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



**July 2024** aws & Claws



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HOPE, HEALTH, HOMES FOR CATS AND DOGS IN NEED

## From the Director

PET FOOD MONEY BANK UPDATGE: Thank you to everyone who has donated so far to our Pet Food Money Bank Fundraiser, our only major fundraiser of the year. Our goal is \$250,000 pesos (about \$15,500 USD). We're about 40% of the way there!

All donations to this fundraiser will be applied to the annual cost of feeding our resident cats and dog, many of whose pictures you will see throughout this issue. We do not receive any government support and rely upon your donations as our only source of income to cover this basic expense. Please help and give as much as you can. No amount is too little (or too big).

To donate through PayPal, click the "DONATE" button below. For more information and other ways to donate, please see the next page of this issue, https://www.spasanmiguel.org/pet-foodmoney-bank, call 415-152-6124, or write info@spasanmiguel.org.

JULY 20, 2024-S.P.A. SPECIAL ADOPTION DAY EVENT! We are delighted to announce that July 20 is a Special Adoption Day! We invite you to come to the S.P.A. on July 20 to meet and adopt an S.P.A. cat, kitten, dog, and/or puppy during our extended hours of 11:00-3:30. We will have extra volunteers on hand to help you choose and introduce you to our lovelies. We are featuring two new exceptionally beautiful feline families as well as the rest of our wonderful animals. We have an amazingly sweet group of dogs and cats who would thrive in a family. See pages 5 to 9 of this issue. The first four adopters will receive a free adoption kit. Don't miss this opportunity to find the perfect pet for you.

-Megan Gabel, General Director

# **Easy Links**

Website: www.spasanmiguel.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/spasanmiguel Instagram: www.instagram.com/spa.sma/

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

(Donate-Sponsor a Casita-Become a Member) Volunteer Info: www.spasanmiguel.org/volunteer

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

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

Membership questions: MembershipSPA@gmail.com

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

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#### **Clinic/Office Hours:**

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

## Adoptions, Visits, Volunteers:

Dogs: Mon - Sat: 11am - 2pm Cats: Mon - Sat: 11:30am - 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.

# **PET FOOD MONEY BANK**



Don't Delay—Deposit Pesos and Dollars Today





# The S.P.A. has a many as 100 mouths to feed!

-We are the oldest no-kill shelter for cats and dogs in San Miguel.

-We provide food, care, and shelter for our resident animals until they are adopted.

-Last year, we placed almost 50 animals with families.

-Dogs and cats are on waiting lists to get in the S.P.A.

Please help us feed our animals while they wait for their forever homes!

# GOAL: \$250,000 PESOS / \$15,500 USD

## How to Contribute to the Pet Food Money Bank

-online at <u>www.spasanmiguel.org</u> ("Donate" button on any page) or <u>www.facebook.com/spasanmiguel</u> ("Shop on Website" button) (all link to PayPal);

-by U.S. or Mexican check to "Sociedad Protectora de Animales de San Miguel de Allende, A.C." (full name required for banks to accept check);

-by U.S. check to "San Miguel Community Foundation" (for a U.S. tax receipt) (mark for S.P.A.).

-Checks may be dropped off at any Conexion location, mark S.P.A., PMB 18 or mailed to S.P.A., PMB No. 18, 220 N. Zapata Hwy. #11, Laredo, TX 78043-4464, U.S.A.

-Checks and cash may also be left at the S.P.A., Los Pinos 7. \*\*Please call 415-152-6124 or write <u>info@spasanmiguel.org</u> for more info\*\*

# **June Adoptions**

Dog adoptions: Manzana, Nina, Bella, Bubble Cat adoptions: Adele, John, Ritz



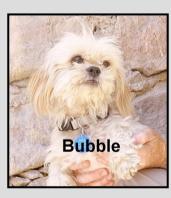














Our Frankie hasn't left the S.P.A. yet, but we are thrilled he was chosen to go to Iowa to be adopted in the U.S. *Thank you* Rosie's Wish (<u>https://roseyswish.org/</u>) for making this possible! To help support Rosey's Wish's efforts to transport 15 small

dogs to the U.S. this July, click here: <u>https://gofund.me/81db018b</u>

**2024 Dog Adoptions** 

**2024 Cat Adoptions** 

"Like" our <u>Facebook page</u> to get the latest news!

#### July Pets of the Month By Megan Gabel and Debbie Campbell

Nena is a delightful dog! Medium-sized, she is a little over two years old, and is friendly, sweet, and easy to walk. A happy girl, she is always eager to go for a walk and bolts out of her casita, ready to go. On the street, she walks calmly and slowly She has a lustrous coat, lively eyes, and seems to like everyone – people and other dogs.



Medium-sized Sasha can be very sweet, affectionate, and loving. About 1-1/2 years, old, she learns quickly and gets along well with other dogs and people. She is an active, energetic girl who is very strong on a leash. She loves her walks!



Both Nena and Sasha were rescued by the S.P.A. from Canine Control. We're so happy we could provide a safe haven for them as they wait to be adopted. It's time they each became part of a loving family.

Surfer Boy is a beautiful boy, full of personality. A little over one year old, he loves to play and is always where the action is. He has been very sweet with the new kittens, after a short period of adjustment, and is now watching out for them. He can be very affectionate and enjoys time on your lap. He would make a wonderful addition to any household.



Sandy's name comes from her beautiful sandy-colored coat. About two years old, she is very friendly with people, rubbing her head against all



visitors, hoping for a long gentle stroke from head to tail. She is a petite, feisty confident girl who prefers the company of people to that of other cats. She would do best in a home as the only pet, happy to be the focus of attention.

Adopt any of these Pets of the Month during July and receive a free adoption kit. Meet them and all our available cats and dogs at the S.P.A., Los Pinos #7, Monday-Saturday between 11 and 2, 415-152-6124. You can preview all our dogs here: https://www.spasanmiguel.org/adopt-me-dogs/ and our cats here: https://www.spasanmiguel.org/adopt-me-cats/ Clicking on the animal's photo will take you to another page with a bigger photo, a bio, and, for dogs, a video.



# S.P.A. Dia de Adopcion Especial Special Adoption Day

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FREE ADOPTION KIT TO FIRST FOUR ADOPTERS! KIT DE ADOPCIÓN GRATUITO PARA LOS PRIMEROS CUATRO ADOPTANTES!

\*\*\*\*Sábado 20 Julio 11-3:30\*\*\*\* \*\*\*Saturday, July 20, 11-3:30\*\*\*\* Los Pinos 7, 415-152-6124 (www.spasanmiguel.org)



Se requiere entrevista.

\*Tarifa de adopción de perro: 600 pesos (debe trajer correa y collar o comprar kit de adopción [250 pesos] y tener un vehículo para llevar al perro a casa). \*Tarifa de adopción de gato: 600 pesos (debe traer transportador para gatos o comprar kit de adopción por 250 pesos).

\*Todas las adopciones incluye vacunas vigentes, desparasitación y esterilización.

Interview required.

\*Dog adoption fee: 600 pesos (must have leash and collar or purchase adoption kit [250 pesos] and have a vehicle to take the dog home).

\*Cat adoption fee: 600 pesos (must bring cat carrier or purchase adoption kit for 250 pesos).

\*All adoptions include current vaccinations, deworming, and sterilization.

Available at Special Adoption Day: Two New Feline Families! Family #1

We have two feline families who will make their debut at our Special S.P.A. Adoption Day event: Adele and her family of four and Belinda and her family of four.

ADELE is about three years old and has four babies, now a little over five months old – one male and three females. We're not sure if it's her four kittens that are making Adele stand on her head or she's a true entertainer trying her best to have you fall in love with her!

JOHN is the man of the house. He grooms his sisters, loves to cuddle, plays non-stop and has a voracious appetite!

AMANDA is a charmer, you won't be able to resist her. Those blue eyes will make your heart melt.

ALLISON is a sweetheart. She's part detective. She's so curious about everything and loves to be loved! ABBY is practicing to be a statue or a runway model. She's very elegant, loves to play and purrs nonstop!

BREAKING NEWS: Adele and John were adopted together at press time!



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# Available at Special Adoption Day: Two New Feline Families! Family #2

BELINDA is a gentle two-year-old beauty who is ever so loving to her kittens and humans. She has the most amazing kind eyes that just ask you to love her. Her four babies are Bailey, Beatrice, Bonnie, and Brenda. A little over five months, they are all female.

BELINDA BAILEY has an outgoing, confident and fun personality and the kindest soft green eyes just like her mom.

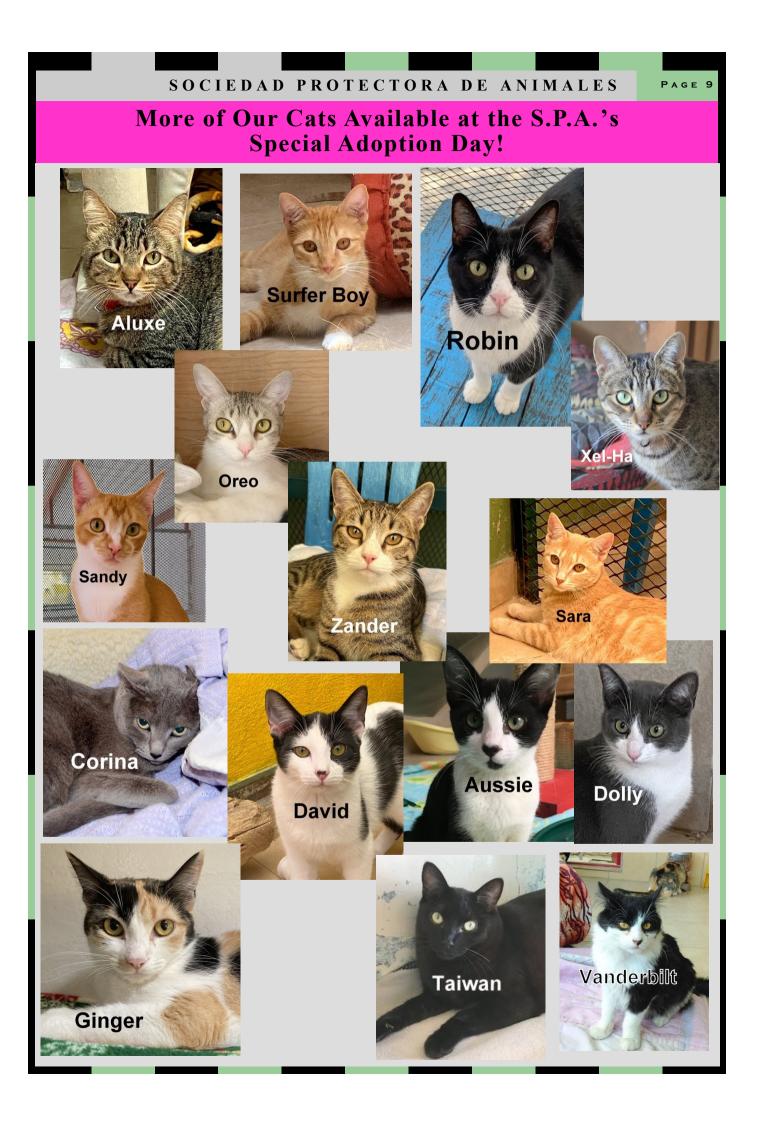
BEATRICE is an easy-going Siamese mix with adorable color points. She is affectionate, sweet, and loves to snuggle.

BONNIE arrived at the S.P.A. on June 10, 2024 at five months old. She came in with her mom and three sisters. She is a gentle and sweet little girl who is poised and kind to everyone.

BRENDA is friendly, funny and a purring machine. She is a Siamese mix with gorgeous chocolate color points.







# The Poetry of Stretching







# 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

\* or peso equivalent

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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: <u>http://</u><u>leonoracohenbooks.webstarts.com/naughty\_little\_puppy.html</u> - 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.

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# Did you know that:

-the S.P.A. has been around since 1980 and is the oldest no-kill shelter for cats and dogs in San Miguel?

-we house / foster as many as 100 animals (cats and dogs), providing food, vet care (including vaccinations and sterilization), and shelter for them until they are adopted?

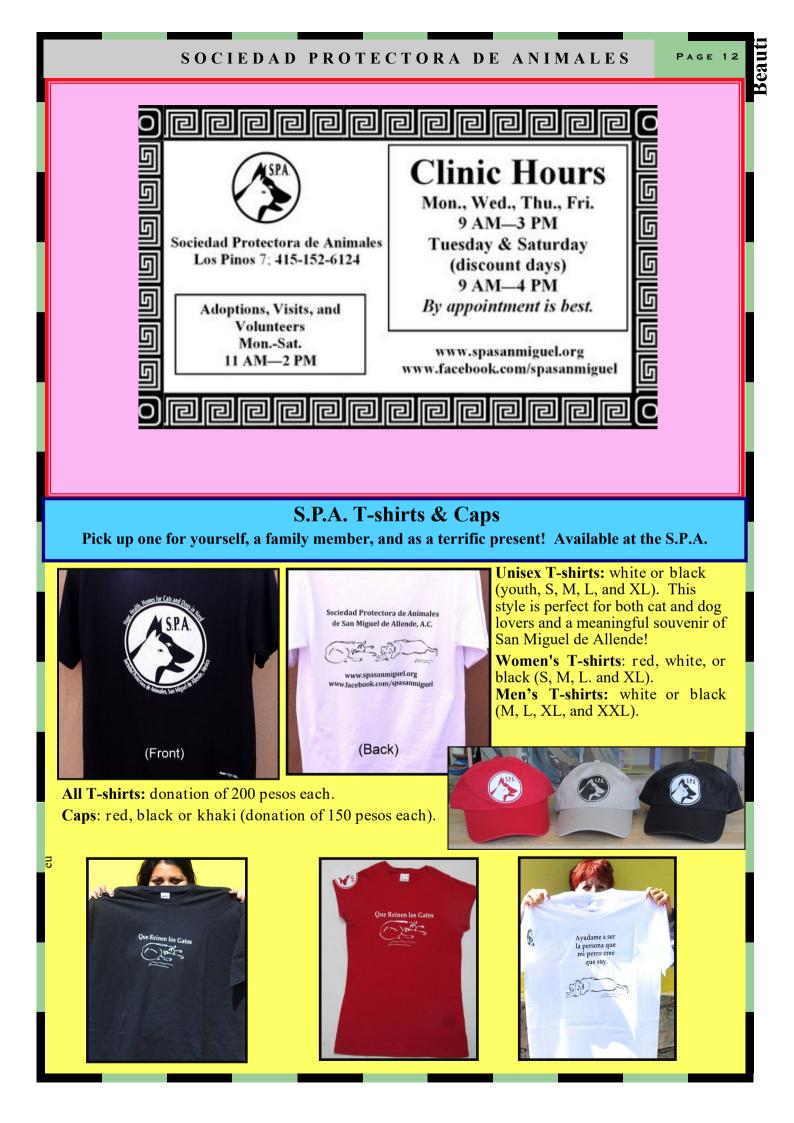
-the S.P.A's clinic is a community clinic, open to the public?

-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: <u>www.spasanmiguel.org/fundraisers</u> 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.



# **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 9-2; 4-7. Saturday 9-2. Consultations – 10%, X-Rays – 10%, Regular Teeth Cleaning – 10%, Vaccinations - 10%

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

**MVZ ALMA RUTH MIRANDA** - Stirling Dickinson #27 - Ph. 415-152-2341 Hours: Monday-Saturday 9-6. Discounts apply to cash only. General Surgery - 10%, X-Rays & Ultrasounds 10%, Hospitalization - 10%, Medications - 10%, Vaccinations - 10%.

#### **RETAILERS AND GROOMERS**

**DUSTY PUPPIES -** Guardiana #17A – Colonia Guadiana – Ph. 415-154- 4555 Hours: Monday-Friday 10-6. Bath, grooming, teeth cleaning & nail clipping - 5% (cash only),

**XOLOSPA -** Calle Refugio #2-1A Col. San Antonio - Ph. 415 100 4405 Hours: Monday-Friday 10-2, 4-6:30; Saturday 9:30-2:30. XoloSpa is operated by one woman specializing in small to medium dogs. All grooming services including nail clipping - 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 (600 pesos). Please JOIN US! Individual memberships are \$40 US/500 pesos and family memberships (2 person limit) are \$50/600 pesos.

Join online here <u>www.spasanmiguel.org/members/</u> (via PayPal) or in our office. Please email <u>MembershipSPA@gmail.com</u> if you have questions.

**The S.P.A.'s clinic is open to the public!** 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.

Please call 415-152-6124 for an appointment with our terrific vet, Dr. Omar Córdova.

# **Rewarding Memberships**

With 4<sup>th</sup> of July coming up on Thursday in the United States, were you aware of "Pet Owner Independence Day"? The theory is that for one day a year (April 18<sup>th</sup> actually), you change places with your pet(s). You nap, stretch out, relax, and spend the day warming your bones in the sun while your pet replaces you at work (or whatever your worldly responsibilities are). Really! Look it up. Sounds good to me…but, I'm sure my cats would be annoyed.

The S.P.A. would like to welcome our newest members Cheryl Vaughan and John Wingo (family), Paul Lechner and Peter Soley (family), and Sandy Lubin (individual) to the S.P.A. family. Thank you for joining. Thanks also goes to Marthe Fraser and Marie Bulgin (family), Lori Ruben and Richard Bayer (family), Susan Rall (individual), and Nancy Meckstroth (individual) for renewing their memberships.

You can join or renew online via PayPal through our website <u>HERE</u>, in our office (by cash or check), or via other methods (see same website page). Please email <u>MembershipSPA@gmail.com</u> 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 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

\*Visit the S.P.A. Get a guided tour of the S.P.A. Sign up to volunteer, walk a dog and get fit at the same time, and cuddle with our dogs and cats. .

\*Check our website: <u>www.spasanmiguel.org</u> for our available cats and dogs (photos, biographies, and videos) ("Adopt Me" pages) and to learn about us and how you can help. 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 <u>www.facebook.com/spasanmiguel</u>, stay up to date, and see our happy albums of success stories—those S.P.A. animals now in forever homes.

**\*Follow us on Instagram** at <u>www.instagram.com/spa.sma/</u> Chock full of fun photos and bios of our animals and all sorts of useful information.

#### **EDITOR: Harry Burrus**

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