

AnimalSave

Spring/Summer 2010

Join us!
Wag 'n' Walk & Bark-B-Que

For just one day—**Saturday, June 5** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.—you can join friends, family and Fido in the craziest parade ever, at the Nevada County Fairgrounds. Brought to you by AnimalSave, Lazy Dog Ice Cream and many other generous animal lovers, it's your day to enjoy
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what happens when
you just add love.

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Who
we are

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we do

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to help

On our cover: Rescued dog Andi and AnimalSave volunteer Alec Donahue test out their costumes for this year's Wag 'n' Walk & Bark-B-Que parade. Alec, you and your family rock!



While the warm weather heralds the onset of summer, the new kittens being born are a sure sign of a new season. We recently received one of many kittens of the spring-into-summer season. In this case, it was a tiny, one-day-old kitten: the lone survivor of the first of many litters; born to a cat too



Monique Mirambet, thrift store manager

AnimalSave has...

- greatly **reduced** the number of animals entering local shelters
- helped control **overpopulation** and prevented abandonment
- become the area's recognized **leader** in humane education and spay/neuter services
- empowered pet guardians with **information and support** to act responsibly on their animals' behalf



Linda Turner & Gracie Hibbard,
thrift store volunteers

AnimalSave works to better the lives and **end the needless suffering** of companion animals through rescue, adoption, humane education and affordable spay/neuter services.

Founded in 1998 as a project of the Golden Empire Humane Society, AnimalSave is the **oldest and most effective** animal welfare group in Nevada County.



Judy & Jerry Wilson,
pet food program volunteers

AnimalSave operates with minimal paid staff. The majority of our **workforce is made up of volunteers.**

Whether you like to cuddle kittens, help out at the Thrift Store, foster rescued animals, answer phones, or just about anything else, **there is a place for you at AnimalSave.**

**Call us today.
WE NEED YOU!**

FROM THE executive director

young to be a mother. Little Lucky, as she was named by the young man who brought her to us, was small and squalling and much needing of help. And so we helped.

Little Lucky went to a loving foster home and received the best of care for a few weeks. While determined, Little Lucky was just too tiny and she did not survive.

I tell you this story because the birth of this little one emphasizes the importance of spaying and neutering cats and dogs early. Unless someone out there takes responsibility and gets the mother of

Little Lucky spayed, she will have at least two more litters before the year is out. Those litters will have litters that will have litters that no one will care for.

Please use every opportunity to have conversations with friends and neighbors who still don't get the math. Those who work tirelessly for rescue groups and shelters see the day-to-day impact of too many animals being born. We know that there is only one way to stop this needless suffering: through prevention. Namaste, Little Lucky.

—Carolyn Niehaus

All of the animals shown here are spayed or neutered and in good health.
Download an adoption application at www.animalsave.org.

Call 271-7071, ext. 206 or visit www.animalsave.org to adopt a new best friend!

Loshi (F) is the sweetest dog in the AnimalSave program.

She's two years old, a Lab mix, and extremely affectionate. Loshi needs a fenced yard with indoor/outdoor access. She's been in foster care with Carolyn and although Carolyn's a pal, Loshi would really like to find a forever home and person. She's loyal, doing well with her obedience training, and hoping you'll call.



Marshall (M) is an extremely sweet six-year-old who loves to ride in the car. He is great with other dogs. Uncle Marshall, as he is also known, loves to play with puppies—we often use him to socialize youngsters. Marshall has a stiff hind leg that in no way slows him down, and even adds a little swagger to his walk!

Fenced yard and home check required.



Baby (F) is a one-year-old Snowshoe Siamese who will sit on your desk while you work. She's got looks and personality to spare, and would love to be your forever friend. Visit Baby in our cat adoption room.

photo by shadow dance photography

Artemis Kitten (F) will be available for adoption at the end of May. Was there ever a sweeter face? Come watch Artemis Kitten play in our cat adoption room. Careful: she'll steal your heart.



Big Boy (M) is a happy, loving, four-month-old Lab mix who's thinking about you every day. Are you the one? He's looking forward to joining you in his new home! Fenced yard and home check required.



Nona (F) is a six-year-old lady with a magnificent multicolored coat. She wants a quiet home with no other cats. Once she gets comfy with you, never again will your lap be empty! Visit Nona in our cat adoption room.



Sam (M) is an eight-month-old short haired kitty with an adventurous spirit. He's quite social and playful. Visit Sam and his sister Sydney in our cat adoption room.



Asia (F) is a chunky, wiggly, four-month-old Lab mix who would love to fetch your slippers, go for a romp, and happily gaze into your eyes. Fenced yard and home check required.



Sydney (F) is an eight-month-old calico with a playful and independent nature. Visit Sydney and her brother Sam in our cat adoption room.



Join us! Wag 'n' Walk & Bark-B-Que

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games, contests, and prizes for canines and their people.

“This is a great opportunity to support the work of AnimalSave, while you have a fun day out with your furry friends,” says Carolyn Niehaus, executive director of AnimalSave.

Admission is free and parking at the fairgrounds is also free for this event. But to participate in the costume parade, games and contests throughout the day, you'll need to register. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. at gate 1 of the fairgrounds and is \$15 per family, which covers two dogs; additional dogs are \$5 per dog. You can also download a registration form and get more information at www.animalsave.org.

When you register, you'll receive

a goody bag complete with a limited edition Wag 'n' Walk parade bandana, and doggie treats and supplies.

The day kicks off at 10 a.m.; 11 a.m. is the start of the wild and crazy costume parade around the fairgrounds, where you can dress up your dog and win prizes. Among them: Best Doggie Smile, Best Costume, and Best Doggie Trick. (Dogs need to be on leash at all times, please!)

More than 20 events and displays will be featured throughout the day, including agility and obedience demos, AKC

Canine Good Citizenship testing, and doggie-themed games for children. Vendors of all things animal, artists, and even an animal communicator will be at the event!

Lazy Dog's Bark-B-Que and fixin's



photo by linda savitz photography

AnimalSave foster adoption program manager Debra Sandler (in fake fur hat) gets a smooch from her rescued pooch Lily, before the Wag 'n' Walk parade. Bring and donate a bag of dry pet food at the event and we'll enter you in a prize drawing!

will be for sale, and the Purpose Ranch mini horses will join in the parade and provide educational demos. Especially for kids, Lazy Dog's Side Car Scooter Dalmatian Bounce House will be back by popular demand this year. And if you're parched, you can drop in for a photo op at the Ol' Dog Saloon.

Proceeds from Wag 'n' Walk

support AnimalSave's many programs, and Lazy Dog's proceeds go to Sidecar Scooter Angel Paws.

AnimalSave could use help with setup, registration, raffle ticket sales, and cleanup. Please contact carolyn@animalsave.org or donanimalsave@gmail.com if you can volunteer your time—you'll have a blast!

wag 'n' walk & bark-b-que 2010 sponsors

DOG'S BEST FRIEND:

Pleasant Valley
Veterinary Center



Mimi Vishoot, DVM

WAG 'N' TAILS:



FURRY FRIENDS:



Brighton Greens Veterinary Hospital

Meyers Investment Group
of Baird Wealth
Management



SUPPORTER:

Loomis Basin Veterinary Clinic

Know and Go

Date: Saturday, June 5

Place: Nevada County
Fairgrounds

Registration: 9:30 a.m., gate 1

Parade: 11 a.m. on the dot!



Forever Happy Tails

Want to read more heartwarming tales?

visit www.animalsave.org

“**Cedric** (formerly Honey Bear) is a wonderful dog and the perfect pet. He’s smart, sweet, trainable, loyal, and handsome! Thank you.”

—Jane S. (adopted Cedric in November)



“**Moose** is just wonderful. He’s a blessing. I can’t imagine life without him! I can’t thank you enough.”

—Patty C. (adopted Moose in March)



“**Charlie** is perfect. We’re always together and we’re very happy. Dad says I spoil him, but he deserves it!”

—Nicole C. (adopted Charlie in March)

In photo: Nicole with her dad, and Charlie



“**Mo** is a hit with everyone in the neighborhood. I don’t know what I’d do without him!”

—Bill P. (adopted Mo in January)



volunteer voices: why I volunteer

My name is Judy Wilson. I retired from John Muir Medical Center in Walnut Creek as an account analyst eight years ago and moved to our home in Alta Sierra.

We love it here. This was our dream come true to live in this county.

As our senior dogs passed on, it took about three months before we decided we needed to adopt a dog. I called an advertisement about a mixed yellow Lab at one of the adoption centers. Someone called within the day and told me of another Lab mix. They needed an application and a house check (fence), and this is how I met Cheryl Wicks and Carolyn Niehaus. I also adopted Cody, our yellow Lab/Shar-pei (and now a Canine Good Citizen!), from these wonderful ladies. These are the two most compassionate ladies I’ve ever met.

My passion has always been animals, so when I decided to volunteer I went to the shelter and I knew I would end up bringing all the pets home. So I ventured down the road to AnimalSave and found the greatest people! I began volunteering in the thrift store about a year and a half ago as a cashier, and I love giving time to any part of this organization, I learned. I started out four hours a week, but now I organize the book area in the thrift store, so I get to be here nine to 10 hours a week.

I have volunteered for the spay and neuter program, picking up messages left for the program. I enjoyed doing this program also. I have learned so much and I will always support this much-needed program.

My husband and I also volunteer two Saturday mornings a month to keep the food program organized. We support all the AnimalSave programs. It takes a village of volunteers to keep all the programs going!

Thanks Memories & Appreciation

IN HONOR OF SPECIAL ANIMALS

“Lucy” by John Skeahan

“Yuba” by Heidi Frisby

IN HONOR OF SPECIAL PEOPLE

Polly Bavo by Susan & David Bavo

Willow Muir by Cheryl Muir

Carolyn Niehaus by Nancy Palmer

Carolyn Niehaus by Edna Scott

Silver Creek Dancers by Jamie Hogan

Mark & Lesley Coovelis by Christine Donahue

Olivia Kohler and dog “Blue” by Christine Donahue

Dylan Kohler and dog “Teddy” by Christine Donahue

Susan Crockett by Leah Garcia

Lingen Family by Elaine Butler

Kelly Valin by Miriam Hoiem

Audra Martyn by Carolyn Niehaus

Calla Martyn by Carolyn Niehaus

Helena Martyn by Carolyn Niehaus

Madeline Zvalo by Carolyn Niehaus

Paige Zvalo by Carolyn Niehaus

Nicki Weisenberg by Carla Huillade & Drusilla Blanc

Cynthia Nicholson by Mike Bratton

Niki Weisgeibe by Evelyn Rackliffe

John & Jean Wear by Jeanne & Don Dutcher

IN MEMORY OF SPECIAL ANIMALS

“BeBe” by Earl & Barbara Bryant

“Stevie” by Donna Ryan

“Tuffy” by Donna Ryan

“Puff” by Donna Ryan

“Sammy” by Donna Ryan

“Tobey” by Donna Ryan

“Poncho” by Herman & Eleonore Fielder

“Puff” by Helen Gregoire & Karen Ritchey

“Django” by Susan Urban & Shannon Hennigan

“Chloe” by Isabell Thomas

“Oska, Phoebe, Farley” by David & Margie Ballenger

“Moby” by Carol Shepp

“Frankie” by Lynn Carnes

“Josephine” by Barbara Belmer

“Epcot” by Hindig Greenberg

“Rosie” by Bob & Judy Schulze

“Binky” by Christian Hellwig

“Sadie” by Nancy Tilman

“Nikki” by Claudia Sanford

“Suzette & Chloe” by Bunker & Shelly Daniels

“Squeaky & Juliet” by Corinne Pryor

“Angel” by Diana Bailey

“Mao” by John Coon

“BeBe” by Earl & Barbara Bryant

“Angel” by Mark Linck

“Maisie & Brandy” by Shirley Elliot

“Sammi” by Joan Merriam

“Susie” by Steve & Terri Sowers

“Casey” by Shirley Veale

IN MEMORY OF SPECIAL PEOPLE

William Myers by Dorothy Myers

Mrs. Beason

Victor Mathews by Litton Engineering Laboratories

Evelyn Jones by Thomas Lee Jones

Sally Spence by Harry Spence

Michele Vegas by Janet & Carlos Vega

Joan Rodgers by Daniel & Annette Purther

Zoe Shannon by Harriet & James Neal

Susan Earhart by Linda West

Neal Long by Carol Meyers

Paulette Brady by Robert Brady

Alan Boone by Rosalie Baker

Alan (Buz) Boone by Norman & Susanne Eberle

Barbara Lynne Allen Koshier by Burton & Jacquelyn Bruce

Alice Murray by Carole Browning

Alan Boone by Jay & Caroline Aiken

Barbara Koshier by Diana Bailey

Alan Boone by Charlie & Ellie Anderson

Barbara Koshier by Scinto Graziano

Barbara Koshier by Robert & Rue Racine

Joanne Buzkowski by Lillian & Mikey Downing

Alan Boone by Callie Dawkins

Joanne Buzkowski by Nevada County Certified Growers Market

Colleen Bastedo by Collectabelles III

help

3 ways to help



Each year, hundreds of cats and dogs in our community make their way to AnimalSave. (The kitten in the photo above just came across my desk today, as we were finishing this newsletter!) Some are hungry, some abandoned, some have lost their homes, and others need to be altered.

We are their friend and their advocate. Through our foster, pet food, and mobile spay/neuter programs, we provide a continuum of care that prevents animals from entering the shelter system. That's good not only for the animals, it's good because it reduces the financial burden on city and county governments and on you, the taxpayer.

But we need your help. In fact, there are **3 ways** you can help:

1

Join AnimalSave's **Save an Animal Membership Club** and become our partner through ongoing financial support. You'll receive a Membership Certificate, a VIP tour of our facilities, and an invitation to our private Yappy Hour mixers. To sign up, click the secure "Donate Now" link at the top of our homepage: www.animalsave.com.

Donate your time and energy by **volunteering** to help us accomplish our work. Call us today to get the ball rolling. We welcome you and we look forward to meeting you!

2

Provide a **one-time donation of money** to support our programs. The impact of every donation is huge for the animals. Fill out the form below and pop it in the mail at P.O. Box 817 Grass Valley, 95945 or drop by our office at 520 East Main Street in Grass Valley.

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520 East Main Street in Grass Valley.

For all of us here at AnimalSave, thank you.
—Carolyn Niehaus, executive director

thank you to:

- **Sally Farrell** for the generous donation of a pop-up tent for our events.
- **Don Branson** for donating his time and energy to build the beautiful window cases and shelving for the AnimalSave Thrift and Treasures store facelift.
- **Sarah Lazard at Yuba Blue** for consultation on our Thrift Store re-org.
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- **Kids That Care** (Aaron, Jai, Parker, Adam and Kali) for the money they donated from the bake sales held at SPD in March.
- **SPD Market in Nevada City** for providing the venue for the bake sales.
- **Round Table Pizza** in Grass Valley for hosting the pizza party for Kids That Care.
- **Alec Donahue** for the money he donated from his Skyline to the Sea 50K run.
- **Northridge Restaurant** in Nevada City for hosting the fundraising event on March 25 and sharing the proceeds with AnimalSave.
- **Matteo's Public** in Nevada City for hosting the fundraising event on May 5 and sharing the proceeds with AnimalSave.
- **Loretta O'Brien and Alan Lee** for making and

donating the Dreamy Dream Beds for sale in the Thrift Store.

- **Nevada County Land Trust** for partnering with us by providing Salter funding to support our Foster/Adoption and Pet Food Distribution programs
- **All our volunteers and foster parents** whose tireless efforts and dedication make our animal rescue work possible.
- **Suzanne Danforth** for donating copies of her book, *Jack – The Feral Prince: A Rags to Riches Story*, to AnimalSave for fundraising.
- **Carol Richey, CPA**, for the year she gave us as our volunteer bookkeeper.
- **John Stillwell** for returning as our volunteer bookkeeper.
- **Doe Firth** for her work as our past volunteer coordinator.
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- **Maureen and the ladies of the Meadow View Manor** arts and crafts program for making the bandanas for the dogs to wear at Wag 'n' Walk.
- **Lefty's Grill** for donating a gift certificate for a Wag 'n' Walk prize.
- **Diego's** for donating a gift certificate for a Wag 'n' Walk prize.
- **BriarPatch Co-op Market** for donating a gift certificate for a Wag 'n' Walk prize.

Yes! I would like to support the cats & dogs of AnimalSave

Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of \$ _____
(Please make checks payable to AnimalSave)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Email: _____

Sign-up for our email list (we will not share your info)

My gift is:

- In honor of... This is a person
 In memory of... This is an animal

Please send acknowledgment to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

For credit card donations, please call
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and click on "Get Involved" to donate online

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 Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR)
 "Wherever It's Needed Most"

Thank you!

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