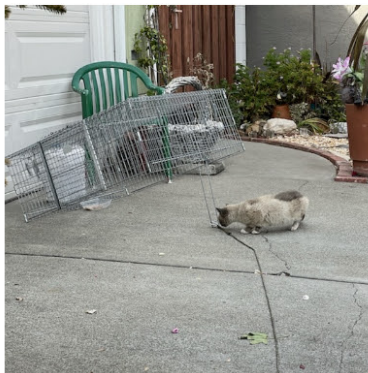




OHS Fall 2022 Newsletter

Tales from Our Trap-Neuter-Return Team



One Savvy, Smart and Sharp Siamese Cat

After trapping over a dozen of the local community cats, there was one particular Siamese who seemed to know all the tricks of the trade when it came to trapping. She watched her fellow felines go into traps and quickly learned not

to step a single paw into the trap. The Trap-Neuter-Return team had to come up with a different plan to trap this crafty cat. They decided to try a drop trap.

As volunteers set up the trap, the cat watched calmly from a couple of feet away. Once they set up and baited the trap with tuna, she investigated the new contraption, but instead of walking under the drop trap, she started walking toward the TNR volunteers! Realizing she was sniffing out the can of tuna at their feet, the TNR manager quickly placed the entire can of tuna inside the drop trap, and within a couple minutes, she was inside the trap gobbling up the tuna. Volunteers were very relieved to have trapped this savvy Siamese.

The Chimney Kitten

In late August, a fellow community member contacted OHS to report that a kitten had fallen into their chimney. Thankfully two OHS volunteers who are familiar with difficult rescue missions responded quickly to the call. With the help of a local hero, the OHS volunteers removed the fireplace insert and installed commercial lighting. Although they couldn't see the kitten, they played a YouTube video of a mommy cat crying out for her kittens, and within moments, the kitten let out a soft cry, and volunteers spotted and rescued her. After days with no food and water, the chimney kitten quickly bounced back and is now in the care of an experienced foster.



These are two of the many success stories from our dedicated OHS Trap-Neuter-Return Team. Since September 2018, volunteers have worked hard and have successfully TNRed 704 cats, and with the help of the OHS foster team, rescued 223 kittens! To continue this valuable work bettering the lives of our local community cats, we need your help! Would you consider making a [donation](#) to our TNR program or perhaps start [volunteering](#) for our Trap-Neuter-Return team? Together, let's help provide a humane approach to address the overpopulation of community cats in the Tri-city area. For more information about our Trap-Neuter-Return program, visit our [website](#). Thank you!

[Donate Now](#)

FALL EVENTS



Join Ohlone Humane Society at the 2022 Chalk Art in the Park! All donations go to supporting OHS programs. The event will be held on **September 24** at Niles Town Plaza ([37592 Niles Blvd, Fremont](#)) from **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

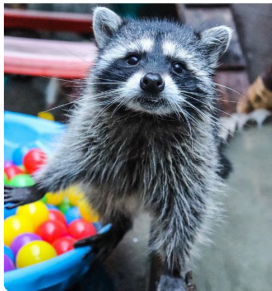
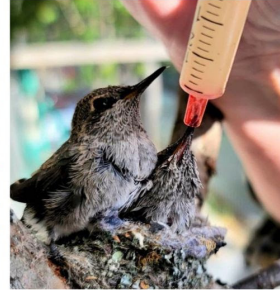
Each person who makes a suggested donation to Ohlone Humane Society will receive a goodie bag with a variety of sidewalk chalk and access to a square of concrete in the park to decorate. The event is family and pet friendly.

OHS WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER OPEN HOUSE



Ohlone Humane Society
Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
Open House
Saturday, October 29th 10:00am-2:00pm
All Ages Welcome - Free Entry
37175 Hickory Street Newark
www.ohlonehumanesociety.org

Wildlife Rehabilitation Center Tours
Beekeeper Talks & Homegrown Honey
Educational Live Animal Talks
Nature Crafts and Goodie Bags for the Kids
Opportunity Drawings for Kids and Adults
OHS Therapy Animal Team



**Help Our Wild Patients
Bring a Donation to Open House**
Latex FREE Gloves
Canned/Dry Dog and Cat Food
Laundry Soap & Bleach
Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Kleenex
Bagged Garden Soil
13 and 33 Gallon Trash Bags

Joe's Corner
Annual Pet Halloween Contest



Prizes

When: Sunday, October 30, 2022
Where: Joe's Corner
37713 Niles Blvd, Fremont, CA 94536 (outdoor event)
Time: 3:00pm to 6:00pm

Stay Tuned for More Information...
www.joescornerniles.com

Come dress your pup in their Halloween best and head to **Joe's Corner** in Downtown Niles on **October 30** from **3 to 6 p.m.** for their annual Pet Costume Contest. There will be prizes for Best Pet Costume and Best Pet and Owner Costume, and Joe's Corner will donate 20% of the proceeds to **Ohlone Humane Society!** More information will be available closer to the date on the Joe's Corner [website](http://www.joescornerniles.com).

Saying Goodbye to Poochie the Pigeon



Our Beloved Poochie crossed over the rainbow bridge on June 20 at more than 20 years old. A Rock Pigeon, Poochie was born blind and found by a caring client many years ago. Because of her blindness, she could not be returned to the wild and lived with us at the OHS wildlife rehabilitation center for over 15 years! Throughout her life, she served as a surrogate mom to many baby orphaned pigeons and doves that came to our wildlife center. She was also a wildlife ambassador, teaching hundreds of people about pigeon life.

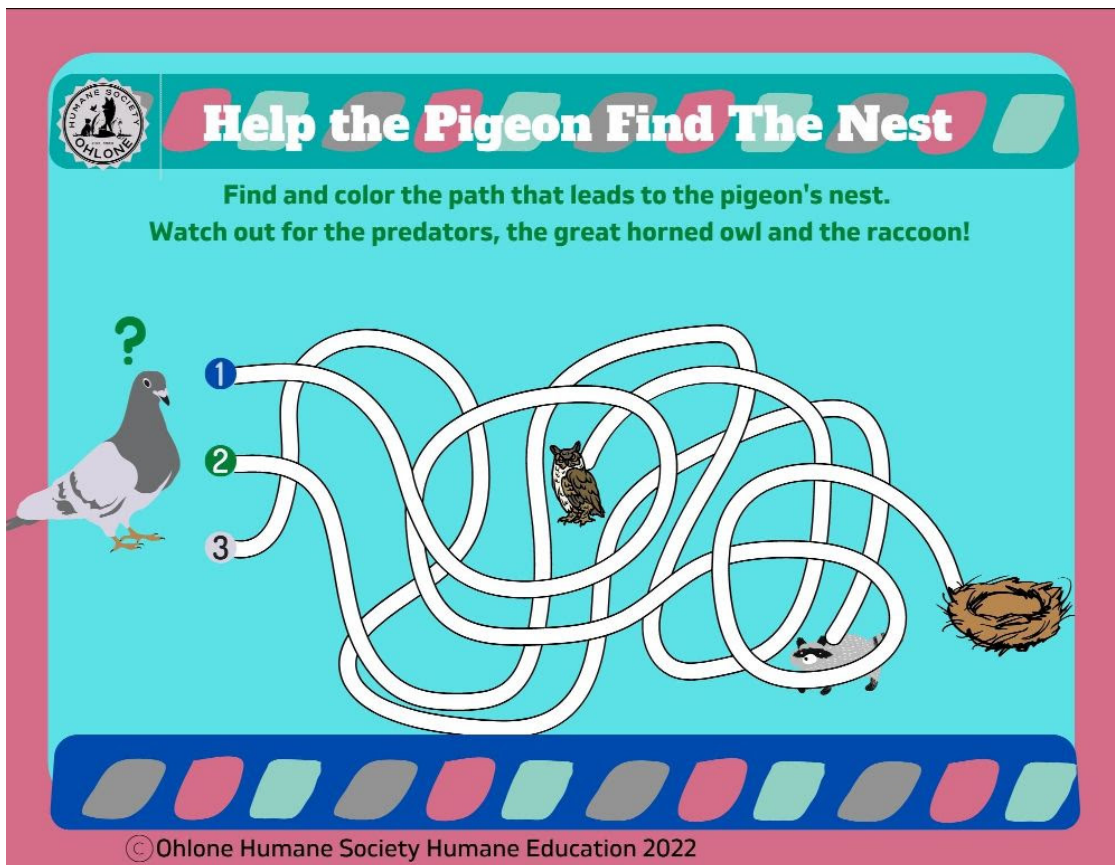
The pigeon has a long history of association with humans, having been used for entertainment for more than 5,000 years. Pigeons also saw heavy action in WWI, delivering messages faster and more effectively than any human messenger.

There are 12 species of pigeons and doves in the United States, and contrary to public opinion, pigeons are surprisingly intelligent. Studies have shown them capable of recognizing themselves in mirrors. When trained, these birds can be taught all 26 letters of the alphabet and even how to differentiate between different people in photographs. Although

Poochie could not see us, she could recognize us by our voices and would respond by dancing in a circle or with a short hop into the air.

Poochie's presence at [OHSWRC](#) changed the minds of so many people about pigeons. Thank you to all the [OHSWRC](#) volunteers and staff who took such great care of her and gave her so much love. Angela Hartman, Director, OHSWRC

OHS Humane Education: Just For Fun



For more fun from OHS Humane Education including Kind News click [here](#).

Calling All Knitters!



Are you a knitter or crafter? We need you! Besides being fun, our events are also an opportunity for us to raise funds so we can continue helping animals in the community. People who come to our events love to buy unique crafts made by our supporters! Past crafts include: [knitted stuffed animals](#), [raccoon hat](#), [kitten mittens](#), [cat hat](#), blankets, [puppy mittens](#), and [animal clothing](#). If you are interested, please contact, philanthropy@ohlonehumanesociety.org.

October is National Estate Planning Month!

Unconditional love. Loyalty. Protection. These are just a few reasons why we provide pet food and care for pet families struggling financially along with our other programs. And it's only because of people like YOU that we can continue this critical, life-changing work. October is National Estate Planning month, and estate planning fits directly into our values of showing love and protecting the people we care for the most.

[FreeWill](#) has helped more than 560,000 people complete this essential process for free, allowing you to complete your plans in about 20 minutes. If you are a California resident, you can also set up a [Revocable Living Trust](#) ! No matter what you choose to include in your plans, we hope you think of National Estate Planning month as a simple opportunity to protect the future of all you care about.

OHLONE HUMANE SOCIETY'S Pet Meals-on-Wheels



Did you know?

A 30 LB BAG OF PET FOOD CAN FEED 7 IN NEED PETS FOR A WEEK

If You
Can Help

OPTION 1

Drop donations to:

TCV Food Bank
37350 Joseph St
Tues-Fri 9:30-3:00pm

OPTION 2

Simply ship donations
via Amazon Smile by
means of our Wish List

Help us keep our pantry full, we can always use donations for our Pet Meals-On-Wheels Program, check our [Amazon Wish List](#) for our current needs.

Adopt Eddie Munkitten and Pepper!



Eddie Munkitten and Pepper are two bonded brothers eager to find their forever home. [Pepper](#), a sweet kitten full of purrs, loves to be held by people of all ages. He'd love to watch TV with you, study with you, or just hang out. [Eddie Munkitten](#) can be a little shy at first and may run away, just like his namesake in *Stranger Things*. But with a little bit of time, he will become your shadow and

bring you his favorite toy, as he loves to play fetch! These two are bonded and will sweetly call for the other if one wakes up from a nap alone. They even help out around the house by taking care of any insects you may have flying around. Please consider [adopting](#) these lovable cats, you will have the best time with them! You can fill out an application on our [Foster and Adoption Page](#).

Help Us Reach Our Goal!

A Personal Message From an **OHS LOYAL COMPANION** in the **MONTHLY GIVING PROGRAM**:

Greetings! I'm Debbie, a [Loyal Companion Monthly Donor](#). We know OHS is fighting for homeless mother cats with struggling kittens; abused, neglected, or injured animals domestic and wild; young wildlife who've lost the protection of parents; and the list goes on. We also know OHS solutions include spay and neuter, wildlife rehabilitation, feeding assistance for low-income pet owners, humane education in libraries and schools, and many more avenues of year-round humane care and improvement in our communities of Newark, Fremont, and Union City.

We know that the life-giving work OHS does is only possible because of its donors' generosity. **We also know OHS donors enjoy giving!** OHS provides a way for them to express their deep and abiding concern for animal welfare in the Tri-Cities!

Many donors find giving \$240 at one-time is a challenge, but can give \$20 more comfortably. We provide this flexibility so our donors know their gift will immediately support these effective solutions, caring for animals and the people who love them. I feel that joy every month, when my automatic donation goes ka-ching into the OHS bank account! I receive a monthly acknowledgement, and it's so easy for me because it's set up as an automatic withdrawal from my credit card

OHS has set a goal of **30 NEW LOYAL COMPANIONS** by the year's end. We are **10%** toward that goal! Can you join me and become a **LOYAL COMPANION for the animals**? Your monthly donation will feel awesome to you, and it is life-saving for our local animals. Any monthly donation above the \$5 minimum would be amazing!

TO SET UP:

Setting up your monthly donation from your credit card takes just moments on our secure webpage. Go to our [Loyal Companion Giving Program](#) donation page. Remember, you can change the amount or cancel at any time. To manage your account, click on the OHS portal [HERE](#) to choose your login name and password. Most importantly, **30 NEW LOYAL COMPANIONS** will help us save precious *time* and *money*, which we can quickly put to use caring for the animals! **THANK YOU** so much for taking the time to consider joining the **LOYAL COMPANION Monthly Giving Program!**

Join Now

Thank You to Our Event Volunteers!



On Sunday, August 28, OHS participated in the Niles Antique Faire once again. It's a time when everyone comes to Niles looking for bargains and that special something. Our OHS Booth included beautiful art, sewn crafts, T-shirts and kid

toys, mugs, and more. We also had great bargains, including new leashes, collars, dog clothes, toys, and other one-of-a-kind pet items—all of which were donated.

Every year, we begin setting up at 4 a.m. in the dark. Our terrific volunteers worked in 3-hour shifts, and many stayed after their shifts to continue chatting with and meeting the fair visitors, telling them about our programs.

By the end of the day, we had met a lot of new people, signed up a few new volunteers, sold our best bargains, and collected \$1,112.04 to support our programs! We thank everyone who came out to volunteer and to help make it a success!

OHS is always looking for event volunteers, visit our [volunteer page](#) to sign up!

Why We Support Ohlone Humane Society

Our family found OHS after picking up a brochure at the front counter of a local pet supply store in 1987. We have continued to support its mission through both volunteer efforts and monetary donations for decades because it has shown, even through changing leadership, a firm commitment to the quality of all life in our community.

As a grassroots organization, OHS is in touch with the needs of the community, focusing on contributing, supporting, and encouraging how much animals add to the quality of all our lives.

As Chief Seattle is often quoted as saying in 1855, “What is man without the beasts? If all beasts were gone, man would die from loneliness of spirit. For whatever happens to beasts also happens to man. All things are connected.” And Gandhi said, “The greatness of a nation...can be judged by the way its animals are treated.” Both statements couldn’t be more true...especially for our community. We are in one of the top 10 most desirable places to live in the country... and we are firm believers that OHS is a significant contributor.

Al & Marsha Badella

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