

Las Vegas Valley Animal Talk Humane Society

Flyball Demonstration to highlight 18th Wag-A-Tail Walk-A-Thon

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.

The eighteenth annual Wag-A-Tail Walk-A-Thon is

ADOPTION CENTERS

DOGS:

Saturdays@Bogart's **Bone Appetit:** 10540 Southern Highlands Pkwy. 11a.m.-2:45p.m.

Sundays@Woof Gang **Bakery & Grooming:** 7080 N. Durango 11a.m. -2:45p.m.

CATS:

Saturdays @Petco: 3577 S. Rainbow at Spring Mountain 11a.m.-4p.m.

Saturdays@Petco 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) 434-2001

scheduled for Sunday, March 30, 2014 at Centennial Hills Park. A map is provided and it's easy to get to by taking the Buffalo Exit off of 95 and Durango. This will be the second year of the event being held at Centennial Hills. Many favorable comments were received last year about the ease of parking, the lack of soccer balls flying by and the larger size of the venue.



A highlight of the event this year will be a Flyball demonstration by Vegas Velocity. Flyball is a relay race for dogs and provides socialization for the dogs and a lot of fun for the owners. Unlike the many walk events held during this time of the year, the Wag-A-Tail is about and for dogs! It's an opportunity for you to meet other like dog owners or it allows non-dog owners the chance to be around dogs! Dogs are treated royally with swimming pools, water bowls at intervals during the walk and snacks and treats for owners and dogs alike. Vendors will be available to tell

you about their dog or human products. In addition, the Polished Pooch contest has been replaced by the "Waggingest" Tail Contest and musical chairs for both dogs and their owners. These contests will allow a greater number of people to participate.

And—it's for a great cause. All of the proceeds go to the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society for the rescue, rehab and rehoming of dogs and cats as well as the spaying and neutering of both owned cats and dogs and feral cats. With kitten and puppy season just around the corner, your support is needed. Please participate in this wonderful event.





Nevada Gives is on April 25: Please note on your calendar

Annually, Nevada Gives promotes donations to non-profits in Nevada through on-line donations. This year, additional awards of money will be provided to those organizations that have the highest numbers of donators as well as those that collect the most money during the 24-hr period. As an animal welfare organization, the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is behind human social welfare organizations, but does show well for animal organizations.





Please put this date on your calendar and donate to the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society on April 25 through www.nevadagives.org -LVVHS appreciates your continuing support!

Letter from the President

The number of impounds for cats and dogs going into local shelters continue to decline. Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is doing its part by providing assistance in getting owned animal spayed and neutered as well as through its Trap Neuter Vaccinate and Return to Caretaker program (TNVR). In order to get the word out to the public about these programs, LVVHS has published two brochures: "If You Are Feeding Stray Cats..." and "Spay and Neuter-It's the Law." These brochures provide helpful information on both our TNVR program and our referral program on spay and neuter. What is also important is the willingness of LVVHS volunteers to transport owners and their animals if they have no transportation available to them. As an example, one of our volunteers worked with the Heaven Can Wait's Spay and Neuter Clinic to help a woman transport three of her dogs which lived in a storage area. Without this assistance, these dogs would not have been altered. Heaven Can Wait helped by keeping the dogs overnight. The woman was extremely grateful. She was unaware of the program until our dog coordinator came upon the situation and advised her of how LVVHS could help. These brochures are available at our adoption centers. If you would like a copy, please contact us at lvvhs@cox.net. This is the time to make sure your animals and those of your neighbors and friends are spayed and neutered.

See you at Wag A Tail on March 30th!



PLEASE LEAVE THOSE KITTENS ALONE!



Newborn removed too soon.



Kitten at 2 weeks.



5-6 week old kittens ready to be rescued with mother.

Every spring, LVVHS receives multiple calls along the following lines: "I found a litter of kittens when I was cleaning my yard, I brought them in, and I don't see a mother. Please come and pick them up....". Please take a step back when you see that litter of kittens in your yard, or your neighbor does and asks your opinion. First, leave them alone—particularly if it's clear their eyes aren't open. The mom may be taking a break or she heard you and ran. She will be back-maybe not until that night. BUT, she will be back. So leave them alone. If you want to provide food to the mother, do so AWAY from the kittens. She will find it.

Most importantly, don't call Animal Control to come pick up the kittens. They will take the kittens to the local shelter where they will most probably be put down. They will not try to trap the mom, so you will end up with another litter of kittens in another couple of months.

Second, contact LVVHS and advise the location of the kittens and the approximate age. Look for a mom, but don't bother her or the kittens. She may move the kittens. When the kittens are about 5 weeks old, LVVHS or another rescue group may decide they can take the kittens and spay the mom, but they will want to do both. Kittens that are 8 weeks or older (and usually running around and must be trapped) can be spayed and neutered and returned. They are too old to adopt out without a lot of work and most rescue organizations don't have the time or enough fosters.

Pictures are provided to help you better assess the age of the kittens. Knowing the age of the kittens allows the LVVHS to better help you. More importantly, the mom needs to be spayed so try to identify her as well.

Kitten photos from Jackie Knowlton

Disclaimer: The Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is not associated with and receives no funding from the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). It does espouse the values of that organization. It does not solicit donations using cards, return address labels or any other product sent to the respondent in the hopes of soliciting donations. The Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is not associated with local Animal Control Agencies or shelters. Its animals stay in foster homes.

Rescue Roundup: A Few of the Many; Eli Mae & Kitten on the Freeway

Here is a six month old kitten Volunteer Jimmy rescued from the freeway at 95 and Las Vegas Blvd. on March 2. She has an injured back paw, URI and an issue with her eye. She is very sweet and social so she was obviously someone's kitten. Don't know how she ended up on the freeway though. Jimmy had noticed a woman pulled over to the side of the freeway and said he doesn't normally stop, but for some reason decided to this time. The woman had pulled over because she had seen the kitten. Jimmy was able to pick her up and bring her in for care.





Eli Mae recovered and ready to go home with a loving family.

TO ADOPT **CALL 434-2009**

will need a caring forever home soon.



Eli Mae was rescued a few months ago after collapsing on a neighbors porch. She had deep cuts on her front legs and ears and was extremely emaciated. Now that she's recovered from her injuries, she spends her time playing with other rescue dogs and getting her belly rubbed. Eli knows her basic commands, is kennel trained and house broken. She's a young pup at 1 1/2 years old and is still looking for her forever home.



In Honor Of



DOG BUDDY FROM STEPHANIE BRADLEY ANNE CARPENTER WILLIAM & DELORES GOOD **DOG JAKE** FROM DICK MORROW **BACI & ABBY LAWSON** FROM CARYN DIBBLE KAY McGINTY & JOHN McGINTY LUCKY SHAPIRO FROM CARYN DIBBLE **ERNESTO TORRES** SHANNON & BARRY VINIK FROM LISA TORRES

In Memory Of

CHARLES APPEL FROM NANCY CAUDILL CAT BERT FROM NANCY CAUDILL CAT CASPER FROM AMY SMIECINSKI SYDNEY CROSS FROM AMY SMIECINSKI RICHARD FITZPATRICK FROM NANCY CAUDILL ANGELINE HAUGHT FROM DWAYNE HAUGHT MR. & MRS. JACKSON FROM AMY SMIECINSKI **DOMINIC McGINTY** FROM MANUEAL LEON JR. BEVERLY SCHULTE FROM MR. & MRS. BOB WRIGHT





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WAG-A-TAIL WALK-A-THON: MARCH 30!!!

Clark County Animal Advisory Committee's Ordinance Subcommittee

The CCAAC is an advisory committee to the Board of County Commissioners on animal matters. An Ordinance Subcommittee has been established to consider changes to Title 10 of Clark County. This section of the Ordinance deals with animal issues. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clark County Government Center. If you are interested in receiving a copy of the agenda, please email lvvhs@cox.net, and your name and email will be sent to Clark County Animal Control to be placed on the agenda list. During the first meeting, proposals for petshop regulations were discussed as well as mandated microchipping by rescue groups and petshops for all cats and dogs that are adopted out or sold. During the discussion of no longer allowing petshops to sell animals, but only to adopt out rescued animals, the point was made that under current Nevada legislation, the County could not do this. It would require a change at the state level.

The president of the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society currently serves as the chair for both the Clark County Animal Advisory Committee and the Ordinance Subcommittee and is the Humane Representative on that Committee.

No officer or director receives any salary or remuneration. As an IRS 501(c)(3) designated organization, your contribution is tax deductible and is used to directly help the animals. Layout and design of the LVVHS newsletter provided gratis by volunteer Helene Upson.

Volunteers needed for Wag-A-Tail, cat and dog rescues. Please call 354-8911.