



# The Tailbearer

NEWSLETTER OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY 

April 2019

## Take Your Pet Out for a Morning of Fun!

It is your pet's favorite time of year! **The Walk for the Animals presented by San Manuel Band of Mission Indians** will be held on Saturday, May 11th at San Manuel Stadium (home of the Inland Empire 66ers) in San Bernardino!

Bring your pet out to enjoy:

- The walk on the warning track of the actual baseball field!
- FREE Pooch Play Area presented by Dances with Dogs Training Center
- Pet Contests (see below for more information!)
- Pet Friendly Photo Booth by Posers in a Booth
- Exciting raffle prizes (including tickets to Disneyland!)
- Your chance to walk away with the 50/50 cash prize
- FREE carnations to moms of both people and pets at the Orange Blossom Florists booth
- Meet Jeff Pope, our event emcee, and the Hot 103.9 Hot Squad
- See the SoCal Helpful Honda People in action, providing general helpfulness
- Demos from Dances with Dogs Training Center and San Manuel Animal Control
- Food and so much more!



Arrive early to sign your pet up for this year's PET CONTESTS! Will your pet walk away with a coveted trophy?

This year's categories include:

Best Kisser    Best Dressed Female    Best Dressed Male    Best Catch    Fluffiest    Laziest    Best Trick

*Pet Contest entries are \$5 per pet, per category! All pets signed up will receive a participation ribbon. The winner will receive a trophy and personalized certificate.*

Scheduled to emcee this year's contest is NBC4 Inland Empire Bureau Chief and Reporter, Tony Shin. Shin is an Emmy award-winning reporter, primarily covering stories originating in the Inland Empire. He can be seen on the NBC4 news at 11 am, 4 pm, 5 pm and 6 pm.

Please see the **enclosed event flyer** to start collecting donations in support of your laps around the field. You can also visit [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) to find out how to create your own personalized fundraising page which can be shared via social media and email! ALL of the funds you raise will support our programs and services for animals in our community! When you raise \$100 or more, you will receive a free event t-shirt!

Walk for the Animals presented by San Manuel Band of Mission Indians time line:

- 8:00 am            Registration opens and event begins!  
                       Don't forget to stop by the Pet Contest sign up booth once inside the event!  
                       Enjoy our vendors, peruse the raffles and get ready to WALK!
- 8:45 am            Walk on the baseball field warning track begins!  
                       Enjoy a stroll around the field with your pet.
- 9:30 am            Walk on the field ends.  
                       Pet Contest sign up table CLOSES
- 9:45 am            Presentations and demonstrations on the field. Please enjoy these from the grass or seating bowl areas.
- 10:00 am          Pet Contests on the field begin! Good luck!
- 11:00 am          Raffle prizes pulled at the main gate.
- 11:30 am          Event ends



**Pets attending this event should be of a suitable temperament for being around other animals and people. We ask that pets be current on vaccines and they are on non-retractable leashes that are no longer than 6 feet long.**

Sponsors for this event include San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Pacific Premier Bank, Patterson Veterinary and PK Design.

Have questions about the event? We are here to help! Call 909-386-1400 ext 224.

\*Thank you to our volunteer photographer, Katrina Thomas for these photos!





# From the Vet's Desk: Spring Time

Spring has sprung – it time to think about taking inventory of potential springtime hazards for your furry friends.

## *Easter Treats and Decorations*

Watch those Easter baskets and the pretty lilies that are often part of our spring celebration. Chocolate goodies are toxic to cats and dogs, and all true lilies can be fatal if ingested by cats. That pretty colored plastic grass that decorates our baskets is a favorite toy of kitties. Unfortunately, if this grass is swallowed, it can lead to a blocked digestive tract which can cause severe vomiting and dehydration.

## *Spring Cleaning Time*

Almost all cleaning products, even all natural ones, contain chemicals that may be harmful to pets. Be sure to keep them up and out of your furry friends reach.

## *Home Improvement 101*

Home improvement projects during Spring are another time honored tradition. Products such as paints and solvents can be toxic to your pets and cause severe irritation or chemical burns. Be sure to keep them out of reach.

## *Let Your Garden Grow—With Care*

Fertilizers, insecticides and herbicides can be dangerous if your pet ingests them. Many popular plants, including rhododendron and azaleas, are also highly toxic to pets and can prove fatal if eaten.

All our rain is sure to bring an onslaught of bugs! Make sure your pet is on year-round heartworm preventive medication, as well as a flea and tick control program. Fleas and ticks can spread disease to you and your pets.

## *Out and About*

Warmer weather means more trips to the park, longer walks and more chances for your pet to wander off! Make sure your dog or cat has a microchip for identification and wears a tag imprinted with relevant contact information.

Spring time is my favorite time but it can also be a very dangerous time for our four legged loved ones. Remember to be aware of chemical and natural toxins within their reach. Keep them safe by providing monthly flea/tick and heartworm preventatives and current permanent identification.



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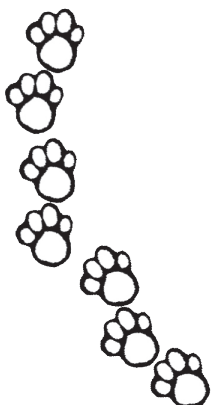
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## Homeward Bound Mega Pet Adoption Event

As you already know, the HSSBV is a low cost veterinary clinic with humane education and cruelty investigation programs, and not an animal shelter.

However, we are a proud cosponsor of the Homeward Bound Mega Pet Adoption Event, along with, San Bernardino County Animal Care and Control, Animals Are First Fund (ARFF), Yucaipa Animal Placement Society (YAPS) and the City of Yucaipa.

Come find your newest family member!



Saturday & Sunday  
May 18th & 19th  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Yucaipa Communtiy Park





# Humane Officers: Animal Cruelty Laws

As 2019 begins, people find themselves facing the same problems regarding animal welfare that they have in past years. There are reasons there are Animal Cruelty Investigators, Animal Control Officers and animal shelters. There are reasons there are so many animal welfare groups and organizations. There are reasons the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley still has Humane Officers. Sadly, the reason is that there are still animal cruelty and neglect cases happening. There is a general indifference by most of the general public towards animal welfare.

This is the 21st century and it would be nice if we as humans realized that there SHOULD be no need for animal shelters, officers, and welfare organizations because we are responsible humans and recognize that all animals should be treated humanely according to the law, and protected from cruelty and neglect. It should be common sense that animals should not be left outside (America is in the grips of extreme cold and sub- zero temperatures all over), that animals should be provided proper nutrition and medical care, and animals should not be allowed to run stray. The fact is, we allow these things to happen again and again. We continually allow our animals to be subjected to cruelty and neglect and that is why we still need animal shelters and officers, and why we still employ two humane officers. Until we as a society recognize the need to be responsible animal owners and caretakers, there will be a need for these people and organizations.

As to laws regarding the humane treatment of animals, there are serious misunderstanding by the general public. By and large most people think something may be illegal when it is not, or they think something may be legal when in fact it is illegal. Animal welfare professionals must adhere to what is stated in the law and what is or isn't legal.

Examples abound recently in the local news.

A person sells a puppy in a parking lot = illegal

A person sells a puppy from their home = legal

If the puppy is sick or gets sick, the new owner must provide veterinary care for them =legal

If not provided = illegal

An animal shelter has a dog die. Word spreads the dog died from lack of veterinary care, but investigation shows the dog was seen/treated appropriately by a veterinarian and it died anyway = legal

An animal shelter has dog die and it was not been seen/treated by veterinarian = illegal

The point here is that any person or organization with care and custody of an animal must meet its basic needs as stipulated by law. This is more often than not the most basic and rudimentary care but it is legal; it may not be what people want, but it is not illegal. A good example is that a dog is required to have adequate shelter but there is nothing stipulating it has to have a thick blanket and a soft bed. Euthanasia (be it of a healthy or an ill animal) is not illegal, but people often times think that it is. There are so many other examples of this that it could fill a book.

People more often than not get information from social media and this leads to severe misinformation. People get upset and want resolutions without realizing that there may be no illegal action that has taken place. If a report is made to our humane officers and they find nothing in violation of California State Law, then there is nothing to be done legally. That does not mean that we may agree with the outcome. The solution would be to keep tweaking existing law, and adding new laws to better protect our animals and make violators more accountable for violations. Contacting government officials and having rational dialog with realistic expectations seems to be the best steps moving forward; not shouting for justice and change without knowing the facts and what may or may not be legal.

Having said all this, it is still important to always send concerns to appropriate agencies regarding the care and welfare of any animal. The common thread among people reporting animal abuse or neglect is concern for the animal. When you take the time to do this you are being a *voice for those that don't have one*.

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## Night at the Reign A Win for Animals!

On Saturday, February 23rd the HSSBV partnered with the Ontario Reign for another exciting game of hockey with a live post-game jersey auction! In total, over \$50,000 was raised for the HSSBV programs and services.

Thank you to the Ontario Reign for their continued partnership and our event sponsor, FrontLine Gold!

# Humane Education: Great Kindness Challenge

Submitted by Rebecca Smith, Counselor, Cypress Elementary (Highland)

The Great Kindness Challenge is a national event that schools across the nation celebrate every year. San Bernardino City Unified Schools also participate in this endeavor. School Counselors at the elementary level usually organize activities throughout the week to promote kindness at school and in our community.

At Cypress Elementary School, the school counselor and staff chose several theme days and activities that they thought would be appropriate school wide for The Great Kindness Challenge during the week of January 28-February 1st, 2019. Our student council students helped organize and promote the theme days and activities with posters that were hung around the school. In addition to promoting general kindness at school, we also wanted our kids to see how their kindness can affect the community in a positive way. We chose two community events for this reason. One was "Valentines For Vets" where the students made valentine cards that were delivered to veterans at the Veteran's hospital to help cheer them up and to say "thank you" for your service. The other community event was the charity fundraiser "Pennies for Pups," where we collected pennies and spare change to donate to the Humane Society. We felt this was a good idea because most kids love animals and were excited to know they could do something to help animals in our community. Also, the Humane Society has done presentations in many of our classrooms and we wanted to be able to show our thanks and appreciation for that.

It was a fun week!



Submitted by Karen Duns, Emmerton Elementary

During the week of The Great Kindness Challenge at Emmerton Elementary, January 28 - February 1, our scholars extended their kindness to cats and dogs by donating pet goods and supplies. We are so proud of our scholars and their kindness!

All items were doanted to the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley.



## Critter Camp is Coming!

This year's Critter Camps will be held  
June 24 – 28 and July 22 – 26!

Please visit our [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) for more information!



# Where Do My Donations Go?

Ever wonder how your donations make a difference? All donations received, of any amount, are appreciated and put to good use.

Donations are put into the general fund, which supports the following:

Keeping our *low cost veterinary clinic* low cost! All of our services are low cost in our veterinary clinic. Sometimes, clients still need additional assistance to care for their pets. Thanks to grants and our generous donors, we are often able to assist these clients further.

Supporting our *Humane Education Program*, reaching thousands of school children a year with our message of kindness to animals, the environment and each other! This program also includes our Career Day presentations, as well as Critter Camps, where we offer scholarship programs for those who need financial assistance to attend.

Supporting our *Cruelty Investigation Program*, investigating hundreds of suspected cases of cruelty and neglect a year. When pet victims of cruelty are taken into protective custody, the HSSBV staff cares for their medical needs, as well as houses them until they are ready for their new forever homes.



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## HSSBV Employees Celebrate Anniversaries!



Join us in celebrating these HSSBV employee anniversaries  
April - June:

Joanna Alvarez- 14 years!!!!

Dr. Robin Day- 4 years!

Rubi Nevarez- 4 years!

Pam Singhavong- 3 years!

Carol Kramer- 2 years!

Virginia Aranda- 2 years!

Vanessa Luna- 2 years!

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## Volunteer at the HSSBV!

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**

Do you love animals? Why not become a HSSBV volunteer?!

We have positions available working with animals, our clients and in our administration of-  
fice.

Visit our website at [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) or stop by our office to apply!

Need more information or have questions you would like answered before you apply?  
Call 909-386-1400 ext 224!

# Why Leave A Charitable Bequest In Your Will

All donations generously made to the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley support programs and services that help animals in our community.

It is a common misconception that only wealthy or famous people leave money to a charity when they pass away. However, bequests are made by regular, hardworking people who want to make a positive difference after they are gone. Over the years, many animal loving, compassionate people have chosen to leave a charitable bequest to the HSSBV. These individuals have been part of our history and have given us the opportunity to grow and serve more animals. Charitable bequests come in all sizes and each one leaves a lasting impact and legacy. You can create a better world by including a charity bequest in your will, and you can make a better life for animals by choosing the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley.

Suggested verbiage and information for charitable bequests:

Legal Name: Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley  
IEN: 23-7078944  
374 W Orange Show Road, San Bernardino, CA 92408  
909-386-1400



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## Kenai's Corner- Why Dog Training?



See that neighbor taking his dog for a walk? Notice the dog is not pulling the owner down the street. The dog keeps checking in with his owner by looking up at him! When the owner stops the dog automatically sits next to him until the owner begins walking again. Other dogs pass him by and he only gives them a cursory look.

*Well, that can be your dog too!*

Dogs who are trained have better communication with their human parents. This leads to less frustration for everyone involved.

Training is not just for puppies! Old dogs can learn new tricks! Changes in a pet's environment such as introducing another animal into the home, the birth of a child, or moving can all be potential triggers of stress for your dog. Seek assistance with a trainer before these changes happen to make the transition as smooth as possible.

Dances with Dogs Training Center hosts their dog training group and private lessons at the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley! We are proud to partner with and endorse Dances with Dogs Training Center as a safe and humane training program.

For more information on their classes, please visit [www.danceswithdogstc.com](http://www.danceswithdogstc.com) or call 909-496-5356.

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## HSSBV 50th Anniversary



Did you know the HSSBV turns 50 years old in 2020?

We are so excited to celebrate with YOU! Stay tuned during 2019 to be the first to know about our plans and events!

Do you have any old photos from our early days? Do you have a story you would like to share about a time the HSSBV helped you and your pet? We want you to share them with us!

Please email [jhenderson@hssbv.org](mailto:jhenderson@hssbv.org)!

# Thank you to all those who support the mission of the Humane Society.

Donations from January 3, 2019 - March 1, 2019

## Donations given in loving Memory of:

Doorknob  
by  
Steve Roberts

Jordan & Seven  
by  
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by  
Diane Anderson

## Donations given in loving Honor of:

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by  
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Jin Mao  
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## Make A Difference Club Members

Val Cornwell ~ Tim & Diane Henderson ~ Beth Jahanneck ~ Christine Marquez ~ Phyllis Meadows  
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*A special thank you to all of our in-kind and Wish List donors!*

**We would also like to thank the following supporters who generously donated \$100 or more from January 3, 2019 - March 1, 2019**

Tammy Abrams  
Joe Acevedo  
Rene Altamirano  
Stephen Anderson  
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## HSSBV Hours & More

We take appointments for all services including vaccines, and vet exams.  
 Limited walk-ins will be available!

### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8 AM - 5:00 PM

### Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic

Monday-Friday 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM

By appointment 909-386-1400

### Vaccination Service

Monday-Friday 8:30AM - 4:30 PM

Please schedule appointment

Saturday 8 AM - 12:00 PM

### Monthly News/Other Info

Visit our website at [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org)  
 or [www.facebook.com/hssbv](http://www.facebook.com/hssbv)

## WISHES & WAGS

- Dog houses (new or in good condition)
- Oster® A-5 hair clippers (10 blade)
- Laundry detergent HE (unscented)
- Towels (new & used)
- Dog, Cat, Puppy & Kitten food
- Dog sweaters, size small
- Kitty litter (scoopable)
- Large litter boxes
- Dog & Cat beds
- Dog & Cat toys
- Gift cards
- Office supplies, colored paper
- Pillowcases

... And we always need **people** like you!  
 We have opportunities for volunteers 18 and over in several areas, from our Saturday Shot Clinic to surgical recovery.

Call us today at 909-386-1400 ext. 224  
 or **apply online at [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org).**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Walk for the Animals-** Saturday, May 11!

The HSSBV is a proud cosponsor of the **Homeward Bound Mega Pet Adoption Event**  
 Sat & Sun May 18 & 19 in Yucaipa

**Castle Park Discount Day**

Saturday, July 6

Visit [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) for your discount flyer!

**Paint Your Pet**

Saturday, August 3

Purple Easel, Ontario

Visit [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) to register!

**Fiesta Village Discount Day**

Saturday, August 10

Visit [www.hssbv.org](http://www.hssbv.org) for your discount flyer!

**Blessing of the Animals**

Friday, October 4

*Save the Date:* Santa Paws Pet Photos & Holiday Boutique- November 23  
 Casino Night & Dog House Auction- October 12

**Dances with Dogs Training Center**

909-496-5356 ~ [www.danceswithdogstc.com](http://www.danceswithdogstc.com)

Contact us for your dog training needs!

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