

VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT

by Michele Hunter

When the words dedication, commitment, and leadership come to mind, I think of Animal Care volunteer Wendy Leeds. “We’ve watched Wendy grow over the past eight years, from a shy, new volunteers to a skilled team leader who inspires others with her gregarious sense of humor!” states Sunday volunteer, Dana Friedman. Wendy is one of the most dedicated, determined volunteers who will go the extra mile to achieve her objective. Whether that is sprinting down the beach to rescue a sick harbor seal pup who is inches away from escaping into the water, carrying a very heavy animal a mile across wet slippery rocks or coming to the Center late at night after working all day to feed a critically ill animal. She even travels with a spare kennel in her car just in case an animal comes ashore in South County! Based on her experience, we like to have Wendy on our team during the challenging rescues. “On a rescue, you can always count on Wendy to give the utmost consideration to the safety of the animal and the safety of the rescue team. She is also very conscientious of informing the public about proper safety precautions and the protected status of marine mammals,” said Scott Stevenson, Sunday afternoon volunteer.

Wendy not only lends her talent for animal care to our Center, but her other talents as well. She is versed in sign language and has had the opportunity to communicate with hearing impaired visitors about PMMC and our mission. Thank you Wendy for your passion and dedication!

