



Companion Animal Rescue Effort

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C.A.R.E. is a Non-Profit Organization Specializing in the Rescue and Placement of Homeless Dogs and Cats

C.A.R.E.'S 2ND ANNUAL SANTA FAIRE



**IT'S A PHOTO OPPORTUNITY!
COME JOIN THE FESTIVITIES ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH
FROM 10:00AM UNTIL 4:00PM**

Start your holiday season with a fun visit to the Second Annual C.A.R.E. SANTA FAIRE. Our very own C.A.R.E. Santa is back, accompanied by professional pet photographer, Laura Marshall. Laura's backdrops and settings give you the feeling that each photo was shot in a winter wonderland. This is the opportunity to have your four-legged best friend(s) photographed with Santa, and help C.A.R.E. raise funds for our rescue efforts in 2005.

In addition to the photo scene, raffle tickets will be sold during the faire giving you the opportunity to win great gifts and gift certificates. Music will again be provided by "Blue House", and food and drink will be served up by our wonderful C.A.R.E. volunteers. All proceeds will benefit C.A.R.E. This event is all made possible with the generous support of Sam's Downtown Feed and space donated by Phantom Signs and Newport Masonry.

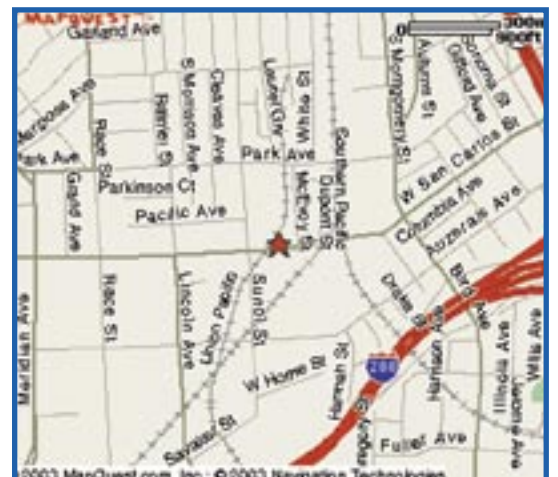


Bring your best friends by for a photo or two with Santa. You will be glad you did and so will C.A.R.E.

- WHAT:** C.A.R.E.'S 2nd ANNUAL SANTA FAIRE
- WHEN:** SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 2004, 10:00AM -4:00PM
- WHERE:** SAM'S DOWNTOWN FEED AND PET SUPPLY
759 W. SAN CARLOS STREET (between Lincoln and Bird)
SAN JOSE, CA 95126 (look for the horse!)



These wonderful photos are from last year's Santa Faire... Santa and CARE will be waiting for you this year too!



President's Message

Hello-

Wow, another year has almost passed and I find myself reflecting on all the furry lives that have passed through our foster homes. To those of you who have adopted this past year or those families that have adopted long ago, we wish to say thank you for making the lives of our foster kids complete. You give them love and warmth that can only come from having their own full time, forever homes. Remember, when you adopt a rescue or shelter animal that is one more animal saved from death. Keep them safe in the years to come and they will reward you tenfold with their unwavering love and affection.

Happy Holidays!

Kate Humphrey, President 2004



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OUR WEB SITE!**

www.carepets.org

See photos and read profiles on our animals available for adoption.

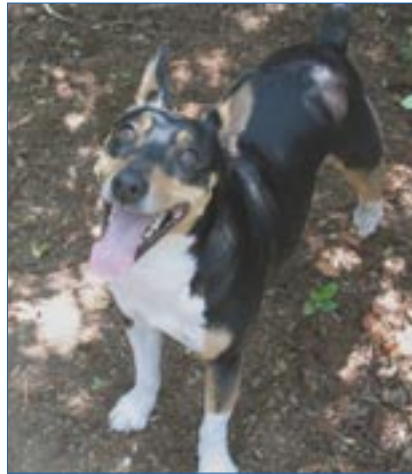
Our web site is updated every week!

If you don't have internet access, you can always reach us by calling the Dogline 408-227-CARE (2273) or the Catline at 408-929-2287.

About this publication:

CARE's newsletter is published and distributed to CARE Members, advertisers, sponsors and animal adopters in good standing. Contact 408-227-2273 if you have questions or comments on this newsletter.

We Get Letters!



ROCKY'S BIRTHDAY!

To: The "Saints" at CARE!

Four years ago, we added Rocky to our family. We celebrate August 4th as his Birthday! Not a day goes by without being reminded what a gift he is. I often say we were so lucky to have found

each other. Thanks to Leeann who I talked to four years ago today with my quest for a "happy" dog that was small enough to hold but athletic enough to run with me. On August 4, 2000 she indicated that she had just rescued a dog she thought would meet my request and suggested we be at the Piper Dr. location at opening time. My husband and I were waiting at the door. When we met Rocky he was bouncing off the walls as he is an extremely high energy dog and was anxious due to the surroundings and what we now recognize as his desire to control everything. We took Rocky home that night; it was a long night as we were both trying to adjust.

The next morning we discussed the possibility that maybe he wasn't going to work out but were reminded of the information we received that you really need to allow two weeks for the acclimatization process. I am so thankful we allowed for time to transition for all of us.

We are so thankful for your rescue efforts and will be forever grateful to Leeann for caring for Rocky until we found each other and for recognizing that we were a good fit!

Pets such as Rocky touch our lives in ways people never will. He has made me a better person, he beckons me to get moving every morning and is known by name on the Los Gatos Creek Trail by the early crowd. Thanks to CARE and Leeann for my Buddy Rocky!

~Lee Ann Kuntz

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We Get Letters! - Continued



Dear CARE,

I just wanted to update you folks on the little dog I adopted in November of last year. I am so grateful to have adopted this lovely little girl. I had been looking for a little Chihuahua mix for over a year, but I just didn't see any dogs that seemed right. Then I met Buttercup, she drew me in right away.

When she got out of the kennel, she did a bit of sniffing around, but then jumped up into my lap. That was it, she had me. With her magnetic little personality, I thought she deserved an exotic and dangerous sounding name. Buttercup became Nikita.

Now Nikita is my constant companion, I can't imagine my life without her. She loves to be lavished with attention, yet she's never jealous of other people or pets. Though she can be suspicious at first, it's not unusual for her to get my most reserved houseguests to baby talk.

Nikita is so loving and has such a big personality, she is an ambassador for small dogs everywhere. I can't tell you how many people have decided to get a little dog because of her influence.

I'll never be able to thank you enough for doing what you do for the animals you save. All I can do is say that you've changed my life by helping me to find Nikita. She is my partner in crime and one of the best friends I've ever had.

*Warmest regards & doggie kisses,
Anne & Nikita*



Hi Sharon (CARE Foster Mom),



It has been about 8 mos. since we got Lady from you. We renamed her Lacie because our Sheltie that died last year was named Lady. Lacie is our little love. She weighs 35 lbs and she has changed so much. She was such a frightened little girl when we first got her, but she has come out of her shell and her personality has really evolved. She is very smart and her favorite things include chicken jerky treats, her toys, her doggie blanket and pillow and running and scattering the blue jays under the bird feeder. She went on her first camping trip a few

weeks ago and she loved the hiking and exploring. She loves to play with the frisbee and fetch sticks. She loves my grandsons and is such a sweetheart with them. I thought you might like seeing her again so I am attaching a picture of her. From all of us, thank you for finding our Lacie.

*Sincerely,
Sue & Jeff Sipes*



Hi CARE,

This is a little thank you note from me and my adopted doggie, Kitty. Letting you know that she is doing very well. She has gained weight and her fur seems to be growing back. I've tried so hard to find a dog I could call my own and now I have found her. She has been the greatest companion. I never leave home without her. My co-workers love her as well. She is still not too keen on other dogs but she's learning. From the bottom of my heart thank you for letting me adopt my wonderful companion Kitty.

~Gemma

We Get Letters! - Continued

The Loss of Mungo, My Best Friend

Dear CARE-

Well. What to say? How to say it? Its so hard. The end-result is that this morning I woke, and Mungo did not ... upon my waking she was laying on her pillow on the floor next to my bed (where she regularly slept), but her soul had already an hour or two before slipped away to doggie heaven. As some of you know, mostly during the cooler winter months, she'd be sleeping on the bed instead of on the floor next to the bed. How did she pass? Why did she depart? Don't know, and at this point I don't want to go there and only want to celebrate our time together.

Mungo was born about 5 years ago to the day, but since she was a rescue (run-away or abandon) we'll never know for sure exactly where she came from and what day she was born. Late fall or early winter she found her way to the C.A.R.E. animal rescue who took great care of her. She adopted me on December 29, 1999 ... upon bringing her home, she marched into the house like she belonged there. Its been almost 5 years since then, and we've covered a lot of territory together and throughout she's been a most loyal loving best friend. Some might call her "needy", in reality she was loyal and loving.

Most of you knew her. Some of you knew her well. She was special. In fact, she was extra ultra super special. if you knew her, then you know that to be true. She could make an instant impression on strangers ... as we regularly walked along the Los Alamitos Creek trail by my home, even though it was a common and regular occurrence it always stunned and amazed me at how strangers would gravitate to her and want to pet her ... which is impressive for such a large dog. To go for a walk, even a 20 minute walk, and not get at least one "oh what a pretty dog" compliment was uncommon. I recall one particular walk up to Lake Almaden where I counted five such compliments. That she was complimented all of the time was common, this too always had me amazed (and very proud). She was indeed pretty ... those closest know I regularly called her "my pretty girl".

Many thanks to LeeAnn and the wonderful folks at Care Pets for caring for her as one of their foster dogs until we found each other and she adopted me. Many thanks to Betsy for her devotion to Mungo. And for those of you who helped me through this awful day - you have my love and gratitude.

Mungo - I love you. And I miss you. It hurts to have lost you so soon and unexpectedly. My life was enriched for 5 fantastic years ... thank you for that. Rest in peace. You are in good company in critter heaven.

Mungo's loving dad -
- Ron -



CARE HONORS A HERO: DOCTOR LEROI BOLDON

For the past eight years, Leroi Boldon DVM, also known at CARE as "Doctor B", has been caring for our furry friends. Hundreds of CARE rescues have been successfully diagnosed and treated by Doctor B. Whether it be a shattered femur bone, a case of mange or a spay/neuter procedure the doctor is there, day or night. Four Paws up to Doctor Boldon for all the wonderful work he has done for CARE and our furry friends. You are a hero.



Special Recognition Section

- ** CARE would like to recognize *Dora McCleary* for rescuing **Chico**, a dog in need. Dora's caring heart brought Chico to CARE where he will be placed in a loving home.
- ** In memory of **Sandy**, Randy's best friend and longtime companion from your other family, *the Langhis*.
- ** In memory of **CG and Buddy**, male and female cats, *Richard and Sue Schmidt*.
- ** In loving memory of three of God's most perfect creations, our Cocker Spaniels, **Bailey, Cassie and Ralph** from *Charles and Linda Morse Gosting*.
- ** In memory of **Angel Grimm**, from *Angela Horine*.
- ** In loving memory of **Sandy**, beloved of *Nancy and Bryan Caudle*.
- ** In memory of my great, sweet grand puppy **Snookie Summer** from *Dorothy Parizek*.
- ** In memory of our grand puppy **Snookie Summer**. She was a loving sweet devoted companion who enriched the lives of all who knew her, from *Angela and David Horine*.
- ** **Our best friends leave our sides to pass over The Rainbow Bridge, but they never leave our hearts.**
Ken



DID YOU KNOW ?

- *Almost 50,000 pets have been reunited with their families due to microchips the size of a grain of rice inserted right above the shoulder blade.*
- *30% of animals surrendered to shelters in the United States are purebreds.*
- *50,000 homeless dogs & cats were euthanized in the Bay Area last year.*

- YES! I would like to support your Dog Adoption Program!**
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