

pawprints

Winter 2011



Heroes Now & Forever

by stephanie jensen, executive director

As most of you know, we launched The Heroes Now and Forever campaign a few months ago to help close the fundraising gap between what we raised and what we need to raise in order to build a new facility.

As volunteers, we know you are committed to this project in every way you can be and for that, we say thank you!

As animal lovers, we all know fellow animal lovers who don't have time to volunteer, but may be interested in helping in other ways. We ask you to please spread the word about the Heroes campaign to your friends, family and co-workers so that they can learn all about our project and decide if they would like to support it.

As a Hero, they will join a group of 1,000 people who will each contribute \$1,000 to help us raise the final \$1 million needed to go to construction on our new shelter.

Their donation can be made all at once or can be divided into two installments of \$500 or four installments of \$250.

The hero (or the name of a beloved pet or family member) will be honored for their contribution on a beautiful donor recognition piece in the main lobby of our adoption center. They will also be invited to join all of our donors at a private, silent opening party where will get the chance to meet many of the animals whose lives they helped change.

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for continuing to support our mission of saving lives. I promise you that someday (hopefully soon) we will give our homeless pets a better place to live while they await their forever families.



Our existing shelter is completely inadequate for meeting the needs of Truckee's growing population.

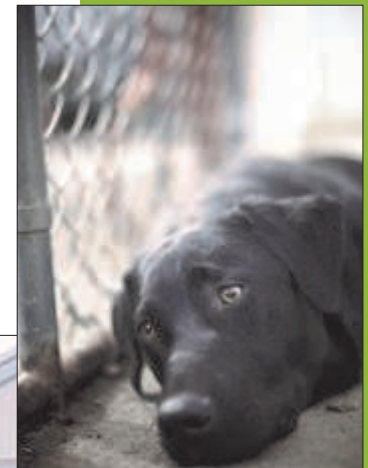
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4th Annual Black Tie & Tails Gala
Sat., Feb. 18th

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updates on some of our shelter favorites

by nanette cronk, animal programs manager

Red

Red was originally picked up as a stray, so his history was unknown to us. Because he was an older boy it took a few months to find him a home, but he found a great one! Until he started showing pretty severe dog aggression and was returned several months later. As much as Red didn't seem to like dogs, he really had it out for cats. Obsessed would be a polite way of putting it. So we went to work on desensitizing him to other dogs over the next six months that it took to find him a new home. By the time he left us, he could easily be in a group of five to six other dogs with no issues. He still was obsessed with cats, but his new owner didn't have any. She did have chick-



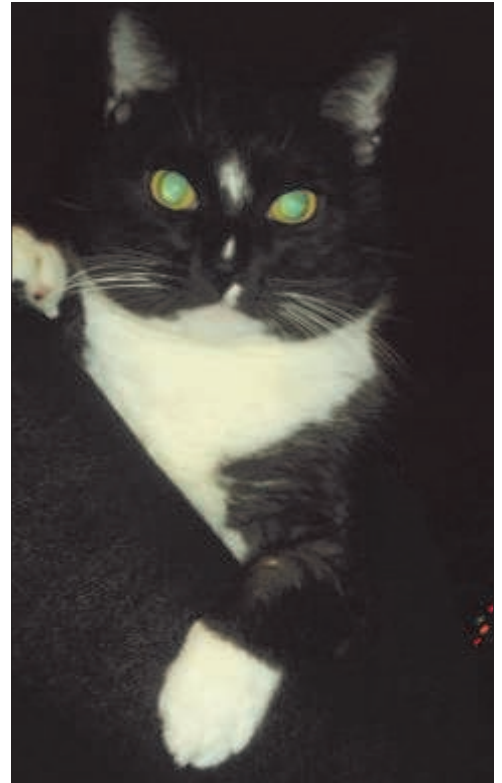
A cat-free home is paying off for Red. Now he gets to spend time on a farm surrounded by friendly chickens.

ens though and we warned that it might not work out. Not only did it work, it turns out Red is a regular chicken whisperer and they are his other new best friends!

Buddy Guy

Buddy was a big stray that we thought would find a home quickly. After all, he had the looks and the heft that people seem to love! Unfortunately he came to us at the beginning of kitten season, which meant most adult cats are overlooked as people coo over the fluffy little kittens! And then our epic winter hit and all adoptions took a

dive for months. But then a year and a month after coming to us, he found his perfect home! He now lives with a dog named



Big Guy loves his new family which includes a sweet little girl and a new female cat to pal around with.

Buddy, so Buddy Guy is now Big Guy. In fact, he started his new adventures immediately! We always recommend starting a newly adopted cat in a small space, and widen their territory as they become more comfortable. Big Guy's first night in the bathroom ended quickly when he opened up a drawer, squeezed in, and then couldn't get out!



animal updates...

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Sawyer

Often we have no clue as to an animal's history and such was the case with Sawyer. He was left at another shelter and was so fearful he would barely walk. With a little work he started coming around, but this shelter is a busy one and Sawyer was scheduled to be put down. The staff had worked so hard with him, so they convinced me to take him to our shelter. His first few hours with us set him back, and we weren't able to get a collar and tag on him. The very next day, in the space of just a few minutes, he chewed his way out of a wire pen and was gone. For five weeks! In fact, he hadn't been named until he took off for the river and so became "Tom" Sawyer. We guess he finally got tired of life on the lam, and on Labor Day, with many packs of hot dogs, Sawyer was recaptured! His socialization was slow, but steady and after some time found him a foster home where he could continue his progress. Sure enough, one day the foster just couldn't bring him to any more adoption days and we chalked up another "failed foster" to our list!



After weeks on the run, Sawyer finally settled down into a life full of walks, fun and love.

Grizzabella

Occasionally we find a little extra room for cats at our shelter, and that's when we reach out to other places that may not have much luck finding their older kitties a home. That's how Grizzabella came to us. Despite being up for adoption for free, since she was a senior kitty, she still sat and waited for almost a year with no luck. So she came to us and got lots of attention. She was a bit grizzled, but there was still some beauty and life in the old girl and we thought she'd find a home quickly. Unfortunately, Grizzabella had other ideas: she didn't like this cat, or that cat – or that person! We felt that having lived so long

in now two shelters, she had the right to be choosy. It turns out Grizzabella had the last laugh: her new home calls her Bella and she has kitty beds spread around the house so she can follow the sun to her heart's delight. And, she's the only pet in the home so she gets all the love to herself – just the way she always wanted it!



Bella simply needed the right person to come along and love her. Now she's Flourishing in her new home.



in memory & in honor

A donation in memory of a person or pet is a wonderful way to show someone you care and make a difference doing it. These gifts go directly toward helping the homeless animals in our community.

Memorial donations:

In memory of my beloved rescue dog, Aiko.
From Randall King.

In memory of Aimee Had's beloved dog BB.
From Georgia & Earl Smith.

In memory of Brody, beloved dog of Laura Seligman.
From Elisa Myzal.

In memory of my son Craig Brown. Love Felice McDonald.

In memory of Bunny, ten year old rabbit companion of Dave Shaw & Connie Martinez.
From Albert & Patricia Shaw.

In memory of Rita Carlson. *From Chase International, her co-workers and Donna Caravelli.*

In memory of Rita Gail Carlson. *From Raymond Carlson.*

In memory of Rita Carlson. *From LoraMowat.*

In memory of my beloved dog, Charcoal. She was the best dog ever. *From Vicki Kerner.*

In memory of Chase, John Chapman's dog.
From Carol Fromson.

In memory of Katie Clinton. *From Patricia O'Grady.*

In memory of my late sister-in-law, Sharon Elaine Cumrock, on her birth date. *From Suzanne & Keith Williams.*

In honor of Leann Dyer. *From L & L Publishing.*

In memory of Flip, who was well-loved by Pete, Casey and Maeve Kristian. *From Georgia & Earl Smith.*

In memory of Burke Lincoln's much-loved dog, Freckles. *From Marilyn Crang.*

In memory of Carter Gorski. *From Jane Dawson.*

In memory of Carter Gorski. *From Patricia Robbins.*

In memory of my girlfriend's mother, Mimi Greenwold. *From David & Marcia Kornblith.*

In memory of BB Had, Aimee Had's beloved dog. *From Ron Edwards.*

Memorial Donation

Use this coupon to honor the memory of a special person or pet.

Gift made by (Name & Address):

Gift Amount \$ _____

In memory of the following person or pet:

Please notify:

Mail coupon with tax deductible donation to:

Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe
PO Box 9041, Truckee, CA 96162



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In loving memory of Dan Kerner

Lori Howard Barlow

Dan was an HSTT volunteer who helped save the lives of our community's pets. *From Meg Bernal.*

Andrea Bollakis

Gayle & Roger Bray

Jennifer Brecheen

E. Lee & T. Suzanne Carrick

Steve Macica & Teresa Colucci

From the CBP Officers

Robert & Janice Christopherson

Natalie Cummings

A lover of animals and nature, a great co-worker and a great friend! *From Suzanne Fiust*

Byrdean Flaherty

Doug Flaherty

Nancy & Darrell Follett

Edwin & Carol Geiger

Brenda Giffin

Cherri & Robert Gillmore

May he rest in peace. *From Heather Froese.*

David Hipkins

Linda Hitchcock

Homeland Security Investigations

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The Huffman Family - Mickey, Kelly & Jim,
Stacy & Matt

The Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe

Lori Kelley

In loving memory of your son Dan Kerner. Love
Desmonde & Bill Kerner.

Lisa Kiyokane

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Maria Lopez

Stuart & Marcella Mathias

Brian McCartney

Maria Mewborn

Debbie Morey

Dan saved the life of many homeless pets. *From
Laura Morris.*

Mariam Morton

I never met a better person. *From Armand
Morton.*

Lori Nadalini

Mary Novak

Respectfully, SFO PAU. *From Jennifer Phillips.*

Russ Romine

Robert Salvatierra

Vijayanand Sankarasubramanian

Tami & Daniel Sell

Daniel P. Vold & Any Shever

Georgia & Earl Smith

Barbara Thomas

Lori Wainright

In memory of Hana, beloved dog of Jack & Susan Hudock. *From Susan Hayden.*

I rememberance of our beloved Husky, Hana.
Love Jack & Susan Hudock.

In memory of Katie Hutter, Debbie & Dan Hutter's sweet little basset-mix companion pet.
From Suzanne & Keith Williams.

In loving memory of your cat, Jerry. *From
Geoffrey Gardner.*

In memory of Laurie Johnson's dad, Benjamin Franklin Johnson. *From Carol Fromson.*

In memory of Keets, Anna Siebelink's beloved dog. *From Georgia & Earl Smith.*

I memory of Jess Kerr's father Jim Kerr, an animal lover who took in many stray pets over his lifetime. *From Carol & Todd Huckins.*

In memory of Lenna, Rona, Steve and Daniel Grundum's beloved dog. *From Aimee Had & Blake Larsen.*



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In memory of Bill & Claudia Sciaroni's beloved dog, Lily. *From Paul & Colleen Wilford.*

In loving memory of Lucy. *From Clay & Marianne Bowers.*

In memory of Leslie McElroy. *From Edwin & Carol Geiger.*

In memory of Mickey. *From Betty Jo King.*

In memory of Floyd Norris, beloved dog of Monique & Matt Norris. *From Jessica Linn.*

In memory of Floyd Norris, beloved pet of Matt & Monique Norris. *From Elisa Myzal.*

In memory of Oreo, the silly rat. *From Sue & Ronald Smith.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Jim & Joan Baker.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Lisa & Kevin Borden.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Bruce & Jean Cutshall.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From David & Teri Green & Family.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Ray & Linda Mirati.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Patrick O'Mullan.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Monte & Sharon Perman.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Robert & Katherine Pifer.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From the Praxis Associates Employees & Roland Volker.*

In memory of Steve Ort. *From Mrs. Eleanor Whitehead.*

In memory of Nyah Palmer. *From Annette & Laird Neuhart.*

In memory of Nyah, our beautiful Landseer Newfie and forever companion, and in honor of Dr. Mike Ryan for his care and friendship. *From Mac & Mark Palmer.*

In memory of Pepper, 17 year old cat companion to Kathy & Steve Shaw. *From Albert & Patricia Shaw.*

In memory of our daughter-in-law's grandfather, Russell Petterson. *From David & Marcia Kornblith.*

In honor of Michelle Brown's beloved pet, Pounce. *From David & Joanna Brown Wishner.*

In memory of sweet Rox, beloved pet of Lynda Moehling. *From Judith Coy.*

In memory of Brian McCarthy's dog Sherman. *From Andy Wirth.*

In memory of Sophie, Diana Bishey & Michael Paulson's beloved dog. *From Georgia & Earl Smith.*

In memory of Sox. *From Meg Raymore.*

In memory of Kathy Steadman, rescuer and lover of retired sled dogs. *From Alison Bermant.*

In memory of Karen M. Stockwell. *From Daniel Stockwell.*

In memory of Jeanie Sweet. *From Sharon & Edward Dalbol.*

In memory of Jeanne Sweet. *From Bob & Jeanne Gunter.*

In memory of Billy Mason's dog Tucker. *From Paul & Christy Curtis.*

In memory of Kevin, Martha, Montana & Carson's beloved dog, Tule. Thank you for letting us be part of her extended family. She was great company. *From Art Takaki & Brita Tryggvi.*

In memory of Dodi Wildermuth. *From Sandy & Curtis Korth.*



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Honorary donations:

In honor of Harry & Marian Baker. *From Tom Jensen.*

In honor of Alison Bermant. *From Robert & Suzanne Bermant.*

In honor of Annica Bryan. *From Charles, Emma and Rocket Bryan.*

In honor of Pat Callahan's 75th birthday. *From Pamela & Rick Gardner.*

In honor of Ms. Niki Capestany's graduation. *From Dr. Samuel & Florence Hoch.*

In honor of Nanette Cronk's birthday. *From Barbara Braker.*

In honor of Nanette Cronk's birthday. *From Jamie & Kirby Marriott.*

In honor of Nanette Cronk's birthday. *From Christy Thompson.*

In honor of Julia Gold's birthday because you all love animals so much. *From Peter Werbel & Knute Anscorb.*

In honor of Henry. *From Bruce & Sheri Pohle.*

In honor of Steve Hoch, new Executive Director of TCDA. *From Dr. Samuel & Florence Hoch.*

In honor of Dr. Samuel Hoch's birthday. *From Steve Hoch.*

In honor of Stephanie Jensen's birthday. *From Carol & Todd Huckins.*

In honor of Stephanie Jensen's birthday. *From Vicki Kerner.*

In honor of Stephanie Jensen's birthday. *From Emily Watt.*

In honor of Niki Kates' birthday. *From Pam & Ann Kates.*

In honor of Niki Kates' birthday. *From Eugene & Barbara Kates.*

In honor of Niki Kates' birthday. *From Michael & Lisa Lebedeff.*

In honor of Niki Kates' birthday. *From Elizabeth & Timothy Bell.*

In honor of Niki Kates' birthday. *From Stefanie & John Bruggeman.*

In honor of Pam & Sarah Medley. *From Curtis & Jeneine Gustafson.*

In honor of Marley. *Love Gary Wood.*

In honor of Lore McLaren's birthday and love of animals. *From Kate McLaren.*

In honor of Barbara Jensen & Marilyn Nelson. *From Tom Jensen.*

In honor of Susan Recht's birthday. *From Mr. & Mrs. Michael Corben.*

In honor of your step-son Ronald Recht's birthday. *From Susan Recht.*

In honor of Dr. Mike Ryan. *From Pat Callahan.*

In honor of Kira Saathoff's birthday. *From Gil Gaus.*

In honor of Kira Saathoff's birthday. *From Elizabeth Leatherman-Ham.*

In honor of Kira Saathoff's birthday. *From Terry & Suzanne Rutlin.*

In honor of Kira Saathoff's birthday. *From Jennifer & Kira Saathoff.*

In honor of Polly Sarsfield. *From Karen Schlidge.*

In honor of Trisha Baird's, Silo, so that the memory of his life can help others. *From Jeff Grossett.*

In honor of your sister Karen M. Stockwell's birthday. *Love Carol, Gary & Larry Krupp.*



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In honor of your mother Karen M. Stockwell's birthday. *Love Susan & David McKinnish.*

In honor of Summer Wood. *From Irene Ayers.*

In honor of Zeke and Simon. *From Angela White.*

In honor of Ken Zigor. *From Thomas & Nancy Anawalt.*

In honor of Joanna Zito's birthday. *From John, Jett & Jackson Zito.*



Kittens like this little one benefit from memorial donations. These donations help pay for vaccinations, spay/neuter surgeries and other necessary medical procedures.

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The Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe's 4th Annual Black Tie & Tails Gala is coming up on Saturday, February 18th!

If your dog has attended Black Tie & Tails then you know what an amazing time our canine guests will have. **You'll have fun too!**



Photos by Michael Kelley.



This year's gala is sure to be the best yet. We have some special canine entertainment planned, excellent music for dancing the night away and, of course, the swanky atmosphere that only the Ritz Carlton can provide.

To view a slideshow of this year's Black Tie & Tails visit www.hstt.org.