



*Abandoned in a desert mobile home park – a kitten missing half of her right rear leg – Anita is now happy and safe at the CARE sanctuary! Here she is with her dear friend Andy, whose mom is one of our valued CAREtakers!*

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*Dearest Supporters!*

This time of year – a time of giving and receiving, generosity and gratitude – we can't help but think of those around us, whether family, friends, pets and others. Our very connectedness is what is thrown into high relief. Some of us try to keep up with the holiday activities while others simply want to withdraw from the frantic year-end pace. Yet no matter what, our pets offer us the same calm, unconditional and constant love that we need all year round, but most especially at this time of year! *They truly are so grateful, simply for the gift of our attention.* But we all know it takes much, much more than just our loving attention to support our pets. Besides our love, it takes food, a safe, hygienic environment and medical treatment. And that's what we provide for the roughly 170 animals at CARE. And because your contributions go directly to the care of the animals, you are making the good life they have a reality! You have become an integral part of their lives and they have become a part of yours! For all you do, for all you are, may you be surrounded by love and happiness this holiday season!



*Peace on Earth, Goodwill To All!*

*Georgia M. Brewer*

## SCHOOL EVENT TEACHES CHILDREN ABOUT COMPASSION!



*A young participant learns about animal illnesses & treatment at CARE's booth.*

CARE recently participated in an educational event to raise awareness about the needs of animals and teach compassion to young people. Taking place at a K-12 school in Santa Monica, CA, our booth was focused on teaching the kids that just like people, when animals get sick they go through good times, bad times, and end times. CARE's mission is to give each one the supportive care they need and to see that each stage of life – even the end – is eased in every possible way. Events like this one are a great way to get people thinking about animals, their health & their feelings!



## CAT HONEST ABOUT FEELINGS!

Snaggletooth, a snaggly-toothed FIV-positive orange tabby cat, is nine years old. He seeks out your company quite insistently, pushing you to pet and love him. But watch out! Once he's had enough of your attention, that's that! *He takes his paw and "whack!"* He hits you, right on a nerve! Ouch, ouch!

Since his disease – FIV - is incurable, all we can do is treat his symptoms as they appear. But for the time being, Snaggletooth is doing great!



*Snaggletooth gets a headscratch! Mmm!*

# BIG DOG WITH SEPARATION ANXIETY, HAPPY AT LAST!



*Buster Riley enjoys a hug from a volunteer!*

Separation anxiety is a common problem with rescued dogs because they have suffered the trauma of losing their home, often after experiencing considerable neglect. As a result, they become terrified when left alone and resort to destructive behaviors. Often, the only effective treatment is medication. **Buster Riley**, a six-year-old Rottweiler, is one great, big hunk of a guy who weighs almost 100 pounds! He is very sweet and loving with people. But he suffers from separation anxiety. He's a true "escape artist" and tends to try to get out of wherever he is! After trying various medications, we finally found one that works. **Buster Riley's mood is noticeably upbeat now, and he is doing great!**



## SANCTUARY COSTS MUCHO \$\$\$

*What does it take, each month, to keep the sanctuary going? On top of the necessary food, supplies & utilities, we spend an enormous amount each month on vet expenses, nursing costs & medication. The statistics are amazing, even to us.*

**Here is a list of a few of our monthly needs:**

**900 Pounds of Dry Dog Food**  
**415 Pounds of Moist Dog Food**  
**3,600 Pounds of Cat Litter**  
**400 Pounds of Dry Cat Food**  
**535 Pounds of Moist Cat Food**  
**900 Pounds of Disinfectant**  
**Utilities (Gas, Electric, Phone, Trash)**  
**Insurance, Maintenance & Repairs**

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## STAR CAUGHT HAPPILY NAPPING!

In their protected outdoor "rooms," many of our cats, like Star, enjoy curling up for a quiet nap every day. And if it gets wet or chilly, they can certainly come inside. There are lots of hideaway places available for their choosing in the main rooms. This outdoor room is part of the "Sun Room." It has a large tree, whose roots provide a favorite spot for an afternoon snooze!

Please open your hearts and your pocketbooks to keep them happy & healthy for the rest of their lives!

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*Happy Holidays from Snaggletooth & all the cats & dogs at CARE!*

C.A.R.E. maintains a no-kill, cage-free "Home Sweet Home" for about 170 orphaned cats & dogs in the High Desert north of Los Angeles.

We are committed to saving the lives of homeless dogs and cats by rescuing at-risk animals, placing adoptable ones in homes of their own, and caring for those awaiting adoption (and those considered conventionally "unadoptable") in our sanctuary, for the rest of their lives if need be. Many of the cats and dogs here have special needs. Each receives the individual care and attention they need to lead a happy, healthy life.



*A smiling Jasmine enjoys a loving caress from a CAREtaker! She sends her best wishes to you and yours this holiday season!*

