



Miss Nibbles' News

Year Recap 2021

<https://www.bellavista-animalshelter.org/>



Greetings from the President

Your Board of Directors was saddened to accept the resignation of Deidre Knight-Matney, effective November 2nd. Dee Dee, as she is known to everyone, has served as Executive Director of the shelter for thirteen years. However, that does not begin to define her commitment to caring for dogs and cats in Bella Vista. Dee Dee started volunteering at the animal shelter from its inception back in 1985. She eventually joined the Board of Directors in 2002, serving as treasurer for six

years. In 2008, she was hired by the board to the position she is now leaving, Executive Director. Dee Dee has battled several health issues over the past couple of years and has decided to leave the job she dearly loves to concentrate on her health. We wish Dee Dee all the best in meeting the challenges that lay ahead. Thank you, Dee Dee, for your years of dedication to the welfare of lost and homeless animals. We, and they, will miss you.

year, the Wiener/Corgi Races, out of safety concerns for all participants. At this time, we are planning a full calendar for 2022. The City of Bella Vista helped us out late last year and we are most appreciative of Mayor Christie and the City Council. I continue to believe our non-profit organization, with a city contract, is the best way to provide animal services for our community.

The board is pleased to announce that Nancy Cullins has accepted the role of Interim Executive Director until we hire a permanent replacement. Nancy will enjoy meeting you and appreciates your support during this transition period.

The annual meeting of the membership is January 26, 2022. If you would like to get involved, consider tossing your hat in the ring for a position on the Board of Directors. Pick up an application at the shelter or send an email requesting one to bvas@sbcglobal.net.

Travel safely this holiday season wherever the road takes you.

Curt Stoops

President, BVAS Board of Directors

Changing Seasons

As we head into the holiday season, I want to thank all our members, donors, and supporters for contributing to the Bella Vista Animal Shelter. Your generous donations go directly to animal care and allow us to pay our excellent staff. Due to the pandemic we were unable to hold one of our major fundraisers this



Dee Dee and Arana in her office

In Loving memory of

Beloved Friends

Missy Reed
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Sam Gordon
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Barbara Doyle
Jack Price

Beloved Pets

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Huckleberry Chesser
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MARCH

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WATER BILL INSERT

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MAY



Cinco de Meow

JUNE



GARAGE SALE

JULY



BELLA VISTA
ANIMAL SHELTER

PARS 4 PAWS
Golf Tournament

AUGUST

**CHIPS
&
DIPS**

Microchips
and Dog wash



SEPTEMBER

**Dog
Days
of
Summer**

Kingsdale Outdoor Pool



OCTOBER



**WIENER TAKES ALL
DACHSHUND RACES**

NOVEMBER

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Giving
Tuesday

DECEMBER

SANTA PAWS

25 Days of Christmas
Wish List Items



2021 Shelter Statistics

Dogs								
13 Carry Over from 2020					22 dogs as of 11/10/2021			
Incoming City	Incoming Not City	Adopted	Reclaim	Rescue	Return	DOA	Euthanized	Foster
192	26	80	133	2	7	0	4	0

Cats								
55 Carry Over from 2020					52 cats as of 11/10/2021			
Incoming City	Incoming Not City	Adopted	Reclaim	Rescue	Return	DOA	Euthanized	Foster
135	13	135	6	3	4	6	1	0



Apple Cheddar Dog Biscuits

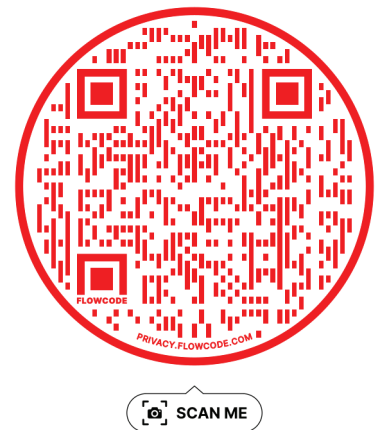
Apple-cheddar dog biscuits have healthy ingredients and are a snap to make.

- 2 cups barley flour
- 1/2 cup oatmeal
- 1/3 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/3 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 2 tablespoons olive oil

To make the treats, preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and line a baking sheet with parch-

ment paper. In a bowl mix all the ingredients plus about three table-
spoons of water.

Form a dough and then roll it out like sugar cookie dough—about 1/4 inch thickness. Cut the biscuits out with favorite Christmas cookie cutters and place on the prepared baking sheets. Bake for 30 minutes. Cool on wire rack and store in an airtight container for up to two weeks.



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Christmas Cat Treats

- 1 can tuna in oil, drained
- 1 egg
- 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup water
- Dash of parsley (optional)

To make the Christmas cat treats, preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.

Place all ingredients in a food processor. Pulse until a dough forms. If the dough is sticky, add a bit more flour. If too dry, add a

tablespoon of water.

Roll the dough out to 1/4 inch thickness and cut with small cookie cutters.

Place on baking sheet, bake in oven for 20 minutes until browned. Cool and then store in an airtight container.

Cassidy the Non-Keto Canine

Cassidy is as a sweet Dalmatian cross with spots on her ears. She came to us in terrible condition on a cold day in October 2020. Seeing that she was just skin and bones and shivering, our first priority was to get her body temperature back up. Once comfortable, Cassidy was placed on a slow gaining diet to ensure she would grow in a healthy manner. After the first week, it was clear something else was wrong.

We were feeling helpless, confused, and worried. It didn't matter how much she ate, she could not gain any weight.

Several vet visits later, we learned she has a condition called Exocrine Pancreatic Insufficiency (EPI) which is a syndrome caused by insufficient synthesis and secretion of digestive enzymes by the exocrine portion of the pancreas. She does not break down the food correctly. Without a strict medical plan, she would continue to wither away.

Cassidy's diet requires special food with low fat and high protein. She also requires an enzyme called Prozyme soaked into her kibble before every meal to be able to digest properly. Cassidy will most likely need this special diet her entire life.



After one year with the shelter, she looks wonderful! She is still at a slim weight but doesn't even resemble the dog we received in October 2020. Cassidy is available for adoption to a home that has the time and energy to continue her medical plan. She is a very loving dog that would be best suited as the only pet in the household. Until she finds her forever home, please consider sponsoring Cassidy and visiting her for some petting.

Find the perfect animal for you on our Facebook page or Petfinder.com

BV ANIMAL SHELTER WISH LIST

1. OdoBan
2. Bleach
3. Purina One Dry dog food
4. Purina Naturals cat food
5. Purina Kitten food
6. Non-Clumping Clay cat litter



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This is Patty. This little girl is 5.5 lbs. She has a broken jaw and can't be with other cats. Patty is a little gift that was in my of-

fice when I arrived at the shelter. She now has a forever home with me. I am also honored to be the shelter's Interim Executive Director. Thank you to everyone for making me feel welcome in this position. As we move into 2022, we will host fundraising events, meet with the community, design a new shelter sign, and so much more. I look forward to hearing from you. Please [e-mail me](mailto:BVAS_ed@yahoo.com) at BVAS_ed@yahoo.com. Thank you to everyone for your generous support, and I look forward to serving you. Nancy Cullins

SANTA PAWS

Are you looking for a Unique Christmas gift?

Consider making a donation to the Bella Vista Animal Shelter in a someones name.

We will send a personalized card to the recipient notifying them of your gift! They will also receive a newsletter with the latest shelter news and an invitation to each shelter event.

Your tax deductible gift will enrich the lives of the many shelter kids' "cold noses & warm hearts." Everyone loves when Santa Paws comes to town.



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