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## ♥ 1ST VIRTUAL FUNDRAISER ♥

### Valentine Wine Tasting and Silent Auction



Glasses were clinking, fingers were dancing, people laughing, and stories shared, all to benefit our furry friends!

The wine was divine and the race was on to outbid everyone else for that special gift, personal item or just a plain great deal.

Our first Virtual Valentine's Event in 2021 was a huge smash! We raised over \$10,000 and had over 75 participants all trying to get into the act.

In lieu of our Valentine's Luncheon we came up with a great solution and it worked! Bidders were keeping pace online to win fantastic gift baskets, weekend getaways, romantic restaurant gift certificates, casino packages, wine, dancing lessons and much, much more.

*Thank you!*

The LVVHS is a volunteer based organization. No board member receives any remuneration.  
As an IRS 501c3 designated organization, your contribution is tax deductible and is used to directly help the animals.



# Las Vegas Valley Humane Society

## ANIMAL TALK

### TRAP, NEUTER, RELEASE (TNR) Taking care of feral cats in our community

It's been a challenging year for the LVVHS TNR program. As part of our mission, we work to reduce the overpopulation of homeless cats in the community by trapping, spay/neutering, vaccinating and releasing these animals back to the areas where they were trapped. There are other rescue groups in the valley who perform these services as their primary purpose; however, with the extremely high demand, there are many requests for help that overflow to organizations such as ours. Currently we are receiving up to 10 calls a day to our hotline, asking us to assist with homeless cats who are being fed by good Samaritans all around the city.



The effects of the pandemic are still being felt well into 2021, as the progress made in this endeavor was put almost completely on hold due to lockdown and clinic closures in spring and summer of last year. Even with clinics now open for business, including our primary partner clinic for this service, Heaven Can Wait, we are still dealing with a tremendous backlog of requests for assistance. There are many steps of the process to coordinate, including assessing the trap site, performing the actual trapping, transporting cats to and from the clinic and recovering afterwards. The recovery process involves monitoring the cats for 24-48 hours after their surgery to ensure there are no complications and recovery is successful.

It is so critical to work to control the population of these animals, now more than ever since the setbacks of COVID-19 that are felt in so many ways in our community. We are so thankful to the dedicated group of volunteers who assist LVVHS with this important work. If you or

anyone you know might have the desire and opportunity to help us with this part of our mission, we would love to hear from you and have you join our volunteer team for trapping, transporting or recovering – we can show you how! To express interest in volunteering, please call us at **(702) 434-2009** or reach out to us at [lvhumane.org/volunteer](http://lvhumane.org/volunteer).

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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  
9am – 12pm

### CATS

Saturdays & Sundays  
@ Petsmart:  
6650 North Durango  
Durango Exit at N 215  
11am – 4pm

\*Call the hotline to  
verify locations and view  
adoptable pets at:

[Petfinder.com](http://Petfinder.com) or  
VISIT OUR WEBSITE

[www.lvvhumane.org](http://www.lvvhumane.org)

CONTACT US

hotline: (702) 434-2009

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## Message from the LVVHS Board of Directors

To all our faithful donors over the past years and to those that are new to the Society, we can't thank you enough for your support and compassion over a very difficult and sad time for us all during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The LVVHS has suffered a tremendous reduction in our donations like all rescues throughout the United States. We are working very hard to make a comeback in our commitment to the community and especially, most importantly, to our precious pets.

Families are struggling to feed, house and medically treat their beloved furry friends and family members. We are doing everything within our financial powers to assist in easing their anxiety, stress, loss and sometimes desolation in trying to care for their pets.

We are committed to a continuation of our 28 year mission and pledge to the Las Vegas community. We need your help. Please help those not as fortunate as you by sending in a donation so that we can spread some happiness and see some more tails wagging!

There are many happy endings here at the Society and we would like to tell you their stories through our Rescue Roundup page. So tune in and enjoy the joy, smiles, purrs, wags, and hope as we transform to a happy ending.



## IN MEMORY AND IN HONOR OF...

- Gunner from Katie
- Mazel Tov from Marvin Botwinik
- Nancy Caudill from Karen Augspurger, Caryn Dibble, Julie Newberry, and Sallie & Bruce Shapiro
- Maverick from Michelle & Brian Fitzgerald
- Ofelia Villa from Karen Layne
- Judith Ruiz and Cherie Bosnos from George & Effie Stamis
- Al Neidich from Marianne Neidich
- Nancy Hawk from The Las Vegas Numismatic Society
- Carolyn Claire from Elizabeth McDonald
- Pico from Wally & Janie Hoffman
- Jessie and JJ from Jean & Rick Vock
- Terry P. Howell from Kirk Howell
- Ozzy from Debbie Vinson
- Wiggles from Judy Watts
- Len Burres from Dorothy Gold
- Jacque Earlene Klaus from Dempsey, Roberts & Smith, Ltd.
- Paul Wommer and Rocky from Debbie Wommer-Lewis
- Rita Dennis from Margot Ness and Kaye Petersen
- Betsi Ballan from James O'Connor
- Irene Snow from Dan & Judy Swets
- Jeanette Hattala from Anonymous
- Maggie Dibble, Sparky Caudill, Gudie Cawker, and my friends' birthdays from Nancy Caudill
- Judy Williamson from Caryn Dibble



Susie

Susie, a two year old chihuahua mix, came to us in March of this year with her mom and brother. Her owner had passed away. Family members tried their best to take care of the dogs, going over to the house to feed them and give them a little attention twice a day. This scenario went on for 96 days before LVVHS was contacted for help.

Susie's mom and brother lived outdoors. Susie lived in the living room and did not have the joy of spending time with the other dogs. While the television was left on for her, being alone was a lonely and unsociable life for this happy and super friendly girl.

Upon our arrival to pick up the three dogs, we found out the family had been using them to clean out the refrigerator and freezer. They were fed hot dogs, hamburgers and what ever else could be found in the house.

Susie had some trouble walking and keeping her balance. We took her to a neurologist for a diagnosis and treatment. It was determined that her cerebellum had not completely formed. This malformation caused the balance and walking issues, also some head bobbing. Susie is in a loving foster home with John & Linda who are working on her exercise program to improve her strength and balance. She has improved greatly under the very watchful eye of her fosters! Susie still has some trouble eating out of a bowl and she is sometimes hand fed.

This sweet love is the most affectionate girl! She loves to cuddle and be near people. She will take any and all attention she can get. Susie loves going for walks and has even learned how to go up and down a few steps. She loves to lay in the grass and soak up the sun, but only when the temperature is not too hot.

Don't tell Susie she is different from other dogs. She has no idea she has some special needs. This loving girl desperately needs a home to call her own, one that is patient and willing to give her an extra hand when needed. In return, she will provide so much love and joy. And don't forget the snuggles.

This girl is a master at snuggles!



## KITTEN RESCUE AT T-MOBILE ARENA

Earlier this year, LVVHS received a call from employees at T-Mobile Arena stating they had found three tiny kittens living in an AC unit at the arena. Our volunteers immediately met with the employees and retrieved the kittens. No momma cat could be found. These kittens were alone, frightened, dirty and malnourished all while it was over 100 degrees outside. They were taken to a foster home where they were cleaned up, fed and kept in a warm secure location. These sweet babies were aptly named Fleury, Wild Bill and Patches! The kittens thrived in foster care and have since been adopted into loving homes.

Thanks to your continued donations, LVVHS helps so many homeless animals in our community.

