

Pets & People

Newsletter for
Members
&
Friends of the
SVHS

Our Mission is to provide supplemental funding for veterinary care and treatment for pets whose guardian/owners need financial aid. We rely entirely on the generosity of members and donors.

The Saddleback Valley Humane Society is an all-volunteer, 501c3 non-profit incorporated in 1992.

Summer 2023

**Celebrating 31
Years of Service
to the
Community**

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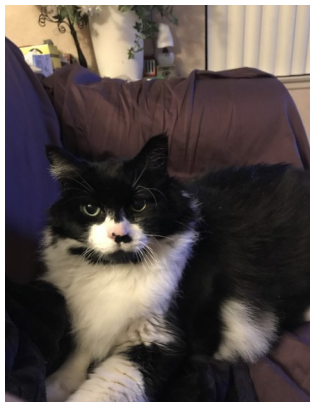
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Ginger's guardian was walking her near their home when two large dogs attacked the dog and threatened the guardian. Ginger, a 2-year-old Terrier-mix, adopted a year earlier, sustained

multiple bite wounds. The ordeal was very upsetting for the guardian. The family was grateful for our help.

Pledge \$125



Milo needed

X-rays

Vet Grant \$250



Max, a dachshund-mix, needed emergency surgery to remove a foreign body the dog ingested. Vet Grant \$225

President's Message

Dear readers,

Looking back some 25 years or more, I recall being so jubilant upon hearing that animals from shelters and rescue groups would have to be spayed or neutered before being placed into new adoptive homes. At the time, I was convinced that by following this mandate, fewer and fewer animals would be born, thus reducing the numbers of unwanted animals in shelters and with rescue groups and that the euthanasia rates would therefore drop to a bare minimum. How wrong I was! It appears that the numbers of pets waiting for new homes has not decreased considerably nor has the euthanasia rate been dramatically reduced.

But the SVHS won't be deterred. We will continue to offer financial aid to those seeking spay and neuter services through regular veterinary offices, but, having partnered with a mobile veterinary quite recently who offers spay & neuter and vaccination clinics throughout the Orange County area, we can increase our efforts.

Whilst it may not be possible to eliminate pet homelessness, we intend to keep their numbers down to a minimum, and, by spaying and neutering them we are helping to achieve that goal. Also, there are considerable benefits for each animal. Sterilization in females prevents the risk of mammary gland tumors and ovarian and intestinal cancer and in males, testicular and prostate cancer and hernias are avoided. Pets are less likely to roam, fight or spray which is a bonus for all pet guardians too.

It's certainly a daunting task but I feel an essential one. I hope you too feel this area of our work is important and that we can count on your support as we continue to aim for a situation with no more homeless pets.

Kindest regards,
Vivien Frankland



*Vivien Frankland
with canine
companion, Dudley.*

Join the Pet Assisted Therapy Team

New
Participants
are always
welcome



Call Us
949.262.5859
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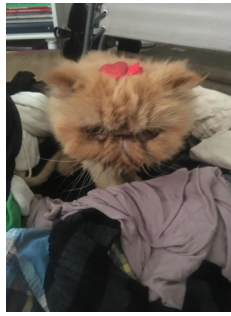
From A Facebook Posting

A SVHS board member saw a Facebook post warning that an area breeder sold a puppy infected with the Parvo virus (see sidebar.) The posting mentioned that the pup was being treated at a veterinary practice that the SVHS works with frequently. The pup was hospitalized and the cost of care had already reached several thousand dollars with additional costs pending.

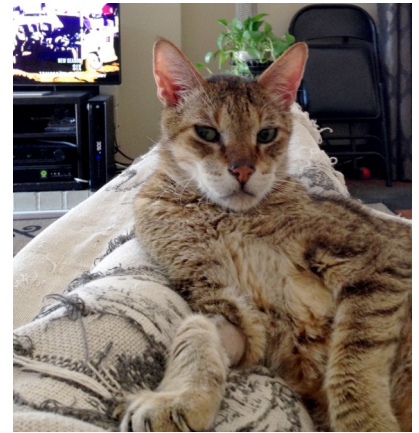
The board member contacted the vet office and learned that the pup's name is Myah and she is a 13-week-old Golden Doodle. The pup's guardian suffers from PTSD and Myah was supposed to be a support animal. The pup's severe illness, however, has caused the guardian extreme anxiety. Myah was in isolation at the vet's office and fortunately was improving, but was being hand-fed because she could not yet eat on her own. Even when Myah is able to go home, she will need massive doses of antibiotics and continued vet monitoring.

The vet gave the guardians instructions to thoroughly clean their home with bleach and, because Parvovirus can live in an environment for long periods of time, they were instructed not to allow any dog on their property for the period of one year. Given the circumstances, our board member felt compelled to offer a pledge.

Pledge \$250 from the SVHS's **Diana & Roxy Fund**, an emergency care fund established by SVHS supporter Diana Fiori.



Pumpkin needed pre-surgery diagnostics. Pledge \$100



Toby, developed a urinary tract blockage. When several attempts by the vet to clear the blockage failed, the cat needed emergency Perineal Urethrostomy (or PU) surgery to save his life. This surgery can decrease the likelihood of recurring obstruction. Pledge \$275

Leche, an English Bulldog had cherry eye, entropion in both eyes and allergies. Entropion is a genetic condition in which a portion of the eyelid is inverted, causing an eyelash or hair to irritate and scratch the eye surface, leading to corneal ulceration or perforation. Pledge \$200

Soup, a cat needed surgery to removed a severely infected eye. Pledge \$200

Princess, a dog had a tooth abscess. Pledge \$200

Sneakers, a dog needed X-rays. The dog's guardian was homeless and now in permanent housing. Pledge \$200

Raku, a cat was not eating, drinking, had a high fever, drooling, ulcers on her tongue. The vet suspected a virus, but it was determined to be an accidental poisoning. Pledge \$250



Prada was treated for an ear wound. Pledge \$125

Ralphs Community Contribution Program:



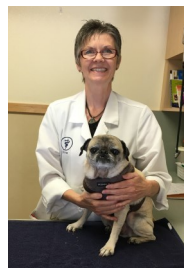
A percentage of your **Ralph's** purchases will go to the SVHS.

Our NPO # is G1593

Please go to Ralphs.com to register

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 15 area vets who register annually. Program vets may use the grant, at their discretion, to help 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 aid. *Like Vet Grants, Pledges are paid directly to veterinarians, not as a reimbursement to individuals.*



Ease the Cost of Vet Care

Try setting aside a small amount of cash monthly or weekly in your own pet care fund. Even a small amount will help when your pet needs to visit the vet.



Gifts of Love

In Memory of Brisa Rose
From Holly O'Meara

In Memory of Kiki, a dog
To Joan Marsh
From Jacky Garren

In Memory of Buffy & Ginger
From Nancy Hetzke

In Memory of Doc & Duke, dogs
From Judy & Arthur Levine

**In Honor of Hawkeye, Finn,
Dax & Misto,**
My grand-kitties
From Jane Yapp

In Memory of my dearest dog Spikey.
*"He was a sweet and loving companion.
He will be very much missed."*
From Carol Scott

Gift of Love
From Teri Dayton

Gift of Love
For Jack, the best dog ever
From Betty Fassett

In Memory of Maggie,
"The sweetest closet cat ever."
To The Wagner-Leiby Family
From Sue Douthat

**In Loving Memory of
Renee Spreadbury,** a friend
To Donna Thompson
From Sam & Nancy Cho

In Memory of Lucy, a cat
*"My daughter-in-law lost her loving cat,
Lucy a short time ago. Lucy was a
wonderful companion and lived to be close
to 18 years old. She had a wonderful life and
was a continuous joy to Pam and her family.
She will be missed."*
To Pam Goodman and Family
From Wilma Goodman

In Memory of Froggie, a tiny dog
To Aprille Harris & Family
From Vivien & Bob Frankland

In Memory of Bella, a cat
*"Bella was a former feral cat who joined the
family 14 years ago, having decided a warm
home was preferable to the backyard. She
was loved and is deeply missed."*
To Dennis & Konni Friend
From Pat Paschang

In Memory of Froggie, a dog
*"Froggie was a sweet, affectionate little pup
who brought joy to all who met him.
He is missed."*
To Aprille Harris
From Pat Paschang

In Memory of Sophie, a dog
To Jim Wick
From Judy & Arthur Levine

*For every joy that passes, something
beautiful remains. Honor the
Memory of a Lost Love
By Giving a Gift of Love*

Road Trip

Don't want to
leave your canine
pal behind? Try these
pet-friendly hotels.



Tenaya Lodge at Yosemite
www.tenayalodge.com

La Quinta Resort, La Quinta, CA
www.hilton.com

Cypress Inn, Carmel, CA
www.cypress-inn.com

**Note: An additional fee applies at
all three hotels.**

**Help sick and injured pets even after
you're gone. Please consider putting
the SVHS in your Will or Trust.**

Call 949.262.5859

Summer Sun Safety Reminders



- **Don't 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 minutes — and, that's with the windows opens and the car parked in the shade.
- **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 to remove excess fur, which helps keep him cool. A dog's exposed skin sunburns easily. Fur protects from sun, heat, insect bites, and helps retain water after a romp with the garden hose.
- **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.

Financial aid — continued from page 2



Nino, an 11-year-old Shih Tzu
needed extensive dental work,
including extractions.
Pledge \$75

Vet Grants

Akio, a senior dog needed dental
care, Vet Grant \$200

Smokey, a cat needed perineal
urethrostomy surgery (commonly
performed on male cats to clear
a urinary obstruction),
Vet Grant \$500

Scruff, an 11-year-old dog with a
severely broken leg that needed
amputation. Vet Grant \$500

Minnie, a dog needed surgery to
repair an umbilical hernia, plus
spay, Vet Grant \$500

Marley, a Labrador-mix treated
for pancreatitis, Pledge \$400

Lucky, 9-year-old dog needed
diagnostics to determine if she
ingested a rock, Pledge \$150

Bunny Tuna, a cat needed
diagnostics and treatment for an
upper respiratory infection,
Pledge \$221

When Tom adopted 5-year-old
Barry, a dog, he knew the pup
should be neutered. But, Tom,
who has three young children,
needed a heart transplant and
was hospitalized for three months.
Now on the mend, Tom reached
out to the SVHS for help with the
cost to neuter Barry.

Pledge \$685 from the SVHS's
Diana & Roxy Fund, an
emergency care fund established
by SVHS supporter Diana Fiori



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Humane Society

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Mission Viejo, CA
92692-2400

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www.svhsspc.org
E-mail us at
susansvhs@hotmail.com
Or, call
949.262.5859

Pray for Ukraine

ADOPT DON'T BUY

Support our Local Animal Shelters & Rescue Groups

Pet Adoption Center of Orange County

www.adoptcpets.org
949.858.1000

Pugs & Pals

949.262.PUGD
www.pugdogrescue.com

DREAM Animal Rescue

(Ditto's Rescue, Every Animal Matters —
DREAM was created to continue the
memory of our founder's first cat, Ditto
See cats available for adoption

www.dreamar.org
Tel. 949.484.9228
Email: dreamanimalrescue@gmail.com

German Shepherd Rescue Orange County

GSROC.org; 714.974.7762



Angelo, 3-
years-old,
likes to
play. He
can be
protective
of his
family. He

needs an guardian who will set the
limits he craves. A quiet, adult home is
best for this guy.

**Just a reminder when you are
adopting a pet**, to take the time
to meet the scared ones, the shy
ones, the ones that don't stick out
to you, the ones with the boring
colors or missing limbs, the older
ones, the frail ones. They have not
given up. They just need you. And
maybe you - Board member Ellen
just need Faulds shared a
them too. Facebook post

Save Some Bunny Rabbit Rescue

www.savesomebunny.org

Frosted Faces

www.Frostedfacesfoundation.org
715.574.6320

Specializes in placing older dogs

Lassie, a 1-year-
old sable, male/
neutered collie
needs an
experienced
guardian. He would
do best as an only
dog or with a
submissive doggie
playmate. He loves
people. He needs a
large yard and
active family.
**Southland Collie
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Events Calendar

Pet-Assisted Therapy Program — *Share Your Pet's Love*

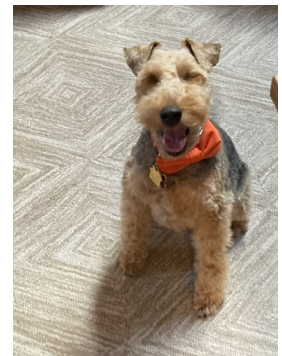
*Visits are held from 10:30 a.m. to
11:30 a.m. the 2nd & 3rd Saturday
monthly at two locations
in Mission Viejo.*

New participants are welcome.

**You need NOT
commit to both.**

Call 949.262.5859

*Your pet should be well behaved and enjoy
meeting people and other animals.*



*Meet our newest PAT
participant, Winnie, a
Welsh Terrier, whose
guardians are Ellen
Dunlap & Erin Dunlap.*

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