



Rescuing at Risk Dogs & Cats in Southern California since 1992

## Summer 2013 in Southern California!



Beautiful Milo and Gracie-Shelley enjoying their day in the outside enclosure. As you can see, they are best friends. It is always so amazing to us how animals can make friendships even when they come from such different environments. Milo lived with a human family for many years and Gracie-Shelley lived as a feral kitty on San Nicolas Island and today both call C.A.R.E. home! They and the many more at the C.A.R.E. Sanctuary thank you for helping them to have a safe place to live with lots of love and without a worry in the world! **The only way they will continue to have a safe place protected from neglect and abuse is with your generosity, compassion and friendship!**

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Dear Friends:

Another hot summer in Southern California is here. As you know, our rescued cats are housed in a home-like atmosphere in very spacious indoor rooms equipped with swamp coolers for the summer and heaters in the winter. Our dogs have very spacious, partially covered runs so they can enjoy the sun or the shade. Their runs include a small house to protect their igloos from the elements, water misters and a small wading pool in the summer time. Even though our **dogs have a great life**, *we would love to make their time at C.A.R.E. even better, especially on those hot summer and cold winter days in the desert of Southern California.* Now that C.A.R.E. is the proud owner of the property where our Sanctuary is located, we can build on the land. We want to build a large building equipped with swamp-coolers and heaters with an indoor and outdoor space for each of our rescued dogs. We have quite a few older doggies and we want them to be cozy, especially in the winters up here when it snows. **Please help us make the lives of our rescued dogs more comfortable ones; no amount is too small, everything helps.**

After 21 years of C.A.R.E.'s existence and saving thousands of cats and dogs, you would think that there would be less need for a place like C.A.R.E. **Unfortunately it seems that the situation with homeless pets is only getting worse!** There are so many sad reasons why. Some people are very irresponsible or procrastinate getting their pets spayed/neutered – “Oh, I will get it done any day now, yup, yup! Just soooo busy.” and suddenly there are puppies or kittens (cats may have up to 6 or so kittens but dogs often give birth to more than 10!!). Oh boy - and now what to do with all of these puppies and kitties.... Others are back yard breeders whose only reason for having these poor animals is to make money; these people really are as big a part of the problem as “puppy mills”. *Many people continue to lose their homes and can't figure how to take their fur-folk with them.* Some wonderful animals become homeless when their human has passed on and not one of the rest of the family want to honor the departed by taking care of the little survivor – see Brandy's story in this issue. **(Please make sure you have something in place to protect your beloved pets for that time when we all must cross the Rainbow Bridge).**

Please help us help them! Together we've come a long way since 1992, but we still have such a long way to go and **our survival and future depends on your friendship and generosity.**

Thank you for your kindness and friendship!



Maria Porter -Sanctuary Manager – Secretary-Treasurer



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

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**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 on these as well 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**
- ❖ **5,000 Pounds of Cat Litter**
- ❖ **1,000 Pounds of Dry Cat Food**
- ❖ **1,000 Pounds of Moist Cat Food**
- ❖ **1,000 Pounds of Disinfectant**



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

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Please give today so our mission can go on and tomorrow we can help other wonderful cats and dogs who desperately need our help! **Our future and survival depends on your generosity and kindness! The animals in this issue and many more at the C.A.R.E. sanctuary are looking for homes of their own!**



Lucero (Bright Star) - a beautiful, intelligent, gentle, amazing American Staffordshire with a perfect personality. She was dumped in the desert; today she is loved and safe at C.A.R.E.!



August, a senior German Shepherd mix who came to us from North Central Animal Shelter. He was in need of medical attention with a mass on his leg and required surgery. It turns out that the mass was cancerous, but he is doing great now and we hope he will have a very good and long life.



Ruby, the sweetest dog ever. She is another face of the desert. How some people can be so cruel and dump animals without any regard for their well-being, safety or survival is simply heart breaking.



Ellie believes she is a lap dog - 65 lbs of love! She is a kissing love bug, too!



Meet Brandy, C.A.R.E.'s newest resident. Brandy is a "12 years young" female Chow. She is a very friendly, sweet, affectionate, gentle and trusting little one. In her short time at C.A.R.E., she has already made many friends - what an adorable doggie! You see, she lived all her life with a human father, but unfortunately he passed away and not one from the man's extended family would take her. Poor Brandy was running out of options for a second chance at life and here is where C.A.R.E. came in to give her hope and a loving place to spend her remaining time. **Please help us by donating to C.A.R.E. so we can have a tomorrow to save more sweet senior pets like Brandy!**





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Kitties in the small house sitting pretty for the camera. Don't you love them? What beautiful faces. They are very happy thanks to you and your support!

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 truth - animals do matter!

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



C.A.R.E and our rescued cats and dogs want to express our heartfelt gratitude and thanks to **Centinela Feed & Pet Supplies** for the generous donation of cat and dog food. C.A.R.E. can only have a future with the generosity of our wonderful supporters and companies like Centinela Feed & Pet Supplies. Thank you for all your help and kindness! **We need you now more than ever!!!!**

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