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News from Humane Society Silicon Valley

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THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Friends,

I am thrilled to be your new president at Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV)! With our new Animal Community Center, we are positioned to help people keep pets in homes so they never end up in our facility in the first place. By offering training classes, education, and support, we provide resources to help people throughout the life of their pet.

With HSSV's leadership, Santa Clara County is on track to save all healthy and adoptable animals in 2010. Our next challenge is to focus on animals suffering from medical conditions. This requires additional funding, access to specialized veterinary expertise, and families and individuals able to open their hearts to an animal with special needs. I anticipate establishing a medical fund to support these efforts.

In the short-term, I'm experiencing the organization's operations from the ground up - both by doing actual jobs and getting to know the people doing the work. Read about my adventures on pages 4 and 5. HSSV has an extremely diverse set of programs in its portfolio: adoptions; affordable spay/neuter and vaccination services; regional rescue; pet supplies retail store; doggie daycare, grooming, and boarding; members-only dog park; educational programs for children and special field trips for kids in Title I schools (disadvantaged); and training classes for people and their pets. Understanding how these programs work together to support our mission of saving and enhancing lives is critical to adapting and evolving in the years ahead.

For the longer term, crafting a strategic plan for the next five years is key. Such a plan includes ensuring each abandoned animal's tale ends with a loving, lasting home. I look forward to sharing that plan with you in the coming months.

Warm Regards,

Carol Novello



Our Mission Is To Save and Enhance Lives

Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) offers high-quality adoptions, medical care, pet care services and educational programs to enhance the human-animal bond.

HSSV is an independent, nonprofit organization. We are not governed by or affiliated with the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) or the American SPCA (ASPCA) and receive no funding from these organizations.

If you would like to help, a donation envelope is enclosed in this newsletter, or visit www.hssv.org to make a donation online.

Our Animal Community Center Is Open Every Day

Adoptions Lost and Found

Monday – Friday:
10:30 am – 8:00 pm
(last appt. 7:00 pm)

Saturday – Sunday:
10:00 am – 7:00 pm
(last appt. 6:00 pm)
408.262.2133 x 150

PETCO Satellite Adoption Centers

Monday – Sunday:
10:00 am – 6:00 pm
Saratoga 408.370.2732
Sunnyvale 408.720.1419

Medical Center Vaccinations/ Microchipping

Monday and Friday:
9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday:
9:00 am – 5:00 pm
408.262.2133 x 108

Spay/Neuter:
Monday – Saturday:
(By appt. only)
408.262.2133 x 108

Dog Training Classes

Monday – Sunday:
Hours vary
408.946.3647

Whole Pets Store

Monday – Friday:
10:30 am – 7:30 pm

Saturday:
10:00 am – 6:30 pm

Sunday:
10:00 am – 6:00 pm
408.262.2133 x 164

Grooming, Boarding, Daycare

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Saturday – Sunday:
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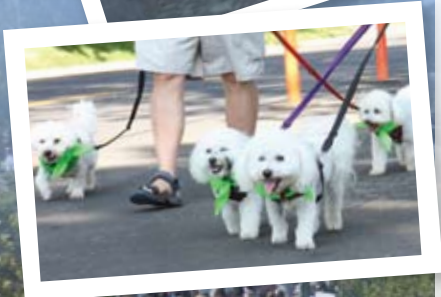


Walk 'n Wag *a tail-wagging success!*

More than 750 walkers and 350 dogs turned out for our 8th annual Walk 'n Wag at our Animal Community Center. The event raised more than \$140,000 for our homeless animals, programs and services - \$15,000 more than our \$125,000 goal!

Thank you to all who helped fundraise for this event and to those who walked. Thanks to Bill and Marla of Mix 106.5 for emceeding the event and to Craig Herrera for lending his help with our dog costume contest. Thanks to Walgreens for providing snacks and drinks to our walkers with 100% of the proceeds going to HSSV, and Chipotle Mexican Grill for offering tasty burritos and chips and salsa, with a percentage of their proceeds going back to our Animal Community Center.

HSSV would also like to thank our presenting sponsors PETCO and the PETCO Foundation, and our other sponsors: DogsDigGreen.com, Heavenly Greens, NVIDIA, Parktown Veterinary Clinic, Royal Canin, KOFY TV and Mix 106.5.



President Carol Novello's *first 100 days*



As Humane Society Silicon Valley's (HSSV's) new president, my first 100 days have been filled with learning our business one program at a time. My fact-finding journey has taken me to many areas throughout our organization. Following is an inside peek into my visits with animal care, medical, and adoptions.

Animal Care Overnight Shift: Hard Day's Night

"It's been a hard day's night and I've been workin' with the dogs (and cats and rabbits)."

HSSV is a 24 x 7 operation. Someone is always caring for our animal guests. We have three shifts: 8:00am to 4:00pm, 4:00pm to midnight, and midnight to 8:00am. **Animal Care Technicians Domingo Lucero and Sharron Hendricks show me the ropes on the swing shift.** Boy, do we do a lot of laundry. Our laundry room is pretty much always running. A never-ending flow of dirty blankets, towels, cat beds, stuffed animals, and other articles needed for four-legged comfort. I work with Sharron from 10:00pm to 12:00am. After 2 hours, I am exhausted, hot, and bedraggled. While Sharron, mother of four two-legged and nine four-legged children, looks like she's barely broken a sweat. Clearly, I need to build my stamina.



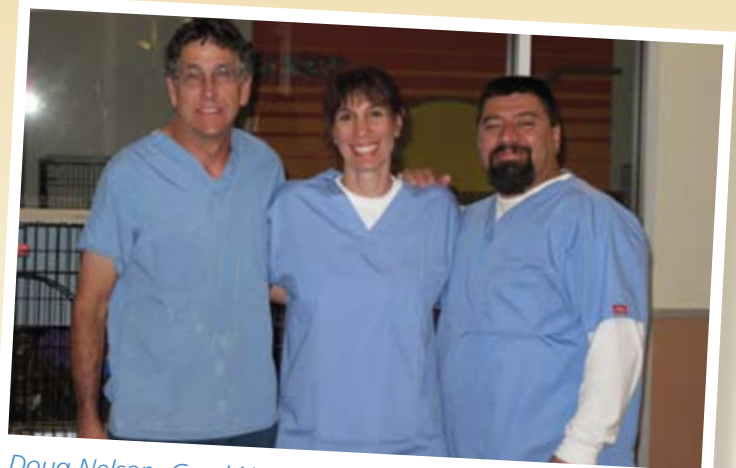
Domingo and Sharron take a load of laundry to the washing machine

Then, grave shift begins at 12:00am and I learn for the next two hours from John Willits.

John's worked for HSSV for 15+ years. "Knowledgeable" and "meticulous" are two words that come to mind when I think of John. "Kind" and "compassionate", too. We clean the holding area of a lonely and scared kitten. John goes out of his way to the laundry room to find a stuffed animal to comfort the furry orphan. The kitten will be paired up with another kitten soon enough, yet John cares about *this* kitten, right *now*.

On another early morning, I work the later part of the grave shift from 5:00am to 8:00am. Doug Nelson and Paul Heckman are my instructors. Both are remarkably bright-eyed. I need toothpicks to prop open my eyelids. I suppose you get used to it after awhile.

Doug puts me through my paces at the Rabbitat and then we "do rounds" to make sure all the animals are OK. After ensuring all are well, we head back to clean rabbit condos. It's close to 8:00am. I'm now actually awake! At least enough to have Paul take a picture of me, Doug, and Frank Guzman, their manager.



Doug Nelson, Carol Novello and Frank Guzman

All I can say is "thank goodness for Night Owls!" Our Animal Care Night Owls do a great job of keeping our organization running smoothly "after-hours."

Spay/Neuter Medical Center

Our Medical Center offers spay/neuter surgeries and vaccinations to the public and the homeless animals in our care. **On my "learning day" in the Medical Center, I soon realized that if you want action, our spay/neuter clinic is it!**

The doors open at 6:30am. For the next hour, people bring in trapped feral cats to be neutered. Pet owners, volunteers, and foster parents drop off their animals for spay/neuter surgical appointments. At 7:30am, the doors are closed and prep work begins for surgery. The doors will open again at 9am for our walk-in vaccination and microchip clinic.

Neutering a kitten happens in the blink of an eye. Spaying a large female dog, however, is an entirely different undertaking. That can take an hour or longer. With a lot of large, female dogs, fewer surgeries happen in any given day. **With a lot of male kittens, the number of surgeries in a day can climb to 40!**

By mid-morning, everything is in full-swing. **The surgeons and vet techs seem to instinctively know where to go, what to do, and how to do it.** And, they make it look easy. I can assure you it's not!

Spay/neuter is a cornerstone of our mission. Fifteen years ago, more than 45,000 homeless animals came through the shelters of Santa Clara County. Last year, the number was less than 26,000. Remarkable results, largely due to our aggressive spay/neuter efforts.

Adoptions

Saving animals' lives and finding them loving homes is the core of our mission. Our adoption counselors create forever unions by matching the temperament and energy-level of our four-legged guests with the life-style and living situation of our two-legged guests.

My learning session takes place on Saturday. Weekends are busiest when it comes to adding new furry family members. I start the day with Lisa Warden, who is working with a potential adopter. This woman visited twice the day before. She'll leave and come back two more times after spending over 90 minutes with Lisa and me. Too many kittens to choose from and she has to make sure her two children and husband agree. Lisa is extremely patient and asks questions to assist in narrowing down choices. When I leave at the end of the day, I see the woman finally doing paperwork to take two kittens home.

In contrast, the next potential adopter is far more decisive. I'm sitting with Karla Opp, who assists a young woman and her boyfriend. This woman combed our website and knows exactly the kitten she wants to meet. A male marmalade named Rusty. Karla introduces Rusty and his potential mom. It's love at first sight for both. As Karla finalizes the paperwork at the adoptions desk, the woman wells up with tears at the thought of her new family member. She heads

over to our Whole Pets store to stock up on kitty supplies while Karla gets Rusty ready for his ride home. She makes sure he has a soft blanket in the bottom of the cardboard carrier so he'll be comfortable.

Karla and I are waiting at the adoptions desk with Rusty. His new Mom comes out of Whole Pets. She is overjoyed to be handed Rusty in his carrier. Definitely a happy ending!



David Gurevich shows off Riley's "fetch" skills

Next, I spend time with David Gurevich. A German Shepherd and Black Lab mix named Riley is garnering lots of attention. David chats with a family considering Riley. All of our adoption counselors spend a lot of time with potential adopters, getting to know them and what they're looking for in a pet. Our counselors also spend time reviewing an animal's background so potential adopters know about the animal's temperament and medical history. They also know the animals through showing them numerous times to interested parties. They have a good sense of whether an animal and a potential adopter are a match. It comes down to experience and skill.

Eight hours whips by in a flash. It's non-stop on Saturdays. Our counselors work their way through a waiting list of folks interested in meeting a special, furry someone. Great match-making requires exploration, patience, and discernment. Yet, when the love connection happens, it's all worth it.



Karla Opp gets Rusty ready to go home!

Dino gets a *new hip and loving home*

Dino's options had nearly run out. The cheerful, lovable, four-year-old German Shepherd/Chow Chow mix's hips were in bad shape and causing him a lot of pain.

Dino was living at another animal shelter where his handlers thought the only way to relieve his suffering was to euthanize him. That's when they called Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) to see if we could help.

"We didn't have the resources to help Dino, but when we saw the sparkle in his eyes and the wag in his tail, it was clear that Dino needed our help," said Beth Ward, chief operating officer for HSSV.

HSSV turned to Dr. Andy Staatz, a specialist at Veterinary Surgical Associates (VSA) in Campbell, for help. It turns out that Dino needed hip replacement surgery. The poor dog's hip was worn down to the point where there was hardly any cartilage left, causing painful bone-on-bone grinding. While we knew the surgery would be expensive, Ward says Dino's lovable personality, young age and otherwise clean bill of health made him an excellent candidate for adoption.

After a successful surgery, Dino convalesced at the home of Wayne Thompson, one of our foster dads. Three months later, Dino was the picture of health, walking better than ever. With a new titanium hip, Dino was now "The Bionic Wonder Dog." The only challenge remaining was finding Dino a permanent home.

Wayne brought Dino to our Animal Community Center day after day for several weeks, introducing him to prospective families, but there weren't any takers. Then Susan Reischl and Tom Deemer showed up and fate intervened.

It was Kismet!

Susan and Tom hadn't even walked through our doors when Wayne spotted the couple outside near our dog park and asked if they'd like to meet Dino. "There was this instant, mutual connection between Dino, Tom and Susan," Wayne declared. It was Kismet!

Susan and Tom had shepherds in the past and were looking for a big, sweet dog with an easy, outgoing personality, who would get along with their two cats they had adopted from HSSV.



"Susan and I were attracted to Dino almost immediately, but then who could resist those soulful eyes and that large swishing tail?," said Tom. Indeed. Once the couple met Dino, they knew Dino was the dog for them.

Life at home

Susan and Tom say Dino has settled into his new home just fine and has even made friends with their cats, Misty and Clyde.

Tom and Susan take Dino for walks in the Santa Cruz Mountains where they live, and say Dino is fascinated by the wildlife that roams their property, especially the deer. "He gets very excited when he sees a deer,"

Tom notes. "Of course we restrain him on the leash because it would not be good for him as he is still healing from his surgery, but his enthusiasm is adorable."

It Takes a Community

"Our mission is to save and enhance lives," Ward said. "By working with our community, we were able to give Dino the second chance he deserved. He's a great example of our mission in action."



Wayne Thompson (left), Tom Deemer, Susan Reischl and Dino



How to Prevent Fatty Liver Syndrome in Cats

**By Dr. Julia Lewis,
Director of Medical Services**

We often say that animals won't die from not eating for a few days, and for the most part, this is true. However, for cats, especially cats on the plump side, not eating for a few days can be fatal. Animals that stop eating use their body fat for energy. Overweight cats have a lot of fat and this overwhelms their liver's ability to use the fat effectively. The fat ends up moving into the liver resulting in a metabolic condition called "fatty liver syndrome," or hepatic lipidosis. The fat in the liver prevents the liver from doing its primary job of filtering waste products in the blood. This makes the cats feel nauseous, which makes them not want to eat, which makes their bodies want to use more body fat, and so on.

The best way to deal with this problem is to prevent it from occurring in the first place. Prevention means not letting cats become obese or even overweight, making sure that cats are eating adequately by making sure they have access to palatable, healthy food, and providing them with plenty of fresh water. If your cat is overweight, talk to your veterinarian about a healthy plan to help him/her lose weight safely.



Dr. Julia Lewis with Faith

HSSV Helps Abbie Overcome Depression and Finds Her a Loving Home

Abbie, a 7-year-old kitty, was surrendered to us when her family was no longer able to give her the attention she deserved. Despite staff's best efforts to make Abbie feel at home, she became depressed without a family of her own. The days went by and Abbie's depression began to take its toll. She stopped eating. No amount of cajoling or coaxing convinced Abbie to eat. Our veterinary team was called in for close monitoring. "When Abbie stopped eating, we were immediately concerned because she was a larger cat. If you can't convince an overweight cat to start eating again within a very short time, they often won't start eating voluntarily, and can die from liver damage," says Dr. Julia Lewis, director of medical services for HSSV.

Our veterinarians placed a feeding tube in Abbie to give her the nutrition she needed. They also gave her lots of IV fluids to dilute and flush the waste products from her bloodstream. Fortunately for Abbie, our vets' early, aggressive treatment saved her life. Thanks to the perseverance of our caring staff, Abbie recovered.

And then our adoptions team found her the perfect home.

Abbie was adopted by a man named Scott. The two have settled into a routine that includes a lot of cuddling and playing with furry toy mice.

"Every morning when I wake up, she's right there," Scott said. While he's at work she lies on the back of the sofa, looking out of their third floor apartment at the gardens below and "chirps at the birds." When he returns, she tells him about her day. "I hear about it for about half an hour," Scott laughingly noted. Abbie provides a positive energy to the home that Scott said was missing before. And now Abbie has her own special person with whom to spend the rest of her days.

HSSV Opens Second Satellite Adoption Center



In an effort to find loving homes for more of our pets, and raise community awareness for shelter animals, Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) has opened a second satellite adoption center in PETCO at 160 East El Camino Real, Sunnyvale.

"HSSV has operated a successful satellite adoption center in PETCO in the El Paseo de Saratoga Shopping Center for three years, and we are thrilled to be opening a second adoption center to serve the community of Sunnyvale," said Carol Novello, HSSV's president. "Community partnerships like the one we have with PETCO are essential to fulfilling our mission to save and enhance lives. By partnering with PETCO, we are able to find more homes for animals and spread the word to 'think adoption first.'"

With the opening of the Sunnyvale satellite adoption center, HSSV will be operating two of five adoption centers in PETCO stores nationwide.

Novello said having animals available for adoption at PETCO helps HSSV reach out to members of the public who might not visit HSSV's Animal Community Center in Milpitas. "Our adoption center at the Saratoga shopping center is very cozy and our new location in Sunnyvale will be just as low key and comfortable. People will be able to sit and play with a cat or bunny, and see how fabulous adopted animals really are."

The Sunnyvale adoption center features cats, rabbits, and pocket pets available for viewing 10:00am to 6:00pm, seven days a week. Adoptable dogs from the shelter are brought to PETCO every other Saturday from 11:00am to 4:00pm. All cats, dogs and rabbits available for adoption are spayed/neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, and medically and behaviorally evaluated. Both satellite adoption centers are managed by HSSV staff and volunteers. For more information about volunteering at the satellite adoption centers, visit www.hssv.org/volunteer.html.

Ashes and Soot, A PETCO Love Match

We love bringing animals and people together at HSSV, and sometimes we get to play matchmaker for our animals, too. This was the case for Ashes and Soot, who were guests at our satellite adoption center at PETCO in the El Paseo de Saratoga Shopping Center.

Soot was just over a pound when she came in as a stray. She was placed in our foster care program until she doubled in size and could find a new home. Ashes was already old enough for adoption when she was surrendered with her Mom and littermate a month after we took in Soot.

Both Ashes and Soot watched their littermates get adopted before them. Ashes was already a quiet kitten, and we did not want her to become withdrawn without a friend. We took the girls to a neutral room to introduce them. Before you could say "toy mice" they were playing together. The play gave way to cuddles, and we could not tell where one black and white kitten stopped and the other began. With Soot by her side, Ashes was ready to take on the world.

A few days later we met Susan and Steve. The couple had recently lost their bonded pair of cats after a long illness and were looking for a pair of kittens to love. Ashes and Soot charmed their way into the couple's hearts.

Writes Susan: "Steve and I are falling in love with Ashes and Soot more and more each day. They are beautifully behaved girls, and we owe that to the amazing fostering that they received for the first months of their lives. The sweet girls are always near one another, and call to each other when they're in different rooms. Our feline family is complete...thank you HSSV, for the amazing work you do to help so many of our animal friends."





HSSV's Dog Scout Troop Recruiting New Members

If you're looking for a great way to bond with your dog, and to participate in fun outings, consider joining HSSV's Dog Scouts Troop! Dog Scouts of America (DSA) is a national organization that functions much like the Girl or Boy Scouts. Cadets work with their humans to earn badges in an effort to earn the coveted "Dog Scout" title. HSSV's troop (No. 198), the first dog scout troop in the Bay Area, offers a fun, structured way for DSA members to collect badges, go on troop outings, and learn about positive training methods.



Dog Scout member Robert Verdahl and his dog Jasper, an adorable black and white lab/collie mix, were the troop's first team to earn the Dog Scout title and several other badges. While waiting for the most recent meeting to start, Jasper showed off by dancing in between Robert's legs, spinning on command and kneeling down to 'say his prayers.' No wonder he was the first canine to earn the dog scout title!

Cecilia Sternzon, director of training and programs for A DOG'S LIFE, gave a talk on "What Makes a Social Dog" and Beth Ward, HSSV's COO and the Troop Leader, awarded Jasper five badges including:

- **Lure Coursing** - Jasper had to follow a plastic bag on a string through an obstacle course off leash and return to Robert on recall.
- **Sign Language** - Jasper and Robert had to learn 15 different hand commands including 'get my shoes,' 'get the ball,' and 'go outside.'
- **Naked Dog** - Jasper had to be off leash (naked) and at least five feet away from Robert while accomplishing five consecutive moves.

When accepting Jasper's badges, Robert told other members that even though Jasper is now a bona fide Dog Scout, that doesn't mean he's perfect, and that's OK. Robert said the real purpose of joining Dog Scouts is for people to spend more quality time with their dogs. Members nodded their heads and later said they looked forward to attending the upcoming troop kayaking trip and hike.

If you're interested: *HSSV's Dog Scouts of America Troop meets every 4th Thursday of the month from 6:30pm-7:30pm at HSSV's Animal Community Center. For more information about joining the HSSV Dog Scout Troop, visit www.dogscouts.org or call Beth Ward at HSSV: 408.262.2133 ext. 178.*



HSSV's Education Department Offers New Program for Tweens

Did you know that our education department served nearly 9,000 students this past year and operates 42 classes every month?

HSSV offers eight youth programs for pre-K through high school students. Older teens can volunteer through our Compassion In Action (CIA) service learning program, and our Kind Kids Field Trip program offers students from Title I schools a hands-on workshop on animal behavior and communication. Now tweens, children ages 10 - 13 years old, can participate in the Animal Starz program!



You'll see these colorful, eye-catching drawings in Annie's Dog Adoption Galleria, along with that particular student's thoughts on the animal they drew, and what they learned.

One 10-year-old student named Izzy wrote of a recent cat she met: "Mambo is a sweet, beautiful cat, who loves attention, and would be a great house cat. I hope he gets adopted to a loving family who takes care of him properly and kindly." Jaime Allen, education director for HSSV, says every child earns community service volunteer hours during the class, as well as when they do extra service projects, such as holding a donation drive or making pet blankets at home.

Animal Starz is divided into two classes:

- 1) **"Service Launch"** introduces children to our Animal Community Center and helps them learn how they can do projects to help our animal guests.
- 2) **"Art as Service"** asks students to dig a little deeper and connect with an animal in our care by drawing a picture of an animal and using color to highlight that animal's personality. Students then use their artwork to create thank you letters or flyers to promote the animals at our center.

"It's great to see tweens get involved in community service projects that focus on homeless animals, because it aligns with our education department's mission to promote a life-long interest in animals. Students express this interest through community action," Allen says.

For more information about enrolling your child in the Animal Starz program, please visit www.hssv.org/education_service.html.

Humane Society Silicon Valley Board Elects Five New Members

The HSSV board of directors recently elected five new board members: Marilyn Anderson, Kara Berg, Gayle Haworth, Kate Mulligan and Steve Sullins. The board also elected board member Linda Netsch as board secretary. Berg and Mulligan, both previous board members, re-joined the board after taking sabbaticals.

"I am thrilled to be working with such an accomplished team of diverse professionals," said Melissa Dyrdaahl, HSSV board chair. "I look forward to working with our board as our Animal Community Center continues to strengthen the foundation of human-animal relationships by teaching people about animals, their needs, and the important contributions they make to society."

HSSV President Carol Novello said she is delighted to have such talented individuals join the board. "Their strong business skills, combined with their love for animals, and philanthropic commitment to our mission will help us engage our community in our life-saving work as we continue to establish HSSV as the premier Animal Community Center in the country."



Marilyn Anderson



Kara Berg



Gayle Haworth



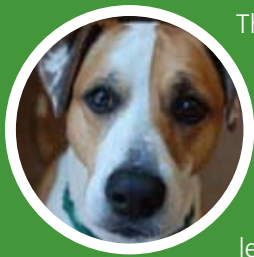
Kate Mulligan



Steve Sullins

Help HSSV Save More Lives This Holiday Season

Since we moved into our new Animal Community Center last April, your generous gifts have helped us save the lives of more than 4,000 animals through our adoption program, rescue partners, and lost and found services. Old or young, healthy or in need of extensive medical attention, the animals we rescue are treated as individuals and given the second chance they deserve. In addition, more than 11,600 animals have come through our medical center for spay/neuter surgeries, vaccines and microchips.



Though the lives we save with your generous gifts are many, it really comes down to the individual stories – each is different and every single animal is as important as the next. Jasmine (pictured left) had a rough start in life,

moving from home to home. She spent two weeks alone in an abandoned home before she was brought to a local shelter! Thank goodness she was found. Our rescue team brought her to our Animal Community Center and into a comfortable condo where she could relax and meet new friends. She now spends her time in a caring foster home getting plenty of love and attention. HSSV rescues over 900 animals like Jasmine every year from local city shelters as part of our Regional Rescue program.

Princess, a seven-year-old kitty (pictured right), was surrendered after she was attacked by a dog and the medical expenses were beyond what her family could afford. Princess had a fighting spirit and did not give up despite her severe injuries. Our medical team amputated her right hind leg and treated her multiple wounds. Princess recovered beautifully and brings joy to her new family. HSSV treated and found homes for more than 600 animals like Princess who required extensive rehabilitation last year.



As you make your holiday gift list, please consider a gift to Humane Society Silicon Valley. You can honor a beloved person or pet with a donation in their name and enjoy the rest of your holiday season knowing you have helped us save more lives. Please visit giving.hssv.org/donatenow.



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**Humane Society Silicon Valley
Animal Community Center**



Humane Society Silicon Valley (HSSV) is offering new doggie clients their first 3 introductory daycare visits for a \$10 donation. Present this flyer during your dog's behavioral evaluation appointment.

To learn more about our daycare services, requirements, and how to enroll your dog, go to www.hssv.org and click on **daycare**.

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A DOG'S LIFE is the official service provider for Humane Society Silicon Valley.

*Only for first time customers; must present this flyer for discount; cannot be combined with any other offers. Dog must pass behavior evaluation to qualify; must use second visit within a month from first visit. No cash value. Offer good until 12/31/2010.