

Olympic Mountain PET PALS

Dedicated to better lives for companion animals.



Read to Rover this Summer at Port Townsend Library

Melody Sky Weaver, Library Director, and her OMPP certified therapy dog, Gryfin (pictured above), invite kids, ages 5-11, to come read with Gryfin or one of our other wonderful Read to Rover dogs at the Port Townsend Library on Tuesdays from 2:00 to 3:00 pm from now through July 26.

Dogs are wonderful listeners! Kids can bring their favorite book or choose one from the digital library and then build their reading skills over the summer by reading aloud for a 15-minutes session with a dog. We encourage parents, grandparents, and sitters to come and watch your kids enjoy reading with our great dogs.

The Port Townsend Library is located at 1220 Lawrence St. and the Read to Rover sessions will be outdoors under a canopy. For more information, call (360) 385-3181.

Celebrating Kids Who Read with Dogs at the Rhody Pet Parade

The Rhody Festival returned this year, including the Pet Parade. The Read to Rover teams invited our 2nd grade readers to join us and march with their dogs. It was fun and (as usual) a bit chaotic. Crowds along the parade route cheered us on. We are grateful for the community support for the kids participating in our Read to Rover Program.



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Summer's a Great Time to Become a Therapy Dog Team

With the summer break in the school calendars, it is a great time for you and your dog to work toward becoming a Read to Rover team to be ready to join the program and meet the newly minted second graders in the fall.

As dog owners in the program, we get to witness the joy that dogs and children bring to learning to



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Sometimes it is important to have an outlet for expressing your appreciation to a living friend or beloved pet or to convey your

read. Read to Rover is an incredibly rewarding volunteer activity! Starting at the beginning of each school year, we get a chance to develop connections so that the kids view the dogs as their own "school dogs" and we get to follow their progress in reading over the course of the academic year. The end of the year is bittersweet when we say goodbye to our rising 3rd graders (and they beg for us to extend the program into the next grade level). But, we look forward to introducing a new group of second graders to our dogs in the fall - so, now is the time to prepare for this fresh beginning.

If you are interested in what skills you and your dog need to practice to become a therapy dog team, they include things like sit, stay, come, greeting a stranger politely, walking on a loose leash, leave it, and behaving in the proximity of other dogs. For more information, please visit our website: <u>http://ompetpals.org/therapy-dog-</u> training-and-testing sympathy when a dear friend experiences a loss of a companion. It helps to know that others care about their loss. Contributing a gift to Olympic Mountain Pet Pals in honor of or in memory of a friend or their animal companion both expresses your feelings and helps local animals.

When we receive a gift in memory or in honor of a pet or person, we acknowledge that gift to the family with a personalized Olympic Mountain Pet Pals card. Please include the name of the pet or person to be remembered and the name and address of the person who should be notified of your donation when you make your contribution. Your kindness will be greatly appreciated.

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