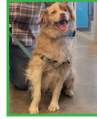




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How buying a \$5 duck raffle saves lives

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by Lisa Jonas

All animals at our shelter are in need of a second chance. They have been lost, given up or abandoned, usually through no fault of their own. You are giving them that chance for a new life in a loving home by participating in the Rubber Duck Pluck, our annual fundraiser. By purchasing a few \$5 rubber ducks (raffles), you directly save lives.

Every animal that comes to Pet Allies has a wellness check. Each one is vaccinated, spayed or neutered and microchipped in addition to being given plenty of food and a warm bed as they await their forever home. A life renewed.

When an animal's new family adopts him or her, the cycle of unwanted litters and pet over-population stops because that animal has been spayed or neutered. These surgeries are the 100% certain line of defense in eliminating the potential suffering of unwanted animals. Lives saved.

The staff at Pet Allies devote their time and energy daily to the care of cats, dogs, and the occasional rabbit or bird. They care for the ones who were cast aside. These animals are fed, bathed, given medical attention, and their kennels cleaned. It's a labor of love and it costs money. But these lives are now filled with hope not despair or illness.

That's what a duck can do.

- Provide low cost spay or neuter surgeries to prevent unwanted litters and reduce pet over-population.
- Provide medical care to sick or injured animals.
- Feed, shelter and care for homeless animals until they find their forever home.

For just \$5 you can help positively alter lives and possibly **win \$2,500!** Now that's a win/ win!

For more information visit our website at www.PetAlliesAZ.org/duck.

And we hope to see you for the plucking of the lucky duckies on June 18th at noon. We have wonderful raffle prizes like a Traeger grill, gift baskets full of wonderful items from local businesses and much more. Join us!



Trigger Happy Tail



Trigger was surrendered through Alta Sierra by his owner who had run out of money trying to get his allergies and skin condition under control. Pet Allies did allergy testing and put him on a prescription diet along with immunotherapy drops (allergy shots) to treat his allergies. He also had several rounds of antibiotics and medicated baths to treat the terrible skin infection.

Turns out he's allergic to the world... literally - weeds, grasses, trees, and fungi. As far as food, he's allergic to corn, milk, oat, pea, peanut, rice, and tomato.

After being in foster care, given hydrogenated dog food, treats, and medications he got better and his allergies are under control. Trigger, now Cowboy, was adopted into a loving home (photo below with his new "Dad") and is no longer itchy and uncomfortable!



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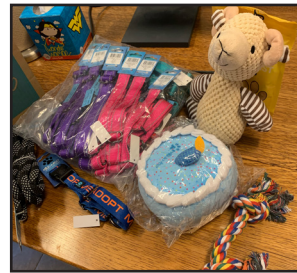
Throughout the year, we have been humbled by the generosity of so many kind folks in our community. From the smallest donation to the larger gifts, we appreciate the support. **YOU are Altering Lives.**



Awonderful "Happy Tails" adoption - "Dutch" found his new Mom! And Dutch's new "Mom" was so happy that she brought flowers, cards AND gifts to the shelter staff! It's always nice to be appreciated for all the hard work done to take care of the animals, and so

very kind of her to treat everyone & make it a special day. Happy Adoption Day, Dutch!

Thank you to Max and Neo who always send a nice box of dog and cat goodies for



our furry friends.

Thank you to store manager Rick Haws and co-workers Ron Duran and Jason Ramsey for the much needed



and very much appreciated pallet of pet food! And if you haven't visited the store's new location at 750 W Deuce of Clubs, go check it out, it's great!

And finally, thank you to all the wonderful people who donated during Arizona Gives Day, an annual 24-hour day of giving across the state. Over \$7,500 was raised for the animals!

Veterinarians in critically short supply

by RJ Owens

You are probably aware that Pet Allies has been struggling to find a veterinarian after celebrating the retirement of Dr. Andersen.

Although we had what seemed like plenty of time before his retirement, over a year, hiring has been a challenge and a learning experience.

At the same time, many people started working from home, or stayed home during the pandemic, and became aware of their own health, and also had the time to start noticing health problems with their pets sooner. The pandemic has changed the

way people think about their pet's medical needs.

Veterinary clinics locally and across the nation are seeking to add doctors and techs to meet the needs of their communities which have increased dramatically. We have been able to add more appointments for health issues at the clinic. You can call 928-421-0787 to reach the clinic directly in our new location 1321 N 16th Street in Show Low.

New graduates can pick and choose from among thousands of positions, estimated to be 13,000 openings currently in the U.S. We love our town but

it may not be a huge draw for everyone. We are happy to have a part-time doctor, and we are seeking to additionally hire a spay/neuter surgeon to meet the needs of our local community.

We are aware that we are unable to provide the services that our clients need and we want everyone to know we are making every effort to increase our capacity to offer spay/neuter services. Please call if you are interested in a tour of the new clinic.

staff spotlight: Dawn Steele

Dawn is one of our Animal Care Technicians.

Born in Oklahoma and raised in California, Dawn has always had a love for animals but didn't find her way to the animal industry until 2021 when she was hired as a clinic receptionist. Before that, Dawn was a Medical Assistant, Certified Nursing Assistant, caregiver to a disabled veteran, and various other occupations including the Navy Reserve. Dawn is a proud mom of five beautiful girls and has been blessed with many wonderful things.

Always having animals in her life, she currently has two female dogs, Kirby, a Maltese/Yorkie, and Phoebe, a Boxer/Pit Mix and who has been her saviors. Both dogs are rescues

but Dawn believes they rescued her! Dawn loves her job as Animal Care Technician here at Pet Allies



and loves to see the animals go to amazing homes. This job is one of the hardest yet most rewarding positions she's ever had and she looks forward to serving animals for many years to come. When not caring for animals, she enjoys crafting with her Cricut machine, playing Disc Golf, and watching baseball (Go Red Sox).

RUBBER DUCK PLUCK JUNE 18

SAVE THE DATE!

Get ready for the 4th annual White Mountain Rubber Duck Pluck!

Mark your calendars now for **Saturday, JUNE 18 at NOON** for this fun event.

By "adopting" a rubber duck, you may feather your nest with some cool cash, as you have a chance at winning \$500, \$1,000 or \$2,500 dollars. If your duck is plucked, you'll win! Three winning ducks will be plucked at 1:30PM that day, so get in on the action and get quackin'!

To "adopt" a rubber duck (raffle entry) or for more information,

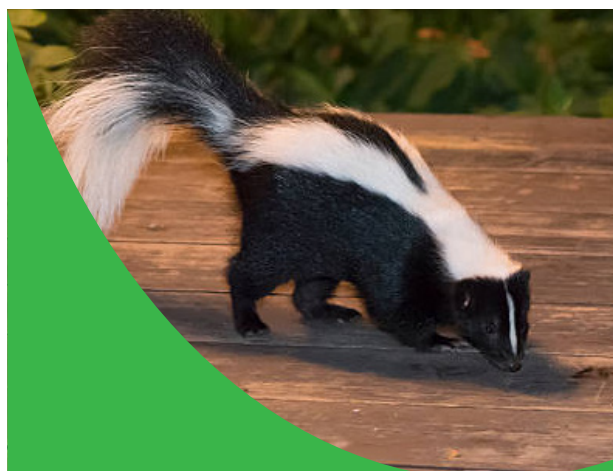


please visit www.petalliesaz.org/duck.

We're excited that rescue dog/former Pet Allies Shelter resident Toby will be the duck plucker again this year after

his stellar performance at the past two year's Duck Pluck. Toby's owner rescued him after he was relinquished by multiple owners. Now he has a loving home and is a poster boy for how your support of Pet Allies can make a difference in a pet's life.

More information can be found at www.PetAlliesAZ.org/duck



SKUNKED!

by Jennifer Rinaldi

It's sunset and all is quiet in the yard. Fido is walking the fence line making sure that all is well with his world when this angry black and white cat has the audacity to turn and spray him. "The nerve!" After the creature ambles away, your friend shaking his head and rubbing his eyes wants 'in' so he can tell you about it. We all know it wasn't a black and white cat, but a skunk. Here is a recipe that one of our local vets suggested.

Items needed for your summer first aid kit:

1. Saline eye wash from local pet store
2. Baking Soda
3. 3% Hydrogen Peroxide
4. Dawn dish soap
5. White vinegar
6. Rubber dishwashing gloves
7. Old towels
8. Dog shampoo or baby shampoo

For the face:

If eyes are irritated, rinse first with cold water, then with saline. Use a product expressly made for pets. Next, after flushing the eyes, make a paste of Baking Soda and water which is 1 part soda / 3 parts water. Using a rag, distribute the paste and let it sit for 5 or more minutes. Be prepared with treats to keep your dog still. Be sure to watch for vomiting or breathing difficulties as if the dog took a direct hit, he may have inhaled the spray. If any of that occurs call your vet.

For the body:

Wearing rubber gloves, wipe the oil away with a clean rag, then dispose of the rag. Next, mix the ingredients below. The mixture will foam, so work quickly and carefully avoiding the face. Try and remain calm, as your dog will pick up on your emotions. He needs to cooperate, so you both come through this smelling like...well it won't be a rose, but hopefully it will be better than skunk.

1. ¼ cup of baking soda.
2. 1-2 teaspoons of mild dishwashing detergent like Dawn.
3. 1 quart of 3% Hydrogen Peroxide solution.
4. Mix in a bucket and use immediately.
5. Work the foaming mixture well into the coat.
6. Rinse with warm water.
8. ½ cup of white vinegar if smell is still strong, then rinse again well.

Pet Allies on Show Low TV

Pet Allies and Show Low TV team up once a month to produce videos about what's going on at the shelter & any new "news of worth" for our "fans." Shown here is one of our great techs who helps at the clinic, Alice Hill and PUPPIES. Also shown are RJ Owens, Executive Director, & Jill Tinkel, who is kind enough to host these filmings. There are lots of videos on our You Tube page @PetAlliesAZ



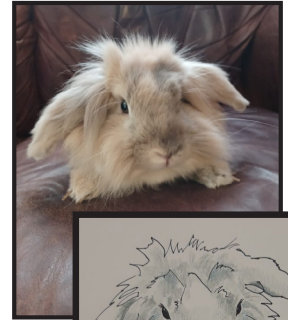
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just \$5!

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Pawsitively Impurfect Pet Portraits a Hit!

In partnership with Jill Tinkel's State Farm and Kittle's Fine Art and Supplies, Pet Allies conducted a very fun pet portrait effort on Facebook to raise funds for animals in need. For a \$20 donation, participants submitted a photo and in return received a one-of-a-kind portrait created by artists and wannabe artists. It was a wonderful turnout with over 60 participants, lots of artists from 5th graders to adults and over \$1200 was raised! Watch for this silly, sweet event to return next year! To see the artwork visit our page @PetAllies on Facebook.



Thank You to Our Wonderful Sponsors and Supporters of the upcoming Rubber Duck Pluck June 18

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