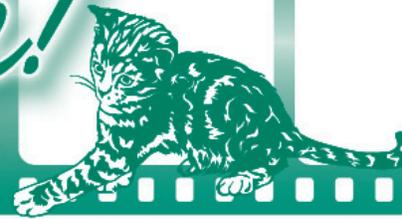




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WINTER 2019 NEWSLETTER OF ACTORS AND OTHERS FOR ANIMALS

- STAYING THE COURSE
- SPAYING AND NEUTERING
- MEDICAL INTERVENTION
- 48 YEARS AND COUNTING!



“STAYING THE COURSE” means to pursue a goal regardless of any obstacles or criticism. That is exactly what we have done at Actors and Others. Nothing fancy, nothing trendy, just plain old hard work helping pets and their guardians. And we are proud of it!

In 1971 when we started, spay/neuter was an unfamiliar notion just starting to make inroads. We became one of a small number of groups focusing on pet overpopulation. Fast forward, and here we are 48 years later still continuing our core work of helping low income pet guardians spay and neuter their pets. Our experience shows us that in low income areas a large percentage of pets are not sterilized with cost being the biggest obstacle.

Our secondary program providing assistance so that pet guardians may obtain crucial veterinary care has exploded. In addition to adopting shelter pets, it is equally important

to ensure that those pets remain healthy and in the homes they share with their guardians. The stories we hear are heartbreaking and the challenges pet guardians face when their pet becomes sick or injured are sobering. Many must choose between paying their rent and/or buying food with taking their pet to the veterinarian.

So where do we go from here? Back to work, of course! Nothing fancy, nothing trendy, just plain old hard work helping pets and their guardians.

THANK YOU. Your support and generosity allows us to forge ahead with our lifesaving work.

THANK YOU LETTERS...

I just wanted to write and thank you for the three pledges you sent so I could get these three precious kitties fixed. Mike, Marnie, and Keweenaw fixed and won't make any more babies thanks to you. Later on when I can afford yet I will send you a donation to help someone else.

Thank you Actors & Others for animals! Especially Penny! Noho Animal Care fixed me right up, thanks for helping!



We are very privileged to have once again received a top rating from Great Nonprofits for 2018. We encourage you to visit the site and read how your donor dollars have impacted the lives of pets and their guardians in need.

YOUR DONOR DOLLARS AT WORK IN FISCAL 2018

	DOG SPAYS DOG NEUTERS	1,609 1,366
	CAT SPAYS CAT NEUTERS	3,439 2,876
	BUNNY SPAY/ NEUTERS	41 40
	TOTAL SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES	9,371
	TOTAL MEDICALS	574

Statistics are counted when bills are received and paid

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A DOG NAMED MINN

Anna and Jerry were on their way home on New Year's Eve in 2017 when they noticed a dog walking up the middle of the dark street. They pulled over and scooped her up. Back home, the small, approximately 10 year old Chihuahua mix (whom they named Minn), slept for 2 days. When she awoke, she ate and drank ravenously, and Anna and Jerry learned she was blind.

Minn also had a large growth on her belly which the vet determined was a mammary tumor that needed surgery. Such tumors occur frequently in unspayed female dogs. This was an unexpected expense for Anna and Jerry, and they didn't know how they would help the dog that now had won their hearts. A friend told them about us, and we provided the assistance needed.

Unfortunately the tumor was malignant, and the vet gave Minn little time. But she lived a healthy, tranquil 8 months. "You came through for us and your donation extended her quality of life," wrote Anna. "You keep hope alive at a time when it is so needed. The work that you do is life-changing and wonderful." Who knows what Minn went through for the first 10 years of her life, but Anna and Jerry gave her a loving and safe home when it was most needed. With your support, we helped give this amazing survivor a chance at a quality life.



MINN

SOME HELPFUL TIPS TO KEEP YOUR PET HEALTHY



COLD SEASON – Dogs can pass a cold to other dogs, but you can't catch a cold from your dog, and your dog can't catch a cold from you. Cats too can get colds, but if it lasts longer than 5 to 7 days, then a trip to the veterinarian is warranted. Make sure they eat, drink and rest. Wipe the eyes with a warm, damp cloth. **DON'T** give over-the-counter human cold medications as they can be extremely dangerous. And **NEVER** let your dog stay out in inclement weather.

EAR INFECTIONS – Most dogs will suffer from this painful condition sometime during their life. Symptoms to look for are shaking the head, scratching and rubbing the ears. For adults most infections are caused by bacteria and yeast, but puppies usually have ear mites. Left untreated, infections can be damaging to hearing. It is best to visit your veterinarian to receive proper treatment.

ALTITUDE SICKNESS – At elevations above 8,000 feet dogs can get altitude sickness just like humans. So if you plan on taking your dog to such heights, take precautions since it can be hazardous and even cause pulmonary edema. Slowing ascent when you are hiking and slowing descent can be helpful as is not doing any strenuous exercise.

XYLITOL – While peanut butter is a common treat or to get dogs to take pills, be very careful when choosing the brand you use. The sweetener Xylitol, a low-calorie alternative to sugar, which is used in many foods is safe for humans but extremely toxic to dogs. Be sure to read the ingredients carefully when buying any food either for humans or pets. Peanut butter brands that contain Xylitol include Go Nuts, Co., Krush Nutrition, Nuts 'N More, P28 Foods and No Cow. For a listing of over 700 items containing Xylitol, visit <https://www.preventivevet.com/xylitol-products-toxic-for-dogs>.

PET STORES – In January, a new law in California mandates that only dogs, cats or rabbits that are obtained from an animal shelter or rescue may be sold in pet stores. If you choose this route to obtain your pet, just be careful. There are no longer any consumer protections and many unscrupulous breeders are starting their own non-profits to skirt the law.

TRIBUTES TO 2 SPECIAL PET THERAPY DOGS



BENNY

at Brookdale Senior Living. One Saturday a month Kathy and Benny (later joined by Laddie) made visits for 12 years! He will be greatly missed.

We also had a retirement. Beloved Roxy (the DNA test could not determine what she is!) and her guardian, Katherine, joined us in February 2008. Their visits to ONE Generation adult day health care program were a regular fixture. They loved the tricks Roxy could do for them – and she even learned new ones there. A big thank you to Roxy and Katherine for 11 years of service.



In 2018 Actors and Others was awarded a Spay/Neuter grant from the Petco Foundation to help low income pet guardians in San Bernardino County. Since 1999 the Petco Foundation has been on the ground floor helping animals around the country. We deeply appreciate their lifesaving support.



Established in 1997 to support and promote canine care, we are also very grateful to the Ethel Friends Foundation, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee for awarding us a 2018 grant to support and promote canine care.



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OUR LIFESAVING WORK IS PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:



OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT ACTORS AND OTHERS

In this day and age personally selling a car can be risky. Donating to a charity for a tax-deduction is becoming more and more popular. Actors and Others has signed up with www.Cars2Charities.org (855-520-2100) to accept vehicle donations. This is a new venture for us. We hope that you will consider us when you are looking to get rid of your car, RV, boat or motorcycle for a tax-deductible donation and tell your friends. You can do the paperwork online or call them directly.



One of the easiest way you can support Actors and Others is just shop at Ralphs and swipe your reward card. You just need to register at www.ralphs.com, click on Services, then Community Contributions and follow the instructions for a participant. Our NPO number has changed. It is now YL260.

And every time you shop at Amazon and designate Actors and Others as your charity of choice, they will donate 0.5%. Just use <https://smile.amazon.com>.



Having a birthday, anniversary or other celebration? You can raise funds for Actors and Others with a Facebook fundraiser, share it with your friends and help the animals.

MEMORIALS, TRIBUTES AND CELEBRATIONS

ACTORS AND OTHERS HONORS BOARD MEMBER MARY WILLARD



Last year we lost a dear friend and board member with the sudden passing of Mary Willard, wife of comedian Fred Willard. We were privileged that Actors and Others held a special place in Mary's heart. She had a deep respect for all life, and believed strongly in our work.

An animal lover with an affinity for cats, Mary would always greet our office cats first whenever she came in for a meeting. So we feel it would only be fitting to name our cat room in memory of Mary and her beloved cat Mittenz.

On her passing, the family requested donations be made to Actors on Others on behalf of her work for animals. We thank the many friends below that honored her in this way. Mary has left an indelible impact that will live on in her family and friends.

JoAnne Worley, Margie Friedman, Jay & Sandi Johnson, McGowan family, Mike & Mary Kathryn Hagerty, Laurie Feig, Christine Romeo, Wendy & Martin Mull, Bernie Shine, Laurie & Peter Marshall, Ann Lopez, Veronica & Eric Young, Kathy Zimmer, Harry Shearer, Norm MacDonald & Lori Jo Hoekstra, Maureen O'Connor Priest, Charles Reinke, Stephen Bing, Gary & Cheryl Morenc, Regan Lee, Pam Dawber, Jay Leno, Dan Castellanta & Deb LaCusta, Sherry & Skip Miller, Edwina Anderson, Kathy Lander, Michael Eisenstadt, Greg Lee, Jonathan Mangum, Clare Sera, Victoria Ullmann, Heather Olt, Jim Piddock, Sherry Kinison, Andrew Gach, Philip Proctor, Herbert Peluso, Mary Gross, Lance Kinsey, Yolanda Ray Tisdale, Andrew Alexander, Jackie Joseph Lawrence, Sandra Bilson, Todd Sherry, Pat and Paul Willson, Todd Lampe, Maria Quintero, Jill Kenny, Celestria Handal, George Pennacchio, Patricia Brenner, Granville Pine, Ed Begley, William Larkin, Fred Stoller, Alice and Leonard Maltin, Patricia Delaney, Robbie Troy, Louis Herthum, Judy Tenuta, Brenda Tully, Steve Bluestein, Teri Simpson, Lisa and Lee Barron, Dana Yariv, Stuart Ross, Miriam Trogdon, Judy Nazemetz & Mike Colasuonno, Deborah & Louis Wagner.



IN MEMORIAM

PAM AND WALTER GILMORE – In memory of Chuck Lockhart
LYNN GONZALEZ – In memory of Josh Gonzalez
NANCY AND JEFFREY GRAFF – In memory of Elvis Presley
LESLEY HUGHES – In memory of Richard Basehart
DELYS VIERNOW – In memory of Marilyn McLaughlin
JO ANNE WORLEY – In memory of Dee Stratton

IN MEMORY OF PETS

RANDY & ANITA WHITE – to M/M Landis in memory of Scooter and Wilson
KATHERINE BARD – to M/M Miner in memory of Jazzy
MARY WILLARD – to Bonnie Garner in memory of Roy the donkey
NAOMI CARYL – to Earl Holliman in memory of Henry
JAMES HARDT – to Ben Braitman in memory of a good orange cat
KAREN JOHNSON – to Molly Lincoln in memory of Miss Molly
SHEILA FEUCHTINGER – in memory of Tabatha
SUSAN SKALLA – to M/M Skalla in memory of Abby
M/M PROSIN – in memory of Abby
YASMINE VINE – in memory of Moushie
SALLY TOBIAS – in memory of Doug Jr. (KABC cat)
CARRON LEON – to JoAnn Thrailkill – in memory of Beans
LOUIS RONDONE – in memory cat Bozzo

MESSAGES OF TRIBUTES AND CELEBRATIONS

JO ANNE WORLEY – Happy Birthday Art Arlisi
LORI GOLDEN – Happy Birthday Art Arlisi
SUSAN SKALLA – Happy 100th Birthday Lorraine Wolff-Cathaway
SELETTE ECKSTEIN, JANINE ISON ERIC LOWRY,
MICHAEL STERN AND JO ANNE WORLEY
– Happy Birthday Jackie Joseph Lawrence
JEFF RIZZO & ERIC ANDRIST – In honor of JoAnne Worley
ELLEN BEN BASET – In honor of Beazly's Bark Mitzvah
GWEN WAGGONER – In honor of Solomon (Flopper)
1st Birthday

ACTORS AND OTHERS REMEMBERS THESE CELEBRITY SUPPORTERS

KEN BERRY	CAROL CHANNING
NANETTE FABREY	TAB HUNTER
CHUCK MCCANN	PEGGY MCCAY
CHARLOTTE RAY	BURT REYNOLDS