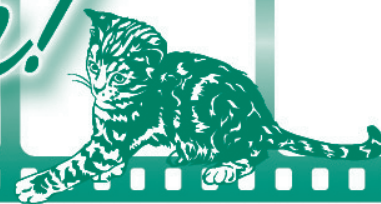




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KEEPING OUR PETS SAFE THE STORY OF HOGGIE

Every day our medical helpline counselors receive dozens of calls from frantic and distraught animal guardians seeking help for their beloved pet. Many of the broken bones, amputations, lacerations – and unexpected veterinary bills – could have been prevented if simple precautions had been taken such as making sure the backyard fence was secure, the front door closed, or in the case of Hoggie, a 5 year-old Queensland Heeler-Labrador mix attacked by a mountain lion, always keeping your dog on a leash when out in public. Some lessons are painfully learned.



*Hoggie gives his guardian
William Morse a kiss*

Through the Emergency Animal Relief Lifeline (E.A.R.L.) fund established in the name of our president emeritus Earl Holliman, Actors and Others was there to help. Thanks again to your compassion and support, Hoggie is making a steady recovery.

Read his story as reported in the Orange County Register (edited for space) on page 2, including some tips for hiking with Fido. See www.ocregister.com for the full story.

A LETTER OF THANKS FOR SAVING OUR KITTEN



“Hello Actors and Others...I just wanted to say thank you for helping with Fitzwilliam’s rescue. Without your help, I would not be able to save him. Thank you for paying towards his surgery. He has his leg in a splint to keep him from hurting it more while he waits for the surgery!”

- Christina A.

(Left) Fitzwilliam, Found in an Alley with a Broken Leg

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Congratulations to Betty Shively, the winner of the Spring \$500 shopping spree at PETCO!

Thanks to the generosity of the PETCO Foundation, you too can win your own \$500 PETCO shopping spree and help us move towards a paperless newsletter. Please send us your email address by either including it on the return mail slip or go to our website www.actorsandothers.com and click on the request found on the front page. Email addresses received from September 1 through November 30, 2009 will be eligible. The winner will be notified by email and the \$500 must be spent in one visit.



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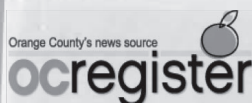
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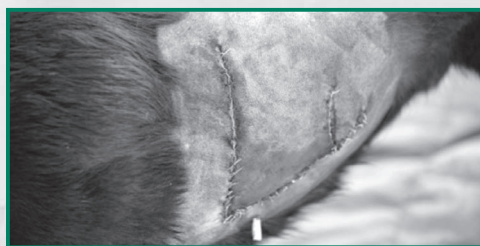


Wednesday, May 6, 2009

Pet group comes to aid of dog mauled by lion

By ERIKA I. RITCHIE
Photos STEVE ZYLIUS

CLEVELAND NATIONAL FOREST – Hoggie, the dog who tangled with a mountain lion Tuesday, is recovering with his owners in their RV at El Cariso Campground.



Hoggie's wounds

Concerns about Hoggie – who received at least 100 stitches after a mountain lion ripped into his side – prompted offers of assistance from a pet care group in Hollywood and, according to Hoggie's owner William Morse, from a representative of First Lady Michelle Obama.

The couple is getting some high-profile help. Actors and Others for Animals in North Hollywood agreed to pay half of the vet bill for Hoggie's surgery after they received an emergency call for help.

"We wanted to make sure this animal received the medical care it needed," said Susan Taylor, executive director for the group. "It's unusual to be attacked by a mountain lion, but we've paid for dogs attacked by other dogs, coyotes or snakes. We're here to help the low and fixed income individuals."

The Morses had been camping at El Cariso Campground when they headed for a hike at Falcon Campground north of Ortega Highway. The campground was closed, but the couple hopped the chain.

Morse, 41, was ahead of his wife when, out of the corner of his eye, he saw a fleeting motion. He looked over and saw a mountain lion crouching near the restroom, about 40 feet ahead. Hoggie jumped between Morse and the mountain lion.

The lion started to run off and Hoggie ran after it. After the attack Morse and his wife raced the dog to Clinton Keith Veterinary Hospital in Wildomar, where Hoggie was in surgery for more than four hours.

On Wednesday afternoon, Hoggie, wearing an Elizabethan collar, was resting on a quilt near a picnic table at El Cariso. Morse huddled around him, saying over and over, "You saved my life."

Tips for hiking with dogs:

Hoggie and his owners stood a better chance of scaring off the mountain lion had they stayed together, creating a bigger deterrent, said Mary Thomas, district wildlife biologist at Cleveland National Forest.

Thomas offered these tips for anyone hiking with their dogs:

- Watch your dog's behavior. Often they'll catch scent of mountain lions, which exude a strong odor, and stop in their tracks.
- Keep your animals leashed. It's the law inside most national forests, including Cleveland National Forest. Thomas said rangers often will issue warnings to visitors with unleashed pets.
- Avoid hiking alone at dawn or dusk when mountain lions and coyotes typically hunt.
- Before sitting anywhere, check the environment. Wildlife often takes cover around rocks and fallen trees.
- If you see a mountain lion or coyote, don't run. Make noise: clap your hands, whistle, yell and scream, stomp your feet, and wave your arms.

OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES



Austin Noll

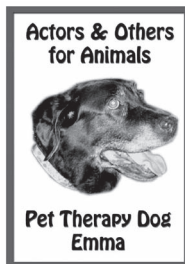


We live in a world now where technology allows us to detach ourselves from personal contact with twittering, texting and who knows what's next. Children would rather watch TV or play computer games than spend time with family or friends. Not so with **Austin Noll**. The empathetic and outgoing 10-year old had heard about our pet assisted therapy program

and really wanted to participate with his Maltese-poodle mix, Shammy. Knowing that he was too young to sign up by himself, Austin recruited his mom, Robyn, and grandma, Marilyn to join him. They are all now frequent visitors to Providence-St. Elizabeth Nursing Home in North Hollywood. But Austin didn't stop there. He loved visiting the patients so much that he wanted to enlist more volunteers. On his own, Austin made up flyers and



Alex



spoke to his 4th grade class about his experiences and the rewards of helping others. Now classmate Alex, her mom Lorraine, and their Labrador retriever, Emma, are making pet therapy visits to the Center at Park-West nursing home in Reseda. So while we prepare our kids about life, it is children like Austin who teach us what life is all about!

ENCINO HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER

On April 21st, Actors and Others joined with the Encino Hospital Medical Center to officially launch its pet assisted therapy program initiated by Director of Marketing, **Ethel See**. President **JoAnne Worley**, Executive Director **Susan Taylor**, and Actors and Others Program Coordinator, **Stephanie Parke**, attended



(Left to Right) Ethel See, Director of Marketing; Bockhi Park, Chief Operating Officer; JoAnne Worley; John Rossfeld, Chief Executive Officer; Stephanie Parke and Golden Boy

the ribbon cutting along with community and hospital representatives. Cancer survivor, Rocky, a three-legged Boxer, currently makes bi-weekly visits with his team member, Laurie, and will soon be joined by the Retriever, Golden Boy who attended the festivities with his guardian, Nancy.

MEMORIALS, TRIBUTES AND CELEBRATIONS



In Memory of Scampers

1993-2009

Actors and Others Pet Therapy Volunteer

Pictured with Guardian Sophia Sargis

We invite you to honor and share such a memory on these pages. Birthday wishes or a thank you to a special animal lover or veterinarian are also welcome. When accompanied by a contribution of \$20 or more, tributes or accolades will be printed in our bi-annual newsletter.

In the name of Dolly, Steve Bonner's dog

Randy and Anita White

In memory of Joan Sundsmo

Laurel Overman

Dedicated to Shannon Schuyler

Ferrell Marshall

For Josh

Bob Dix Brimmer

In memory of my beloved cat, Frankie

Jim Brent

In the name of Avalon Economou

Eli Economou

Happy Birthday Earl Holliman

Sgt. Ronda Anderson

In honor of my darling cat, Snickers

Ann Moskowitz

In memory of Mary Flint

Connie and Biff Elliot

In the name of Mandolina Moon and in memory of Phantom

Heidi Okuhara

In memory of Eugene Woods – gaffer at Universal Studios

Julianne Woods

For Dave and Phyllis and in memory of Sasha

Mercedes Morehead Smith

For Fred and Nancy Moch in memory of Mocha

Erlin Joy France

To Tim and Sally Johnston with loving and happy memories of dear little Phoebe

Jim and Jane Pearson

In the name of Kim Simon and in memory of

Keith Taylor (Malm)

Sandy DeLisle

For Paul and Rick in loving memory of Dante

Mickey and Arnie Feldman

You can also create a loving legacy by remembering Actors and Others in your Will or Trust. Actors and Others is very grateful to **Pearl Zabruski and James Lyons**. By remembering Actors and Others when they passed on, these dear friends created a loving, lasting memorial to the affection they had for their cherished animal companions, and their desire to improve the lives of animals in need. If you are interested in establishing such a gift to Actors and Others, we will be happy to work with you to see that your commitment and love for animals may live on.

ACTORS AND OTHERS PARTY ANIMALS!

AN INTIMATE EVENING WITH PHYLLIS DILLER



(Left to Right) Eldon Faircloth II, Phyllis Diller, Mark Blonstein

Legendary comedienne, animal lover and artist Phyllis Diller opened her home to Actors and Others on two separate occasions in June to exhibit her art work. The small fundraising events provided a rare opportunity to meet and talk with the pioneering female standup comic. The English-style house located in Brentwood is distinctive Phyllis Diller who has owned the home since 1965. An upstairs corner room provides the perfect light to paint. One room is devoted to her collection of zany wigs, another for her trademark clothes, and tucked away at one end of the courtyard is a card room where she plays gin rummy every day. Ms. Diller's beloved cat Kitty roams the entire house but retires to her own room and queen-size bed. She even has her own Walk of Fame star by her food and water dishes! Famous neighbors have included Robert Mitchum, Bette Davis, Judy Garland and more recently Dyan McDermott. Thank you Phyllis for your hospitality.

WOOFSTOCK



(Left to Right) Jackie Joseph, Jamie Farr, Henry Gibson, Loretta Swit, JoAnne Worley and pet fair guests

First there was Beverly Hills 90210 and now Woofstock 90210! On March 15th, the City of Beverly Hills held its first annual pet fair at a local park aptly dubbed "Wiggly Field" to celebrate everything "dog." Over 35 food and pet related vendors participated, and dogs of every breed and size strutted their stuff in the popular pet parade. A large section was devoted to showcasing adoptable pets. Actors and Others was there as well. For a donation, President **JoAnne Worley** and Board Members **Loretta Swit** and **Jackie Joseph** posed for pictures with attendees and their animal companions. Also on hand were **Jamie Farr**, **Gary Owens** and **Henry Gibson**. Willow, our pet



therapy miniature horse, confounded a good many of the dogs and kids alike who couldn't quite figure out her breed!

LENDING A HELPING HAND



(Left to Right) Mary-Ann Montagne, Dr. Joyce Miller, Paul Sessa, Page Layne Miller and Dr. Pam Miller

On June 20th, Actors and Others was pleased to lend a hand (and premises) to long time supporter **Page Layne Miller** to launch the PAGE Project – a goodwill effort to collect donations of blankets, crates, pet food, cat litter, cleaning supplies and the like (including of course, cash) to be distributed to over a dozen local animal rescue groups struggling with the effects of the economic recession. **Det. Brumagin** and **Officer Badar** from the L.A. Animal Cruelty Task Force were on hand, and Actors and Others' President **JoAnne Worley** stopped by to offer her support. A big thank you to volunteers **Paul Sessa**, **Cindy Caviedes**, **Mary-Ann Montagne** and **Drs. Joyce, Pam and Warburton Miller** for helping to make the event so rewarding. Thanks to its success and the community's enthusiasm for this animal "stimulus package," the PAGE Project will be holding more collection days in the months to come, and Actors and Others, always committed to cooperative action, will continue to accept donations on its behalf. If you wish to donate or would like additional information, please contact Page Layne Miller at pagepetproject@gmail.com.