SOCIEDAD PROTECTORA DE ANIMALES DE SAN MIGUEL DE ALLENDE, A.C.



July 2020

Paws & Claws



HOPE, HEALTH, HOMES FOR CATS AND DOGS IN NEED

From the Director



THANK YOU! We appreciate your contributions to this year's Pet Food Money Bank fundraiser! All donations will be used to cover the annual cost of feeding our resident animals and those in foster care. In addition, a total of \$7,500 USD was matched and anonymously donated to SPA Dogs to DC. As a result, more S.P.A. dogs will be given the opportunity to find homes in the United States and the S.P.A. will have space to save more dogs, including those from our waiting list and from Ecologia, the local kill pound. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Although times are difficult and unusual, please continue to provide routine veterinary care for your pets. Our clinic is open to help you with that and other needs your pet may have. Our cats and dogs are also available for adoption. We have a wonderful array of choices for your new best friend. We only ask that you follow common safety practices so we all can stay safe!

-Megan Gabel, General Director

Adoptions

	Dogs Cats	
June	4	3
YTD	26	21

Clinic/Office Hours:

Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri: 9am - 3pm Tue, Sat (**Discount Days**): 9am - 4pm

Adoptions:

Mon - Sat: 11am - 2pm

Los Pinos 7, Col. Lindavista San Miguel de Allende, GTO 37736 Mexico Ph: 415-152-6124

U.S. Mailing Address:

S.P.A., PMB No. 18 220 N. Zapata Hwy. #11 Laredo, Texas 78043-4464 U.S.A.

Easy Links

Website: www.spasanmiguel.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/spasanmiguel

Donate and support our fundraisers: www.spasanmiguel.org/fundraisers

(Donate-Sponsor a Casita-Become a Member-Remembrance Tree Leaf)

Dogs available for adoption: www.spasanmiguel.org/adopt-me-dogs/ Cats available for adoption: www.spasanmiguel.org/adopt-me-dogs/

Membership questions: MembershipSPA@gmail.com

Casita questions: <u>SPACasita@gmail.com</u>
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June Adoptions

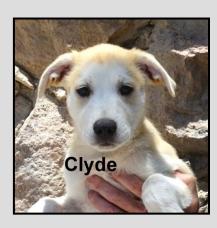
June dog adoptions: Nube, Snickers, Clyde, Buck June cat adoptions: Concierto, Symphony, Eros















2020 Dog Adoptions
2020 Cat Adoptions

"Like" our Facebook page to get the latest news!

July Pets of the MonthBy Jayn Corral and Megan Gabel



Nadia, not quite 2 years old, has a spunky personality and prefers people over other cats. A volunteer favorite, she loves to play, is very curious, and enjoys cuddling on her own terms. Eros, our other cat Pet of the Month was adopted!



About 7 months old, Butch is a gangly, happy, enthusiastic friendly boy who relishes being petted. Small/medium-sized and still growing, he now looks forward to going for a walk on the street, although cars whizzing by frighten him.



Medium/large, Seattle, a little over 2 years old, is very sweet and eager to please. A good Samaritan alerted us that he was at the bus station and needed help. He had a bad wound on his rear leg that took several weeks to heal (after multiple surgeries). Throughout it all, Seattle remained a happy boy, a bit frustrated that he was unable to play and make new friends. Medium/large, he is now available for adoption.

Adopt any of these Pets of the Month during July and receive a free adoption kit. Preview all our animals at www.spasanmiguel.org (Adopt Me pages) and meet them at the S.P.A., Los Pinos #7, Monday-Saturday between 11 and 2, 415-152-6124. Only one person may enter the S.P.A. for an adoption interview. That person must wear a mask and stay at least 6 feet away from S.P.A. personnel.

Dogs Who Will Have Your Back By Megan Gabel

Zeus, Lola, and Dulce are loveable dogs. They revel in attention. However, when potential adopters (aka "strangers") meet them, these dogs are usually not very friendly – in fact, they react quite vocally to newcomers. On the street, Zeus is the easiest to walk. He keeps his head down, moves forward, and occasionally turns around for reassurance from the person walking him. When taking Dulce and Lola for a walk on the street, it is best to avoid people they don't know; for Dulce, stay clear of cars and motorcycles too. So, why should you bother considering any of them as a pet for you? Because what you will ultimately get in return will be a real gem.

To the volunteers who work with them, Zeus, Lola, and Dulce are each incredibly adorable, affectionate, and sweet dogs. Dulce will lie quietly at my side, occasionally glancing in my direction to make sure I'm okay. Staring directly into my eyes adoringly, Lola will shift from paw to paw, excited to receive attention. Zeus will climb into my lap and nestle in for a massage, always eager for more affection.

If you give them a chance, these dogs will be devoted to you, extremely loyal, and very protective. But you have to earn their trust. You have to give them time to get to know you and you to know them. You have to be a smart owner – reactive – perceptive – alert. Consider it a challenge, but one that is well worth the effort. You will be rewarded with a dog who will love you wholeheartedly and protect you against actual and perceived danger – a warning system, no batteries necessary. Perfect loving pets, particularly for a man or woman alone who could use the extra security.

We can introduce you to Zeus, Lola, and Dulce at the S.P.A., Los Pinos 7, Monday-Saturday, during our regular adoption hours from 11-2. Masks required, social distancing practiced, and only one person allowed inside the S.P.A. at a time.









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THANK YOU, ROSS MACDONALD, FOR HELPING THE S.PA.!

Waiving or reducing the normal fee for delivery service available through MacDonald Services (www.macdonald-services.com/) is a HUGE benefit to the S.P.A.!

We appreciate Ross's help and support!

Did you know that:

- -the S.P.A. has been around since 1980 and is the only no-kill shelter for cats and dogs in San Miguel?
- -we house an average of 100 animals (cats and dogs), providing food, vet care (including vaccinations and sterilization), and shelter for them until they are adopted?
- -the S.P.A's clinic is a community clinic, open to the public?
- -the S.P.A. relies SOLELY on donations to survive—we receive no government support?

Please consider helping us by becoming a member of the S.P.A., sponsoring a casita, and supporting other S.P.A. fundraisers. Our website details our fundraisers here: www.spasanmiguel.org/fundraisers and itemizes how to donate by PayPal, check, or cash. Call us if you have questions: 415-152-6124. Thank you!

Every dollar and peso you donate helps the S.P.A. survive.

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The Poetry of a Reliable Backup





HIGH QUALITY PET CARE AT THE S.P.A. CLINIC!

The S.P.A.'s clinic is open! The S.P.A. can meet your pet's needs, from routine preventative care to diagnosis and treatment of problems to surgical procedures and more. We have a well-equipped clinic and offer packages to help you save on vaccinations and sterilization. Under the current circumstances, we prefer that no one enters the clinic other than S.P.A. personnel. If critical, only 1 person may enter the S.P.A. with his animal and that person must wear a mask and stay 6 feet (2 meters) away from S.P.A. personnel. Thank you for your consideration in following these rules.

The S.P.A. Needs YOU! Volunteer (Later)!

If you love cats and dogs and can spare some time, we would love to have you come and volunteer when the Covid-19 pandemic is resolved! Volunteer hours are suspended for now.



Our Daily Supplies Always Need Replenishing

The items below are supplies we replace on a regular basis. Please drop off donations at the S.P.A. during our regular office hours.

- •Batteries (AA)
- •Brooms
- •Cat baskets for kittens/cats to sleep in
- •Cat food—Felix canned
- •Cat food—Royal Canin Development for cats (soft & dry)
- •Cat food—Royal Canin Gastrointestinal for cats (soft & dry)
- •Cat food—Royal Canin Babycat Milk (dry powdered milk for kittens)
- •Cat food platters (plastic, divided, circular trays)
- •Cat litter (we use Petco bulk litter)
- Cat /kitten toys
- •Cat scoops for litter
- •Cat treats: catnip and other treats
- •Cats: Feliway Spray and Feliway Diffuser
- •Cleaning supplies: dishwashing soap, bleach, pinol or equivalent
- •Dog collars (medium-sized)
- •Dog leashes (1" wide)
- •Dog food—Pedigree canned adult dog food and puppy food
- •Dog food—Royal Canin Puppy Development for young puppies
- •Dog sweaters and jackets: all sizes
- •Dog toys for puppies and older dogs: heavy-duty balls, ropes, stuffed animals
- •Dog treats: biscuits, and other treats (no rawhide or pig's ears)
- •Hand sanitizer
- •Hand soap (bar)
- •Laundry detergent for washing machine (powder)
- •Lysol spray (or equivalent)
- Mops (string mops)
- •Office supplies: ball point pens (black); Sharpies permanent markers (black fine point); copy paper, laminating sheets, Brother TN450 laser printer cartridge
- •Paper goods: paper towels and toilet paper
- •Plastic bags: 48 cm x 60 cm (comes in a box) (not zip-lock)
- •Plastic bags: 62 cm x 85 cm (comes in a box) (not zip-lock)
- •Surgical gloves (size 6.5 and 8.5 preferably brands Protect or Ambiderm)
- Surgical masks
- •Squeegees (long-handled floor squeegees used to clean cage floors)

THANK YOU!

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The Remembrance Tree exists in a prominent position, right at the inside entrance to the S.P.A. It is a permanent, beautiful, and impressive eight-foot coppercolored structure with branches containing leaves for honoring a departed pet.

Volunteer **Jane Dill** of Jane Dill Design (www.janedill.com) (thank you, Jane!) inscribes on a leaf the pet's name, the owner's name, and a personal message, if desired. The one-time cost of each permanent leaf is \$100 US (or peso equivalent).



To purchase a leaf or learn more, please email: <u>SPARemembranceTree@gmail.com</u>



Sponsor a Kitty or Doggy Casita.

Your generous support will help with the enormous cost of care, food and shelter for our approximately 100 resident cats and dogs waiting for their forever homes.

Only \$30 a month* for one year, or about \$1 a day.



For information on monthly or annual payment options, send us an email at SPACasita@gmail.com

Questions? Call the S.P.A. office: 415-152-6124

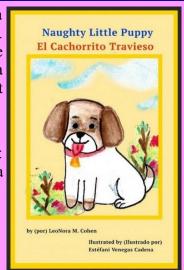
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Royalties from Children's Book Will Be Donated to the S.P.A.!

Naughty Little Puppy (El Cachorrito Travieso) by Leonora M. Cohen is a bilingual, charming story about what it means to have a puppy as a pet. Suitable for 5-10 year olds, the story is beautifully illustrated and can be sung to the old folk tune, "Down by the Station Early in the Morning." In a subtle and delightful way, it teaches children how to be responsible pet owners.

To learn more about the book and purchase one (or more), click here: http://leonoracohenbooks.webstarts.com/naughty_little_puppy.html - a great gift for any child who dreams of having a puppy.

The author has generously agreed to donate all royalties from sales to the S.P.A.



Preferred Providers

Our Preferred Providers offer a range of goods and services at a discount to S.P.A. members. Just show your current S.P.A. membership card at the time of purchase to receive the discounts specified below. Please patronize our Preferred Providers as a way of thanking them for their support of the S.P.A.

VETERINARIANS

MVZ RICARDO LOPEZ LANDEROS - Rio Grijalva No. 10 - Nuevo Mexiquito - Ph. 415-152 6977 Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-2pm; 4pm-7pm Saturday 9am-2pm Consultations – 10%, X-Rays – 10%, Regular Teeth Cleaning – 10%, Vaccinations - 10%

MVZ EDGARDO R. VAZQUEZ OLMOS - Plaza Primavera #16 on Salida a Queretaro - Ph. 415-152 6273 Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-2pm; Saturday 9am-12 noon. Consultations – 10%

MVZ MICHAEL KRONISH - Salida a Celaya #57 - Ph. 415-185-8185; 415-109-9957 Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-6.30pm; Saturday 9am-2pm. Consultations - 10%, Routine Vaccinations - 5%, Spaying/Neutering - 5%

MVZ ALMA RUTH MIRANDA - Stirling Dickinson #27 - Ph. 415-152-2341

Hours: Monday-Saturday 9am-6pm General Surgery - 10%, X-Rays & Ultrasounds 10%, Hospitalization - 10%, Medications - 10%, Vaccinations - 10%

RETAILERS AND GROOMERS

EL DESPACHO - Las Moras #13 - Colonia Guadiana - Ph. 415-154-7195 Hours: Monday-Saturday 9am-3pm; 5pm-8pm Food - 5-10%

DUSTY PUPPIES – Guadiana #17A – Colonia Guadiana – Ph. 415-154- 4555.

Hours: Monday-Friday 10am-6pm

Diamond Naturals - Dog/Cat Food - 10%, Regular Teeth Cleaning - 20%, SPA Bath Only - No Clipping -By Appointment - 10%. Pet Supplies - 10%

Being able to take advantage of our Preferred Providers program is just one benefit of becoming a member of the S.P.A. Members receive a 10% discount off the S.P.A. vet consultation fee every day.

If you are a member or join at the time you adopt, you will receive 10% off of the adoption fee (400 pesos for cats and 450 pesos for dogs). Please JOIN US! Individual memberships are \$40 US/500 pesos and family memberships (2 person limit) are \$50/600 pesos.

Join online here www.spasanmiguel.org/members/ (via PayPal) or in our office.

Please email MembershipSPA@gmail.com if you have questions.



At the Organic Market: Next Date Pending

In addition to the S.P.A. T-shirts and caps pictured below:



Check out our range of T-shirts & caps for both cat and dog lovers.

Unisex T-shirts come in white or black (youth, S, M, L, and XL).

This style is perfect for both cat and dog lovers and a meaningful souvenir of San Miguel de Allende!

All T-shirts are 200 pesos each.











Women's T-shirts are available in red, white, or black (S, M., L. and XL).

Men's T-shirts come in white or black (M, L, XL, and XXL).

Caps are available in red, black or khaki for a donation of 150 pesos each.

Pick up one for yourself, a family member, and as a terrific present: Available at the S.P.A. and at the S.P.A.'s Organic Market's table — We'll let you know when we'll be there next!



Rewarding Memberships

In this pandemic, I hope none of you have had your health or the health of those close to you impacted negatively. Please be safe and be careful when you must go out and stay in if you can. This way of life is testing the patience of all of us, but if you and yours are safe and healthy, there is much to be grateful for. I count being healthy and the coming of the rainy season among them.

In the name of gratitude, I want to thank **Adrian Ross** (individual), **Marthe Fraser** and **Marie Bulgin** (family), **Rena Cochlin** (individual), and **Glenn Murer** and **John Fields** (family) for renewing their S.P.A. Memberships in June. Thank you all. In the middle of all this pandemic turmoil, the animals in our care still need to be fed and cared for. We couldn't do what we do without you.

You can join or renew online via PayPal through our website HERE, in our office (by cash or check), or via other methods (see same website page). Please email MembershipSPA@gmail.com if you have questions. We accept checks for membership dues as follows: (1) by check (U.S. or Mexican) to Sociedad Protectora de Animales de San Miguel de Allende, A.C. (full name and \$50 USD minimum required by bank); or (2) by U.S. check to San Miguel Community Foundation (for a U.S. tax receipt) (mark for S.P.A.). Your membership dues (\$40/500 pesos-individual, \$50/600 pesos-family [2 members]) will help the S.P.A. continue its wonderful work caring for many of the unwanted cats and dogs of San Miguel while they wait for their forever homes.

-Randy

Learn About Us and Our Cats and Dogs

*The S.P.A. is open for adoptions as long as certain precautions are followed. If you come to the S.P.A. with family or friends, only one person will be allowed to enter the S.P.A. to be interviewed for an adoption of a cat or dog. That person must wear a mask and stay at least 6 feet (2 meters) away from S.P.A. personnel. Adoption hours are Monday-Saturday, 11-2.

*Check our website: www.spasanmiguel.org for our available cats and dogs (photos, biographies, and videos) ("Adopt Me" pages) and to learn about us and how you can help. Please remember that adopting a shelter animal saves two lives—the one that is adopted and the one we now have room to take in.

*Follow Us On Facebook at www.facebook.com/spasanmiguel, stay up to date, and see our happy albums of success stories—those S.P.A. animals now in forever homes.

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