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DEAR FELLOW ANIMAL LOVER
A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT KEN WHITE

People look forward to many things, big and small. Lunch. The end of the work day and the greeting from your pets when you walk through the door. A planned vacation. Reconnecting with a friend or family member. That there’s only 11 months left until the holidays! Well, there’s a whole lot of looking forward going on at your Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA, and all of it is because of your support.

Your support makes it possible for the dogs and the cats, the rabbits and parakeets, for all of the companion animals to look forward to being adopted into new loving homes. For many of these animals, our two shelters provide them with the first good days they’ve ever known: for the thousands of animals rescued from abuse or neglect and enrolled in our donor-funded Hope Program, it is in our care that many animals have their first experience with good and kind people, out of pain, away from fear, delivered to the loving and professional hands of our veterinarians, behaviorists, animal care staff and volunteers.

And, of course, these animals also look forward to the people who they will meet at our shelter, who will fall in love with them here, and who then take them home from here.

For the baby hummingbird knocked out of a tree by a violent windstorm, for the fox knocked senseless by a speeding car…it may be impossible for us to fully understand what goes through the minds of the thousand-plus injured and orphaned native wild animals we treat and make well every year, but I do not think it is a stretch to believe that they look forward as well. They look forward to a life in nature, and that’s what they will get. I’ve had the remarkable experience of releasing many of these recovered wild animals over my years here, and I’ve known quite a few who peered down from a high tree branch with an expression that suggests they know we have helped their hopes come true.

Children in the community look forward to visits with our Humane Educators, to birthday parties held in our Center for Compassion in Burlingame, attending our Humane Camps, and for becoming old enough to serve among the 1,200 volunteers who give so much to our animals. Our seasoned volunteers and our 120 remarkable employees look forward to seeing firsthand the progress animals make over time, how their hard work helps the animals in body and spirit. And all of us are frankly looking forward to the day, soon approaching, when PHS/SPCA’s years of lobbying will finally pay off in a new County-built, PHS/SPCA-operated animal shelter replacing the well-worn Coyote Point intake shelter in San Mateo, a complimentary facility as required under State law to our own Center For Compassion which we built several years ago.
Sixty-plus years ago, a group of caring people got together and formed our organization. Despite the remarkably long odds against them, they had hope that they could and would create something that would improve the lives of the animals, and of the people who care about the animals. Over the decades, that hope has moved many to work hard, to innovate, and to now have successfully reduced euthanasia in our community by over 98%.

The work is not done -- there are still thousands of animals in need of the Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA. And as before, still today, looking forward gives hope. It gives hope to the animals, and it gives hope to all of us you’ve entrusted with your confidence and support.

We have hope because of you. Thank you.

Ken White, President

HAVE YOU MADE PLANS for Your Pet?

Making plans for the future can be stressful, but it’s critical for the welfare of your pets. Do you have someone lined up who is willing and able to care for them? Who will inform the new caretaker when the time comes, and how will your pets be connected with them? If you’re unsure of the best candidate for taking over their care, how will a new home be chosen and how will they know about the particular needs and habits of your beloved companion animals?

These questions can be hard to answer, but you don’t have to feel overwhelmed. PHS/SPCA is experienced in making solid plans with you through our Continuing Care Program. We help you figure out the logistics, and flag your pets in our databases noting their enrollment in Continuing Care. Making these arrangements ahead of time reduces the potential stress to your friends and family, and allows you to relax, knowing your pets are ensured a secure transition.

To enroll in Continuing Care, simply contact us. There is no charge for joining, we only ask that you maintain a membership with PHS/SPCA by making a yearly donation of any amount.

To learn more, request a brochure, and/or start the enrollment process, contact Lisa Van Buskirk at 650-340-7022 ext. 327 or Lvanbuskirk@PHS-SPCA.org.
CLOSE CALL FOR A YOUNG DEER

PHS/SPCA RESCUES BUCK TRAPPED IN ROPE

A coil of rope may seem innocuous, but in the case of a young deer in Menlo Park, it posed a deadly threat. We received a call to help a deer who was entangled in rope and unable to free himself. When our rescue staff arrived they found the animal’s antlers had been completely wrapped in the rope, and the other ends of the rope were caught on a nearby tree and picnic table, which led to the deer becoming hopelessly trapped.

The land owner hadn’t visited that section of his large property in almost a week, so the deer could have been caught in the rope for a number of days.

PHS/SPCA staff realized the animal would need to be tranquilized in order to safely remove the rope from his antlers. Using a blowpipe from a safe distance to not further scare the deer, our staff injected him with a low dose of tranquilizer. After he was sedated, we quickly cut the rope away and checked the buck for injuries.

Despite his harrowing ordeal, he had no injuries. After about 15 minutes, the deer woke from the tranquilizer and was able to walk to a nearby creek for a much needed drink of water.

PHS/SPCA staff disposed of the rope so it wouldn’t pose any further threats to wildlife. Since the animal was completely immobilized by the rope and unable to break free, it is highly likely he would have perished from lack of water and food. The resident of the property continued to monitor the deer and reported to us he was walking fine and eventually moved away from the property.

Animals, especially wildlife, can easily become entangled in wire, string and especially fishing line which can cause life-threatening injuries and even death. We strongly encourage people to ensure proper storage and cleanup of debris that can cause harm to wildlife.

This deer is just one of the thousands of animals we are able to help every year. Should you ever see an animal in distress please call us immediately at 650-340-8200.
PHS/SPCA OPEN-DOOR POLICY
INCLUDES ACCEPTING PEACOCKS

PEAFOWL FOURSOME FIND A NEW HOME

As an open-door shelter, we routinely see more than our fair share of unusual animals come through our doors. No, it’s not just dogs and cats! Giant Sulcata Tortoises, goats, pigs, confiscated Eurasian Eagle Owls, so many Australian Bearded Dragons that visitors from “down under” admitted to seeing more in our care than they’d seen back home, parrots, cockatoos, boa constrictors and pythons, abandoned tropical fish...Well, you get the picture.

We do our best to inform the public that PHS/SPCA is more than just cats and dogs, and we hope when people are seeking to adopt an unconventional type of pet such as a snake or domesticated duck, they’ll visit us instead of buying from a pet store.

So when a quartet of domestic peacocks were surrendered to our shelter by someone who was unable to continue caring for them, we were concerned it might take some time to find them a new home with an experienced peafowl owner. We reached out to local media to help spread the word about the adoptable peacocks and were completely overwhelmed by the flood of calls and emails we received by people wanting to adopt them.

The foursome were quickly adopted by a woman who drove all the way from Stockton for them. She had kept peacocks as pets her entire life and was delighted to learn we had a small squad of them waiting for a new home. The birds are now enjoying life on an expansive property and providing much joy to their new owner.

When we say adopt don’t shop, that applies to not just cats and dogs, but also peacocks.
PHS/SPCA is well-known in our community for many of our services: adoptions, low-cost spay and neutering, animal rescue and control, reuniting lost animals with their owners, just to name a few. But what many people may not know is the role we play in the event of a local emergency or disaster.

We have a long history as the rescue team ready to help the animal victims of disasters. We were there to help the animals in the 1989 earthquake and the 1991 East Bay firestorms, for example, but it was our experience in caring for displaced animals in the aftermath of 2005’s Hurricane Katrina which led to a new, expanded approach. Touched by how many animals we saved in 2005 (literally building a temporary shelter behind our brick-and-mortar center in order to care for Louisiana’s animals without risking displacing local animals in need of help) our donors contributed funds for the purchase of four specially outfitted trailers, now strategically situated throughout the County (in cooperation with local government and the American Red Cross), always ready. Since 2005, we’ve deployed our disaster mobilization skills during our response to the San Bruno pipeline explosion and fire in 2010, and when we assisted homeless animals from Florida following Hurricane Irma in 2017.

Our comprehensive plan activates quickly to minimize chaos and fear associated with disruptive episodes such as a fire or earthquake. PHS/SPCA has specially trained staff and volunteers to provide life-saving supplies for animals including food, water and medicine, and routinely participates in County-wide preparedness and training exercises. Our mission is to provide on-the-ground support for animals and safe, secured sheltering, both permanent and temporary “pop up” shelters, and then to reunite animals with their families once the crises are over.

Even though PHS/SPCA is ready to provide emergency services, we strongly advise owners to make their own disaster preparations for their beloved pets. By planning in advance, you can reduce the amount of stress you and your pet will go through when disaster strikes.

We provide a detailed handy check off list for pet owners on our website, and here in PawPrint.

The emergency response program is funded by donations to PHS/SPCA. If you are interested in making a donation you can do so online or over the phone by contacting Lisa Van Buskirk at 650-340-7022 x327. If you are interested in volunteering to be a part of the emergency response team, please contact Brian Probst at 650-340-7022 x328.
Are you and your pets ready? How many of our six disaster prep boxes can you check as “completed?”

- Ensure that your pets have up-to-date tags and microchips and keep two current photos of your pet on hand.
- Establish two friends (one local, one out-of-the-area) who can help care for your pet in the event of a disaster.
- Repair or replace loose fence boards or gates.
- Get your pets familiar with their crate or carrier.
- Have a Disaster Prep Kit.
- Keep a short list of pet-friendly hotels.

**Pet Supply List**
- one-week supply of pet food
- water
- bowls for food and water
- plastic bags for waste
- disinfectants
- comb/brush
- leash
- can opener
- any/all regular medications
- blanket/bedding and towel
- pet’s favorite treats (to entice when scared/stressed)
- newspapers/paper towels
- litter (for cats)

**Pet First Aid Kit**
- first-aid book
- tweezers
- gauze bandages and pads
- scissors
- adhesive tape
- hydrogen peroxide
- cotton swabs
- antibiotic ointment

**REMEMBER**
- Unvaccinated pets are at risk for contracting diseases when housed with other animals.
- Keep handy address/phone numbers of Emergency Clinics and pet-friendly hotels.
- Visit PHS/SPCA’s intake shelter in San Mateo or your local shelter as soon as you and your pet are separated.
- When cats are caught up in disasters (i.e. an earthquake) they tend to hide, while dogs see an open door or broken fence and flee.

For more information please visit www.PHS-SPCA.org
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KITTEN NURSERY BREAKS LIFE-SAVING RECORD
455 MOTHERLESS KITTENS SAVED IN 2019

Our Kitten Nursery provides a lifeline for abandoned and under-aged kittens. In 2019, we broke our previous record and saved the lives of 455 motherless kittens! Our prior record had been 369, so that’s quite an increase. These vulnerable baby felines are unable to care for themselves and are dependent on devoted humans to survive. The Kitten Nursery is staffed by one full time staff member and more than 170 volunteers working in three shifts per day to care for the tiny kittens. Our dedicated volunteers do everything from feeding, grooming and socializing the little ones, to teaching them everything their mothers would have. Once they pass all their health tests and reach at least two months of age and weigh two pounds, we spay or neuter each kitten and place them up for adoption. The work performed through our Kitten Nursery is part of the overall life-saving work of the Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA. Our Kitten Nursery is now in its eleventh year of operation and has saved the lives of more than 2,000 tiny kittens. That’s a lot of happy meows!
EMILY is doing very well and loving her new life!

MASHA is a much loved member of the family!

YAO YAO’s new family says: “Yao Yao is a very sweet cat. We love this little guy!”

OLIVER & LUNA’s family says: “We sure are enjoying these sweethearts! Super smart & lovable pups!”

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IVY’s new family says: “He will eat out of people’s hands, wears his pigeon pants well, loves his cuddles, and gives kisses. He gets along pretty well with the dog and cat and holds his own if they bug him!”

CINNAMON SUNSHINE (on the left) settled into her new home quickly and is getting along well with her new doggy sibling.

ALBERT is basking in the love with his family!

BENEDICT THUMPERBATCH’s new family says: “He’s adjusting to his new home and we are falling more in love by the day! Thank you guys for all you do!!”

NERMAL is doing great and is a huge joy to his family!

JERRY & MOSI’s new family says: “They’re growing fast and doing well. Kids love playing with them and they are very much a part of our family.”

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Save the Date for our 5th annual Petparazzi Pet Photo Contest!
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### Events

#### FEBRUARY

**03 MR. MOO’S STORYTIME**  
11:00 a.m., Center for Compassion  
650-340-7022 ext. 369 for more info

**05 LOW-COST VACCINATION CLINIC**  
6-8 p.m., Coyote Point Shelter

**07 PICK OF THE LITTER FIRST FRIDAY SALE**  
50% off, 1127 Chula Vista, Burlingame

**07 VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION**  
9-11 a.m., Center for Compassion  
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**13 PET LOSS SUPPORT GROUP (DROP IN)**  
7-8:30 p.m., Center for Compassion,  
650-340-7022 ext. 328 with questions

**14 PICK OF THE LITTER DONATION DAY**  
9-11 a.m., Coyote Point Shelter Parking Lot  
Drop off gently-used items for resale

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### MARCH

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**22 SECONDHAND CHIC**  
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April 16-24

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