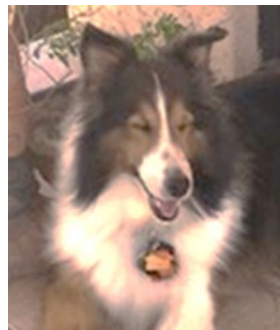
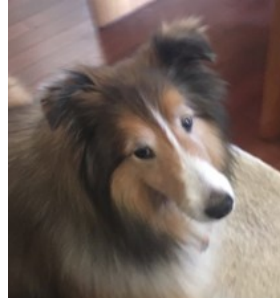


DOGGONE UPDATES



Wow! Our Annual Rummage Sale was an amazing success. After weeks of work by tireless volunteers, we raised more than \$3500. Nut bread sales alone yielded \$147. Endless thanks to Cindy and Brent Reel for letting SWCSR use their property for this Sunny Fundraiser.



It starts with one, just one, precious senior sheltie who needs a home. She moves into your house, your heart, and every moment of your life before you know it.

And then, well, she needs a companion (or two) of her own species. You by now have figured out how to groom this little furball, and what to feed her, and what toys she likes. So why not take on more? Such is the story of Judith and Gary Vance.

The darlings of the Vance Sheltie Homestead are Skylar, 10, top; Raider, 5, center; and Princess Pebbles (a woman never reveals her age), bottom.

Nap time and meal time are the most popular events of the day. Other times, the little ones are sorting out the 'who is in charge' situation. Eventually they come to agreement. Skylar is the alpha dog and Raider is his sidekick. Raider's special girl is Princess Pebbles; he willingly gives into her whims and wants. She likes that!

Do you remember Mozart? Two weeks ago, this little guy was returned to us because his owner could not afford the dental work he needed. After the work is done, SWCSR will be looking for a loving home for this cute senior Sheltie-mix.

Departures

SWCSR recognizes the outstanding contributions of the following supporters who have recently passed away. Their generosity and kindness will be long remembered.

"I'm in love with Treasure." These were the first words of **Lelah (Lee) Crockett** when she called us. Treasure had been removed from a bad breeder situation, and was featured on our website. Lee was nervous when she called; as a senior citizen, she thought she would be turned down. We could see from her application, however, that she was well prepared to take a dog into her home. Though she had traveled the world, Lee Crockett was a humble person who simply wanted the companionship of a fluffy dog in her retirement. Early this summer, SWCR received a generous \$10K legacy from Lee's estate.

Originally a self-proclaimed cat-person, **Pat Sale** got involved in Collie Rescue because her daughter, Kathy Wallis, asked for help with a dog called Rusty. Pat fostered him, fell in love, and kept him. Over the years, Pat fostered many sick and needy dogs. She nurtured them back to health with hard work and large doses of love. Her patience was boundless.

We were stunned when volunteer **Laurel Trospen** unexpectedly passed away. Laurel fostered and adopted several of our dogs. Most notably, she handled one of our Sheltie litters when most of us knew nothing about birthing puppies.

Pam Alcalá and her husband, Mark, of Alamogordo devoted many hours to rescue work. They fostered and then adopted Rio, while continuing their work as a foster family for our dogs. Both humans and canines found solace in Pam's smiling face and kind nature.

