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Westie Spotlight:

Delta & Heath's Long Road To Finding A Happy & Loving Home!

Delta (11 yrs) and Heath (12 yrs) are a testament to the resilience of the Westie breed. These two little dogs endured more than most in their in their journey to find the

perfect pet parents. Delta and Heath's original pet parents fell on hard times and had to relinquish the pair. Both dogs were in great shape for their age, with the exception of some needed dental work. Not long after both dogs received their dentals, Foster Mom Deb noticed that Delta was not feeling well. She had a high fever, was weak and very lethargic. Due to the great insight of the doctors and staff at the Mountain Ridge Animal Hospital in Lafayette and specifically Dr. Erin Walters, Delta was quickly diagnosed with Tularemia (*Rabbit Fever*). Tularemia while rare is highly contagious to both animals and humans. The family had to be quarantined and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was contacted to verify the diagnosis. Delta went through extensive rounds of steroids and antibiotics and with the loving care of Foster Mom Deb and Dr. Walters; she came through in true Westie fashion.

Jo Anne & Stu adopted Delta and Heath the last week in November and are both amazed how quickly they have settled in. "If we did not know better, you would have a very hard time convincing us that Delta had been so sick. She finished the antibiotic meds recently and we are starting to wean her off the prednisone," says Jo Ann. "Delta is always ready for affection, play, lap-sitting or whatever other attention we want to deliver. Heath is only slightly stand-offish -- more like just keeping the "big picture" in mind, but welcomes attention and belly rubs with clear enthusiasm. It's like they have been here forever." Jo Ann and Stu say they could not be happier. "They are wonderful dogs and just exactly what we had hoped for," says Jo Ann. "Many, many thanks to all of you for the work you do for all Westies and, in particular, what you did for Heath and Delta. They have made this Christmas season one of our best!



Foster Mom Deb & Dr. Erin Walters

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On behalf of the Board of Directors and Operating Staff of WRN, and all the canines shown on this page, I want to wish you a Merry Christmas and the best New Year ever. Thank you so much for the monetary donations you generously gave to us and them! We could not provide the care to these dogs without your generosity.





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Delta Dawn & Heath

We expect to adopt out just over 20 dogs this year. The average age of these dogs has jumped from 5+ years to over 8. Almost all the dogs that have come to us this year have required extensive dental work. Several have needed surgery, physical therapy and social training. Your donations insure that WRN can seek out the best service providers, foster parents and forever homes. As noted in our October newsletter, older dogs do take longer to place and require more veterinarian services. Because we discount our adoption fees for older dogs our need for your donations is greater than ever. Thank you for helping us through this

most challenging year. If you have family and friends who might be interested in donating to WRN payments can be made on our website through PayPal or by sending a check directly to:

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I am so very proud and grateful to all our volunteers, who without hesitation, give their time and love to our mission to rescue, rehabilitate and rehome our Westies. It is a privilege to work with them every day. To them and all of you I hope that 2016 is your healthiest, safest, happiest and most prosperous year ever.

With sincere gratitude, Westie Rescue Network, Inc. Gene Bourque President

P.S. I encourage you to visit our website on a regular basis to see how we are doing. In addition, our Facebook page is constantly providing interesting, important and fun information about our breed.

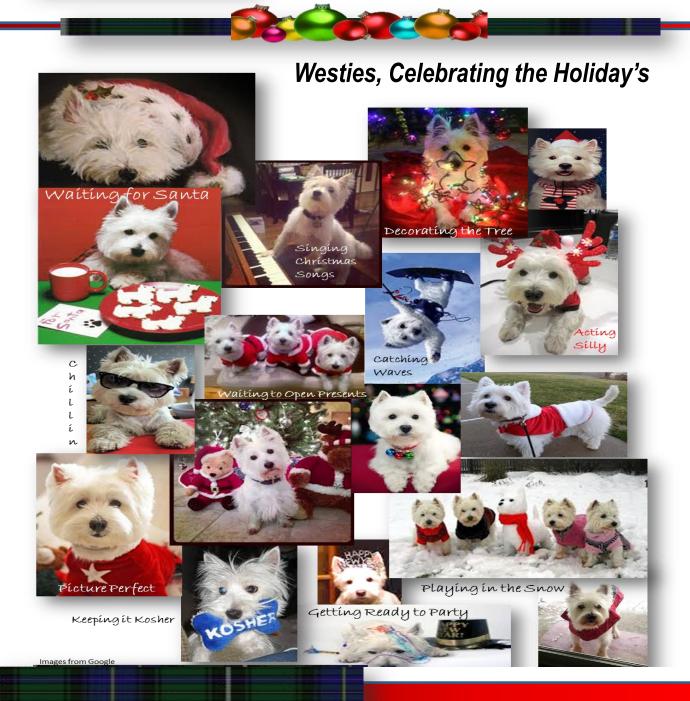




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Apple Mint Holiday Treats

These yummy Holiday snacks are pawfect for the holiday season, they are even green (or red) in color! Whip up a batch for your dog's stocking or as a hostess gift. These holiday dog treats are low fat, low calorie, and they have a pleasant minty smell and taste.

Ingredients

11/2 cups whole wheat flour

1 cup unbleached all purpose flour

1/2 cup old fashioned rolled oats

1/3 cup oat bran

2 tablespoons dry milk

1 ½ teaspoons dry baking yeast

2 tablespoons chopped spearmint leaves

1/2 cup organic applesauce

2 teaspoons green or red powered food coloring or spinach powder (to get the color desired)

7/8 cup water

Directions

- 1. Place all ingredients in a mixing bowl and use either a dough hook or heavy mixer (a bread machine also works well)
- 2. When the dough is ready, roll it to 1/4" thick with a non-stick rolling pin.
- 3. Using a mini doggy bone cookie cutter, cut the dough into mini dog bone shapes.
- 4. Bake at 250 degrees F for about an hour. Check to make sure that they don't get too brown.
- 5. Turn off the oven and let the mini dog bones dry completely in the oven—This works best overnight.

These Holiday Westie treats will keep for several months, at room temperature in a tight cookie jar, so you can make them well ahead of the holidays.

Recipe Credit: www.best-dog-treat-recipes.com/christmas-dog-treats

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