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8 years. Chihuahua. Very shy and quiet. Would be a great little companion. Doesn't fancy bigger dogs and seems to want to be an only child... although he does co-habitate well with other dogs. This little boy will give you many years of love and devotion. Does fine with children
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661-713-5240 brittanyfoundation.com

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Summer Edition

Save Our Pets' History In Eternity

July 2010



It's that time of year again! Elections!

S.O.P.H.I.E. needs *your* creative ideas, skills and talents...so why not run in our upcoming election for a seat on the Board of Directors? While serving as a Board Member is a volunteer position, it can be a very rewarding experience. You must be prepared to attend meetings on a regular basis (generally once bimonthly) and be willing to accept various responsibilities from time to time.

Had we gotten this newsletter out sooner, and you would have liked to participate, you would have had to inform the

Nominating Committee by contacting the Park Office before JULY 21, 2010 or tell Sandy, Donna or Caryn that you would be interested in running for the Board. They would have forwarded your name to our committee and one of the members would have contacted you personally soon thereafter.

However there's still time to run. Aside from the Nominating Committee's designation of candidates, a member may be nominated as a candidate for the Board by a **Written Petition of Members**. A petition nominating a candidate must identify the candidate by name and address, be accompanied by a

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Pet Memorial Day at S.O.P.H.I.E.

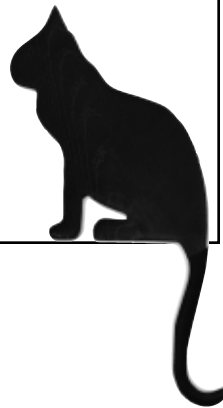
Plans are underway to have a Pet Memorial Day celebration at the LA Pet Memorial Park. This will be the first opportunity for all of us to gather together, at the Park, to honor, celebrate and express our love for our lost pets. This group event will be hosted by our good friend, and park advocate, from KRLA radio, pet psychologist Warren Eckstein. Warren has conducted Pet Memorial celebrations on the East Coast, and he has chosen our Park for his first Pet Memorial Day on the west coast. Warren is the host of "The Pet Show" on KRLA radio (870AM) every Saturday from 11-1pm. Every week he gives his listeners a little insight into our Park and what it provides.

The event is being planned for a Sunday in late October or early November. All pet owners will be invited. Our next newsletter will have additional details.

Our Park has been designated as an official drop off location for "Operation Blankets of Love". You can donate bedding, towels, pet food, and pet accessories at the Park, and Operation Blankets of Love will distribute them, at no charge, to pet shelters all over Southern California. A comfortable, warm homeless pet is a happier, calmer pet and more adoptable, which saves lives.

We are in the process of expanding our services and will soon have a new crematory for horses. This service has been in demand for several years. We are finally taking steps to move in that direction.

Best Wishes, Your President, Dave Stiller



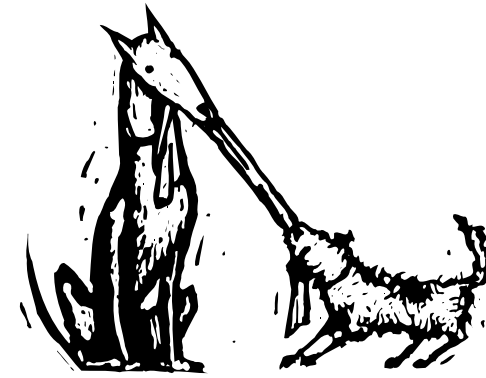
Please vote!!!

This year we have a quorum of 203 votes in order to have a valid election. As soon as you receive your ballots in the mail, please return them as soon as possible. Make sure to follow the instructions very carefully so that your vote counts. If you have any questions or concerns please let us know right away.

Expect to see your ballots in mid September!

Are you a S.O.P.H.I.E. Member??

If you received this newsletter by mail you are, look at the address label and it will give you all the information, including whether you have a single or family membership and when your membership expires.



S.O.P.H.I.E. Board Elections 2010!

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biographical profile (no longer than 100 words) and must be signed by at least 27 currently paid members of S.O.P.H.I.E.. **Petitions must be received in S.O.P.H.I.E.'s office no later than AUGUST 16, 2010.** The names of candidates nominated by this method will be placed on the ballot along with the candidates named by the Nominating Committee and their biographical profiles will be distributed to members along with those of the other nominated candidates.

Ballots will be mailed in mid September!

There are currently four seats open for a two-year term of office (ending in 2012) and one of them could be *yours!* So don't delay...call the office NOW at (818) 591-7037 and let us know of your interest!

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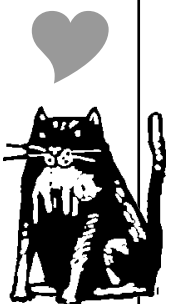
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Memorial Tribute Bricks

With the holiday season coming up faster than we care to admit and money still being super tight, we have some suggestions for heartfelt gifts that will not only be meaningful but will benefit the Park as well. Memorial Tribute Bricks. They are \$50 each. You can have any two lines with a maximum of 14 characters you want such as your pets, a friends pet or any friend or even your family. The bricks will last a lifetime being displayed in our memorial walkway next to the Mausoleum.

They will be mailed a certificate indicating your donation.

Email us for a form at lapetcem@sbcglobal.net or call us and we can mail or fax one to you.



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Save the Date: Sunday, August 8, 2010

Warren Eckstein is having a swell fundraiser to benefit The Hugs & Kisses Animal Fund
The Hugs & Kisses Fund's 1st Annual Paws for a Cause Fundraiser

Sunday August 8th, 2010, at the newly restored Sportman's Lounge
 at 12833 Ventura Blvd.in Studio City CA

Profits will benefit animal rescue groups desperately needing help.
 An evening of fine dining, great entertainment, celebrities

Please call 800-430-HUGS or go to hugsandkissesanimalfund.org

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From The Desk of The Client Relations Manager

By Sandy Dunaway

Hello everyone.

The hot weather is here. Thank goodness for recycled water that really helps our water bill.

The crew is, as always, really working hard to keep the grounds pretty and healthy. When you see them say thanks, they appreciate it.

However, if you do have a problem, please come into the office and tell us so we can work together to solve the problem.

Elections will be coming up soon. Watch for your ballots and make sure to vote. Your vote counts.

Hope all of you will come by and visit us. The gift shop has many nice mementos for sale. And we have a variety of artist paintings, even custom ones the artist can create of your pet.

And don't forget about the tribute bricks. The bricks are a nice lasting memorial gift.

As I am sure you are aware, both Jasmine and Jason have left for personal reasons. Please stop by and say hi to Caryn. She has volunteered for many years at the Park.

Make sure you get your pets plenty of shade and water during this hot summer. Of course the best place is inside with the air conditioning.

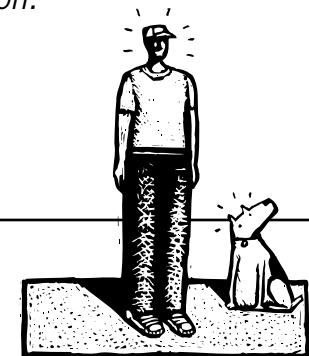
Sandy



New Advertising Opportunities at The Park

We are now offering advertising in these newsletters to help offset the rising costs of printing. A business card size ad is \$35 per insertion. Distribution is over 2500+.

We are also offering an advertising program in the showroom where businesses can display their information and business cards. It is \$40 per quarter, \$75 for 6 months and \$100 for one year. Please contact Margie at (818)591-7037 for more information.



Please do not remove any items from other people's gravesites.

Please remember all pets must be on a leash when at the Park.

SOPHIE's Angels

Thank you to the Angels who have contributed to SOPHIE thru June 30 2010

Clarence & Flory De Voe

Nancy Cannon

Shih Chang & Chiayu L Tu

Barbara Meinel

Richard A Vye

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Susan Maydeck

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Charles & Patricia Rasmussen

Edna & Deborah Leslie

Joseph Weckerle

David & Bernadette Villa Wagner

John & Elizabeth Feichtinger

Leonard & Susan Lachapelle

Raquel & Carlos Garcia

Betty, John and Carole Kasarjian

Rhonda Rosen

John E. Sanders

Edward Stevens

Scott and Cheri Tesar in memory of J,K,K,R

Cherly Robbins in memory of Brian Robbins, MD and Tiffany & Brandy

Inez Espiru in memory of Jane & Sylvester

Erik Fields in memory of Girlie Grrr

Richard Bolen in memory of Otto

Tiki Walsh in memory of Chelsea

Sam Chacon in memory of all his beloved pets

Felix Vesco in memory of all his beloved pets

Paul & Roberta Rosen in memory of Edmonton Rosen

Selma Adelman in memory of Oliver Spitz

Jackson & Yvonne Kuo in memory of Zai Zai

Ms. Halamai in memory of Duke

Tristin Dillon in memory of Soda Pop



What you need to know about headstones.

Headstones can be ordered through the Park office. And they must be installed at ground level by Park personnel and conform to the current size and type regulations. They MUST be at least 8" x 12" x 3" thick and they must be made of granite. Upright monuments are no longer permitted.

This policy has been established to allow for maintenance of the grounds in a uniform manner.

We offer several colors: impala grey, black or red. Plus a good selection of sizes and fonts, including other languages. Laser or ceramic pictures are also available. All headstones are sand blasted which means the stone is carved using high air pressure and sand forced through a nozzle. This penetrates deeply into the stone.

If you bring in an outside marker, it MUST conform to the above size and material requirements. There is also a Park handling fee to set it on your lot.

Owners are responsible for keeping their markers clean. It is recommended that you use a granite cleaner or mild soap. S.O.P.H.I.E. does offer a monthly/yearly cleaning program. If you are interested please see the column to the right for prices.



Special thanks to:

Volunteers

- Jonah Dotan
- Kim O'Bannon
- Maritsa Minasian

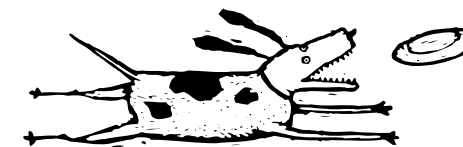
We need volunteers for help with filing, clean up, organizing, scanning, newsletter design, mailings, etc

Headstone Cleaning Fees

\$35 Once Yearly

\$100 Once quarterly for one year (4 times)

\$200 Yearly Once monthly for a year (12 times)



The Park donates your blankets, towels, toys and beds to Operation Blankets of Love, a nonprofit group that distributes these much needed items to homeless pets at all the pounds and rescues in Southern California. We are also a drop off location as well.