



PAWED PRINTS



Newsletter

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

Summer 2010

4050 Durock Rd. #19, Shingle Springs, CA 95682 530-677-2476 www.pawedpets.org



A fun day for dogs and their people!

Sunday, October 3rd, 2010
9am – 2pm

El Dorado Hills Community Park
1021 Harvard Way

- 3K/5K dog walk/run
- Dog product vendors
- Dog demonstrations & contests
- Food vendors
- Fenced dog park area
- Fabulous raffle prizes



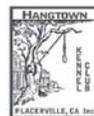
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El Dorado County Animal Services
General Business-415 Placerville Dr Ste N
Placerville

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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

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777 Pleasant Valley Road
Diamond Springs
(530) 642-2738

Mon. - Sat.: 10am - 4pm, Sun.: noon - 4pm

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6101 Enterprise Drive
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

Bill Smith

Bill Smith.....a common name for a very unique volunteer. Bill wears many "hats" for PAWED, and contributes countless hours to the cause. He currently serves on the PAWED Board of Directors and is a PAWED adoption lead for Saturday adoptions at the shelter. He also oversees PAWED's insurance program. Whenever a handyman type of job needs to be done at the office, shelter, or for any other need that arises, Bill comes to the rescue. He helped renovate our Mobile Spay/ Neuter Clinic and recently set up the new PAWED fenced exercise yard at the county shelter. Bill also helped staff the clinic as part of the disaster response team for the Butte County fire in 2008. If you have ever seen Smokey the Bear around a PAWED booth at an event, guess who was (sweating) inside it? But wait, there's more!!! If you can believe that Bill would have any time left, he does! And how does he spend it, you might ask. Well, of course this dedicated volunteer has other volunteer jobs that he tends to! He is the president of his Home Owners Association, sits on the Board of Directors at the El Dorado County Safe Fire Council, volunteers with the US Forest Service as a "Wilderness Ranger", and has volunteered in the emergency room at Marshall Hospital when he had his EMT certification.



Bill with Mandi and Sitka

Bill grew up in the San Diego and Mono County areas. His first job was that of a forest ranger. He retired in 2004 after 32 years of service with the California Division of Forestry. For 17 years he was a fire investigator for El Dorado County's fire prevention/law enforcement bureau. His last days on the job were spent on "Fred's Fire" near Kyburz.

When Bill was asked what he likes about PAWED he replied, "I find that the people of PAWED who volunteer their time are those who truly care-- not just for companion pets we all love, but for the general well being of our community. After a long career in law enforcement where you are exposed to the dark side of people, volunteering for PAWED is a redirection from all of that negativity."

Bill is married to Teri Mizuhara, who also serves on the PAWED Board and is a very active PAWED volunteer. Like all PAWED families, many pets share the Smith household. Bill calls their two rescued Aussie Shepherds, Mandi and Sitka, his "girlfriends". The family is completed by 3 cats, Oreo, Shadow and Winston. And they often have visitor furry friends—short and long term foster dogs and puppies from the county shelter and Nor Cal Aussie Rescue!! Bill's many hobbies include trout and fly fishing, hiking, studying Sierra geography and wildlife and restoring 1960 vintage Ford cars. He is also a member of the Race For Homeless Pets-- Team Desert Dawgs.

We thank Bill for his tireless dedication to PAWED and to the animals in El Dorado County!



ANIMAL SHELTER PROJECT MOVES FORWARD!

On July 20, 2010, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, in a 3-2 vote (Briggs, Knight, Santiago approving) moved the Western Slope Animal Shelter capital project forward, in a phased approach. Specifically, the Board authorized staff to proceed on Phase 1 (the site improvements on the property at the El Dorado Y) and directed Department of Transportation staff, who will be managing the project, to: 1) return to the Board to re-establish the location of the access road and for authorization to bid the site improvement work and 2) pursue the process to implement Phase 2, which includes construction of the animal shelter building, fencing and barns.



An amazing and effective effort was made by Animal Shelter Coalition coordinator, Barb Lee, in the weeks before the Board meeting to contact a variety of organizations and individuals to educate them about the need for the new shelter and upcoming Board meeting. This resulted in many signed petitions, emails and letters to Supervisors and attendance at the Board meeting. Coalition supporters grew to over 1,000! THANKS TO ALL WHO VOICED THEIR SUPPORT OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT PROJECT!

However, completion of the shelter is by no means a sure thing--there are still many actions the Board must take before building begins! So please visit the Coalition website regularly for updated information, www.newshelternow.org, or contact the Shelter Coalition at asc.edc@gmail.com.

PAWED Announces New Shelter Fund Raising Efforts

We are pleased to announce that on August 2, the PAWED Board of Directors approved the formation of an Animal Shelter Capital Campaign Committee. Barb Lee, who is also a former PAWED Board Member, will serve as the initial Chair of the committee, and will recruit committee members, oversee the development of a workplan and funding goals and strategies. Now that the Board of Supervisors has moved the project forward, we believe the community will help us raise funds for some specific elements of the Western Slope Shelter, e.g.: barns, fencing, specific pieces of equipment. PAWED already has \$10,000 set aside in our New Shelter Fund for this purpose, with a pledge (from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous) of an additional \$5,000 contingent upon certain county actions. We sincerely thank those of you who have generously contributed to this fund in the past, and those who will contribute in the future! We know that bringing forward community funds to augment County dollars is absolutely essential to continued progress toward a permanent animal shelter! Contact PAWED at pawed@att.net if you would like to assist with the Animal Shelter Capital Campaign!

ADOPTIONS AT BARK AVENUE!



We are excited to report that Bark Avenue in El Dorado Hills has generously opened their doors and invited PAWED to hold adoption events for El Dorado County Shelter dogs at their store! The events are currently scheduled for the third Sunday of every month, from Noon to 3 p.m. So stop by and say hi to the PAWED volunteers and the dogs!!

Robin Mizell (left), owner of Bark Avenue, with PAWED Volunteers Sue Kaiser and Tracey Lindberg



LUCKY DOG HONKS FOR HELP

Earlier this week, Donna Gardner of Allentown, Pa., went out to run some errands and decided to bring her 11-year-old chocolate Lab, Max, along for the ride. When she arrived back home, she collected her bags, locked up her car and went inside to tackle the demands of a busy household.



About an hour later, Gardner began hearing the persistent sound of a honking car horn. She went outside to check but saw nothing out of the ordinary, so she resumed her business inside. The beeping, however, continued. When she eventually peered out the window to take another look, she saw Max sitting in the driver's seat of her car.

Everything Gardner did from that point on was exactly right: She cooled down an extremely overheated Max with wet rags, gave him some water and rushed him to the vet. The vet told local media that Max was weak upon arrival but should make a full recovery.

Gardner, the vet and everyone else are calling the incident a miracle. And there's no doubt Max is one lucky Lab. But we don't have to rely on miracles, luck or exceptionally intuitive canines to prevent our dogs from starring in the more prevalent version of this story, which doesn't wrap with a happy ending.

With summer comes heat: Sidewalks can make a barefoot boy dance a jig. Drop an egg into a bowl of water that's been sitting in the sun for hours, give it five minutes and -- voila! -- breakfast is served. Slipping into your car suddenly makes you feel for anything preceded by "oven roasted."

All of these examples affect your dog. Hot sidewalks are hard on his paws. Scalding water is undrinkable. And even a couple of minutes in a hot car can be enough to induce heat stroke or death. Yes, that's how lucky Max was.

To avoid a precarious reliance on Lady Luck, make the following steadfast summer practices:

- 🐾 Dogs that spend a lot of time outdoors should have access to shade and clean, cool water at all times. And in particularly hot regions or on especially hot days, dogs should be kept inside, at least during the sun's peak hours.
- 🐾 During the summer months, walk your dog early in the morning and later in the evening or at night to avoid scorched paw pads and to make it the pleasant experience it should be for both of you.
- 🐾 Even though it's tempting to think your dog wants to be with you at all times, what he really wants is to be comfortable. So leave him at home -- preferably inside -- if bringing him along means he has to spend any time at all alone in the car. Cracking the windows, parking in a shady spot and leaving the car running with the air conditioning cranked are not valid exceptions to this rule. A dog should never be left alone in a car on a hot day.

Gardner, clearly a loving and devoted dog owner who just made a mistake, told reporters she's learned a lesson and hopes Max's story will be a lesson to others. Wisdom, so often gleaned from tragedy, is just as useful when unearthed from good fortune.

Woof!

Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis



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HEARTWORM IN CATS? By Lisa S. Couper, DVM



After a thorough review of the literature, I have come to the conclusion that we really need to consider the use of routine heartworm prevention for our cats during the summer months, especially cats that go outdoors.

Although cats are more resistant to development of adult heartworms as compared with dogs, they are not all that resistant to the effects of the migrating larvae. Consider two key bits of research data. First, 45% of mature coyotes on the west slope of El Dorado County examined in 1980 and 2004 were found to be infected with heartworms. This is the same rate one would expect in dogs not on prevention. Mosquitoes bite the coyotes and, after about 14 days in the summer, can infect your unprotected cat (or dog). Add the fact that rate of disease from heartworms in cats is about 75% that of unprotected dogs and we have a lot of cats infected around here and at risk of disease from the infection. To be more specific, about 1 cat out of every 3! Here are two of the more comprehensive references that I

feel are accurate and relatively unbiased:

- <http://www.heartwormsociety.org/veterinary-resources/feline-guidelines.html>
- <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/mg100>

Signs of heartworm infection in cats include difficulty breathing, coughing, vomiting and sudden death or collapse.

What should you do? Talk to your veterinarian about your cat's risk after reading the articles above. Evaluate your cats risk with their help. Keep your cats indoors, especially during times of high mosquito traffic (late afternoon and evening and warm night time hours.) Prevent standing water where mosquitoes can breed. Give your cat heartworm protection during the high risk months from June to Oct when average daily temperatures exceed 80 F. (Use Heartgard Feline, Interceptor for Cats, Revolution for Cats.)



PUPPY MILL AUSSIES GIVE BACK IN A BIG WAY



Barney



Bodie



Brownie



Shep



Sitka & Mandi

September 2006 was the *worst* of times for 35 Australian Shepherds in Somerset, California who were living in deplorable conditions in a backyard puppy mill. Filth, neglect and abuse was all these dogs and puppies ever knew. Miraculously this would also end up being the *best of times*, as all the dogs were confiscated from the owners and placed into the care of El Dorado County Animal Services (EDCAS) and NorCal Aussie Rescue. The dogs were covered in feces, urine, mud and suffering from a number of illnesses. They were also extremely fearful of humans.

PAWED was contacted by EDCAS for assistance in finding foster homes—there was not sufficient space at the shelter and the dogs needed medical care and socialization. Within 48 hours, all were placed in loving foster homes! The foster families spent countless hours gaining the trust of the pups and worked hard so that healthy and happy puppies were returned to the shelter and made available for adoption. All of them were adopted, and PAWED members adopted 6 of them! Amazingly, all 6 have grown up to be happy, loving, FOSTER parents themselves! And they all just celebrated their 4th Birthdays! Here are their stories...

Barney Welty was adopted by PAWED founder and President Charlene Welty and her husband Bill after being fostered by PAWED members/volunteers Bob and Dolly Stondell. Barney has fostered a wide variety of dogs/puppies and cats/kittens who have come to the Welty home in the past 4 years. In fact Barney just completed his most recent foster job for EDCAS with “Abbee”, a Jack Russell Terrier—who was adopted by a wonderful family who have two other jack russells for her to play with! Barney also shares his home permanently with sisters Queenie(a chihuahua), Ellie Mae (an aussie/spaniel), 5 cats and 2 goats—all adopted from the shelter.



Barney with pal Abbee

Bodie Badger was adopted by PAWED members/volunteers Renee and Jeffery Badger and their children Danielle and Austin after the Badgers fostered a female Aussie, Rosie, who had given birth at the Puppy Mill. Rosie was a “breeder” who gave birth to litter after litter until the confiscation. Bodie has also helped the Badgers and big brother Jack (a rescued Red Tri Border Collie) and little sister Tia (a Papillion) foster a variety of dogs and puppies for EDCAS and other local homeless canines who have found their way to the Badger’s home. It seems that the door is always open for a wayward pup at the Badgers!



Bodie with foster friend

Brownie Cook was adopted by PAWED members/volunteers Pannada and Dave Cook who fostered two of the Aussie pups. Brownie has fostered many dogs and puppies for the County and most recently watched over a mini-schnauzer and her group of puppies from Oakdale’s very overcrowded shelter. Mom and puppies were slated for euthanasia when EDCAS stepped in and offered to take them.



Brownie (foster puppies are scampering around her—out of camera view!)



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The Cooks offered to pick them up and Brownie did her best to foster the entire bunch. When Brownie isn't fostering, she is a loving companion to Pannada and Dave who happen to be the *premier* fawn rescuers for Sierra Wildlife Rescue. Understandably Brownie is patient while mom and dad are caring for the motherless fawns. Brownie also shares her home permanently with Jule (border collie mix) and several cats!

Shep Humphreys was fostered with two other Aussie puppies by PAWED members/volunteers Penny and Ken Humphreys. Shep captured the hearts of the Humphreys and stayed on to be their constant companion. Shep has fostered more kittens than he can count, and several puppies too, for EDCAS. There have been bottle baby kittens and kittens with or without moms, you name it and Shep has fostered it. In his spare time, Shep helps Penny and Ken round up their goats and sheep. He has had no training but herds the group from the pasture, bringing them down to the barn for the night. Shep has also been known to practice his herding technique on the many family cats (adopted from the shelter too), keeping everyone laughing...well maybe not everyone!



Shep with foster puppies

Sitka and Mandi were initially fostered by PAWED members/volunteers Bill and Teri Smith. Sitka was adopted by the Smiths and Mandi was adopted by another family. Sitka spent the next year helping Bill and Teri foster 17 dogs/puppies for the County, she loved every minute of it, especially the puppies. Then, in January of 2008 Mandi was returned to the shelter by the adopting family and was in very poor condition--she had emotionally shut down and would not stand up or walk. When the Smiths were told about her return, they offered to foster her. Over the next 2 months, Mandi began to mend with Sitka and visiting friend Shep Humphreys at her side. The Smiths, of course, then adopted Mandi! Mandi joined Sitka in fostering another 10 dogs/puppies/kittens for EDCAS and they look forward to fostering more pets in need. They also share their home with 3 cats.



Mandi, Nemo (foster pup) & Sitka

In the face of unimaginable treatment by people, it is amazing what resilience these dogs possess. They have been able to forgive humankind for what they endured at their hands, and smother us with unconditional love. These 6 families can attest to that! From puppies covered in filth... to loving, devoted companions and foster parents extraordinaire, they are some of our true furry heroes.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

🐾 Splash Dogs

Sunday, September 26, 9-4
Bark Avenue, El Dorado Hills

🐾 PAWED at the Park

Sunday, October 3, 9-2, 1021 Harvard Way
El Dorado Hills Community Park

🐾 PAWED Adoption Events

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

🐾 PAWED Community Adoption Events

Held every third Sunday, noon to 3
Bark Avenue, 4311 Town Center Blvd. Ste 420
El Dorado Hills

🐾 PAWED Meeting Schedule for 2010

September 13	November 1
October 4	December 6

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED!

SOS! There is still a huge need for foster homes! 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

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