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Tori Simpson – Health & Wellness Contributor Tori recently retired from a 20+ year career in software development Project Management. She now calls Prescott Valley home, which she shares with her rescue Chihuahua/terrier mix Sassy, two desert tortoises, and all of the wild birds, bunnies, and squirrels she loves to feed. She has always been a rescue animal owner and has volunteered at the Wild at Heart Raptor rescue organization and donated to the Phoenix Herpetological Society, and Arizona Humane Society. Tori is enjoying Prescott Valley's weather, mountain biking, kayaking, and golfing.



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Hazel Howls

I'm just not myself today. Paddling around the house this morning, I'm finding myself enveloped in a restless funk.

I tried Mom's office for a while. The window in her office is my front yard/main road big screen action channel. Frank the roadrunner crossing the yard, stops to click at me, but I don't feel like answering back today. My muzzle barely over the love seat's edge, I know he can't see me. "Leave me a voicemail, Frank."

The quail are preening and charging around like tough guys. Love must be in the air. Charlie the 'spastic' mourning dove zips sideways across the window, wildly flapping. My eyes barely follow his current missed approach. Even the single small feather that explodes past me doesn't get a rise.

"Gosh, WHAT is wrong with me today?" I half slide, half jump from the love seat. "Guess I'll go see what Tucker and Sora are doing."

In the bedroom, Tucker is on his usual bed corner, and Sora, longer and leaner now, is stretched across the bench. I barely get a look from either of them. They both know it's too early for a lunch alert.

Tucker is engrossed, again, in yet another tale about his Great Uncle Tuxedo Bond, Double Oh, Kay, Nine. (Tucker makes a point of saying this every time his uncle's name is mentioned.) Sora is drinking in every detail of today's yarn. Something about cold children lost in an Icelandic cave, and the evil Kat King who wants to "TAKE OVER THE WHOLE WORLD!"

"And don't forget, Tucker, the evil Kat King wants all dogs shaved cleaned and moved to Baltimore in the dead of winter!"

Tucker shoots me The Look. Sora just yawns her disapproval at my interruption. I faintly hear Sora ask, "What's a Baltimore?" as I head into the kitchen to do my search for dropped scraps of twolegged food. I wonder if the evil Kat King can invent a machine to increase the gravity in the kitchen.

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I know Mom and Dad were both in here rummaging, but there's not a single crumb anywhere. For some reason, this increases my doldrums. It's beginning to feel like a tangible weight.

Well, let's give the back glass door a try. Wide screen, HDTV nature channel. The sun will be around the big pine tree soon. Maybe some sun time will cheer me up.

I hear Dad working his way into the kitchen, but by the pace of his arrival I know it's not a food moment. He must be working on something. A metallic scratching noise above my head makes Dad stop and look up at the ceiling.

"It's Frank," he says. "Good, I need to talk to him."

I get back up on all fours reluctantly to let Dad by me. He rolls the glass door open slowly. Frank, above the door, is pacing back and forth on the metal gutter edge.

"Remember our talk last spring, Frank?"

Frank pretends to ignore Dad and tenses his body like he's about to swoop off any second. Dad, undeterred, continues.

"Remember, Frank: leave the lizards alone back here, and no wild kingdom events involving small birds in front of the wife."

Frank lowers his head over the gutter to look directly at me and "clicks" at me.

"Yes, of course," Dad answers, "The dogs will not chase you. Snakes are your call, Frank."

I get "clicked" at again for good measure.

Frank runs, and with short flaps sets a glide path to the neighbor's fence. Dad rolls the door shut and turns to go. Doesn't pat me, talk to me, nothing. What's a philosopher girl gotta do to get a break around here? I should have had Dad read psychology books to me on the road. Then I'd know how to snap out of this gloomy mood.

"OK, Hazel, think of some good things. C'mon girl."

I decide to count my blessings out loud, as we tend to believe ourselves before anyone else.

"Let's see, we're all healthy, food is good, treats occasionally, peaceful nights, breakfast is early most mornings, Mom and Dad are good to us. Woofstock is coming soon...lots of dogs get a homewardbound ticket there."

I started to chuckle on the last one. I remember Mom and Dad getting ready for their first Woofstock after Mom got the magazine. They were like headless chickens on some days. I thought they might have hydrophobia, but they never started foaming around the mouth.

Well, that little laugh made me feel a bit better. No action at the backyard. Think I'll do rounds.

Mom's in her office, multi-tasking at her computer screen and her carry-around screen. Tucker and Sora are sound asleep. Between you and me, Tucker's stories put me to sleep faster than a metal folding chair at a wrestling event.

Where's Dad? I continue down the hall to his office. He's sitting on the floor with a bunch of papers. I lay down across a third of them. For some reason that makes me feel a little bit better. It feels like I'm climbing out of my funk by degrees.

Instead of fumbling to get his papers, Dad turns around on the floor and lays his head lightly across what he calls my brisket. Usually he says something about being "thick in the brisket," but lately I've trimmed up a bit. Dad, well, not so much.

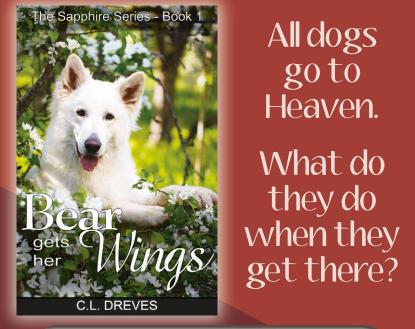


While I'm glowing a bit with the attention Dad is giving me, he starts telling me how much better I look, and that I am getting a quite a regal look about me. He goes on to tell me he is very thankful for my help and patience with Tucker and the puppies we've fostered.

Now that's just what the doctor ordered! I feel like I just stepped into the sunlight from a dark tunnel. Before I can bask any longer in my new-found contentment, Dad jumps up and announces, "LUNCHTIME, kids!"

Mad dash down the hall.

I think after lunch I'll tell Sora how beautiful and smart she is. Then I'll ask Tucker to tell me a story. Maybe I could tell him he's got a talent for story-telling. Let's see if contentment is contagious.



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It is best to keep your pets in an air-conditioned room or cool environment. If this is not possible, be sure your pet has access to shade at all times.

Access to water

Make sure your pet has two bowls of fresh, clean water in case one gets knocked over. You could also provide your dog with a small pool to play in.

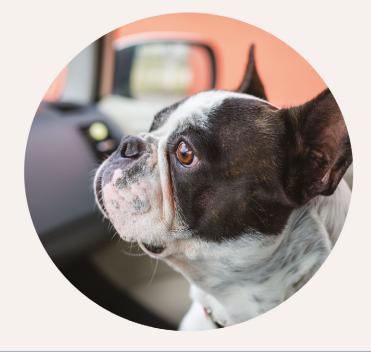
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-Excessive salivating or vomiting -Collapsing or stumbling -Lying flat on cool surfaces -Seizures



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MAY EVENTS

HERITAGE PARK ZOOLOGICAL SANCTUARY May 5, Community Appreciation Day May 12, Breakfast with the Animals: Clouded Leopard May 13, Mother's Day (Moms Get in Free) May 24 - 26, Yard Sale May 29, Zoo By Moonlight

BLUE MOON RESCUE HORSE SHOW

May 5, 10a-2p, registration 9a, Chino Valley Equestrian Park.Visit cvequestrianpark.com or call (928) 636-3242.

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMAN

CENTRAL ARIZONA CLINIC May 6, 9a-2p, Chino Valley Equestrian Park, 2208 Equestrian Way, Chino Valley. Visit cvequestrianpark.com or call (928) 636-3242.

MISS KITTY'S CAT HOUSE RUMMAGE

SALE May 10 & May 16, 10a-6p, Collecting Donations. Info 445-5411. May 18, Sale 8a-4p; May 19, Sale 8a-3p, Fortner Aerospace Bldg, 401 N. Pleasant St, Prescott. Info 445-5411.

CHINO VALLEY EQUESTRIAN PARK BIG Q BBQ COOK OFF

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WALK FOR THE ANIMALS

May 19, Mile High Middle School, Prescott

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BARRELS AND POLES SPRING BUCKLE SERIES #2

May 19, 12p-4p, registration 11a, Chino Valley Equestrian Park. Visit cvequestrianpark.com or call (928) 636-3242.

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June 2, Critter Campout June 9, Breakfast with the Animals: Mule Deer/Pronghorn June 28, Zoo by Moonlight June 4-8, 11-15, 18-22, 25-29 -- Summer Zoo Camp

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arena, 2705 S State Route 89, Chino Valley. Info (928) 848-8722 or sscminipony@gmail.com

WOOFSTOCK & ADOPT-A-THON

June 9, 10a-3p, Prescott Valley Civic Center Amphitheater, 7501 East Civic Center Circle, Prescott Valley. Info (928) 455-4811 or prescottdog.com

PHOENIX CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BARRELS AND POLES BUCKLE SERIES #3

June 16, 12p-4p, registration 11a, Chino Valley Equestrian Park. Visit cvequestrianpark.com or call (928) 636-3242.

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMAN

CENTRAL ARIZONA CLINIC June 23, 9a-2p, Chino Valley Equestrian Park, 2208 Equestrian Way, Chino Valley. Visit cvequestrianpark.com or call (928) 636-3242. THE CATZ MEOW



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Come join the fun! Register today at www.yavapaihumane.org

Prescott Valley-Goin' to the Dogs-WOOFstock 2018!

Story by Briana Lonas



What began as a spontaneous celebration of all things dog, more than a decade ago, has grown and spread throughout North America into perhaps the largest outdoor canine festival in North America – WOOFstock. Today there are dozens of WOOFstock's throughout the country. Prescott Valley's WOOFstock is among the oldest. The name alone conjures up images of the ultimate gala for canines complete with contests, fashion shows, and educational demonstrations. Most of all it's a day in the park among your best friends.



This year, the Prescott Dog Magazine and the Town of Prescott Valley hosts the seventh annual WOOFstock and Adopt-a-Thon at the Civic Center on Saturday, June 9 from 10am to 3pm, 7501 E. Civic Admission is free

Circle Prescott Valley. Admission is free, and dozens of vendors will be on hand with a little bit of everything from grooming products to specialty treats.

The day's events will begin at 9:45am with an invocation and the blessing of the pets by Rt. Reverend Gary Ward. The Parade of Adoptable Dogs, starting at 10am at the Civic Center Amphitheatre outdoor stage. Come watch as all available dogs will get their chance to make an impression on you during their minute of stage fame!

Lew Rees, former Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce CEO, will emcee the event in



honour of Prescott Dog Magazine's 10th anniversary. Lew was the May/June 2009 cover of Prescott Dog Magazine. Visitors are in for a special treat as Rees has been the voice and personality behind hundreds of special events in the

quad-cities area – and of course, he loves dogs!

New attractions for 2018:

Selfies in the Park - Here's your chance to

help your dog take a selfie and win a professional portrait sitting for you and your pet with Portrait Park by J, a \$300 value, courtesy of My Health Etc. Here's how to enter – While at WOOFstock help your dog snap a selfie or two...

especially if you adopt a new family member at WOOFstock. Be sure to set your cell phone or camera on high resolution before catching that special shot.

Please submit photos to info@prescottdog.com

Please include your name and phone number in your email. All submissions will be judged, and many will be selected to appear in our July/August edition of Prescott Dog Magazine. Your submissions are an agreement to enter the contest and a release for publication by Prescott Dog Magazine. All submissions need to be received by 11:59pm on June 10, 2018 to be considered. Pictures must be taken at WOOFstock to qualify. No videos please.

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RESCUE ME!!! –

Be sure to check out the newest contests that highlight area rescue dogs – all contestants will be available for adoption. These contests were developed in response to last

year's Best-Looking Dog competition. 'Rebel the Rescue' was entered by his foster mom into the competition. He was ultimately deemed to be The Best-Looking Dog. A family of spectators followed him back to the rescue and adopted him on the spot! Be sure to watch these new contests because your future canine companion just might end up on stage!

- Rescue Me Best Trick or Talent. Judging begins at 10:30am
- Rescue Me Best Looking Dog. This contest starts at 1:00pm

Each winner will receive a rosette ribbon.

Happy 40th Anniversary Prescott Valley – to commemorate the Ruby



anniversary of the town, two events are planned. Check the grounds during WOOFstock for town officials dressed as characters from the movie.

- 11:30am Toto Look-Alike contest, sponsored by the Town of Prescott Valley. Remember the Wizard of Oz? What kind of dog was Toto?
- 12:00pm All participants and visitors of WOOFstock may move to the adoption area for **a group picture**, captured by drone, so give a big wave and be part of the Historic Group Photo. Who knows, it may wind up hanging in town hall.





Dr. Gordon Vergason, DVM Owner



Roamed to Homed Food Truck Caravan – this addition to WOOFstock had a very successful debut at DOGtoberfest 2017. Come hungry! Some of the best food trucks in the county will be there serving up local favorites. Best of all, 10% of all proceeds will be donated to the N.O.A.H. Foundation in Prescott. Their mission is to support area rescues.



Demonstrations – add training and see what a canine can do at these exciting demonstrations.

- 10:30am Farbenholt Dog Training – Schutzhund Style Protection demo is sure to thrill all ages
- 12:15PM Open Obedience class

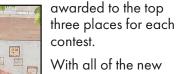
 Any dog can do it! All canines may participate. Debbie Lipley of Pawsatively Awesome Dog Training leads these sessions.
- 1:30pm Obedience and How to Get There? Demonstration by Farbenholt Dog Training



Calling all Dogs!!! It's your time to show off your dog's talent, trick or beauty.

- 11:00am The Pet/Owner Look-a-like contest
- 1:30pm The Best Psychedelic Costume contest
- 2:00pm The Best Trick or Talent
- 2:30pm The Best Looking Dog contest

Register your dog at the contest tent by the stage, \$10 per entry; trophies and prizes



With all of the new attractions, some folks may not know that WOOFstock is more than the ultimate celebration of 'All Things Dog', a good time for all dog lovers – it also has a purpose:

To elevate the plight of area homeless dogs. This event was designed to help area rescue dogs find their forever homes. More than 25 rescue organizations from around the state will be at this year's venue with adoptable dogs. Some of these animals understand that the shelter is their last stop. Lucky for them, an event such as this could lead to a forever home.



Adopt a rescue and save two lives! The Humane Society of the United States estimates that 4 million pets lose their lives in shelters, as more people surrender their pets than adopt. By adopting a shelter dog, more space becomes available for another animal in need of a loving home.

This is their day in the park! Feel free to bring your socialized dogs to WOOFstock, but please keep them on a 4-foot leash and be aware that animals unaccustomed to loud



noises and other dogs may be overwhelmed by the environment. Poo Poo (or doggie doo, if you prefer) bags will be available at the event, or you can bring your own from home. Please pick up after your pets and help keep the beautiful Civic Center grounds enjoyable for everyone.



Interested in lending a hand at the event, such as set-up, helping with the contests, tear-down and other jobs? WOOFstock needs volunteers! Interested persons may call Prescott Dog at (928) 445-4811 to sign up for available shifts or to receive more information about the vendor booths, contests, or any event-related questions.

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Tales From the Besotted: Adoptions Really Do Change Lives

Story by Briana Lonas. Photos by Briana Lonas and courtesy Town of Prescott Valley.

The Town of Prescott Valley has always enjoyed a strong partnership with the Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce – a symbiotic relationship in support of citizens and local businesses. Interestingly enough, the two entities have something else in commonanimal loving staff, many of whom support rescue adoptions.

Recently, Chamber President and CEO Marnie Uhl adopted a male Terrior/Maltese mix from the Yavapai Humane Society.

"Actually, he rescued me," Uhl said, and admitted she wasn't sure she wanted a dog. "It was really hard for me. I'm used to coming and going without anything depending on me. But it was time."

Uhl said she wanted a small dog, and when she learned that the shelter had some little ones coming in from Maricopa County, she was surprised at the excitement she felt. "I saw a picture of him, and then I threw my staff in the car." They drove to the shelter, and Uhl walked with her furry prospect and played with him in the yard.

"I looked at him, and I said, 'Okay, I'll take you.'"

Like many adopters, Uhl found herself slipping under the spell of the tiny, fourlegged youngster who was as eager as his new human to get home. Uhl described her new life with Bailey.

"It's a relationship. Somebody loves you, you love them. I've become very active. We walk every day. Now I know people in the neighborhood, and I stop and talk to them. It's brought a whole sense of neighborhood to me because I take

(Bailey) out. The exercise aspect of it is 'wow'. My life is so full."

The Chamber's Membership Services Manager Brady Cabral recently adopted a handsome, high-energy English Setter puppy.

"Bubba was kind of the dork of the litter," he laughed.

Cabral lives with and cares for his 90-yearold grandfather and said it's nice to have a dog at home now. Before he adopted Bubba, sometimes the drive home would be a little scary, since he'd not been home all day to check on his grandfather.

"It's an added comfort. Bubba seems to understand that he's a companion animal as he's always gentle around Papa."

Operations and Events Manager Gloria Grose and her husband Bill, who is also the Chamber's office manager, have several dogs they've adopted from shelters; recently they rescued an Australian Shepherd that had been wandering around Mortimer Farms.

"A family discovered her while walking around. They put out messages and nobody claimed her," Gross explained.

After posting the little female on an adoption website and going through the steps to seek an owner, Gross officially welcomed Lily to her household.

"The first night, she was a little timid of the other two dogs, but the next morning it was like she had never lived anywhere else."

Besides Lily, Gross and her husband enjoy Stevie, a retired show dog and Dolly, a shelter rescue.

"When you come home, they only want love. All three sit in my lap at the same time. Lily cares for the other two; she mothers them and cleans their faces and ears," Gross said.

Don't be surprised to see the dogs when you stop in at the chamber office. One could say that the Town of Prescott Valley has gone to the dogs as well.

The town's Economic Development Coordinator Ben Hooper adopted Lobo at last year's Woofstock event.

"It was just one of those things," he said. He and his wife stopped at Woofstock to take in the sights and didn't realize there were dogs up for adoption.

"We walked around a few times. One of the dogs caught our eye. We went home to talk about it." That afternoon, they went back with their dog Tuck, a Treeing Tennessee Brindle mix, rescued from a kill shelter in their home state. Tuck and the sweet Cairn Terrier got along from the start.

"She's a ball of happy. She loves him and loves us. For us, our two rescues are a part of our family, a bright point in our lives. Adopting a rescue is one of the most positive things we've done to enrich our family."

Prescott Valley Police Chief Bryan Jarrell can't say enough about his rescue dog Harley-a hound/Rottweiler mix.

Harley had been in seven homes in eight months before finding his forever home with the Jarrells. An animal control officer noticed he had been abandoned in an apartment complex. Jarrell found out about the young dog and soon found himself adopting him



through the Yavapai Humane Society.

"Don't buy a dog from a breeder; so many animals need a home."

Jarrell said his wife runs marathons and often, Harley goes running with her. "Harley is a great companion. We fight over who gets to sit next to him, it's funny."

Town Prosecutor Robert Todd and his family adopted Sammy, a Labrador mix, from Circle L Ranch.

Their home is filled with rescue cats and dogs, and Sammy has fit in as a wonderful addition to the mix. "The only down side, which is not bad, is trying to make sure you give them enough time and attention.

"Rescue dogs are special because they all need homes. They have a lot of love to give." Todd said his pets have made his family's life happier and more complete."



Left to right: Lobo and Tuck stole the hearts of Prescott Valley's Ben Hooper and his wife.



Town Prosecutor Robert Todd recently adopted Sammy, a lovable rescue that has forever changed their household for the better.

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Yavapai Humane Society

Yavapai Humane Society (YHS) is now offering free feral fixes on the third Thursday of every month at their YHS Spay/Neuter and Wellness

Clinic

Feral cats live and thrive outdoors and are typically wary of humans. Consequently, their needs cannot be met with an adoption approach. In an effort to manage the feral cat population and improve the lives of feral cats, YHS has implemented a Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. With TNR, cats are spayed or neutered and eartipped (the universal symbol of neutered cats), and then returned to their outdoor home.

"History has shown that the antiquated approach of



Something as simple as a stock trailer can make a big difference in human and animal rescue efforts and Little Dealer, Little Prices of Prescott Valley recently donated a used one to the Mayer Fire Department.

The trailer can be used for swift water and back country rescues as well as horse and large animal evacuations, explained MFD Fire Chief Michael McGee.

"The trailer will serve multiple purposes, including the hauling extermination as a means to controlling the feral cat population is ineffective. Feral cats try harder to reproduce when members of their colonies go missing. However, something must be done. One unspayed female and one unneutered male can produce a population of more than 11 million cats over the span of just nine years."*

TNR is clearly the best answer for managing the feral cat population, and we are

honored to have held this free spay/ neuter day for feral cats as a public service and educational opportunity," explains Yavapai Humane Society's Spay/Neuter

Clinic Lead Veterinary Technician and Supervisor, Beth Benninghoff.

TNR helps stabilize the feral cat population, improves the lives of feral cats, and improves their relations with the neighborhood because annoying behaviors associated with mating stop, such as howling and spraying. Trap-Neuter-Return is the humane, effective approach for feral cats. Feral cats are also responsible for reducing our community's rodent population.

To schedule a free feral fix at YHS Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic, located at 2989 Centerpointe East in Prescott, call 928-771-0547. For more information

on Trap-Neuter-Return or Yavapai Humane Society visit www. yavapaihumane.org.

*Figure based on two litters a year at a survival rate of 2.8 kittens per litter.



Yavapai Humane Society's Spay/Neuter & Wellness Clinic's team works hard to provide the best of care for the 47 feral cats that were given spay/neuter surgeries in recognition of National Feral Cat Day. From left to right: Stephanie Ekdahl, Dr. Katrina Vanesian, Kitty Clark, and Katie Hawkins.

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flooding damage and people,

as well as their animals, can

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of our ropes and equipment for rescues. This trailer will carry our gear. We have the potential for flooding in this area and so we have a way to haul equipment to a scene."

The department received the trailer the first week in March, and it's currently in the process of identification striping and outfitting based on the department's needs, McGee said. "We can use it for anything."

Flash floods are a common event in Arizona, and a recent example that touched close to home is last year's Goodwin Fire, which closed parts of Highway 69 and threatened the communities of Mayer and Poland Junction. Mandatory evacuations forced people and their pets to leave their homes. As if the fire danger weren't bad enough, many of those same residents again had to evacuate

because of excessive flood damage caused by the fire.

Floods can ravage a town or neighborhood because of the drastic changes caused by a wildland fire as it burns away vegetation, leaving behind a charred landscape that cannot absorb rainfall.

Above normal monsoon rains, combined with the fire-damaged



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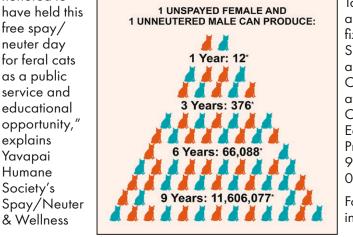
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UNITED ANIMAL FRIENDS

Kitty Palooza Kitty Adoptions

The second annual Kitty Palooza was once again a success for United Animal Friends (UAF).

We went to a high-kill shelter in Gallup, New Mexico, and rescued eleven cats for the event. Two of them were pregnant and gave birth just before transport and just after transport, so they get to stay in foster homes until their eight kittens are ready to be adopted.

We took a total of thirteen cats to Kitty Palooza and adopted seven of them out to wonderful homes.

Little Dealer Little Prices once again hosted the event and let us use the 5th wheel recreational vehicles for cat viewing, which was a wonderful way to support the event.

Sally Ann, one of the cats that we adopted out, went to a little girl who



The new location for No Longer Astray is up and running. Located in Chino Valley, they have room for more dogs in need of their love, their care, and their offer of security (for now) and a new Forever home in the future. The new facility is improving all the time, as volunteers and staff are constantly throwing their time and effort into shaping the new facility to fit the dreams of the founders, and what they need to make it all come true.

So far they have two new buildings that house 22 dogs, most plucked from death row in shelters. Still, it is heartbreaking for them to turn away any dog on a list to be euthanized because there is no more room. No Longer Astray hopes to have at least one more 12'x20' building that can comfortably house another 10 pups (cost \$3,200). They also need had just lost her dog. Once they were in the viewing trailer, the cat just curled up on her lap, snuggled with her, and rubbed against her.

The little girl had found the cat who would sleep with her and play with her. Or, is it that the cat actually chose a sweet 9-yearold who needed to move forward after losing her childhood dog and would now have a childhood cat named Sally Ann?"

We at UAF want to thank those that sponsored this event. This adoption event helped so many cats that needed forever homes, find those forever homes.



multiple fenced areas, so that dogs can be separated for playtime by age and size. Future additions will include a meet-and-greet area, plus an observation area. Patio covers over the play yards would also be wonderful, giving the pups some shade from the ferocious Arizona summer sun.

If there is anything you might be moved to share with them, the gratitude of so many will be yours. This includes caregivers, volunteers, the new adoptive families, and of course, the dogs given another chance at life.

No Longer Astray's Wish List

At the moment, our greatest donation needs are:

- Chain link fencing and
- poles. Concrete
- Wood for patio covers and
- decks. Doggie beds, toys, food, &
- Doggle beas, toys, tooa, & blankets.
 Thank you, and God Bless.

MISS KITTY'S Adoption Center

Black Cats are Really Special

Miss Kitty's Cat House had a great day at Kitty Palooza on March 10 and had all our cats ready for show time by 9:30 AM. Sure is a lot of work setting up and getting the cats used to being in a carrier, since they are free roaming at the Cat House. We had to get creative to coax cats into a carrier, and yes, our fingers smelled like dried tuna flakes!

All the work paid off, as within the hour we had 2 adoptions, including sweet black kitty Poe, an 8-month-old sweetheart. Love at first sight for these two adoptions. One of our orange kittens, Edgar, found his home quickly also.



New Leadership for NOAH

The NOAH thrift store has been a major supporter of local animal rescues in the Prescott and Prescott Valley area. NOAH, which stands for Neglected, Orphaned, Abused, and Helpless, focuses on helping animals that fall into these categories through funds raised by the thrift store.

NOAH has recently has recently announced a change in their leadership. Long-time volunteer and board member Kitty Shankwitz is now the President of the Board. She brings with her much experience in the world of nonprofit organizations. She was asked long ago by her husband, Frank Shankwitz, to act as his secretary with his non-profit organization. The third adoption was the icing on the cake, as a Little Dealer Little Prices employee, Dana, came by with another co-worker, looking for a playmate for his cat, Nemo. Long story short, he adopted Jax, a sweet active 1-year-old black cat. Within 48 hours, he sent us a picture of Jax lying near his other cat, Nemo. Now they are the best of friends and chasing each other around their home. How fun!

Miss Kitty's is looking forward to next year's event!



This foundation turned out to be the Make-A-Wish foundation, which Frank co-founded. Kitty still assists with Make-A-Wish, but she also brings all of her non-profit skills to assist NOAH in raising funds to assist local animal rescues and other animal-focused agencies such as the Heritage Park Zoo and the Animal Disaster Services.

NOAH's thrift store, located at 603 S Granite Street in Prescott, has proven to be a most unique way of bringing in needed funds for animals in distress. Kitty, a lifelong lover of animals big and small, first started out with NOAH in 2003, volunteering as a cashier. However, those she worked with recognized her administrative talents, and Kitty was asked to join the board of directors in 2015.

Animals have always been a major focus in Kitty's life, and she is delighted to be able to help animals in need through NOAH, which, no doubt, will continue to grow under her leadership.

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EXCITING new changes taking shape at Circle L Ranch!

Circle L Ranch Animal Rescue & Sanctuary began the process of restructuring and downsizing from three to two properties last November.

A daunting task, but with the hard work and dedication of staff and amazing volunteers, this mission was successfully completed. The result of that vision and the countless hours of work is a much more functional, integrated and visitor-friendly Ranch.

There are many big plans for the future. We are retooling our volunteer training program for working with the dogs to accommodate the changes that have taken place. We have two skilled certified dog trainers generously donating their time to enhance the lives of our residents. A community garden is in the beginning stages on the farm property. It will be wheelchair accessible as is the rest of the property, so all members of our community will be able to enjoy all aspects of our Ranch. We will also be planning a variety of events and handson educational classes.

Circle L Ranch Animal Rescue & Sanctuary is a magical place. It is a great privilege to care for these animals, and we look forward to becoming more involved with our community so people can experience for themselves the amazing work that takes place here every day! Keep informed on our website circlel.org.

Circle L Sanctuary's Wish List

- Ten 4" ranch gate wheels
- GIFT CARDS (Home Depot, Tractor Supply, Wal-Mart, Fuel)
- Litter boxes (5), rectangular, for Rabbits – Toys & Treats
- Rabbit houses (not hutches, small box-type enclosures to go inside hutches)
- Non-destructible toys for dogs.

UNITED ANMAL FRIENDS ON A RESCUE MISSION

True Love on Valentine's Day

For many people, showing love on Valentine's Day means cards and flowers, and maybe a box of candy. For United Animal Friends volunteers, love meant showing up this past Valentine's Day to take in eight neglected Maltese mixes who had been living confined in a bathroom, without food or water.

Love meant working together to shave and bathe the pups, some of whom were so matted their fur was a solid mass. Love meant taking them into our homes, where they could learn to trust.

When we took them in, we didn't know much about them. We didn't know if they had health or emotional issues. We didn't know how long it would take before they would be ready for adoption. We only knew that we were asked to help, and we knew what a noisy shelter environment would do to these frightened pups. And because we know what love can do, we took them into our homes and our hearts.

Although they may possibly be siblings, each one is different. Two were ready to be adopted right away. One took weeks to come out from hiding behind the furniture. Another was even afraid of her food, but now plays happily with every toy in her foster home.

Each is blossoming at their own pace under the patient care of their foster parents until they are ready for their forever family. And that's what love means to UAF, on Valentine's Day and every day.





Jazz is a 2-yearold filly. She hasn't had much handling or socialization. However, is very curious. She is a smart girl, and will make a great horse and open up more once she is more comfortable. Yavapai Humane, (928) 515-4947.



Thunder is a

3-year-old gelding. He will make someone a great horse as he has a ton of personality and wants to please. We have been working on ground work in preparation to continue with training. Yavapai Humane, (928) 515-4947.



Wounded Knee is

a 12-year-old gelding from Havasupai. He is very gentle and sweet. Even with a bad knee he still enjoys the occasional run up and down the pasture. Companion horse only. Wildhorse Ranch Rescue. (866) 926-8007

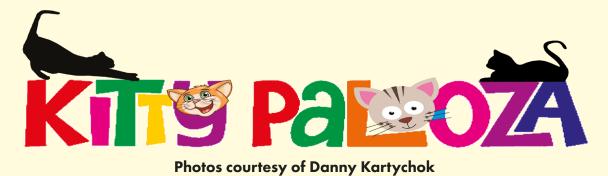
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PATSY: A

1-year-old shepherd mix. She's a very sweet girl who loves playtime

with her friends, going for walks, and cuddle time. No Longer Astray (928) 632-2334.

JAX: A 9-month-old rat terrier/ doxi mix. This little guy is adorable

FRECKLES

Freckles, a

1-year-old

pit bull mix.

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and so much fun. Happy disposition, loves playtime and his walks. No Longer Astray (928) 632-2334.

hyper girl who needs a family

who can keep up with me.

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Husky mix!

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an owner

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adorable, sweet, and playful, guaranteed to brighten your day. No Longer Astray (928) 632-2334.

TUCKER

A male 16-week-old Chihuahua/ terrier mix. He is



adorable, sweet, and playful, guaranteed to brighten your day. No Longer Astray (928) 632-2334.

SUPA FUZZ: l'm

Supa Fuzz, a 5-yearold Śhepard mix! l'm a



big guy, bound to the ground and to its people. I enjoy meeting new people and love to cuddle. Yavapai Humane Society (928) 445-2666.

CORKIE: A cuddler who loves laps to hang out on



is a 2-year-old mini aussie/ terrier mix. She loves people, dogs, and cats, too. United (928) 778-2924.

MACY is a tiny adorable Maltese fluff ball. Macy would



household without children and maybe a small friendly dog. She is between 8 and 10 years old. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

SAM: A

scruffy terrier full of FUN! We are not sure what his breeds are,



but he looks to be made up of hiking buddy, affectionate goofball, and playful dude. **United Animal Friends** (928) 778-2924

ELSA: A

female 16-week-old Chihuahua/ terrier mix. He is



adorable, sweet, and playful, guaranteed to brighten your day. No Longer Astray (928) 632-2334.

LUNA: l'm

Luna, A sweetheart of a dog, though a bit shy at first.

But I will warm with time. Luna is a 3-year-old mixed breed dog. Yavapai Humane Society



(928) 445-2666.



mix! | am sweet-natured but timid. I'm looking for someone experienced with dogs like myself. I know

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Friends (928) 778-2924.

MONTI: A 2-yr-old



the great outdoors. He is a bit timid. He would do better in an adult-only home United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

and Catahoula

legs and long body. He is an



exuberant guy full of puppy-like shenanigans. Mac likes people, dogs, and cats! United Animal

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MAC: A 1-yr-old Dachshund

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Aussie mix who likes walks and

confidence. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

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TINKER: A tiny 5-yr-old Chihuahua mix who needed to have her eye

removed. She loves to cuddle and be near her human! She needs a guiet home/no rough play. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

GIGI: Very affectionate. playful, sociable and loves everyone she

meets. The Chihuahua puppy

gets along great with her foster dog siblings. Currently piddle pad trained. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

PRECIOUS:

Amy's sister, also born with a deformed leg. Great with

dogs, cats, and people. Petey's Playground (928) 713-1375

GETTY: A

7-year-old boxer mix who loves to be with people and

cuddle up. He was attacked

by another dog and lost one eye, so he'd rather be the only dog. Chino Valley Animal Shelter (928) 636-4223 x7

HOLLY: A

2-year-old **Blue Heeler** mix, l'm a bundle of energy,



and I'm smart. I'm good with adults and older kids and fellow dogs. Yavapai Humane Society (928) 445-2666

TROOPER: A sweet 2-yearold terrier mix who weighs 5 lb. He had a badly broken

leg that had to be removed. Trooper gets along with cats and dogs. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.



is very loving, playful, and friendly. Theo enjoys playing fetch and will bring his toy back for another throw. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

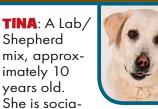
HUNTER: | am a blueeyed German Shorthair Pointer mix, around 3

years old. I am very smart. I would like a family that is very active. Chino Valley Animal Shelter 928-636-4223 x7

RUSTY: A 4-year-old

Australian Shepherd mix. He gets along great

with adults, but not so much with children. He is dog door and crate trained. Yavapai Humane Society (928) 445-2666



ble, walks well on a leash, knows basic commands and loves being petted. Yavapai Humane Society (928) 445-2666

TRUDY: A red 2-year-

old Australian Cattle Dog mix. She is independent

but craves attention. She likes friendly dogs and respects cats.

United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.



owners divorced. Good with dogs big and small. Great on a leash. Petey's Playground (928) 713-1375

JACK: He is a 4-year-old American Staffordshire Terrier mix. He is very

loving and has a lot of energy. Jack would be a great pet for an active family. Chino Valley Animal Shelter (928) 636-4223 x7

DINO: Playful, sociable, and loves everyone he meets. The Chihuahua



puppy enjoys playing with his toys and will even fetch. He loves to snuggle up in your lap for a nap. United Animal Friends (928) 778-2924.

AMY: Amy is a special girl. She and her sister Precious were each born



with deformed legs. Great with dogs, cats, and people. Petey's Playground (928) 713-1375

NORMAN: A Labrador retriever mix, I am around 5 years old. I like to go



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for walks. I get along with other dogs, and I am totally housebroken. Chino Valley Animal Shelter (928) 636-4223 x7





BABY: Brown tabby female,

7 years old. She is friendly, a cuddler, and



likes to hide under clothes. United Animal Friends Kitty City. Call Ruth. (928)-379-1088

KATARINA:

White female, 2 years old. She has one green eye, one blue



eye. Sociable, gentle and affectionate. Housemate to Oscarina. Two kitties together? United Animal Friends Suzy (928) 848-6191

COMET:

ats for Adoption

Short-haired brown tabby male with green eyes, 3 years old.

Best as only pet, likes all the attention for himself. United Animal Friends/Kachina Animal Hospital Allie (928) 772-8225



PINKY & SKITTLES: They are a bonded pair and need to be together. Both are short-haired, friendly, adventurous. United Animal Friends Kachina/Suzy (928) 848-1191



PTSD problem from eye injury

incident. Loves small dogs, not cats. United Animal Friends Suzy (928) 848-6191

DUKE: Seal Point Snowshoe male, 6 years old.



Hospital Allie (928) 772-8225







PENNY: A long-haired, charcoal gray & white tuxedo female. Very

affectionate, loves to be petted and sit on your lap. United Animal Friends Kitty City/Ruth (928) 379-1088

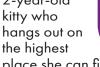
MOUSE: Female Snowshoe



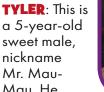
mix, 2 years old. Blue eyes,

affectionate, sweet, friendly, loves to play. United Animal Friends Kitty City Ruth (928) 379-1088

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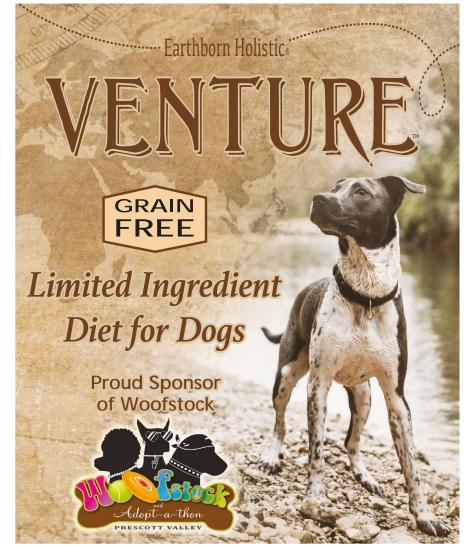


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Spotlight on the Nulo[™] Brand Foods for Pet Health, Fitness, and Nutrition

By Tori Simpson



As you wander the aisles of any pet food store, you must often consider, "which food is the most beneficial and healthiest for my dog or cat?" Do you get grain-free, low glycemic, higher protein, and then which protein? And most importantly, where is the protein sourced from? So many choices, and so many ingredient labels in tiny print to read!

From amongst the many food options available for dogs and cats, I'd like to introduce you to the Nulo[™] brand, and the many health benefits it can provide your pets.

The Nulo pet food product lines set out to be a different kind of pet food company with no short cuts and using only the finest natural ingredients. Along with some of the brightest minds in the pet food industry, they began creating unique recipes using fresh chicken, lamb and salmon and paired them with yummy things like apples, carrots, lentils, and sweet potato.

The founder of Nulo, Michael Landa, was recently voted "Best CEO" in 2017 by the Austin Business Journal, where Nulo's home office is located. From his career background spanning over many years in professional pet care and education, Landa had been observing a growing trend in overweight and unhealthy pets because of a lack of adequate exercise, which resulted in a subsequent increase in pet diabetes.

As it can easily happen with us, their human owners, our pets are suffering from the effects of a poor diet combined with a sedentary lifestyle.

"Being a former All-American swimmer and athlete, I know how valuable quality nutrition and a healthy lifestyle can be, not only for myself but my dog as well. I built Nulo to inspire people to think differently about pet food. Nulo, a portmanteau for 'nutrition' and 'love', approaches pet nutrition as fuel for your pet's inner athlete," Landa explains.

With Landa's education in pre-med and biomedical engineering, he had the knowledge to make Nulo food to be scientifically formulated as a premium choice for your pets.

I recently spoke with Heather Acuff, the Product Development Manager for Nulo, and she described the benefits of Nulo's ingredients. "As carnivores, our dogs and cats require diets rich in protein and amino acids that they can only get from real meat – something that plant-based protein alone doesn't provide.

"In the premium pet food space today, grainfree, protein-rich, and natural ingredients are all important, but these attributes don't give pet parents the whole picture.

"Simply replacing grains with highglycemic starch isolates (i.e. tapioca starch) or including high levels of plant protein concentrates (i.e. pea protein or white potato protein) take pets even further away from how they are designed to eat."

In fact, Nulo's ingredient formula is an industry-leading up to 85% of animal-based protein levels in their dry kibble foods. As an example, this means that of the 40% crude protein in a cat recipe, up to 85% of that is coming from animal (versus plant) sources.

It is those high glycemic starches that can cause diabetes in our pets.

"Carbs that are not burned off or are used to replenish glycogen stores simply turn to fat. And highly refined ingredients like white rice and tapioca starch can put a strain on a pet's blood sugar (in their) system. That's why Nulo (is formulated with) low levels of carbohydrates and only uses low-glycemic ingredients in every recipe – like whole chickpeas, lentils, and sweet potatoes.

"These alternatives carb sources provide lasting energy and help pets stay healthy and fit." Heather defined for us.

The addition of the "BC-30" (Bacillus coagulans) probiotic is also designed to aid in your pet's healthy digestion.

As Heather further analyzed, "Great nutrition isn't worth much if it's not digested thoroughly, which is why Nulo includes the patented GanedenBC30 probiotic. This special strain of Bacillus coagulans supports pets' immune systems, improves nutrient absorption, reduces gas and improves stool quality.

"This unique probiotic is used in over 100 human foods and beverages – which is a testament to its ability to withstand many different food manufacturing conditions. In particular, the GanedenBC30 probiotic has been shown to have superior viability through the cooking process of pet food."

Nulo has incorporated this probiotic in its kibble recipes, freeze-dried recipes, and jerky strips treats, so pets can get a healthy dose of probiotic benefit with every meal or snack.

Nulo's brand ambassadors may be familiar to many of you. Michael Phelps, the US Olympic mulitiple gold medalist in swimming (and a Scottsdale resident) is the newest celebrity to publically endorse, and personally invest in, the Nulo brand.

In all, a total of 22 world-class athletes and their own pets seek to inspire and educate pet owners to make more healthful choices in their pet's nutrition.

Nulo is often the only pet food company you can find sponsoring your local marathon, triathlon, or "doggy 5k" – meeting current and potential pet parents doing what they love with their pets in a fun and inspiring atmosphere.

Says Landa, "My altruistic goal has always been to help as many dogs and cats as I can by ensuring they have a healthy decision that ends up in their bowl. The challenge, however, is changing people's perception of pet nutrition altogether.

"We believe fitness and nutrition go hand and hand for both humans and pets. Once someone starts to care about fitness they begin to pay attention to nutrition too – for themselves, their family and their pets. By relating pet nutrition to their own active lifestyles, we want people to make the connection of food as fuel for their dogs and cats, who are the ultimate athletes."

Nulo's FreeStyle line of foods and treats has been available through the independent pet specialty channel since 2014 and continues to stay at the forefront of premium pet foods with its innovative approach nutrition for our dogs and cats. Of note, Nulo is sourced and manufactured entirely in the USA, with their manufacturing facility located on the border of Kansas and Nebraska.

You can learn much more about Nulo's food offerings, and view their athlete and pet videos, on their website, www.nulo.com, and enjoy their "#healthiertogether" testimonials and cute pictures of pet parents and their dogs or cats having fun and achieving a healthier lifestyle together. potligh

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It's Realty to the Rescue for Local Puppy Foster Mom

Story by Briana Lonas. Photos courtesy of Wendi Roudybush.

Blame it on the intoxicating milk breath. Or maybe it's the wagging tails and nippy little mouths. Whatever the culprit, Wendi Roudybush is forever hooked on puppies, and this Prescott realtor wouldn't trade her foster mom status for anything.

"Puppies do me in," she admitted.

Roudybush and her husband have fostered 230 newborn pups, raising them until they are old enough to be adopted out by a shelter or rescue group.

The journey towards becoming a puppy foster family started when Roudybush adopted a Golden Retriever years ago. "We neglected to spay her, and she had puppies. It was frankly the most fun I'd ever had." She had the mother spayed afterwards, but the puppy bug bit hard and Roudybush realized she was, as she puts it, onto a very cool thing.

Out of the many pups she and her husband have raised, only two didn't survive. One died from its mother stepping on it, and the other failed to thrive.

"Puppies cannot survive in the shelter," Roudybush explained. "They need too much, there are too many diseases, and their little immune systems cannot handle it. So, if there aren't any fosters, sometimes they are put down."

Aside from the nearly constant bottle feedings, a foster parent must act like a canine mom and rub the little puppy bellies with a warm, wet cloth to stimulate nature's calling. The nursing room should be kept very warm and of course, patience is a must. "It's a lot of work and can be an intense experience, not unlike having a newborn child.

"There is a lot of sitting in the yard, playing with them and holding them. I'll scoop up a puppy and type at the computer or stir dinner. I don't watch a lot of TV, but I'll sit and hold the puppies at night," she said.

A typical day begins early and ends around 8pm. When the pups are old enough, they play outside in a safe, enclosed area while their bedding and boxes are cleaned. Aside from the foster chores, Roudybush puts in a full day at the office as an associate broker at Garden Brook Realty.

Her hectic schedule may seem a little crazy for some, but Roudybush loves every minute of it and gives ten percent of her commission to rescue organizations; she works with rescue groups from all over, including the Phoenix area.

A visit to her home reveals that animals are not only welcome here but rule the household. Handcrafted boxes, large enough to hold the weaned puppies, line the garage wall. Roudybush's husband designed them so they're safe and easy to clean.

Three family dogs sprawl on the living room floor; they've grown accustomed to the ebb



and flow of foster activity and the adolescent chaos it sometimes brings. Banjo, a Border collie mix, was abandoned in a shoe box and left on someone's deck. Sweetheart, a Great Pyrenees, was adopted from a shelter, and Dagwood, a yellow Labrador, didn't quite pass muster as a guide dog for the blind. These, like many adopted animals, appreciate their comfortable lives and are testament that rescue dogs really do make loving, lifelong companions.

Aside from her personal rescues, Roudybush recalled one occasion where she fostered a single pup from an Indian reservation. A stray dog gave birth to a litter in a ditch after being struck by a car. Only one pup survived, and the mother died.

She and her husband also raised two different litters at the same time. One litter was very sick, so the couple devoted two bedrooms in their home for each, separating the infirm from the healthy.

"We would change our clothing before going into each room," she said.

Rescue groups and shelters all keep a list of fosters, Roudybush said. Anyone interesting in fostering can do a little homework and begin reaching out to a number of animal shelters. People can fill out an application and expect to receive a site visit as part of the process. No special training is necessary, and potential fosters are encouraged to attend an orientation and collect as much information as possible. "You learn by doing and talking to other fosters."

What would she tell folks considering becoming foster parents? "It's more fun, more work than you could possibly imagine. Yes, you will be sad when they go. But it's extremely rewarding to know you have raised healthy puppies and they've gone on to wonderful homes...there are thousands of dogs a day being killed in animal shelters; this is a way to keep them alive."

Wendi Roudybush is an associate broker at Garden Brook Realty and gives ten percent of her commission income to deserving animal welfare organizations. She has worked as a board member for a rural animal shelter and continues to promote spay and neuter programs.

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Looking to Foster a Puppy?

If you're thinking about becoming a foster parent to a puppy, there are several things to consider and according to many shelter organizations, including Petfinder.com, the following may be helpful:

- Are there any health concerns with the puppy or litter? Do I need to administer any medications?
- Make sure vaccinations are up to date or make arrangements with your veterinarian. Has your puppy been tested for heartworm?
- If you have other pets in the home, consider keeping the puppy/litter separated for a time to ensure there aren't any underlying issues such as kennel cough or upper respiratory infections
- Do I want to foster until the puppy is weaned or until a home or shelter can take the puppy?
- In case you become ill or are unable to foster the puppy, make arrangements for someone to step in and help
- Be prepared to pay for medical expenses per any arrangement with your local shelter or rescue group
- Could my foster puppies be deemed unadoptable and if so, what happens then?

Fostering animals saves lives and many shelters rely on foster homes to keep pets until they have room with some relying entirely on long-term foster care.

According to petsafe.net, it's not uncommon to feel that you don't have time or that you might get too attached to an animal that you will give up anyway.

Just remember, fostering increases a dog's chance of getting adopted into a forever home.

Foster families are usually the first to find out about the pet's personality. You may even be the first to teach your foster pet basic house manners, making them more appealing to potential adopters.

Fostering is a great way to "test drive" a particular breed or type of dog, especially if you're not sure your family is ready for the responsibility that comes with pet ownership.

You probably already have the space for one more. A spare bedroom, office, or screen porch is the perfect place for a foster pet. Even a bathroom is enough room for a puppy, and it's a lot better than a cage.

Fostering keeps animals out of shelters. As good as animal shelters are, they can be stressful from the lack of quiet, training, and exercise. Animals in foster care tend to be less stressed, better socialized, and have a lower chance of getting sick than animals in shelters.

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Whiskers Barkery Blends Rescue with Charity

Story and photos by Briana Lonas.

If you've driven through downtown Prescott, you may have noticed a quaint little business with the clever name: Whiskers Barkery. The name lends itself to what you might expect from a pet supply store but this charming venue offers much more than meets the eye.

Once inside, the products on the shelves burst with everything from tempting treats and healthy food to collars, clothing, and toys perfect from puppyhood into the golden years. The store slogan reads: The ultimate toy and treat store for dogs and cats.

This canine-friendly business (leashes, please) also offers full service grooming and a self-washing area for dogs, fully stocked with two professional-grade, ramped wash tubs.

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"We've been able to grow," beamed owner Donna Holic, while she took some time to explain that the store has expanded over the years and now features the Whiskers Barkery Activity Center adjacent to the store space that allows for pet adoptions, dog training classes, and professional photography sessions. The dog adoptions take place on most Saturdays, and the animals come from local, non-profit rescue groups.

If that weren't enough, patrons can sign up for yoga classes with their dogs, educational seminar, and doggie day care.

Holick has owned Whiskers Barkery for nine years and this year marks her 40th in the pet industry. She started working at age 16 in a pet store, and at age 21, her parents helped her invest in her own business.

"When we opened, we tried to be a little bit different. Fun. Lots of toys, treats and as we grew, fit in the items we thought would help the pets. We're a smaller version of a store. I would liken us to a Trader Joe's."

Her favorite products are the live probiotics that ship in Styrofoam boxes with ice for optimum freshness. The store also carries something relatively new in the industry: CBD oil, a product that benefits humans and animals alike, she explained. "We get the feedback, which is great."

Holick said her staff takes the time to determine what the customer needs, and to explain how each product may work for your pet without the pressure sales.

"We carry the food brands we like by manufacturers who make their own products versus marketing companies who make food. The best dog food is the one that works best for your pet, whether its raw, dry, fresh...we try to walk people through it and not try to push any one thing."

Holick remains committed to animal rescue and helping causes that touch her heart. A percentage of sales are donated to local animal charities. "We try to be a community-oriented store, work with a lot of the different rescue groups including the (Yavapai) Humane Society. We try to give back to the community as best we can."

Holick is also involved in year-long fundraising efforts for the Eric Marsh Foundation. Marsh was the superintendent of the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot crew who died, along with 18 crew members, while fighting the Yarnell Hill fire on June 30, 2013. The Foundation raises money for family members of firefighters killed in the line of duty. At Whiskers Barkery, patrons may purchase a number 19 dog paw sticker to help support the Foundation.

The store hosts charity dog washes in the spring and proceeds benefit the United Animal Friends organization. In addition, the store supports the Yavapai Humane Society Walk for the Animals and the Dogtoberfest event each year.

Whiskers Barkery is located in downtown Prescott at 225 W. Gurley Street. Hours of operation are Monday through Saturday 9am to 6pm and Sunday 10am to 5pm. For more information, call 928-776-8700 or visit www.whiskersbarkery.com. To view special events and fundraisers visit Whiskers Barkery on Facebook.



M'Lynn Gilliam and Justin Devine visit Whiskers Barkery with their dogs Tsuga, a husky/malamute mix and Munchkin, a Chihuahua. Munchkin really wants a treat from the bakery counter.

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Whiskers Barkery owner Donna Holick stands outside the store, which sells tasty treats, toys, food, grooming products, health supplements, clothing and so much more.



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Canine Etiquette 101: Four Ways You and Your Dog Drive People Crazy

Story and photos by Heidi Dahms Foster

A recent random poll taken among professional dog trainers, dog sports enthusiasts, and dog owners who simply enjoy public spaces with their dogs, brought a spate of vehement "pet peeves" about the actions of other dog owners. While a few actions got a mention or two, others clearly touched a nerve. Paying attention to these doggie "no-no's" can not only make you more popular with other dog owners, it could save you, your dog, or someone else's dog from injury.

Here are four real, problem-causing owner behaviors.

Misuse of retractable leads.

A retractable lead may seem just the thing to enable your dog to have room to move and play while keeping him out of trouble. But many who have dealt with owners who use these leads are outspoken about the problems they cause, and it was the number one complaint in our etiquette poll.

You may think your dog is under control on a retractable lead, but quite the opposite is true. Dogs can approach other dogs and start a fight, they can get tangled up and take you down in the melee, or cause a serious "rope burn." Because you don't have clear control of your dog, another dog can injure it before you can reach it or retract the lead.

One prominent trainer who works with reactive dogs said, "I absolutely despise retractable leads unless they are being used strictly to potty a dog. Having worked with a lot of dogs with behavioral problems, there is nothing I dislike more than somebody letting their dog run up to my dog's face, who is either scared, aggressive, or dominant. When that person's dog comes in to your dog's face and your dog reacts, somehow it is always your dog's fault."

Another dog handler said, "I had an incident this past weekend. Someone who never uses a retractable lead went out to potty a dog. Their dog was under control, but another dog got away from its owner and came charging this dog. During the ruckus, the leash ended up getting wrapped around the owner's hand. All ended up OK, but the owner had a very sore hand."

She added that in her work in a pet clinic, "People allow their dogs to go meet and greet, and then say 'my dog is friendly.' What they don't know is whether the dog their dog is approaching is also friendly, or if it may have a communicable disease."

An obedience trainer said she doesn't like the retractable leads for behavior, training, and safety reasons. "The dogs are allowed to go up to other dogs, pick things up off the ground, and more. These leads require the dog to constantly have pressure on the leash (pulling), and they are just dangerous on so many levels. Clasps break and the leash flies back, skin is cut off by the leash, and amputations can happen."

"They can't bring their dogs back to them in a timely fashion or keep them from coming at you or your dog. If they drop the handle, it is basically a weapon as it trails the dog with speed," said another dog owner.

Retractable leads should be used with great oversight, care and respect for others and their dogs.

Not cleaning up after your dog.

This is classic disrespect both for other dog owners and for everyone else who uses public space. People with and without dogs can tell you many stories about owners who allow their dogs to potty in other peoples' yards and leave it there. Some let their dogs potty on public lawns where people would like to sit and picnic, or allow their kids to play. Dogs' access to public places depends on owners being responsible to pick up after them. Waste bags are often free in public places. Use them. And please, discard the bag in a proper waste container rather than leave it where you picked up the mess.

Allowing your dog to run loose or randomly approach other dogs. This is another top complaint of those polled. Many dogs are fearful, aggressive, or protective when enthusiastically approached by another dog in a park, on the trail, or in a closed space. You don't know the other dog you allow your dog to approach, and the result can be a fight, injury, or at the least, some bad feelings. Ask if your dog can approach another dog, and respect the owner's answer.

"I was walking my dog last week, three weeks after bilateral elbow surgery. I encountered a neighbor whose dog was off leash. When I picked up my dog to avoid the offleash dog, the dog owner assumed that my dog wasn't friendly with others, when in fact I was trying to keep my dog from being injured during her surgical rehab," said another owner. Another woman said her husband, a cyclist, has been surrounded and bitten by off-leash dogs on the trail.

Use care where you allow your dog off lead, and heed local leash laws.

Fake "service dogs." This is becoming such a problem that we probably can expect some legislation down the road. Many are the stories about dirty, badly-behaved "service dogs," sometimes in multiples, in stores, restaurants, banks, and even on public transportation. Business owners are reluctant to question a dog owner for fear of running afoul of laws allowing such animals, and some owners are blatantly disrespectful of others in bringing such dogs into places most dogs are not allowed. A real service dog is clean, does not potty in the store or restaurant (yes, it happens!), approach and threaten other people, or exhibit other bad behaviors.



It should be noted that neither Arizona law nor the ADA recognize therapy dogs or "emotional support animals." Under the ADA and Arizona law, owners of public accommodations are not required to allow emotional support animals, only service animals. The Arizona Center for Disability Law, however, states: "Providing only emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship is not "work" or "tasks" under the ADA and AzDA, but keep in mind that an animal that is trained to help individuals with psychiatric disabilities, that prevent or interrupt destructive or impulsive behaviors is performing a task and would fit the meaning of service animal."

It's easy to see how a business owner or manager of a public place would be reluctant to ask someone to remove a "service" animal, because there is no fail safe identification in most cases. Dog owners can easily buy official-looking vests and "certifications" online.

Bottom line, don't try to pass your dog off as a service animal when it is not, no matter how much you want to take it with you. Again, it's disrespectful to other people, stressful for your pet, and causes problems for people who depend on legitimate service dogs.

Pets are becoming ever more important to our families. With a little respect for others, we can enjoy them and keep them safe while appreciating their contributions to our lives and communities.



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Rails to Trails Preserves History on the Iron King Trail

Story and photos by Cheryl Hartz

The Iron King Trail opened the summer of 2004 as a project from the Town of Prescott Valley and the Rails to Trails Conservancy. The four-mile-long trail begins at the intersection of Glassford Hill Road and the Santa Fe Loop in Prescott Valley and connects with the Peavine Trail in Prescott. Trail users can park on the east side of the road and cross under Glassford via a box culvert to get to the trail. Or you can park next to the sidewalk along the west side along the Santa Fe Loop.

Because of the Granville expansion, the original trail has been re-routed to a sidewalk that parallels Santa Fe Loop for much of its first mile, before it hooks back up to the former railroad bed.

A grant from the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act provided most of the money to build the trail. The trails group acquired rights of way for the trail from three property owners. The railroad still owns some parcels.

Since 1986, Rails to Trails has supported 31,000 miles of rail-trails and multi-use trails, with more than 8,000 miles of potential trails waiting to be built, according to its website. The organization's goal is to create more walkable, bikeable communities in America.



All bridge decks are actual flatbed rail cars.

The trails are equestrian-friendly, too.

In this case, planners made good use of the railroad theme. Antique track maintainers and trailers that once carried food to railroad workers begin the theme in the parking lot, with a kiosk at trailhead. Railroad switches serve as mileposts and benches at rest stops are authentic crew carts.

Repurposed flatbed rail cars became the decks of the trail's bridges. The sturdy bridges can accommodate emergency vehicles, although the trail otherwise is not open to motorized vehicles.

The trails' top coat is a specially-blended "trail mix" now worn to a surface that's hiker-bikeand-animal-friendly.

As you traverse the Iron King, it's fun to imagine the first train that ran on the Prescott & Eastern Railroad from Prescott's Granite Dells through Lonesome Valley (Prescott Valley) to Mayer in 1898. The last run was in 1973.

Remnants of railroad ties, spikes and other paraphernalia dot the sides of the trail. Please leave these bits of history for others to enjoy.



Sparse desert transitions to giant rock formations and trees.

The scenery transitions from sparse desert vegetation against a backdrop of the imposing and extinct volcano called Glassford Hill, into the Prescott Dells' towering rock formations, where deciduous and pine trees provide welcome shade as the trail winds through "The Narrows." The view when you turn around and head back to Prescott Valley includes Mingus Mountain and even the often snow-covered San Francisco Peaks of Flagstaff.

Wildlife frequently spotted includes pronghorns, coyotes, mountain lions, bobcats, jackrabbits, rattlesnakes and javelina, so keep your dogs leashed for their own safety.

Despite new home construction now flanking the first part of it, the trail is used widely by walkers, runners and bicyclists, with the occasional equestrian. You'll still get to places that feel wild.

Dog waste bags and pots are provided early on, and trash barrels are next to rest stops. Portable outhouses are at the beginning of the trail. Bring plenty of water and be sure to use sunscreen, because shade is at a premium the first couple of miles.

Happy Historical Hiking!



Wildlife cools off and drinks at this waterhole.



101 Dog Tricks Will Open a Whole New World of Fun for You and Your Best Friend

By Heidi Dahms Foster

It's no surprise that spending quality time with your dog will strengthen your relationship. The activity doesn't really matter – if you and your dog are more sports minded, the options are many – agility, flyball, obedience, hiking, and running are just a few. If your time, space, and physical agility are a bit limited, or if you just want something fun to do with your dog at any time, trick training might be just what you are looking for!

One of the best books to get you started is 101 Dog Tricks by Kyra Sundance, the renowned trainer and founder of Do More With Your Dog, a trick training and titling program that has become so popular that the American Kennel Club recognizes its outline for the AKC's new Trick Dog certifications.

101 Dog Tricks is a well laid out, step-by-step guide to teaching your dog a repertoire of tricks that will not only give you many enjoyable times together, but also amaze your friends and family. Most dogs seem to bask in the applause and compliments they get after performing their new tricks.

Kyra Sundance characterizes each trick as "easy," "intermediate," "advanced," or "expert." Each is accompanied by a short, clear explanation, and a series of photos that outlines step-by-step how to teach it. Very helpful is the included "troubleshooting" element that will assist if you and your dog get stumped.

Kyra uses positive training methods that emphasize reward, relationship, working with your dog, and communication. So with some patience and a sense of humor, you and your dog can shine.

You don't have to do a lot of reading to get started with 101 Tricks. You can thumb through and pick any trick to start, although an "easy" one might be best to begin. In just a few minutes a day, you and your best friend can have the joy and sense of pride in working and learning together. You can find 101 Dog tricks online at Amazon.com, either in Kindle or paperback. The Kindle copy on Amazon is \$2.99 and the paperback is \$16.25. I recommend the paperback copy so you can have it nearby as you work with your dog when you have a few minutes available.

To better suit your dogs' age and abilities, you can also try Sundance's 51 Puppy Tricks, or 10-minute Dog Training Games. Whichever you choose, you'll open up a whole new world of fun with your dog!





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Sora . . . and The Training Continues!

Story and photos by Gary DeGeronimo

As I reported in the January/February, 2018 Edition of The Prescott Dog Magazine, Sora began her training to become a Facility Dog in the offices of Cardiac Care located in Prescott Valley, Arizona. And as promised, this will be an update on her training progress.

But just to refresh, Sora, a female Golden Retriever, came into this world on September 11, 2017. After her time in the litter, learning not only from her mom (dog) but also from her brothers and sisters (pups), Sora was placed with a wonderful couple, David and Cherie Dreves, to go through some preliminary puppy training. David and Cherie are not only knowledgeable dog people but experienced puppy raisers as well, which made them the perfect choice for this task.

Sora was also introduced to Cherie and David's dogs, Hazel and Tucker, and had some additional puppy training from both of them. Hazel and Tucker are also experienced puppy trainers, so again it was the perfect situation for Sora to be in. Much of her behavior foundation was developed during this time.

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While still working on puppy issues, Sora was taken to the offices of Cardiac Care by the Dreves' for brief visits in order to become familiar with her future work environment and the people that she would be spending a lot of time with.

In March of 2018, Sora was placed with her forever family, Dr. and Mrs. Patel. The connection and bonding between Dr. Patel and Sora was almost immediate and was truly amazing. It was as if Sora knew who she would be partnering with both at work and at home. And the feeling was mutual with Dr. Patel, which made this bond even stronger.

Sora then began spending her time at the offices of Cardiac Care, just acclimating to her new environment. When not walking around to visit a patient or two, as well as the staff, you could find her curled up on her big round bed in Dr. Patel's office.

Sora also has the unique benefit of being surrounded by a wonderful staff at Cardiac Care. When I stop by the Cardiac Care offices to pick up Sora for a training session, it's not unusual to see Sora just returning from a walk with a staff member. Or when I'm ready to leave the office and looking for Sora to say good-bye, I can always be sure that if I look in one office in particular: that of Julie, the Nuclear Technologist. I will find Sora attempting to con her out of a treat; not too difficult for her to do as Julie is a pretty soft touch when it comes to Sora.

During the day patients will often ask for Sora by name, either just to

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say hello or for a visit while talking

to the doctor. Of course, Sora is

more than happy to comply with

You can also find Sora walking

down the hallways, looking into

the open-door rooms, peaking

tance. And with most patients

in to see if she could be of assis-

at Cardiac Care, just the sight of

Sora looking in the doorway cre-

ates an extended arm, followed

Sora must still continue her train-

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Facility Dog must be trained to

the same standards as a Service

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Sora goes out for Public Access

Training every week in order to

continue improving her behavior

and skill level. She must be able

to greet people with controlled ex-

citement, not necessarily an easy

task for a seven-month-old Gold-

en Retriever. She also enjoys her

time with Dr. Patel on their weekly

Because Sora has months of con-

tinued training, both in and out of

the offices of Cardiac Care, I will

report back again on her prog-

walks at the Square in Prescott.

Dog outside the facility where she

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ress. But I can tell you that with the devotion from both Dr. and Mrs. Patel, as well as the outstanding support from the Cardiac Care Staff, there is little doubt that Sora will excel in her training in order to achieve her goal of Facility Dog for Cardiac Care.

Stay tuned for further updates as Sora continues to soar.



Sora ready to meet a patient.



Sora walking with Dr. Patel.



Sora enjoying a pet and a laugh with a patient.

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Sora resting in between visits.

Sora training at the library.

Sora waiting on her big round bed.

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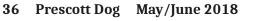
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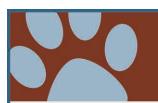












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Ectoparasites are parasites that live on the outside of the host (your pet). The most common of these include fleas, ticks, and lice. The Four Corners and Flagstaff areas routinely see fleas that carry the bacteria Yersinia Pestis, which causes the Plague, a disease that can be devastating in humans if not treated promptly.

Internal parasites, such as gastrointestinal worms include roundworms, tapeworms, hookworms, whipworms; those first three are relatively easily transmitted from an infested pet to you.

Visit our blog to learn more about the types of parasites, testing for and preventing them. *Help keep your family and your pets safe!*









Officer Tiffany Farmer and K9 Jax Off to a Great Start at Chino Valley Police Department

Story by Heidi Dahms Foster. Photos courtesy of the Town of Chino Valley.

Tiffany Farmer has distinguished herself in her new career with the Chino Valley Police Department – she is a first year, female officer who successfully tested for the department's K9 program, and for icing on the cake, she certified with her dog, Jax, before entering the Dept. of Corrections K9 Academy in February.

Tiffany grew up in small town Lima, Ohio. Her grandfather and father were law enforcement officers, and her brother served in Chino Valley before moving to an agency in the valley. She graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice from James A. Rhodes State College in Lima. Her brother suggested she come and serve a required internship in Chino Valley.

"I loved Chino Valley, and during my internship, I rode along with a K9 officer and said, 'This is something I want to do!'"

She applied and was hired by Chino Valley PD, graduating from the Northern Arizona Regional Training Academy in December of 2017. She had served as an officer for almost a year when, due to a promotion, the K9 officer position came open. Tiffany knew that officers had to have at least a year on the job before testing for K9, and the chances for a first-year officer to make the grade were slim. The testing was in November, a month before her first year was complete, but her supervisors agreed to let her test. That's when she went into high gear. She wasn't going to let the opportunity pass her by.

"They told me I could get the position

based on my testing, or may have to wait until the next list. I did ride-alongs with Prescott Valley, Prescott and YCSO K9s, talked to handlers, studied case law, and studied with (Chino Valley K9 Officer) Dave McNally. I tried to get all the information I could," she said. One of the wisest to know her future partner, Belgian Malinois Jax, whom she describes as "seriously phenomenal!" She found out that Jax, because of officer promotions, had changed partners three times. When she went into oral boards, she convinced the test panel that she truly wanted to be Jackson's fourth and last handler.

"He's only five years old, and it's crazy to get passed around. I said it wasn't fair for him."

Tiffany was so prepared that she out-tested two other seasoned handlers with more law enforcement experience. Determined to excel, she began training with Officer McNally, who taught her all she needed to know to attempt to certify with Jax before she attended the Dept. of Corrections K9 Academy, rather than after. Tiffany and Jax successfully certified on January 28, getting all their narcotic finds. She still was eager, however, to attend the nine-week academy.

"I wanted to learn everything I could about handling a narcotic dog and a future patrol dog. I wanted to know if a dog has issues, how to fix or make it better. I'm grateful I got to attend, and I'm glad Jax is my first K9, he's teaching me so many things I didn't know."

Her biggest challenge in academy was to digest all of the different training methods and opinions from varied teachers. She soon realized that she could take all of the information and find her own 'right way,' the one that worked best with her and her dog.

CHINO VALLEY

Tiffany did not expect to bond with Jax so quickly, but the two have connected and made great strides in obedience, narcotics, and article work. Jax is toy-driven and extremely active, which keeps Tiffany on her toes. But he's also unfailingly social, which makes him popular among children and their parents at public events.

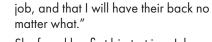
"He's territorial. He can't let anyone walk by the patrol car without barking and scratching, but outside, he's friendly. You can come up and say hi and he'll lick you to death. We went to Salute to Heroes at the PV Event Center and we had people coming and wanting to see this Chino dog that was so friendly and loves attention," she said.

Tiffany has settled into and loves her new community. A horse lover, she moved her own horse from Ohio and loves to ride here.

"It's so beautiful in Arizona. I love the mountains and the cactus," she said.

She said she appreciates her department for seeing her potential and motivation, and allowing her to test for the K9 position. "They believed in me," she said.

With Jax now at her side, Tiffany said she's determined to show her competence as an officer with "actions, not words. The biggest struggle in being a female in law enforcement is that I want people to know I can handle the



She faced her first big test in a July 2017 officer involved shooting incident in which a domestic violence suspect confronted a fellow officer with a gun and was shot.

"It was the most scary thing in my life, but I remembered my training. Shots were going back and forth. But no matter who you are, if you have the dedication and love for this job, it's not going to fail you," she said.

Tiffany said she wants to use her passion for law enforcement not only in her police work, but also in her community.

"I went into law enforcement to help people. Some people of my generation didn't have the compassion and care we did coming from a law enforcement family to stay on the right path. They didn't have the guidance to make better decisions. I want to reach out and get involved, and mentor kids to realize that no matter where they grow up, they have choices," she said.

Tiffany is clearly enjoying her new role as a Chino Valley K9 officer, and looking forward as her career develops.

"I'm excited to do this for the next 25 years," she said. "I have my dream job. I'm an officer and I have a dog!"





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For Love of The Horse: Local Equestrians Share Their Tales of Unequaled Passion

By Rita Thompson Tinsley

For those who dare to dream big, there are many rewards. Maren Cochran followed her dream of becoming an airline captain for a major airline. That seems a huge feat, but her biggest achievement is what she accomplishes in the show ring.



Maren sharing cockpit with young man from Make a Wish Foundation

Maren is a champion dressage rider with many ribbons and titles to show for her skill. Her work schedule flying nation-wide, sometimes overseas, is overwhelming, yet she manages to continue lessons, showing at horse shows, and riding her barnfull of half Arabian horses at her Paulden Rimrock ranch.



Maren riding Prince Harry, 5, at The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show

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But Maren didn't have an easy start. At age 9, Maren's parents bought her first horse. Cloudy, a pinto paint medicine hat, proved to be a challenge.

"Cloudy was always trying to kill me", claims Maren. Even though the horse was rough, frequently bucking her off, she still loved him.

She and the teenagers where she kept Cloudy did trail rides and horse shows. They rode their horses from the stables to the show location. During the show, Maren let go of the reins before mounting for only seconds, and Cloudy bolted home over 6 miles of road including a four-lane highway. With a sigh of relief, the horse was found safely back at the stables.

Disenchanted, Maren confronted her mom with hopes of selling Cloudy and holding out for a better prospect. The answer was unequivocally "no." Her folks did, however, invest in training for Cloudy which Maren refers to as 'boot camp'. It was just what the young rider/pilot-to-be needed - no more rough landings.

His first memory of horses was a photograph taken of him sitting on a pony at age 4 by his mother. Since that time, Estevan Fermandez, DVM, has spent many hours in the saddle and on the trail. Dr. Steve's first horse was a Polish Arabian

named Freckles. He took lessons from trainer Ned Leigh and chuckles as he explains how Ned had him riding bareback with only a neck rein. "It was like power steering... awesome," says Dr. Fermandez.

The well-liked and faithfully followed veterinarian is a small animal specialist who also cares for farm animals, horses and exotic animals. He has found his calling in the animal world, and is amazingly just as at-ease in the saddle.

Dr. Fermandez, when asked if he had an outside influence for his equine passion, names Dr. Julia Lynn, a fellow veterinarian, as his mentor. He gleaned plenty from her skills as an endurance rider and competed in such events as Man vs. Horse Endurance Ride.



Dr. Steve and now wife Mary tie the knot

There was a casual ride with friends where they took their horses from the base of Mingus Mountain to the top through the snow. Following their ascent, there developed a friendly and appropriate snowball free-for-all.

Dr. Steve later bought a Morgan-Arabian and was known to take off solo, trekking from his home in Prescott to Granite Mountain. So, how fun and romantic it must have been when Dr. Steve and wife Mary proceeded down the aisle for their wedding on horseback.

According to Horace, "A picture is a poem without words." Therefore, Joyce Tanner of Tanner Photography snaps beautiful poetry, and does so with great devotion. She started taking pictures years ago, but on vacation in Wyoming with husband, John, they were in a field with wild horses in the distance. Their guide advised them not to approach the



Joyce Tanner with Arabian Baxx

horses. Minutes later, the wild horses were approaching them, walking past very closely.

"The feeling was spiritual," Joyce recalls, and her photography took a new turn, focusing on the equestrian world.

Near their home in California was an Arabian ranch. The trainer became a good friend and mentor to Joyce. As she practiced her photography at the ranch, trainer Sheri tutored Joyce in the finer methods of capturing an Arabian's image. Soon Joyce was taking wonderful pictures of the horses and began working Arabian shows with her camera.

Next enters Baxx, a beautiful black Arabian, new to the ranch. Joyce fell in love, and eventually Baxx became Joyce's first horse and part of the family when they moved to Dewey.

Tsunami was the next addition, a wonderful grey dappled Arabian for John to ride. Unfortunately, Tsunami colicked, and the Tanner family was forced to put him down - a dreadful experience no horse owner wants to encounter.

As their hearts continue to heal, they have a new love in Silver, also a grey Arabian.

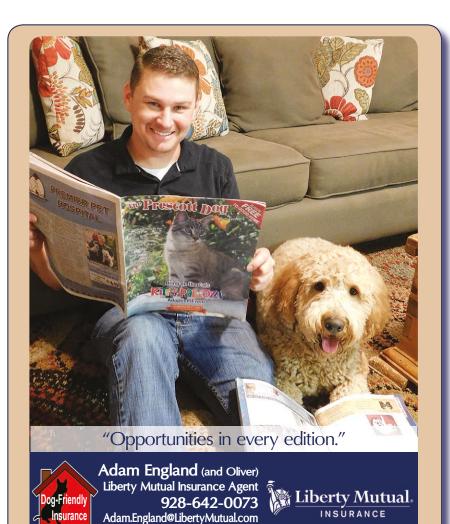
Other than becoming Joyce's photo subjects, she finds the horses to be solace in her life. After suffering many painful family tragedies, being among her Arabian family has brought her joy beyond belief.



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Celebration of Life: MacLeod

By Skye Lyons

I first heard about MacLeod on an internet forum for collie lovers. He came up for discussion because a rescue was going to euthanize this collie due to legal risks. Atypical of collies, MacLeod was a serious biter. Not little nips - this guy drew blood. His foster mom loved him, but rules are rules, and so he must die.

I owned an isolated horse farm that had almost no visitors and no children. I was also a small rescue and experienced with biters, so I requested MacLeod be shipped to me. His flight was delayed due to an ice-storm at the airport where his connecting flight waited, so this poor dog was a full 24 hours in transit, crated all that time, with big warning signs taped all over it. Poor MacLeod.

Once I finally had him, I wasted no time in making contact with him. I fed the hungry, disoriented collie the hot dogs in my pocket, then explained the situation to him. I'm sure I looked odd, sitting on the airport floor discussing farm matters with this dog, but he listened to every word.

I had just lost my wonderful German Shepherd, Kate, and her passing left a great hole in my life in many ways. I told MacLeod that I needed someone to watch the farm, alert me to problems, protect me. Most important, I needed someone to be my friend. Would he be willing to do this for me?



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His eyes almost glowed with hope and trust, and an instantaneous bond was formed between us.

We loaded up for the 2-hour drive home. PetSmart was close to the airport, and I had to stop to pick up something. We made it to the checkout without incident, but as I started to leave, the cashier asked, "Are you going to pay for his, too?" She pointed down, and I saw MacLeod sitting quietly with a small bag of Pup-peroni treats in his mouth. He'd made his selection. Of course I paid for it, but it was then I realized this was not your typical collie.

MacLeod had an unusual sense of humor. He loved playing with water buckets. He'd stick his head in the water up to his eyes and blow bubbles. Filling water buckets in the stable was entertaining because he had to kill the hose and bite the stream of water until he choked. Buckets I used to deliver feed had to be stolen and killed. Then he'd manage to get one over his head and run blindly around the area, barking enthusiastically with his muffled 'bucket bark,' occasionally crashing into something. Feeding time with MacLeod was always fun.

Yes, he would bite if you grabbed his collar, his ruff, or his feet. It was clear that in the past these had led to something frightening. These were easy triggers to avoid.

He did bite me once - and only once - during a blood draw at the vet, and I hadn't been his target. He was serious about making that vet let go of his leg. It was a hard bite, but the look of horror in his eyes actually made me laugh. 'I bit MOMMY!' He never bit again.

He was loyal and protective; where I went, MacLeod went too. Another rescue collie arrived, and in her first few days with us, someone opened my gate and let all the dogs out.

I found everyone but Sadie. I hunted tirelessly that day, but no Sadie. At dusk I decided to drive the roads again, MacLeod in the passenger seat. Suddenly MacLeod jumped out the open car window and rocketed off into the thick woods. Within moments he reappeared, with Sadie at his side. He was my hero, and life was good.

I received another rescue, an elderly, lame Arabian mare, who turned out to be in foal. When she was due, I started sleeping (a questionable term) on bales of hay in the stable. MacLeod was adamant about staying with me.

I wasn't too put off by this, as I knew what traveled through that stable during hours of darkness: raccoons, possum, mice, snakes, and the odd cat-sized rat. But Baska needed me, so we had to brave the nocturnal wildlife. He stayed next to me unless he needed to challenge something, and I was so grateful for his vigilance.

The resident possum really annoyed him. MacLeod would bark aggressively, and the possum would die. But once the collie turned his back, the possum revived and resumed his foraging activities. MacLeod had to 'kill' him again, and again, and again....

My wonderful collie was right there, standing guard when the foal was born, and so proud of himself.

Sadly, MacLeod turned out to be an older dog, and our time together was limited to only a few short years. I woke up one morning and found him still sleeping across my doorway. I laughed at him for

A Tail of Love



When he was born on a Christmas day A gift from heaven to earth you could say... An angel with fur and head like a block With big eyes of brown you'd swear they could talk

A lap dog he wasn't but a lab dog was he Though your lap was a place he wanted to be To please you it seemed, was his life's only goal If a dog ever had one, this dog had a soul... His fur, like mementos, was left everywhere The truck, the couch, the carpet, the chair

He loved everyone and animals too From kids to cats no enemy he knew... From the tip of his nose to the end of his tail Through life his magical spirit would sail

One night so sudden a stroke he had Those once happy eyes were now so sad... The time had come for our dear friend His wagging tail would say love to the end

He was buried on a Friday...13th of all days In the shade of the willow where he once loved to lay A part of our life as drifted away...

Rest easy, sweet Sampson, we'll see you one day

~Carolyn & Roger Yuhasz

sleeping in, then poked his back with my toe to wake him when words didn't work. It was then that I realized MacLeod was not going to wake up. He'd slept himself away peacefully, still on duty, with those who loved him.

MacLeod, how I wish we could have had more time together. You had a personality that was larger than life, with dignity and humor and a heart filled with more love than most creatures I have known. Thank you for sharing yourself with me. I will always love you and miss you. Wait for me at The Bridge, funny man. I'll be looking for you.



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Prescott Animal Control (928) 777-1135 Licensing (928) 777-1291

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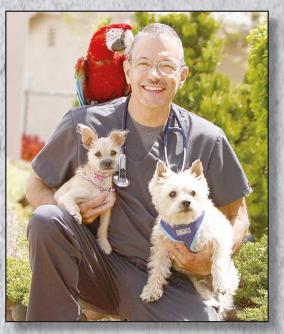
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