



PAWED PRINTS



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

Newsletter

Spring 2009

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PAWED OFFICE CELEBRATES 5TH ANNIVERSARY

It is hard to believe that it has already been five years since PAWED opened it's office in Shingle Springs! To celebrate, an Open House was held on April 19th. It was a very warm day and participants enjoyed refreshments, tours of the PAWED mobile spay/neuter and disaster response clinic, viewing the new PAWED DVD, a drawing for great prizes, and talking to other PAWED members. Many PAWED members' dogs also enjoyed the event! Thanks to everyone who attended, and to all PAWED members, donors and volunteers who help to make our work possible.



PAWED thanks Patricia Maciel for cake donation!



PAWED office and friends



Board members Bill, Teri, and Charlene with their dogs Mandi, Sitka, and Barney



Rave reviews for the clinic!



Great prizes!



Enjoying the shade of canopies borrowed from Hangtown Kennel Club



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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

Jim Powell

Jim Powell has been a PAWED member and volunteer since the group first was established in 2000. His many contributions include being part of the original Maddie's Fund workgroup-- out of which PAWED was formed, guidance in the development of PAWED, countless hours as a member of the team to renovate the mobile clinic, assisting with renovations at the county shelter, and being a valued financial supporter of PAWED.



Jim and furry family members—Jake, Toto and Annie

Animals have always been a part of Jim's life and he feels a special connection to dogs. Prior to moving to El Dorado County, he lived in Paradise, California where he was first a teacher and later the Director of Instruction for the Paradise Unified School District. He and his wife, Judy, moved to El Dorado County 15 years ago after living in Sacramento for a short time. Their first El Dorado county household included five housetrained pot-bellied pigs which Jim found to be quite intelligent creatures. The current Powell household includes three Jack Russell terriers which Jim appreciates for their keen and affectionate temperaments. Jim's family also includes 5 children and 3 grandchildren (with another expected soon).

Jim is pleased with the direction and progress that PAWED has made since the beginning and is looking forward to a brighter future for the animals of this county. We sincerely thank Jim for his outstanding contributions to PAWED and his unwavering commitment to the welfare of all animals.

PAWED WISH LIST May 2009

- New collars for small and medium size dogs and new leashes
- Leather slip leashes
- 15 Small Plastic clipboards (for front of clinic cages)
- 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



WANTED: VOLUNTEER GRANT WRITER

PAWED is looking for a special volunteer with talent and experience in writing grants, preferably for animal welfare organizations. If you or anyone you know can help—please email PAWED at pawed@att.net. Thank you!





SAVE THE DATE: October 4, 2009, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. El Dorado Hills Community Park

On Sunday, October 4th, WOOFSTOCK EL DORADO COUNTY will make its debut! This event replaces the former PAWED Furry Friends Walk and El Dorado Hills CSD Bark in Community Park which have been held for the past six years. Event details are now online at: www.woofstocknorcal.com, or you can go to the PAWED website Woofstock page, and click on the link there.



Sponsors for the event are currently being solicited, so if you or anyone you know would like to be a Sponsor, check out the Sponsor information on the website! WOOFSTOCK will offer the following fun events:

- Grateful Dog Walk and Run
- Unique Dog Related Products and Vendors
- Contests: Human Barking, Mug vs. Mug Look Alike, 60s Costumes, Woofstock Idol Pet Tricks, 60s Canine/Human Dance.
- Rescue Row Adoptions
- Weiner and Mutt dog races
- Doggie Tile Fundraiser
- Dogs and their People Photos with Woofstock backdrop
- Art & Photo Show

El Dorado Hills' CSD will provide their Community Park facility once again, and the planning and organizing of the event is being done by Jim Crosthwaite of FirstStep Sports Marketing, a local event planner, business owner, and Parks and Recreation professional.

All proceeds from WOOFSTOCK EL DORADO COUNTY will benefit PAWED'S spay/neuter clinic! See you and your grateful dogs there!

KITTEN SAVED BY QUICK SURGERY

In early April, it was another typical morning at the El Dorado County animal shelter and the phone rang. A gentleman had found a kitten "who didn't look so good". Shelter kennel supervisor, Tonya Ruffner, advised him to bring the kitten immediately to the shelter.



Zorro arrives at shelter

Upon arrival, Tonya examined the kitten and determined he had a serious problem—part of his intestines were outside of him (the technical term for this is prolapsed rectum). Tonya called Dr. Harman, shelter vet, who advised her to give the cat subcutaneous fluids for dehydration, an antibiotics injection, something for pain and apply a strong sugar solution to the prolapse (this helps to reduce inflammation) until she could get to the shelter.



Happy & healthy in his new home

The cat never stopped purring, even though he must have been in terrible pain. Tonya treated him and placed him in a cage and he ate ferociously. When Dr Harman arrived at the shelter, she sedated the cat and tried to reduce the prolapse, but it would not go back in. So they took him into the PAWED mobile clinic, anesthetized him, and opened him up. Dr. Harman discovered that this cat not only had a prolapsed rectum, but also his entire colon. She had to manually unravel his intestines and put them back in place.

They were not sure he would make it, but the next morning he had recovered nicely and was happily eating! When Linda Haller, Chief Animal Services Officer, came over to see this "miracle" kitten, she was impressed by the little guy's determination and resilience. Linda decided he would make a wonderful addition to her family, and named him "Zorro". He will have many good years ahead, thanks to shelter staff giving him a new lease on life!



CLINIC UPDATE



PAWED mobile spay/neuter clinic set up at county shelter

The PAWED mobile clinic has been in operation at the county shelter for the past four months. Dr. Shirley Harman continues to do an excellent job of performing the spays/neuters, with the expert assistance of RVTs Sue Vargas and Tonya Ruffner. Shelter staff Danielle, Sara and Brittany continue their careful handling of animals to and from the clinic, supervising the recovery of animals, cleaning instruments and the clinic and doing laundry after surgery days. PAWED volunteers Charlene, Cindy, Jeff, or Bill are frequently present on the Tuesday "Spay Days" to insure that the mobile clinic functions as needed. Several im-

provements have been made inside the clinic to respond to the needs of the clinic staff and animals.

Between January 27 and May 12, surgeries have occurred on almost every Tuesday. A total of 130 dogs/puppies and 85 cats/kittens from the El Dorado County animal shelters in Placerville and Lake Tahoe have been altered in the clinic during this time. In addition, the clinic has been an invaluable resource for other surgeries needed by several shelter animals. The most recent being Sadie, a sweet Scottish terrier, who had 16 bladder stones removed. We are happy to report she is feeling much better and recovering in a foster home! Our planned next phase is to offer low cost spay/neuter services to the public by adding another day of clinic operation each week. Efforts are currently underway to hopefully make this a reality in the next several months!

BOOK REVIEWS by Kathy Anderson

Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World

by Vicki Myron

Dewey is a cat that touched an entire community. From the freezing morning in Iowa he was found in a library book drop as a tiny kitten, he took hold of hearts. This tiny furball became the library mascot and the patrons voted to name him Dewey Readmore Books. Vicki Myron, the librarian tells of the small farming community's hardships through rough economic times, her own physically and emotionally difficult life and the amazing spirit inspired by Dewey that helps them all endure. Eventually Dewey becomes internationally famous. Dewey takes it all in stride, of course.



This book is engaging and you will likely reflect on your own experiences with that endearing loyal pet whom you will always remember.

The Dogs Who Found Me: What I've Learned from Pets Who Were Left Behind by Ken Foster

Foster is a writer who finds himself among dogs needing his assistance. He doesn't go looking for dogs needing rescuing. He observes that there are people out there who just don't see that stray dog along the busy road. It's not that they are bad people or people who don't have time to get involved but that they actually just don't see that dog. Foster's life is inconvenienced by dealing with dogs that belong to someone else but couldn't or wouldn't make the effort to do what was best for their pet. He makes the effort and deals with the situation of the day. You could almost call him the Accidental Rescuer. Foster makes mistakes and learns and grows from his efforts and from the dogs in his care. He offers many smart and practical tips for anyone finding themselves in the often unexpected position of temporary dog rescuer.

Like the lucky dogs who found the author, you'll also feel lucky to have shared his touching, memorable and compelling dog experiences.



PET ADOPTATHON

On May 2, PAWED participated once again with the El Dorado County Animal Services shelter in the National Pet Adoptathon. The Adoptathon, sponsored by the North Shore Animal League, occurs each May to raise awareness of the plight of homeless pets. Most shelters around the nation participate in this event and find homes for thousands of pets.

The event drew a big crowd this year, despite the rainy weather. Shelter staff and PAWED volunteers showcased the many pets available for adoption and counseled families to make good matches. At the end of the day, 10 dogs and 1 cat had been adopted to wonderful new families, and all pets went home with new collars, a pet care information packet, a bag of food and a dog wash gift certificate from Bark Avenue in El Dorado Hills.

Outdoor booths were staffed by volunteers from PAWED, Sierra Wildlife Rescue, the El Dorado Humane Society, Hangtown Kennel Club, Duke's Wildlife, South County Large Animal Rescue, and Canine's on Main. In addition, the El Dorado County Sheriff's department brought Troy and demonstrated the valuable use of this expertly trained dog in capturing criminals. Smokey the Bear (aka PAWED Board member, Bill Smith) was also on hand to educate attendees about the importance of fire prevention and disaster preparedness. PAWED's Vice President, Dr. Lisa Couper, staffed the "Ask A Vet" booth. Face painting for kids was provided by Ayla Perry, daughter of Patti Perry, one of the Animal Services officers.

Participants also had an opportunity to purchase tickets for a drawing for many terrific prizes donated by various businesses in the community, including Lammicat Woodworks, Lee's Feed, PC Sense, El Dorado Pet Club, PAWED, Bark Avenue, Frontyard Nursery, and Clifton and Warren. This raised funds for the shelter's Spay/Neuter Fund. Coffee for the event was generously donated by Peet's Coffee and Tea in El Dorado Hills. A special thanks to Placerville Mayor, Patti Borelli, for stopping by to share in the day's festivities!



Shelter staff, Sara Watkins, celebrating first adoption of the day!



Dr. Couper at the "Ask A Vet" booth



Smokey with some of the PAWED adoption volunteer crew



Smokey and county shelter staff



El Dorado County Sheriff's Department officers and Troy demonstrate the use of dogs to help capture criminals.



PAWED HELPS KEEP DOGS COOL!

It was a very warm weekend for the Annual Art and Wine Affaire held at Towne Center in El Dorado Hills on May 9 and 10. This event draws thousands of people each year, and many bring their dogs. PAWED was asked to participate this year and help keep the dogs cool. We set up a “Dog Cooling Station” where dogs could get a cold drink, lay in the water tubs or just lay down in the shade. In addition to providing information about keeping dogs cool in the summer heat, PAWED volunteers roamed the area offering water. We were VERY busy both days of the event, and the dogs and their people were very appreciative. Many thanks to PAWED volunteers Tracey McBride, Teri Mizuhara, Karen Nishimura, Bill Smith and Charlene Welty for staffing this community event. And thanks also to Hang It Up Gallery and Bark Avenue, El Dorado Hills, for providing the opportunity for PAWED to participate.



A cold drink was not enough for these pooches—laying in the tubs was much more refreshing!



Ahhh—water applied to the skin felt so good!

HOW TO PROTECT DOGS FROM THE SUMMER HEAT



Summer is here and that means outdoor fun—but the heat of the day can be detrimental to your dog's health. Dogs have a higher internal temperature than humans and they can get hot very quickly. Outside activities can be fun to share with your family dog; but remember to protect him from the summer heat. If you aren't careful, your dog could suffer from heat exhaustion. Just follow these tips:

Leave your dog at home, not in the car. More dogs die of heat exhaustion in parked cars than in any other situation. The car gets too hot—even if you leave your dog for only a short time. The temperature in a car can rise to 120 degrees within a matter of ten minutes, even if the car is parked in the shade. Also, don't transport your dog in the back of an open bed truck—it quickly becomes a frying pan in the heat!

Exercise in the cooler times of day. People love running/walking with their dogs and often think that a dog has no problem handling the heat. This is not true. The risk of heat exhaustion can be reduced by exercising in the cooler times of the morning or evening. Do not muzzle your dog when walking—it prevents their ability to cool by panting. Also avoid hot pavement, which can burn the pads of your dog's paws.

Hydrate/wrap your dog. Always carry dog-dedicated water and a foldable water bowl on walks and hikes. Wrapping a cool pad or wet bandana around your dog's neck before heading outside can help them stay cooler and avoid heat exhaustion.

Keep it cool. During the hot times of the day, keep your dog in safe, cool environment. Provide the dog with plenty of water. Make sure there is always a fresh, cool water supply available for your pet at home. Ice cubes in the water dish can help keep water cool.

Protect their skin. If you are going to be outside in the sun with your dog, put sunscreen on their nose and ear tips. These are parts of a dog's body that is not protected by hair and is very susceptible to sunburn. Also, light colored, shorthaired dogs should have sunscreen applied to their body.

Be cautious on humid days. Humidity interferes with a dog's ability to rid themselves of excess body heat. Our four-legged friends only perspire around their paws, which is not enough to cool the body. To rid themselves of excess heat, dogs pant. Air moves through the nasal passages, which picks up excess heat from the body. As it is expelled through the mouth, the extra heat leaves along with it. Although this is a very efficient way to control body heat, it is severely limited in areas of high humidity or when the animal is in close quarters.

Know the signs of heat stroke. If your pet is acting confused or is unconscious, they are suffering from heat stroke and need the immediate care of a veterinarian. And, if your pet is not able to lap up water on its own, do not pour water into their mouth as this can go into their lungs and have detrimental results.



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& ID your Pets!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

PAWED Adoption Events

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

PAWED Meeting Schedule for 2009

We hope you will attend the PAWED membership meetings! They are generally held the first Monday of each month, from 7 to 9 pm. at Conference Room A, in the County Administration Building, 330 Fair Lane in Placerville. This is the building where the Board of Supervisors offices are located.

June 1	October 5
July 6	November 2
August 3	December 7
September 14	

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

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!

SOS! Spring has sprung and that means it is kitten and puppy season. Our local shelters are in need of foster homes for kittens and puppies who need to be in a home rather than a shelter because they are still too young to be adopted, or are ill and need some TLC. If you can help for several weeks to care for these babies, please call:

El Dorado County Animal Services shelter (puppies and kittens)

Tonya Ruffner or Sara Watkins
530-621-7631

Animal Outreach (kittens)

Maggie Killackey
530-642-2287

