



"May you live in interesting times . . ." Some say it's an ancient Chinese saying, or Scottish or neither . . . But this past year at B&B has certainly been a very interesting time . . . losing our good friend and neighbor Betsy Jones Moreland, receiving her kennel as a generous bequest, refurbishing her house (next to the kennel) for much-needed office and work space, dealing with the City, neighbors and animal control to keep our kennel licenses . . . yes, interesting times. Not one of these was on our list for 2006 and yet there they were--and here we are . . . still standing! Through the grace of Dog, our guardian angels near and far and all of you, we continue to rescue, rehabilitate and find permanent loving families for the dogs we all love.

A Big Story in 2006: Our Licenses

The City of El Monte has indefinitely postponed the Special Hearing set for September 2006. That's very good news, but we still need to receive all of our licenses. We continue to make improvements to our facilities to comply with updated City requirements. Our wonderful pro bono lawyers at Latham & Watkins and Morgan, Lewis & Bockius have asked that we continue to gather letters of support. So . . . for those of you who have not done so, would you please write, fax, or email to express your support? See the insert for details.

We have created a Beagle Village with playground, water fountains, pool, shade trees and lotsa love. We've "soundsealed" the rear brick wall to reduce the melodic tones of the woofers. And we must still place the same soundseal materials at Red Cloud Ranch . . . a much bigger job.

We have much more work to do, but thanks to your support, our efforts are paying off and we keep plugging away! The needs have been great this past year, and we deeply appreciate your efforts, big and small, to help.

Kibble

◆ We will send our first e-newsletter out in January! Please be sure we have your current email address (see insert, or send us an email at beagles@beaglesandbuddies.org) so we can put you on the email list! Also, suggest a catchy name for the e-news and if the dogs pick yours, a B&B t-shirt is on its way to you!

◆ We are now using www.goodsearch.com to easily raise money for B&B. Simply go to the website and follow the instructions. Every time you use Goodsearch, they give to B&B. You can also check out how much has been raised for us on the site.

◆ Betsy Jones Moreland gave up an acting career and left the Hollywood Hills 35 years ago to start and run Questover Animal Rescue in El Monte. QAR survives her. The dogs are being cared for by the B&B crew, and the cats by Betsy's good friend Betty Denny Smith, retired Director of L.A. County Animal Control. Look for one of these new friends on our website soon!



Adoptions Update

We love a good adoption! Nothing makes us feel better than when any dog selects a new home—but the very best is when folks go out with a senior, special, or dog who has been with us a long time! Since our last newsletter, 290 pooches have chosen homes, 35 of which are the big dogs, plus a number of "specials." Yea!

Let's Go for a Walk!

We'd like to expand our **Every dog . . . Every day** program and contract with the Lincoln Training Center next year. We need to help the Questover dogs catch up on their socialization, walk on leash, and interact with people.



Humane Education/Volunteer Program

Valarie Rahbany is a welcome addition to the B&B family. She has extensive training and experience in Early Childhood Education, has worked as a vet tech, and earned certificates in grooming and dog training. Valarie has now combined all her skills and will coordinate our Volunteer Program. So look for some wonderful happenings in that area.

Val and Jill have been doing humane education programs at Cherry Lee Elementary School in El Monte. Jill was chosen as our Canine Ambassador and accompanies each presentation. The students decided to gather "Pennies for Puppies" and have a huge bottle they are filling for the B&B dogs. The place to make a big impact towards kindness to animals is with these kids!



PAR-TEEEE!

Our **Holiday & Volunteer Appreciation Celebration** will be at Questover Animal Rescue's refurbished place—between B&B and Red Cloud Ranch. Join us Sunday afternoon on December 17th. Please RSVP to beagles@beaglesandbuddies.org or (626) 444-9664. Food & drink from 2-5 pm. Bring a leash—you never know!

