# THE COMPANION

PEOPLE HELPING ANIMALS AND ANIMALS HELPING PEOPLE

Breaking Ground, Building Compassion.

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# FURIENDS available for adoption



# Matrix **AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD**

My name's Matrix and everyone calls me a goofball. I'm not sure why though! I'm a 5-month-old Australian Shepherd blend, and I love to play fetch! Only I don't chase balls or sticks, those are boring. I chase the shadow of balls and sticks! Take me home so I can chase shadows in your yard!



# Halsey DOMESTIC SHORT HAIR BLEND

If you're looking for an independent kitty, you're going to love me! I'm Halsey. I'm a 2-yearold brown tabby and I march to the beat of my own drum. That being said, I DO love soft pets and nestling next to my favorite humans. Just make sure you give me the space and respect that I deserve!



# Rascal **CUR BLEND**

Hey, I'm Rascal! A lot of people don't give me the time of day because I can be a bit shy at first. But I promise, once I get to know you, I can't wait to show you my sweet and goofy side. I'm a 7-month-old cur blend and would love to join your family.



# Eνα DOMESTIC MEDIUM HAIR BLEND

Hi I'm Eva! I'm an 18-month-old brown tabby and the Queen of an exclusive club. I don't let just ANYONE get all of my love and attention. I like to make my own secret hideouts

by burrowing under blankets, but when you're part of my club, I love nothing more than nuzzling next to you.

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# DEAR FRIENDS OF THE ANIMALS,

In our last issue we announced the commitment of our Remember Me Thursday® celebrity SpokesTeam, Andie MacDowell and Rainey Qualley. On September 28th they truly rallied the world behind pet adoption and used their voices to #ShineALight on pets everywhere in need of their forever home. We are grateful for their dedication and honored by

their partnership. Now more than ever uniting our voices for pets around the world has never been so critical as animal welfare organizations face unprecedented challenges resulting in higher euthanasia rates and overpopulation. Helen Woodward Animal Center is again at the forefront leading the way to help utilize celebrity support and their expansive social media platforms to raise awareness about the plight of orphaned pets in order to increase adoptions and stop the senseless killing of beautiful adoptable animals.

Although September is always extremely special to me because of Remember Me Thursday® this year held even more meaning because on September 20th we broke ground on our brand-new Humane Education Village. This facility is a tribute to Helen Woodward's original mission to teach the message of "Sharing the Earth" to children in hopes of creating a more humane world for animals and people alike. This Village will be home to six uniquely themed classrooms, indoor and outdoor animal enclosures, birthday rooms, animal presentation areas, and two adaptive playgrounds to meet the needs of children of all ages with unique needs and capabilities. We are never going to change anything for animals in the future if we don't impact the children of today with lessons of compassion, caring, and responsibility to our animal friends.

And if our fall couldn't get any busier my team of fundraising, social media and public relations professionals wrapped up October with a trip to Edinburgh, Scotland to be special guest presenters for the Compassion Allways Conference organized by Fostering Compassion and hosted at the Royal Dick Veterinary School's 200th anniversary. It is an honor to work with groups around the world who share our mission of people helping animals and animals helping people and who believe in the power of animals to be the bridge between us.

There is no question that Helen Woodward Animal Center is a true global force for good in the field of animal welfare but none of this is possible without your support and for that we are eternally grateful.

For a more humane world,

Michael M. Arms President and CEO

# DON'T MISS A SINGLE ISSUE...

Every issue of Helen Woodward Animal Center's The Companion magazine is filled with stories about the relationship between humans and the animals that we love. Four times each year, The Companion keeps you informed about how you are helping us fulfill our mission of "people helping animals and animals helping people."



# FROM HOARDING TO HAPPINESS

Rescued Puppy Finds Loving Home with Center's PR Director

Once upon a time in Oklahoma, there was a puppy named Buttons. Buttons had never known the warmth of a loving home. She was born into a hoarding situation, surrounded by countless other dogs, all vying for limited food and attention.

Life was a struggle for little Buttons, but she had a spirit that refused to be crushed. Her fluffy coat was matted, her eyes were filled with longing, but her heart was full of hope.

One fateful day, the Center received a distress call about the dire situation in Oklahoma and dispatched a team to rescue the dogs, including Buttons.



Winnie looks up lovingly while being pet at the Center.

When Buttons arrived, she was scared, dirty, and overwhelmed.

But shelter staff saw the spark in her eyes and knew she deserved a chance at a better life. They gave her a bath, provided nourishing meals, and showered her with love and

attention.



Buttons, now Winnie, with her new pet parent, Center PR Director Jessica Gercke!

Buttons began to transform. Her matted fur turned soft and fluffy, her eyes sparkled with happiness, and she started wagging her tail as if to say, "I'm ready for a new beginning."

Lucky for Buttons, Jessica Gercke, PR Director of the Helen Woodward Animal Center, fell in love with her immediately. Knowing Buttons' story, Jessica knew she wanted to give her a better life, and it was clear they were meant for each other.

Jessica and her husband Fran Gercke decided to adopt Buttons and gave her the name Winifred Buttons (aka – Winnie). From that day forward, Winnie's life changed forever. She now has two canine siblings, Wilson and Stella, who she loves to play with. She went from a life of neglect to a life filled with love,

toys, and belly rubs – a testament to the power of second chances, and a shining example of resilience and the joy that comes from finding a forever home.

And so, in the warm embrace of Jessica and Helen Woodward Animal Center, Winnie is now enjoying her happily ever after, a living reminder that every dog deserves a chance to be loved and cherished.



Winnie is adjusting well to her new family, here she is with Wilson.



# OUR CRITTERS NEED YOUR HELP TO SAVE CHRISTMAS!

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Santa came to San Diego for some muchneeded vacation time before the busy Christmas Day, but he lost a few things while he was here and needs help finding them! Join this festive fun with your family as you help get



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Visit animalcenter.org/education and click on the Critters Save Christmas button for full details and online registration, or scan the QR code on the left.

Questions? Contact us at education@animalcenter.org or (858)756-4117 x318



Casper, an Animal Ambassador for the Humane Education Department, was all geared up for the ceremony!

# Center Breaks Ground on New Humane Education Village

# Paving the Way for a New Generation of Humane Education

The Center is excited to announce the groundbreaking of its new Humane Education Village. The construction expands the Center's ability to welcome even more young animallovers, and honors the vision of founder Helen Woodward who felt that children were the only true path to making the world more humane.

The construction marks the third phase in the Campaign for Caring – a mission to rebuild aging facilities, many of which have been in place since the Center's founding in 1972.

Plans for the Humane Education Village include a 10,500 square foot village housing both the

Humane Education and Pet Encounter Therapy programs, six classrooms, two outdoor playgrounds accessible to all children, two birthday party rooms, and new animal enclosures.

"We are incredibly excited to begin this next phase for the Center," stated VP of Development Renee Resko. "Td like to think that Helen Woodward is smiling down at



Animal Ambassador, Ember was ready for the groundbreaking!



Haylee Blake, Associate Director of Humane Education and Sniffles the rabbit are very excited for the new chapter for their deparment.



(from left to right) VP of Operations Rita Truderung , President and CEO Mike Arms, VP of Development Renee Resko and VP of Finance Renee Simmons.



(starting from left to right) Taner Halicioglu, Mike Arms, Katie Shull, Renee Resko, Andy Wasa, Sharron MacDonald, and Toni Nickell broke first ground.









(above) Renderings from the architect of the classrooms and playground.



# **Paws & Glamour**

# Rescue Dogs Steal the Spotlight at Daytime Beauty Awards

Three-month-old rescue pups, Holly and Woody from Helen Woodward Animal Center, were rubbing furry shoulders with stars like Jennifer Lopez, Sia, Ashley Tisdale and more at the 5th Annual Daytime Beauty Awards in Hollywood on October 1st, 2023. Since 2018, the Center has been the beneficiary of this glamourous event, which honors top talent in science and beauty, all while providing life-saving donations that go back to help animals in need.



Jennifer Lopez greets Woody on-stage at the Daytime Beauty Awards.

In the arms of Wen founder Chaz Dean, Woody was on-stage to introduce the first presenter, Jennifer Lopez. Ms. Lopez lovingly greeted Woody before she walked to the podium. Holly also got special attention! As musician Sia held her for red carpet photos, she gave Holly a big kiss and went on to say that she loves rescue pets and has four of her own.

"We are beyond grateful for the spotlight Daytime Beauty Awards puts on orphan pets," said Helen Woodward Animal Center PR Manager Monica Petruzzelli, "With every glimmering step down the red carpet, we're paving the way for brighter futures for our furry friends."



Woody's foster family joined him at the Daytime Beauty Awards!

This year also included special guests, Alice Kang Han and her daughter Lexie, whose family has fostered dozens of orphan pets through the Center – and even fostered Woody! The chihuahua blend was so excited to see his former foster family, his tail was racing as he gave them kisses on the red carpet. Alice and Lexie won tickets through an Instagram giveaway, so be sure to follow @hwac and @hollywoodbeautyawards to stay up-to-date for future opportunities!



Sia gives rescue pup Holly a big kiss.



Jenna Elfman holding Holly.



Sam Asghari loved holding and cuddling Holly.



# 18th Annual Surf Dog Surf-A-Thon

Surfing Dogs Ride Waves for Rescue

The 18th Annual Surf Dog Surf-A-Thon, presented by Blue Buffalo, brought out SurFURS

of all shapes and sizes eager to dive into action and fetch top dog honors at the ultimate summer-closer, raising life-saving funds for orphan pets at Helen Woodward Animal Center.



Sugar took home 1st place in Best in Surf.

Surfing dogs competed in 10 minute heats to show off their skills before a panel of judges consisting of surf pros and aficionados. Furry comPETitors were judged on the length of their ride, wave technique, enthusiasm and confidence on the board. This year's 'Best in Surf' titles went to Guinness in 3rd place, Delilah in 2nd place and Sugar in 1st place!

The fun didn't stop once on shore. Spectators enjoyed family-friendly

activities including live beach tunes from Šalton City Surf Club, a crowd-pleasing Rockstars and Music Legends-themed Canine Costume Contest, and a FURtastic Fair featuring a variety of booths, kids' activities and fun for all.

Historically, Surf Dog Surf-A-Thon is a first-of-its-kind, turning 'dogs on surfboards' into a platform to raise life-saving funds and reminding the world that "man's best friend" can do phenomenal things.



Delilah won second place in Best in Surf.





Doodle and Nacho won the costume contest.



Guinness won third place in Best in Surf.



Best in Surf winner, Sugar and her owner catching a wave.

# RESCUING MAUI

ISLAND ORPHAN PETS
RELOCATE TO SAN DIEGO
TO PROVIDE RELIEF
AFTER NIGHTMARE
FIRE...

Following the devastating wildfires on Maui this August, a total of 24 Maui orphan pets were flown to salvation at Helen Woodward Animal Center. For Hawaiian animal rescue workers struggling to make order out of the chaos that came with epic island fires, the blessing was twofold. In addition to providing these orphan pets a chance to find forever families, the mainland touchdown allowed for an opening of Maui kennel space for the countless owned pets who lost their physical homes.

"When we asked what Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation needed, their number one focus was getting orphan pets to a location where they would have a chance at adoption," said Renee Resko, VP of Development. "By doing this, we can also help them access much-needed space to help pet owners on the island. It's a win for the orphan pets and a win for the pets owned by Maui residents."



Kihei, Maui, Hana and Kula ready to begin their journey to the Center . Photo by Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation.

The nightmarish Maui fire, fueled by hurricane winds, that took over the area of Lahaina on August 8th, claimed the lives of 98 people. Added to the tragedy was the destruction of nearly every building in the vicinity. Hundreds of residents lost their homes, considered "lucky" to get out alive with their families and pets. With months of recovering and rebuilding ahead, families needed temporary places to sleep and the comfort of knowing their furry family members will be cared for until they have secured their next residence. The Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation on the Island of Maui has been hard at work finding lost pets and providing comfort, care and supplies to those in need.

Alaska Airlines, which has already been assisting with Maui emergency needs, was eager to assist Helen Woodward Animal Center with the transfer. Emergency cargo planes providing essential supplies transferred animals over the course of several evenings. Center staff was there to greet the pets upon their arrival for



Wildfires tore through Maui homes and businesses. Photo by Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation.

medical evaluations. The Alex and Elisabeth Lewyt Charitable Trust, and the San Diego Foundation were also a part of this rescue, providing care and passage from the airport to the Center.



Center staff welcome Maui pets upon their arrival at San Diego International Airport.

Amongst the orphan pets making their way to San Diego this August for a chance at a better life was a kitten found under the hood of a car in the Lahaina debris. The small stray kitten, named Engine, had made the burned engine block his home for a time and his little mews told rescuers he was ready for a different life.

"They asked us if we could help them out and take on this poor kitten who's had the hardest start to hislife," Client Services Supervisor, Rachel Hollenbeck said. "These orphan pets have nowhere else to go and deserve a happily



Engine was found under a car hood, now he is living his new life with his new family in Carlsbad, CA.

ever after. How could we say no?"

Helen Woodward Animal Center has been working with partner organizations in Hawaii as far back as 2018. Even then, the need for space was the most prominent issue.

"The island shelters deal with a crucial issue we don't experience on the mainland," explained Helen Woodward Animal Center



Frank, a Maui rescue, was quickly adopted after arriving in San Diego County.

Pet Acquisition Manager LaBeth Thompson. "Those islands are so small and their populations stay small, too. There simply aren't enough households so their orphan animals tend to stay in the system for a long time. We've been working with them for years to take in island cats and find them happy homes in California."

The Center was honored to participate in this Maui rescue thanks to the kindness of Alaska Airlines, the Lewyt Foundation, the San Diego Foundation and the good work of Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation and Kitty Charm Farm on the island of Maui.

# Medical Medical MEOW-ICLES

A caged kitten laid in a backyard in Palmdale, California. He sat in this cage at all hours of the day, his original owner refusing to take him and his sibling inside. The combination of neglect and exposure to the hot Southern California sun caused his fur to become matted, and bacteria to devour his eye. His original owner remained indifferent to the orange tabby's suffering – surely what's happening is normal to a kitten.

Then the caged backyard kitten's sibling succumbed to

Buggy was found needing urgent medical attention.

the elements. The original owner relinquished the remaining orange tabby to a local cat rescue who named him Buggy.

Buggy was in bad shape when he arrived at the rescue. Conjunctivitis plagued his left eye and he struggled to keep food down. The rescue could hold onto him as long as they could find someone or somewhere to send him – they only have so much space and so many resources. They reached

out to Helen Woodward Animal Center, and the Center answered the call.

The orange tabby first came to the Center in late August. Medical staff first gave Buggy an anti-nausea medication and administered fluids to stop his vomiting and

quickly rehydrate him. Then, he was placed into a Foster home.

"Foster care is incredibly important for at risk cases like Buggy," Animal Health Supervisor Breanne Sneddon said. "Foster environments are much less stressful for the animals which is better for their immune systems."

While in Foster care, Buggy took an antibiotic to clear up the



Buggy thrived at his time at the foster home.

Conjunctivitis in his eyes, as well as maintained his antinausea regimen. He came back to the Center a week later an entirely different kitty.

The Conjunctivitis that plagued his eyes for the first stretch of his life cleared up, he gained a healthy amount of



Buggy is now healthy and has found his forever home.

weight, and he regained the energetic playfulness befitting a kitten his age. It didn't take long for the orange tabby to find his forever home. A local family took him home after just a few days of being available for adoption.

# From Laundromat to Loving Home

Abandoned Kittens Thrive with Foster Family



Mama Downey and her kittens.

Abandoned in a lonely laundry room in Los Angeles, a 1-year-old mother cat was struggling to care for her precious kittens. Nearly starving, they huddled together. Thankfully, they were discovered by a kind Samaritan and brought to the Center in July.

Upon their arrival, the mother cat was lovingly named Downey and her kittens Tide, Bounce, Persil and Snuggle. Having only known struggle and neglect, they were malnourished and initially very scared of humans and tried to

hide in their crate at the sight of people. However, the Center had just the plan to help get them healthy and bring them out of their shell.

Anna Brackman and her three children started fostering pets for the Center in 2020, around the start of the pandemic. At the time, Brackman said they needed "something to look forward to." Now having fostered many pets, they were excited to share their home and hearts with the laundry litter. "She was in protective mode constantly," said Brackman about her first interactions with Downey, "She just didn't trust me, anything or anybody. She very skinny and the kittens were very little."

Anna Brackman's kids love to help care for their foster pets.

quifeline fan a few day

Brackman knew from experience that with patience and love, they could help Downey and her kittens gain weight and get acquainted with human kindness. Every time the family put out a can of food, it would

quickly disappear. With every meal, the feline family gained a bit more trust. Within a few days, the kittens were starting to play with toys and Downey discovered her love of the cat tree and looking out the window. Not

long after, Downey started letting Brackman's 5-year-old daughter brush her fur, and Downey's affectionate personality started to shine through as she received much-needed TLC. "I really love seeing the transformation," said Brackman, "We took these animals that wouldn't get out of the crate that were scared, that were underweight, and we've made them social and happy and curious."

Brackman says her three children have a great time helping with the foster pets, while also learning about pet ownership and responsibility. Thanks to their labor of love, the Downey and her kittens Tide, Bounce, Persil and Snuggle are now thriving and on their way to forever homes.



A kitten cuddle puddle.



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# REMEMBER ME THURSDAY®

On Thursday, September 28, animal lovers across the world united their voices for orphan animals by honoring Remember Me Thursday® (RMT). People and organizations around the world joined by sharing their rescue stories by using hashtags #RememberMeThursday and #ShineALight. Thousands gathered together to honor pets in shelters all over the world with candle lighting ceremonies, proclamations,

and even flag raisings, to remind the world that orphan animals need our help raising awareness of their plight. The campaign, launched just eleven years ago

by Helen Woodward Animal Center, has touched over 190 countries and has made over 2 billion social media impressions. For San Diegans, this special day returned to Balboa Park with a Multi-Shelter Meet-and-Greet Event and Candle-Lighting Ceremony.



Our spokesteam, Andie MacDowell and her daughter, Rainey Qualley. Rainey ended up adopting the puppy pictured here, now named Arlo.

This year's 2023 RMT SpokesTeam Andie MacDowell and Rainey Qualley along with 100 influential luminaries also shared their voices to help animals in need online. Each year, notable personalities,

professional athletes, pet behaviorists, and social media pet stars participate as "luminaries," and commit by sharing their thoughts on pet adoption in videos and via their social media accounts throughout the campaign.



Director of Special Projects, Julie Bagg snuggles with an adoptable puppy named Tesla.

Several animal rescue organizations and the Pet Hero award recipient were in attendance at the Balboa Park ceremony.

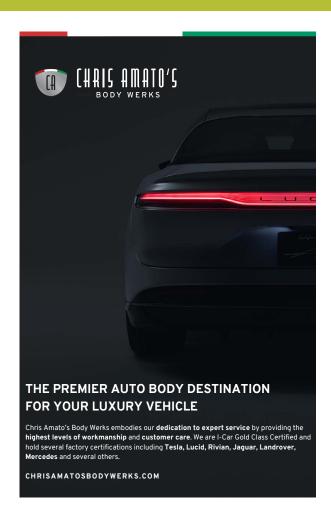


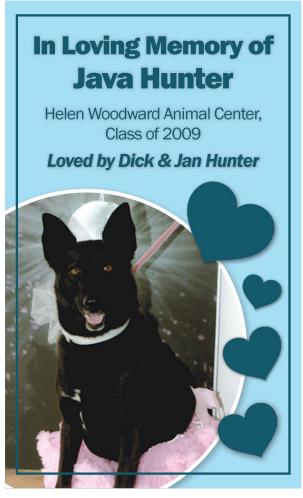
The 3lb therapy dog @norbertthedog has been a regular participant.



@odinswissshepherd from Switzerland posted a breathtaking shot.









# **Charles and Inge Brown**

Special memories regarding their love for animals and their connection to Helen Woodward Animal Center were shared by their niece, Suzie Brown.

Inge and Charles Brown were both animal lovers and were extremely passionate about dog rescue and Helen Woodward Animal Center. Their two cherished dogs, Heidi, a Vizsla blend, and Jake a Pit blend were both adopted from the Center. Their dogs were the loves of their lives. They were both great supporters of adoption and gentle caring and love of animals.

Suzie remembered so fondly how her Aunt Inge who was in deep grief on the passing of Heidi after 14 years, decided on day 5 after her passing that they needed a new addition to their home. As she said "Charlie, we MUST go to Helen Woodward, immediately and get another dog. I can't be without dog love." And they did. And Jake came home with them and was by Inge's side until just about a year ago.

We are honored to be a part of Inge and Charles' legacy of caring for pets in need and to celebrate the lives of their beloved dogs, Heidi and Jake.



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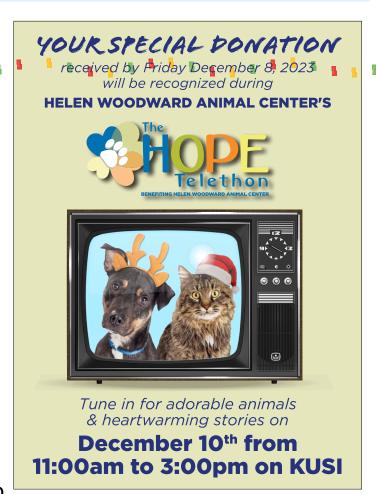
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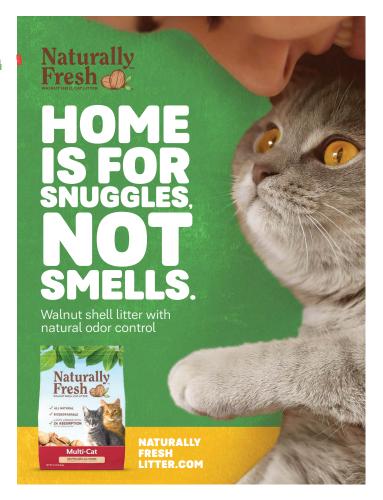
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### **BECOME A 'PAW PAL'**

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To help reduce costs, our programs are always in need of items to support their activities. Visit animalcenter.org for our wish list of specific needs.

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The Center holds a variety of exciting fundraising events throughout the year from our Surf Dog Surf-A-Thon to our Fling Gala. Visit *animalcenter.org* for more information.

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## **VOLUNTEER**

Our work depends entirely on the support of our dedicated volunteers. Many opportunities are available for youth, adults, and groups in our various programs and events. Contact Megan McCarty: 858-756-4117 x305, email MeganM@animalcenter.org or sign up at animalcenter.org.



# **FOREVER FRIENDS**

We are grateful to these individuals who chose to leave a legacy of caring by including the Center in their estate plans. These gifts will help ensure the long-term stability of our programs so pets and people in need will continue to receive the help they need for many years ahead.

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# **NOVEMBER**

1-12 Howl-O-Ween Harvest

1-30 Home 4 the Holidays

10-12 Paws in the Ranch-Holiday Crate Training Sale

**18** Volunteer Orientation

**20-22** Thanksgiving Critter Camp

24-26 Orphaned Objects-Black Friday Weekend Sale

# **DECEMBER**

1-31 Home 4 the Holidays

1-3, 8, 15-16 Critters Save Christmas

1-31 Paws in the Ranch-Holiday Pet Bazaar Sale

7 Orphaned Objects- VIP Exclusive Shopping Event

**10** HOPE Telethon

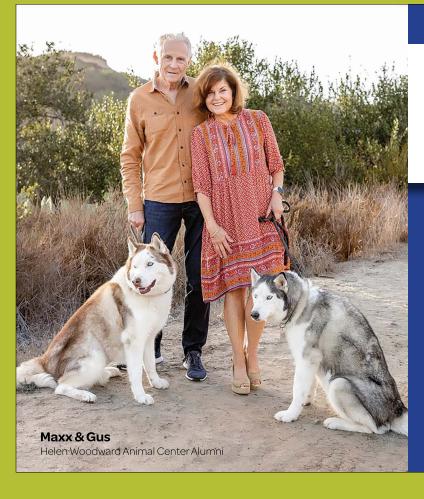
15-17 Orphaned Objects-Year End Decor Sale

**16-17** Orphaned Objects- Year End Donation Drive

**12/18 - 1/5** Winter Critter Camp

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