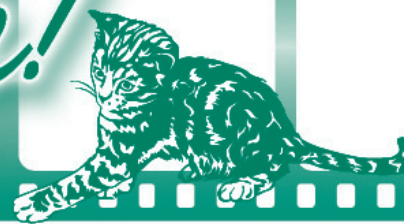




On Location!



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It was more than 25 years ago that Actors and Others established its medical subsidy program. Today, the number of requests we receive is staggering and rising rapidly. Without our help, many pets would not get any treatment and face an unknown future.

Pet guardians don't anticipate that their pets may get ill or injured, and many find themselves financially unable to provide treatment. And this is even more widespread nowadays with more and more animal shelters giving away pets in an effort to adopt our more animals, charging very little or having special "2 for \$10.00" promotions.

While it is impossible to predict when and what illness or injury may strike your pet, it is important to understand that at some point it will. We see a lot of bladder stones, urinary infections, tumors and eye removals. A great many of the requests for help we receive are for broken bones, lacerations and amputations caused by being hit by a car. We also see a lot of cases of injuries from dog fights. The common denominator in a lot of these cases is that the dog was not on a leash. Delay in getting veterinary care also results in infections and abscesses.

"Intervention" is the new buzz word in animal welfare to keep pets in the homes, and Actors and Others' long-standing veterinary intervention program once again has shown itself to lead the way!

HERE ARE A FEW EXAMPLES OF HOW YOUR SUPPORT HAS HELPED BOTH PETS AND THEIR GRATEFUL GUARDIANS

Lindsey G. is a young, single mother living on \$25,000 a year. When her 2 year old Terrier mix named Scruffy started limping in pain at Christmastime, she didn't know how she was going to afford veterinary care. X-rays discovered he has arthritis and bad hips and spine which were most likely genetic. Scruffy may need surgery in the future, but for now medicine helps when he is having a bad day. We were happy to help and Lindsey and her daughter were very grateful.



Uveitis is an inflammation of the eye and is a very painful condition. Cindy G. and her boyfriend took in a stray kitten they named Venicio and caringly had him neutered. But when he developed a spot on his eye which started to turn cloudy, the veterinarian said that immediate treatment was necessary to save the eye. He was only three months old! Financially strapped, they turned to us, and we were able to help get Venicio the care he needed, and they are once again a happy and healthy family.

Julius G. was currently jobless. His 6 year old Shih Tzu, Jedi, injured his eye which caused an infection and blindness calling for the removal of the eye. In addition, Jedi needed to be neutered. With our help he was able to get the help needed and Julius is extremely grateful that his beloved dog is back with him.



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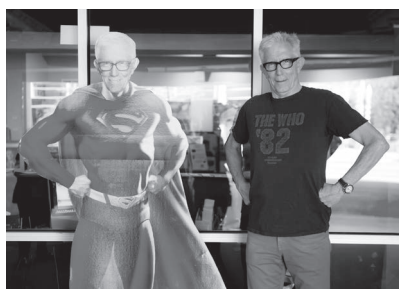
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FRITZ COLEMAN'S COMEDY SHOW BENEFITS ACTORS AND OTHERS



For all of us in Los Angeles, the name **Fritz Coleman** is synonymous with "weatherman." Every weekday you can find him alerting us to the latest weather reports on KNBC4. But just like Superman, he leads a double life and spends most of his free time entertaining audiences and helping the community with his very astute and funny standup routine.

A good friend for many years, Fritz took to the stage at the historic El Portal Theatre last July leading the sold-out crowd on a hysterical trip down memory lane. Noting that when he was a child, kids rode their bikes without helmets or knee pads and didn't come home until after dark, but today moms track their children on cell phones and require them to check in when they reach the end of the driveway. And let's not forget social media and online dating. No matter your age, Fritz charmed the audience with his take on growing up and growing older.



Ruta Lee, JoAnne Worley, Guests

husband **Skip** and a small silent auction. The wine was donated by **D'Alfonso-Curran Wines** and the water by **Trader Joes**. We also would like to thank the **El Portal Theatre** and **Jay Irwin** and **Pegge Forrest**. And to our good friends **Art Alisi**, **Circle Graphics** and **Willing Art Services**.



Tippi Hedren, JoAnne Worley, Harlan Boll, Guest

Joining Actors and Others' president **JoAnne Worley** were **Tippi Hedren**, **Ruta Lee**, **Tom Hatten**, **MaryJo Catlett**, **Kelly Lange**, **Jay Johnson**, **Peter Marshall**, **Fred Willard** and **Jackie Joseph Lawrence**.



Sandy Johnson, Jay Johnson, Bernie Shine

"I'm so happy that **ACTORS AND OTHERS FOR ANIMALS** is allowing me to share my show with their passionate supporters. It's my chance to say thank you to this group that has done so much to support and nurture our animal friends.

More importantly... to thank them for the way they support and nurture those lovely folks who are caregivers and advocates for animals...but, who may need some help themselves to do it.

ACTORS AND OTHERS is a gift to our community!"

-Fritz Coleman

SPAY AND NEUTER REMAINS OUR FOCUS

If you do a Google search for spay and neuter services, you will find a multitude of entries. We are so thankful that what we knew so long ago is now common practice. But there are still too many pets that are in the home resulting in “accidental” litters.

Remember when the biggest worry of 2000 was YK2? Today we face many more challenges. According to the Consumer Price Index, prices in 2017 are 42.2% higher than prices in 2000! Our name and reputation are known throughout Southern California, and we shall remain committed to our core mission of providing spay/neuter services as long as needed.

We get notes and cards of appreciation every week thanking us for making a difference. Some come with pictures, others with just a short note of thanks. We even get letters years after the pet has passed, telling us how much our help meant to them. They all mean a lot to us. Here are but a few.



Heather G. recently had to quit her job to care for her mother full-time. We were able to help get her 5 month old German Shepherd Reagan and 2 year old Belgium Malinois Bella sterilized. “Thank you so much,” wrote Heather. “You guys are amazing, and I am forever grateful to your organization.”

Ramona N. needed help with getting five cats spayed and neutered. In one of those mathematical riddles we see every day, first there were 2 adults and then 3 additional kittens! Without our help, Ramona indicated that she would not have been able to get them sterilized, and thanked us for being there in her time of need.



ARE YOUR PETS VACCINATED?



When we talk about preventive care for our pets, making sure they are vaccinated is at the top of the list. But all vaccinations come with some risk, and more and more pet guardians are concerned about over-vaccinating. Research has shown that the immunity for certain diseases may last much longer than originally thought.

That’s where titer testing comes in. A “titer” is a method of measuring antibodies in the blood for specific diseases and if a previous vaccine is still protecting your dog and you don’t need to revaccinate. It can be used to check for immunity to parvovirus, distemper, adenovirus (infectious hepatitis) and rabies in dogs but is not recommended for others. However, since rabies vaccinations are mandated by law in most states, such results are not accepted at this time. Research is still mixed with regard to cat vaccinations.



All pets need core vaccinations. They can be lifesaving. At Actors and Others we see quite a few requests for help for diseases that a core vaccination would have eliminated. Titer testing is a tool that can provide a customized vaccination protocol for your dog. There is still a segment of the veterinary community that is hesitant to change the routine of annual vaccination, and we encourage every pet guardian to have an open dialogue with their veterinarian to provide the best care you can for your beloved pet. For more information check out <https://www.avma.org/News/JAVMANews/Pages/160701a.aspx> and https://www.aaha.org/pet_owner/aaha_guidelines/aahas_canine_vaccination_guidelines.aspx

YOUR DONOR DOLLARS AT WORK FISCAL YEARS 2000-2017

	DOG SPAYS DOG NEUTERS	47,420 35,601
	CAT SPAYS CAT NEUTERS	63,198 46,004
	BUNNY SPAY/ NEUTERS	1,409
	TOTAL SPAY/NEUTER SURGERIES	193,632
	TOTAL MEDICALS	15,862

Statistics are counted when bills are received and paid

PET ASSISTED THERAPY PROVIDES SUPPORT TO VETERANS

Many veterans experience a range of health problems that can be physical and/or emotional. Pet assisted therapy visits can reduce pain, anxiety and depression. Family members, friends, and the treating medical personnel say they feel better too when the animals go on their rounds.

The VA Hospital in Westwood is one of the largest health care facilities within the Department of Veteran Affairs, and has over 1 million Veterans within its service area. After going through a rather stringent approval procedure, Actors and Others' pet assisted therapy teams have been visiting the in hospital patients as well as their outpatient clinics for about 10 years. Additional teams also visit at the VA Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center.

These facilities are but two of the 17 hospitals and care facilities that our 25 volunteers visit on a regular basis. In fiscal year 2017, our teams made 20,970 visits.



OUR LIFESAVING WORK IS PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY:



Actors and Others for Animals was awarded a Spay/Neuter grant in 2017 from the Petco Foundation to support our ongoing concentration on helping low income pet guardians throughout Riverside County. This investment helped to provide continued assistance in one of the largest and poorest counties in California. We share in the Petco Foundation's conviction that every animal deserves to live its best life, and appreciates their lifesaving support.

We were also the recipient of a grant from the ASPCA for Emergency Veterinary Care for Pets of Low-Income Families. We believe that the time is here to shine a light on the need for providing assistance for veterinary care especially since costs are rising, and are deeply grateful to the ASPCA for having the insight to recognize this basic need.



We appreciate beyond words all the support we have received from the **Ethel Friends Foundation, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee** for many years. What a special woman she was to leave a true legacy of love by establishing the foundation to help care for and protect canines. The grant received in 2017 was used to provide spay/neuter and emergency veterinary subsidies.



At the end of 2017, the Winnick Family Foundation, which was founded by Los Angeles philanthropists Karen and Gary Winnick in 1983, awarded Actors and Others a small grant split between our spay/neuter and emergency veterinary programs. The Foundation focuses on a number of causes including animal welfare, and we appreciate the vote of confidence.

REMEMBER ACTORS AND OTHERS WHEN YOU SHOP

If you shop at Ralphs grocery store, you can help support Actors and Others every time your club card is swiped.



They do require that everyone must re-register each year on or after September 1. Go to www.ralphs.com, click on Services, then Community Contributions and follow the instructions for a participant. Our NPO number is 84455.



And every time you shop at Amazon and designate Actors and Others as your charity of choice they will donate 0.5%. Just use <https://smile.amazon.com>.

GREAT NONPROFITS

Great Nonprofits is a website service that helps donors identify organizations in your community that are making a difference on the issues you care about. Once again Actors and Others received a top rating from Great Nonprofits in 2017.





WHAT KIND OF FOOTPRINTS WILL YOU LEAVE BEHIND?

WHY LEAVE A CHARITABLE BEQUEST TO ACTORS AND OTHERS

The simple fact is that bequests form the financial basis and security of most charitable organizations and are indispensable to their work. That is certainly true here at Actors and Others.

It is a common misconception that only wealthy people leave money to charity when they die. Most bequests are made by ordinary, hard-working people who want to make a positive difference after they are gone. Over the years many animal loving, compassionate and inspiring individuals have chosen to leave a charitable bequest to Actors and Others, and we would not be here today without them.

Charities pay a central role in providing assistance and critical care, and America would not be able to function without charities stepping in to provide that help. Through our spay and neuter and emergency medical programs, Actors and Others has provided vital services to animals in needs for 47 years now. We couldn't have done it without the help from charitable bequests.

You don't have to be rich or famous to make a difference. You can help create a better world by including a charity bequest in your will, and you can make a better life for animals in need by choosing Actors and Others for Animals.

In the last year we received distributions from the estates of **PAUL ALAN BERMAN, THE BRUNNER FAMILY TRUST, JOAN GREEN HARRIS, LAURA KNOX, MARVIN PAIGE, DELIA SALVI AND PATRICK SHIELDS.** These heartfelt gifts allow us to provide more services for the benefits of animals and those who care for them. We are deeply grateful for remembering us. By doing so, they created a loving, lasting memorial to the affection they had for their pets and all animals.

In each Newsletter, we like to chronicle all those who honored or shared a memory of a loved one or pet who passed, or sent birthday wishes, greetings or a tribute to a special person.

IN MEMORIAM

PAT AND TOM CACCHIONE – In memory of Jill Ransdell

ARLENE BRAUN – In memory of Rick Feldman

FLIGHT CREW BOOSTER CLUB – In memory of Rose Reamey

HELEN HABER – In memory of Rick Feldman

JEFF AND NANCY GRAFF – In memory of Elvis Presley

CONNIE ELLIOTT – In memory of Biff Elliott

LAURIE COHN – In memory of Rick Feldman

ACTION AND OTHERS FOR ANIMALS REMEMBERS THESE CELEBRITY SUPPORTERS

Monty Hall
Rose Marie

Mary Tyler Moore
Connie Sawyer

Adam West

MESSAGES OF TRIBUTES AND CELEBRATIONS

JEREMY FAULKENBURG – In tribute of Jackie Joseph Lawrence
DON AND CHERYL WIRZ – In tribute of Earl Holliman
LYNN GONZALEZ – In tribute of Earl Holliman
RICHARD JORDAN – In tribute of Randy Taraborrelli
GLENN ROSENBLUM – In tribute of Jackie Joseph Lawrence
SUSAN SKALLA – In tribute of Karen Boss
ANDREA AND DAVE GLADSTONE – In tribute of the Butlers
ACTORS AND OTHERS – Happy Anniversary Larry and Toby Fazio
SHERYL LORENCE – Happy Anniversary to Lani and Herb Alpert
SILA O'GRADAIGH – Merry Christmas to NCIS Art Department
TOM HATTEN AND PETE MENEFEE – Merry Christmas to Jacque West
ANTHONY WAGNER – Merry Christmas Else Duff
TONY AND DON SHERMAN – To Jane Paddon welcome Jasper and Daisy
FREDDIE CUMMINGS – Happy Birthday Betty White
MATTHEW PLUMMER – Happy Birthday Fred Willard
JACKIE JOSEPH LAWRENCE – Happy Birthday JoAnne Worley
RODNEY PINKS – Happy Birthday Sarah Zietlow
KAREN PARKS – Happy Birthday Loretta Swit
RICHARD JORDAN – Happy Birthday Jackie Joseph Lawrence
KAREN PEREA GANNON – Happy Birthday Rodney Pinks
JO ANNE WORLEY – Happy Birthday Jackie Joseph Lawrence
BOB DUGAN AND JAY ALDRICH – Happy Birthday Richard Follett
JACKIE JOSEPH LAWRENCE – Happy Birthday Loretta Swit
GERALD AND HEATHER TURPIN – Happy Birthday Laura Lanza
DAN AND MARIE REEVES – Happy Birthday Laura Lanza

In honor of her birthday, Mary Willard asked that donations be made to Actors and Others.
Thank you.

ALICE AND LEONARD MALTIN
MARY K. WALSH
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BARBARA CHASE
STEVE BLUESTEIN
LORI HOCKSTRA
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CHERYL AND GARY MORENC
JO ANNE WORLEY
SANDRA AND JAY JOHNSON
GEORGE AND ERIN PENNACCHIO
SARAH PURCELL AND CHIP
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DANIEL CASTELLANETA AND
DEBORAH LA CUSTA
GREG AND PINCH LEE
KATHY AND DAVID LANDER

IN MEMORY OF PETS

FRED AND MARY WILLARD – To JoAnne Worley in memory of Harmony
ERIC WILLIAMS – To JoAnne Worley in memory of Harmony
NANCY DUSSAULT AND VAL MAYER – To JoAnne Worley in memory of Harmony
JACKIE JOSEPH LAWRENCE – To JoAnne Worley in memory of Harmony
CAROL JANE GRANT – To Joyce and Brad Stine in memory of Slick
CAROL JANE GRANT – To Melody Sherman in memory of Annie
ELLEN AND GARY HOLMES – To M/M Ken Johnson in memory of Annie
KATHERINE BARD – To M/M Shin Takei in memory of Hana
PAT CACCHIONE – To Debbie Tate in memory of Dakota and Flame
WALTER AND PAM GILMORE – To Betty Lockhart in memory of Todd
TONY AND DON SHERMAN – To Barbara Brady in memory of Charlie
JACKIE JOSEPH LAWRENCE – To Harlan Boll in memory of Oscar
JACKIE JOSEPH LAWRENCE – To Laurie and Peter Marshall in memory of Teddy Bear
CAMILLE DUDLEY – In memory of Max
SUSAN SKALLA – In memory of Casey and Annie
MARCIA GONZALEZ – In memory of Mookie
ACTORS AND OTHERS – To JoAnne Worley in memory of Harmony,
to Loretta Swit in memory of Anubis and to Earl Holliman in memory of Henry