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Celebrating 50,000 Animals Spayed and Neutered

Local nonprofit passes milestone; looks ahead to expanding access

Tacoma, WA: March 4, 2014—On Tuesday, March 4, 2014 Northwest Spay & Neuter Center, a Tacoma-based nonprofit, will perform its 50,000th sterilization, celebrating with a free surgery and gift basket for number 50,000 and with breakfast goodies for clients on the morning of Wednesday, March 5. Members of the Center's board of directors will be on hand to commemorate this landmark achievement for the clinic, which marked its sixth year of operations on March 3.

Northwest Spay & Neuter Center works to change a sobering statistic. According to the Humane Society of the United States, nationwide about 2.7 million animals are killed each year for no other reason than a lack of suitable homes. In just six years, Northwest Spay & Neuter Center has become the top provider of spay and neuter services in Washington State. In that same time frame, the local shelter reported a 40% decrease in the euthanasia of healthy, adoptable pets. Euthanasia of adoptable dogs has reached zero, and the number of cats euthanized due to overpopulation is shrinking dramatically every year.

Northwest Spay & Neuter Center makes high-quality, affordable spay and neuter surgeries available through a combination of affordable, reduced-fee, and free programs and services. With the generosity of donors who understand the need for affordable spaying and neutering throughout the region, Northwest Spay & Neuter Center is mobilizing to make their services accessible to everyone who wants to take advantage of their services.

Those interested in supporting Northwest Spay & Neuter Center's lifesaving work are invited to attend the organization's annual fundraiser on Saturday, March 22, 2014. Reservations for Whiskers Wine & Dine are \$60 per person, and include dinner and the opportunity to bid at silent, live, and dessert auctions. To purchase a ticket, visit www.nwspayneuter.org or contact the clinic at 253-627-7729.

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Northwest Spay & Neuter Center promotes and provides affordable spay and neuter services for cats, dogs, and rabbits in an effort to stop the killing of animals due to overpopulation. It is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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