



The Tailbearer

NEWSLETTER OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY



July 2019

Humane Officers Rescue Owl



This past month a family in the north end of San Bernardino called us regarding an owl stuck in their chimney. The family was very concerned as the owl had been stuck for several days and they were unable to get help from other organizations.

Our Humane Officers responded, and found a rather feisty young owl indeed stuck down the chimney. The rescue proved to be challenging, as our Officers had to fashion their own tools for removing the stuck raptor. Thankfully, they were able to pull him unharmed down through the fire place. The owl was very upset and grouchy, the result of not having eaten for a few days. The family suspected he had fallen down the chimney three days prior, while learning to fly.



After an examination by our veterinarian, the officers transported the owl to a licensed rehabber for care. After four days of rehabbing and getting back to a healthy weight, our officers were able to pick up the young owl for release back into his neighborhood. The owl was brought back to the place of his accident and turned loose in the family's back yard. This way, if he wasn't quite ready to fly on his own his parents would still drop him food once they heard him and knew he was back home. The good news is that he hopped around for a minute or two, then flew onto a wrought iron gate to give the family an owlish look, before he flew off on his own.

Not every story like this will have a happy ending, but this one did thanks to a caring and persistent family who values and appreciates the wildlife they share their neighborhood with. If they hadn't stuck with trying to get this guy help, he would have surely died.



Officer Ashbaker, who released the owl, said, "Watching this owl fly off into the evening sky with the family was priceless."

This family was indeed a voice for those that didn't have one!

If you suspect a case of cruelty or neglect to animals, or are concerned for an animal's safety, contact the HSSBV Cruelty Investigation Department at 909-386-1400 ext. 215 or 216, or visit www.hssbv.org to fill out a cruelty report.

\$20 Pit Bull & Chihuahua Spay/Neuter Program to Continue

Thanks to the generous and continued support of the Jason Debus Heigl Foundation and the Coalition for Pets and Public Safety, the HSSBV is continuing our \$20 Pit Bull & Chihuahua Spay & Neuter Program. Pit Bulls, Pit Bull mixes, Chihuahua and Chihuahua mixes will qualify for special \$20 spay/neuter pricing (while funding lasts). When a male and female from the same household come in for surgery on the same day, the \$20 copay will be waived for both pets!

To take advantage of this program please call us at 909-386-1400. PLEASE keep in mind, this program is extremely popular and phone hold time may be longer than normal.

To date, both the Jason Debus Heigl Foundation and the Coalition for Pets and Public Safety have contributed \$200,000 to this vital program for our community! At the time of print, this program has spayed and neutered over 2,600 dogs! We would like to sincerely thank them for this impactful partnership.



From the Vet's Desk: Spring Time

Summer is a time for vacations, cookouts and pool parties. However, when the temperature heats up, the danger to pets increases too. Here are some things to think about for keeping your pet safe and healthy in the summer:

Parasites

With all the time your pet will be spending outdoors, one of the biggest dangers is ticks. You should check your pet for ticks at least once a day, as well as look closely after walks or hikes through wooded areas. Ticks carry a number of diseases that can be transferred to you and your family including Lyme disease. Fleas also can spread diseases (such as typhus or the plague) to you and your pet, but symptoms are often hard to spot. Dogs may be tired or feverish or become lame. So talk to your vet about effective flea and tick medication.

Swimming

Despite what YouTube may tell us, cats and rabbits don't like to swim. Putting your pet in the pool can also be dangerous, as not all dogs have mastered the doggie paddle. Some may not like water, and certain breeds like pugs and terriers, may have trouble swimming. Never ever force your dog into the water. If you luck out, and your pet enjoys splashing around, always rinse off after a swim. The chlorine, salt and bacteria in pools and lakes can be harmful. Animals should also have a shady area nearby where they can cool off and have access to fresh water, as drinking salt water and pool water can cause health problems.

Feeling Hot! Hot! Hot!

Ever heard the expression, "It's so hot, you can fry an egg on the sidewalk?" Things like black pavement (or asphalt) can get very hot and can harm your pets' paws, causing painful burns.

Think about what you're walking on. If you wouldn't like walking on it with bare feet, try to limit your dog's time on it, too.

An important reminder- NEVER EVER LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR!!!!

Volunteer of the Quarter- Devin O'Malley

Devin O'Malley is a recent volunteer, starting her work in our recovery department in March of this year. Devin made a strong first impression with her upbeat attitude, eagerness to learn and dependability. So far she has donated over 50 hours of time!

Devin decided to apply to volunteer at the HSSBV because she always respected the HSSBV and our mission. She said, "Helping animals in need is very rewarding and I felt this was the perfect organization to support." When asked what her favorite part of her volunteer experience is, she says, "I obviously love spending time with animals, but I really enjoy everything I am learning in a medical setting and the incredible staff who make the work even more fun!"

Devin keeps busy at home with her 7 pets: a dog name Lucky; four cats name Thomas, Abby, Carlos and Lucy; a stray neighborhood cat she takes care of named Paavo; and one guinea pig named Guinea! She also enjoys exploring nature, making music and attending concerts and music festivals.



Congratulations, Devin! Thank you for all that you do!

Are you interested in volunteering with animals?

Apply to volunteer at the HSSBV by visiting www.hssbv.org!

HSSBV Summer of Fun & Discounts!

Looking for affordable and unique activities to keep you and your family busy this summer? Check out our list of summer activities and local discount days!

Castle Park Discount Day

The Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley will have a fundraising day at Castle Park (3500 Polk Street, Riverside) on Saturday, July 6, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.



Visit <http://hssbv.org> to download and print a flyer or stop by the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley (374 W Orange Show Road, San Bernardino). When you bring the flyer with you to Castle Park on July 6th you will receive \$12.99 admission, unlimited rides, and your choice of unlimited golf or access to the Buccaneer Cove water area (saving you \$9 per person)!

NEW THIS YEAR- You can also purchase your \$12.99 admission by using code HSSBV19 when your purchase online: <https://www.castlepark.com>.

Save money on a day of fun for the family and help the HSSBV help animals at the same time! For more information on this fundraiser visit www.hssbv.org or call 909-386-1400 ext. 224.

Critter Camp July Session

Visit www.hssbv.org to sign your child up for our July session of Critter Camp, July 22nd – 26th! The cost is \$50 per camper for the ENTIRE week!

Paint Your Pet

Our next Paint Your Pet Event will be held on Saturday, August 3, 2019. Come join us for a unique experience as you paint a portrait of your furry best friend!

Send a portrait in of your pet after you register and The Purple Easel will sketch it for you. When you come to the event, they will have the sketched canvas and paint ready to go! They will then help you step by step as you paint.

Paint for yourself or paint a portrait for a friend's beloved pet as a gift! Make sure to tell your friends so you can all attend together and have a night of fun! You can bring your own snacks and drinks (alcohol is okay).



Cost: \$68
Doors open at 5:00 pm., class begins promptly at 5:30 (we recommend larger groups arrive at 5:00 to sit together)
To register visit: www.hssbv.org
The registration deadline is July 31st at 8:00 PM!

Fiesta Village Discount Day

The Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley will have a fundraising day at Fiesta Village (1405 E. Washington, Colton) on Saturday, August 10th from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Visit <http://hssbv.org> to download and print a flyer or stop by the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley (374 W Orange Show Road, San Bernardino). When you bring the flyer with you to Fiesta Village on August 10th you will receive an Extreme Pass for only \$21.95 (a \$34.95 value!)! In addition to the discount, the HSSBV will also get 20% of each admission ticket. Your pass includes unlimited race cars, amusement rides, mini-golf, roller skating, lazer tag and waterslides.



Save money on a day of fun for the family and help the HSSBV help animals at the same time! For more information on this fundraiser visit www.hssbv.org or call 909-386-1400 ext. 224

HSSBV Volunteer Program

Our volunteer program (for individuals 18 years of age and older) runs all year long! However, summer is one of the most popular times to volunteer! Visit our website to apply or stop by our office to fill out an application in person. Once your application is approved and you have attended orientation you can make your own schedule! We look forward to working alongside you!

SBPD K-9 Units Honored by HSSBV

The HSSBV Walk for the Animals presented by San Manuel Band of Mission Indians was hosted at San Manuel Stadium on Saturday, May 11th. There was walking, prizes, food and fun. Over \$16,000 was raised in support of our programs and services! A highlight of the event was the presentation of the 2019 HSSBV Pet Hero Award to the San Bernardino Police Department (SBPD) K-9 Unit teams.

The SBPD K-9 Unit was founded in 1979, and is comprised of five k-9 teams: Officer Sergio Alvarez with Canine Rambo; Officer Melissa Flint with Canine Bexter; Officer Christopher Emon with Canine Sarko, Corporal Jonathan Keil with Canine Rico; and Detective Jesus Vega with Maxwell.

Handler Corporal Jonathan Keil and Canine Rico

Corporal Keil joined the San Bernardino Police Department in 2009. He has worked a variety of assignments to include: Field Training Officer, SWAT Team, and Mounted Enforcement Detail. Prior to applying with the agency, he was an SBPD Police Explorer for 7 years. Corporal Keil was assigned to the K-9 Unit in 2013, when he selected his partner, K-9 Rico.

Corporal Keil and Canine Rico are assigned to the south east patrol district. Rico is a seven year old Dutch Malinois, who was born in Holland. Rico is a triple purpose K-9 certified in patrol operations, narcotics detection and SWAT tactics. In Rico's 5 ½ years, he has been present in several high risk incidents, including the terrorist attack on December 2, 2015. K-9 Rico has successfully apprehended 20 violent criminals, had nearly 90 surrenders, completed 600 patrol searches and located an excess of 1.6 million dollars worth of illegal narcotics.



Handler Officer Melissa Flint and Canine Bexter

Officer Flint joined the San Bernardino Police Department in 2004. She has worked a variety of assignments to include: Community Inter-Agency Training and Enforcement Team, Crime Impact Team, District Resource Officer, Field Training Officer, Taser and Defensive Tactics Instructor, and is a member of the Honor Guard Detail. Officer Flint's career goal was to become a K-9 handler. She was assigned to the K-9 unit in 2016, when she selected her partner, Canine Bexter.

Officer Flint and Canine Bexter are assigned to the south west patrol district. Bexter is a three year old Dutch Malinois, who was born in Holland. Bexter is a dual purpose K-9, certified in both patrol operations and narcotics detection. In Bexter's 2 years, he has located 9 suspects, had 14 surrenders and 3 apprehensions. Bexter has conducted approximately 150 narcotic searches, locating over \$400,000.00 worth of narcotics. Bexter's biggest find was 6 kilograms of Cocaine located inside a hidden engine compartment and 31 pounds of Methamphetamine located inside a vehicle trunk void. Bexter loves participating in community events and even more, he loves working the city, keeping its citizens safe.

Handler Officer Sergio Alvarez and Canine Rambo

Officer Alvarez joined the San Bernardino Police Department in 2016. He has worked assignments in patrol to include the south west district, north east district and north west district. Officer Alvarez is also a certified Spanish interpreter for the City of San Bernardino. He enjoys participating in community events and serving the City of San Bernardino. He was assigned to the K-9 Unit in 2018, when he selected his partner, Canine Rambo. Officer Alvarez and Canine Rambo are assigned to the south west patrol district. Rambo is a two year old, Dutch Malinois, who was born in Holland. Rambo is a dual purpose dog who is certified in patrol operations and explosives detection. In his off time, he enjoys spending time with the Alvarez Family.

Prior to joining the ranks of the San Bernardino Police Department, Officer Alvarez proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps, acquiring the rank of Corporal.

Handler Officer Christopher Emon and Canine Sarko

Officer Emon joined the San Bernardino Police Department in 2003. He was assigned to the Field Training Program, where he trained several sworn and non-sworn employees. He also augments the Management Information Services and assists with streamlining report writing protocols. Officer Emon was assigned to the K-9 Unit in 2013, when he selected his partner, Canine Sarko.

Officer Emon and Canine Sarko are assigned to the north east patrol district. Sarko is a seven year old Belgian Malinois, who was born in Belgium. Sarko is a dual purpose K-9 certified in patrol operations and narcotics detection. In Sarko's 5 ½ years, he has been deployed over 450 times, locating 90 suspects, recovered 25 articles of evidence, responded to 1000 burglary alarms, found over a million dollars in narcotics, and trained over 2000 hours.

Handler Detective Jesus Vega and Canine Maxwell

Detective Vega joined the San Bernardino Police Department in 2004. He has worked a variety of assignments to include: Field Training Officer, Crime Impact Team, Vice/Narcotics Program, Specialized Enforcement Team, and a member of the Honor Guard Detail. Prior to applying with the agency, he was an SBPD Police Explorer for 4 years. In 2008 while assigned to the Vice/Narcotics Program, Detective Vega was assigned his first canine partner, Dexter. Dexter was a single purpose canine who was certified in narcotics detection. Dexter was retired as a police canine in January 2014. Detective Vega was assigned to the K-9 Unit in 2015, where he selected his partner, Canine Maxwell. Maxwell is a 6 ½ year old chocolate Labrador Retriever. Maxwell is certified in the detection of Cocaine, Heroin, Marijuana, and Methamphetamine.

Prior to joining the ranks of the San Bernardino Police Department, Detective Vega proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps, acquiring the rank of First Sergeant.

Also joining us at the Walk for the Animals, were the SBPD Explorers! The Explorers helped set up the event, assisted with various activities during the event to help it run smoothly, and coordinated cleanup efforts after the event. The HSSBV staff, volunteers and our event vendors were extremely appreciative of their hard work, dedication and overall helpfulness.



Humane Education: Critter Camp Registration Open!



The Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley is hosting its annual “Critter Camp” – a week-long, interactive, learning experience for students entering the second, third, fourth and fifth grades. The camp will be held July 22-26, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Through this hands-on camp, children will learn the importance of kindness and compassion toward all living creatures. All activities and lessons reinforce the importance of safety around and kindness to animals, as well as taking care of our environment. Each day, students receive snacks, as well as reinforcement materials and take home crafts.



During Critter Camp, the campers will experience the wonderful world of bugs, marsupials, therapy and service animals, the difference between wild and tame animals, and “make & take” animal art activities all while “camping” in actual tents.

We will also be creating Stars of HOPE to send encouragement to people who have experienced a disaster or tragedy or to people to whom we would like to show our appreciation and gratitude.

The fee to attend Critter Camp for the week is just \$50 per student for the entire week. Limited financial assistance is available. To register your child for Critter Camp visit www.hssbv.org, call 909-380-7844, email dhibbard@hssbv.org, or stop by the HSSBV (374 W Orange Show Road, San Bernardino). Please register by Monday, July 15th in order to give us time to prepare materials for Critter Camp.

Financial Assistance Available for Seniors

The HSSBV currently has funding available for Senior Citizens to assist with the cost of veterinary services for the care and treatment of their animals. These funds, made possible by a grant from The Albert and Anna Herdina Memorial Fund at The Community Foundation, *Strengthening Inland Southern California through Philanthropy*, are open to residents of the Riverside, High Desert, and San Bernardino counties who are 66 years of age and older, and who have a maximum income of \$1,700 a month for one person.

For more information, or to apply, please call visit www.hssbv.org or call 909-386-1400.

HSSBV Employees Celebrate Anniversaries!



Join us in celebrating these HSSBV employee anniversaries July - September:

Officer Mike Ashbaker- 11 years!

Officer Frank Padilla- 10 years!

Yareli Jiminez- 2 years

Irene Vega- 2 years

Christina DeAngelis-2 years!

Join the HSSBV Make A Difference Club!

As you know, the HSSBV is not funded by the city, county or state government, or by HSUS or the ASPCA. We are a private 501(c)3 organization that relies on fundraising events, grants and our generous donors to provide our programs and services.

Support the HSSBV by joining the Make A Difference Club today! It is so easy! Simply fill out the form below and send in to the HSSBV to enroll in the program.

The Make a Difference Club was created for the purpose of giving our donors the opportunity to make monthly contributions to help fund our Humane Education and Cruelty Investigation programs, neither of which are income-producing and yet are so vital to the welfare of animals in our community, now and for years to come. To join the Make A Difference Club all you have to do is pledge \$20 or more each month to help animals in need.

Last year, we reached over 10,000 children with our message of compassion for all living creatures, and were able to investigate calls of suspected abuse or neglect which led to the rescue of hundreds of dogs and cats from unsafe environments. Thank you for being a part of these life-changing programs. You really will make a difference for animals through your support.

Yes! I want to help. Please charge \$ _____ each month to my: Visa (____) / MasterCard (____).

Card number:

Expiration:

Signature:

Today's date:

This signature authorizes the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley to perform monthly charges of the above credit card at around the first week of each month. If at any time you wish to cancel this donation pledge, a phone call or note to us will stop the automatic charges.

Name: _____

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Thank you for your kindness to animals in need!



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**HUMANE SOCIETY
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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!

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

Donations from March 2, 2019 - May 31, 2019

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We would also like to thank the following supporters who generously donated \$100 or more from March 2, 2019 - May 31, 2019

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Limited walk-ins are 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

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

Please schedule appointment

Saturday 8 AM - 12:00 PM

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- 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**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Castle Park Discount Day

Saturday, July 6

Visit www.hssbv.org for your discount flyer!

Paint Your Pet

Saturday, August 3

Purple Easel, Ontario

Visit www.hssbv.org to register by July 31st!

Fiesta Village Discount Day

Saturday, August 10

Visit www.hssbv.org for your discount flyer!

Blessing of the Animals

Friday, October 4

Casino Night & Dog House Auction

Saturday, October 12

Tickets on sale soon!

Santa Paws Phot Photos & Holiday Boutique

Saturday, November 23

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