

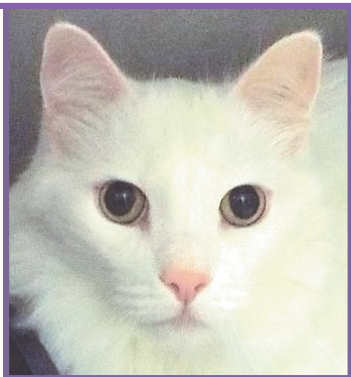
Paw Prints

A Newsletter for the
Friends and Supporters of
The Animal League of
Green Valley

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Pamela Ritch & Shakespeare



Shakespeare's Room

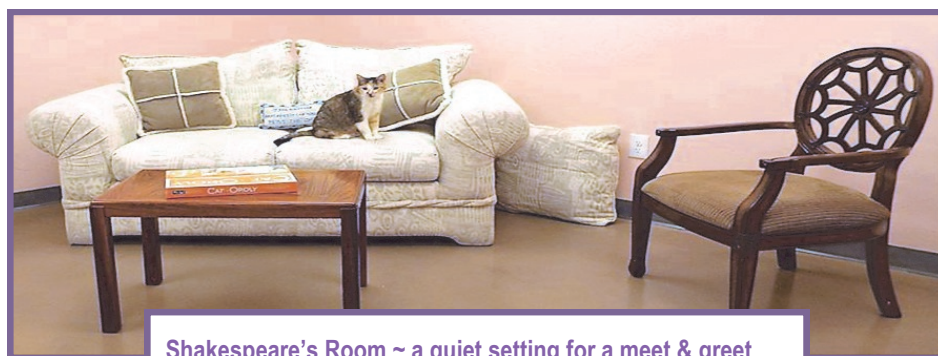
Donated by Dr. Pamela Ritch, a TALGV volunteer, Shakespeare's Room provides a space for TALGV cats to meet and greet potential adopters in a quiet, home-like setting. This new 500 sq. ft. addition was completed in March 2018 and has received much praise from visitors to the cat wing.

At the dedication ceremony, Pamela said:

"I am grateful to the TALGV volunteers who worked with such energy and love to fulfill my dream of a room in memory of Shakespeare, a shy, shiny, white Turkish Angora/Maine Coon mix with soft fur who came to live with me from TALGV in 2016. We enjoyed watching Richard III and Hamlet curled up together, so he was named Shakespeare for our favorite playwright. He collapsed in my living room on January 31, 2017. His deep golden eyes closed for the last time that night. The cause of his passing to the Rainbow Bridge is unknown. This room is dedicated to his memory.



Dedicating Shakespeare's Room ~
Dr. Pamela Ritch,
Ann Wyland & Jean Davis



Shakespeare's Room ~ a quiet setting for a meet & greet

"I hope that you and your new cat will become friends here and begin a journey together as life-long companions. I am honored to be able to sponsor this room dedicated to my beloved Shakespearean gentleman, and to all cats who enter here in search of a forever home."



...with a
secret
place for
a shy cat
to hide.

This beautiful built-in wall unit was sponsored by Carolyn Goodrich

With Sincere Thanks Nancy Arnold & Geoff Knight

TALGV's longest serving Board member, Nancy Arnold, began volunteering for TALGV in 2000. In March, she retired from the Board—but not from TALGV—after serving continuously for more than 18 years. Nancy is our “been there, done that” person. She worked with TALGV's founder, Margaret Roesch, as Offsite Adoption and Lost & Found Coordinator in the days before TALGV's first building was completed in 2001. In 2002, she became a Board member and was elected Vice-President in 2004.

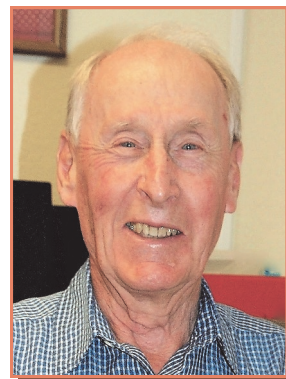


Nancy is responsible for the growth and development of many of TALGV's current services. She became the Attic Thrift Store Coordinator in 2002 and oversaw Attic sales rise to become half of TALGV's income. Nancy still serves as the Saturday Attic Coordinator. Her additional contributions over the years include conducting the orientation talk for new volunteers and serving on the Building Committee, Special Events Committee, By-laws Committee and Nominating Committee.

One of Nancy's most significant contributions to TALGV and the community has been her devotion to the growth of TALGV's Community Outreach Program. Since 2010 Outreach has offered free and low-cost spay and neuter services for area cats and dogs and veterinary assistance for the pets of low-income families. She is continuing as the coordinator of this department, which now has eight members doing what she did alone for many years. As Nancy has stepped back to let others step forward, she is, true to her nature, still exploring ways to help TALGV accomplish its mission, “A Home For Every Pet.”

Need to know if the electric bill has been paid? Want to examine TALGV's yearly financial statements or tax return? Curious about the cost of building the cat wing? For this and a myriad of additional details, TALGV personnel had one simple answer for the past seven years—*just ask Geoff*.

Geoff Knight and his wife Sharon began volunteering at TALGV in 2007 and adopted their cats, Zoe and Max, from us in 2009. Geoff was already TALGV's Coordinator of Information Technology (IT) when he joined the Board of Directors in 2011 and assumed his additional role as Treasurer and Coordinator of the Finance Department. Since then, he has worn two hats as he managed both the finances and the information that helped TALGV grow into a vital community resource that provides care for more than 3,800 animals every year.



Geoff retired as Treasurer and from the Board in March 2017, and recently retired as the IT Coordinator. However, Geoff is continuing as an IT volunteer, along with eight others, keeping track of a mountain of data, including: animal intake; adoption records; daily animal health concerns; spay/neuter records; continuing history of Vet Care For Life participants; donations & memorial contributions; and contact information for all donors.

We are fortunate that we can still depend on Geoff's dedication, expert advice, and phenomenal memory for facts and figures. So, who adopted Fido and when did Baby Jane arrive? How many hours did our volunteers work last year? And please, would you compile a list of donor names and addresses for the summer Paw Prints mailing?

JUST ASK GEOFF!



Volunteer Recognition

Have you seen TALGV volunteers wearing a “Treasured Volunteer” pin? These emblems of long-time service were presented to 214 staff members at our April Volunteer Luncheon and were enthusiastically received. TALGV's Volunteer Coordinator, Kim Eisele, honored 140 volunteers with Bronze pins, representing 5 to 9 years of service.

Silver pins were given to 64 volunteers for their 10 to 14 years at TALGV, and Gold pins signifying 15 to 19 years were awarded to:

Nancy Arnold
Carol Brickles
Diane Brown

Paul Brown
Jean Davis
Sue Fraser

Marilyn Harris
Mary Ellen Pruess
Kären Webster

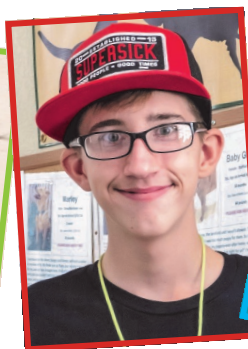
A very special pin was presented to Ann Noe, our longest-serving volunteer and part of the Pet Therapy Team, in recognition of her 20 years at TALGV.





HERE COME THE YIPS

The 8th year of the Youth Intern Program started with a three-day orientation beginning on May 29. Bigger and better than ever, this year's group has 98 volunteers, with 34 returning for a second, or third, or fourth year of service. TALGV is pleased to welcome these dedicated young people—*they are shaping the future of animal rescue!*



Buy your tickets at TALGV before Dec. 7

\$25 for 1 or \$100 for 5

**You could
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this car!**

Grand Prize: 2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit

2nd Prize: Two round-trip, first-class airline tickets to anywhere in the world *Restrictions apply

3rd Prize: \$5,000 cash

The Animal League of Green Valley is part of the Jim Click Millions for the Greater Tucson Area Raffle for nonprofit organizations. As an eligible 501(c)(3) charity, TALGV is selling tickets for the raffle; we keep 100% of the proceeds raised.

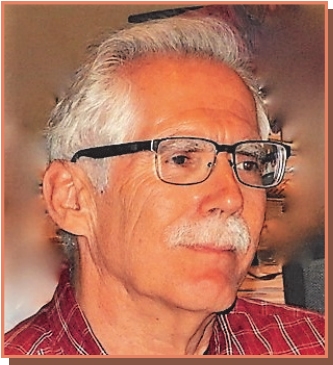


THE JIM CLICK
MILLIONS
FOR TUCSON
RAFFLE



Welcome New Directors

Fred D'Angelo & Jane Vazquez



Fred D'Angelo joined TALGV's Board of Directors as Treasurer and Coordinator of the Finance Department in April 2017. Fred lived in Berlin, Connecticut, where he worked for Northeast Utilities (now Eversource) in a variety of roles, including financial analysis and information systems architecture & support. In addition, he was an adjunct

instructor at Manchester Community College and later became a full-time instructor.

After retiring and moving to Arizona 11 years ago, Fred has been active as a Pima Community College instructor of programming, database design, SQL and accounting, and an adjunct instructor of computer science at the University of Arizona Sierra Vista Campus, as well as Architecture Chair and Treasurer of his HOA at Country Club Vistas I.

Fred and his wife of 39 years, Elizabeth Beyrer, have always had a fondness for cats and owned many of them. Their current cat, Franklin, is described by Fred as "a loving, affectionate little guy that we adopted along with two other cats from an abusive household in Manchester. Even after having lived with us for 13 years, he still fears our feet."

As Treasurer, Fred's primary goal is helping to ensure that TALGV remains a financially viable organization capable of fulfilling its mission long into the future.

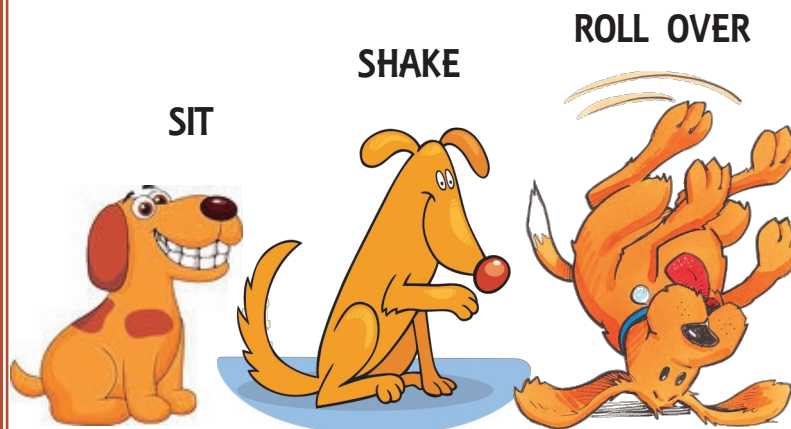
TALGV's newest board member, Jane Vazquez, was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota. She moved to the central coast of California in 1988 where she worked in Accounting, mostly in non-profit organizations such as The Visiting Nurse Service. During that time, she served on the Board of Directors for the Area Agency on Aging, a non-profit organization responsible for allocating federal and state funds to local agencies in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties. In 2006, she retired and moved to Corona de Tucson.



Jane started volunteering at TALGV in 2014 at the encouragement of her neighbor, Ann deCourcy, another TALGV volunteer. Her first jobs were cleaning dog kennels and working as a cashier in our thrift store, The Attic. She is now an Attic Coordinator, in charge of TALGV's E-Bay sales, and active in the Community Outreach program.

Both cats and dogs have been a constant part of Jane's life since she was very young. Even though she grew up with animals in the house, she believed there was room for more. Jane says, "I was always trying to convince my parents that the latest animal I 'found' needed a home with us. I was never very successful." Now she has a rescued tuxedo cat named Kitty, a heeler-mix dog called Lacey (a foster failure!), and her new foster dog, Olympia.

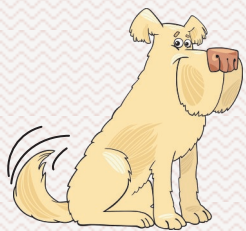
As the Community Outreach representative on the Board, Jane hopes to continue assisting local residents to keep animals healthy and in their homes.



TALGV's *Leave a Legacy of Love* brochure outlines other ways you can help. To receive a brochure, use the check-off box on our remit envelope.

Please consider supporting TALGV with an IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER. If you're 70½ or older, you can contribute up to \$100,000 from your traditional/Roth IRA without paying income tax on your withdrawal. Ask your investment advisor for details.

Leave a Legacy of Love
The Animal League of Green Valley



Waggin' Tails & Purrfect Endings



News From Our Readers

Sylvan (aka KC)

When we first met Sylvan, he had been at TALGV for eight long years. We knew immediately that he was **THE ONE**. He walked right out of his room and into our hearts. It was easy to see he needed adventure in his life, and his love of the outdoors gave him his new name, Sylvan, which means "of the forest." He has been up Mt. Lemmon and stayed in a cabin in Cottonwood. Now he lives in Albuquerque NM with us. His favorite activity is hiking and rock jumping at Piedra Lisa Open Space.

We have so much love in our hearts for all of the volunteers and staff at TALGV. Please adopt an older cat and/or a cat with a medical issue. The love will be more than you could imagine.

~Eli Bell and Corinne Mignon



Karma (aka Kate)



Karma, one of the "Royal Litter" pups, nuzzles her big sister Kai, who also was adopted from TALGV two years ago. Both are doing very well and are happy in their forever home.

~Tracy Foran

Splash (aka Orion)

Splash is *ALWAYS* happy to see water & will figure out how to get in it, even if it is a bath tub, shower, or just a small puddle. As crazy as he can be, he brings us laughter, smiles, and warms our heart with his kisses and big cuddles!

~ Amy Shultz



Biscuit's Hollywood Debut

Starring:
Biscuit (aka Caramel)

Cinematography:
Micki Darling



I'm Biscuit.
I'm adorable.



I'm hungry.



Where's my food?



Not silverware — FOOD!



Never mind.
I'll get it myself.



Big mistake.
I'd rather have tuna.

The End



A Special Resting Place for Our Beloved Pets

The Animal League of Green Valley and its adopters, donors, and friends have been given the gift of a lovely, peaceful, and economical option as a final resting place for our beloved pets. It is a plot, reserved for us, at the Pet Cemetery of Tucson.

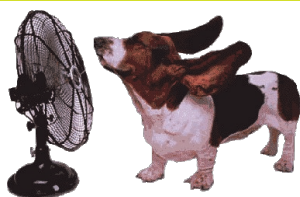
A number of TALGV Board members, friends, and volunteers participated in its consecration on Saturday, May 12. There was music, congeniality, and words both inspiring and light-hearted. The key presenters were Darla Norrish, proprietor and owner of the Pet Cemetery of Tucson, Marti Van der Voort, songstress and guitar player extraordinaire, and our beloved Reverend Dan Messier of St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church.

The final activity of the event was to scatter within TALGV's plot the ashes of a number of our cats and dogs that had been previously cremated and were held for this consecration. Now they are all together. Two names you might especially remember are Wyatt and our much-loved office cat Topsy. Wyatt's family attended, taking some of his ashes from a lovely wooden box and scattering them with the others; as the father said, "TALGV was Wyatt's first home." As we left, we all were feeling glad to have participated in this uplifting and unique experience.

This dedicated plot is available for any of us to use. The cost is \$30 for the cremation of a pet whose ashes will then be scattered among

the stones in our plot with the others. If your pet already has been cremated, even years ago, there is no charge for scattering some or all of his/her ashes, but we would like to know the names of all whose cremains are there.

If at any time you have the need for cremation of a deceased pet, you may call Jean Davis at (520) 603-0982 for more information. You would need to make your pet's remains available to be taken to Tucson, or you may transport them yourself. The Pet Cemetery of Tucson is located at 5720 East Glenn Street, Tucson 85712 and is open from sunrise to sunset, every day of the year. Their phone number is (520) 722-8434.



Summer Safety For Hot Dogs & Cool Cats



- ☀ **NEVER** leave your pets in a hot car. Leaving them for even a few minutes "just to run in the store" can create a serious problem. Heatstroke is dangerous and often life-threatening. You may enjoy having your pets accompany you, but many stores have a "no pets" policy. Let your fur babies stay at home where they can be cool and safe.
- ☀ Provide plenty of fresh water. Dogs cool themselves by panting; cats lick their coats and the evaporating saliva helps keep them cool. Both dogs and cats need more water in the summer; they will dehydrate quickly in our hot, dry weather.
- ☀ Would you walk barefoot over hot asphalt or on hot beach sand? If it's too hot for your tender tootsies, then it's painful for your pet, too. Walk them in the shade or save your exercise time for early morning or in the evening.
- ☀ Don't forget the sunscreen. Both dogs and cats can become sunburned, especially on the nose and ears. So put on some doggy sunscreen (not the human kind—it could contain zinc oxide, which is toxic to pets) if they must be outside.

Photo Shop



Spitfire...doin' hard time



Sharing dinner with a friend



Is this good to eat?



Rainy, Stormy & Breezy snuggle up



Cheetah the Cone-Head



The Shadow Knows...



Personally, I am NOT amused!



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