



The Tailbearer

NEWSLETTER OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY



April 2011

15th Annual Walk for the Animals- May 14th

Get ready for a day of fun with your family and your pet. This year's Walk has a lot to offer the young, the old, and the furry!

Register today to participate in the Walk for the Animals! It is fast, easy, and completely free. All you have to do is fill out the registration form and start collecting pledges with your pledge form. (Additional pledge forms can be downloaded at www.hssbv.org.) You can bring your pledges and pledge form with you to the Walk or drop them off early to our office on or before May 12th. You and your pet can also go online to www.firstgiving.com/hssbv to create your own Walker page that will register you for the Walk and help you collect pledges via the Internet. Not only are you helping animals in need when you collect pledges, you are earning prizes for yourself as you go. See the attached Walk for the Animals brochure for more details!

Start walking! This year's walk will take place at Arrowhead Credit Union Park, home of the Inland Empire 66ers (280 South E Street in San Bernardino). Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. with the Walk kicking off at 9:30 a.m. You and your pet can enjoy as many laps around the field as you would like!

But wait... there is more! Don't just bring your walking shoes; bring your shopping shoes too. This year's Vendor Village will have local businesses selling anything your pet could ever want and need. When you are done shopping for your pet you can shop for yourself as well. We will have a wide variety of vendors with "people friendly" items for sale. Don't forget to visit the local businesses in the Vendor Village offering services and handing out giveaways. If you are feeling lucky, purchase tickets to enter for the chance to win great raffle prizes such as Disneyland tickets. You can also enter our 50/50 raffle!

All this activity might make you thirsty! Never fear! We will have water stations available for your pet to cool down. Arrowhead Credit Union Park will have concessions open through out the entire event for you to enjoy.

Have you ever felt like your pet could be a star?? Then the Walk for the Animals Pet Contests are for you. Sign your pet up for \$3 per contest. Choose from Best Kisser, Lookalike, Best Dressed, Best Trick, Ball/Goody Catcher, Largest Dog, and Ugliest Dog. After that head on over to the free Pet Agility Course to let your dog show off again!

Worried your kids might get bored? How could they with the supervised Kid's Fun Zone open the entire event? For just \$5 your child will receive a pass good for the entire event for unlimited use of the bounce houses and games. There will also be \$2 face painting and free kid's coloring activities.

Music to your ears... Mike Medina Entertainment will be playing all of your favorite songs through out the Walk while Jeff Pope of 99.1 KGGI emcees the Walk for the Animal activities.

The best part of all? Your fundraising efforts and attendance to the Walk for the Animals directly benefit our Cruelty Investigation and Humane Education programs. These programs are not income producing, yet are so important to the local community! Thank you for helping us help animals in need!

"Wishes & Wags" for the Walk for the Animals

- Snacks for volunteers
- Drinks for volunteers
- Raffle Prizes
- Baskets for Raffle Packages
- Sunscreen
- Goody bag items



- **Volunteers-** Call 909-386-1400 ext. 222 to find out more about volunteering!
- **Help Promote the Walk-** Call 909-386-1400 ext. 224 to request a poster to

display at your business or a yard sign for your lawn!

- **Vendors spots are still available for the low price of \$20!**
- **Sponsorship opportunities are still available as well!**
- **Tell a friend about the Walk... You can join us even without a pet!**

Call 909-386-1400 ext. 224
or email JHenderson@hssbv.org
for more information!

Humane Officer's Investigation Leads to Arrest & Sentencing

Our Humane Officers spend each day investigating reports of neglect and cruelty to animals. We are proud to announce that justice has been served in the case of our dear friend, Lucky. When officers found Lucky in 2010 he was in a weekend state, missing part of his right rear leg and would have died had it not been for our officers intervention. Lucky had been attacked by a pit bull and chewed off what remained of his own wounded leg after not receiving the most basic veterinary care. Here is an update on his case:

The Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley are proud to announce that the woman who had custody of the injured little white terrier "Lucky" pleaded GUILTY to the felony charge of animal cruelty. She will serve jail time as well as three years probation, and will not be allowed to own another animal!

A big thank you to everyone involved in Lucky's recovery including our medical staff and volunteers. We would especially like to thank all of the good people at the District Attorney's Office for their hard work at seeking justice for Lucky.



If you suspect animal abuse or neglect, please contact the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley... be a voice for those that don't have one!

Mike Ashbaker
Humane Officer

A Word From Our Veterinarian, Dr. Raines- Tips for the Walk for Animals

The California Veterinary Medical Association recently sent out a press release with tips for keeping your pet safe at dog parks. Here are some of their tips, which can also help you and your dog prepare for our 15th Annual Walk for the Animals!

Tips for keeping your pet safe when visiting dog parks:

- Keep your dog's vaccinations current. Other dogs may not be up-to-date on vaccinations, and your dog could be exposed to diseases.
- Socialize your dog – to other dogs and people – before going to dog parks.
- Keep an eye on your dog to prevent him/her from getting into fights.
- Small dogs should go to dog parks that have separate areas for smaller breeds. Untrained larger dogs may perceive them as prey or engage in rough play.
- Bring water for your dog to drink. Water stations at the park have been used by other dogs and wildlife and may be a source of disease.
- Clean your dog's paws when you leave the park to minimize the risk of parasites or diseases from the soil.
- Have your veterinarian check your dog regularly for parasites.
- Talk to your veterinarian about any precautions you should take with your dog.
- Follow the dog park rules. They generally include licensing requirements, leash laws and a minimum-age requirement for children.
- Remember, you are personally and legally responsible for your dog.

“The dog park experience isn't right for every dog,” cautions Dr. Henricks. “But if your pet loves them so doggone much, by following the CVMA's tips, you should have a fun and safe visit.”



Thank you to all those who support the mission of the Humane Society.

Donations from February 1, 2011 - March 24, 2011

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...And to so many other friends and steadfast contributors, past and present, you make a difference. Thank you.

Critter Camp A Success!

Critter Camp was a memorable week for our third grade campers thanks to the informative, motivating presenters and the organizations they represent! You caused all of us - adults and children - to think about how our actions can help animals.



We sincerely thank: San Bernardino County Museum; Darlene Douthit from Darlene's Art Studio; Cindy Evaro and her birds from the Fontana School Police Parrot Patrol; Melissa Caughey, executive director and curator of Animal Ambassadors; Gary Rogers and his agility dogs, Janet Chaney and her opossum; Linda Viera from Guide Dogs of the Desert and Abe, (a Guide Dog of the Desert puppy in training); Katherine Gigandet, Lisa Medina and Carole Autler from Inland Empire Pet Partners and Katherine's therapy/service dog, Pilot; Katherine's puppy in training, Buster; Lisa's service/therapy dog, Rumor, her therapy dog, Haylee Sue and Titan, Carole and Brent Autlers's therapy dog.





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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8 AM - 4:30 PM

LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM
 By appointment 909-386-1400

VACCINATION SERVICE

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
 Saturday 8 AM - Noon
 No appointment necessary

MONTHLY NEWS/OTHER INFO

Visit our website at www.hssbv.org
 Make a tax-deductible donation on our website. It's safe & easy!

Join the Humane Society's "Make a Difference Club"

Pledge \$20 a month and the amount is charged automatically to your Visa or MasterCard



WISHES & WAGS

- **Dog houses** (new or in good condition)
- **Oster® A-5 hair clippers** (10 blade)
- **Laundry detergent** (unscented)
- **Towels** (new & used)
- **Dog, Cat, Puppy & Kitten food**
- **Dog sweaters, size small**
- **Kitty litter** (scoopable)
- **Large litter boxes**
- **Dog & Cat beds**
- **Dog & Cat toys**
- **Ink cartridges** (to recycle)
- **Office supplies, colored paper**

... And we always need **people** like you!
 We have opportunities for volunteers 18 and over in several areas, from our Saturday Shot Clinic to surgical recovery. Call us today at 909-386-1400 ext. 222 or **apply online at www.hssbv.org**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 14th

15th Annual Walk for the Animals!

Saturday, August 27th

Save the date for HSSBV Casino Night- details coming soon!

Saturday, September 17th

Responsible Dog Ownership

Saturday, November 19th

Santa Paws Pet Photos & Holiday Boutique

March 2012

Night at the Reign Pt. III

Professional Dog Training

Don't complain... Train! Evening and morning classes are continually forming. Call Dances with Dogs at 909-496-5356 for information, dates, and times.

Pet Loss Bereavement Class & Support Group

The second Saturday of every month from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.



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