



Las Vegas Valley Animal Talk Humane Society

The LVVHS is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the plight of homeless, abandoned and abused animals in Clark County through rescue, rehabilitation, and reduction in animal overpopulation by spaying and neutering.

ADOPTION CENTERS

DOGS:

**Saturdays@Bogart's
Bone Appetit:**

10540 Southern
Highlands Pkwy.
11a.m.-4p.m.

CATS:

**Saturdays &
Sundays@Petco:**

3577 S. Rainbow at
Spring Mountain
11a.m.-4p.m.

7731 Tropical Pkwy
off Rt 95 11a.m.-4p.m.

**Saturdays &
Sundays@PetSmart:**

6650 North Durango
Durango Exit at N 215
10a.m.-4p.m.

Call the hotline to verify
locations and view
adoptable pets at:
Petfinder.com or

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.lvvhumane.org

CONTACT US

hotline: (702) 434-2009

fax: (702) 257-9662

17th Annual Wag-A-Tail Walk-A-Thon



A 1-mile or 2-mile
fun walk for you and your dog!

Support your local animal rescue organization!

Details and forms available at www.lvvhumane.org or call 702-257-9668.

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**Sunday
March 24, 2013**

**NEW LOCATION
Centennial Hills Park
(North Buffalo & Elkhorn)**

Registration: 8:00am-9:00am
Walk starts at 9:00am

Dog contests.

Sponsor exhibits and giveaways.

Raffles and pledge prizes.

Adults - \$25.00 by March 14th

and \$30.00 after March 14th

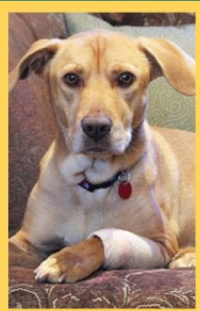
Students - \$15.00 with student ID

Children under age 12 - FREE no t-shirt

BIG Decreases in Animals Going Into Local Shelters

The Animal Foundation, which takes in animals from Las Vegas, North Las Vegas, and unincorporated Clark County saw the number of animals coming in decrease from 50,313 in CY2011 to 45,613 in CY2012—more than a 9% decrease. Happily, euthanasia for dogs was down 12% and 14% for cats. Overall, euthanasia decreased from almost 30,000 animals—a number which has held steady since the last time LVVHS sent out a yearly review in CY2008—to less than 26,000 in CY2012. The Las Vegas Valley Humane Society attributes the decrease to spay and neuter legislation and the cooperative efforts among a number of animal organizations and veterinary clinics to offer no cost/low cost spay and neuters as well as the feral cat ordinances in unincorporated Clark County and the City of Las Vegas. LVVHS has been very involved in these efforts. Unincorporated Clark County, which has had a regulated spay/neuter ordinance, a feral cat ordinance, and which provides monies for Heaven Can Wait to offer low cost spay/neuters to individuals and organizations, saw the largest decrease of the localities with close to a 14% decline in animal impounds. A more complete report will be available in the next newsletter. The following story highlights the importance of microchipping.

Rudy's Story: how a microchip can save a life



Rudy, a 4.5 year old Lab-x, turned up at The Animal Foundation with a horrendous wound on his leg that exposed several inches of skin down to the muscle. Who knows how it happened, but Lied had considered putting him down until they checked for a micro-chip and traced it back to us; we had adopted him out as a puppy. LVVHS sprung into action, rescued Rudy from the shelter, and provided all his medical care, including a surgery to repair the wound. While healing, Rudy has been in one of our foster homes. Now he is ready for adoption and a new forever home.

Letter from the President

My New Year's resolution for 2013 is to communicate more often with LVVHS supporters about the work that the LVVHS and I as the president are doing. As always, the LVVHS continues to work on its annual goals: In 2012 at least 200 INJURED stray and abandoned animals were rescued off the streets of Clark County. The LVVHS also took in and adopted out 365 cats and dogs. Since the LVVHS rescues dogs from the streets, many of them required substantial training to re-socialize them.


In terms of spay and neuters, more than 604 cats, dogs, and rabbits were spayed and neutered as fosters or for owners who could not afford to alter them. Many of these people did not have transportation, and the LVVHS provided that. Some 1073 feral cats were spayed and neutered through its TNVR program. Again, LVVHS volunteers often handled the trapping and transporting and getting the traps to people. The LVVHS Facebook page provides an excellent opportunity to see many of those animals at www.facebook.com/LVVhumane.

But there was more that needs to be communicated: LVVHS received many complaints from tourists about the animals being used for solicitation on the Strip. The LVVHS sent those letters to Clark County Commissioner Chris Giunchigliani, who was able to pass legislation limiting those animals to a small segment of time on the Strip. I testified at the hearing on the proposal, which passed.

During the summer and fall of 2012, the Clark County Animal Advisory Committee established meetings with rescue organizations to develop a strategic plan dealing with the animal overpopulation problem in Clark County. As chair of the committee, I also served as chair of the humane groups subcommittee and worked with a number of other rescue organizations in Clark County to develop a plan which included activities for the rescue groups, the Animal Foundation, Animal Control, and the Clark County Commission. That plan and "Golden Standards for Rescue Organizations" was approved by the Animal Advisory Committee and forwarded to the Clark County Commission. It was truly a cooperative effort among a number of organizations.

I also spoke during a series of hearings conducted by a Nevada Wildlife Commission subcommittee on leghold traps on Mt. Charleston. The subcommittee worked with residents there to reduce the areas open to trapping because of problems associated with companion animals being trapped. The Commission approved those limitations at its meeting in Las Vegas in September, 2012.

In October, 2012 the Governor appointed me to the Nevada Wildlife Commission, the first member from a humane organization. Quite a difference since most of the members are hunters and anglers. As you can see, we are out in the community working hard to make the needed changes for animals—both domesticated and wildlife.

-Karen Layne 

Rescue Roundup: A Few of the Many; Maya and her litter of pups

Sometimes rehabilitation of a dog takes more than just "medical" care. In February of 2012, LVVHS got a Hotline call from someone who said that they heard puppies yelping on a commercial lot. When volunteers arrived on the scene, they found an emaciated young German Shepherd mother and a litter of six puppies. The puppies were easy to corral and put in a crate. However, Maya was not so easy. She eluded the rescuers who spent hours trying to keep her from harm. But Maya was very frightened because she was almost feral and not used to human interaction. She was not an adoptable dog. So as soon as the puppies were weaned from Mom, Maya went to training school. It took several months of socialization and training with a professional before Maya was ready for her new home. But she graduated with honors and now lives in a new forever home.



**TO ADOPT
CALL 434-2009**

It takes a lot of love and little patience to help our rescues rehabilitate.



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2013 Legislative Bills

Las Vegas Valley Humane Society urges you to get to know your state senator and assembly member. There are a number of animal and wildlife bills which the LVVHS supports. It's important to contact your representative when a hearing is set on these bills. Email blasts are used to send out hearing dates. For additional information, please email lvvhs@cox.net.

The following are bills that the LVVHS supports:

- SB73— Adjustment to Felony animal cruelty bill passed in 2011 which proposes to keep the name of the person who called about someone hurting an animal confidential as opposed to the entire report. Senate Natural Resources.
- SB83— Makes cockfighting and other animal fighting and the possession and sale of paraphernalia a felony as opposed to gross misdemeanor. Senate Natural Resources
- AB110— Changes the definition of dangerous and vicious and adds a prohibition against making a dog dangerous or vicious solely based on the breed of the dog. Assembly Judiciary Committee
- AB115— Law enforcement must notify victim of a domestic violence that animals can be covered under a temporary or extended restraining order. Assembly Judiciary Committee
- SB82— Prohibits the Board of Wildlife Commissioners from setting seasons for bear hunting. Senate Natural Resources
- SB11— Prohibits the possession in Nevada of wildlife that was acquired, hunted, taken or transported in violation of a law or regulation of another state or country
- AB168— Requires the membership of each county advisory board to manage wildlife to include one qualified member who represents the interests of the general public. Currently, in Clark County that committee is made up of hunters, anglers, trappers, ranchers, and farmers.
- SB213— Revises certain provisions relating to the trapping of wild animals, part. Regarding congested areas in counties of 100,000 or more population. Senate Natural Resources.

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