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Humane Society Of Del Norte Shelter News

2012

A CHANCE AT LIFE FOR LACEY

Lacey is a super sweet little girl with so much love to give. Lacey & her brother Kyle came to us at the Humane Society when they were very young. While Kyle thrived... although she seemed perfectly healthy, just a bit behind in growth, Lacey remained a bit tiny and didn't seem to have that "kitten" energy. In time, both kittens were of age to prepare them for adoption. Kyle received his neuter surgery along with his vaccines and was adopted soon after. Lacey received her spay surgery along with her vaccines, but seemed to decline. I took her into my home so that I'd be able to keep a close watch on her. While snuggling her, I noticed a fairly large lump in her tummy. Some female kittens have a small lump under the incision area that goes down as the area heals. This was different and the lump seemed to be getting larger. We made an appointment for Lacey to be seen at Crescent Animal Medical Center where Dr. Martello found an abscess in Lacey's tummy. He fixed her up the best that he could, but was unsure of what the outcome would be. I took her home and made sure that she got her antibiotics, good food, plenty of rest in warm snuggly blankets, playtime, and lots of love.



This is Lacey just before her stitches were removed. She is full of energy and loves to play! She is a doll and loves to snuggle. She is a healthy weight and is doing great! Even Dr. Martello was surprised at how strong she had become and how well she had recovered. Lacey will be able to enjoy life with a new family of her very own. ☺

TO SEE OR NOT TO SEE?

We received a request to pick up some feral kittens. When I arrived on site, I was handed a trap with two of the fuzziest, cutest kittens in it. I took a closer look and laughed a bit on the inside at the thought of these kittens being feral. I giggled when one little one hissed at me on the way back to the shelter. Yes, they were very frightened and had been living under a travel trailer, but they were not wild. I picked them up and gave them some lovin' and they were soon purring their appreciation.

These fuzzy little boys soon captured the hearts of everyone at the shelter. I named the black one "Raider" after my favorite football team, the other little cutie "Romeo" because he is such a love.



It wasn't long before we noticed that the little guys were having some trouble with their eyes. We thought that they were showing signs of Upper Respiratory Infection and we began treatment immediately. It became evident that it was more than a URI. These little guys had eye infections that became very severe. We tried every possible medication prescribed. Our shelter manager took them home with her so that meds could be administered up to 10 times per day! The poor babies were in excruciating pain and nothing seemed to be working. Despite the trauma that these boys were going through, they continued to play and purr!

Finally the meds cleared up the infection, but not without damage to the eyes for both kittens. They are about 14 weeks old now and have impaired vision. Raider can see out of one eye and he seems to have limited sight out of the other. Romeo has sight in one eye and no sight out of the other. The bad eye has shrunk which causes the eyelashes to poke and cause weeping. The infection is gone, but he may need to have the eye removed to stop the irritation.



Both of these boys are highly adoptable kitties and are hoping to find forever homes! They are loving, playful little rascals! We hope that they can be adopted together, as they are best buddies and playmates, but they can be adopted separately. If you'd like to meet them, call and leave a message at the Humane Society 707-464-1686

The Humane Society of Del Norte has a new web designer! We are currently working on a new look! Still work to be done, but you can check us out at humanesocietyofdelnorte.org



"Hardy"



Hardy and other adult kitties are available for adoption.

Official Humane Society Greeter

So far this year, we have taken in 259 unwanted Cats & Kittens, with 240 of those being adopted into forever homes.

Big Thanks To



of Medford for helping us with cat adoptions & to



For the grant that is helping us spay/neuter 250 Feral Cats in our community!



Wishlist

Our first wish is that all of our shelter animals receive forever homes & that eventually there will be no need for animal shelters!

Some items that we use every day at the shelter include Clorox Bleach, Liquid Laundry Soap, Liquid Anti-Bacterial Hand Soap, Clorox Wipes, Duct Tape, Trash Bags, Litter Boxes (small for kitten cages & large for the floor), Litter Box Scoopers, Black Sharpies, Printer Paper (Regular, High Gloss, & Card Stock), Ink Pens (Black & Blue), Post-It Notes, Printer Ink for an HP Photosmart C5180, Cat & Dog Crates/Carriers (Small to XXL), or maybe WalMart gift cards so that we can purchase the items listed. These items can be dropped off at 821 Elk Valley Rd. in Crescent City, or give us a call and we'd be glad to pick them up.

We are also always in need of Gas Cards for Transport of adoptable cats and kittens to Medford's PetSmart, money for our Spay/Neuter Program, volunteers for special events, & people who may be interested in temporarily fostering dogs or cats for us. 707-464-1686

MONTHLY INSTALLMENT DONATIONS

If you are interested in becoming a monthly donor, forms are available by calling us at 707-464-1686 or on the Humane Society of Del Norte website: www.humanesocietyofdelnorte.org

Mail the form with your check and specify the amount that you wish to have automatically withdrawn from your checking account.



With Our Thanks



Without your generous donations, we would not exist! We thank you all so much for making it possible for us to do what we do!



2012 Stats

Spay & Neuter totals at press time

Crescent Animal	81 Cats	~	48 Dogs
Neuterscooter.com	51 Cats	~	69 Dogs
Four Paws	83 Cats	~	51 Dogs
Dr. Leither	337 Cats	~	2 Dogs
Town & Country	106 Cats	~	3 Dogs
S/Nipped	184 Cats	~	115 Dogs
All Creatures in Eagle Point, Or.	0 Cats	~	2 Dogs
Totals	842 Cats	&	290 Dogs = 1,132

Wild Feline Rescue provided 136 vouchers through their Spay/Neuter Voucher Program.

Thank you so very much to our veterinarians for all of the wonderful work that you do! We appreciate you!

We have pulled at least 45 dogs from the pound and given them a better shot at life in a happy home. We have diverted countless other dogs from going to the pound with the help of our loving foster volunteers! Of the diverted dogs, we have done approximately 25 adoptions!

IN OUR LOCAL NEWS

There are two fairly high profile cases in our community that The Humane Society would love to have in our newsletter, however, we feel that while the cases are still currently in front of a judge, we should refrain from adding them to print. The addresses below are the TriPLICATE's articles on these cases.

Puppy Mill

<http://www.triplicate.com/News/Local-News/2-held-in-suspected-puppy-mill>

London

<http://www.triplicate.com/News/Local-News/Pair-pleads-not-guilty-to-abuse-of-dog>

THE HUMANE SOCIETY GETS NEW WHEELS

The Humane Society received an amazing donation in February. A wonderfully generous supporter donated a 1997 Chevy AstroVan that we are now using for all of our shelter's transport needs! Our very first transport



was 13 pound dogs & 9 puppies! This is just one trip of many. This van has allowed us to take approximately 45 hard-to-adopt or long-timer dogs from our local pound to other no-kill shelters in

larger areas, such as Willamette Humane Society in Salem, Oregon, to give them a better chance at adoption. We have also been able to take special needs dogs & puppies to rescues and rehabs such as Panda Paws Rescue & Rehab in Washington and Hopes Haven Pet Rescue in Oregon. These wonderful places specialize in areas that we are not able to handle.

We have been able to transport nearly 300 animals for spay/neuter appointments to S/Nipped in Coos Bay, Oregon, not to mention the hundreds of animals transported to local veterinarians! We have transported many adoptable cats and kittens to the PetSmart Adoption Center in Medford, Oregon.



Richard ~ Awesome Volunteer along with Chester the Cat spending some time at PetSmart during National Adoption Weekend where Chester found his new family and a forever home! ☺

Home is where the LOVE is!



In August, little Rusty was found tied up waiting for his owner to come back but they never did. Luckily a concerned citizen knew something was wrong and that's when he called one of our volunteers and she rushed to the rescue. Next we tried searching for the owner but they were never found. Hard to believe someone could abandon such an adorable and pleasant little fellow. Thanks to one of our foster home providers he was now safe and sound until we could seek a forever home. We put a picture and description of him on Petfinder.com and it didn't take long before he got the attention of a retired couple who happened to be looking for exactly that type and size of dog. When Carol and Ken came to meet Rusty



he captured their hearts with his sweet personality. They took him back to their home in Ashland, Oregon where he settled in perfectly. On their daily walks, he has acquired many new friends that look forward to giving him treats. Rusty rarely ever gets left behind, as he enjoys

traveling in their motorhome. Rusty found his forever home where he is dearly loved. ☺

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Subject: Newsletter



# COASTAL CANINE OLYMPICS

The 2012 Coastal Canine Olympics was the best ever, according to the organizers and many community members who attend every year! More than 100 dogs and their people turned out to strut their stuff in 10 separate events including the famous Costume Contest, The Owner-Dog Look-a-like Contest, the Retriever obstacle course and the Best Trick competition.



Perhaps the favorite event of all for people AND dogs, is the Meatball Race. Owners and their dogs line up at the starting line balancing a meatball at the end of a plastic spoon. The whistle is blown and owners race for the finish line hoping their meatball doesn't drop OR get eaten by

their dog!!

The person and dog team that makes it to the finish line first with meatball intact, WINS! But let's face it; all of the dogs in the race win, because they end up with the meatball no matter what! And even if you're not competing, it's sure fun to watch!

This was our 5th year putting on the Doggie Olympics and it was easily our most successful. The Humane Society of Del Norte raised more than \$1100 at the event and had the biggest turn-out ever. In addition to the ticket prices, the Humane Society raised funds with our very popular and high quality Raffle baskets donated by Parkway Feed, Crescent Hay and Feed, PetSmart and several private individuals. We are also blessed with many local business sponsors who donate sponsor dollars to help pay for the event each year!!



What's great about the Coastal Canine Olympics is the community participation on every level. We tried to design each event so that anyone with a dog, no matter their skill level, can participate and even win a Gold, Silver or Bronze medal with the Humane Society Canine Olympics logo designed by Cheryl Wilson. We hope all of you will attend this annual event next year at the Del Norte County Fairgrounds and enjoy the spectacle and laughs!



Thanks to our many local business sponsors:

**Hemmingsen Contracting**  
**Red Rover Ranch**  
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**Redwood Leavitt Insurance**  
**Del Norte Pawn & Jewelry**  
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**Parkway Feed**  
**CBH Financial**  
**Turning Heads Salon**  
**Bayside Realty**  
**Four Paws Pet Hospital**  
**Northcoast Mortgage**



Many Thanks to everyone involved in making this event possible... The Host, the judges, sponsors, private donors, all volunteers, human & doggie participants, spectators, etc...  
We look forward to next year's event!!!!

# DONATIONS & MEMORIAL GIFTS

I would like to make a donation to help many shelter animals:

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Send notice of my donation to: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to cut this out & send it in with your donation.  
If you are not making an "in memory or honor of" donation, you can use the form on the next page.



This page is dedicated to those people or pets that we have lost or those we'd like to honor in a special way for any special reason.

**In Memory Of:**

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