Fall/Winter 2007

Adoption Stands:

PETCO

508 North Doheny W. Hollywood, CA

Saturday 1-4:30 pm

- ♥ October 20th
- ♠ October 27th
- ▼ November 3rd
- November 17th
- ♥ December 1st
- ♠ December 8th
- ♥ December 15th

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Ace of Hearts

About Our Organization...

Ace of Hearts is a 501(c)(3)non-profit organization which pulls dogs from Southern California shelters the day before they are scheduled to be euthanized. We were founded by Kari Whitman in honor of a dog she rescued named Ace. Although Ace has passed away, his memory lives on with each dog that is saved from euthanization. To date, ACE and all of its supporters and volunteers have saved 1,800 dogs from euthanization.



Ace with Kari Whitman, Founder of Ace of Hearts Dog Rescue

DOGS RECENTLY ADOPTED

Violet	lke	Brutus	Fred
Tara	Wyatt	Vera	Casper
Bridgette	Bonnie B.	Jasmine	Spike
China	Bobbie B.	Burt	Bandit
Mel	Fynn	Fiona	Lynn
Sloan	Bubbles	Buck	Sally
Maxwell	Bella	Norman	Bernie
Steel	Billy	Chaka	Hank
DaisyMae	Tessa	Dottie	Sally
Blackie	Talluhla	Jake	8 lab pups

Mel – Adopted !!!

Thank You for bringing Mel into my life!! I've been visiting different adoption agencies in the area and Ace of Hearts is the best organization I've come across. It's evident all of you care very much for animals and are mainly concerned about finding loving homes for your dogs. Eric listened to my "wish list" for a dog and instantly knew Mel would be the right one for me. I feel so lucky and fortunate to become his new parent. I didn't think it was possible to satisfy every wish on my list!

Mel is super mellow and gets many compliments every time we go for a walk. He is all Eric said he would be.

Mel is the perfect companion and loves to be loved. You can see Mel lounged here on one of his soft beds. Mel loves to spread out on something smooshy.

I think what all of you are doing is very admirable and I hope you will continue to get the support you need to revive dogs and pair them with deserving families.

"Teaching a child not to step on a caterpillar is as valuable to the child as it is to the caterpillar."

-Bradley Millar



Mel, adopted, spread out on something smooshy



Barkley & Volunteer Andrea enjoy his first day out of the shelter together

Got a Bone to Spare ???

Some Items our dogs & organization could use....

Towels & Sheets

Dog Food, Treats, & Bones

Collars, Leashes

Harnesses & Choke Collars

Dog bowls

Watering cans

Office Paper

Ink Cartridges

Stamps

Crates & Crate Trays

Dog Toys

Blankets & Dog Beds

Vet supplies

Laundry Detergent

Gift Cards (gas, pet stores, etc.)

Donation Jars

Banners & Signs

Tents

Monetary Donations



Skyler- looking for a home

"Home ought to be our

clearinghouse, the place from which we go

forth lessoned and

for life."

disciplined, and ready

-Kathleen Norris

Ace of Hearts' Fostering Program

Fostering is rewarding.

Fostering is an integral part of our rescue. As a foster parent, you temporarily house a dog until it is adopted. This can takes days, weeks, or even months, but the fosters tell us they get so much from it. Seeing a dog become a loving member of an adoptive home is an invaluable experience.

Fostering is different with Ace of Hearts.

At Ace, we provide all food, bedding, medical, and even toys and treats. Your part? Socialize, exercise, and transport to 2 monthly adoption stands.

Fostering is the key to the dog's success.

Fosters make better dogs—allowing them to become socialized, and learn "manners" in a home, which make them more adoptable.

Fostering is desperately needed.

Can you spare two weeks? We'll take it! We can be flexible if you travel and want to foster when you are in town. Provide a safe haven for a dog with a broken bone to mend & heal. Got time? Great! Foster until a dog is successfully adopted. We can work with the time you can give.

Fostering saves lives.

The fact of the matter is, the more foster homes we have, the more dogs we can save. If you think you will grow too attached- don't hesitate, a life is at stake!



Rufus, currently up for adoption



Sailor, Ahoy! Need a new matey!



Ellie Lou needs you!



Finding **Nemo** a home



Blade, available now

Pearls for Pets



IRIDESSE

in Westfield Century City is helping Ace of Hearts' dogs by donating 10% of proceeds from their sales both Saturday, November 24th & Sunday, November 25th, 10 am to 6 pm. In addition, they have graciously allowed us to come both days with some of our Ace dogs up for adoption. This is great visibility for our group and a perfectly-timed fundraiser given the time of year.

Spread the word, shop and volunteer!

Contact Whitney for more details: whit2727@hotmail.com

IRIDESSE is a retail jeweler devoted exclusively to celebrating the natural beauty of pearls and creates cultured pearl jewelry for every woman for every occasion. Founded by Tiffany & Co., home of the finest pearls, IRIDESSE is proud to showcase an extraordinary range and variety of pearls that are available in the world today.

Benefits of Spaying/Neutering

Sterilizing dogs and cats not only reduces animal companion overpopulation, homelessness and euthanasia, but also benefits individual cats and dogs, their guardians and society at large.

Benefits for animals – Spaying and neutering helps animals live longer, healthier lives by eliminating or reducing many health problems. For example, spayed female cats and dogs cannot get uterine or ovarian cancer, and their risk for breast cancer is greatly reduced. Neutered males cannot get testicular cancer and have better odds of avoiding prostate disease. Sterilized animal companions are far less likely to roam in search of mates, decreasing their odds of running away or getting into fights as a result. This helps protect animals from contracting fatal diseases such as feline leukemia or FIV (feline AIDS) that are spread through the exchange of bodily fluids.

Benefits for guardians – Sterilizing animals makes them more affectionate companions and eliminates or reduces many behavior and temperament problems. For instance, neutered cats are far less likely to spray and mark territory by urinating indoors, and neutering dogs reduces socially inappropriate mounting. Spaying female dogs and cats eliminates the heat cycle which can invoke constant howling, nervousness and the unwelcome attention of male animals. Animals who are spayed or neutered are also less likely to bite their guardians and other people.

Benefits for society – Every year, communities spend tens of millions in tax dollars on catching, sheltering, euthanizing and disposing of homeless cats and dogs. The average cost per animal can be much as \$300. Sterilizing animals to prevent accidental or irresponsible breeding is a cost-effective way to reduce these expenses while enabling shelters to make better use of their limited resources.



Please register at igive.com a portion of all your online shopping at over 500 participating stores can go to Ace of Hearts to fund our medical treatments (it really adds up!)



Summer (is over) Take me home please!

"People who let their dogs and cats have litters in order to show their children the 'miracle of birth' should come witness the 'miracle of death' performed in the back rooms of animal shelters all over the country."

-Phyllis Wright, Humane Society of the US

The Ten Worst Excuses Not to Spay or Neuter a Pet

Reprinted from a Dear Abby column

- 1. Just one litter and then we'll have Fluffy spayed.
 - * Studies show that virtually the entire pet overpopulation stems from "just one litter."
 - 2. My dog doesn't run loose, so he doesn't need to be fixed.
 - * Murphy's law says otherwise. Microchip too!
- 3. We always find homes for the kittens/puppies.
 - * And that means that an equal number of kittens/puppies at the pound will be killed.
 - 4. I want the children to witness the miracle of birth.
 - * Rent a video.
 - 5. My dog is so cute and unique, there should be more of her.
 - * The shelters and pounds are full of cute and unique dogs.
 - 6. It's not natural.
- * There hasn't been anything natural about dogs since we began to develop breeds thousands of years ago. (these same people crop ears & dock tails too!)

QUICK FACTS

- Every 6 and a half seconds a dog is euthanized In the shelter system in the U.S.
 - Seven dogs & cats are born each day for every person in the U.S.
- Only 1 in 5 dogs remain in the same home over their lifetime, the rest are abandoned, or given up
 - I just couldn't look my dog in the eye if I had him castrated.
- *Neutering makes a dog less aggressive and less prone to stray – so you can always look him in the eye!
 - 8. A female dog or cat should have at least one litter for health reasons.
- * Medically, factually and ethically indefensible.
- 9. Neutering my dog will make him fat and lazy.
 - * Too much food and not enough exercise make a dog fat and lazy.
- 10. Fixing my pet will change his personality.
 - * The primary influences on an animal's personality are the kindness and care with which he is raised.

. SPAY & NEUTER.

Ace's Underdogs – Broken Bones



Flannigan, on the mend!

Please make a
tax-deductible donation
to Cole, Dream, Sally &
Flannigan's On-theMend Fund!
Each broken bone has
cost \$650so our goal is \$2,600

Fall must be the season of falling leaves and broken bones.

We have recently rescued 4 dogs all with broken legs- no explanations, but they needed ACE to help or they surely would have perished at the shelter.

Dream has made her way to a home, but the others are still searching. Please help them find well deserved permanent homes and help us cover the medical care that was so urgently needed.

To adopt, please call 310-358-3344 or fill out an application online at www.aceofheartsdogs.com.

Ace's Underdog Fund Goal \$2,600.00

Donation Amount: \$
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Email (for updates):
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Mail Checks or Credit Card Info to: Ace of Hearts PO Box 2357 Beverly Hills, CA 90213

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Donate w/ Paypal: www.aceofheartsdogs.com

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Dedicated to Rescuers

Once I was a lonely dog, Just looking for a home. I had no place to go, No one to call my own. I wandered up and down the streets, in rain in heat and snow.

Ate whatever I could find, I was always on the go. My skin would itch, my feet were sore, my body ached with pain.

And no one stopped to give a pat or to gently say my

I never saw a loving glance, I was always on the run. For people thought that hurting me was really lots of fun.

And then one day I heard a voice so gentle, kind and sweet, and arms so soft reached down to me and took me off my feet.

"No one again will hurt you" was whispered in my ear. "You'll have a home to call your own where you will know no fear."

"You will be dry, you will be warm, you'll have enough to eat."

"And rest assured that when you sleep, your dreams will all be sweet."

I was afraid I must admit, I've lived so long in fear. I can't remember when I let a human come so near. And as she tended to my wounds and bathed and brushed my fur, she told me about the rescue group and what it meant to her.

She said, We are a circle, a line that never ends. And in the center there is you protected by new friends.

And all around you are the ones that check the pounds, and those that share their home after you've been found.

And all the other folk are searching near and far. To find the perfect home for you, where you can be a star.

She said, There is a family, that's waiting patiently, and pretty soon we'll find them, just you wait and see. And then they'll join our circle they'll help to make it grow, so there'll be room for more like you, who have no place to go.

I waited very patiently, The days they came and went. Today's the day I thought, my family will be sent. Then just when I began to think it wasn't meant to be, there were people standing there just gazing down at me

I knew them in a heartbeat, I could tell they felt it too. They said, We have been waiting for a special dog like you.

Now every night I say a prayer to all the gods that be. "Thank you for the life I live and all you've given me". But most of all protect the dogs in the pound and on the street. And send a rescue person to lift them off their feet.

- Arlene Pace

POISON 101

If you suspect your dog has ingested poison, call your vet or the ASCPA's Poison Control Center immediately.

888-426-4435

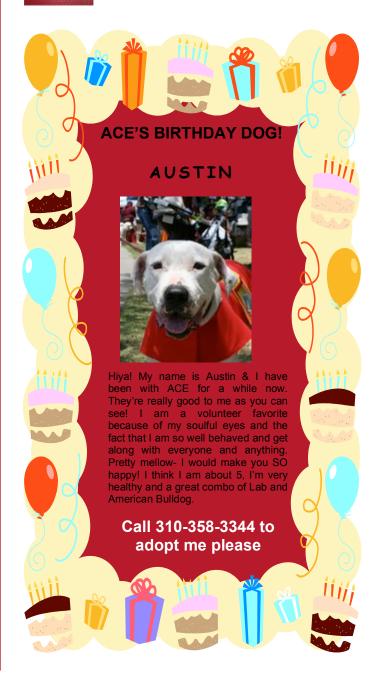




SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, February 12th

Ace of Hearts Annual Fundraiser





Gracie -

Well first of all- I love to have my belly rubbed- and I am nice and petite for a boxer mix. I am young and want to trust that special person.



Fergi -

Ok- so here I am a boxer English Bulldog mix- the best of both breeds! Funny thing about me? My best friend is a turtle- so now you know! Oh- I love dogs too if you have some for me to ioin!



Beanie -

This is my mugshot from the pound and it doesn't do me justice! I have a blue eye and a brown one. About a year old, they tell me I am a Lab/Staffie mix.



Sage -

I am too young to be in this predicament- I am only 7 weeks old and homeless. But I will grow into a smart loving yellow lab mix if you'll give me the chance please!



I'm a darling stray who made my way to Ace, and though shy, I always wag my tail showing I know I'm on my way to a great new home!



Nemo-

I am a year-old purebred American Bulldog and very handsome! I just love to chase cats! Other than that I am a quiet and wellbehaved boy. Let's play some ball!



Bob -

Hello there! Wait! Don't pass me by, please. I have lived confined in a cage for 2 years, and ACE is helping me find you. Please let me run in your yard, I am so good!



Emerson-

Part Border Collie- part Great Dane- I love to play all day! We'll have fun together and I just love to ride in your car!



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A SPECIAL THANKS TO FRIENDS OF THE ANIMALS

Annie & Chuck Winner

For their time and generous donations throughout the year. They have saved so many lives of our four-legged friends without asking for recognition.

We thank them.



