



Tall Tales and Catty Remarks

FRIENDS OF LONG BEACH ANIMALS Newsletter

Fall 2017

Come join us at the
21st Long Beach Veterans Day Parade

Friends will be walking in the Veterans Day Parade again this year to honor our Veterans and the War Dogs who assisted them in protecting our country.

Canines have been used in warfare and combat since ancient times and, though their roles have changed, many people do not realize the extent of their sacrifice.

Please join us to honor our Veterans and forgotten heroes, the War Dogs. We look forward to seeing you there. The parade will start promptly at 10:00 on November 11. Set up is on South Street between Deforest Avenue and Elm Avenue. Look for the red, white and blue balloons on the blue truck. Dogs are welcome but - a word of warning: The parade is noisy.



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IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

To save trees, help the environment and keep our expenses down, this will be the last hard copy edition of "Tall Tales and Catty Remarks."

We will continue the on-line edition of our newsletter.

If we don't already have your email or if you want to sign up again with a different email address, please go to www.FOLBA.org scroll down to the bottom of the home page and hit "Join our Mailing List."

If you would like to continue receiving a hard copy, please email us at folbamail@folba.org. You can also call and leave a message at 562-988-7647 or send a note to

FOLBA at PO Box 92736, Long Beach 90809.

We appreciate our members and hope you will continue to follow us and our updates.

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*Deceased



Meet the Board

Join us as we welcome our new Treasurer, Larry Blunden.

Larry first became involved with Friends in the early 90's when his company, Remarkable Things, worked with Officer John Gonzales at Long Beach Animal Control to make pins, mugs and stickers.

When Friends of Long Beach Animals came along Larry continued to supply us items of need at a very fair price. Remarkable Things was our "go to" company for years. When Friends started the Humane Education Program, he helped put together our "Be Kind to Animals" stickers for the students to wear or collect, which he still prints for us.

When Larry closed his business, he donated remaining inventory to Friends, which we were able to use for raffle, silent auction and yard sale items to earn money to help the animals.

A Signal Hill resident, Larry is the elected Treasurer for the City of Signal Hill, President of the Signal Hill Historical Society, Treasurer for Friends of the Signal Hill Library, President of Promontory Crest HOA and President of Carlsberg Business Park Association.

We are looking forward to having Larry serve as our Treasurer. He will be a key component in helping us be responsible with the money that our donors entrust to us. Welcome, Larry!



Open Board Position

If you have a love of animals and would be interested in serving on the Friends' Board, please let us hear from you.

The volunteer position would require the time and dedication to be involved in the operation of the organization as well as participating in special events.

If you would be interested please email us at folb@mail@folba.org or call us at 562-988-7647.

Playhouse Benefit

On July 27, Friends held its annual Benefit for the Animals fundraiser at the Long Beach Playhouse.

In addition to a great performance of Guys and Dolls, attendees at the reception were treated to delicious finger food donated and prepared by Robin Rosin, piano music by the fabulous Ralph Brunson, and service by our two favorite bartenders, Tim Panik with Rafael Lerma, who celebrated his birthday that night.

At intermission, everyone enjoyed the chocolate pretzels and graham crackers donated by Susan Schulberg in memory of Roosevelt, her beloved cat, and cookies donated by Rossmoor Pastries. Folks also enjoyed bidding on a wide selection of silent auction and raffle items.

Because You Care

<u>DONOR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>LOVED ONES</u>
Bobbi Vernon	In memory of her sweet dog, Angel	Donna Coast
Many friends and family	In memory of Scott Rinehart	Jim Poer
Jim Poer	To honor the life of Scott Rinehart	
Diana Ortiz	In memory of Gloria Ortiz	
Marie Mara (Nanny)	In memory of Capa, family pet and friend	Zahorski Family
Patrick Bucher, Patricio Tile	In honor of Jax	
Nancy Lewis	In memory of Cody	

I rescued a human today.....



Her eyes met mine as she walked down the corridor peering apprehensively into kennels.

I felt her need instantly and knew I had to help her. I wagged my tail, not too exuberantly, so she wouldn't be afraid.

As she read my kennel card, I hoped she wouldn't feel sad about my past. I only have the future to look forward to and want to make a difference in someone's life.

She got down on her knees and made little kissy sounds at me. I shoved my shoulder and side of my head up against the bars to comfort her gentle fingertips as they caressed my neck. She was desperate for companionship.

A tear fell down on her cheek and I raised my paw to assure her that all would be well.

Soon the kennel door opened and her smile was so bright that I instantly jumped into her arms. I would promise to always be by her side. I would promise to do everything I could to see that radiant smile and sparkle in her eyes.

I was so fortunate that she came down my corridor. So many more out there who haven't walked the corridors, so many more to be saved.

At least I could save one.

Because You Care

Program Fund

Upon receipt of a contribution (\$25.00 minimum), an acknowledgment of the donation will be sent to the family or individual in whose name the donation was made. The amount of the donation will not be included. The donor will also receive a letter of recognition for the donation. The recipient's name will also be listed in our newsletter.

When making a contribution,
please include the following information:

Enclosed is a gift in the amount of \$ _____

In honor of: _____

On the occasion of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Please send acknowledgment to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Make check payable to **Friends of Long Beach Animals**
and mail to:

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Attn: Because You Care Fund

Friends Sponsoring Free Mobile Spay/Neuter Clinic

Friends is once again sponsoring a free spay/neuter clinic in partnership with Councilman Uranga's office. The clinic will offer free services to residents of the 7th district who are not financially able to spay or neuter their dogs. The service is being provided by H.E.A.R.T. (Healthcare and Emergency Animal Rescue Team) and will be held at Cherry Park on October 22. In addition to spay/neuter, other services will be included as needed. Vaccinations will also be available for a small co-pay of \$5 for Rabies and \$10 each for DHPP and Bordetella. In the future, Friends will also sponsor, in partnership with Councilman Uranga's office and H.E.A.R.T. , a mobile clinic to spay and neuter cats for the families in the 7th District who need financial assistance.

Happy Endings



Ranger celebrated the 4th of July in his new home with Amanda and her Husband, Abraham.



FOLBA found Ranger over at Long Beach Animal Care Services just sitting there being as cute and friendly as ever. The spcaLA did not have room for him (crowded shelter with summer's cats) and no one wanted to adopt him so Friends of Long Beach Animals transferred him to Bixby Animal Clinic in hopes to find him a forever home and look what happened.

Amanda was at Bixby Animal Clinic with her other cat, Boots, for his yearly check-up and she spotted Ranger needing a home. Amanda fell in love with him, he is a mini-me for Boots, in fact he looks like he could be Boot's son.

Ranger has been renamed Biggie and both Biggie and Boots will live happily ever after in Costa Mesa with the Hernandez's. Truly a "Happy Ending."

We thank Dr. A and his staff at Bixby Animal for hosting our adoption condo.



"Biggie" & "Boots"

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Help stop the endless suffering of so many unwanted animals.

Adopt from a shelter or humane society.

Become a Responsible Pet Owner



Is your pet a sex offender?

If you haven't neutered your dog or tom he will stray and get females pregnant against their will, creating unwanted and unwanted litters. Far too many puppies and kittens turn up on the SPCA's doorstep because owners don't get their pets fixed.

So stop the offending. Get your pet desexed.



ADOPTION = *Short-Term Answer*
SPAY/NEUTER = *Ultimate Solution*