



## The Grace Foundation Newsletter

January 2010

### We Have Puppies!



As most of you know, we never forget our small animal friends! This week, we brought in seven adorable 6-week old Lab/Aussie mix puppies (5 girls, 2 boys).

To get these puppies ready for adoption, we need volunteers to sign up for shifts as daily caretakers to feed, clean and socialize the puppies from 7-8am and 5-6pm. If you can commit to at least one day a week at the ranch to help us care for these little bundles of joy, let us know asap!

Please call the ranch and leave a message for Beth. 916-941-0800.

### Meet Little Richard!



When we picked up the puppies at Animal Control, we met a sad little man named Richard who came in with his mate. She died next to him i

Happy 2010! There's never a dull moment at the ranch and this year will be no different. Stay tuned for our Calendar of Events and Summer Program announcements coming soon.

In the meantime, read on and see if there's any way you can help at Grace! Come party with us at the Ernie's Burger fundraiser on the 27th, work a shift to care for our new puppies, train as a sidewalker for our therapeutic riding lessons, help with pony rides at this Saturday's birthday party, make a donation, or just spread the word about Grace!

### Ride 'n Shine at Grace kickoff!



This weekend, we officially kicked off our Ride 'n Shine at Grace therapeutic riding program. Numerous riders and volunteers came to the party.

On February 6th from 1-3pm, we will hold another **sidewalker training session**. If you are interested in

attending, please contact Julie at the ranch 916-941-0800.

### Open House a Huge Success!



This Saturday, Grace held an Open House to the public to raise awareness about its programs. *Hundreds* of people came to visit and were given tours of the ranch.

We even signed up some new students whose families had read our article in the Sacramento Bee about Ride 'n Shine and

our therapeutic riding lessons. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped to make this event a success!

the crate and he cuddled her until she was discovered.

Little Richard is an 8 year old dachshund and does well with other dogs. He is very sweet and needs a new home. Please call us and come to meet him at the ranch. Ask for Beth.

### **Dozer and Skitty Updates**

Thanks to the efforts of his foster mom Jean Acosta, Dozer the puppy has finally been adopted to a very happy family! Thank you Jean!

Skitty (orange cat) is still here at the ranch. She has done well with the other animals here but still desperately needs a new home because she is de-clawed. If you can foster her or are interested in adopting her, please call us at the ranch! 916-941-0800.

### **Birthday Party this Saturday Needs Volunteers!**

On, Saturday, January 23rd from 1-3pm, Mikki will need extra volunteers to help her with this year's first birthday party. If you love kids and are able to help, please call the ranch or e-mail Sharon@thegracefoundationofocal.org to sign up. It's a great time for everyone and it helps to bring income to the ranch!

### **Youth Field Trip to Sac Animal Shelter on January 23rd!**

The new animal shelter in Sacramento is now open and we're inviting our youth and their parents to take a tour of the facility and visit the animals with us on January 23rd. We're meeting at the shelter (in front) at 10:00am. The shelter address is 3839 Bradshaw Rd., Sacramento 95827. (916) 368-7387.

Please call the ranch ahead of time to reserve a spot and leave a message for Julie (916) 941-0800.

### **Don't Forget about the Ernie's Burger Fundraiser on January 27th!!**

We still have tickets available for the fundraiser at Ernie's of Tahoe in Folsom on January 27th. Tickets are \$10 and include a burger, fries and a shake. You can buy tickets on-line by visiting the Grace website [www.thegracefoundation.com](http://www.thegracefoundation.com), clicking on the Donation button and writing "tickets" in the description. Or, you can mail us a check and we'll send you the tickets. If you have any questions, call the ranch and leave a message for Linda.

Ernie's is located at 707 E. Bidwell St. in Folsom (next to the Jiffy Lube in Raley's shopping center).

Please support the mustangs by helping to buy them a round pen with the proceeds from the fundraiser!

In closing, we are excited for another fun-filled year and look forward to your participation!

**Sincerely,**

The Grace Foundation  
The Grace Foundation of Northern California