



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

135 DOGS, 2 CATS, 2 RABBITS & A BIRD HAVE THEIR PICTURES TAKEN WITH C.A.R.E. SANTAS

THE SIGN READ : SANTA PAWS PICTURES WITH SANTA -
HOURS 11:00am -5:00pm

It was 10:45am and a line had already begun to form with our furry friends waiting to have their pictures taken with Santa. Some had red and green ribbons and bows in their hair, others had antlers on their head and many had been to the groomer for a bath and haircut. As our four legged friends came forward some looked at Santa and barked, others bounded to the stage ready to pose for the camera and some smelled Santa from head to toe and then licked Santa's face. It was time to take the picture. Some posed in Santa's lap (all 85 pounds of them) and others would not pose unless their mom or dad or both were in the picture. C.A.R.E. Santas and Elves met lots of very special pets and people at this event. We heard dozens of heart warming stories.

Here are just a few of them:



"Santa Ken" is shown above

Duncan was a 13 year old 65 pound mix that posed next to Santa as if he had done this dozens of time. However, just a year earlier Duncan was found wandering the streets , no tag, no ID, no home. He was taken to a local shelter where close examination by the vet, showed Duncan had been hit by a car at one time and his injuries had mended without medical care. He also showed signs of abuse. The shelter found him to be a very sweet dog and cared for him until the right person came along. Now, a year later, Duncan is in a loving home and is having his picture taken with Santa.



Sasha was an 11 month old puppy that was a real wiggle worm in Santa's lap. She was found wandering in an orchard in Lodi. She was rescued by the land owner, who saved her from the coyotes that frequent his land each evening.

Mei Mei (picture shown at left) looked like a princess as she was carried in her basket to have her picture taken . Her eyes were bright and full of life as she peeked her head over the top to check out Santa. For 10 years Mei Mei and two other Pomeranians spent their lives, day and night in a backyard with little attention, little cover from the elements, and very little love. When the family was about to leave the area they decided to leave the three dogs behind. A caring neighbor took the dogs in and gave them a loving home. Mei Mei is now the sole survivor traveling everywhere with her new loving family.

Puck is a handsome Beagle who spent the first four years of his life in a research lab. Fortunately the project was cancelled and Puck was given a loving home.

C.A.R.E. Santas and Elves had a great time at the annual Santa Paws Celebration. Thank you to Petsmart on Hamilton Avenue in Campbell for sponsoring this event each year and special thanks to all of our supporters who assisted with this fundraiser in December.

President's Message

*Kate Humphrey,
CARE President*

If you have previously adopted from CARE, consider becoming one of the people that made such a positive difference in your life and the life of your dog or cat. CARE is in need of qualified foster homes that understand the special responsibilities of caring for and re-homing our displaced companion animals. If you would like to get more information about our foster program, please call 408-227-CARE. Or, come by one of our pet fairs and speak with us in person. A little extra time and an open door can help these animals find new homes.



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www.carepets.org

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If you don't have internet access, you can always reach us by leaving a message on either our Dogline at 408-227-CARE (2273) or Catline at 408-929-CATS (2287)

About this publication:

CARE's newsletter is published and is 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!

(some stories edited for space)



My name is Nichol Fliehman. My fiance Kyle Johnson and I came in on December 7th, 2002 and adopted Paprika. When we first saw her she was at the Humane Society. She was sweet, loving and all she wanted to do was be rubbed. About a month later, Kyle and I were on the C.A.R.E website and we saw her. That Saturday we came to your facility, saw her and fell in love with her. 2 hours later we took her home.



I am writing you this letter to Thank You, for saving such a great dog and giving her to us. She has been an absolute blessing in our home. She thinks she is this big lap dog. She was VERY easy to potty and to crate train. She loves seeing us when we come home from work. Her and Kyle are the best of friends. When she goes to the Vet everyone rants and raves at what a well tempered, loving dog she is. She licks the pizza guy when he comes, she does not bark when she hears the door bell, she has never growled or even shown signs of anger when another dog comes along. She just wags her cute little butt, all she wants to do is play. I hear from a lot of people that first meet her, that they would never have imagined she would have been such a well mannered, calm, loving dog. Her coat is beautiful and from the day we brought her home she fit right into our little family. Before we got her Kyle and I knew we were missing some thing and now we know what it was....Paprika.

I don't know how many times over I can Thank You for letting us adopt such a wonderful creature. I hope you enjoy the pictures as much as we enjoy her. We are so happy with Paprika we have been looking through your web site in hopes of getting her a friend to play with. I will never look any where else except for C.A.R.E to adopt another animal.

Thank you for everything, Nichol Fliehman



My name is Buddy. Last October, I came through a shelter in the central valley and was moved here to the Bay Area on Nov 20th. During my shelter stay (I was in a crowded kennel with at least 6 other dogs), no one noticed that I was not using my back left leg. Fortunately, I landed in the CARE program and home of my foster mom, Sue. She took me to the vet right away (they took X-rays) and discovered that I had a fractured pelvis and shattered femur bone. The vet says that my injury was several months old, so I had been in pain for some time. To make my leg right again, I required surgery. The surgery & x-rays were quite expensive (over \$1100).

However, a long-time vet & friend of CARE's volunteered to do some of the procedure pro-bono. In late November, I underwent the surgery and the head of the femur bone was removed as well as dead tissue and bone fragments. The vet said that I should be able to use my leg again and walk with just a slight limp, but will not have arthritis in that joint at all. Within two weeks, I was able to put weight on my leg and started to use it more & more. I can maneuver very well on three legs and am a very fast runner. I was adopted by Nancy Kelly on Dec 14th. I had several follow-up visits with CARE's vet and have been given the green light for all activities. I now live with a black lab named Wasabi and we are the best of friends. We play all the time, running and chasing each other. I still run on 3 legs, but it never slows or stops me from doing anything. My very sad beginning has a very, very happy ending with the Kelly's.

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Stop by Butchie's & ask about "Butchie", the store's name sake. It is a wonderful rescue story. CARE thanks Butchie's for advertising in our newsletter and for their continuous support.



Special Recognition Section

- In honor of our dog (adopted from CARE), **Max** - from the **Baden Family**
- In honor of **Janet Swanson** - from **Daniel & Karen Swanson**
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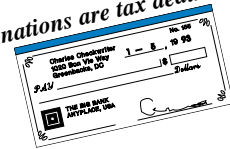
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