



*Happy Holidays From All of Us at the C.A.R.E. Sanctuary!*



Cute and adorable little Kevin! Kevin has come a long way from the day he was rescued. It took a while for him to trust humans but with a lots of patience and love he has turned around and has learned to love and trust again!

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Dear Supporters:

It is hard to believe another year has gone by and as it comes to a close, we are once again **humbled with gratitude for your support, friendship and kindness throughout the past year.**

As we are saying goodbye to the year ending and hello to new beginnings, *we cannot help thinking how lucky we really are to have such wonderful people supporting the rescued cats and dogs living at the C.A.R.E. sanctuary.* People like you who have made the decision to support us, to lend your voice and pocket book to help the voiceless, the less fortunate, the ones in jeopardy, the abused and the homeless.

We are so grateful to have you as our friend and to have you standing with us for the better treatment of all animals. You really make our hearts filled with joy and hope, knowing that there is still so much kindness, generosity, love and willingness to stand up for the ones in need, the innocents, the forgotten. **C.A.R.E. and our rescued pets cannot survive nor have a tomorrow without your support and generosity. Thanks to you, we believe they will.**

Another new beginning is almost here - new hopes, new challenges and a new chance to make a difference and make this world a better place for all creatures. *And we can do it if we stand together. No gift is too small - everything helps.* But it does take a lot of "everything" to take care of the 300 + wonderful little ones under our care.

In this Holiday season as we enjoy ourselves surrounded by our loved ones and give thanks for our blessings, please let us all **remember the less fortunate-the ones with so much sorrow, the hungry, the ones in the freezing cold with no place to go.** Please be generous and help all who are in desperate need-all, including the humans, especially *the innocent creatures of the world who have no voice to cry for help, the ones that are suffering in silence.* Together we can change their odds for the better and give them hope and a second chance for a good life!

Please help us help them, **by donating to our cause,** so we can provide them with the great care they deserve and a safe place they can call home until their forever home comes alone or forever if need be. We need your generosity more than ever in 2012. **Happy Holidays, Peace on Earth and goodwill to all!**

Love,

Joanna Patrice- Outreach Director

P.S. C.A.R.E. will celebrate it's 20th Birthday in 2012! Yes, C.A.R.E. was born in 1992! Can you believe it? Look for future announcements on how we plan to celebrate!



## **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](mailto:mail@care4pets.org) for info.

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

- ❖ 1,000 Pounds of Dry Dog Food
- ❖ 750 Pounds of Moist Dog Food
- ❖ 5,000 Pounds of Cat Litter
- ❖ 900 Pounds of Dry Cat Food
- ❖ 900 Pounds of Moist Cat Food
- ❖ 1,000 Pounds of Disinfectant



Make your tax deductible donations at [www.care4pets.org](http://www.care4pets.org). We can't do this without you!!!!

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Tom and James Johnston of Granada Hills, California, are 11 year old identical twins, with identical twin 6 year old brothers, Robert and Stephen Johnston. The family dog, a rescued collie, passed away two years ago and knowing how much help rescued dogs and cats need, James and Tom decided to ask for donations to C.A.R.E. in lieu of presents for their 11<sup>th</sup> birthday. "We have lots of toys and books already," say the boys, "so we'd like to make a difference for those animals who haven't yet gotten a home." So, once all the checks and cash came in, they took a little extra money out of their savings, and made a donation to C.A.R.E., as well as to Heal the Bay, another benefactor of their birthday money.



This past summer, their family was able to adopt a dog from the West Valley Shelter, a 4-year old German Shepherd mix, whom the four boys decided to name Hershey. "She is really sweet, and her eyes look like melted chocolate," Tom explains. "Plus, since she's a girl, she is a HER SHE dog." James adds, "That way, when she licks us, we call them Hershey's Kisses!" While still nervous around some strangers, Hershey loves her boys and enjoys playing catch when they throw her tennis ball or red plush pig.

When they are not helping animals, James and Tom enjoy playing basketball on their school team at Phoenix Ranch in Simi Valley, playing saxophone and trumpet in the school's band, and performing in theatre productions at their school and summer camps. They've been in *Grease*, *Seussical Jr.*, *Footloose*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Bugsy Malone*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Pirates of Penzance*, *Cinderella*, and *Oliver Twist*, just to name a few, and are excited about this year's production of *Guys and Dolls, Jr.* James collects happy face items, and hopes to open a museum and restaurant someday, while Tom loves wearing cool fedora hats, and plans on becoming an architect.



C.A.R.E. is so grateful that the boys choose our organization for their generosity. It is actions like this that give us so much hope for the future. We all should learn from their selflessness: be kinder to all beings and help the less fortunate, always, but especially at this time of year - the time of giving, receiving and remembering the homeless - animal and human.



**Best wishes and hopes for better tomorrows!**

**Happy Holidays to us all!!!**



MR.X what a face - can you tell he is enjoying the loving? He is 5 pounds of pure joy and love!



Sweet Macy, enjoying life at the CARE. sanctuary, without a care in the world, thanks to your support and generosity!!!



Roscoe says: " Hey, I sure love my human friends, but I don't understand their fixation on dressing me up like a reindeer! Well , I guess it makes them happy, so I'll humor them. "



Beautiful White Feather - such a lady-like pose!



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Paco II, another beautiful, sweet dog who was dumped in the desert. All in all, Paco can consider himself a very lucky dog as we were able to rescue him in time. So many more are not so lucky. Every day animals are dumped in the desert to die. We don't understand how some people can think domestic animals can survive out there. It's just heartbreaking.

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!**



Jean, a C.A.R.E. supporter and friend, in the "small house", enjoying loving with just a few of the kitties. I am sure the kitties wish she had more hands and I'm sure so does Jean! Thank you, Jean for been our friend and supporters. You are truly one-of-a-kind; the world is a better place because you are here!!!

*Make your tax deductible donations at [www.care4pets.org](http://www.care4pets.org). We can't do this without you!!!!*

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