# Dogs rescued from meat trade arrive in southern Oregon

## Pooches never had beds before

**By RYAN PFEIL** Mail Tribune

**MEDFORD** new digs for eight dogs that arrived at the Southern Oregon Humane Society last weekend include amenities the pooches never have had before.

"They've never had beds before. Their entire life," savs Kailani Miranda, SoHumane animal behavior supervisor. "Never had blankets or anything."

The quality of life for canines Maverick, Renata, Hugo, Klaus, Bashful, Tommy, Darby and Petunia certainly has improved. They were recently rescued from the dog meat trade thriving in several Asian countries such as China, South Korea and Vietnam, according to the Animal Welfare Institute.



Denise Baratta/Mail Tribune

Kailani Miranda, SoHumane animal behavior supervisor, plays with Renata, one of eight dogs rescued from the meat trade in Thailand.

The institute estimates millions of dogs are killed for food annually, typically kept in poor, unhygienic living conditions such as "cramped rusty, cages stacked on top of each other" as they wait, the website says. Many of the animals die from

**THURSDAY** 

An a.m. shower:

**REGIONAL WEATHER** 

dehydration, disease, broken bones or suffocation.

The Thailand-based Soi Dog Foundation, which partnered with SoHumane for the rescue, has a primary mission of capturing stray dogs, then sterilizing and vaccinating them before release, a method of controlling overpopulation.

By reducing the number of unwanted animals being born, the problem of overpopulation decreases and the unnecessary suffering of animals ceases," the Soi Dog website reads.

But the organization also operates a shelter and animal hospital, which takes in animals that have been abused or are unable to survive on their own because of age or illness.

"They rehabilitate the dogs, bring them to their facility, get them ready to be adopted and then they adopt them out all over Canada and the United States," SoHumane director Karen Evans says.

#### **Toast for Tails**

SoHumane got involved with the rescue at its annual Toast for Tails fundraiser event, where Ashland residents Jeff Rinkoff and Janis Rosenthal donated the airfare portion of a

travel package that brought in \$7,550 for the organization. The winning bidder, Las Vegas resident Heather Heath, was able to travel to Thailand, where the Soi Dog Foundation is based. Heath picked up and "chaperoned" the dogs back to the San Francisco airport, where SoHumane officials waited to greet the dogs and transport them back to the Rogue Valley. They arrived Saturday.

"That was really exciting," Miranda says. "They spent way too long in those crates. The flight got canceled, and they had to stay an extra night, so to get them and get them safe and comfortable, it felt really good to be able to get them off the plane."

Rosenthal got involved in doing her part to fight the dog meat trade after seeing a TV news story with graphic images of dogs being weighed before they were sent to slaughter.

"I felt like the blood drained

out of me. It was the most horrific thing I have ever seen," Rosenthal said.

#### **Doing well**

Miranda said the animals are doing well. Some, like Maverick and Klaus, are more shy, while others, like Renata and Hugo, come right up to their cages, noses twitching and tongues lolling greedily for

"They're a little bit nervous and scared, but most of them are very, very friendly," she says, adding they will be ready to adopt soon.

SoHumane's Saving Train program has rescued dogs from high-kill shelters in California and Hawaii. In effect since 2006, the program has saved 7,590 dogs. But this is the first time it has received animals from Thailand.

"This is our first experience with it, and we're delighted to be part of it," Evans says.

## Debt forces Eugene Opera to suspend its season

Associated Press

EUGENE — The Eugene Opera has canceled the rest of its season because of debt.

The Register-Guard reported poor ticket sales to the opera's most recent production contributed to a \$165,000 shortfall.

Eugene Opera General Director Mark Beudert says the nonprofit will focus on fundraising for now, and he's confident it won't have to file for bankruptcy or shut down.

WEDNESDAY

Mostly cloudy, a shower

5.68

7.83"

5:09 p.m

2:34 p.m

**FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA** 

**TONIGHT** 

Mostly cloudy with a shower in places late

**ALMANAC** 

Temperatures

Normal high/low

Record high Record low

**Precipitation** Monday

Month to date

Year to date

Sunset tonight

Moonrise today

Moonset today

Normal month to date

Normal year to date

**SUN AND MOON** 

Astoria through Monday

## Fire closes part of Svensen Market Road

The Daily Astorian

A structure fire shut down part of Svensen Market Road between Angberg and Simonsen early this morning, Astoria Dispatch announced.

Multiple agencies were on the scene of the fire at mid-morning.

**FRIDAY** 

Partly sunny

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs

AccuWeather.com

**SATURDAY** 

Sun through high clouds

40

## **Boots might belong** to missing woman

The Daily Astorian

A pair of boots possibly belonging to a woman who went missing in Elsie were found Sunday and turned over to the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office.

Brianna Renne Judge, 23, has been missing since she left a residence at about 9 p.m. on Jan. 10.

Deputies conducted a ground search in the Elsie area on Sunday but did not find any clues. Local resi-

dents found the boots on the Highway 103 bridge near Tweedle Road. No other items of interest were located following another search of that area.

Recent weather and snowmelts have presented challenges for searchers along the Lower Nehalem River, but the Sheriff's Office said it will conduct air and river searches this week. Anyone with helpful information is encouraged to call the Sheriff's Office at 503-325-2061.



Submitted Photo Brianna Renne Judge has been missing since Jan. 10.

## ON THE RECORD

#### **DUII** arrests

• At 12:16 a.m. Saturday, Jason Nicholas Wood, 32, of Hammond, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department at 826 Marine Drive for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving and received a citation for driving while suspended.

· At 2:31 a.m. Saturday, Richard Joseph Simmons, 51, of Astoria, and April Megan Brown, 43, of Astoria, were arrested by the Astoria Police Department at 30th Street session of methamphetamine and endangering the welfare of a minor. Simmons was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, endangering the welfare of a minor, reckless driving and DUII and received a citation for driving while suspended. Brown was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, tampering with evidence and endangering the welfare of a minor. A 3-year-old girl who also was in the car was taken to the

ous charges involving pos-

Services child welfare office.

• At 2:52 a.m. Sunday, Tori Michael Chappell, 32, of Astoria, was arrested by the Astoria Police Department on 12th Street near Marine Drive for DUII and reckless driving and received a citation for operating a vehicle without required lighting.

• At 4:07 a.m. Sunday, Wendy Rachelle Whiteside, 34, of Astoria, was arrested by the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office on Old Highway 30 near the Burnside Loop for

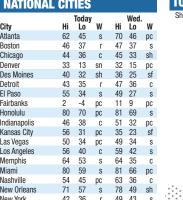
## UNDER THE SKY

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Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

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Astoria / Port Docks									
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11:11 a.m.	9.0 ft.	6:19 p.m.	0.1 ft.						

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Boston	46	37	r	47	37	S	
Chicago	44	36	С	45	33	sh	
Denver	33	13	sn	32	15	po	
Des Moines	40	32	sh	36	25	S	
Detroit	43	35	r	47	36	(	
El Paso	55	34	S	49	27	5	
Fairbanks	2	-4	pc	11	9	pc	
Honolulu	80	70	рс	81	69	5	
Indianapolis	46	38	С	51	32	р	
Kansas City	56	31	рс	35	23	S	
Las Vegas	50	34	рс	49	34	5	
Los Angeles	56	40	С	59	42	5	
Memphis	64	53	S	64	35	(	
Miami	80	59	S	81	66	po	
Nashville	54	45	рс	63	36	(	
New Orleans	71	57	S	78	49	sh	
New York	42	36	r	49	43	5	
Oklahoma City	71	32	S	48	24	5	
Philadelphia	41	35	r	53	44	5	
St. Louis	53	45	рс	50	32	po	
Salt Lake City	32	22	sn	28	18	sr	
San Francisco	54	41	рс	55	43	po	
Seattle	45	36	рс	46	36	po	
Washington, DC	49	39	рс	59	50		

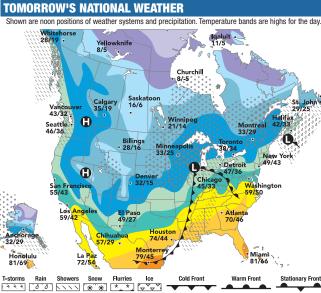


Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy

#### **REGIONAL CITIES** Wed. Hi Lo W W 32 27 34 Baker City 25 47 31 35 19 48 38 35 26 44 30 Brookings рс Portland pc pc Roseburg pc pc 32 17 45 31 46 32 12 28 34 43 23 32 Klamath Falls Seaside pc c 48 33 рс рс Newberg 46 рс Springfield 38 36 49 33 18 44 29 33 21 51 pc

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## **DEATHS**

Jan. 22, 2017

KELLY, Kenneth Raymond, 88, of Seaside, died in Seaside. Caldwell's Funeral & Cremation Arrangement Center in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

Jan. 21, 2017 JACKSON. Douglas Gene, 73, of Warrenton, died in Seaside. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements.

Jan. 12, 2017

HELLIGSO, Stanley Robert, 73, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary of Astoria was in charge of the arrangements.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

**TUESDAY Clatsop Care Health District** Board, noon, Clatsop Care Retirement Village, 947 Olney Ave. **Astoria Library Board, 5:30** p.m., Astoria Library Flag Room,

Warrenton City Commission, 6 p.m., City Hall, 225 S. Main

450 10th St.

**Seaside Airport Advisory** Committee, 6 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

**Clatsop Community College Board,** 6 p.m., special meeting on timber lawsuit, Columbia Hall Room 219, 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria.

**WEDNESDAY** Astoria Parks Board, 6:30 a.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St. **Clatsop County Board of** Commissioners, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857

Commercial St., Astoria.

### LOTTERIES

**OREGON** Monday's Pick 4:

**1 p.m.:** 4-6-6-1

4 p.m.: 1-4-8-0 **7 p.m.:** 5-0-4-1

**10 p.m.:** 4-4-9-1 Monday's Megabucks: 12-

14-17-22-26-35 Estimated jackpot: \$2.6 million

WASHINGTON Monday's Daily Game:

Monday's Hit 5: 17-21-28-35-37

Estimated jackpot:

\$120,000

Monday's Keno: 12-14-15-17-18-20-30-31-32-37-39-40-43-47-52-58-59-69-73-78

Monday's Lotto: 02-03-10-13-25-28

Estimated jackpot: \$1.1 million

Monday's Match 4: 12-15-16-24

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