

Saddleback Valley Humane Society

Pets & People
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**Quarterly Newsletter for
Members & Friends of the SVHS**



Scruffy's guardian made an extraordinary effort to obtain the funds needed for surgery to repair torn ACLs in both rear legs.

Email Request: I got your information from our pet hospital. I am not sure what to do or how to approach this since I have never done this before. I will say that we do need, and are grateful for any help we can get to save my buddy Scruffy's legs. We are in the process of saving whatever we can ourselves for the surgery on his torn ACL (anterior cruciate ligament inside the knee joint). Since he can't walk on the left back leg, all the pressure went to his right to hold himself up. He kind of hops around. We limited his movement by picking him up and helping him go outside. Yesterday when he was doing his business outside I heard a snap, he squealed then fell to the ground. The vet thinks he probably tore his other ACL. Even though we found a great doctor that will do both surgeries for half the price of our primary vet, we still can't afford it.

You have no idea how bad I do not want to ask for help. It brings tears to my eyes just typing this because I feel I should be the one to save my buddy's legs. Any help would be more than appreciated. Please bear with us on proof of financial hardship as we are trying to gather everything together. Thank you. Ely — Note: The SVHS works with veterinarians to determine a guardian's financial need.

**YOUR DONATIONS
HELPED FUND 38
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**AmazonSmile
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can help.*

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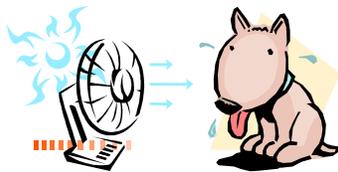
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Summer Sun Safety

- **Walk your dog during the cooler morning and evening hours.** Hot pavement can burn delicate paw pads. If the sidewalk or asphalt is too hot for your bare feet, it's too hot for your dog's paws.
- **Don't shave or close cut your dog's fur. Instead, brush fur to remove excess, which helps keep him cool.** A dog's exposed skin sunburns easily. Fur protects from sun, heat and insects, and helps retain water after a romp with the garden hose.
- **Do not take your dog with you to run errands in the car.** Extreme heat builds quickly inside a parked car that can kill a dog in a matter of minutes — and that's with the windows open and the car parked in the shade.
- **Keep a supply of cool, clean water in a spill-proof bowl available at all times.** Some dogs enjoy a water filled wading pool to lie in when temperatures rise.

Rattlesnake

All Rattlesnakes Found in California are Venomous

Ten types of rattlesnakes are found in our state. All have blotched patterns on the back and a rattle on the end of the tail, which may be used as a warning. **However, the rattle is sometimes not developed on young snakes and may be broken off of an adult.** Some species have black and white bands just below the rattle. Rattlesnakes are sometimes found in residential areas. Ask your vet about a vaccination that may help protect your dog in the event of a rattlesnake bite. For more information see: www.wildlife.ca.gov/news/snake, and www.californiaherps.com.



Medical Aid Recipients

Tracker, a German Shepherd dog ingested a poisoned rat. He was hospitalized and may have needed a blood transfusion. Vet Grant \$500

Skittles, a cat needed FHO (femoral head osteotomy) surgery to correct hip dysplasia or other hip-related condition. Vet Grant \$200
For more information on FHO see: www.FHOGuide.com

Patches, a 2-year-old cat with an intestinal blockage. The cat's guardians did not want to pay for surgery and relinquished ownership to the vet. Successful surgery was performed, and a new home was found for Patches. Vet Grant: \$500

Sasha, a female cat with a respiratory infection. Vet Grant \$200

Henna, a 10-year-old cat with congestive heart failure. Vet Grant: \$186

Crawley, a 4-month-old puppy that fell down some stairs and broke the femur head in one limb. The pup is doing well after surgery. The guardians are a couple both serving in the Marines. Vet Grant: \$500

Chloe, a dog that needed dental work. Vet Grant: \$100

Poncho, a dog needed X-rays and medication. Vet Grant: \$100



Beezer at a PAT event.

PET ASSISTED THERAPY PARTICIPANT VOLUNTEERS WITH THE PEACE CORP.

Please join us in wishing Pet Assisted Therapy participant **Rosie Beshk** good luck and safe travels as she heads to the Western Caribbean for a two-year commitment with the **Peace Corp.** Rosie, along with her dog **Beezer**, have volunteered with the SVHS for about a year; Beezer will stay with Rosie's son while she's away. She promises to keep in touch from time to time, when internet service is available.

Pet-Assisted Therapy
Visits are held the 2nd & 3rd Saturday monthly.
You don't need to commit to both.
Share your pet's love. Call 262.5859 to volunteer
Please Join Us!

Recipients ...continued

Snoopy, a dog with kidney and liver failure needs supportive care. Our pledge was used for fluids and medication. Pledge \$100

Mom cat and four kittens. Mother cat not caring for her kittens may have a respiratory infection; kittens needed supportive care. SVHS volunteer also offered financial aid with spay/neuter when all the cats health improves. Pledge \$100

Walter, an Airdale-mix with a rectal mass that needed immediate surgery to remove. Pledge \$125

Shadow, a 4-year-old Terrier-mix had an enormous bladder stone that needed emergency surgery to remove. The stone will be analyzed to determine if a change in diet will keep this from happening again. The vet commented that this was the largest bladder stone he had ever seen. Shadow is not spayed, but another group will provide a voucher when the dog recovers from surgery. Pledge \$150

Frankie, a 15-year-old pug needed surgery to remove a damaged eye. Pledge \$100

Cold Nose, A Warm Heart to the Rescue

The defective airbag recall extended to our 2006 BMW. After a very long wait, a replacement airbag was available for installation at our local BMW dealership. Walking into the service writers' office, I was greeted by a 4-month-old English Bulldog named Lilly, a company mascot, I was told. This started a conversation among several service writers and me about a favorite topic, dogs. I shared that my husband and I are guardians to two pugs, George and Renee. Service writer Yani beamed as he told the story about his pug, Bella. After his father died, Yani, originally from Greece, went back to the home country with Bella to help his mother who had become very depressed. A visit from her son eased the loss, but it was Bella who really provided comfort. Bella gave Mom a living being to love and live for, Yani explained. And, walking the pug helped Mom lose 35 pounds. Bella now lives permanently in Greece with Yani's mother. Pets truly do work miracles. Good dog.

- Susan van Eijkelenburg



Financial Aid Recipients

Seyva, a Husky with suspected kidney disease needed blood work. Pledge \$100

Shadow, an 8-year-old dog needed surgery to remove bladder stones, plus teeth extractions. Pledge \$150

Riley, a Yorkshire Terrier needed dental work. Pledge \$50

Rosie, a Chihuahua with a broken leg. Pledge \$75

Boxer, a dog with paralyzed rear legs. Vet recommends surgery, but guardians can't afford it. Dog is being treated with laser and pain medication. Pledge \$125

Jaxon, a puppy needed treatment for Parvo. Pledge \$100

Samantha, a cat needed surgery to remove an eye. Pledge \$100

Sasha, a 6 pound Italian Greyhound with a broken leg. Pledge \$150

Sissy & Woogie, dogs needed dental work. Pledge \$150

Barley, a dog with an enlarged spleen; vet suspects a tumor. Pledge \$75

Kia, a Shetland Sheepdog needed surgery to remove her gall bladder. Pledge \$150

Lulu, a 14-year-old dog treated for liver failure and needed teeth extractions. Pledge \$50

Osito, a Poodle with bladder stones needed surgery. Pledge \$75

What's the difference between a Pledge and a Vet Grant??

At the end of each medical aid recipient listed, a Pledge or Vet Grant dollar amount is noted. The SVHS offers a Veterinary Grant Program that provides \$500 to each of the first 18 area vets who register annually. Program vets may use the grant, at their discretion, to help only one pet or several. Requests for Vet Grant funds are made by the vets on behalf of their clients. Conversely, Pledges are offered to individuals who call our Helpline asking for financial assistance. Like Vet Grants, Pledges are paid directly to veterinarians, not as a reimbursement to individuals.

Road Trip

Don't want to leave your K-9 pal behind?
Try these pet-friendly hotels:

La Quinta Resort, La Quinta, CA

Ask about their PAWS at La Quinta program.

www.laquintaresort.com

Cypress Inn, Carmel, CA

Animal lover Doris Day is part owner of this lovely dog-friendly

boutique hotel. Meet Sadie (the Chihuahua)

Director of Pet Relations; www.cypress-inn.com

Tenaya Lodge, Yosemite, CA

Ask about their Deluxe Pampered Pet Package.

www.tenayalodge.com



Gifts of Love

In Memory of Hopper, a rabbit

To The Lundberg Family
From Patti & Paul Fieberg

In Memory of our cousin, Judy Bartholomew

To Jeffrey Bartholomew
From Barbara Hollister & Debbie Bailey

In Memory of Betty Pezzoni, a friend

To L. Pezzoni
From Da Lee & Wee Lee Beach

In Memory of Happe & Amber, dogs

From Betty C. Fassett

Gift of Love

From Holly O'Meara

In Memory of Maureen Christian, a friend

To The Christian Family
From Barbara J. Towle

Gift of Love

From Diana Fiori & Molly

"Thank you to everyone in your group for all the great work you do for all our fuzzy babies."

In Memory of Sam Simon, a friend

To Jerry & Judy Fisher
From Sam S. Retman

In Memory of John Gagel, a friend & neighbor and Kissey Bear, a dog

To Mary Gagel
From Stuart & Lois Halbert

In Memory of Bonnie's Mother, a friend

To Mrs. J. Nogel
From Da Lee Beach

Gift of Love

From Neysa Soafer
"My love for the animals"

In Memory of Diamond Gambler, a horse

From Cindy Nelson

In Memory of Beasley, a dog

To Pat MacArthur
From Patti Fieberg

In Memory of Abbey, a dog

To Ross & Leslie Forbes
From Patti & Paul Fieberg

In Loving Memory of Koala, a Chihuahua

*"And though she be but little,
She is Fierce,"*

- Shakespeare

To Kevin & Sokha Paschang
From Pat Paschang & Charlie Trachtenbarg

To celebrate Mandy, a dog

"My sweet loving companion"
From Wilma Goodman

Gift of Love

From April Erickson

To Honor the Memory of Roz Grashaw, a dear friend

"All animals have lost a friend, too."
From Mike & Judy Joyce

"It was glorious"

From Pat Paschang & Charlie Trachtenbarg

...a friend

From Ellen Faulds

*...a friend, who said of technology,
"I can't be bothered." Of caring for aging and
ailing pets, she said "We keep trying."*

From Susan & Herman
van Eijkelenburg

*...a friend of over 25 years and a
passionate animal lover*

From Bob & Vivien Frankland

In Memory of Henry, a dog

To The Cost Family
From Judy Satterlee

Celebrating Dog's birthday

From Christine Lee

In Memory of her father, my friend

To Therese Warburton
From Da Lee Beach

In Loving Memory of Shirley Forcier,

"My spouse and great animal lover"
From Arthur Forcier

In Memory of Thor, a cat & Dex & Patches, dogs

From Sandra Mahanna

In Memory of Mason, a dog

To Kim
From Paul & Patti Fieberg

In Memory of Hytop, a dog

To Doug & Lynne McGaugh
From Susan Brown Matsumoto

Gifts of Love from Bonnie & Leif Ranestad

*For all the pets that we have cherished from
the bunco gals of Lake Forest —Karen, Sally,
Lisa, Halina, Oatha, Marilyn, Monica, Elayne,
Ada, Lana, Patti, Lucia, Anne & Bonnie*

In Memory of a gentle and much-loved dog named Watson

To Christina & Bruce Anderson

In Memory of a much-loved red Labrador named Gidget

To Liz & Don Vossel & Family

In Memory of Earlene, Mother of Beth, Grandmother of Kurt, Carly & Trevor Horn

To Mr. & Mrs. Chris Horn

In Memory of Lee Tracey and the beautiful cat he loved

To Mr. Rob Haas

Honor the Memory of a Lost Love or Celebrate a Special Occasion by Giving a "Gift of Love"

President's Message

Choosing a pet is a huge decision and should not be taken lightly. The type of pet should best suit your lifestyle, housing,



Vivien Frankland
with feline
companion,
Samantha.

family and finances. A pet is a living creature, not a disposable item, so you should be willing to make a lifetime commitment.

Impulsive choices—falling for cute puppies, kittens and other young pets, often lead to them being surrendered to shelters because people have unrealistic

expectations and limited knowledge of the pet's needs.

By considering these suggestions, an unfavorable outcome may be avoided.

* Decide if you have sufficient financial means to care for a pet. Veterinary care, grooming, food, pet supplies, pet sitting services and insurance are all additional costs.

* Involve all family members in the process and designate an adult as the primary caregiver, thus ensuring the pet's needs are met consistently.

* Never buy or adopt a pet as a gift for someone else. Rather, ask if they would like to have a pet and if so, accompany them in a selection process.

* Take the time to train your dog; it's money well spent and everyone will appreciate a well mannered canine. Training also strengthens the bond between pet and guardian.

* Know how to curb scratching and chewing on furniture etc. and patiently execute potty training.

* Allow sufficient time for regular grooming, feeding and exercise.

* Be prepared to tend to a pet who becomes ill, which may include cleaning him and the home.

* Gain knowledge of various pet breeds and make sure your lifestyle and their temperament and needs mesh.

Lastly, consider adopting from an animal shelter or rescue group. There's a huge selection of mixed and pure bred pets seeking forever homes and all will be spayed/neutered and likely have had vaccinations. Fees are usually quite nominal and with the exception of very young pets, you will know exactly his size.

Kindest regards, **Vivien Frankland**

P.S. See our **Adoptions** section on page 4, and check out **www.petfinder.com**. Many shelters and rescue groups feature their adoptable pets on this site.



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ADOPTIONS



**D.R.E.A.M.
Animal
Rescue**
Call

949.836.5664

Ducky is a male about 2 years old. The Tuxedo kitty sees everything he encounters as a toy. He's good with other cats, and is affectionate

www.dreamanimalrescue.org

Pugs & Pals

www.pugdogrescue.com

Call 949.262.
PUGD



Molly is 6-7 years old, loves to cuddle with humans, is playful and good with other dogs.

Southland Collie Rescue

www.collie.org
Contact Sue Baldwin at
lovecollies@cox.net
or 949.858.0298



**Gracie, an 8-year-old,
Female, Blue Merle
Smooth Collie**

Gracie is very sweet and gentle, loves people and gets along with other dogs. She's not "cat tested," but based on her easy going nature, we're guessing she's fine or would adjust quickly.

She needs to lose a few pounds, but with diet and exercise, she's on her way to a trim healthy weight. Gracie approaches people and offers soft kisses and rests her head in any willing lap. She impresses everyone she meets with her sweet disposition.

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