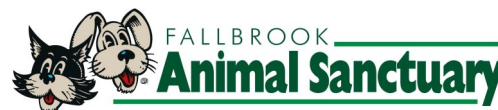


# PAW PRINTS



**The Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary is a no-kill, non-profit, safe haven for animals, staffed entirely by volunteers.**

**FAS receives no government funds, relying on donations from the public.**

**Since 2002, FAS has saved and re-homed over 3000 lost and abandoned pets.**

### **Adoption Hours:**

<b>Monday</b>	1:00-4:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Closed
<b>Wednesday</b>	1:00-4:00 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Closed
<b>Friday</b>	1:00-4:00 PM
<b>Saturday</b>	1:00-4:00 PM
<b>Sunday</b>	Closed

## **A Note from FAS President, Janet LuCore**

We are very happy to share that as we approach the end of this year, we are still working hard for Fallbrook and North County pets. We have been able to rescue some from certain euthanasia in different shelters when we had available space. As supporters, you have been a part of this success.

As always, of significant concern, is our vet bills. On average they run from about \$8,000 to \$10,000 per month. We often take in animals who are injured, sick, or just haven't been taken care of very well. Too often people are surrendering their pets because there is a medical problem and they just can't afford the needed veterinary care. When they come to us, our first thought is, what will happen to this pet if we can't take it on? Too often we have no other solutions for them and we end up taking their pet because we know that all they need is some veterinary treatment and then they can have a second chance.

A good example of this is Odin, whose story is also in this issue. He had a fixable heart problem. Certainly it was not a reason to put him down. It is a challenge to raise the money to cover veterinary costs in a climate where a lot of folks are trying to raise money for a lot of reasons. A donation of just \$10.00 per month can make an enormous difference! To that end, we are asking our supporters to sign up for a recurring donation each month. If we have enough people make this ongoing commitment, then we can help even more of these wonderful companions in need.

Please know when you support the FAS, your entire donation goes to the care and feeding of the animals. We are ALL volunteers, from the Board of Directors to all of our animal care people. They all contribute to finding solutions for supporting the animals in our care.

Don't forget to come by our Christmas Store and check out all the wonderful things for sale. This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year and goes a long way to helping with our finances. We will be open from November 13 through December 23. It is even bigger and better this year! We have a lot of beautiful new items.

In bringing this to a close, I want to say to you all, thank you for supporting us this year and I hope to see you soon...perhaps to adopt a new friend or maybe to become a part of the sanctuary as a volunteer. We have a lot of different areas that could use your help! Also, please think of us in your 'year-end' giving. We make every dollar count for the animals in need throughout Fallbrook and North County.

*Happy Thanksgiving and  
Happy Holidays from all your friends  
at the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary.*



*The idea that some lives matter less is the root of all that is wrong in the world.*

*Anonymous*



The Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary is run entirely by volunteers. Without the help of each individual, we could not achieve our mission of helping every animal who comes into our care.

Please consider joining our crew of dedicated volunteers. Even an hour or two each week makes a huge difference. Whether you prefer to foster kittens, walk dogs, clean cat enclosures, help with events, or stuff envelopes, we have a job for you.

Stop by the FAS to learn more about volunteer opportunities and to complete an application.

## Tequila Tasting Fundraiser Filled with Good Spirits

Supporters, friends, and volunteers from the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary came together on October 5<sup>th</sup> at Mariscos El Pacifico in Fallbrook for a tequila tasting fundraiser and traditional Mexican food. Tomas Estes, Tequila Ambassador to Europe and one of the owners of Tequila Ocho, facilitated the tequila tasting of 6 samples including blanco, reposada, and anejo varieties with various brands including Patron, Sauza, Fortaleza, and Estes' own Tequila Ocho. Attendees enjoyed the differences as guided by Estes including smell, appearance, and taste. During the event, Janet LuCore presented Judy Forbess with a surprise award as Volunteer of the Year. Many thanks to the Planning Committee, which included Julia Routh, Karen Estes, Fiona Urquhart, Elaine Tedrick, Ruthie Harris, and Janet LuCore, as well as our gifted event pourers Monty, Joe, and Isabelle. A very special "thank you" to the Event Sponsors which include:

- ◆ Brad Tedrick, CFP
- ◆ Patrick Marelly, Realtor
- ◆ Lilac Hills Ranch
- ◆ The Red Eye Saloon
- ◆ Rock Solid Stone
- ◆ Jane Cartmill
- ◆ Hatter, Williams, & Purdy Insurance



Wishing you could make a financial gift to the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary, but it just isn't in the budget? There are two programs you can participate in that allow you to make regular monetary donations to FAS at absolutely no cost to you.

- 🐾 Major Market will donate 1% of the total amount spent on receipts that are returned by FAS. Submit your receipts to us through the mail or drop them off directly at the sanctuary.



- 🐾 Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) to select the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary as your designated charity. FAS will receive a donation from Amazon with every purchase you make.

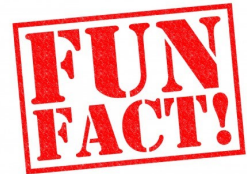


As of October 25, 2019, FAS has taken in 242 kittens. This is our biggest year yet and it has only been possible because of the 21 Foster Families who have stepped up to help care for them until they are ready to find their forever families. 168 of these kittens have already been adopted, but there are still many more to come. The cost to FAS to prepare these kittens for adoption, which includes spay/neuter, vaccines, microchipping, flea treatments, and deworming is an average of \$150 per kitten. We have had quite a few medical cases this year as well, like Arya and Johnny, who both lost an eye due to severe infection, and Nemo who arrived with a broken leg. It is only with your support that we are able to save these precious kittens and give them the happy and healthy life they deserve. If you would like to help, please contact us to foster, volunteer, make a monthly recurring donation, and/or shop from our Amazon Wish List.

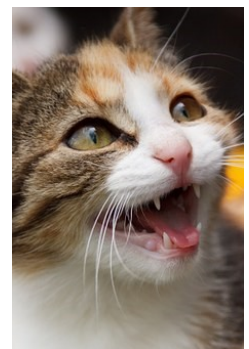


**IT'S KITTEN SEASON**

WE NEED YOUR HELP!



*Cats can make over 100 different vocal sounds, while dogs can only make about 10.*



FAS recently received a quarterly donation of \$273.38 thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com. To date, AmazonSmile has donated a total of \$2,125.60 to the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary. Sign up today !!!



**Volunteer of the Year 2019**

**Judy Forbess**



During the summer of 2017, after retiring as a teacher with FUHS, Judy walked through the door at FAS and became a key asset to the Volunteer Team. Judy started by volunteering one day a week doing cat care, which meant cleaning many cat cages and enclosures. She then started coming an extra day, usually Saturdays, bringing students with her who were working on their Community Service hours. Then, kitten season hit FAS and hit hard! Judy not only made herself available whenever she could when extra help was needed at FAS, she also signed up to be a Foster Family and started caring for orphaned kittens and mom kitties with their babies. Judy wasn't done yet. The next project was the annual FAS Christmas Store. Judy spent many days alongside all the other wonderful volunteers working very hard to make the Christmas Store a great success, all while still fostering kittens and being a Lead Volunteer at FAS. Judy's hard work, dedication, resourcefulness, and love for FAS and its mission is beyond measure. On behalf of FAS, the volunteers, the Board of Directors, and most importantly, all the 4-legged residents, we thank you Judy for all you have done and continue to do for FAS.



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You may have asked, with so many expenses, how does FAS stay afloat financially? The short answer is largely due to investment accounts established as a result of generous donations from donors' living trusts. Some of these have been specifically designated for animal care; others for projects such as the upgrading of our heating and cooling systems, and the installation of solar panels to reduce electricity bills. Although these accounts are closely managed, we still rely heavily on fundraising and other donations to keep the doors open. With some advance planning, you could help provide FAS with significant financial assistance for many years to come. Is your property in a trust? If something should happen to you, a trust is a tool that will allow your loved ones to avoid court and expensive fees. By putting your assets in a trust, you are ensuring that your family's time is saved and they avoid unnecessary expenses, also avoiding probate upon your death. Please consider the possibility of adding the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary to your living trust. You can add a percentage or a dollar amount that will be donated to our organization. All funds received would go towards the care of the animals in need within our community. Please speak with your financial adviser for more information on how to set up a trust.

### Animal Statistics from January 1-September 30, 2019

	Cats	Dogs
Intake	300	57
Adopted	242	46
Spayed/ Neutered	169	16



## Holiday Hazards



### Bones are bad



Avoid giving bones to your dogs or cats, particularly turkey bones. Poultry bones easily splinter and can cause intestinal blockages or lacerations.

### Toy watch

Avoid purchasing pet toys with small or soft pieces that can be chewed and swallowed. Be sure to inspect pet toys regularly and discard deteriorating ones.



### Poisonous plants

Many popular holiday plants are poisonous to animals including mistletoe, holly, ornamental pepper and Christmas rose. Remember to keep these plants out of reach of pets.

### Thoughtful treats



Chocolate and other sweets should not be given to animals. Chocolate contains theobromine, a chemical that can be deadly to cats and dogs. The best thing you can do for your pet over the holidays is to keep them on their regular diet and look for healthy animal treats.

### Tinsel is trouble

Having a Christmas tree and pets can be troublesome. Ensure the tree is well-secured and place the decorations above paw height. Use string to hang decorations instead of hooks and use non-breakable ornaments. Avoid using tinsel or angel hair which cats and dogs can ingest.



## Foster Spotlight...The Life of Luke

Most people know megaesophagus as a condition affecting dogs, but not so much in cats. Megaesophagus is a condition where the esophagus is enlarged, making it difficult if not impossible for an animal to swallow food or water on its own. It's rare in cats, and if it isn't caught in kittens it can be fatal. This was almost the case for one of our most recent foster kittens, Luke.



Luke and four of his siblings were brought in at just a few days old. Their eyes were still closed and they still had their umbilical cords attached. The caring person who brought them in told us he believed the mother had been killed by a coyote, leaving the kittens on their own out in the wild. The kittens were covered in fleas, dirt, and blood. They needed immediate attention and some serious TLC. Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary, of course, stepped in to help, and quickly reached out to a willing foster family who could give them the round-the-clock care they needed.

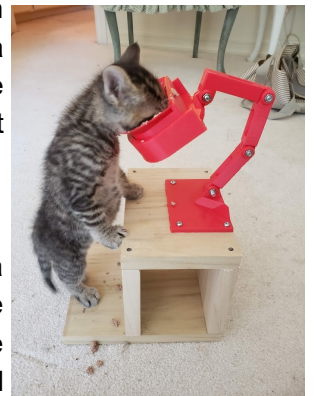
Luke appeared to be doing well until he was about a week old when we noticed some regurgitation in the kittens' playpen—Luke was the culprit. Kittens throwing up is never a good sign, and is often indicative of a serious problem.



At his next feeding, Luke started regurgitating his formula, his breathing was heavier, and we could hear his lungs “popping”—a sign that Luke had aspirated some of the formula into his lungs. We rushed Luke to the vet. After doing an examination and an X-ray, the vet determined that he had fluid in his lungs (from inhaling formula) and the vet found the cause—an enlarged esophagus that prevented Luke from properly swallowing his formula. This was a bleak prognosis. Aspiration pneumonia is very serious for kittens that small, and it would likely happen again because of Luke's inability to swallow formula correctly. The vet recommended euthanasia given these difficulties, but we couldn't give up on Luke without at least

trying.

Research ensued. We learned that feeding him upright and then wrapping him up in a blanket (aka a purrito) would help by using gravity to push the food into his stomach. We continued feeding him that way, while giving him an aggressive dose of antibiotics to counteract the pneumonia. Luke improved dramatically with antibiotics and proper feeding, and was back to feeling himself after another week (though he wasn't super pleased about having to be wrapped up for half an hour after every time he ate).

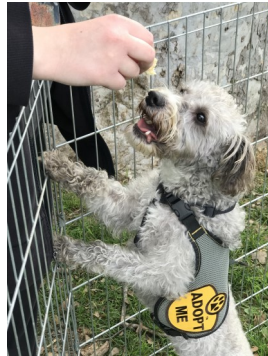


We then moved onto the next problem—how to transition Luke from formula to wet food. Luke would have to learn how to eat properly himself, but needed some help to do so. We found some plans for a special feeder online, and reached out to friends to see if anyone could 3D print them. Luckily, one of my husband's co-workers had a 12-year-old son who loved animals and was obsessed with designing and 3D printing things. Soon,

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## Bark in the Park



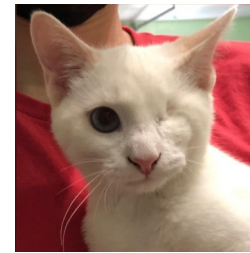
On March 23, 3 FAS dogs participated in the annual Bark in the Park event. In addition to Bosco winning 2nd place for Smallest Dog, all three pups found their forever homes shortly after the event.



# 2019...A Year

## Arya

Arya had a rough start in life. She was rescued from a life on the streets when she was just 8 weeks old. She quickly developed an eye infection that did not respond to treatment and sadly had to have that eye removed. During a routine blood test, it was discovered that she also had Coronavirus, but her titer test was very low at 1:100. Arya now has her own loving forever home.



## Waffles

## Winslow



Winslow was the inspiration for creating Winslow's Warriors, a medical fund to help sick and injured animals. Winslow came to us when he was just a little pup along with his sister, half brother, and mama. Winslow had been attacked by two large dogs a few days prior to being brought to FAS.

After weeks in the care of the Veterinary Specialty Hospital to treat his open wounds and punctures, and have surgery to repair his severely broken leg, he was finally able to join

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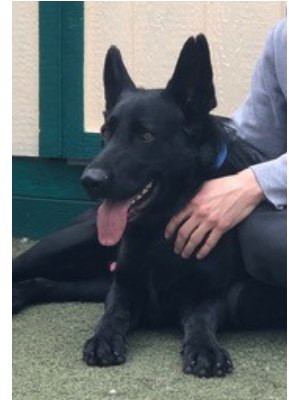
## Coffee



10-month-old Coffee fell and broke a leg, resulting in a trip to the Veterinary Specialty Hospital in San Marcos.

## Odin

Odin is a beautiful 2 year old black German Shepherd with a heart defect. He had been referred to the UC Davis Department of Cardiology for surgery. He was rescued from a high kill shelter in Riverside County, and was then dumped at another kill shelter a few months later. The last shelter called FAS to see if we could take the dog. After having him seen by a cardiologist at UC Davis, it was determined that he would need surgery to open a valve in his heart. He was adopted by a wonderful man who is going to be sure that he gets his surgery.



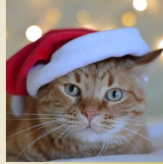
## ROCKIN FOR RESCUE

FEATURING THE FALLBROOK KID



On April 27, FAS supporters enjoyed an evening of music and fun during the Rockin' for Rescue fundraising event. Thousands of dollars were raised to support the mission of the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary.

# The Christmas Store is Coming Soon!



Make your list and check it twice.  
The Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary's Annual Christmas Store  
will be opening soon for your holiday shopping.

November 13-December 23

Wednesday 12:00-7:00 Saturday 9:00-5:00

Thursday-Friday 10:00-7:00 Sunday 10:00-4:00

Major Market Shopping Center (855-1 South Main Street)

All proceeds benefit the animals at the  
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