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is published quarterly and distributed throughout the community to those who support our mission.



Maggie

Claudia

Submitted by Casey McClain

Little Claudia came to me at four weeks old after being found all alone on Clydesdale Rd. She was called Clyde at first, taken to the vet and was given meds for diarrhea and conjunctivitis.



After closer examination she became Claudia. The shelter could not take her until she was 6 weeks old, so I had the pleasure of her company for a bit longer. After a week in my downstairs bathroom, it became apparent that I couldn't confine the little ball of energy, so I allowed her out during the day to explore and conquer the rest of the household. She became a constant companion of my dog and developed a reluctant respect for my old cat.

Soon the time came to find a forever home for her and I was able to take her to the shelter. She did find her new home and is sharing her charms and energy with her new family, who reports that Claudia is rambunctious and is a cool color.

Claudia was fostered under the DAWG Found Cat program. ❤️

Our local animal shelter does not accept found cats or kittens unless a "found cat" report has been completed, a minimum five-day waiting period has passed, there is space available and the cats are at least 8 weeks old. It is up to the finder to care for the cat/kitten until shelter intake, but a problem occurs if for whatever reason the finder is unable to take temporary custody of the cat/kitten. All too often these stray cats/kittens are released to fend for themselves, resulting in a life of hardship. The unaltered cats will reproduce, compounding the problem of homeless cats in our community.

*DAWG's Found Cat Program arranges for short term custody (foster care) of found stray domestic (not feral) cats and kittens, pending admission to either Douglas County Animal Care and Services or another animal shelter. In the past 4 years we've helped close to 400 homeless felines through this program. **Cat and kitten fosters are desperately needed!** If you live in Douglas County and would like more information about being a foster parent, please contact DAWG at 775-267-7325.*



Charla's a Rockin' Good Dog

Submitted by Casey McClain

Charla and Nikko were found by Douglas County Sheriff deputies in an abandoned car at Taco Bell. Nikko, a 2-year-old black lab / border collie mix was afraid but in good general health. Charla, a sweet 10-year-old shepherd mix is a special-needs dog, with just three legs.



Charla, left, hanging out with her new buddies!

Charla had a special rock in the exercise yard which she would show you and play with by pushing it with her one front leg or her mouth. She would run after a tennis ball but would immediately go back and play with her rock. Nikko, her steadfast friend, would stand by her and guard her on walks and in the yard.

Nikko was adopted first, and then a couple of days later Charla went home with her new brother and sister Pablo and Lady, who were adopted last year (Charla is on the left in the picture).

She got to take the rock home, too.



It turns out that Charla and her rock ended up in the right home. Her new parents say: "She is awesome and we love her. We adopted two dogs last December and she looks like them, acts like them and is the same age. They sleep together and hang out together." ❤️



Journey

Submitted by Casey McClain

Journey came to the shelter as a surrender when his family could not take care of him. He was severely emaciated and had no energy for walks. He did seem to appreciate volunteers sitting with him in his kennel and giving him what comfort they could. Meanwhile, DAWG got involved with his medical needs. Despite pursuing various options with the local veterinarians, this five-year-old dog showed no significant improvement.



Then Shannon Miller of Bean Senior Care, a dog rescue in Fallon for senior and medically challenged dogs, came to Journey's rescue. She adopted him on July 20th. DAWG contributed towards his future medical needs, but the bulk of the expenses have been paid by Shannon. She took him to VCA, a veterinary specialist group in Sacramento, where he was diagnosed with an autoimmune-mediated disease and polyarthritis. He requires numerous medications and has both good and bad days, but he endures it all with grace and trust. He has put on a little weight and now interacts with other dogs. If you would like to learn more about Journey or help as he continues on his path, you may contact Shannon Miller through her website at www.beanseniorcare.org. ❤️

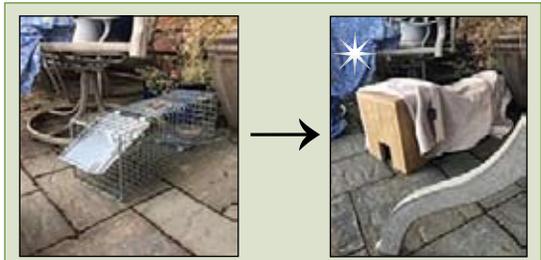
Eloise Reed Steps in as New TNR Coordinator

Submitted by Linda Miner

I am happy to be DAWG's new TNR (Trap/Neuter/Return) coordinator. This is such an important part of animal control in any community, yet is it often overlooked, under evaluated, and often misunderstood. With the assistance of other devoted animal advocates, I hope to be able to help a lot of people and cats in our community.

Currently, we are assisting an 86-year-old woman with several feral cats in her yard: three adults, two 10-12 week old kittens, and four six-week old kitties. We wanted to capture the smallest kittens first, so we needed some sort of a trap entrance that would allow only tiny kittens to enter the trap. TA-DA! With old scrap wood, my husband built a perfect facade to slip over the trap allowing only the littlest kittens access.

The relief on the woman's face when the kittens were caught almost brought tears to my eyes. The sweet head-nudges from the kittens once they felt safe and secure brought me even closer to tears. But the realization that we just prevented several new kittens from being born (because these captured babies were going to be neutered), made me squeal in delight!



This is why we do this: relief to a concerned, caring person; safety to a tiny creature who did not ask to be born into its situation; and obvious "animal control" for the community. Simply understanding that an un-spayed female cat can produce 12 kittens a year (not to mention that number is multiplied when those kittens have kittens), means there will be fewer cats for the shelter and community to deal with in the very near future.

I'm neither a master trapper nor a perfect trapper. I'm an experienced trapper with many years and situations behind me (and in front of me). I enlist the Alley Cat Allies and the Best Friends methods of TNR, for the most part. Before moving to Nevada, I volunteered with the Nike Animal Rescue Foundation in San Jose (since 1985) and with TOPCats (of Paradise, CA), since 2017. Happily looking forward to being a volunteer with DAWG for a very long time and to working with other animal advocates in my new home area!

I am passionate about the need for TNR; it's always with the cat's best interest in mind. I am grateful that two awesome women have offered to help me. I am sure we will have some "fun" while we get the job done. Anyone (with or without trapping experience) who would like to partake in this EXCITING program, please let me know (Eloise Reed: 408-309-4625 or emoreed@icloud.com). The more the merrier ~ and the faster the job gets done! Go Team TNR!



DAWG's Pet Food Holiday Gift Tree at Max's

Submitted by Diana Furness

Kori Snyder-Lundberg, owner of Max's Pet Supplies next to Raley's in Gardnerville, will provide her 15th Annual DAWG Holiday Gift Tree from November 27 through December 30.

This year the Gift Tree will benefit local pet dogs and cats in need living in Douglas County. The tree will be decorated with ornaments offering suggestions to Max's customers regarding the needs of the many local families that are struggling from the loss of jobs. The gifts of donated pet food collected at Max's will be distributed from both the Carson Valley Food Closet on Waterloo Lane and the FISH Rancho Family Service Center at 921 Mitch Drive in Gardnerville.

Thank you from DAWG for your continued support and for adopting shelter dogs and cats. For more information please call Kori, owner of Max's Pet Supplies, at 775-782-8088.



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PAWS OF THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT [July - October 2020]



THANK YOU

Every donation is special and appreciated. We wish to offer acknowledgements for the following unique donations.

- **COLDWELL BANKER SELECT REAL ESTATE** for their donation in Memory of Colleen Campbell, who was a lover of all animals - even spiders! Part of the donation is for a new cat tree for the shelter.
- The **HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES** for their benevolent spay/neuter grant. This valuable assistance helps prevent the birth of unwanted puppies and kittens throughout Douglas County.
- **DICK FLANAGAN** for his repeated generous donations in memory of Toby.
- **DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS** who chose the Nevada State special Spay and Neuter license plates. Portions of those license plate fees are donated to DAWG quarterly to help support our TNR program.
- The **MANY RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY** who donate dry and canned dog, puppy, kitten and cat food, pet beds, treats, blankets and towels for the shelter animals. They also recycle their aluminum beverage cans in the dumpster at the shelter parking lot. Most of the time we do not know who you are, but you bring many smiles of gratitude.
- A special **THANK YOU** to everyone who supported the community, the Carson Valley Food Closet and DAWG by sponsoring the 2020 Virtual Turkey Trot:

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July-October

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 Callahan, Joe & Theresa
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 Johnson, Tina
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 Klementi, Elfie
 Koepke, Katherine
 Kopitch, George & Kathy
 Lang, Nancy
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 Littlefield, Loraine
 Luetgerodt, Terri
 Maebe, Patricia
 Mallory, Jody & David
 McDuffee, Jolie & Dennis
 McGee, Mike & Sherri
 Miller, Gail
 Minner, B.A.
 Morris, Maureen & Randy
 Moseley, Patricia
 Muzzy, Lynn & Jan
 Nye, Deborah
 Osgood, Sharon
 Palmer, Richard & Glisson, Rhonda
 Peterson, Tamara

Philips, Peter & Rodriguez, Estela
 Potter, Lorraine & Phil
 Reed, Dana & Alan
 Rigor, Thomas
 Riley, Gayle & Ken
 Roberts, Victoria J.
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 Sanicola, Charles & Nancy
 Sauer, Pamela
 Sawyer, Stacey & Williams, Brian
 Sharp, Cary & Susan
 Smith, David & Lynda
 Streeter, Sally & Norman
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 Walker, Richard & Clyda
 Webb, Shelly
 Woods, Wayne
 Ziglar, Craig & Stacey



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Gifts with Special Dedications

Arla, John – *In Memory of Rita J. Lantis*
 Bunnell, Celeste – *Found Cat Program Donation*
 Cookson, Vinny – *For Veterans Adoption Assistance*
 Ferree, Diane P. – *In Memory of Wayne Ferree to facilitate adoption of shelter animals*
 Fitzhugh, Ed & Lorraine – *To help with more fostering of animals that need help and shelter. I have been the recipient of the kindness of this organization and I want to support/pay forward.*
 Frager, June – *In Memory of Charlie*
 Griffith, Gary – *In Memory of Barbara Smith*
 Hartman, Jim & Mary – *In Memory of Aziza and Rosie*
 Johnson, H. Pamela – *In Memory of Coleen Campbell*
 Johnson, Judy – *In Memory of Dave Thomas, who used to walk big dogs for DAWG*
 Kapler, Stanley & Jeanene – *In Memory of "Trixie" - loving companion of BFF Linda L.*
 Koehler, Barbara & Paul – *for a dog*
 Kurczodyna, Colleen – *In Memory of Callie*
 Linehan, John – *Found Cat Program*
 Littlefield, Loraine – *In Memory of Seth*
 Maddox, Georgette – *In Memory of Bubba*
 Miller, Betty & Holt, Jeff – *In Memory of Warren Thayer*
 Montague, Patty – *In Honor of Reese & Luke*
 Novack, Ed & Donna – *for TNR, spay and neuter*
 Scheel, Louis W. – *In Memory of Mary Scheel to facilitate adoption of and provide special medical care for shelter animals*
 Streeter, Sherry Kay & De Lucca, Frank – *In Memory of Angel and Coco*
 Tomlinson, Jean & Art Millard – *In Memory of Michael Wright*
 Turnell III, Clifford – *In living Honor of Lexi (2012 DAWG alum) and Daisy*
 Vickrey, Carol – *In Memory of Buddy (dog)*
 Wardle, John A. – *In Memory of Rita Lantis*
 Yeager, Barbara & James – *Spay & neuter*



HOW ABOUT ZERO CO-PAY!

Submitted by Diana Furness, FAFP program co-coordinator

DAWG has eliminated the co-pays for the Fix-A-Family-Pet (FAFP) and Fix-A-Pit-Bull (FAPB) spay and neuter programs through March 31, 2021.

These ZERO co-pay vouchers are for dogs and cats belonging to Douglas County residents. Three local veterinary offices are participating. Please go to our dawgrescue.com website for additional information.

FAFP serves qualifying low-income pet owners as well as veterans and active military residing in Douglas County. Proof of eligibility is required. Apply by calling 775-901-2821.

FAPB serves all Douglas County residents with household family pit bulls and pit mixes. There is no income requirement. Apply by calling 775-901-7666.

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CAT & DOG ADOPTION UPDATES

We are happy to report that for August through October 2020 we succeeded in finding new homes for *23 dogs, 10 cats, 8 puppies, 46 kittens and 2 roosters!*



Twyla



Grady



Teddy



Missy



Aslan & Caspy



Mia

Twyla We just love her. Both she and her new cat friend are adapting well.

Grady is doing fine and comes on the bed at night.

Teddy is such a handsome, big love. He's doing well in his new home.

Missy was shy at first but now is amazing and is enjoying her back yard.

Aslan and **Caspy** are just great.

Mia is doing well and gets along with the dog.



Andy



Missy



Copper



Cindy



Tuxedo



Sandy

Andy and **Missy** are spoiled rotten! All night long they play, all day they sleep. Missy follows me everywhere.

Copper was shy but is adapting well. Vocal!

Cindy is doing great, although it took her a while to come out of her shell.

Tuxedo is a cool cat! Everything is going well.

Sandy is great and is now Sheila. She is beautiful and not shy.



Julius



Howie



Velma



Chai



Carl

Julius is the best cat I've ever had!

Howie is great and I love him to pieces. He follows me everywhere.

Velma is now Lola and is a handful, but wonderful. I love her.

Chai is happy. She was shy but has warmed up.

Carl is now Charlie and is doing fine. He loves laps and being petted.





Pinta



Finnley



Saxson



Bella

Pinta She's wonderful. The best dog ever. She's adapting really well. She has a whole houseful of toys and is spoiled rotten. Her name is Maddie now.

Finnley Finnley is doing great! He's playing a lot and loves to snuggle with everyone. He's such an adorable and dorky character! We haven't had really any problems other than his stealing our socks, but we're working on that.

Saxson He's a good dog. I'd like him to be an emotional support dog so I'm looking into training him for that.

Bella She's doing fine. She's adopted us. Someone had to have spoiled her and had her in the car a lot because when we say go, she heads straight to the car. We just love her.



Bandit



Spike



Raider



Ollie

Bandit He's doing great. He stands by the door and waits to go out and he is great in the crate. We really like him and he is happy.

Spike He's fabulous, wonderful and great, and loves to run. He didn't know how to walk upstairs so we had to carry him up. He's a big baby.

Raider He's the sweetest, easiest dog we've ever had. He's pretty spoiled and sleeps on the bed and the couch. He and our other two dogs get along well. We love him and he knows it. We call him Ray-Ray.

Ollie He's doing great, but we think he misses his sister Jewel. We missed getting her by a day. He whines when we are out walking and he sees other little dogs.



Moose



Koda



Millie



Izzy



Dixie

Moose He's getting along well. He enjoys playing with our Boxer.

Koda He's doing wonderfully. No problems.

Millie Millie (now Pepper) is doing well. The training is going pretty well, mainly because she's a good listener.

Izzy She is a puppy trying to learn what to do, so she is a handful. She seems to be happy.

Dixie She's doing great. She's still a little timid but she is warming up and her personality is beginning to show. We've named her Zoey.





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Make sure your tree is anchored and that ornaments, lights and cords are out of reach.

Beware of Christmas tree water.
It may be toxic.

Select safe Christmas plants.
Keep holly, mistletoe and poinsettia out of reach or out of the house.

Keep gifts and candy out of reach.



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