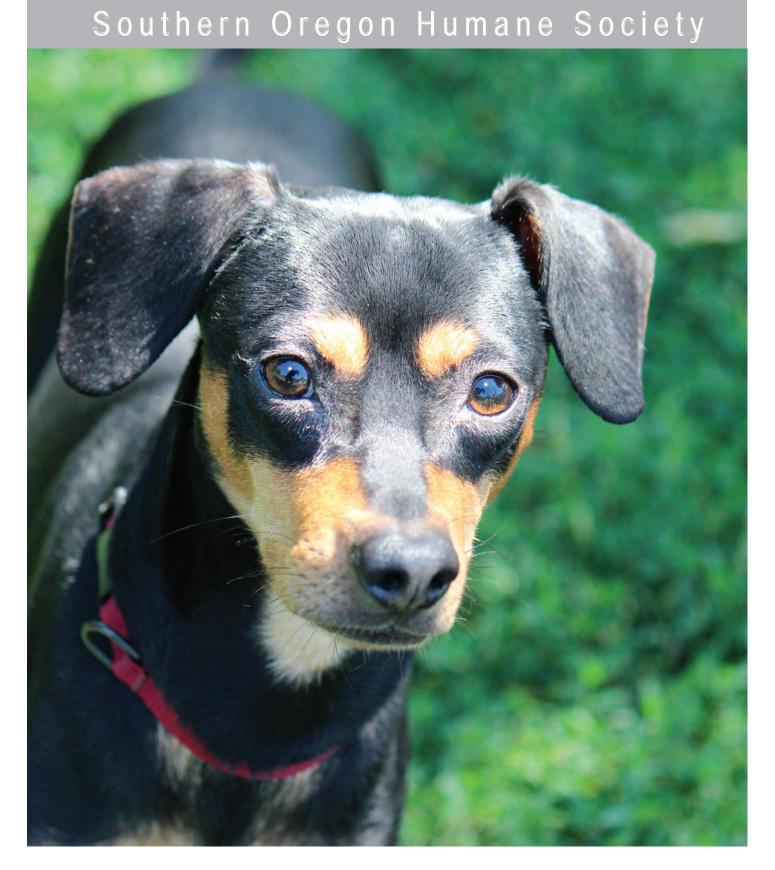
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am happy to say that I have just celebrated my fourth anniversary at SoHumane. Time definitely flies when you're having fun and saving lives. 2019 has proven to be a productive year in many ways. We have been

awarded a Platinum Seal of Transparency again by GuideStar and maintained a Four Star rating from Charity Navigator. We were honored for the third year in a row to be nominated Best Community Service Organization in the Mail Tribune's Best of the Best. Through the hard work and determination of our team, we have been able to secure over \$60,000 in grant



funding which will help us complete a few much needed and long overdue projects.

One of those projects is a remodel of our Adoption Center. It's been a while since any upgrades have been done in the Adoption Center because all of our funds are usually spent directly on the animals. However, in this case the Adoption Center was becoming a safety issue for our staff and visitors. Thanks to a grant from the West Family Foundation we will be able to paint and replace flooring. The project should be completed by the end of September. We hope you will stop by and see the results!

In addition to working on our campus and Adoption Center, we have been busy saving kittens and continuing our TNR program for community cats. So far this year we have found homes for over 230 adorable kittens and 725 dogs and cats!

We couldn't do this without you! Thank you for believing in the work we do at SoHumane. We are forever grateful for your support.

Karen Evans Executive Director

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A Saving Train Promise

Every day SoHumane receives requests for help from people desperate to save animals. Many areas in the Pacific Northwest are experiencing a pet overpopulation problem. Since 2005, SoHumane staff and volunteers have made frequent trips to high-kill shelters, driving hundreds of miles through Oregon and California to bring back dogs who were at death's door due to time and space limitations. Last year the Saving Train program transferred more than 850 dogs and cats from overcrowded shelters to SoHumane.

It's not easy to visit the shelters. The animals who are loaded on the Saving Train are the lucky ones. Their future is bright, and their potential for a forever home is guaranteed. **Your gifts provide food, shelter and veterinary care for these pets who are homeless.** People from all over Southern Oregon come to the SoHumane Adoption Center to adopt and offer a second chance for the dogs and cats who are in our care.

The Saving Train is just a vehicle, packed with kennels for dogs and sometimes cats. And over the years the cars and vans used have changed. But more importantly the Saving Train represents



a promise and a testament to SoHumane's dedication to saving lives. Thank you for joining us in our mission to fill our kennels with dogs and cats, young and old, so that they will have the opportunity to find new families and homes.



SoHumane Youth Programs



SoHumane summer camp participants learned the basics of responsible pet care, how to read dog and cat body language and the importance of spaying and neutering.

By providing young people with positive animal interactions and information on how to properly care for dogs and cats, SoHumane's education programs not only empower youth to treat animals with love and respect but also to become thoughtful, empathetic and civic-minded citizens.







For more information about SoHumane's volunteer program and student activities, contact Judi Hanstein, Volunteer Coordinator, 541-779-3215 x 101 or judi@sohumane.org.

Love Changes Everything

At the end of April, we adopted Howie (Saving Train). He is perfect for our family! Howie is VERY spoiled-he gets TWO walks a day through town, gets to sleep in a REAL bed UNDER the covers and goes on lots of car rides! He loves to snuggle and lets my boys wrap him in blankets and put him in strange positions on the couch! Howie also loves to dance! When any of us start dancing to music, Howie runs over to join in the excitement and even stands up on his hind legs! Thanks SoHumane! – Karen



Here is a photo of Ganon (now called "Tater") taken earlier today. He is a great addition to our home and we are having a great time with him. He loves walking the nearby trail with us, playing in the backyard and ruling all the indoor spaces of the home (ha ha). Thanks for all you do. –Gary and Zahra





Back in June we adopted Jelly, and boy has he been a blessing to our family. When we brought him home and walked through the door for the first time he adjusted so well as if he's been with us for years and his personality instantly shined through. He's brought us so much joy and of course plenty of laughter in the days since, especially in the way he greets us when we come home with his little butt wiggle. We've learned that he enjoys window watching, sunbathing, walks, playing with his squeaker toys which he absolutely loves along with his peanut butter dream stick treats, and belly rubs of course, just to name a few. Yes, he's very spoiled. We just love him to pieces and are so very grateful to have him a part of our family. It was truly meant to be. Thank you SoHumane for all your hard work in taking good care of our boy during his stay with you until his day of adoption. -The Main Family



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Healthy Mouth, Happy Pet

Jennifer Wicklund, DVM

health is an ral important component of your pet's overall wellness. People generally have a complete oral health care routine - brushing, flossing, mouthwash, visits to the dentist, and so forth. Does your pet have a wellrounded oral health plan?

Your pet's oral cavity should be examined thoroughly by a veterinarian at each annual



Jennifer Wicklund, DVM

exam. Your veterinarian will check the teeth and gums, look for foreign material or growths, and assess the odor of the mouth, as halitosis is often the first indicator of an unhealthy oral cavity.

In addition to having your veterinarian check your pet's mouth, it is also a good idea for you to get in the habit of periodically looking inside the mouth. Assess for any of the following, as they are symptoms of oral disease:

- bad breath
- gums that look inflamed or bleed easily
- teeth that are discolored or loose
- visible build-up of tartar
- chewing on only one side of the mouth
- lumps or bumps in the mouth
- increase in saliva

The number one thing you can do at home to improve oral health is to brush your pet's teeth. Needless to say, this is much more feasible for a dog than a cat! You can purchase pet toothbrushes and toothpaste. Brushing even two or three times a week will improve your pet's oral health significantly.

If brushing is not possible, treats can be an effective way to help maintain oral health. The Veterinary Oral Health Council (VOHC) awards their seal to products that have undergone studies and been proven to retard plaque and tartar on teeth. A list of VOHC-accepted chews, dental rinses and water additives can be found at www. vohc.org.

Let's look at what causes disease within your pet's mouth. Without routine oral cleaning, soft dental plaque builds up on teeth around the gumline. Plaque is full of bacteria that starts to invade the gumline and cause an infection in the bone surrounding the teeth. Plaque and minerals in saliva combine to harden into tartar (also called calculus). Tartar forms within days if a tooth is not kept clean and it further attracts plaque. This vicious cycle continues to damage gums and underlying bone, leading to what is called periodontal disease.



Because the tooth is like an iceberg, with a large portion below the gumline, it is often difficult to see periodontal disease. However, American Veterinary Dental College studies have shown that by age three, most cats and dogs have some degree of periodontal disease. Periodontal disease includes gingivitis (inflammation of the gums) and periodontitis (loss of bone and soft tissue around the teeth). Periodontal disease can cause serious health concerns including development of fistulas (holes) up into the nasal cavity, resulting in nasal discharge; fractures of the jaw due to weakening of the bone from bone loss or bone infection; and seeding of the heart, liver or kidneys with bacteria from the mouth that gets into the bloodstream.

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An anesthetized assessment of the oral cavity done by your veterinarian is necessary to address periodontal disease, and if done frequently enough is the best way to prevent periodontal disease from occurring in the first place. Many pets do not need such a procedure until they are five or six years old, while others, especially small breed dogs, require more frequent assessments.



Talk to your veterinarian regarding appropriate dental care for your pet. Remember, prevention is key and you are an important part of your pet's dental care routine!

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WE LOVE HEARING FROM OUR ALUMNI!

Please send us your letters and pictures: SoHumane, 2910 Table Rock Rd., Medford, OR 97501 email: adoptions@sohumane.org. You can also post them on our Facebook page! Hi, I wanted to send our update since Archer or Art's adoption on 3/28/2019. He is now living in San Diego, California and loving every second. He has seen the beach and parks all around. – Israel

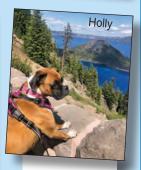


We adopted Griddle a couple of months ago. He is now named Jet because of the way he flies around the house. He doesn't stay still long enough for really good photos. – Linda





Dear SoHumane - The first day with my best friend Pax has been amazing, I love love love him! We're gonna have plenty of play dates and a lake day next weekend. You guys deserve to know. Thank you for this. He is the missing piece I thought I never needed. – Jordan



A photo of Holly – Julee



Bella (previously Jasmine) - Diane



Our Scout was one of SoHumane's Christmas pups...we are beyond lucky to have her join our pack of adopted kitties. – Kathleen



Luna Bear Hayes (formerly Katie) We adopted this sweet little girl a few weeks ago. She is an Alaskan Malamute Mix, now ten weeks old, and loving life. We've got a Siberian Husky who

she is absolute best friends with and enjoys her toys and our backyard pond as it is the perfect place to jump in and cool off on these hot spring and summer days. – Jade



This is my Munchkin (aka Morton) who I adopted almost 3 years ago from SoHumane. Can't imagine life without him. – Michelle



Cleopatra & Cassio both came to us from the Humane Society. Love these big goofs. – Lisa



Rosie (Wallowa) in her new home, all snuggled in. – Sara

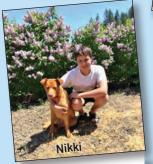
We absolutely adore our sweet girl (was Minerva, now Sammie), that we were able to pick up this week. I think she likes it here too. – Libby



Our baby girl, Hershey! Just turned 2, we adopted her back in late September/early October and she is a total princess! – Patience



Eeyore (now Gus Gus) came home with me in early June and became a vocal member of the household. He loves eating, playing, and lounging in the sun. He is such a happy and loveable cat. - Michelle



Bailey now Nikki loves her boy. - Den



This is Steve Rodgers formerly Deschutes. - Max



One month of pure joy with our pup! Happy is loving our daily hikes, getting all of the snuggles he can, and being the best boy.

- Jen and Nick







This is Tobias, he is very energetic, loving, caring and protective. Adopting him was the best decision I ever made. - Bailee

T'Challa & Anubis



My sister adopted Steve Rogers (now T'Challa) a few weeks ago. Here he is with our girl, Anubis (used to be Trixie). He follows her around when I bring her over, and they love to play. – Arianna

Butte

Sassy trying out water

for the first time. Let's

just say the first time

was better than the

second! - Kambrea

Tobias

Formerly Gigi, little Miss Luna is doing so well! She has learned from big sister what box the bark box is, in the almost 2 months being here, and will stare you down until you give her the toys. She was a small fry at 8 pounds when we got



her, now she weighs much closer to 20 pounds. - Jessica

I adopted Sullivan "Sully" Jack, formerly known as Willamette on June 14th, and he is by far the best kitten I've ever had. Thank you so



much for giving us the chance to be a family! My dog and him have playtime in the mornings and cuddle time at night. - Daniel

This is the sweet boxer girl we

adopted yesterday at SoHumane. She has already made herself at home, loves to do zoomies in the yard and is such a sweet heart. We changed her name to Luna from Mooney. Thank you SoHumane for bringing her up on the Saving Train! - Megan





We absolutely love and adore Jax (was Cyril)! He is amazing and fits right in with our little family. He is bffs with our other dog Zoe and we think he's quite content. Thank you so much! - Michelle

Bentley's first month in his new home (Niko adopted May 2019). He has gone from crying and hiding to coming out to play. He has grown to learn he is in a safe loving home and he is free to be his cute kitty self. - Angelina

Just wanted to give you all an update on Leda (formally Analeisa!) She just graduated from PetSmart



Basic Obedience Class! Thank you to the Saving Train for rescuing her from CA! She has become a real love. She is such a character! - Diana

So Much Love

Thank you so much! Jack (aka Big Red) is fitting in perfectly with our little family! Still scared of the cats a bit, but He loves his Saving Train brother Strax and is in heaven with all the toys! We tried to put them all up but missed one and they loved it so they get supervised toy time for now. – Heather



On May 18 we brought home Tiger, we renamed him Murphy and he adapted extremely quickly to his new name and new home. He is such a character, we could not imagine our life without him! He is so loving, sweet, fun, spastic, energetic, etc. He loves to play ball, go in walks and car rides. – Chrissie





Gabby is so very happy. When we first adopted her she was very shy and nervous about everything. With a lot of love, patience, and time she has really bloomed into a beautiful flower. Gabby, thanks to her brother Tootie, has now learned how to play fetch, sit, stay and to go potty outside. Thank you SoHumane! – Cailly



Hansel and Gretel are so sweet! We love these two little pups! Thanks for the care you gave them and thanks to Bonnie for all the time and information she provided us at adoption time! They are doing good and are so sweet! We renamed Hansel to Max (think the Grinch's dog) He is responding really well to his new name. They really enjoy their daily walks and coming with me to the gym. They sit on the couch and watch us workout. We still have lots of training and manners to work on but these two siblings are settling into their new home nicely! – Jenelle

Mark Your Calendar!

September 14	Triple A RV Adoption Event
September 21	Adoptable dogs at Rogue Valley Pet Medford
September 28	SoHumane Volunteer Safety Training
September 28	Adoptable dogs visit La Strada
September 28	SoHumane Adoption Day at Star Body Works
October 12	Matt Misener RE/MAX Integrity Adoption Event
October 19	Donated Vehicle Auction at Star Body Works
October 26	SoHumane Volunteer Safety Training
October 18 & 19	Just Scream Haunted House Benefit
October 25 & 26	Just Scream Haunted House Benefit
November 28	SoHumane is closed for Thanksgiving
November 29-30	SoHumane Home for the Holidays Weekend
December 3	Giving Tuesday
December 6-8	Festival of Trees – SoHumane Display
December 7	Share the Love at Southern Oregon Subaru
December	Senior Project Gift Wrap Benefit
December 25	SoHumane is closed for Christmas
January 1, 2020	Happy New Year! SoHumane is closed today
May 16, 2020	12th Annual A Toast for Tails Auction Event





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A New Addition To Our Family

Bugatti is doing great! We renamed her Rosie. She is such an active, fun kitty and we are so happy to have her as part of our family. She loves her new home and is getting bigger every day. Thank you so much SoHumane for all that you do. – Sarah



Just wanted to let you know that Lassen is doing great with us. He's quite the character, full of energy and loves to snuggle. He's a very smart puppy too! We love him! Thanks SoHumane!

Cristina





We adopted Samson a few weeks ago and we are in love. We are a family of four, myself, husband and 5-year-old twins. He has been an amazing addition to our family. He wears the kids out... they wear him out. It's been perfect! He's amazing with our chickens and bunnies (I mean that he can't catch them!) We've brought a new kitten into our home recently and Samson has taken on the big brother role very well. He just wants to snuggle her and play. We are very grateful that Samson was at SoHumane the day we went in. Thank you for taking care of your Fur Friends and giving them Love. It shows!

Brittany and Mike



We adopted this cutie on 6/29 and he has not been shy about taking over our home and our hearts from the moment he stepped out of the carrier. He went on his first camping adventure and is so good in the car! We love him! Meet Sheldon, formerly Santiam. – Jamie



There are so many ways to make a difference in the lives of homeless animals. Please contact me, and we will discuss how you can help.

Barb Dellinger, Director of Development 541-779-3215 x 103 barb@sohumane.org

- Organize a fundraising event
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- Donate a vehicle
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Contact Karen Evans, Executive Director, at 541-779-3215 x 100 or karen@sohumane.org



Your gift to SoHumane is a meaningful way to honor or remember cherished pets, friends and family, or to celebrate a significant occasion, milestone, or lifelong achievement. It is also a way to honor the love of animals through a tribute gift in their name. If you would like to see a loved one represented here, please send your contributions to: SoHumane, 2910 Table Rock Road, Medford, OR 97501, or give online at sohumane.org. Be sure to include the name of the person or animal being honored or memorialized, as well as an address so that we can send a personalized card acknowledging your very special gift.

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Kittens and Cats are Awesome!



Winry (formally Sweet Pea) has really come out of her scaredy cat shell. She's constantly chasing something and purrs very loudly while wrestling. She's very affectionate now, even towards company. Her fur is beginning to come back in and she's looking less punk rock. We've taken up a weekly brushing schedule which she currently resents but... she'll come around. I can't tell you how happy I am to have her! She's the sweetest little kitty!! – Blake



Just adopted two brothers, Hunter and Forest. Love them to the moon and back. Please open your hearts and homes to a kitten...or two. They add so much to your life. Thank you SoHumane. – Judith

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