



PAWED PRINTS



Newsletter

*A Non-Profit Organization Dedicated To Saving And Improving
The Lives Of Companion Animals In Our Community*

Fall 2009

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El Dorado County

We hope you had the chance to attend WOOFSTOCK, held at the El Dorado Hills Community Park on Sunday, October 4, 2009 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. If you did, you know what an awesome event it was! This year, our former Furry Friend's Walk and the El Dorado Hills CSD Bark in Community Park events combined for WOOFSTOCK EL DORADO COUNTY. We raised over \$4,000 for the PAWED mobile spay/neuter clinic and estimate that over 1,000 people and their dogs attended!

It was a great day of dog-gone good fun. The morning kicked off at 8 a.m. with the 3K and 5K Grateful Dog Walk/Run. Throughout the day there were many dog related vendor booths to visit, dog demonstrations, live entertainment, and dog contests. A new and popular feature was the fenced-in dog play area. Off-leash dogs were able to frolic and play with each other, with supervision by Kerry McBride, owner of El Dorado Pet Club and experienced dog trainer and handler. Many people stopped by the PAWED booth for information and purchased tickets to win fabulous raffle prizes, and toured our mobile clinic.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS, VENDORS, PRIZE DONORS, and WALKERS/RUNNERS who supported this event, even in these rough economic times!

BIG DOG SPONSORS: Bark Avenue, El Dorado Hills Community Services District, Marketplace Veterinary Hospital.

EVENT SPONSORS: Accurate Tax Service, BARCC Dog Training & Services, El Dorado Savings Bank, FIDO Friendly magazine, Gold Rush Dalmatians, Hangtown Kennel Club, K-Hits 92.1 radio, K9 Grass, Mother Lode Insurance Services, NorCal Aussie Rescue, Our Furry Friends Training Center, SacPaws.com, Sierra Dogs Boarding and Training, Tony Matthews Fine Goods for Fine Living, Vista Springs.

VENDORS: A.M.M. Foto, Aunt Cynthia's Pet Sitting and Boarding, BARCC, Best Friends Pet Care, Canine Companions for Independence, Custom Dog Cabinets, Debbi Preston, Department of Consumer Affairs, El Dorado County Animal Services, El Dorado County German Shepherd Rescue, El Dorado Dog Owners Guild, El Dorado Pet Club, Chilly Dawgs, Folsom Dog Resort, Forever Lawn West, Healing Arts Institute, Heavenly Greens, Lend A Heart, Lumpkin Dirty Dogs, Lynn Greene Photography, Nature's Select, New York Life, NorCal Weimeraner Rescue, North American Magyar Assoc., Our Furry Friends Training Center, Music Plus Dogs, Ridley K9 Academy, Sacramento Dachsund Meetup, Second Chance Rottweiler Rescue, The Local Bark, The Right Steps, Two Friends Photography, UC Davis Vet Blood Bank, United Animal Nations, Unleashed Dog Training, VibraPet, Waggy's Pet Sitting, West Coast Mastiff.

PAWED RAFFLE PRIZE DONORS: Bark Avenue, Big O Tires, Bill & Teri Smith, Donna Deaton, El Dorado Pet Club, Fire & Rain Gallery, Janet Kenneweg, Karen Nishimura, Kaufman & Clark Plastic Surgery, Kelvin Limm, Our Furry Friends Training Center, Pat Smith, Paula Rood, Priscilla Massie, Rainbow Bridge Jewelers, Teresa Burke, Tracey Lindberg, Uncle Matty Dog Training.

Also, a very special thanks to Balloon Images, El Dorado Hills, for donating event balloons and to all the PAWED volunteers, Ponderosa High School Animal Health ROP students and El Dorado Hills CSD staff who worked diligently before, during and after the event to make it Pawsitively Woof-derful!



Check out more Woofstock photos on our website



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Animal Shelters in El Dorado County

El Dorado County Animal Services
General Business-415 Placerville Dr Ste N
Placerville
Dogs & Cats-511 Placerville Dr
Placerville
(530) 621-5795
M-Sat: 9:30am - noon, 1:00pm - 4:30pm,
Closed Sunday

El Dorado County Animal Services
1121 Shakori Drive
South Lake Tahoe, Ca
530-577-1766
Same as above

El Dorado Humane Society
777 Pleasant Valley Road
Diamond Springs
(530) 642-2738
Mon. - Sat.: 10am - 4pm, Sun.: noon - 4pm

Animal Outreach
6200 Enterprise Drive, Ste. D
Diamond Springs
(530) 642-CATS (2287)
Call for hours
www.animaloutreachs.info

PAWED MEMBERSHIP INFO

Dues are paid annually for the period
January 1 - December 31. Types of
memberships include:

Student	\$ 15.00
Individual	\$ 25.00
Family	\$ 35.00
Business	\$ 50.00
Support	\$100.00
Life	\$500.00

HOW TO REACH US

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VOLUNTEER CORNER

John Malick

John Malick has been a volunteer for PAWED since 2005. In the summer of that year, John had to go to the Home Depot in Folsom, parking in front of PetSmart. He visited the PAWED adoption event that was going on at the time. There he met Hattie, and as he had just lost his Aussie Sheppard to old age, he was interested in a new companion pet. Hattie was the one. After Hattie's adoption he received the PAWED newsletter that chronicled the work being done on the PAWED mobile spay and neuter clinic, and their request for more volunteer help.



John and Hattie in Desert Dawgs race car

John answered the call, assisting Jeff Lee with the project by helping rebuild the mobile clinic's many mechanical and safety systems. He has continued his volunteering at public events throughout El Dorado County as a tour guide for the mobile clinic, and as a member of the Desert Dawgs racing team, raising funds for PAWED through the "Race for Homeless Pets" campaign.

John and Hattie live in Placerville and John has worked for many years for El Dorado County Transit. And, though he grew up near the beaches of Southern California where surfing was his passion, today he has adapted to the Sierra-Nevada lifestyle of snow skiing and trail hiking with Hattie. It is interesting that hiking is one of his hobbies as he had plenty of it while serving in the United States Army in the late 1960's, assigned to the 38th Infantry and deployed to South Korea.

"I have always loved animals growing up, but never gave a thought to the plight of animals in the shelters and those mistreated. PAWED has allowed me to see how I should get more involved in helping animals. I wish I had it in me to help at the adoptions, but I would probably have to take out a kennel license."

PAWED WISH LIST NOVEMBER 2009

- New collars for small and medium size dogs and new leashes
- Pens, paper clips, scissors, sharpies
- Postage Stamps
- Epson 78 TO781 Black Ink Cartridges
- Gift cards: OfficeMax, Office Depot, Gasoline
- Voltage tester, plug in type with power cord
- Wall mount First Aid Kit





TIPS TO KEEP PETS SAFE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

- How nice of you to bring a tree inside for your cat and dog! Secure your tree in a wide base and provide a safety line attached to wall or ceiling. And remember to cover or tack down electrical cords.
- Pets can smell which gifts are for them or have human food, and likely will not wait to open it with your permission. Also, the wrapping paper and ribbon could be toxic and cause choking.
- Watch those hot containers filled with turkey and ham drippings. The pets can easily tip them over causing severe scalding and burns to themselves.
- Don't feed pets holiday food! Human food and seasonings are too rich and can easily upset pets' digestive systems and cause pancreatitis. You don't want an Emergency Vet visit during the holidays!
- BONES ARE DANGEROUS! -- especially poultry bones which splinter easily. Each year thousands of pets are treated for consumption of splintered bones, causing pain, organ perforation and sometimes death.
- Increased activity and visitors during the holidays can upset your pet's routine. Try to keep your pet on his regular schedule for feeding and exercise and be sure the pet gets plenty of positive attention.
- If you are planning to take your pet with you when visiting friends and relatives during the holidays, be sure to contact them in advance to find out if your pet is welcome. Because of the excitement during the holidays, it might be best for you to board your pet or hire a reputable pet sitter.
- Before guests arrive exercise your dog. A tired dog is well-behaved and less stressed or excited by new visitors. Also watch to make sure they don't escape as guests arrive and leave. Consider securing cats in a separate room.
- Please do not use angel hair (spun glass) to decorate - this can cause irritation of the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract.
- Forget the tinsel!! This can be very dangerous and if ingested, intestinal obstruction and choking are potential serious problems.
- A number of Christmas season plants are poisonous to pets if nibbled or eaten: ivy, holly, mistletoe, and some Christmas greens such as balsam and pine.
- Pets DO NOT make good gifts! Instead, give a gift certificate to visit a shelter after the holidays, and gifts of pet supplies and food. Then after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, the loved one can select a pet of their choice. This will also provide the happy new pet owner more good quality time to spend with his/her new lifetime commitment.



HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS TO HELP HOMELESS PETS



Ho, Ho, Ho, it's that time of year for deciding on the perfect gift for friends and family. How about a gift that also helps homeless pets in our community? Here are some great ideas:

- 🐾 A donation to PAWED in honor of your friend/family member/pet
- 🐾 A donation of cash or supplies to one or more of our local animal shelters
- 🐾 A PAWED membership for 2010

All donations/memberships to PAWED will be acknowledged with a gift letter to your friend/family member. And your shopping is a lot easier—just complete and send in the enclosed membership/ donation envelope and indicate that it is a holiday gift. Be sure to include the name and address of the recipient too!

Holidays are happier helping homeless pets!

The El Dorado County Animal Services shelter in Placerville has many things on their Wish List! Here are some of them:

For Cats

Cardboard cat scratching posts
Kitten Milk Replacer
Brushes
Newspapers (no ads please)
Canned cat food (Friskies preferred)
Small round fleece beds

For Dogs

Crates
Hoof and rawhide chews & nylabones and dog biscuits
Toys

Other

Benches for exercise areas
Towels & Tarps
Hand Brooms and dustpans
Clorox Disinfecting wipes
Storage Containers
Full size refrigerator
5 gallon buckets
Artwork and drawings promoting adoption and spay/neuter-- for shelter walls

**ZOONOSES – Part One** -- by Lisa S. Couper, DVM

Counter to popular belief, ZOOSES is not an anthology of pictures of animal noses from the zoo! It is the plural form of the word “zoonosis”, which is a disease that can be transmitted from animals to people. What follows is a short discussion of some of diseases you could acquire from your pets. They come in many forms from viruses to worms and fungi. However, the good news is that, for the most part, people are far more likely to get infected by a disease from another person than from their pet.

The most serious zoonotic disease is rabies. The virus is in the saliva and transmission is generally by a bite wound. Rabies vaccination is by far the most important vaccination for all of your pets, including dogs, cats, horses, cattle, llamas, sheep and goats. Once an animal or human exhibits signs of rabies, it is too late and universally fatal – remember the story of Old Yeller. Immunization of our pets for rabies is very close to 100% effective, but boosters are imperative if a pet is exposed to a potentially rabid animal such as a bat, fox, skunk or another unvaccinated dog or cat. Pets that have been in a room where a bat is found should be tested for rabies and should have their rabies vaccine boosted ASAP.

The most recent cases of rabies in people in the USA were contracted while people slept and bats were found in the room. Bat bites are very small and almost undetectable.

Roundworms and hookworms in dogs and cats are transmissible to people, usually through contact with pet excrement. This occurs most commonly in children because they play in the dirt or sandbox that the pet uses, get exposed to the eggs through contact with feces, and do not wash their hands before eating. Therefore, it is extremely important to start deworming puppies and kittens at 2-3 weeks of age and deworm every 2 weeks until 8 weeks of age. Then have a fecal exam run. Monthly dewormers such as Heartgard Plus and Interceptor are effective for long term control in adult animals.

Ringworm (a fungus) is a common problem, especially in kittens. It is transmitted through direct or indirect contact with spores that are on the fur or in the bedding. An active lesion is common in kittens but cats can look normal and still carry ringworm. It is an annoyance which is usually quite easy to treat, and not a major health threat. There are other types of ringworm spores in the soil and that infect other types of animals - you can also get these too. The ringworm vaccine for cats does not prevent them from carrying the ringworm agent in their fur.

The bottom line is that zoonotic risk is minimal compared to the love, companionship, security, and even health benefits our pets give us, but it still bears watching, so follow proper hygiene, wash your hands, keep your own pets up to date on preventive care—and watch out for your fellow disease-carrying humans.

Look for Part Two about Zoonoses in our next edition, Winter 2010, and also information on canine influenza—an emerging threat!

Pets and the H1N1 influenza virus

Yes, it is true that you can give the H1N1 flu virus to your cat. It first occurred in Iowa, then Utah and now in Oregon-- a cat has actually died of H1N1 influenza. There are probably more cases that are very mild or transient, but for the most part serious infection in cats so far is very low. It also appears that other cats in the Oregon household had symptoms but did not shed the virus in detectable amounts. Because influenza viruses can mutate and infect multiple species (The new canine influenza virus “jumped from horses.”) the best policy is to be very careful about exposing your pets to your illness if you have flu like symptoms, to minimize their risk just like you would for another person in your household. For more information check out these reputable web links:

<http://oregonvma.org/news/h1n1>

http://www.avma.org/public_health/influenza/new_virus/?loc=interstitialskip



ADOPT A FENCE PANEL TO HELP SHELTER DOGS!

The outdoor exercise yards at the El Dorado County Animal shelter are very limited. So recently, PAWED volunteers cleaned up a new large area, and PAWED purchased and installed heavy duty fence panels and an overhead cover. This area is 10' X 25', with two gated play areas in its current configuration. This can be changed to suit the needs of the shelter as the system is modular and is easily taken apart and rearranged. It is already being used and much appreciated by the dogs!

We would like to invite you to "Adopt A Fence Panel" for \$100 per panel. There are 20 panels available. When you adopt, we will have an engraved nameplate made with one of the following messages of your choice:

Donated By _____, In Honor of _____, or In Memory of _____ . Each engraved metal nameplate will be placed on a wooden plaque and permanently attached to the panel.

If you would like to Adopt A Fence Panel, please complete and send in the form below.

Thank you from all the shelter dogs in helping to make their stay at the shelter a little brighter and more fun!

YES I would like to Adopt A PAWED Fence Panel!

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Panels: _____ (\$100 per panel)

Engraved nameplate(s) to read: (please print clearly)

 Donated by _____

 In Memory of _____

 In Honor of _____

TOTAL enclosed: _____

(make checks payable to PAWED and send to PAWED, 4050 Durock Rd. #19, Shingle Springs, CA 95682.)

Thank You!!!



New fence panels for dog exercise area

A GRAND RE-OPENING!



Many people who live in El Dorado County know about Bark Avenue—a very special pet supply and boutique store in El Dorado Hills. On October 17, from 10 to 5, Bark Avenue hosted a grand re-opening of their new and much larger store in Town Center. The new location is between Starbucks and Golden One Credit Union, which is handy so you can get coffee, get cash and go shopping! The celebration included booths by many pet food and supply vendors, dog demonstrations, a PAWED information booth, food by Nugget Market

and a raffle of fabulous pet gift baskets. The first 100 people attending the event received a complimentary Bark Avenue bag filled with goodies. Radio station Mix 96 broadcast live from the store most the day. Store owners Robin and Ken Mizell are extremely knowledgeable and friendly, and they have decorated the store walls with photos of several of their dog clients. Bark Avenue is pet friendly and offers a great variety of food and supplies for dogs, cats, birds and small mammals, has a fabulous self dog wash area, offers pet grooming and dog training classes, and has terrific gifts for pet lovers and their pets. They have been wonderful supporters of PAWED and we encourage you to shop there—your pets will be happy you did!



A Satisfied Customer!



PAWED Booth



PAL by Kerry McBride



PAL

It all started with a phone call from the El Dorado County animal shelter staff. They needed an experienced dog handler to foster a very difficult yellow lab who had been at the shelter for several months. Since I have been a dog trainer for 27 years, I jumped at the chance.

It seemed that “Pal” and many others had been confiscated by the shelter due to severe neglect. After several months that he was held at the shelter while court proceeding were underway, Pal just did not show any signs of being adoptable due to temperament problems. The staff worked with him, but could only make so much progress due to the limited space at the shelter and time to build his confidence and help him become less fearful. Once the court case was resolved and the dogs were officially removed from the owners, they were ready to move forward to find new homes.

I have been involved in working with difficult dogs for years and this was right up my alley. As we loaded “Pal” in my van, I told him that we just had to make this work! After a bit of persuasion we proceeded to walk, and walk we did for several miles. I stopped to rest and he jumped on the bench with me and it was at that point that things turned around. Everyday we made progress and the end results were that he was adopted by a wonderful family who have all the patience he needs to help

him recover from his very difficult past.

I am now fostering dog number 14! All my employees love the foster dogs and we all work with them. We have had small ones who are terrified at first but eventually come around. We have had the wild ones who bark all the time at the shelter and don't look too friendly to bring home. We have had the ones who take two to three days to just calm down. It is amazing to watch the transformation as they become a family pet. All have been adopted through the shelter process to incredible families. I can't put into words the satisfaction I receive from seeing them with their new names and homes and I know that if I had not stepped up to help, many of these dogs may have been euthanized due to their behavior problems. The shelter staff are awesome to work with and I love getting the phone calls of "we have another one for you" ! They are just as enthusiastic as I am to help each dog and we make a good team. Each time, another story and chance at a better life begins.

DALMATIAN QUILT –A BIG FUNDRAISER! by Dennis Collingwood

Sometimes it is surprising that something starts off small, and turns into something big! In May, 2009, I was attending the PAWED Open House to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the opening of their office. One of the prizes they had was a handmade Dalmatian themed quilt. Since I have always loved dalmatians and they have been part of my family, and am a member of the Dalmatian Club of Northern California (DCNC), I was immediately attracted to the quilt. The PAWED President noticed I was admiring it and instead of accepting my money for prize drawing tickets, gave it to me as a thank you for lending PAWED several shade canopies from Hangtown Kennel Club (I am also the Community Action Chairperson for that Club), for the Open House, and for my volunteer work with PAWED.

Then I had an idea. The DCNC Specialty Awards Dinner was coming up in the Fall. I decided that we would put the quilt up for auction, with all proceeds from the winning bid going to DCNC Breed Rescue. Then, my wife, Michelle and I decided we would match the winning bid and donate it to PAWED.

The winning bidders of the quilt at the DCNC dinner were Jeff and Joan Fosenburg—with a bid of \$200! In addition, DCNC member, Kimberley Hess matched that amount and donated it to the Dalmatians of North America. And, Michelle and I matched that amount and donated it to PAWED.

So, a donated handmade quilt raised \$600 for three groups dedicated to helping animals! I was very pleased to present a check for \$200 to PAWED at the November Membership meeting!



DCNC members Pamela Louise Sage, Phillip Rochin and Gay Stryker hold quilt for auction at Specialty dinner—which raised \$600!



PAWED thanks the following donors and new members for their generous support:

PAWED DONORS

Bill & Dona Buck, Pollock Pines, *in honor of the Buck pets*
 Dennis & Michelle Collingwood, Placerville
 David & Denise Cusick, Cameron Park
 Julie Daigle, El Dorado Hills
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 Alan Mettler, Folsom
 Kathleen Meyer, Roseville

Karen Nishimura, Cameron Park, *in memory of Libby Kaiser*
 Jan Petersen, Shingle Springs, *in honor of Amber*
 Ray & Barbara Phillips, El Dorado
 Placerville Preschool, Diamond Springs
 Jim & Judy Powell, Placerville
 Bonnie Rand, Georgetown
 Tonya Ruffner, Georgetown
 The Tallchief Family, Somerset
 Dave Templeton, Cameron Park
 Brent Thiese, Folsom
 Matthew Toth, Martinez
 Gordon & Renee Vicini, Placerville, *in honor of all the volunteers*
 Bill Welty, El Dorado Hills
 Mary Winkler, Shingle Springs
 Don & Betty Zurlinden, Placerville

WELCOME NEW PAWED MEMBERS!

Harry & Sharon Booth, El Dorado Hills
 Mary Frost, Diamond Springs
 John Meeks, Shingle Springs
 Dennis Novotny, El Dorado Hills, *in honor and in memory of Zeke*
 Don & Betty Zurlinden, Placerville

THANK YOU EL DORADO NURSERY!

On October 10th, the El Dorado Nursery & Garden held their annual PLANTAPALOOZA event, which featured many local growers and garden experts in a fun-filled day of botanical beauty and inspiration. For the second consecutive year, owner Juliet Voigtlander and her team designated PAWED as their charity of choice to receive all proceeds from their garden-raffle and food court. Donations mounted close to \$500, which will provide many essential services for our companion animals!

Oh, and plants aren't their only interest! The following day, owner Juliet and her family happily adopted their 3rd Labrador Retriever, "Tank". He joins their two others, all adopted from Central CA Labrador Rescue.



Furry family of owners of El Dorado Nursery

Thank you El Dorado Nursery for caring about our community's homeless companion animals. The Nursery is a great place to purchase plants, garden décor, and get great garden tips and is located at 3931 C Durock Road in Shingle Springs.

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People for Animal Welfare in El Dorado County

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**Please Spay/Neuter
& ID your Pets!**

**Check out our website!
www.pawedpets.org**

**Email Us At:
pawed@att.net**



UPCOMING EVENTS

✓ PAWED Holiday Potluck & last 2009 Membership meeting

Monday, Dec. 7, 7:00 p.m.
330 Fair Lane, Building A,
OES Conf. Room Placerville

✓ Animal Care Conference

February 20-23
Anaheim, CA
www.animalcareconference.org

✓ PAWED Adoption Events

Held every Saturday, 9:30 to noon
El Dorado County Animal Shelter
511 Placerville Drive, Placerville

✓ PAWED Meeting Schedule for 2010

January 4	July 5
February 1	August 2
March 1	September 13
April 5	October 4
May 3	November 1
June 7	December 6



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We hope you and your human and animal family and friends enjoy the holidays. PAWED thanks you and is very grateful for your support in 2009, and we look forward to saving and improving the lives of many furry friends in the year ahead!



**Check out our website News and Events page
for an online and color edition of this
and our prior newsletters!**