



Welcome to the Spring 2021 Newsletter!

Meet cute adoptable pets while enjoying live comedy from the comfort of your home!

The poster for "Stand Pup Comedy" features a dark blue background with yellow stars and snowflakes. On the left, the text "A FUNNY & FURRY SHOW STARRING ADOPTABLE PETS & CELEBRITY COMEDIANS" is written in small yellow letters. Below this, "STAND PUP COMEDY" is written in large, bold, white letters with a blue outline. The word "COMEDY" has a white paw print in the letter 'O'. To the right, a cartoon illustration of a brown dog wearing a black bow tie and holding a yellow microphone is shown in a circular frame. Below the main title, the text "AN EVENT TO BENEFIT:" is written in yellow. Underneath, the Ohlone Humane Society logo is shown, followed by "OHLONE HUMANE SOCIETY" and "APRIL 13th 2021" in white. At the bottom, the text "ALL TICKET PROCEEDS BOUGHT USING THIS LINK WILL GO TO OHS TOWARDS ANIMAL WELFARE PROGRAMS" is written in small white letters. A red "COMIC CURE" logo is in the bottom right corner.

Dogs, Cats, and Comedians - It's Stand Pup Comedy Online! Starring adoptable pets, funny humans, and YOU! Tuesday, April 13th 7.00-8.30pm.

You can purchase tickets [here](#). If our supporters buy 50+ tickets, we'll be invited to showcase OHS during the event!

Caring for long-haired cats

by Elaine Ebert.

As the proud "Mom" of two adorable kitties, adopted from the Ohlone Humane Society, I'd like to share some valuable information about caring for long-haired cats. (One of my bonded pairs fits that category!)

Approximately 1 1/2 years after their adoption, "Sally" (the long-haired cat) suddenly stopped eating. After 3 long days of "fasting" and deep concern on my part, I took her to the local emergency vet. They had a very difficult time diagnosing the problem and eventually recommended exploratory surgery. That surgery identified a huge hairball that had lodged in her stomach and was blocking her intestines!

After the surgery, it was highly recommended that she be brushed and/or combed daily - to remove a large amount of undercoat hair and to also consider having her groomed in the "lion cut."

Some simple suggestions that can save long-haired cat owners from emotional stress and a major hit to your wallet!

P.S. Sally is fully recovered and back to her playful self!



Prepare for warmer summer weather with OHS logo t-shirts!



HAVE A PURR-FECT DAY

And support Ohlone Humane Society by purchasing a sweatshirt or t-shirt. We love our shirts!

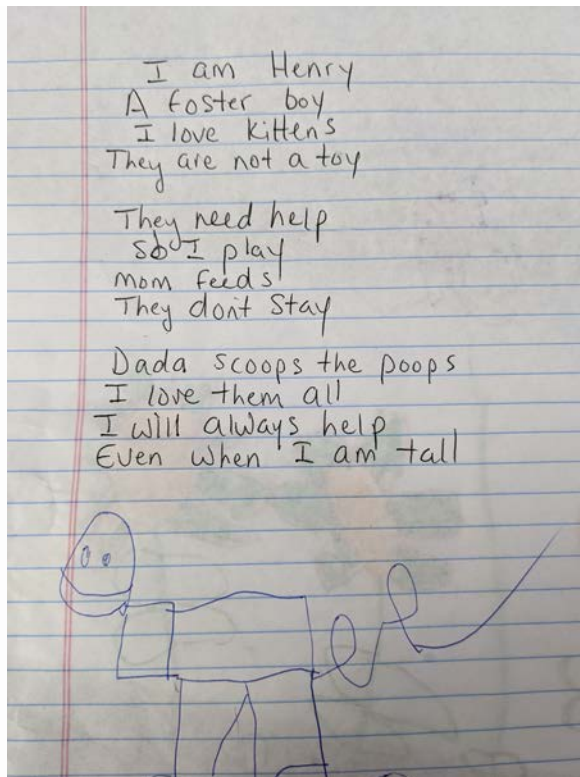
<https://www.bonfire.com/new-ohlone-humane-society-logo>

Celebrate our new Ohlone Humane Society logo with [wearables](#) for the whole family! Keep warm this spring with a new sweatshirt or long sleeve tee. Prepare for warmer summer weather with some new t-shirts in bright new colors. All proceeds benefit OHS programs. Thank you for your support! Win-Win. You get a sweatshirt or t-shirt and we get a donation! Buy them [here](#).

Henry's poem a big win for him and OHS

Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle sponsored a “poetry slam” for community based organizations of District 2. District Two is located in the heart of Alameda County, encompassing the communities of Hayward, Union City, Newark and portions of Fremont and Sunol.

One of our foster families has a 5 year old son named Henry who wrote a poem about fostering to read at this contest. We are thrilled to announce that Henry won 2nd place which came with a generous donation of \$4000 to the OHS kitten foster program. Here is his wonderful poem:



Animal-Assisted Interventions (AAI): Activities, Therapy and Education



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April 30 is National Therapy Animal Day: a day to celebrate the companion animals in our lives that volunteer in our community and help make the Tri-City area a wonderful place to live.

Therapy animals and their handlers make visits in hospitals, assisted living

facilities, therapy clinics, schools, libraries and more! They lower blood pressure, improve mood, and help struggling readers gain proficiency. Therapy animals positively impact the lives of many people and are an asset to our community. We are fortunate to have had opportunities, pre-COVID, to volunteer with our beloved animals at various locations. It is deeply gratifying volunteer work that we enjoy doing together as part of our community group, Pet Partners @ Ohlone Humane Society! Each team is registered with [Pet Partners](#), the nation's leading organization registering volunteer handlers and their companion animals as therapy animal teams.

On April 30, please take a moment to thank a therapy animal, and consider whether you and your pet would enjoy this volunteer activity. On their [website](#) Pet Partners offers a quiz to determine if your animal might be suitable to be a therapy animal. We want all therapy animals to enjoy their "job" as much as we do! Nine species are approved: dogs, cats, horses, rabbits, guinea pigs, rats, birds, miniature pigs, and llamas & alpacas! Visit our [website](#) for more information.

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Milagro's Story



Our Pet Meals-on-Wheels team met Milagro while feeding pets at a homeless encampment in Fremont. We found the little blind and deaf Chihuahua lying in a tent without food or water. We contacted Ohlone Humane Society's Special

Assistance team who made arrangements to have Milagro examined by a local veterinarian. He had fleas, worms, open sores on his back and was underweight. We convinced Milagro's owners to surrender him to a local rescue group.

During a trip to a vet clinic, they found that the little guy was really only about 4-5 years old and would be able to return to pretty good health. A volunteer from [Copper's Dream Rescue](#) found a foster home for him. He is still in a foster home waiting for a forever home with people who would be supportive of his disabilities. Thank you so much to the OHS and Cooper's Dream volunteers who took the time to help him.

Milagro is one of approximately 100 animals served by our [Pet Meals-on-Wheels program](#) in the Tri-City region. Our team of volunteers and generous donors work tirelessly to ensure all pets in our community receive nutritious meals.

Burrowing Owl News



By Angela Hartman

The OHS Rehabilitation Center is ready for 2021, and we have some exciting news for you. We are participating in the Burrowing Owl Captive Breeding Program under the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Plan. This project aims to preserve Burrowing Owls as a breeding species and establish colonies in the areas currently not occupied by Burrowing Owls in the San Francisco Bay Area.

So, what does this mean for OHSWRC? First, we started recruiting a Boy Scout team to fundraise and build the breeding habitat on our property. Now that the habitat is ready, the Santa Clara Valley Habitat Agency will bring us two breeding pairs by the end of March. The following breeding season, we will release their offspring into the San Francisco Bay Area's existing breeding colonies. The project's ultimate goal is to improve nesting success, brood size, and health of the adults and their offspring. OHSWRC is dedicated to providing the care and

oversight needed to breed these owls in captivity and release them back to the wild.

OHSWRC is dedicating this Burrowing Owl project to the wildlife center's founding members, Connie Nelson and Pat Lane. These two individuals had a vision back in 1997 to build a facility where volunteers could help injured and orphaned wildlife in our community. I know they would be proud to know we are helping these beautiful owls on their journey to recovery. If you would like to support this project and donate towards the Burrowing Owls care, go to our website [donation page](#).

Thank you for being a member of OHS so we can continue to serve the animals in need throughout our Tri-City communities.



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