

BEAGLES AND BUDDIES

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The Beagle Bulletin

November/December 2014

Dear B&B Family,

If you have not yet visited our 15-acre Apple Valley sanctuary, please plan to do so. It is wonderful. First, the nice guy we bought it from, whose Dad built everything 50 years ago, wanted us to have it because he loves dogs. He had an all cash offer from folks who intended to tear everything down and put up a gas station and liquor store.

Since its birth in 1992, B&B has rehomed over 16,000 dogs. Of course more than that were rescued; some were ill when rescued and passed; others got sick in our care and went over Rainbow's Bridge. Some stayed with us for their entire lives...however short or long that was. Every dog whose photo and story is in this newsletter, on our website, past and present, is in your debt. You all have made it possible. Without your generosity, B&B would be out of business.

We believe it works like Maya Angelou says, "Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope."

Of the 320 dogs adopted this past year, 20 were "Specials". About one-quarter of our overall population is what we call the 'Specials', Olde timers...Long timers. Some adopters want only older, calm dogs. We hope that at least thirty of you will want to foster and/or adopt the 'Specials' you see on pages 4 & 5 within the next couple of months. If you find you must have an untrained, underwear-chewing puppy, we can help there too. Whatever your cup of tea, you can find a cornucopia of doggies, all ages, sizes, colors, temperaments and breeds at B&B – and we know them well and can help you make a successful match to your family's wishes and needs.

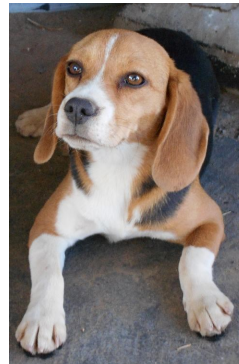
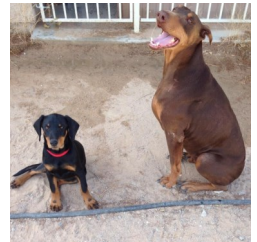
Please enjoy this first time ever eight page newsletter, we have a lot to share this year end. It is my pleasure and joy to talk about the **Dogs Help Heal Center**, a concept which has been taking shape for several months and we hope to have up and running next year. Presently, five different small groups of disabled individuals visit B&B five days per week with their coaches, to play and socialize with the dogs. It's just for an hour a day and we all enjoy this time immensely.

The DHH Center will expand this program; we'll have a class lead by Sable Beale who adopted her personal service dog Dillon from us three years ago. Dillon came from the Devore shelter the day we rescued every available dog there...sort of like opening all the kennel doors, throwing our arms in the air and cheering...BE FREE!

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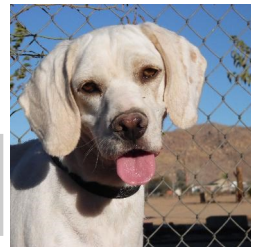


Sniffy McGee formerly Freudin with her new big bro, Dobbie...He looks so proud!
(Her mom is still available)



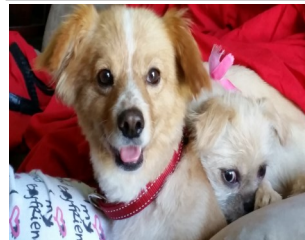
"Lulu, our amazing petite Beagle girl is such a blessing to our family. Thank you Beagles and Buddies for rescuing this girl"...Bob Sanders & Family

Does B&B have the most beautiful Beagles or what? Yes we do!



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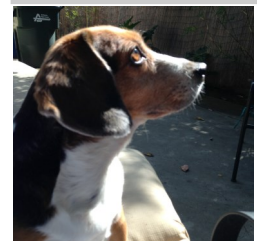
Salty Dawg, now known as Shadow (because he shadows me everywhere) is a super pal and doing very well. Thank you Beagles and Buddies for all you do. Not only for the animals but for the people like me who love dogs...Dr. James Harris Psy.D.



C-Note, now Pancake & his trusty new friend, Waffle are inseparable...What cuties!



Mika, formerly Emma..."Tail & tongue wagging, eyes sparkling, I knew in a minute, THIS IS THE ONE"...Michelle Sievert



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Thyme Flies Bye...It's hard to believe we have been at our 15-acre, Apple Valley location for three years...With a lot of help from our friends* we have:

- ◆ Painted all buildings Desert Tan (no more bright pink)
- ◆ Constructed big playgrounds and a 1-acre Bark Park with 6' fencing
- ◆ Planted dozens of shade trees and greenery
- ◆ Installed a misting system throughout the kennels
- ◆ Created a meet/greet area for adopters and dogs
- ◆ Constructed larger enclosures for bigger dogs and areas for isolation
- ◆ Added 20' storage container to store and protect dog food
- ◆ Created additional laundry locations...we wash dozens of blankets weekly
- ◆ Set up dog bathing stations with bath tubs, grooming table, hot and cold running water
- ◆ Built storage shelving for supplies in various locations
- ◆ Installed flood lights throughout
- ◆ Put in numerous water lines and hose bibs
- ◆ Built two summer 12x12 foot straw bale dog houses
- ◆ Recreated the beautiful brick mural patio floor we transported from El Monte
- ◆ Constructed several 6' wooden privacy fences



By "friends" we mean **Nutro Dog Food Products** whose employees worked for a full week of two four-hour shifts per day, several folks each day and brought us a storage container full of dog food; **SW Gas Co.** employees and their families, who volunteered many hours of their time in prepping to paint kennels and fence an acre and then came out en masse on a Saturday to finish up, brought a huge sub sandwich and all the fixings for lunch. Youngsters bathed and walked dogs; we met several future veterinarians and just had a great day! **Lowe's, Home Depot and Mark & Nellie's Nursery** all gave us huge discounts on trees and plants. **Big Sunday 2014** brought us about 75 volunteers over a three-day period who jumped in and did a myriad of chores; this included 45 young people from '**Looking Ahead**' who put together the straw bale dog houses and tried them out...they can hold 3-4 boys and the same in big dogs plus several more on the three levels thereof. You all gave us washers, dryers, all sorts of supplies and your time, talents, and friendship. Spare change is always welcome and it all adds up!

Future Plans Include....

- ◆ Three new or gently used swamp coolers for the three kennel buildings
- ◆ Heaters for kennels and dwelling (in El Monte we just worked until we went to bed; it is colder here)
- ◆ Shade Pergolas/benches for visitors/dog walkers to rest throughout the 1-acre Bark Park
- ◆ Winterize the straw bale dog houses – put on a foundation seal them with adobe mud
- ◆ Repair old barn roof and revitalize with paint, murals, yard art
- ◆ Finish "dressing" manufactured home gifted to B&B – Initial HQ for **Dogs Help Heal Center**, add deck and wooden privacy fence
- Fence acreage around **Dogs Help Heal Center**; plant dozens of trees
- Hook up to electricity and water

What You Can Do To Help...Adopt, Foster, Sponsor, Donate, Volunteer, Be a Best Friend and 101 more ideas, please see our website home page under '**HELP**'...**Want to know what PIFA means?**

Annie's Story

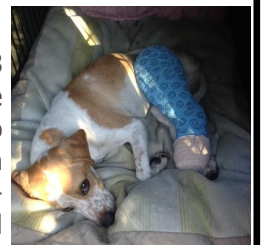
Rescuer's work is never done...Annie and Lance...ER or cough syrup?



On a Sunday afternoon, our director Connie was working on finding the ER we had used in the past, as we were asked to help a dog, Lance, whose owner felt he needed emergency care. Questioning the owner revealed that any poisoning would have been three days ago. It seemed from the symptoms that Lance was probably coming down with kennel cough; the owner had no transportation to take the dog to ER and would go to her own vet the next day...it was kennel cough and we were able to cover the vet costs for treatment. Almost immediately we got another call from a cat rescuer who was at the same ER we had called earlier...with a beagle she found struggling to give birth in her yard. Small world, and glad we had just reconnected with the ER as they were ready to take our credit card and perform an Emergency C-section that saved Annie's life and remove her nine large puppies. Mom would have died very painfully without help; she is gorgeous, healthy, sweet and awaiting her home!

Skippy's Story:

Little Skippy is an 8 mo. Lemon Beagle mix who came to us with a broken leg...He is recuperating well but could use a quiet Foster



home as it will take three possibly more months for him to heal.

Our vet at Bear Valley Animal Hospital put in pins and contrary to our expectations, Skippy does not skip, but walks perfectly.

Skippy could use a sponsor and foster home while recovering. He is a LOVE!

Note: The photo is pre-surgery

Happy Adoptions... Yeah!

Meet a few of our grads with their new family members:



Desi & Katie

Desi with his new Mom ...

Desi relaxing in his custom bed with friends...

← Princess Nina & her beautiful new family...

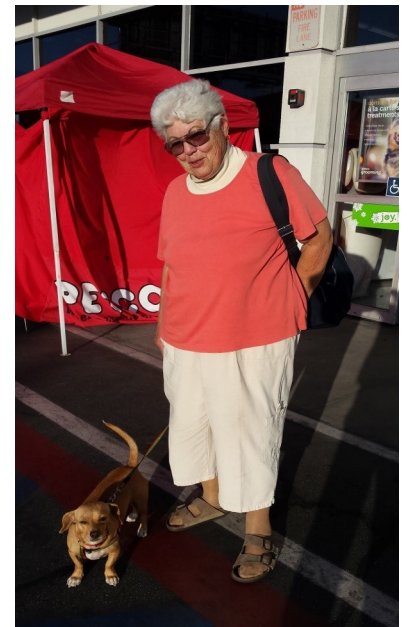
Belita & her new Dad, Mr. Sober →



← Frankie & her new Mom... She lives in Lake Arrowhead now...



Adelle with her new Mom. Our sweet Adelle came to us with three beautiful babies, AJ (Adelle Jr./Adopted), Oscar & Mayer (Available)...(below) →



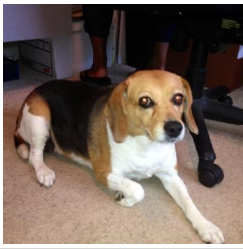
Gomez Adams & his lovely women... He is the only male in a family of five ladies...(grandma is not in the photo)...He enjoys an estrogen enriched environment ... →

Gala & her new Mom & Dad... She has blossomed in their care...



Many, many heart filled THANK YOU'S to all the wonderful people who have supported our efforts through adoptions and donations. Our beautiful dogs have benefited from your bringing them into your families and giving them the love they deserve.

Olde Timers...Long Timers...Our 'Specials' Need You!



Ginger

Do you have room in your hearts to give one or more of these sweet dogs a home for the remainder of their lives? Many are seniors who just need a foster home to finish their lives out in the comfort of a home environment with their own people. Many have been with us for a long time because older dogs just do not appeal to some families. That said, these guys/gals have tons to offer a family as most are already house trained, quiet and non-destructive, unlike puppies with high energy who need lots and lots of training before becoming the good citizens these sweet dogs already are. Please consider adopting, fostering or sponsoring one of our "Specials"...You will be so glad you did!



Peanut "Blind"



Snuffy "18 yrs."



Earl



Big Duke



Henry



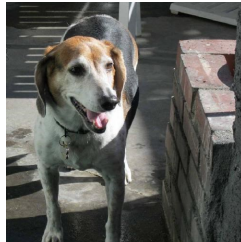
Hercules



Chubbs



Diva



Lucky-B



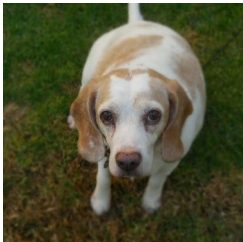
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Lola



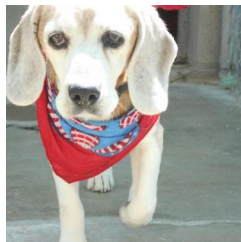
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Bailey



Matilda



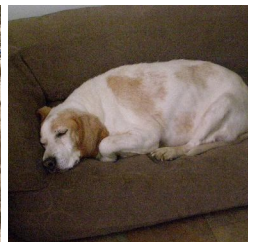
Betty White



Max & Muffin

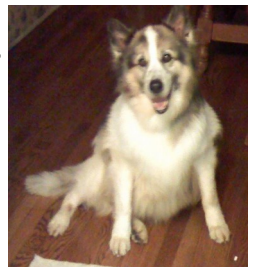


Nugget



Noah 1

Amazing Success Story: "We had just lost our 15 year old German Sheppard, Gus, a few months before and we weren't looking for another long term commitment...but then I saw **Todd**. He was a **13 1/2 year old Australian Shepard** who had never had a home, so my family and I agreed that we just had to give him a home for his last few years. We renamed him Tucker and although we only shared in his life for another year and a half, we had such a great time with him. One of the many things we loved about him was he was ALWAYS happy! He always had a smile on his face and a wag in his tail. I will never forget him. I encourage everyone to consider adopting a senior dog because the quality of life you give each other will always outweigh the number of years you share...*Jessica J (dog trainer & groomer)*..."



Noah's Chance: Noah was confiscated from his abusive/negligent home and held at a local shelter as evidence against his prior owners. He weighed 19#, had incredibly overgrown nails, one ear drum had been ruptured, he had the worst chronic ear infections our vet had seen in 30 years. By the time he was allowed to leave the shelter, he was up to 30# where he has remained. Horribly neglected to the point of criminal abuse. Now Noah is relatively pain free, has canine and human loved ones who keep his body and ears clean, trim his nails, speak kindly to him, provide him with numerous cushy beds and take good care of him. For a guy who used to sleep in the dirt, he now knows what comfort and luxury is...and he's gonna enjoy it for the rest of his days! Thankfully, folks have kicked in for his enormous medical expenses – we have faith that when the bills come in, there are funds to cover them. So it has been for the past 23 years, thanks to you kind and generous people..."



Old Timers/Long Timers...Our 'Specials' Need You!, Continued



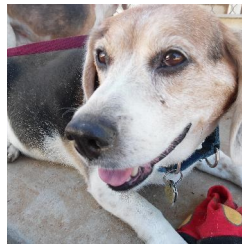
Odie



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Old Buddy "Right"



New Ole Buddy



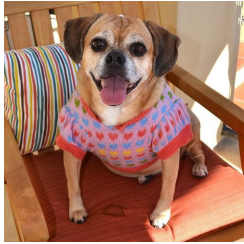
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Rocky Day



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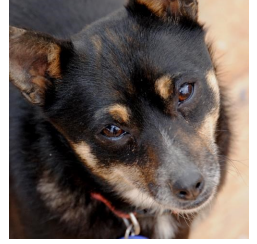
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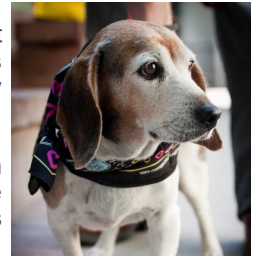
Tivo



Toni

Senior Success Story: Missy was relinquished to B&B by her senior people. They were both ill, had lost their home and were moving out of state in with family who lived in the country with no fencing. She was 10 years old and had major dental issues. Several teeth were removed due to extensive gum disease. Fortunately Missy got into a wonderful foster home with a great Beagle loving mom and two other senior Beagle gals.

Well, after only two months @ B&B, Missy got adopted by a staff member of a senior assisted living center in San Marino where she now has over 30 Grande Parents whose lives are enriched by the love of this little ole Beagle girl. Missy has so much to give and is making a difference in the many lives she now touches. Whoever it was that said "old dogs can't learn new tricks" has never met any of our B&B grads! Congratulations Missy.



Chubbs' Club...Several years back *Mila Kunis* adopted a little black mixed breed dog named *Shorty* from B&B. Just a few weeks ago we got a call from *Royal Canin* saying that *Shorty Kunis* wanted to donate a year's worth of dog food to one of our pooches. We picked **Chubbs** to be our spokes model because he is a miracle Beagle and we wanted to highlight his story.

Chubbs came to B&B about four years ago. Trust us when we say, his name fit him well, so we got him on a green bean diet immediately to help him lose weight. Approximately a year or so ago we noticed his right rear leg began giving him trouble to where he could hardly get up. Our veterinarian said his tendon was worn out and he needed replacement surgery. His left rear leg was also bad, but the right one was worse.

The surgery was scheduled, completed and his rehab/therapy began, gently bending the leg many times a day, cage rest for a couple of weeks, then slowly commence walking. We helped him walk by placing a fabric sling around his belly...it was a very slow go for a very long time. We became concerned he would need a custom cart to help him get around. Weeks went by and still he wasn't able to get up and move around but he tried, oh, how he tried. Then, one day he did it! He got himself up and started walking, sort of like Chester from Gun Smoke, but he did it! Since that day, he has steadily improved. While he is not perfect, this guy has **Heart, Persistence and Determination**.

Now, thanks to **Shorty Kunis-Kutcher** and **Royal Canin**, his food is being sponsored for a full year. Naturally, being the big-hearted guy he is, **Chubbs** invited membership into his Club...His "Special" friends, the Olde Timers...Long Timers. He and his pals are asking folks to do what Shorty did, sponsor a year's, a month's or a week's food for one of our "Specials". Just pick your own "Special" from the many posted on page 4 and 5. Royal Canin will deliver directly to B&B monthly or quarterly depending on how many sponsors we get.

Shorty, also a big-hearted guy, is gonna ask his peeps, **Mila Kunis** and **Ashton Kutcher** if they will match B&B's donations, so we'll end up with hopefully enough food for 60 dogs. Wouldn't that be WONDERFUL?! We feed approximately 90 dogs daily at our sanctuary and 30 more through our foster program. To have half of our food supplied would be a real blessing.

For the first time in 23 years, we have been having to purchase dog food retail, so obviously we are always on the look out for any assistance. Please sign up on the "donation form"...You know the motto, **Feel Great...Donate!**



Kunis, Kutcher & pups

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Sable & Dillon

He is a huge brindle-colored basketball-headed mastiff mix. Sable knew techniques and methods by which she tested his potential to become a good service dog. They live in a small apartment in LA and use all means of public transportation. Each year they have visited our booth at the Pet Expo.

The first students will be B&B staff and volunteers. Then we will invite disabled, developmentally delayed adults, seniors, PTSD veterans and others, unemployed, students with special needs, folks suffering from depression and other ailments...anyone who will benefit from the love and comfort of a dog trained to provide service to humans.

We have an excellent facilitator, herself a PTSD veteran with experience in horse therapy; and her service dog came from B&B. Another counselor working in this area, primarily with PTSD veterans, has given us meditation CDs she created on several subjects such as: health, forgiveness, gratitude, career—for students to enjoy with their therapy dog candidate, both on big cushy doggie beds. The CD has a soothing musical background and at its conclusion, student and dog converse about what they have heard, and how each can relate to this subject in their lives.

Of course, this requires the student to be able to listen to his/her doggie....good practice for all of us. More and more we see animals realizing their potential as healers. This is a natural extension of B&B's work. We're very excited about this program and its benefits to many humans and dogs.

B&B starts its 25th year in 2015. We are looking forward—it's gonna be great! So glad you're here — please send photos and keep in touch!

Happiest of Holidays & Peace on Earth

Connie & The B&B team

Just for fun stuff...



Beanee & friends visit the Royals and sniff baby George...



Did someone say 'Cookie'?



Wizard Tex (Available)

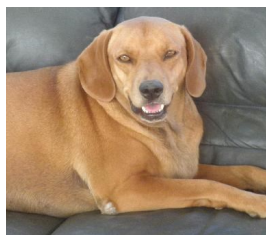


I did tell him to move!!!

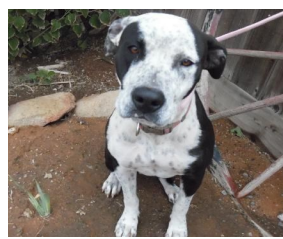
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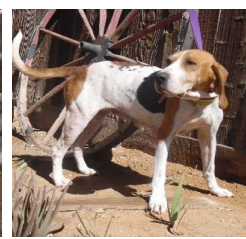
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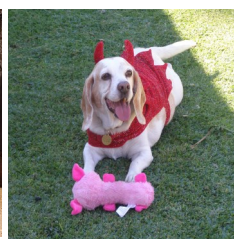
Big Sister



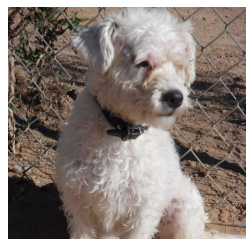
Dolly



Olivia



Bailey



Mindi





Raising Hope was formed in 2012 by then 10-year old Emma. Presently, it has 14 boys and girls from 5-8th grade who choose charities to help with the mission of 'raising the hopes' of those who benefit from their service. RH has helped such groups as GreySave, Ronald McDonald House, Pasadena Union Station Homeless Services, Maryvale Residential Treatment for Girls, to name a few. This year, they chose B&B.

We were so honored to have these students, moms, and teachers come from Pasadena in early November to socialize, play, brush, and hang with our dogs, tour the sanctuary and choose to participate in **B&B's Best Friends** program.

Being a BF is cheerleading for one's chosen dog/s by getting acquainted with the BF dog and promoting him/her through social media, word of mouth, school reports, presentations, fundraisers...with the goal of helping their lucky pooch get adopted.


RH members will sponsor its **2nd annual Taste The Nations fundraiser** at their school on December 2. The members will prepare foods from their cultures and interest--10 countries. Students, family and staff purchase tickets for this international feast which takes place during their lunch hour. In its first year, RH raised \$1,000.

Despite playing with irresistible puppies during their visit, these youngsters generously chose their BFs from our 'Specials' and Tivo was the first! He got his BF/Sister - warming our hearts immediately. We have no doubt these young people will succeed at whatever they do and feel fortunate that the B&B dogs are in their path. The ideas, creativity, dedication and spirit we have experienced from this tremendous group does raise our hope for the future.

RaiSing Hope ROCKS!



Personalized Gift Card

Make a donation on behalf of a friend, loved one, acquaintance, co-worker, you know that person who has everything and/or just loves supporting a good cause...Each card is a \$25 donation. You simply  or email us their names and addresses and we do the rest....Please order by December 20th...For more details and to see in **vibrant colors**, go to our website, home page 'Shopping'.



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Our Mailing address: P.O. Box 330, Torrance, CA 90507

We also have Pay Pal and accept checks

100% of your donation goes directly to benefit our dogs

We here at Beagles and Buddies are dedicated to education, advocacy, rescue and placement of dogs in need of help. Through the efforts of our amazing B&B team members and loyal supporters, we have rescued and placed over 300 Beagles, Beagle mixes and related breeds into loving homes this year.

It truly takes a village of compassionate and dedicated people to operate in the animal rescue world, a world filled with breath taking highs and heartbreaking lows.

We salute all who help in small ways and huge ways to making a difference for all animals in need. THANK YOU!

More Availables



Navidad & Babies



Ono & Dos



Roy, Dale & Babies

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Volunteers makin' it happen...



See 'Newsletter' on our website for more photos...



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Hey, let's go to Beagles and Buddies for a visit...

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated" Mahatma Gandhi