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A WORLD WITH NO MORE HOMELESS WESTIES. THAT'S WHAT WESTIEMED IS ALL ABOUT...

# WestieMed News

Spring/Summer 2010



Jack



Rosie

## Tales of Rosie and Jack –

## Two Westies Helped By WestieMed in 2010

Rosie began life in a PA puppy mill, living 4 years in a wire cage that cut into her feet...

An inspector from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture saw Rosie's raw and infected paws and decided to get her out of her cage, out of the puppy mill and into rescue where she could get the veterinary care she desperately needed yet had never received. Maryland Westie Rescue took Rosie and placed her in a foster home, and before too long a loving couple saw Rosie and decided to adopt her. Numerous surgeries on her paws followed, and vet bills mounted into the thousands. That's when they

turned to WestieMed for help, and found it. In no time, Rosie began to blossom. And now she speaks for herself: "When I first came to my new home, I was very timid and afraid... My Momma and Poppa have been very patient and good to me. They give me lots of love. They take me for car rides and I can watch TV with them and play outside. Now, I even walk on my hind legs when I get excited!"

And Rosie's new family couldn't be happier: "We want to thank WestieMed for all your help and support. We love our little "Rosie" and we will do all we can to make life better for her."

Jack, diagnosed with Cushings, found himself all alone at age 11...

Jack's elderly mom and dad had cared for him since he was a puppy, but when both died in the same year he found himself in need of a new home and lots of care for medical needs of his own. WestieMed was asked for help with the expense of testing to diagnose exactly what was wrong. It turned out to be Cushings, for which he is being treated. "He is the love of our life and we want him to be healthy during his golden years," his new mom and dad say. "We can't thank WestieMed enough for all they have done to help Westies in need."

## WestieMed's 2010 Raffle is underway!

We're celebrating our 10th anniversary with the biggest, best raffle of the decade! First prize is a Danbury Mint retired collectible, the popular Westie Express Christmas train. Second prize is a unique Westie wall clock by F. B. Fogg. And third prize is an adorable Westie holiday reindeer garden ornament to welcome the festive season in style! (See page 2 for details...)

## We Need Your Help to Continue Ours...

For WestieMed to keep helping Westies in need, the support of the entire Westie community is required.

We can't do it alone.

WestieMed is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charity, so all contributions are fully deductible. And every penny donated goes directly to help rescued Westies who are ill or injured, giving them a chance to get the medical help they need in order to go on to their new forever homes.

Won't you help us help them?

### Giving is easy!

Just go to our website – [www.westiemed.org](http://www.westiemed.org) and hit the donate button! Or you can send a check by mail to WestieMed, c/o Jen Hosler, treasurer, 2108 Fulton Avenue #3, Cincinnati, OH 45206.

### How to Enter the Raffle:

To purchase raffle tickets, send a check or money order (USD) payable to WestieMed, Inc. to WestieMed, c/o Lee Trudeau, 478 West Hill, Stamford, CT 06902.

Or contact Lee at

[ctrudeau@optonline.net](mailto:ctrudeau@optonline.net).

**Tickets are just \$5 each.**

The drawing will be held on November 28, 2010 so that winners will receive their prizes in time for Christmas.

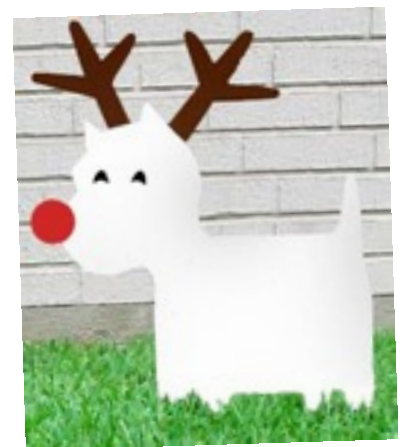


## Danbury Mint's Retired Westie Christmas Train Is First Prize In 2010 Annual WestieMed Raffle!

All aboard the Westie Express – a six-car train replete with Westies in every car and a smoke stack billowing forth dog bones! There's an engine and a caboose on either end, with four other cars over-run with Westies who are busily helping to decorate for the holiday season. This collectible, with its exquisite attention to detail, has been discontinued by Danbury Mint. That's sure to increase its value over time, but for any Westie lover, we're pretty sure it's already a priceless must-have!



**Second prize** – a unique hand-crafted Westie clock by F.B. Fogg, whose patented recycled hand-made paper process enables their sculptures to be stable and lightweight as well as flame and water resistant.



**Third prize** -- a 24" x 25" Westie garden sculpture by 3 Dog Howl. This adorable Westie in reindeer guise is constructed of heavy-gauge steel that has been primed, painted and sealed for outdoor use. A fun way to welcome the holidays and your Westie-loving friends!

## WestieMed 2010 Board of Directors

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## WestieMed Gift Shop Brims with Fun and Values

It's time to go green in black & white with our new insulated shopping tote, perfect for trips to the grocery store. Perishable items are insulated with silver foil so you can get them home as fresh as possible.



This sturdy water-repellent tote features artwork by Kristen Fox, stitched onto tear-resistant non-woven polypropylene fabric, with reinforced seams, a front pocket and a zippered top. Two self-fabric handles make carrying purchases easier.

Size: 16" x 12" x 10".

**Price: \$12.00** (including shipping)



These 5 beautiful Westies are enjoying a ride in their cute red car. Magnet is die-cut vinyl 25 mil thick. Safe on cars. Size: 6.25" x 4.25"



Our most popular magnet is this Westie with the American flag. A great way to show your true colors!

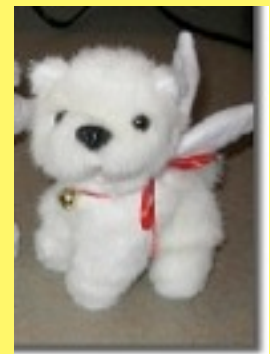
**Both designs are just \$12.00 each.** (includes shipping)

## Spring Clearance Now Underway!

Shopping the WestieMed Gift Shop has never been easier or offered greater value. We're cleaning house and clearing inventory to make room for new items, and that means price reductions of 15% on selected merchandise. Visit the Gift Shop at [www.westiemed.org](http://www.westiemed.org).



## Plus a Free Gift!



Receive an adorable Plush Westie Angel with any Gift Shop purchase of \$50.00 or more!



Year	Westies Helped	Funding
2000	14	\$5,565.97
2001	7	\$8,295.63
2002	19	\$10,642.23
2003	14	\$10,162.15
2004	14	\$15,368.19
2005	20	\$21,323.64
2006	15	\$11,211.43
2007	22	\$21,461.83
2008	24	\$24,222.94
2009	20	\$19,133.38
<b>Totals</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>\$147,387.37</b>

Since inception, WestieMed continuously has maintained a positive cash flow and has established an exemplary record in its ability to fund eligible cases.

To ensure that demand for future financial aid will continue to be met, WestieMed is responsible for the ongoing development of funding sources. The Board of Directors works year round on establishing and implementing numerous fundraising efforts to protect and maintain the organization's viability.

Throughout 2009, these efforts included solicitation of individual contributions, club and group donations and donations of in-kind

items. During the year, several artists donated graphics through WestieMed's Artists to the Rescue program for fundraising purposes. The Board also sponsored eBay auctions and a pre-holiday Raffle. WestieMed's online Gift Shop and CafePress store offered a wide variety of Westie-themed products throughout the year. The Board continued to offer fundraising opportunities through its affiliates program and supported Westie Walks held for the benefit of WestieMed in various locations throughout the country. The Pedigree Foundation awarded a grant to WestieMed during 2009.



## 2010 Westie Walks Planned to Benefit WestieMed...

This summer and fall, comfy walking shoes, bagpipers and kilts for the Westie fur kids will be the order of the day as regional Westie Walks hit the road to help fund WestieMed's 2010 programming. The second annual Westie Walk will be held in Indianapolis, IN on September 25th, with WestieMed sharing in the proceeds. This will be followed by the first-ever Westie Lake Walk to be held in Valparaiso, IN, on October 16th, with WestieMed as the beneficiary. In the past, other walks have been held in Ohio, Washington, Virginia and Texas. If you're thinking of starting a Westie Walk in your community - or of you know of one being planned - be sure to tell us so we can publicize it on our website and put you in touch with folks who can give some good advice from their own experiences.