

## Letter from the President

I need your financial help to allow the LVVHS to continue to rescue and adopt out homeless animals, and to continue to provide no cost/low cost spays and neuters for both owned animals and feral cats. The Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is a local organization, an all volunteer organization that serves local animals. Do you know that two nationally known organizations now have paid staff members here? And they are less about helping local animals than getting the national's name out there to solicit funds? Do you know that one of them told a Nevada Legislative hearing that they had 93,000 members in Nevada? Do you know that the State Humane Association of California filed a complaint against a national organization with the California Office of the Attorney General alleging "unfair and deceptive fundraising practices which harm local humane societies and SPCAs?" ("Animal People," June 2011)."

What I really need is for each of you to look at the organizations that you are donating to and ask yourself these questions: Are you donating to an organization because the name sounds good or because you checked out the IRS Form 990 and it is spending the money on the animals and not on big salaries for its executive staff and public relations? Are you donating to an animal organization whose headquarters are in Washington or New York or to an organization that is local? Are you donating at local pet supply stores because it's easy? A good chunk of that money goes to administrative fees and out of state. My suggestion to you is to check and find out how much of that organization's budget is pledged to animals in Nevada, and particularly Southern Nevada; [www.charitynavigator.org](http://www.charitynavigator.org) and [www.guidestar.org](http://www.guidestar.org) are good sites for this.

The Las Vegas Valley Humane Society is the best organization for your donation. Check out our 990 online for both 2008 and 2009 at [www.lvvhumane.org](http://www.lvvhumane.org). As soon as the 990 is available for 2010, it will also go online. If you want a copy of our last audit, please email [LVVHS@cox.net](mailto:LVVHS@cox.net). Please attend our fundraisers on July 29th and September 30th and send us your donation in the enclosed envelope. I will make sure it is put to good use for local animals!

-Karen Layne 

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Animal Communicator Joan Ranquet, Friday, July 29**  
The Oquendo Center at 2425 East Oquendo, from 6-8 p.m.

**FUR BALL, Friday, September 30**  
International Market Center, beginning at 6 p.m.

## In Honor Of

*Nancy McLane* by Clark County Social Service

## In Memory Of

*Robert Barrett* by Andrea Olson, Stephen Ranck

*David Christensen* by June & Bob Seikel, Rachel Ayele, Irene Newton

*Hardy Gene Gray* by JT3 LLC

*Gracie*, beloved pet, by Laura Wool and Paul Charp

*Kelfkin*, beloved pet, by N.J. Pettit

*Deborah Mahoney* by Lorene Hoff

*Pat O'Brien* by James O'Connor, Kathy Sansone, Julie Wagner & Ninny II, Jillian Williams

*Ethel Jean Polci* by Linda Aydelot, Ana Cataxinos, Linda Roark

*Kathy Rodenbeck* by Las Vegas Police Protective Association Civilian Employees, Inc.

*Helen Santoro* by Christina Santoro, Margaret Freese

*The Mountain View Hospital stray dog* who eluded us for five years was found dead on  
July 4, 2011. Peace to you.

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.

## Rescue Roundup: A Few of the Many; Boston, Lucy, Jake, Sadie & Kittens!



We got a call about a little dog that was running loose in a neighborhood for a couple of weeks. The dog was very scared, and would not let anyone approach him. The neighbors noticed he was starting to look unhealthy, so they called LVVHS to come and catch this poor little guy. Our volunteers, Lori, Dave and Brooke were on the scene, and within half an hour they were able to trap him. They got him to a vet for a well needed bath and haircut. They decided to call him Boston. Turns out he was the most adorable bichon mix, with hazel green eyes. He quickly warmed up, and soon wanted to sit on anyone's lap that would let him. Boston's happy ending was the day he was adopted by a loving family to call his very own.

Lucy is one of the lucky ones to get a fresh start!



Lucy had been stranded in a public park for weeks

running away from anyone who would approach her. She just sat in the place where her owners had dumped her. LVVHS finally caught her in a humane trap. After weeks of grime were washed away, we found a cute 7.9 pound Dachshund Chi-x with a great personality. Lucy was soon adopted.

Her new owner wrote us this update: Lucy is very happy in her new home. She's a smart girl who wants to have all the toys in her new bed. She gets as many in as she can and then wiggles down in the middle. She has my shoe in there, too. She doesn't chew on it, she just wants to have it. We went to the vet today and she has a clean bill of health. This picture speaks for itself. On the right is her new sister and they are great friends as I know they would be.

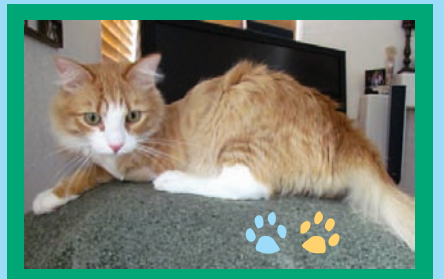


Sadie is one of our greatest rescue success stories. As an eight year old dog, she was pushed out on her own with a tag on her collar that said, "Please help. Owner Lost Home." It was clear that Sadie had been used to fending for herself and had a few battle scars to prove it. LVVHS addressed her dog aggression problems with professional training to make her adoptable. Sadie was then adopted by a loving home.

Jake had appeared in the last newsletter. We just wanted everyone to see how much better he is doing today; even with one of his front legs removed!



Here's a group of kittens rescued from the Copper Palms Apartments who had burrowed into a rosemary bush. A cute set of cuddlers in need of a home. Call 434-2009!



Another sad rescue of kittens. This litter was saved after they were shamefully tossed into a dumpster!

**ADOPT US!**  
**CALL 434-2009**



One of many tragic stories. They need you!



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**ANIMAL COMMUNICATOR JOAN RANQUET: JULY 29TH!**

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**KICK OFF FALL WITH THE FAB FUR BALL: SEPTEMBER 30TH!**

## Felony Cruelty and Breeders' Permit Legislation Signed Into Law!

SB223 Cooney's Law which provided for a felony in certain intentional and malicious acts of cruelty along with SB299-the Breeders' Bill which establishes a permit process for commercial breeders were signed by the Governor. Thanks to all of you who emailed and called your representatives asking them to support these bills. It made a difference. Senators Breeden, Parks, and Manendo sponsored SB223 and Senator Manendo sponsored SB299. Thanks also to Senator Roberson, who showed up at the Assembly hearing in support of SB223 along with Senators Breeden and Manendo. Gina Griesen, who authored SB223, Stacia Newman who helped pass SB299 with her depiction of the disgusting kennel in Amargosa, helped by video by Darcy Spears of Channel 13, and Beverlee McGrath, a lobbyist for multiple animal groups, also should be thanked for their efforts.

One other victory was the defeat of AB329 which would have limited water rights for wild horses. Once again our thanks to the Senate Natural Resources Committee and especially Senator Manendo who allowed all of the horse advocates to have their say. In addition, AB322 which made some changes in the conservation member who sits on the Nevada Wildlife Commission and allowed the Governor to appoint the director of Wildlife Services has already had some impact. A new conservation member has been appointed to the Nevada Wildlife Commission by the Governor, removing an existing member.

Other legislation was less successful. SB364-the horse tripping bill did not pass out of Committee. The passage of SB226, the trapping bill, was dramatically changed in the Senate Natural Resources Committee by Senator John Lee with the responsibility of procedurally dealing with proposed changes going back to the NV Wildlife Commission.

**Volunteers needed for office clean-up and dog rescues and transports, call 354-8911**



*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@Petco:**  
2091 N. Rainbow at  
W. Lake Mead  
10a.m.-2p.m.

**Sundays@Petco:**  
2340 East Serene off  
Eastern Exit at 215  
11a.m.-3p.m.

### CATS:

**Saturdays &  
Sundays@Petco:**  
2091 N. Rainbow at  
W. Lake Mead  
11a.m.-4p.m.  
7731 Tropical Pkwy off Rt 95  
11a.m.-4p.m.

**Saturdays@Petco:**  
2340 East Serene off  
Eastern Exit at 215  
11a.m.-3p.m.

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

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE**  
[www.lvvhumane.org](http://www.lvvhumane.org)

**CONTACT US**  
**hotline: (702) 434-2009**  
**fax: (702) 257-9662**

# Las Vegas Valley Animal Talk Humane Society

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## Nestlé Purina PetCare Offers LVVHS an Opportunity

Nestlé' Purina PetCare Company has made the LVVHS one of 20 animal organizations to participate in its 2011 "Tales for the Pet Lover's Heart" campaign, a partnership with Kroger and its Smith's stores that celebrates the bond between people and their companion animals. These two companies have promised to donate \$5000 to the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society. In addition, \$1 will be donated, up to \$2500, to animal welfare organizations for each funny tale about your companion animal. See <http://talesforthepetloversheart.com> for additional information.

## Animal Communicator to Speak At an Event for LVVHS



On Friday, July 29, 2011, Joan Ranquet will speak at an event sponsored by the Las Vegas Valley Humane Society at the Oquendo Center, 2425 East Oquendo between Russell and Patrick off of Eastern Ave. from 6 to 8 p.m. A wine and cheese reception will follow her presentation.

Ranquet has been featured on the Today Show, Good Morning America, Dateline NBC, the Animal Planet and MSNBC, to name a few. She is author of Communications with all Life: Revelations of an Animal Communicator and her new book, Energy Healing for Animals, will be published in Spring 2012. You can meet and talk with Joan at the reception following her talk. You can also sign up for private readings with your pet and Joan the following day, Saturday, July 30. Visit Joan's website at [www.joanranquet.com](http://www.joanranquet.com)

The cost for the event is \$35 per person. RSVP by phone at 702-463-8005, email: [lvvhsevent@cox.net](mailto:lvvhsevent@cox.net), or at [www.lvvhumane.org](http://www.lvvhumane.org) to pay via Paypal. Checks can be sent to LVVHS, ATTN: Joan Ranquet Event, 3395 S. Jones Blvd, #454, Las Vegas, NV 89146.

## 15th Annual Wag-A-Tail Walk-A-Thon Was A Breeze

The 15th Annual Wag-A-Tail Walk-A-Thon came on a windy day that prevented the use of our tents, but it was a fun day. KKLZ provided live coverage and music. Reflective Souls Photography covered the event as well. As usual, everyone had a great time. Rick Davis, with Vanguard K9 Training Services, presented a series of obedience demonstrations with his dogs, and was the top sponsor for the event. The Mob Experience was also at the event and provided news about its interactive attraction. Northwest Honda brought out a CR-V and handed out scarves for all of the dogs. And there was breakfast for all! Our Polished Pooch was Dave Whitmore's Dalmatian named Lulu decked out in her pink finery. Allison Gitlin's LuLu Paris, a French bulldog, came in as the first runner up. The event grossed \$30,000.

**Thank you to our Sponsors!**

