
Alban's weight is over the limit at Alaska's bag scales



Cindy, Riley, and Iris



Avamere residents love Wyatt



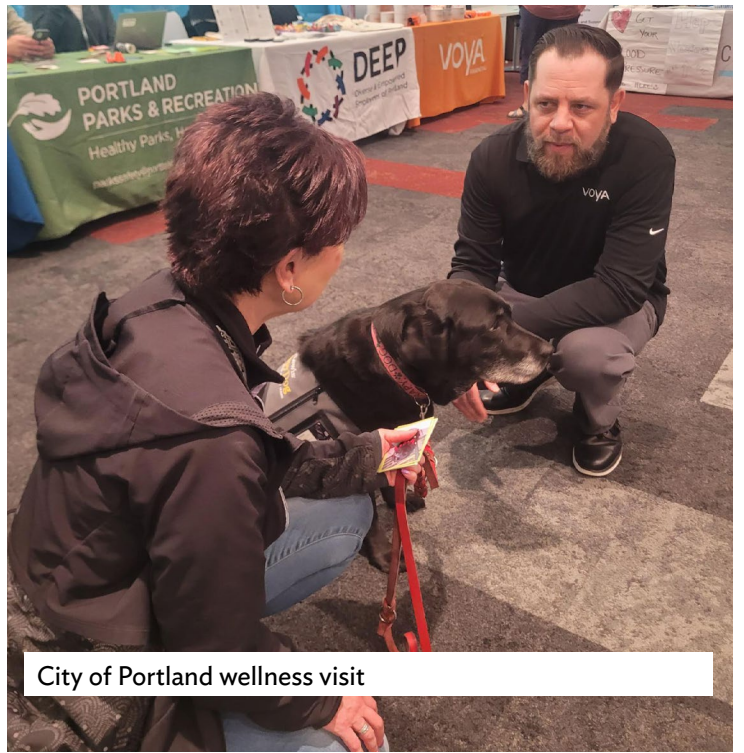
Bonnie at Shriner's



Beau and Roxy



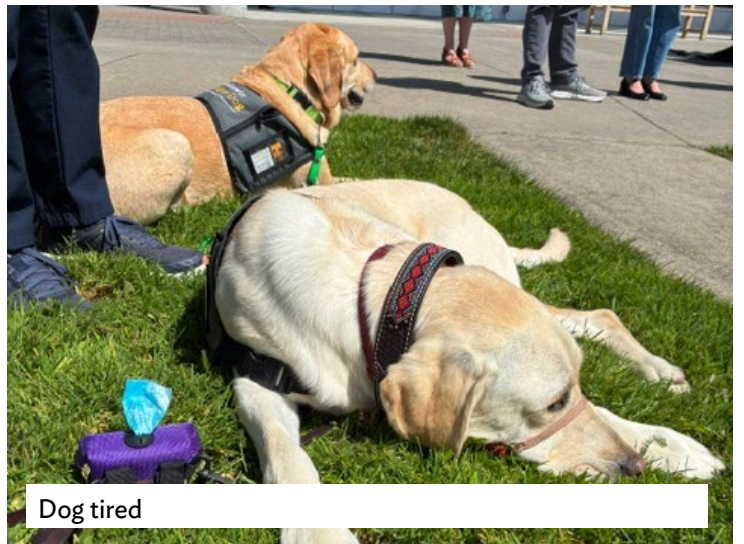
City of Portland visit with Sandy



City of Portland wellness visit



Iris, Riley, Kappa and Cindy



Dog tired



Hagrid loves his new trading card



Metzi and Moonlight celebrate their 4th birthday together with friends!



Presidio at Ridgefield library



Otto's school retirement cake



Metzi cuddling at Ronald McDonald House



Red at the bill signing



Red at the University of Oregon



Metzi and Girl Scouts



Metzi and Rocket at Wet Nose



Riley, Koda, and Mel Trosko



Riders Against Child Abuse



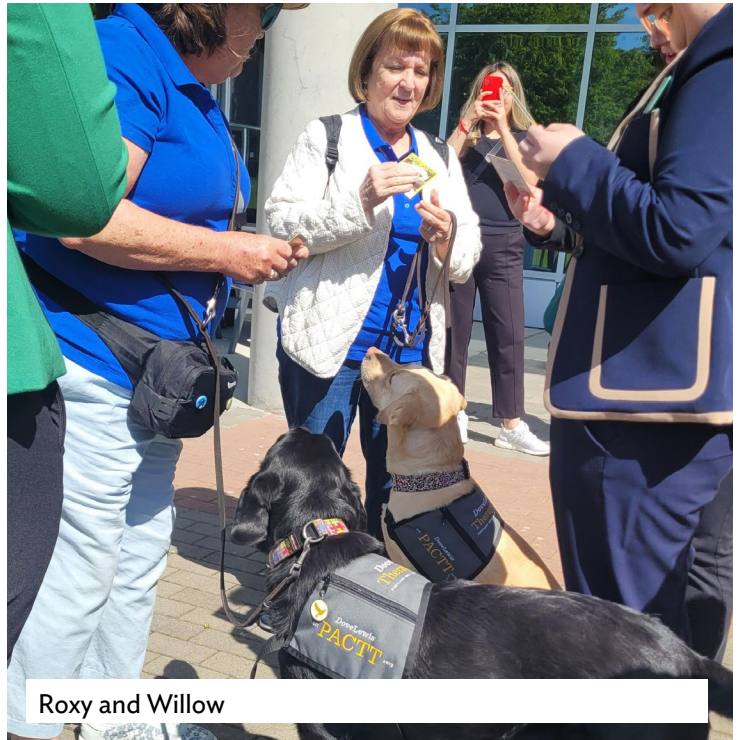
Rosey and Rocket at Providence



Otto's retirement card



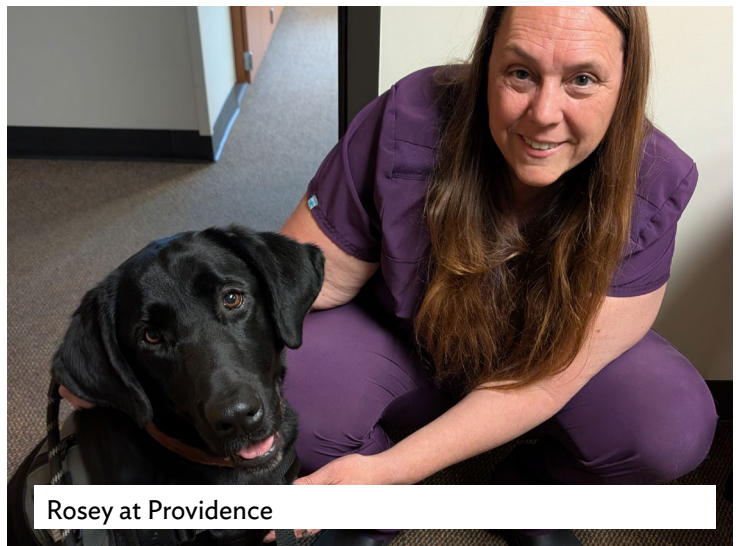
Presidio loves 'Read to the Dog'



Roxy and Willow



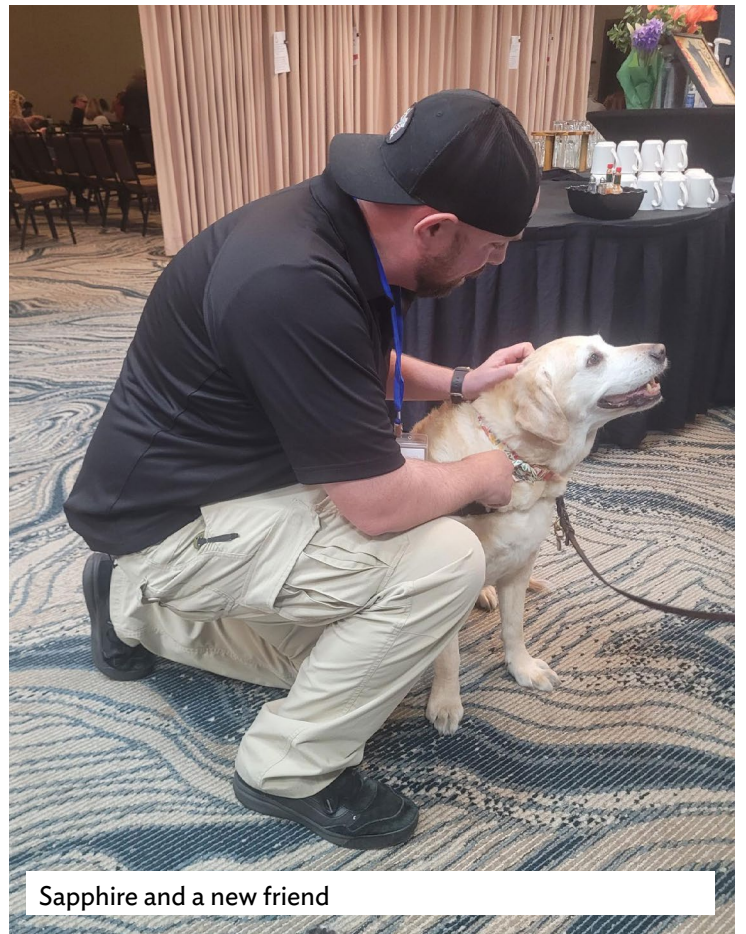
Sandy and Otto checking out cake and goodies



Rosey at Providence



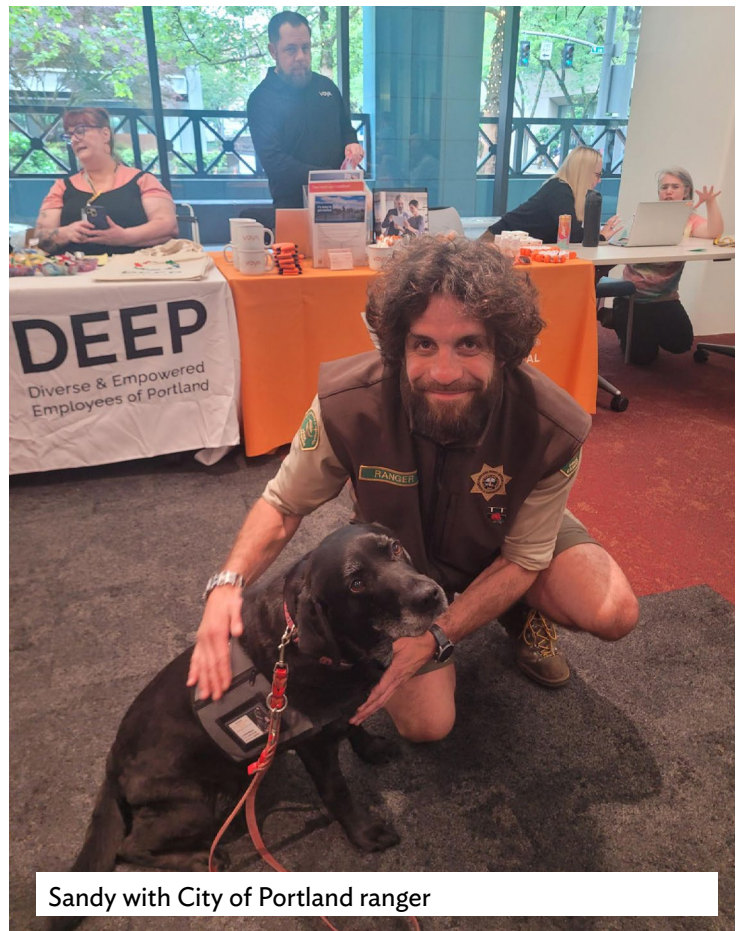
Sandy and Otto at retirement party



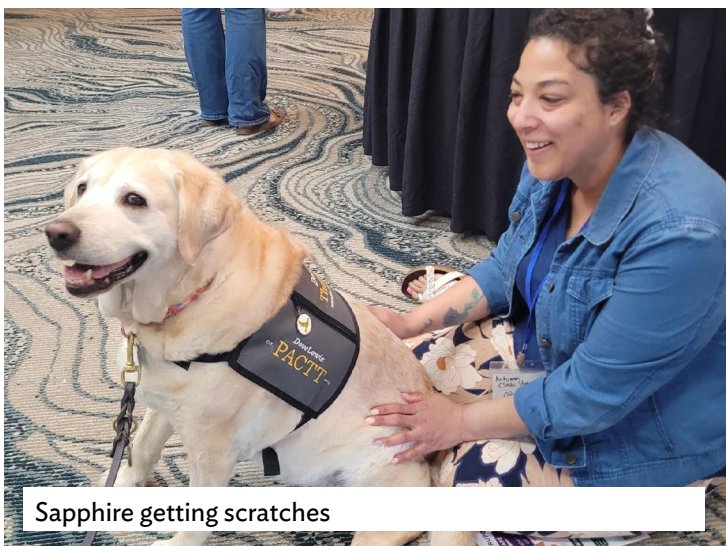
Sapphire and a new friend



Brea with students at Southridge High



Sandy with City of Portland ranger



Sapphire getting scratches



Tater Tot at Portland Police Behavioral Health Unit



Teams at Gresham Mental Health Fair



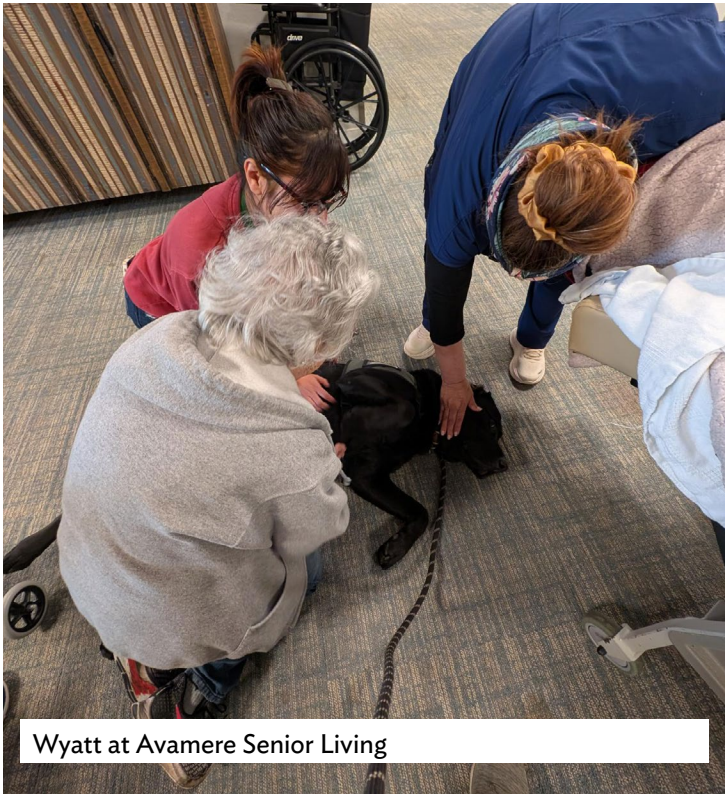
Team photo with Governor Kotek



Teams listening to the Governor



Wellness visit with Sandy



Wyatt at Avamere Senior Living



Willow and Presidio at PDX with new friend



Bonnie and Franci at Wet Nose

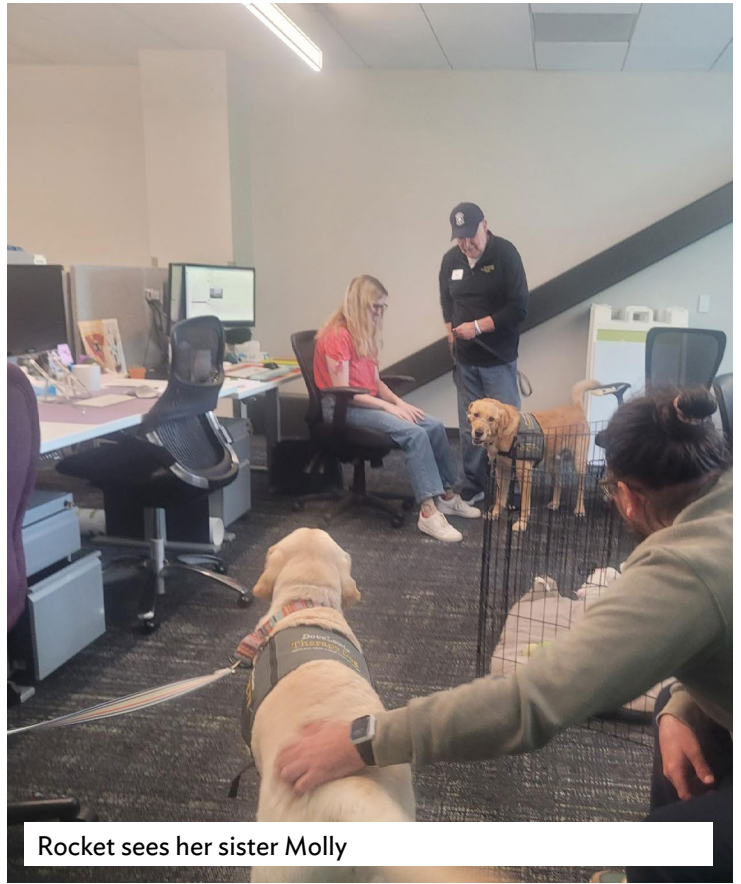


Teams with Tagg at wellness event

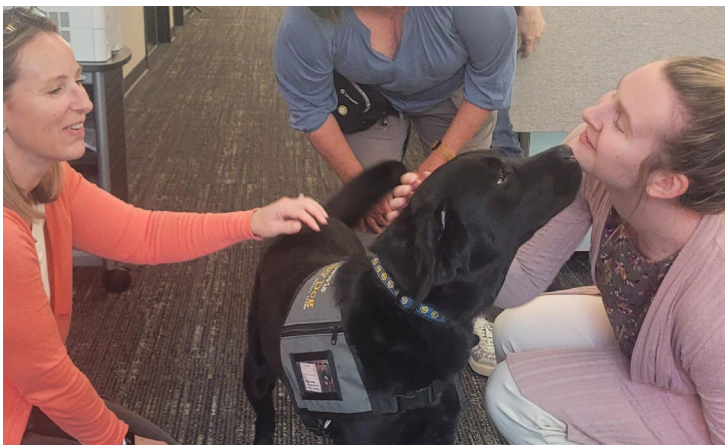
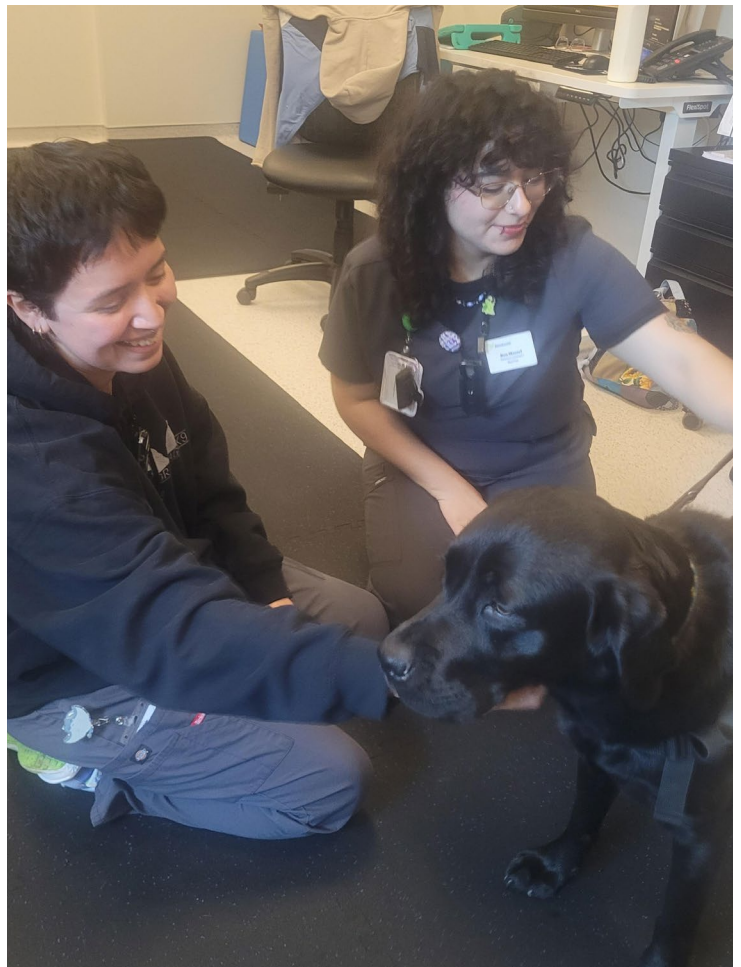
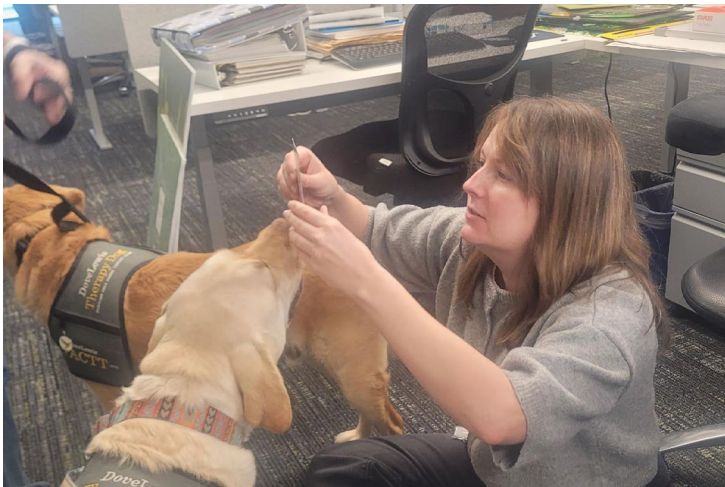


Metzi at Wet Nose

Wellness Month at DoveLewis



Rocket sees her sister Molly



Veterans Medical Center

Therapy dogs are bringing moments of comfort, connection, and emotional relief to VA Portland staff. Read more about how these visits are helping support employee well-being during stressful and emotionally demanding work.

[Click here to read the article](#)



Houdini at the VA Hospital



Shadow at the VA Hospital



Venice at the VA Hospital

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.

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.



Upcoming JUNE Pet Loss Support Meetings:

Thursday, June 4 | 12:00-1:30 PM | In-Person Meeting

Thursday, June 11 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, June 16 | 6:30-8:00 PM | In-Person Meeting

Thursday, June 18 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Virtual Meeting



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Upcoming JULY Pet Loss Support Meetings:

Thursday, July 2 | 12:00-1:30 PM | In-Person Meeting

Thursday, July 9 | 6:30-8:00 PM | Virtual Meeting

Tuesday, July 21 | 6:30-8:00 PM | In-Person Meeting

Thursday, July 23 | 5:00-6:30 PM | Virtual Meeting

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 14 from 3-5pm In partnership with Write Around Portland.

Memorial Art Workshop: Sunday, July 26 from 3-5pm

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




Provide Support for Fellow Animals

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.

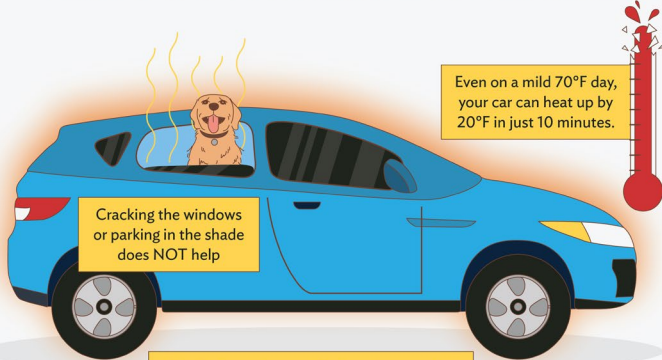


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NEVER LEAVE YOUR PET IN A PARKED CAR

NOT even for a minute!



Even on a mild 70°F day, your car can heat up by 20°F in just 10 minutes.

Cracking the windows or parking in the shade does NOT help

Pets left inside can suffer from heatstroke, irreversible organ damage, or even death.

TIPS FOR Warm Weather



Signs of Heatstroke

- Panting
- Vomiting
- Warm + Dry Skin
- Collapsing



Do not overdo outdoor exercise



Protect paws from hot surfaces



Give pets extra water



Apply pet-safe sunscreen

Stop often for shaded breaks



Never leave your pet in a parked car



Staying Safe in the Summer Heat

Warmer days are here, and pets can overheat much faster than we do. From hot pavement to rising temperatures, even a quick outing can become dangerous. Here are a few simple ways to help keep your pet safe and cool this season.

[Click here to read the blog](#)

Save the Date for the Golf Tournament

Friday, July 24 | Langdon Farms Golf Club

Get ready to hit the greens at Langdon Farms as we gear up for another incredible golf event supporting our PACTT program. We'd love for you to be part of the action! You can get involved by:

- Taking advantage of the PACTT Player Discount (contact Ellie Lappico at elappico@dovelewis.org for more information)
- Being a team out on the course!



[Click here to sign up](#)

Cozy Up With Some PACTT Merchandise



Check out all the PACTT merchandise available for you including polos, long sleeves, and more. [Click Here to Shop Now!](#)

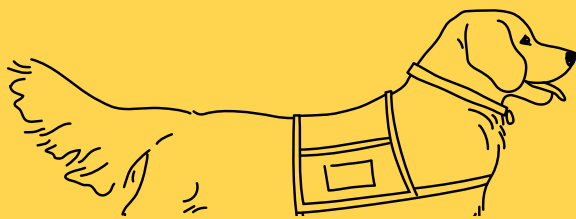


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