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Newsletter

Summer 2017

Director's Report

For the first time since I began doing Sheltie Rescue in 2003, the number of Shelties coming into our Rescue has significantly diminished! This is a national trend for Shetland Sheepdogs. I'm attributing this to an improved economy keeping people working and in their homes. The mortgage meltdown some years back saw people leaving their homes and making other living arrangements, often without being able to take their pets with them. We took in several Shelties due to this reason; some were even abandoned in their backyards when their owners moved out. Hard to believe that people would do that to a sensitive breed, or any breed for that matter!

Thankfully, those hard times are now in the rearview mirror. We are still taking in the old, the health compromised, and, of course, the healthy, into our rescue-rehabilitate-rehome program. We just adopted out 13 year old Mimi! She was taken to a shelter by her owners for euthanasia. The shelter staff didn't agree that Mimi's time had come so they spayed her, put her on medication for skin issues and even performed a dental on her! Mimi will be enjoying her golden years with the loving couple who adopted her.

As many of you know, I have made it a habit to foster the unadoptables by keeping them until the end of their natural lives, especially when they have chronic health problems like Chad who came to us a year ago with his bonded "bro," Shane. Chad suffers from an irritable bowel condition which causes chronic diarrhea. He is much improved now based on his prescription diet and treats, periodic prednisone, and regular probiotics. We don't know this pair's birthdates, but estimate that they are in the 12-13 year range.

This winter I adopted a younger boy named Bailey. He's pictured here. A friend of mine who sometimes breeds and shows

her Shelties thought her boy would make a great family pet. I told her I'd give him a trial run as an ambassador for our breed at our public events like the UC Davis Picnic Day. If he didn't like it then I'd find him a fabulous home without the stress of PR events.

This little charmer did great and quickly found his way into my heart. Bailey is now mine – the first "young'un" I've had in many years! I call Chad, Shane and Bailey The Three Amigos. They are all crazy about playing fetch with a tennis ball or toy and are happily compatible.

Bailey is successfully on the mend from recent bladder stone surgery. Bladder stones in male dogs are not common (15%). I had been noticing how concentrated his urine looked with a dark gold color. Then I saw blood in his urine so in he went for a urine test, ultrasound, x-rays and then surgery. He's healing just fine and I'm making sure he drinks more fluids by adding chicken or beef broth to his water to keep things flowing. Now we're waiting for the lab diagnostics on the very large stone that was

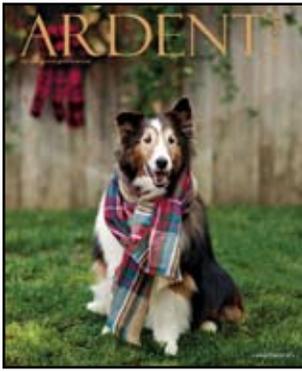


removed to determine what type of stone he had. That will determine his ongoing care including what type of diet he needs to be on to help prevent stones from re-forming.

Have a safe and fun summer with your Shelties! Keep in touch with photos and updates on your rescue Shelties! We love to hear from you.

Best wishes, *Gale Ann*





In case you didn't see it on Facebook, we are featured in the Holiday issue of a lifestyle magazine focusing on businesses in my town, Elk Grove. Our feature begins on page 16 of the *Ardent for Life* magazine. Here is the link: https://issuu.com/ardentforlife/docs/ardent_for_life_holiday_2016

This inspired Barbara Narong to write: "Thanks so much, Gale Ann, for your email and for sharing this awesome article. The dedication that you and all of your wonderful volunteers have for Shelties and ensuring them of loving homes is so appreciated!"

We have noted your organization on Amazon for awhile now, so that every time we make a purchase, a percentage of that purchase goes to you. Makes us "smile" every time!

Happiest of holidays to all and thanks for all that you do!

Most sincerely, Barbara Narong (and Shane who we adopted from you four years ago.)"

Terry Gary added: We loved fostering this boy. He came into our program as an owner surrender and he was a well-mannered, charming dog from day one. Absolutely no issues except some minor initial shyness with strangers. He took to Barbara and Eric right away. Barbara posts photos of him regularly on Facebook, and it's such fun to follow his exploits. Always a handsome, good-natured fellow.



Sheltie Health

Useful internet resources for canine health and safety

Note that the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Hotline, the best resource for any animal poison-related emergency, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, has a new website. The toll-free number is still: 888-426-4435 (a consultation fee may apply): <http://www.asPCA.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control>

Sign up to get critical dog food recall alerts sent to you via email—no charge, no spam, unsubscribe anytime: <http://www.dogfoodadvisor.com/dog-food-recall-alerts/>

Vaccinations - Take Heed!

Gale Ann shares her thoughts on vaccinations for adult dogs: "I notice that many vet practices are still sending out reminders for annual vaccinations. The only vaccination that we endorse giving annually is for kennel cough, 'bordetella.' Here's the schedule for the 'Core' vaccinations; Rabies and Distemper/Parvo per the AAHA (American Animal Hospital Association):

Rabies

Every three years after the first annual shot for an adult dog. Many times we get in Shelties with no vaccine history so their first documented vaccination is good for one year. After that revaccinating is every three years.

Distemper/Parvo

Same as with Rabies. The first vaccine for an adult dog is good for one year then boosters are done every three years thereafter. I always recommend giving these vaccines three to four weeks apart. These vaccines are powerful medications that are hard on the dog's immune system, so we separate them. The Bordetella (kennel cough) vaccine can be given at the same time as either the rabies or distemper/parvo.

Leptospirosis

This is a non-core vaccine for dogs that are regularly exposed to livestock and wildlife. If you live in the country or visit on a regular basis, then this might be a useful vaccine and worth discussing with your vet. If you are a city dweller and you see that your vet regularly includes this vaccine, I would stop and discuss

the need of it in your situation. http://www.petmd.com/dog/conditions/infectiousparasitic/c_multi_leptospirosis# Vicki reported that there was a Leptospirosis outbreak in her area this past winter.

Coronavirus and Giardia vaccinations are not recommended by the American Animal Hospital Association Guidelines.

We are monitoring Canine Flu in America. It hasn't seriously taken hold anywhere in the country, and there is an annual vaccine for it. In the rare cases that we vaccinate for it, we cover both strains, the H3N2 and H3N8. If you would like to learn more about Canine Flu, visit <http://www.akc.org/content/health/articles/the-dog-flu-symptoms-you-need-to-know/> and <http://www.timesrecordnews.com/story/life/community/2017/06/11/canine-influenza-makinggrounds/102606606/>

Note: The information provided here is not meant as a substitute for veterinary care. We rarely get puppies into Sheltie Rescue so this information applies only to adult dogs. For more information visit <https://www.aaha.org/>

Tick Tick

The CDC's link for natural tick repellents and pesticides is at <https://www.cdc.gov/lyme/prev/natural-repellents.html>

Stolen Treasures—Do Be Careful

<http://www.care2.com/causes/5-ways-thieves-could-steal-your-dog.html>

The Art of Living with Shelties



Terri Lowe's Prance is a true Sheltie. He will "Work for Food"! Look at that rapt attention!



Catherine's furkids get the best of everything



Buster Malone leading the Good Life in San Francisco

What's Not to Love About Senior Dogs?

We are always looking for permanent homes for the older and/or medically challenged senior Shelties we take into our program. Many of these dogs are not adoptable due to age, terminal illness, frequent medical treatments, costly medications, or other reasons. We want these dogs to live quality lives in family homes, just as we would expect for any other Shelties. In these situations, NorCal Sheltie Rescue pays for most of the expenses while the foster families pay for food.

Those who have fostered senior dogs tell us frequently how much they enjoyed the experience. They can almost measure the gratitude of each dog as the love is given freely from both parties.

Mimi is an example of such a dog. Her owners surrendered her to a local shelter and asked that she be euthanized. The shelter staff recognized that she had a few more days, months, and probably years to live. You can read about Mimi in the adoptions section on Page 5.

If you have a big heart for geriatric Shelties, please let us know by submitting your application from our website at www.norcalsheltierescue.org

—Terry Gary

And to this Vicki would like to add, "The sad, broken, old ones have always been my favorites. They are so, so, **Grateful**. First there was Bonnie, tossed out of a moving car on a local highway because she was old and ugly and matted, had a big tumor on her face, and 'wasn't any fun anymore.' Tossing her out was cheaper and easier than having her euthanized, I guess. The car driving behind the car that jettisoned her happened to be driven by an employee of the Peninsula Humane Society, who tossed her teenage son out in traffic to retrieve Bonnie and they brought her to us. We had her vetted (the tumor was benign), pulled every one of her rotten teeth, and she went on to live out another five happy years with Roger and Susan, who became core volunteers for NorCal Sheltie Rescue because of her. They called her Bouncy, Bouncy because, though she had no teeth, she just couldn't get enough of playing with her ball.

Next was Archie who was found under a deck at an abandoned property. He was hairless, starving, and, according to the vets when we took him in to be checked after pulling him from the shelter, probably wouldn't live more than a day or two. 'Do you want us to put him down for you?' they asked. 'No,' I replied, 'If he's going to die,

he's going to do it on his own time in a warm, soft bed with the taste of steak on his tongue,' and I took him home. I put him in a warm, soft bed and offered him some steak. He raised his dying head and said, 'Steak? Steak?? Steak???' 'ell no, I'm not dying, I'm going to eat STEAK!!' and that's just what he did for more than a year, regaining his coat and making friends with all the kids in the neighborhood ("Can Archie come out and play?").

Then there was Ozzie, another abandoned old guy, almost hairless and covered with maggot-filled sores. I picked him up at the shelter and drove him directly to the vet. The vet techs set to work cleansing his wounds as he lay there patiently. As they worked on him, he raised his head and kissed one of the vet techs on the chin. His love and gratitude were boundless, and he spent his last year with Gale Ann who spoiled him as he deserved.



Albert at the shelter 11/29/2006

Hello Gail Ann, I hope you remember me. I picked up a stray Sheltie for you in 2006 at the San Jose animal shelter. I was going to foster until you could find someone to take him. It didn't work out; we fell in love with Albert.

He was my first male Sheltie, and he is the best dog I have ever owned. Although we don't know his age, best guess is between 12-17. He was diagnosed with congestive heart failure almost two years ago, but we have a great vet, and he is doing well. I have attached a picture of Albert! Thanks for the great work you do!

Regards, Theresa Marler, PUPGEAR
<http://pupgearcorporation.com>



Rescue Magic...or "Things happen for a reason"



And then there was Ozzie, naked, starving, and covered with maggot-filled wounds. I pulled him from the shelter the day he came in and took him immediately to the vet. While I was there, the shelter called my cell and said, "That dog was supposed to be on a ten-day stray hold. You have to bring him right back." "He's at the vet right now, and I can foster him for you and get him back to you if and when his owner shows up." "The vet can't treat him; he's not your dog." "Well, it's too late, he's getting treatment right now, and we will pay for it. He's in terrible shape." "No. You have to bring him right back." "No, I'm not bringing him back tonight. It's late, and we can talk about this tomorrow." "You have to bring him right back, or we will send an officer for him." "Fine. Send an officer." At that point Ozzie reached up and gently kissed the chin of the vet tech who was cleansing his wounds. I told the vets to feed him the fanciest dinner they could find and put him in their most comfortable cage to wait for the officer and to please make sure he went back to the shelter with all the medicines he needed. I left him there and went home. Ten days later when his stray hold was up, we went to get him and discovered the shelter had taken very good care of him. Ozzie mended, regrew his coat, and went to live out his days, spoiled and happy, with our Director, Gale Ann Morris, up in Elk Grove.



—Vicki Jones

Recent (and not-so-recent) Adoptions



Greg and Denise's adopted puppies, Wager and Lexie, then (2016) and now (2017)

These two wildchild puppies were born in rescue as part of the Lassen confiscation in September of 2015 and were whelped and raised by our colleagues in Norcal Collie Rescue. They are now nicely trained and well mannered thanks to the efforts of Greg and Denise and a host of puppy classes.



Cory was a stray, housed in a local shelter, when he came into our program. Just a pup, he was full of energy and drove his foster mom to distraction in just a few days. Fortunately, a very experienced and patient

trainer in Marin County volunteered to take him into her home and work with him. A few months later, a different dog emerged. Still the feisty, exuberant fellow we met in the beginning, he now knew a few boundaries and some positive behaviors that allowed him to be a good companion dog in a family environment. The trainer worked tirelessly with our rescue coordinator to insure that the right home was found for him; thankfully, Cory now lives in a home with two companion dogs to play with and, best of all, an 8-year-old boy who adores him.

Many thanks go to the volunteer trainer who donated all her time, energy, and supplies to NorCal Sheltie Rescue, stating that her reward lies in the "training opportunities that these dogs provide." We are very grateful to her for shaping Cory into a wonderful family dog!

Rylee, a 10⁺-year-old, intact, male, sable Sheltie was found as a stray in the Yuba City area. He was fostered and then adopted by Judy, a previous adopter who loves the seniors. In the photo, Rylee is on the right, and Judy's Sheltie, Tara, is on the left. Judy's adopted two senior dogs now. Judy's a great lady with a huge heart.



A True Rescue Story

Ted was a very shy stray Sheltie in Idaho who found his way into a rescuer's hands one wintry day. Joan helped him gain strength and confidence and found him a home with a good family. Unfortunately, one day missionaries came to the door and when the owner opened it, Ted bolted. He was on the run for a few weeks, in the dead of winter, when he finally was seen within a mile of his original rescuer's home. Joan was able to get him into her care again, but with other dogs in her rescue program, she needed to find him another place. She contacted NorCal Sheltie Rescue and offered to find transport for him to come to California.

We gladly took Ted into our program and placed him a wonderful foster home. Although he adjusted well, he was slow to progress and foster parents thought he might do better in a home with another dog. We then placed him in a home with Lea, the human, and Tula, the terrier mix female. From that point on, he started to blossom. Lea did a fantastic job of sending us regular updates, which we all enjoyed and sent on to Joan, his rescuer back in Idaho. Here's just one example:

"Ted continues to thrive and seems very happy. He and Tula play together just before our morning walk as they get all fired up when they realize I am getting ready to go out. When I go out to do errands or whatever and I am gone for a few hours, Ted has his little routine to greet me when I return. I bring the car into the



garage (I am sure he hears the engine and the garage door), and I can hear him barking in the house. It is the only time I hear him bark. When I open the kitchen door from the garage, he is running back and forth from the kitchen to the dining room, all worked up, wagging his tail, and barking up a storm. Then he settles down and comes over

to me for lovin' and behind-the-ear scratches. He continues to sleep with me all night on our bed, whereas Tula starts there but some time in the night jumps down and sleeps under my grandpa's chair. Ted often rolls over on his back, with all fours pointing to the ceiling, and sleeps. I love him to the stars and back.

In the mornings we have a routine as well. We get up pretty early, come downstairs, and get our little pellet stove going. I make myself a cup of coffee. Tula climbs up on the Tiger chair in the corner window so she can supervise the neighborhood; Ted climbs up onto the sofa so he can fall back asleep. He seems to enjoy the toasty warmth of the fire. I contemplate how lucky I am to have them in my life and greet the morning as it arrives."

Ted is just one example of the good work our team does. And our team occasionally extends to other states when the need arises!



Lady VIII came to us in January. A healthy 7-year-old owned by a 95(!)-year-old Grass Valley man, she was spending as much time being boarded at the vet's as

with him when he wasn't in the hospital or assisted living. His daughter convinced him to give her up to us, finally. Fun, lovely girl, Lady now has a loving home with Sandy and Fred.



Terry wrote: "Our sweet foster boy, Teddy, was adopted in October by Julie and Mike in San Pablo. They have a 10-year-old male Pomeranian and a cat, so Teddy will have good company. We fostered him for four months, during which time he really began to blossom. He made major strides in those months and seemed to like

both Julie and Mike right away."

Bernie's mom, Audrey, sent us a write up on Bernie, who was feral, found wandering, lost and terrified, in the fields near Lathrop. It was clear he'd never been petted or handled or cuddled, but the boy has learned—big time: "Meet Bernie, 14 pounds of unbearable cuteness. Bernie was a stray, found last April in poor condition and absolutely terrified of everyone. Vicki (Most Awesome Foster Mom) worked her magic and managed to restore his health and build his trust over the next 5 months. I knew Vicki because she had fostered my beautiful girl, Bella, who adopted me 2 years ago. So, in a diabolical plot to test my resolve about not adopting another dog for awhile, Vicki asked if I could "foster" Bernie temporarily until he was adopted. Of course it was love at first sight (look at that face!) and I was signing adoption papers before I knew what hit me. He is thriving as the new man of the house and he joins Bella and Molly in bringing me joy every day. By the way, ask Vicki how she happened to name him 'Bernie.' It's an interesting story!"



Mimi came from the San Martin Shelter. Her previous owners had brought her in to be euthanized, but the shelter thought otherwise, and they put a lot of time, money, and love into this sad looking little 13-year-old, giving her a dental, spaying her and putting her on prednisone and antibiotics before turning her over to us.



Mimi came to us a near-skeleton with a huge patch of bare skin on her rump from flea dermatitis and the signs of having had every litter of puppies she could have had since she came of age (undoubtedly in unsupervised affairs with the local canine's in her old neighborhood). Vicki, her foster mom, called her "butt-ugly," though people who met her thought she was cute. The amazing thing about Mimi is that, despite the fact that she really is 13 years old (Gale Ann checked her microchip which claimed she was "deceased" and that her birthdate was 2004), she has the energy and joie de vivre of a 3 year old.

Once Mimi was posted on our website, we got an immediate nibble from a family in northern Washington who said that, despite the fact that they knew we probably wouldn't place one of our rescues out of state, they really wanted her. They had been members of the Sacramento Sheltie Club before they moved north, and they said all the right things, wanting a companion for their 13-year-old, bibblack male Sheltie who was mourning the loss of his sister. After reading their application and talking to them, we recanted, and Vicki, Bob, and their Shelties met them halfway (Ashland Oregon) to hand Mimi off to them. Vicki writes, "This family left Washington after work on Friday, and drove straight through to Ashland, Oregon, arriving at 4:00 AM where they checked into their motel and slept until 11:00

AM check-out time. Then they drove to meet us at a cool, dog friendly rest stop on Interstate 5 that has a big lawn and lots of shade trees where the dogs and humans could get acquainted. It was going to be 110 degrees in Ashland that day! For some reason it had never occurred to me that Mimi might be interested in playing ball, but I had a tennis ball in the car and tossed it out for her while we were awaiting the arrival of her prospective adopters. Well, wrong, Mimi is ball crazy and we were just into the game when her new people and their 17-year-old son, Cody, arrived. Cody instantly picked up the ball and the game, and he and Mimi bonded within minutes. All the dogs got along nicely, and so they loaded Mimi into their car and



headed back to Washington, where she is joyfully ensconced in their household—and Cody’s bed. As we tell our foster homes when they see their fosterlings drive away with their new people, “You aren’t losing a furkid, you’re gaining a family.” I now have a new family up in Northern Washington, and we intend to go visit them up there, and they, us, down here in the Bay Area.”



Marvel, a young blue merle boy, was first

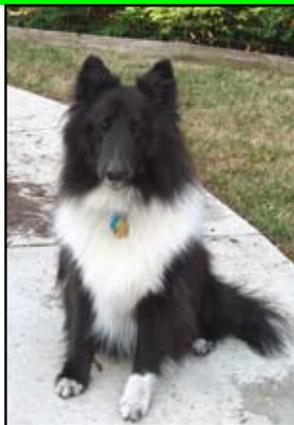
fostered by John’s sister, Janine, and then John and Joan had him for a few days. Now he’s with Debbie and Larry, previous adopters (Pepper). This boy has a great temperament; he’s found his permanent home.



Rainbow Bridge

Rocky, 2001–2016

Rocky, the bi-black Sheltie from Cool, lived a good, long life of fourteen years and brought a lot of pleasure to the residents of Gold Country, where he and Terry volunteered as a therapy dog team for eight years. He was a fabulous foster brother, since he accepted all new dogs readily. Most of all, he was a sweetheart and a great ambassador of the breed. He is greatly missed by Cliff and Terry.



wanting her. Gale Ann called Vicki and asked her if she would be willing to foster a puppy. “I’m too old for a puppy,” was Vicki’s reply. “She’s **bi-black**,” Gale Ann coaxed (knowing Vicki had had five other bi-black Shelties). Gale Ann then called Debbie who was more than willing to take her little Mischief back, but Vicki talked her into letting her find a world-team agility home for her, given her stellar pedigree and famous agility grandfather. As fate would have it, Mischief ended up living out her days with Vicki, and she enjoyed a good, though not world-class, life as a performance dog with agility, herding, obedience, rally, and Nose Work to keep her too busy to be destructive (though she did manage to shred the inside of Vicki’s SUV one afternoon).

Shooting Star Pixie Mischief, 2008–2017



Mischief came into rescue as a yearling. She had been beautifully and lovingly bred by Debbie Majewski, who wanted to keep her and grow her out as a show prospect. Debbie succumbed to the pleading

of a couple who had purchased another Sheltie from her; they saw the little bundle of bi-black fur and desperately wanted her as a companion for him. They took this high-drive (read “mischievous”) puppy home and locked her in a trailer for almost a year. They couldn’t deal with Mischief’s destructive (read “bored”) antics and so they called us to take her into rescue, too embarrassed to tell the breeder after all the fuss they had made about

In a condolence letter to Vicki, Terry wrote, “Mischief was unique, and I always enjoyed hearing her latest antics, thinking how very lucky she was to have landed in your loving home. When you often talked about ‘bi-blackitude’ and I disagreed with you, Mischief would so often prove me wrong. In my experience, it’s frequently the ‘troubled’ dogs that get under one’s skin and worm their way into our hearts.” Right on, Terry; this one left a gaping hole in my heart when she went to the Bridge, far too young and full of bi-blackitude.



Ozzie

Vicki writes, “Possibly the saddest, sweetest, and most neglected rescue I’ve ever known, Ozzie came home with me as a hospice foster while we mended his wounds and he regained his coat. He then went to live with Gale Ann and her Shelties up in Elk Grove. He had a wonderful—but way too short—life with them and went peacefully to the Rainbow Bridge on Christmas night 2016.”

Some NorCal Sheltie Rescue Events



UC Davis Campus Picnic Day, April 22, 2017

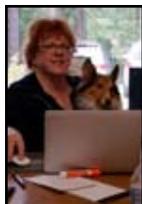
We had a booth at the UC Davis Picnic Day event. Volunteers were Karen, Terry, Teri, and Gale Ann.

Sheltie Rescue Retreat/Board Meeting, November 5-6, 2016

Here are a few pictures of retreat this year. Saturday there were eight people and seventeen dogs at our retreat cabin near Tahoe.



Breakfast vigil at the retreat



Officers and assistants taking meeting notes



Annual Sheltie Picnic and Celebration at Performance Dogs in Action, May 20, 2017



Always a fun, busy day!! It was 92 +/- degrees. Gale Ann writes. "A very nice turn out, not sure if anyone did a head count of Shelties and their peeps. Nola lost ten trees this past winter, so everyone huddled under the shade of the few trees in the main area." Gale Ann invitation letters say: "ALL Shelties and their peeps are welcome. Don't need to be an adopted rescue to participate," so we had lots of friends join us for this ever-popular event with herding, dock diving, agility, good friends, lots of airy persiflage, and our usual, wonderful raffle, manned here by Lucy and Liliane. This raffle and the one at



our annual Rescue Parade in Pleasanton in October with a wealth of donations from our friends and the SSCNC and Sacramento Sheltie Clubs, are major fund raisers for NorCal Sheltie Rescue.



A "Quiet" Fourth of July romp



This year 27 humans and 36 Shelties came to wear themselves out romping in the Jones's garden in Woodside so they'd be too tired to care about noises before the fireworks started. Our "personal" professional photographer, Greg Hughes (adopter of Kiska, now at the Bridge, and recently adopter of the two wildchild puppies, Wager and Lexie) sends the link to his photos of this event (<http://www.imagesbygregory.com/p208007564>) inviting all to view (and download) the pictures they fancy. He wrote Once we got home, Wager and Lexie could barely keep their eyes open after all that chasing around. It was great to see everybody again and I had so much fun photographing all those gorgeous Shelties - thank you!"

The real challenge for Greg was "herding cats" (or Shelties) trying to get a majority of the canine guests to sit or stand on the stairs for a group photo. We got *almost* all of them to pose together...a picture is worth 1000 words. Thank you, Greg! What more can we say?



COMING SOON: The Annual Rescue Parade and Raffle, Saturday, October 21, 2017

Our annual rescue parade and super raffle will be at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton. Directions can be found on <http://norcalsheltierescue.org/Events.html/>

Our Veterinarians

Below is a list of veterinarians and clinics around Northern California that our core volunteers and foster homes have used to care for our rescue Shelties. Some offer a very nice discount to NorCal Sheltie Rescue, and all are experts in every aspect of Sheltie (and Collie Family) health issues, vets who have helped us in special ways, or those who have gone beyond the call in caring for the creatures we love. If you have a wonderful vet to recommend to your fellow Sheltie family members, please share their contact information with us.

VETERINARY CLINIC

Abby Pet Hospital
 Adobe Animal Hospital
 Airport Pet Clinic
 Animal Care Clinic
 Animal Hospital of Sebastopol
 Auburn Animal Hospital

LOCATION

Clovis
 Los Altos
 Cameron Park
 El Sobrante
 Sebastopol
 Bakersfield

Baring Blvd. Animal Hospital
 Brighton Greens Veterinary Hospital
 Carson Valley Veterinary Hospital
 Coastside Veterinary Clinic
 Companion Animal Hospital
 Cool Animal Hospital
 Franklin Ranch Pet Hospital & Hotel
 Muir Oaks Veterinary Hospital
 Peninsula Animal Dermatology
 Richmond Veterinary Hospital
 UC Davis Vet Med Teaching Hospital
 VCA American River Animal Hospital
 VCA Bradshaw Veterinary Clinic

Sparks NVt
 Grass Valley
 Minden, NV
 Half Moon Bay
 Santa Cruz
 Cool
 Elk Grove
 Martinez
 San Carlos
 Richmond
 Davis
 Orangevale
 Elk Grove

Estate Planning

Please visit our website for a host of ways you can help support NorCal Sheltie Rescue. We have links for on-line PayPal donations and suggestions for planned giving/estate planning options. NorCal Sheltie Rescue, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, tax-deductible charitable organization, so your contributions are tax deductible and are used 100% to support the veterinary needs of rescue Shelties. And did you know that you can name NorCal Sheltie Rescue in your will or Living Trust? We hope you'll consider including a gift to NorCal Sheltie Rescue in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, this type of gift offers these main benefits:

Simplicity. Just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed. When making or revising a will or living trust, please consult with an estate planning attorney. Sample language is as follows:

"I give" [if a Will] or "The Trustee shall distribute" [if a Living Trust] "the sum of \$ _____; or the following property: _____; or _____ percent of my estate [or trust estate, if a Living Trust]; or the residue of my estate [or trust estate] to NorCal Sheltie Rescue, a California non-profit public benefit corporation located in Elk Grove, California. IRS Tax ID 20-4107630."

Flexibility. Because you are not actually making a gift until after your lifetime, you can change your mind at any time.

Versatility. You can structure the bequest to leave a specific item or amount of money, make the gift contingent on certain events, or leave a percentage of your estate to us.

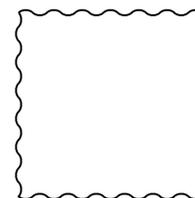
Tax Relief. If your estate is subject to estate tax, your gift is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the gift's full value.

Our mailing lists have lots of blanks and/or defunct e-mail addresses. Please make sure to update your e-mail and US mail addresses with us, and please ask other Sheltie families you encounter to do the same. Thank you for staying in touch with NorCal Sheltie Rescue (<http://www.norcalsheltierescue.org>).

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