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Dear San Juan Islanders-

This past Sunday the APS-FH held its 3rd annual "Wags to Riches" event at the home of Bob and Lissa McDowell. It was our most successful event to date, raising approximately \$40,000- towards shelter programs, improvements and operations.

I was honored to be able to announce the awarding of \$4000- in grant funds from the Meacham Foundation to be applied towards the purchase and installation of a backup power source for the shelter. The response to our "Fund a Need" auction item for the balance of the costs for this shelter improvement was overwhelmingly positive and will make this dream a reality.

The second "Fund a Need" established a critical care fund for extraordinary medical expenses for shelter residents, allowing us to provide a level of care that equals what they would receive in a home environment.

The entertainment by WOOF D2 was a huge hit and they have indicated they would like to return to the island for another event. We will keep you all posted or check out our website www.apsfh.com for updates.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the shelter staff, the volunteers and especially the animals in our temporary care, I wish to thank everyone who assisted us in making this event a success. The support of businesses and individuals in the form of monetary and product donations and volunteer hours towards the production of this event helps us immeasurably in continuing to make a difference in the lives of our four-legged friends and companions. We could not do it without them.

Thank you for caring!

Chris Sly-Prochnow
Board President