

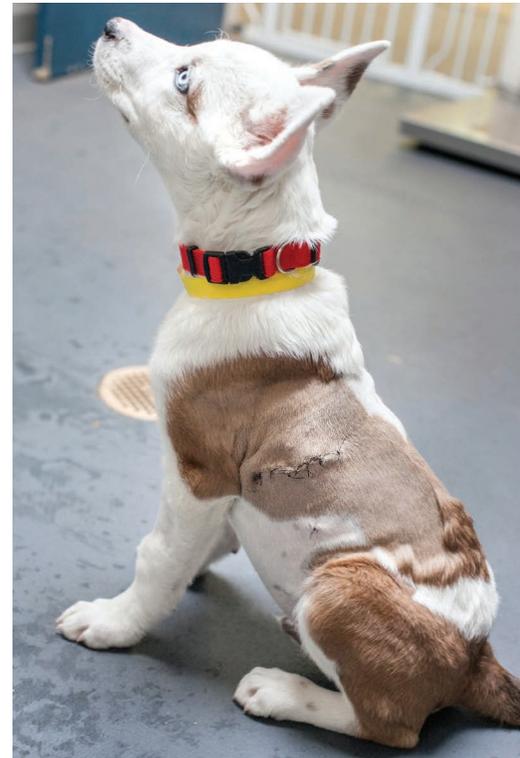
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Española Valley Humane Society's Newsletter

'Love is our overhead'

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Guardian Angels Save Little Mac

Mac was in rough shape after being attacked by a larger dog. He had several bite wounds, his ribs had been ripped apart, and his chest cavity was damaged. Only three months old, Mac was catastrophically injured and struggling to breathe.

Fortunately for Mac, someone found him and brought him to the Española Valley Humane Society. We rushed him to our clinic where he was diagnosed with a "flailed chest wound" resulting from the detachment of his broken ribs from his chest wall. Mac was quickly prepped for surgery and our talented vet team got to work surgically repairing the tear in his rib cage. They stabilized his chest and sutured his wounds. It was a pretty rugged and complicated surgery that required the team to manually breath for Mac during the procedure.

As a result of the quick response and high-quality care, little Mac bounced back beautifully the day after his surgery and was trotting around and wagging his tail. For several weeks, he was required to be reasonably quiet and not rough house with other animals. Mac's journey with the shelter ended in the best of ways by being adopted into a loving home.

Thanks to generous contributions to our Guardian Angels fund, we covered the cost of Mac's surgery and treated his life-threatening injuries. Guardian Angels play an important role in funding animals that need medical support in order to become adoptable. If you would like to help animals like sweet little Mac, please consider making a donation to our Guardian Angel's Fund by contacting (505) 753-8662.

Celebrate our 25th anniversary with Charlie Daniels. See back page for details.

Donations needed for 'Man's Best Amigo'

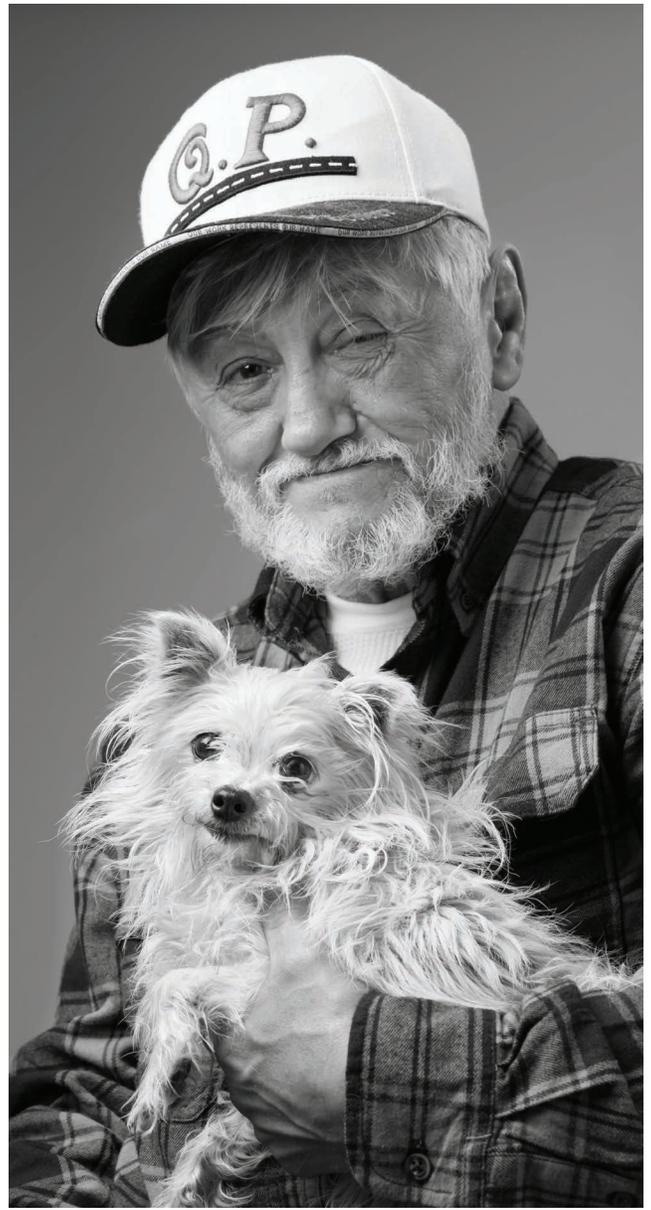
Our mission is to end animal suffering due to overpopulation and preventable disease, especially in underserved communities. This coming June, as a way of promoting our mission and engaging our community, we will hang a permanent installation of black and white photographic portraits of men from the Española Valley with their Chihuahuas. Titled "The Chihuahua, Man's Best Amigo," the images were taken by photographer Jane Bernard. Many of you know Jane's wonderful dog portraits through our "BadDogs for a Good Cause" fundraiser. The new show will hang throughout our shelter and clinic and be accompanied by extended captions of each man's own words about what he loves about his dog.

The exhibition is scheduled to open on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th, 2017 in conjunction with a community festival. The festival will feature tips about pet health and information about our vaccine clinic and no-cost spay/neuter programs. We aim to engage and support our community by sharing the stories of these local men and their dogs, and to encourage the community to become involved with our mission. Our goal is to grow community relationships.

But we need money to cover the printing, matting and framing of the exhibition so that it can become a permanent installation in our facilities. To contribute to this fun and dynamic event please visit our Razoo fundraiser at <https://www.razoo.com/us/story/BestAmigo>.



"Max entertains me. He's hilarious but he's grumpy in the morning."



"Chiquita makes me happy, she's good company."

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Meet Staff Member Barb Tebell

Working at the Española Valley Human Society can be physically and emotionally strenuous. Sure, it's fun to snuggle with a cute puppy or kitten, but it can also be challenging and difficult to work with animals in need. A typical day includes cleaning kennels, feeding animals, and dealing with customers. It may also involve bearing witness to people carelessly surrendering nice animals or to others who are heartbroken to have to surrender their beloved pet. Our staff routinely takes in strays that have been dumped and helps animals who have been hit by car or abused and neglected. They make our lifesaving mission possible. We'd like to introduce you to one of our most committed staff members, Barb Tebell.

Barb manages everything feline here at EVHS. She oversees care for up to 125 cats, ensuring they are mentally and physically healthy, placing them for adoption and assisting clients with their animals. A quiet, unpretentious contributor, she discretely accomplishes a mountain of work every day. Barb cheerfully offers to help without being asked, consistently stays late to visit with prospective adopters about an animal and bottle feeds litters of neonatal kittens at home in her spare time. She is a true gem!

"We truly are the little shelter that could," says Barb. "This place really makes a tremendous difference in the lives of animals and the lives of pet owners in our community. It's amazing on a tiny budget in a tiny building, the things that are accomplished here...from caring for animals, to our veterinarians' commitment to the health and well-being of animals, to all the events and the programs we run and all the people that volunteer their expertise. On any given day, you can walk through the shelter and see everyone tending to their duties – volunteers walking the dogs, staff members cleaning cages, doing laundry, and feeding them. It's incredible and it's done professionally. I feel proud to be part of this team. It's humbling to see what happens here."





Happy Birthday To Us! You're All Invited to Our Party In May

This year, the Española Valley Humane Society proudly celebrates its 25th anniversary. We're celebrating and want you to help us. First, a little history.

Our organization formally began on December 19, 1992 as the Northern New Mexico Animal Protection Society. What a mouthful! Around 1995, we began operating the animal shelter under agreement with the City of Española, and debuted our first logo with the scruffy dog. (Yes, we know the poor pooch didn't have a collar or tags – he was homeless after all!) In 2006, we changed our name to Española Valley Humane Society. This past January, we refreshed our logo to what you see today, and updated our website to be able to better feature our homeless, adoptable pets, retail stores and clinic.

It's truly been an eventful 25 years, with tens of thousands of dogs, cats, rabbits, ferrets and other assorted animals finding their forever homes. To make our quarter-century celebration that much more special, mark your calendars for Friday, May 19, 8:00 pm at Buffalo Thunder Resort and Casino. We're bringing country music superstar Charlie Daniels for a benefit concert. Watch our newsletters and Facebook page for complete details and tickets.

So happy birthday to us. We hope you'll join us in celebrating.



calendar of events

Mon Feb 13- Sun Feb 19,
My Furry Valentine adoptions,
shelter in Española

Sat Feb 18, 10 am - 4 pm
National Adoption weekend,
PetSmart on Coors Bypass, Albuquerque

Mon Mar 13- Sun Mar 19,
March Madness adoptions,
shelter in Española

Sat Mar 18 – Sat Mar 25,
Winter Clearance Sale at
the Barkin Stores

Sat Apr 22, 10 am - 4 pm
Earth Day/Shelter Clean Up,
shelter in Española

Sat April 29, noon - 4 pm
Anniversary Open House
shelter in Española

Mon May 1 – Wed May 31,
Double your Donation
during the Month of May

Sat May 13, 10 am - 4 pm
National Adoption weekend,
PetSmart on Coors Bypass, Albuquerque

Fri May 19, 8 pm
Charlie Daniels benefit concert,
Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino

Fri May 26 – Mon May 29,
Memorial Weekend Sale at
the Barkin stores

Sat May 27, 10 am - 4 pm
Fetch and Release,
Pet Adoption Expo,
Balloon Fiesta Park

Fri Jun 2 – Sun Jun 4,
Kitten Baby Shower,
shelter in Española

Sun June 18, noon - 4 pm
Opening reception for
'Man's Best Amigo'
shelter in Española

Sat Jun 10, 10 am - 5 pm
Monopoly dog and cat adoptions,
Barkin' Attic in Santa Fe

Sat Jul 1 – Tue Jul 4,
Red White & Blue Sale at
the Barkin stores

Fri Jul 14 - Sun Jul 16,
Kittenfest adoptions,
shelter in Española