

### Rescuing at Risk Dogs & Cats in Southern California since 1992

## HERE WE ARE ONCE AGAIN! SPRING IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA!



Beautiful little Nicholas! What an angel! Ready for his forever home, basket and all! It could be your home; whadaya think? Maybe? How can you resist that face!!

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#### Dear Supporters:

We find there is nothing more rewarding after a long day at work to come home and be greeted by wagging tails, smooches, purrs and other demonstrations of that boundless happiness to see us. *Nothing can compare to the unconditional love of our rescued fur-folk; it has inspired us through the years to be better humans.* Unfortunately, real humanity is sometimes something we must learn, and these little ones are often our teachers.

These little (or big) creatures can bring us so much happiness when we are sick, lonely, provide us with faithful companionship and sometimes even save our lives. They play with us, run with us, they make us laugh; support us when we are down. They make our lives better just by being around us. Our little ones (or big) are more than just friends: they are our own personal little heroes. There are dogs who are trained to sniff out cancer, dogs who are our "eyes", police dogs, and more. And cats ....well, you know the expression about "herding cats"....but they have their own little ways of helping us humans with their antics and warm, purring, companionship and affection. And let's not forget all the other creatures who bring us joy! They are all "heroes" in our book.

Our little heroes do so much for us, so is about time that we be the "heroes" to them. <u>It's time we celebrate our furred, feathered and other heroes</u>; the less fortunate, homeless, abused, the ones in the shadows, the ones that have gone through hell and back, but still are as sweet as they can be; a joy to be around and so grateful for the chance to be safe, alive and loved. **We feel that all animals are precious and wonderful gifts to be treasured and cared for**, and as we gaze into their innocent eyes, the path to the soul, we cannot help to think how lucky we are to have them in our lives, and how sad and heavy our hearts are for the thousands that are still being tortured, killed, neglected and suffering every day.

So when we look at our beloved pets who give us so much joy, **just imagine for a moment that they were not living with us;** that they were one more of the thousands of homeless pets; how **sad and heartbreaking that would be.** But we can help those who are not safe with us by donating generously to a safe place like C.A.R.E. where the once homeless are loved, sheltered and given much needed medical care. Please help us, so we can help them and **together we can change their odds for the better.** We can become their "heroes" by showing that each of their lives is precious and that they deserve the best care possible and a place to call home! We need your help to do that now more than ever!!

Thank you,

Maria Porter

Maria Porter Sanctuary Manager-Secretary-Treasurer





Donna, is not so sure if she should trust the person with the camera!

"Well, I might just keep a close watch to see how it goes! "



With a broken heart we are saying goodbye to our beautiful Grendel - our senior big-boy and twice cancer survivor. We did fight the good fight, though, didn't we, boy? He knows how much we all loved him and we are so grateful to you, our friends, for your generosity which made his life with C.A.R.E. possible. Until we meet again , dear beautiful big-boy! We will miss you!

## **OUR RESCUED ANIMALS NEED YOUR HELP! PLEASE DONATE TO C.A.R.E.!**

There are so many ways to help!

- Donate cash, checks, money orders or stocks.
- **Call 1-800-456-5517 to donate a car.**
- **Leave C.A.R.E.** as a beneficiary in your trust, will, or life insurance.

Write or e-mail mail@care4pets.org for info on these as well as on internet support opportunities.

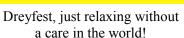
Here is a list of just a few of our monthly needs:

- **❖** 1,000 Pounds of Dry Dog Food
- **❖** 1,000 Pounds of Moist Dog Food
- **❖** 4,000 Pounds of Cat Litter
- **❖** 1,000 Pounds of Dry Cat Food
- 1,000 Pounds of Moist Cat Food
- **❖** 1,000 Pounds of Disinfectant



A few of C.A.R.E.'s rescued faces. Everyone of the pets featured in this issue and the many more at our sanctuary are warriors with so many heroic acts of survival. Now we can become their "warriors, heroes" by showing our many good qualities: kindness, love, trust, strength, courage and generosity. It all can begin with just a very small gesture! Let's all stand together for their rights; show them that each of their lives is precious, that they all deserve the best care possible and a place to call home! Please help us by donating to C.A.R.E. so that we can pick them up when they have no other place to go and give them hope when all hope is gone!! Help us give these little guys a chance for life - safe, well-fed and loved!







Sweet little Esperanza had a rough life before she come to C.A.R.E. She was used for breeding and developed a skin condition. Today she is happy, mellow and so grateful to be alive; safe with a chance for a better tomorrow. And that is why we call her "Esperanza" (Hope).



Star one of our leukemia kitties. Doesn't she look great? Just because she has leukemia does not mean she does not have the right to live a good life! She is a sweetheart and deserves the best care possible!



Beautiful Lyric. She has made C.A.R.E. home! She thanks you for all your support and generosity. It's only possible with your help!



No, you are not seeing double! Meet Jarid and Irwin. The twin brothers are very sweet, very mellow and handsome guys! Irwin loves the camera, but Jarid completely ignores it. He doesn't need any pictures to know he's beautiful.!





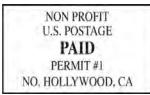
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Little Bella, too cute for words! Don't you agree? She is looking for a loving home; could it be yours?

Supported entirely by donations from individuals and foundations, C.A.R.E. maintains a no-kill, cage-free "Home Sweet Home" for 300 plus homeless cats & dogs in a rural area north of Los Angeles. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary is licensed by the County, proudly earning "A" ratings at every inspection! We are committed to saving the lives of homeless dogs and cats by rescuing at-risk animals, placing adoptable pets in homes of their own, and caring for those awaiting adoption (even those considered "unadoptable"), for the rest of their lives if need be. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary demonstrates that is possible to provide a comfortable and loving home for groups of "unwanted" or "surplus" animals who otherwise would have, at best, an uncertain future. By supporting C.A.R.E., you are not only helping many wonderful animals, you are also standing up for the idea that animals do matter, and that they deserve loving care!

C.A.R.E. IS GOING GREEN!! SEND US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESSES!





Sweet little Samantha is a 4 month old terrier mix. Lately we are rescuing a lot of little terriers. Does this have anything to do with terriers being feisty, energetic, determined, clever and brave little ones? Whatever the reason, they should never be "dumped" in the desert or tied to a fence with the chain so short that the dog couldn't even lie down! <u>Please give generously so she can be forever safe and cared for</u>! **Please help us so we can help her and many more!**