



## Volunteer of the Month **Zachary Morris**



Our Volunteer of the Month, **Zachary Morris**, has been with Animal Services for 2 months, but in that time, he has put in over 200 hours of service. He started off as a leader for the new "Pet Life Saverz Youth Club" and quickly became a Docent Volunteer. He has shown great willingness to help the volunteer program grow by train other volunteers. When one of our teen volunteers Alana Joy Kerr was tragically killed by a train in February 2011, our department put together a memorial butterfly garden in her honor. Zach was instrumental in the process due to his passion for volunteers and his past experience as a landscaper. He led a group of volunteers and created a beau-

tiful garden where Alana's family, friends, staff and other volunteers can visit forever. Zach cares for the well being of people and the homeless pets as if they were his own. He has fantastic customer service skills and he is always smiling when working with the public, staff, other volunteers, and potential adopters. All the animals that he has helped to save by finding them permanent homes thank him and all of us here at animals services appreciate his time and comment permanent homes.

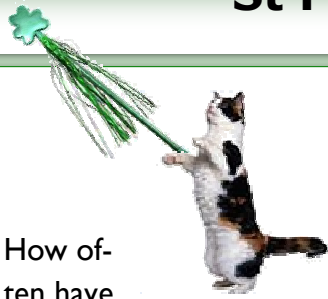


## Volunteer March 2011 Birthdays

Samuel Antillon 3/1	Myah Gabaldon 3/31	Rebecca Marcher 3/12
Carolyn Badger 3/27	Sanya Gandhi 3/28	Giulia Mazzotti-Bottinelli 3/29
Kara Billinger 3/7	Stephanie Garcia 3/29	Karina Mendoza 3/2
Steven Blackwood 3/17	Alexis Grove 3/1	Brooke Moss 3/27
Kate Butler 3/15	Mary Guccione 3/16	Gracie Ochoa-Teen 3/11
Larry Chan 3/13	Jan Hart 3/27	Priscilla Perales 3/31
Emily Cota 3/11	Brittney Hernandez 3/25	April Rainey 3/1
Gabreila de la Rosa 3/23	Alana Kerr 3/24	Rebecca Ray 3/16
Hector Delgado 3/6	Javier Lechuga 3/13	Shira Rich 3/11
Alexis Dion 3/10	Cynthia Marie Lucio 3/16	Nickolas Schulz 3/23
Diana Farnsworth 3/24	Jancel Maldonado 3/4	Nicolas Talavera 3/6
Geovanny Flores 3/18	Pamela Marchant 3/19	Lara Winchester 3/8



## St Patrick Cat Toys



How often have you purchased toys for your cats, only to find out they refuse to play with them or abandon them within a short time? They choose instead to play with the box it came in or junk from around the house. It seems silly to pay so

much for cat toys, only to have them reject them or lose them immediately under the couch. That's why I made this lens. Now you can make your own cat toys, save money, and give your cat toys they'll actually like to play with. Also, since most animal shelters can't afford toys to entertain the cats there, your

local one would probably love some of these toys if you make some extra.

### Things You'll Need:

- strong permanent glue (like Fabri-Tac)
- strips of ribbon (about 3 to 4 feet)
- dowel rod

### Directions:

- ✎ Cut strips of ribbon in lengths anywhere from two inches to two feet. Glue them individually to the end of the dowel rod using shorter pieces for a fluffier toy and longer pieces for a more full length toy or use a combination of both.
- ✎ Wrap an extra piece of ribbon around the glued ends a few times and then glue it.
- ✎ Let it dry. Then enjoy hours of playtime

### St Patrick Day Fact:

- Legend says that each leaf of the "lucky" four-leaf clover means something: the first is for hope, the second for faith, the third for love and the fourth for luck.
- According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the highest number of leaves found on a clover is 14!
- One estimate suggests that there are about 10 000 regular three-leaf clovers for every lucky four-leaf clover.

**Feeling Lucky** and spirited in an Irish sort of way? If you're looking for St. Patrick's Day events that you can enjoy with your dog, look no further than the Volunteer Voice.

St. Patrick's Day (named for the saint who is thought to be responsible for driving all the deadly snakes out of Ireland and into the sea) is celebrated around the world! What do you think of when you think of St. Patrick's? Green clothing? Shamrocks? Leprechauns? Corned beef? Green beer? However you choose to celebrate, here are some fun (and safe) ways you can include your pet:



1) Tie a green bandana or decorate your pet's leash or collar with shamrocks. I don't recommend costumes as many pets find them extremely hot and uncomfortable. If your dog typically wears clothing, there are a ton of St. Patrick themed clothes out there that are designed to be worn on a daily basis (keep on eye out anyway to make sure your pet does not overheat).

2) Bake special dog-friendly or cat-friendly treats and dye them with food coloring! Please remember many human foods (like sausages, corned beef, and cabbage) can also give your pet a very upset stomach.

3) Take your pet leprechaun hunting! Attach your decorated leash to your dog and head outside for a walk! This is a great way for both you and your pet to work off some of those St. Patrick's Day celebration snacks. Just remember that Shamrocks will not bring your pet luck. According the ASPCA, Shamrock, or *Oxalis* species, contains oxalic acid, which has the potential to produce kidney damage. So have fun March 17th and bring you pet along.

# The Volunteer Voice



## Welcome All Of Our New Volunteers

Harbour, Christine

Heine, Martha

Hesterly, Kinika

Lewis, Mark

Li, Jia

Mora, Carlos J

Quinday, Penny

Rivas, Mauricio

Shaw, Leslie

Sotelo, Nathaly

Tewis, Rebecca

Torino, Raymond

Turner, Miles

Winchester, Lara

Newton, Christine

Stuart, Linda

Yang, Billy

Arambula, Cynthia

Armendariz, Kimberly

Bennett, Kristyn

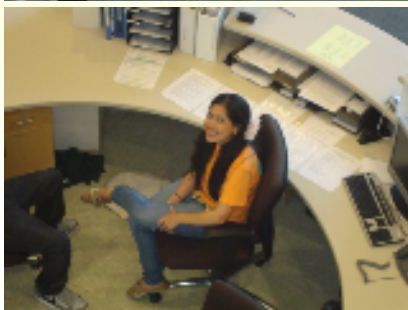
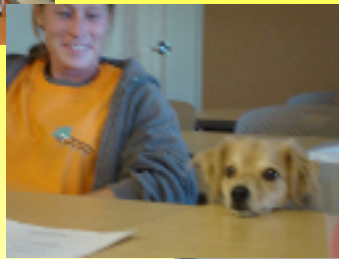
Burket, Brandee

Cunningham, Elisabeth

Elliott, Jeri

Guzman, Brandee

## Volunteers Caught in Action



If you have been a volunteer for 40 hours or more and feel you have what it takes to help our new volunteers get their feet wet. Please see Nicole for more information.

## Fun Facts

- Dogs have sweat glands in between their paws
- In 2003, Dr. Roger Mugford invented the "wagometer" a device that claims to interpret a dog's exact mood by measuring the wag of its tail.
- No two zebras have the same striped pattern
- A beaver can hold it's breath for 45 minutes.

## Classified Ads

### Reminders

**March 12** Legally Blonde Adoption Event 10am to 1pm

**March 17th** Adoption Assistance Class from 4 to 5:30

### Open Shelter Jobs

#### These Jobs are still open and need to be filled

**\* Front Information Desk (up to 6 Volunteers needed 2 per shift)**

The hours are Saturday

10:45am to 1:00pm

12:30pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

**Job Duties:** Adults 18 and over

Directing customers to areas of interest with in the shelter.

**\* Clinic (up to 9 Volunteers needed 3 per shift)**

The hours are Monday to Saturday

8:00am to 12:00pm

1:00pm to 4:00pm

3:30pm to 6:00pm

**Job Duties:** 13 and up only responsible hard working may apply

General Spay and Neuter Clinic Duties

**\*New Volunteer Buddies/ Lead/ Reunion Docent (up to 10 Volunteers needed)**

The hours are TBA

**Job Duties:** Adults 18 and over. Meeting and Greeting new volunteers for their first week of volunteer service

**If you are able to fill any of these days or hours please reply to the volunteer office**

### Reminders

- Please help the volunteer program by making monetary donations to the ASK foundation at the front Kiosk.
- We would appreciate if the following items were donated:
  - (25) 15ft. Long line leashes
  - (25) martingale collars in various sizesThese items are available at Premier Pet Products Wholesale.
- The grooming area is in need of a few things so we are asking all volunteers to bring in any Grooming clippers and blades, we continue to be in need of the following items;
  - bath size towels
  - old dish washing liquid bottles ( like Dawn bottles)
  - hair dryers
  - or space heaters
- **Please** remember that while showing a dog the customer is not allowed to hold the leash, a volunteer or staff member must have control of the dog at all times.
- Also, you must wear the proper clothing to volunteer. This means no shorts and sandals. You must have full length jeans as well as closed toed shoes.

Celebrate Legally Blonde on tour in Downtown Riverside

March 12<sup>th</sup> 2011

Riverside Animal  
Shelter will be there  
out Dogs! I can't wait!  
See you there!

