



# Pet Tips 'n' Tales

by Mary Ellen "Angel Scribe"

## Happy birthday Sassy

The Humane Society of Cottage Grove's (HSCG) thrift store has one treasure that is not for sale!

Luckily, 10-year-old Himalayan Sassy's story is a 'long tail' err tale with a happy ending. Four years ago, her pet parents were leaving for work overseas and panicked about who would care for her until their return. They approached the HSCG and were given the paws up to "loan" Sassy to them.

"When Sassy arrived, she dipped into a deep depression," said This 'n' That Corner shop manager Bev. "At first, upon noticing the steady stream of incoming rescued, homeless, and injured cats and kittens, she was not very nice to them. She'd purr-puss-ly walk over to their cage, inspect them, and hiss and growl.

But time has changed all that! Today, when she hears the incoming pitter-patter of little furry paws, she is their welcoming committee. She reassures them that they are in a safe place by walking over and quietly meowing, 'Welcome'.

From the very start of her "loan" Sassy ruled the staff with

velvet paws from atop her office's scratching post. When her pet parents returned to the USA, they realized that it was best to leave her in control of the shop! Besides, her huge customer fan base would miss her too.

Sassy is friendly with everyone. One of 'her' favorites is a man who drives 25 miles each week accompanying his wife while she shops for books. He claims that, "Sassy lowers my blood pressure."

Other customers go out of their way to stop in at the shop for a chat-and-pat with Sassy before carrying on to their post office or grocery store errands. This special-fluffy Himalayan cat has added life, love, smiles, compassion and beauty to the shop.

Not all of Cottage Grove's 10,000 residents are neutering, spaying or caring for their pets. These humans don't realize that our humane society is run by an all-volunteer staff who last year cared for 310 cats and kittens that went through foster care plus 15 dogs and 227 cats that were surrendered to the HSCG.

Some felines stay at the shop for re-homing or are sent up to

Greenhill Shelter. Foster parents take newborn kittens home for "every three hour" bottle feedings and raise them until they are eight weeks old before transporting to Greenhill Animal Shelter.

"Our shop supervisor, Sassy, has us wrapped around her fluffy paws," said Janetta Overholser, president of The Humane Society of Cottage Grove. "She will be 14 years old on March 30th. In lieu of presents for herself she purr-furs food gifts for hungry cats and dogs. She often sees homeless or financially struggling people here asking for food for their pets."

"Sassy also wants pet food donated for her scared and injured friends who don't have a home or who are not loved by anyone," said Bev.

"Please make food or money donations to the HSCG to help my friends," confirms Sassy.

Her March 30-31 birthday celebration's gifts will paw-fit animals in our community. Visit the birthday girl for a chat-and-pat and maybe you will find a treasure to take home! Just not Sassy, she has im-paw-tant work to do!



### Tips

Meet the wonderful volunteers at Cottage Grove's This 'n' That Corner at 33 N. 8th St. and explore their unique shop. It also may be life changing!

Email tips to [angelscribe@msn.com](mailto:angelscribe@msn.com) or visit [facebook.com/PetTipsandTales](https://facebook.com/PetTipsandTales).


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## Happy Birthday

### Celebrate Sassy's 14th birthday

at the  
**This 'n That store,**  
**33 N. 8th St.**  
Cake will be served  
**Fri, March 30**  
**Sat., March 31**  
In lieu of gifts,  
you are welcome  
to donate pet food.



### LORANE NEWS

Lorane Christian Church Easter Sunday Services are: Sunrise Service at King Estate Terrace at 8 a.m., then back to the church for a potluck breakfast at 9 a.m.. Easter Worship service at 10 a.m. with no Bible school.

Welcome Home Vietnam Era Veterans dinner at Creswell

Grange this Thursday, March 29 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. This is a free dinner for Veterans. School resumes on Monday, April 2 at the regular time.

Lorane Grange meets on Thursday, April 5 at 7 p.m.

RAC/Lorane Grange Talent Show is Sunday, April 8 at 3 p.m. at Lorane Grange.

Call Lisa Livelybrooks or Lil Thompson (541) 952-5701 Everyone performing should be there 15 minutes early.

Also anyone with stationary art, displays will be set up in the kitchen area. Refreshments will be available.

## From our family to yours!



**116 NORTH 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET:** Great downtown location. Current 3430 sq ft office could be divided or turned into retail. **\$219,000**

**32020 EMERSON:** Great opportunity! .59 acre parcel zoned RI, located across from CG industrial park. Now **\$73,900**

**HARRIS DRIVE:** 160 acres with beautiful mountain views, replanted forest, and springs. Building site approved for your dream home. **\$435,000**

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**OAKRIDGE:** Pick one of two lots on Brock Rd. 2+ acres each, subject to lot line adjustment. **\$49,900**

**75796 SHORTRIDGE HILL RD:** Awesome view of CG Lake in secluded setting where wildlife abounds on this 4+ acre property. Has standard septic approval **\$229,900**

**31776 GOWDYVILLE ROAD:** Awesome opportunity for this 25+ acre parcel in urban growth boundary! Includes 2 houses on property. **\$2,290,000**

**KALAPUYA LOT:** Bring offer for this great building site in area of newer homes near golf course. **\$21,900**

**250 CHERRY COURT:** Great older home in need of a lot of TLC. Spacious living room with high ceilings and hardwood floors **\$125,000**

**37102 ROW RIVER ROAD:** Enjoy river views with this spacious 3 bd 2 bath, 1900+ Sq Ft home near Dorena School with detached studio. Short sale approved at **\$332,000**

**76618 BLUE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL ROAD:** Great 3 bd 2 ba, 1688 sq ft country home on 5+ acres next to conservation reserve. Barn, greenhouse, craft studio and large garden with fruit trees. **\$419,900**

**450 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET:** Updated 3 bd 2 ba home on large lot with great layout, kitchen island, fenced back yard, irrigation well, and fruit trees. Just listed, **\$236,900**

**630 HOLLY:** Just Listed! Exquisite 4228 sq ft, 4 bd 3 ba custom home with attention to every detail! Open and spacious floorplan with luxurious amenities, main floor large master suite, laundry on both levels, and 3 car garage. Set on 0.32 acres overlooking golf course. Mountain views, large deck with glass railing and hot tub. **\$539,900**

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Welcome to The Relay Corner! This will be a monthly section, dedicated to everything Relay! Any events, fundraisers, and news related to Relay for Life of South Lane County will be found here! You can also follow us on Facebook- [www.facebook.com/SouthLaneRelay](https://www.facebook.com/SouthLaneRelay).

The next team meeting will be Monday, April 2nd at 6pm. They are held the first Monday of every month at 6pm inside the Community Center at the Library. You can get information about our 2018 Relay, the mission of the American Cancer Society, and great fundraising ideas. Get your team registered today!

Speaking of teams, we currently have seven teams registered. Welcome to the Sparkinators, Community of Christ, and Team Believe, our newest teams. We would love to see the team count hit 25 teams this year, so that we can fill Bohemia Park with the power of Purple!

Join us April 7th at 6pm for a "Spaghetti Western" Relay Fundraiser. It will be held at the Elks Lodge. We will be offering a Spaghetti dinner along with some great Relay Information. Then stick around for some country dance music. Tickets will be \$8 dollars in advance for adults, \$10 at the door, and \$5 for kids 3-12. Tickets are available at The Sentinel, or you can contact any of the Relay Event Leadership Team.

Our Annual Survivor Luncheon is officially booked! Please join us at The Masonic Lodge on April 21st at 12pm. If you are a registered Survivor, keep your eyes open for a direct invitation. If you are not registered, please contact our Survivor Chair, Ginny Hanson, at 541-510-7357. You can also email [SouthLaneRFL@gmail.com](mailto:SouthLaneRFL@gmail.com).

Business Leaders- We are looking for sponsors for our 2018 season! Thank you to Boyce & Sons, ALSCO, and The Sentinel for their ongoing in-kind donations. A big thank you to Starfire Lumber for their increased donation. Finally, welcome back Weyerhaeuser as our Survivor Sponsors. For more information about sponsorship opportunities, please email [SouthLaneRFL@gmail.com](mailto:SouthLaneRFL@gmail.com), and we will get right back to you!

Interested in being a part of our Event Leadership team, or maybe just want to learn new ways to help? Join us at our Monthly Meeting the first Thursday of every month at El Tapatio! We meet in the back room at 6pm. The next meeting is April 5th!