

# Olympic Mountain

Dedicated to better lives for companion animals.



# Pet Pals Proudly Presents Our Read to Rover Video!

Olympic Mountain Pet Pals has released a professionally prepared promotional video showcasing our Read to Rover therapy dog program. We hope to increase community awareness and to attract new volunteers who may be inspired by this unique way to serve our community.

"After Don and Sylvia White offered a generous donation to fund a new project for our therapy dog program, the decision was made to produce a video giving the general public an inside look at our amazing Read to Rover program," explains board president Pam Kolacy. Erin and Casey Roberts of Inle Media Company were selected to produce the video.

The video includes reading sessions with the kids, interviews with teachers, administrators, volunteers, and parents of Read to Rover alums. You are invited to access the video from our website, by clicking on the photo above, or directly at

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> <u>v=kqFfSQS6q7g&ab\_channel=OlympicMountainPetPalsVideos</u>

#### **Read to Rover Dogs Go Back to School**

It's a brand new school year and the Read to Rover teams are eager to get started again with a new batch of second grade readers and a few new dogs!

Chimacum Creek Primary School Read to Rover sessions will start at the beginning of October, every Friday from 9:15-10:15 am. Salish Coast Elementary School will hold their Read to Rover sessions every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 am. The Quilcene Schools are interested in revitalizing their small program and are looking for volunteers.



Contact Carla Ellis, <u>carla@cs.duke.edu</u>, or Kim Pratt, <u>jonah@olympus.net</u>, for Chimacum. Contact Donna Geer, <u>donamgr@gmail.com</u>, for Salish Coast in Port Townsend. Contact Alicia Johnsen, <u>ajohnsen@qsd48.org</u> for Quilcene.

There will be one more therapy dog test before the school year really gets rolling, so if you are interested in becoming a new therapy dog team, get in touch right away!

## Pets to People Therapy Dog Visits Resume at Local Assisted Living Facilities



In the Pets to People Program, volunteers share their own therapy dogs with the residents of local assisted living homes including Life Care Center, Avamere, and Victoria Place. Unfortunately, Pets to People visits were on hold during the pandemic phase of COVID-19.

We are thrilled to announce that we are now being welcomed back into these facilities!

If you have a therapy dog and would like to make visits, please let us know! Contact **Georgia Towle**, <u>theluckydogtraining@gmail.com</u>, **360-732-0908**.

Visit our website

After school Read to Rover Program at the

### Port Townsend Library

Melody Sky Weaver, Library Director (pictured below with her dog Gryfin), invites kids, ages 5-11, to come read with our wonderful Read to Rover dogs at the Port Townsend Library after school on Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in the Children's room, starting September 15.

Dogs are wonderful listeners! We encourage parents, grandparents, and sitters to bring your kids and watch them enjoy reading with our dogs.

The Port Townsend Library is located at 1220 Lawrence St. For more information, call 360-385-3181.





#### **Please Donate**

Olympic Mountain Pet Pals was originally created to help low income families afford spay/neuter services for their pets. We have since funded over 7,000 procedures in our community, resulting in a significant decrease in the number of unwanted cats and dogs. We provide critical funding that enables our partners to offer spay and neuter clinics.

"We operate solely on donations from the community, and we have no paid staff or office. Our donations have dropped 44% this year", explains Treasurer, Kay Adamson. Please consider donating today to allow us to continue funding these vital spay and neuter services.

Mountain Pet Pals is a 501(c)(3) (non-profit) organization.

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