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DAWG Mission Statement:

To better the lives of Douglas County animals by improving their adoptability and thereby increasing the adoption rate while at Douglas County Animal Care and Services, educating the community about responsible pet ownership, and engaging in other projects and activities that may come available that will yield positive benefits to the animals, owners and citizens.



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A Place of Her Own - Viper's Story

Submitted by Eloise Reed, DAWG volunteer



Viper with her tiny babies at the shelter.

I was petrified! There were way too many of us cats. 165 to be exact. I had just given birth one day before the people came and took us away. I was scared, feisty, and in “momma bear” mode as I had small children to protect. Maybe that is why the shelter people named me Viper. They kept me with my babies until my children were weaned and able to be placed in safer homes, and I could be spayed. But what would come of me? Where would I go that might be safe?

“Do you have mice? How about a barn cat?” That was the post that caught the attention of Catherine, a nice lady who had a barn and, yes, mice. Hmm. She thought



Viper relaxing in 'her' barn.

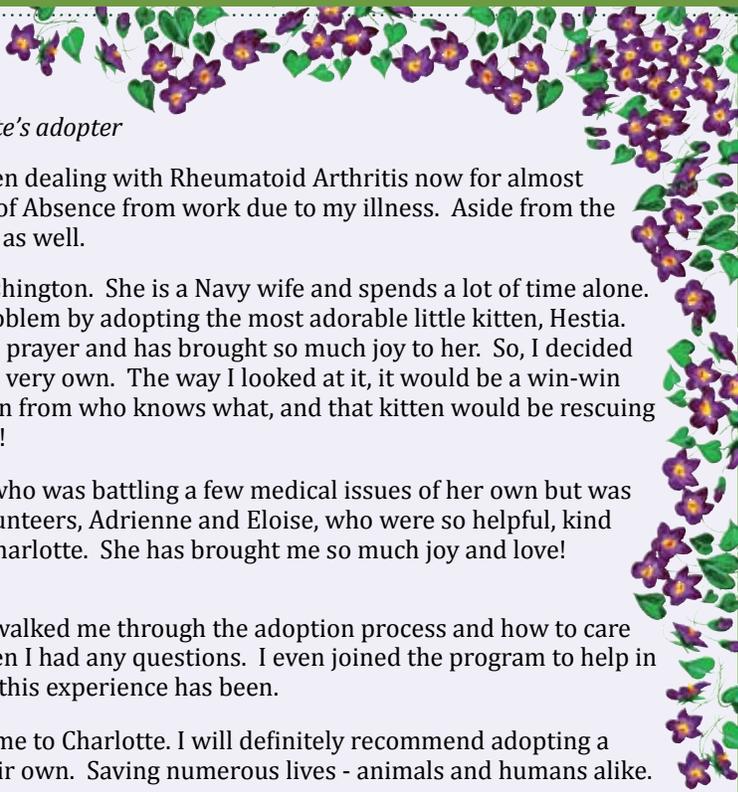
for a bit and then made the call. Eloise, with DAWG, told Catherine all about me. And BOOM! That was all it took for Catherine to go to the shelter and adopt me that very day! Catherine was given instructions on how to help me acclimate to living in a barn, especially after my entire ordeal: living inside a house with 165 other cats, never having been the outside, afraid, and unsure of what my future was to be. Catherine faithfully executed the 4-week plan, as difficult as it may have seemed at first. I needed time to learn that where I was NOW was

a safe place. Catherine and her ranch hand, Owen, did everything possible to make that happen.

For the first three weeks they fed me, gave me fresh water, and cleaned a litter pan daily while I lived in a cage in Catherine’s barn. After the three weeks, they opened my cage door to allow me to explore the barn I had been observing from behind bars. At first, I was a “streak” running to one of my safe places in the barn. I could see the people coming in, but they could not get me. It was perfect. Eventually, I found cozy spots in the barn: some in the sunshine like on the sheepskin pad on the windowsill and others on high bales of hay. Owen even made me a “cat cave” when the weather got cold.

Today, I don’t run to hide. I allow some people to get as close as three feet from me. One day I might even let them pet me. I am so grateful the shelter people took me and my children in and Catherine took a chance on me and did everything right to help me acclimate to a new life and a new career as rodent patrol. And I am so happy to say I have a place of my own. ♥





Saving Each Other

Submitted by Roxanne Cirillo, Charlotte's adopter

Hi! My name is Roxanne. I have been dealing with Rheumatoid Arthritis now for almost 9 years and am currently on a Leave of Absence from work due to my illness. Aside from the pain, I have been battling depression as well.

I recently visited my daughter in Washington. She is a Navy wife and spends a lot of time alone. However, she recently solved that problem by adopting the most adorable little kitten, Hestia. She was the answer to my daughter's prayer and has brought so much joy to her. So, I decided to look into adopting a furbaby of my very own. The way I looked at it, it would be a win-win situation. I would be rescuing a kitten from who knows what, and that kitten would be rescuing me in return. I was not disappointed!

Charlotte and her adopter Roxanne

I saw this picture of the most precious kitten, named Charlotte, who was battling a few medical issues of her own but was and IS a fighter! I was blessed to meet two incredible DAWG volunteers, Adrienne and Eloise, who were so helpful, kind and amazing "foster moms" and introduced me to MY furbaby, Charlotte. She has brought me so much joy and love! I love my little Charlotte with all my heart.

Adrienne and Eloise have been Charlotte's and my angels. They walked me through the adoption process and how to care for her and have been such a great support team - especially when I had any questions. I even joined the program to help in the future in any way that I can. I can't stress enough what a joy this experience has been.

Thank you to Eloise and Adrienne and the organization that led me to Charlotte. I will definitely recommend adopting a kitten or dogs to any and all who are looking for a furbaby of their own. Saving numerous lives - animals and humans alike.

Thank you for letting me share my wonderful experience and new love! ♥

Dogs like field trips, too!

Submitted by Tina Dennis, DAWG Volunteer

My husband and I volunteer at the shelter walking dogs. We decided to take our volunteering to the next level and expand to field trips for shelter dogs. We have taken some to dog training off site, and to Coffee-On-Main for a special outing and treats.

Recently we started bringing dogs to our home. We have a rescue ourselves: a pittie-shepherd mix named Misty who was rescued by Itsy Bitsy Rescue in Sacramento after being left in a box at the side of the road along with her siblings when she was only 4 weeks old. Misty very easily could have been in the same situation as the dogs at the shelter. Because she is such a sweet girl and has such a good disposition with other dogs, we decided to use her to help socialize some of our shelter dogs. We now lovingly call her our therapy dog for dogs.



Shelter dog Bell (gray) enjoys some relaxing time with Misty during a field trip to Misty's home.

Some dogs are not adopted due to their initial interaction with a potential family and/or their dog. We really wanted to help get them adopted and felt that having home visits with Misty improves their chances. Koby, a pittie-boxer mix, was our first trial and it was very successful! He enjoyed being at our home and playing, decompressing, learning house rules, socializing, getting some extra love and just getting to be a pet for a while. The shelter can be such a stressful place for these fur babies, and it does a world of good to get them out, even if for a short time.

Bell was our second trial. Bell was thought to be dog aggressive, but we put her and Misty together at the shelter and she proved us all wrong - they got along great and played well together. We brought Bell home to play and she was so happy. She clearly was relaxed and never aggressive. After a couple of hours of playing, she came into the house and was well behaved in a relaxed environment.

We believe all the dogs would benefit from fostering and field trips. We intend to have Misty do more meet and greets with as many shelter dogs as we can. We hope to convince as many volunteers as possible to help get these dogs out of the shelter for a few hours and believe it would make all the difference.

For more information about how to take shelter dogs out on field trips, talk to Animal Services Supervisor Liz Begovich at 775-782-9061.



We are pleased to provide a summary of Douglas Animal Welfare Group's (DAWG's) activities for 2022. Even during another challenging year, the DAWG volunteers were able to help hundreds of local animals through our various programs and services in accordance with our Mission Statement, to better the lives of Douglas County animals.

DAWG spent a total of \$206,595 in 2022.

Our volunteers:

- Contributed 11,441 hours to care for the animals at Douglas County Animal Services, provide community outreach programs, and handle DAWG operations.
- Provided care and assistance to all 193 dogs and 285 cats that were adopted from Douglas County Animal Services. This includes activities such as dog care and walking (twice daily), and cat care and socializing – 365 days a year.
- Co-hosted the 6th Annual Carson Valley Turkey Trot with the Carson Valley Food Closet. This event raised \$9,699.88 for each organization, giving DAWG much needed funds for Douglas County's animals.

DAWG's financial expenditures for the animals of Douglas County included:

- \$44,789 in medical care for the animals that were at Douglas County Animal Services, including wellness exams, dental work, senior exams, x-rays, surgeries, and care for some after adoption.
- \$28,642 in community assistance that helps lower-income Douglas County residents pay for veterinary care.
- \$12,638 for "Fix a Family Pet," our low cost spay/neuter program for lower income Douglas County residents.
- \$2,109 for "Fix-a-Bull," our low cost spay/neuter program for Douglas County pit bull dogs.
- \$26,330 for our trap/spay-or-neuter/return program (TNR), which included vaccinations and minor medical care for feral/community cats in Douglas County.
- \$23,870 for temporary care of stray domestic cats and kittens pending admission to Douglas County Animal Services through our "Found Cat Program."
- \$1,605 for behavior training of dogs following their adoptions from Douglas County Animal Services.
- \$3,672 for the purchase of microchips for the dogs and cats residing at Douglas County Animal Services.
- \$644 for the purchase of vaccines for the dogs and cats residing at Douglas County Animal Services.
- \$362 for other assistance to Douglas County Animal Services, including dryer repair, special food, cat litter, etc.
- \$6,915 for cat adoption assistance, covering adoption fees and rabies vaccinations.
- \$135 toward reducing the adoption cost for Veterans when adopting animals from Douglas County Animal Services.
- \$1,895 for adoption assistance for hard-to-adopt animals.
- \$4,584 for the purchase of cat and dog food for Douglas County families in need (distributed by F.I.S.H. in the Ranchos).

DAWG's volunteers and officers would like to thank Liz Begovich (Douglas County Animal Services Supervisor) and her staff for the continued support of our organization's mission to better the lives of animals in Douglas County.

Sincerely,

Lori Paxson, President

Douglas Animal Welfare Group (DAWG)



NORTHERN NEVADA GIVING TREE DONATES TO DAWG



Members of the Northern Nevada Giving Tree present a check to DAWG president Lori Paxson and other DAWG officers.

DAWG was the fortunate recipient of the Northern California Giving Tree's donation for the fourth quarter of 2022.

Between cash donations, checks, and a contribution from the Giving Group in Washington, DAWG received a total of \$6,800.

The Northern Nevada Giving Tree is comprised of community members dedicated to pooling their charitable contributions to make a powerful difference for four selected non-profits each year. The group meets four times a year to learn about prospective non-profits and to select that quarter's recipient.

The organization is growing and looking for new members. The long-term vision is to have 100-plus members, each contributing \$100 per quarter, for a total quarterly donation to the selected non-profit of \$10,000.

For more information about the Northern Nevada Giving Tree, contact Ginger Easley at 775-309-7979 or GingerEasley@gmail.com, or Toni Van Winkle at 775-720-6043 or ksrbooks@aim.com.

PAWS OF THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT [Oct 2022 - Jan 2023]



THANK YOU

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

- **BIOFILM MANAGEMENT, INC** for their staunch support of DAWG's mission to better the lives of animals in Douglas County.
- **KEN AND TONI CANNON** for their generous contribution.
- **KAREN CRANDALL** for her gracious support.
- **ELLEN GOLDSMITH** for a bounteous grant in support of the Douglas Animal Welfare Group.
- **BEN AND CLAUDIA JUSTUS** for remembering their beloved Dottie by supporting shelter needs.
- **HAL AND LAURA KLEGMAN** for their generous gift to DAWG to be used where most needed.
- **JOYCE LEIGHTON** for her generosity and dedication to helping animals.
- **SANDRA McANARNEY** for honoring the memory of Toby with a remarkable contribution toward the medical needs of shelter animals.
- **NIMBY FARMS** for the incredible contribution toward cat adoption assistance.
- **THE NORTHERN NEVADA GIVING TREE AND GIVING GROUP OF WA** for their outstanding collaborative donation.
- **ELOISE REED** for her thoughtful donation in memory of Sally Taylor; in honor of the Found Cat Program that does amazing work for the homeless cats and kittens of Douglas County; in memory of the kitties that did not make it and happiness to the cats and kittens that did.
- **JOHN & NANCY RICHMOND** for their generous grant in memory of Lance Garrido and dog Shelby Elizabeth.
- **THE DEAN SEEMAN FOUNDATION** for honoring the memory of Joyce "Little Jessie" Seeman with a significant grant to support Shelter Medical Needs.
- **WAYNE AND LAVERN WARNER** for their kind contribution to help Ophelia.
- **KRIS WILLIAMS** for honoring the memory of Kevin O'Grady with an exceptional donation to DAWG.
- **MRS. PENELOPE WRIGHT** for her gracious support.
- **WELDON W. WULSTEIN** for his thoughtful gift.
- **DOUGLAS COUNTY RESIDENTS** who chose the Nevada State special Spay and Neuter license plates. Portions of those license plate fees are donated quarterly to DAWG to help support our Trap/Neuter-or-Spay/Return(TNR) program.
- **THE MANY RESIDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY** who donate dry and canned puppy, kitten, dog and cat food, pet beds, treats, blankets and towels for shelter animals, and who recycle their aluminum beverage cans in the dumpster at the shelter parking lot. We may not know who you are, but we appreciate you!

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 Minor, Susan & Peter

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Morales, Jonna
Moseley, Patricia
Muzzy, Lynn & Jan
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Osgood, Sharon
Ostaggi, Richard
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Smith, Lindsey
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Stockman, Donald
Swartz, Kathleen
Taxer, Eric

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Wesse, Janet
White, Mary
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Winans, Katherine
Winter, Robert
Wood, Russ & Mary
Wooton, Larry
Yeager, Barbara & James
Ziglar, Craig & Stacey



Donations with Dedications

About A Boy - *in memory of Boomer*
Arce, Mona - *in memory of Curtiss and Molly*
Austin, Cindy & Burrill, Al - *in memory of Teejay*
Ball, Jimmie - *for shelter medical needs in memory of Roscoe*
Baushke, Donna - *in memory of Fluffy, Meg & Amy*
Brown, Timothy - *for the Found Cat Program*
Cassels, Ericka - *spay or neuter of a shelter animal*
Chlapik, John J. - *in memory of Sally Taylor*
Cotham, Teri - *for Adoption Assistance*
Elges, Mike - *in memory of Sandra Elges*
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Flanagan, Charles R. - *in memory of Toby*
Forest, Pam & John - *in memory of Ivan*
Forrester, Kristina - *in memory of Dom*
Fuller, JK - *in memory of Winnie and in honor of Dolly*
Gowing, Al & Bonnie - *for the spay or neuter of a shelter animal*
Hall, Bob & Ellen - *in memory of our precious Sadie*
Hall, Judith - *in memory of all the beloved pets who died in floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, and other disasters but remain forever in our hearts.*
Hansel, Judith - *for cats' needs*
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Hartman, Jim & Mary - *in memory of Karen Wondka LeFever*
Henricksen, Christine - *in memory of Bear, George & Einstein*
Jens, Brady & Tammy - *to facilitate the adoption of shelter cats in honor of Ally Jens, who chose DAWG to be her charity of choice again this year*
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Littlefield, Loraine - *in memory of Teddy*
Maher, Donna and Michael - *in memory of Kirby*
McClain, Casey - *in memory of Louie*
McDonald, Brenda - *in memory of Michele H. and her fur baby Bailey*
Morefield, Leslie - *to support Ophelia's surgery and shelter medical needs*
Morris, Vick & Myrna - *in memory of Fred, Buck, Lily, Sally & Lucy and in honor of Charlotte & Abbey, all our shelter dogs*
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Oren, Gwen - *for Ophelia's surgery*
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Roberts, John & Kristin - *in memory of "Kitten"*
Scarpaci, Wayne & Swarn - *in memory of Tux*
Scheel, Louis W. - *in memory of Mary A. Scheel*
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Sullivan Family - *in memory of Karen LeFever, who loved all animals and especially cats*
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Vassar, Gayle & Brink, Eric - *in memory of Graycie, the Little Gray Cat*
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Wilson, Roberta - *in memory of Sadie, Weston & Willy*
Zemlock, John & Nancy - *in memory of our sweet kitty, Bleu*

THANK YOU to everyone who responded to our holiday appeal benefitting our Shelter Medical program, which provides specialized medical care for the dogs and cats at the Douglas County Animal Services shelter.

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 Barrow, Keith & Laurie McAllister
 Bellas, August & Ila
 Berkowitz, Gertrude - *for Ophelia's medical needs*
 Bismark-Taylor, Carla - *in memory of Shiloh, formerly known as Bonnie, adopted from Douglas County Animal Services shelter*
 Blackburn, Christine
 Bohlman, Dale - *in memory of Oscar, my buddy*
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 Boyd, James
 Brackett, John - *for Ophelia*
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 Langston, Gordon
 Littlefield, Loraine - *in memory of Teddy*
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 Muzzy, Lynn & Jan
 Nikakis, Denise & John
 Noble, Diane M.
 Northcote, Geoffrey & Sheri
 Novack, Ed & Donna - *for the Trap/Neuter/Return and Found Cat programs*
 Novak, Louella
 O'Grady, Matt & Gina - *in memory of Guido and Modi who are always in our hearts*
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 Park, Alyssa
 Payne, Jeane
 Pellican, Mary K.
 Phillips, Peter & Rodriguez, Estela
 Pierce, Jim & Jan - *in memory of Lacie*

Pisciotta, Christy - *in memory of Macee May Asis. Miss you, love you, crazy dog! From the Pisciotta Family*
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 Rhead, Tammy
 Rittenhouse, Kathi - *in memory of Onyx*
 Roemer, John & Liye - *to provide special medical care for a shelter animal*
 Rogers, David A.
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 Schmidt, Phyllis
 Scott, John
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 Shanahan, Maureen
 Shannon, Annette
 Spencer, Jim
 Streeter, Sally & Norman - *in honor of Ophelia*
 Strehle, Richard & Carole
 Suminski, Russell & Rita
 Thran-Zepeda, Coleen - *in memory of Harlee & Mandi*
 Vega, Rhonda & Dale - *in memory of Macy Kitty and in honor of Brodie Kitty*
 Villalobos, Jennifer
 Wadding, Bill & Jody
 Walker, Richard & Clyda
 Ward, Ken & Sandra - *for cats' needs, and in memory of Big Boy Thunder Foot*
 Wardle, John A. - *in memory of Rita J. Lantis*
 Warner, Wayne & LaVern
 Wierczorek, Robert & Roth, Sonya
 Williams, Judy & Gary
 Williams, Kris
 Wilson, Roberta - *in memory of Sadie, Weston & Willy*
 Wilson, Victor & Betty Jean
 Wolery, Mary & Crowley, Lance
 Youngs, David & Gayle
 Zima, Marianne - *in memory of Tamray*



Ophelia continues to thrive in her new forever home. Thank you to all the generous donors who helped pay for her medical treatment.

**Because of you,
 Ophelia is living her best life.**

BETTY WHITE ADOPTION EVENT

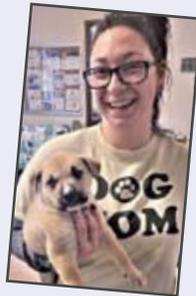


Leads to 'Furever' Homes

The 2023 Betty White Adoption Event was a great success, resulting in the adoption of three dogs, three cats and

eleven puppies. The puppies – each named after an herb or spice – were born at the shelter and lovingly cared for by shelter staff until they were ready for adoption. Happily, their mama, Sage, was adopted at the Betty White Adoption Event as well.

DAWG volunteers and Douglas County Animal Services shelter staff teamed up to help prospective adopters find just the right furry addition to the family.



An especially sweet moment occurred when a family arrived asking after a dog named Lobo.



It turned out that Lobo had been their dog, but they had made the difficult decision to put him up for adoption after they were stranded in another state and uncertain of their return. When they discovered that Lobo was still available for adoption, they headed to the shelter. As soon as the humans and the dog saw each other, there was no doubt that they belonged together. *A joyous reunion indeed!* ♥

Shelter staff made sure the puppies born at the shelter were healthy, socialized and ready for their forever homes. (top) This adopter's T-shirt says it all! (middle) Reunited and it feels so good! Lobo and his humans. (bottom)



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Snowcones For DAWG

Martial arts students from Northwest Martial Arts raised \$450 for DAWG by selling snow cones. Here, they present a giant check to DAWG President Lori Paxson on November 16.





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DAWG Social Media Update

For those of you who use Instagram or Facebook, we need your help!

Our Facebook page was hacked in November and used by the hackers to post fraudulent puppy posts that scammed people out of their deposit money. It should be noted that **DAWG NEVER sells animals.**

Despite repeated efforts to work with Facebook, DAWG was never able to regain control of our original page.

Undeterred, we went with Plan B - a new Facebook page. If you aren't already following us, please look for the DAWG Official Page logo shown here and become a follower – and block the 'old' page if possible.

In brighter news, we are now on Instagram! Follow us at [@dawgofficialpage](https://www.instagram.com/dawgofficialpage) for great photos of available cats, kittens, dogs & puppies.

Quicklinks to both the Facebook and Instagram pages are available by clicking on their respective icons on the DAWG webpage, dawgrescue.com.



DAWG's Facebook donate button is now active. Feel free to give it a try!

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