



MinPinHaven Rescue



Second Chances Through Rescue, Matching Paws and Homes

MinPin Messenger, July 2011



Pet of the Quarter

Meatwad

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What Do I Do As A Foster Parent?

What exactly am I expected to do as a foster parent? How can you let them go after you have fostered them for more than a day? Questions all potential foster parents ask whether the fosteree is a minpin, a corgi, a dobie, a pit bull or a child. No matter the breed you love, all rescues need help from volunteers and the most important position is that of foster parent. By the time you read this MinPinHaven will have lost the facility that was a safe place to land for the majority of the minpin rescue dogs. These dogs might have suffered from not only fear issues involving other dogs, or shelters with loud noises. Perhaps they were wandering the desert and

snapped at or bitten a human as they tried to hold them close. Humans communicate 95% by verbal communication while dogs communicate 95% with body language. So when humans hold a frightened dog close with the intent to reassure them they are now safe, dogs take that as a sign of aggression no matter that the humans are trying to convey they will not abandon them. Most dogs take being picked up by someone they don't know as a threat and if cornered (a sign of attack in their world) they will bite. So dogs that have survived puppy mills, being dumped on hot streets or in the desert, or given up by owners who can no longer care for them, find themselves now at risk of more upheaval in their lives.

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LOW COST SHOT CLINICS

Due to summer heat and outdoor need for shot clinics, the next are:

Oct. 22, 10AM - 2PM,
West Valley - Out West General Store. 17121 W Glendale Ave., Waddell, AZ 85255 - Dogs ONLY

Nov. 19, 10 AM - 2 PM, East Valley Arizona Spay & Neuter Clinic, 6835 E Thomas Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85255 - DOGS AND CATS

MinPin Haven Events for the Next 3 Months

To view the **complete** calendar with **MAPS** to events, click [here](#).

July 9th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant, Peoria, AZ

July 10th, Dog Days of Summer with the Phoenix Mercury, 12 PM to 4 PM, US Airways Center, Tickets to the game are \$25 each (regularly priced \$49 each)

July 17th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 855 N 54th St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (I10E and Ray Rd).

July 23rd, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant, Peoria, AZ

July 30th, Flagstaff Rescue Roundup, 9 AM to 3 PM, Wheeler Park, Flagstaff, AZ

July 31st, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 855 N 54th St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (I10E and Ray Rd).

August 6th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant Pkwy.

August 14th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 855 N 54th St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (I10E and Ray Rd).

August 20th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant Pkwy.

September 10th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant Pkwy.

September 11th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 855 N 54th St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (I10E and Ray Rd).

September 24th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 25372 N Lake Pleasant Pkwy

September 25th, PetSmart Adoption Day 10 AM to 3 PM, 855 N 54th St. Chandler, AZ 85226 (I10E and Ray Rd).



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The loss of that facility means MinPinHaven will no longer be taking in any needy minpins so the need for foster space is even more critical than in the past. I am often asked “don’t you miss them when they go to their forever home”? Or “how can you give them up?” Sometimes painfully so. Take Techno for instance. Techno was such a mess with allergies when he came into rescue it took a very long time to get his skin and coat to a shiny and to a non itchy state. Healthy food and lots of soothing baths finally got him comfortable, and then he was in a dog fight and he was the one that got injured. We scrubbed his wounds and gave him oral antibiotics to help the infections and more baths and Techno and I sat watching TV with Techno wrapped in a towel asleep in my arms. This past weekend Techno moved to a great foster



Home. Duchess recently lost Prince, her lifelong companion minpin. Nikki and Teddy, cousins to Duchess and Prince were also mourning along with David and Joe – the pet parents. While Techno lives with David and Duchess - who may in all likelihood, adopt him, during the day he goes to the Joe minpin daycare center. Techno has already fallen in love with Nikki – a young minpin that had to have her right front arm amputated at the age of nine months old, due to neglect. Everywhere Nikki goes, so goes Techno. They share a large cushy dog bed and two humans that love their minpin pack to pieces. Techno is safe, cared for and now looks softly into two humans eyes thanking them for giving him a safe place to be loved. How could I not be happy for Techno?

All dogs are meant to love and be loved unconditionally. Nikki and Teddy were adopted from MinPinHaven Rescue and gave their mom and dad such love and happiness. Not long after they settled into their new home, they lost their mom. Their dad and Nikki and Teddy along with Duchess and Prince who went to the home of Nikki and Teddy for day care, missed Nikki and Teddy’s mom immensely. Had Joe and Pat not adopted dogs that had special needs such as Teddy and Nikki, where would they have gone? Who would have loved them and mended their physical wounds and their wounded hearts?

That is what foster parents do. They love away old wounds – both physical and emotional by sharing their homes, hearts and most of all, their love.

We want to Thank all our Volunteers & Fosters for their Support and Help!

- Concetta Bertone**
- Yolanda Blanco-Pearl**
- Joe&Christine Bottomlee**
- Lisa Brennan**
- Kate & George Colee**
- Davin Cartusciello**
- Pat Daigle**
- Geoff and Nadine**
- Dalphonse**
- Nancy Erlich**
- Jody Hall**
- Ray & Bobbie Holland**
- John & Angelica Lopez**
- Suzette Prowett**
- Tara Hughes**
- Laurie Roser**
- Art and Jamie Rullo**
- Eric Snider**
- Dotty Stevenson**
- Kathi Stoll**
- Anna Trihey Schuck**
- Jason Wales**
- Larry Zielinski**

THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL YOU DO!

AND -please ask any of your capable friends to volunteer with MinPinHaven, we need all the help we can get!



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A Holistic Approach to Animal Wellness

By

Dr. Kris Lecakes Haley

Traditional, allopathic veterinary care has, doubtless, saved countless animal lives. However, there is another very viable dimension to animal care that is categorically referred to as, "integrative," or, "holistic" care, and you may find its breadth surprising! It is important to note that holistic care is a recognized approach to animal wellness, provided by traditionally trained Veterinarians who elect to receive special training in additional, integrative modalities. There are also many holistic animal practitioners who work under the auspices of holistic Veterinarians thus enabling those Vets to expand the wellness services they offer to clients.

Holistic offerings are diverse and include such modalities as acupuncture, acupressure, homeopathy, nutritional therapy, color therapy, chiropractic and veterinary orthopedic manipulation to hydrotherapy, herbs, and aromatherapy, just to name a few. Of particular note are the Bach Flower Remedies.

Discovered by Dr. Edward Bach, at the beginning of the 20th century, these gentle and restorative essences are complimentary in nature, supporting all other types of methodologies, and are never . Dr. Bach was a renowned medical doctor and bacteriologist with a very successful practice and, yet he'd grown tired of putting

band-aids on symptoms and set out to find cures to the emotional issues he saw in his patients. Arguably the very first "body-mind-spirit" medical doctor, he felt that if the remedies could help to bring the emotions back into balance, then a level playing field would be created in which the body might successfully heal itself.

Most familiar of the remedies is Rescue Remedy, a combination of five of the 38 Bach Flower Remedies, used in acute situations of stress. However, there are no cookie cutter remedies here --- each case is unique and involves looking at the motivators of the behaviors in each individual. Practitioners, more than focusing on eliminating those behaviors, focus more on bringing forth the positive aspects we wish to see; thereby eliminating that negative behavior in the process. Animal Practitioners work closely with each patient and his or her person to determine the most beneficial remedies for each case.

Regardless of the type of modality, one common thread you will find when you work with a holistic Vet or practitioner is a 'wholeness' approach to health care. Efforts are made to consider the 'whole' animal...body, mind and spirit... the belief being that if one of those components is out of balance, the entire being is out of balance. The good news is that of the innumerable modalities available, there are some designed exclusively for body and some for mind and emotions...and in many cases, when they are combined, they are incredibly nurturing and restorative to the spirit.

A visit to the website of The American Holistic Veterinary Medical Association

(<http://www.holisticvetlist.com/>) will acquaint you with a SEARCH option that lists their member Veterinarians, by state, and also lists the modalities in which they specialize. Modalities are abbreviated, but a 'key' is provided to help decipher. Another holistic 'staple' is a book entitled, *Natural Health for Dogs and Cats*, by Dr. Richard Pitcairn. Considered by many to be the 'rosetta stone' of holistic animal care, it has detailed information on a number of modalities as well as invaluable information about home-cooked diets.

Finally, please remember that because they are designed to heal the 'whole' body...hence the name 'holistic'...or 'wholistic'...these modalities frequently take a bit longer to facilitate full, sustained healing. Traditional medicine does a great job ridding both people and animals of their 'symptoms,' but holistic practitioners feel that this is typically where the "healing" ends. Additionally, the corresponding side effects experienced may often be worse than the original complaint! Those who choose qualified, holistic health care practitioners for themselves and their companion animals can speak, from first hand experience, to the amazing curative powers of this oft overlooked and significantly underestimated paradigm of wellness; a paradigm that continues to grow in popularity as people seek to rid themselves of illness and return to a "whole-istic" state of *well-being* that will sustain their bodies --- minds --- and spirits.



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So How Do Microchips Work?

Why do you microchip the dogs that come into rescue? Why do you add the adoptive home as an additional contact instead of letting them be the only contact? What does the microchip do for my dog? If all the wrong things happen at the same time such as deleting a home phone number, divorce and the dog moves with the party that gets the new phone number and address, the dog escapes on the house sitter, the microchip and the registered owners get a second chance at saving their pet from dire circumstances.

A young couple with kids adopted a puppy (and fast forward a couple years later) they went on a vacation and left their parents staying at their house to care for the dog and the house. MinPinHaven got a call on a Sunday morning that the dog was at the Humane Society with a badly broken leg – did we want to get the dog or have it put to sleep because of the bad break? We called the vacationing couple who because they were on vacation, did not answer the call. When they listened to the voice mail, they were very surprised to hear from us – and pretty distressed to hear that their dog was in such danger. The parents had been out looking for the dog but hadn't found her as yet. The couple called their house sitters who explained that during the thunderstorm the night before, the dog bolted out of the dog door

door before they could close it, got out of the fence and was gone and the parents had been trying to find the dog since last night. Everyone was very upset that the dog was injured and there was a very hefty vet bill to set the leg after surgery. The point to this article is that most people do not answer unknown calls and many people do not have home phone numbers. The link was that MinPinHaven answered the phone and brought the two parties together to save the dog.

Another time, a new minpin owner went for a walk with their minpin that had been with them for well over a year. Of course she will stay with me – she and I walk together all the time and this is a self contained track at a local high school. But something happened and the dog bolted and the human could not keep up with the minpin – and she landed at Maricopa County as a stray. The family changed the cell number so that didn't work. I called the family and they were reunited with their roaming minpin.

Another time a family went for a driving and camping vacation and the minpin lunged at something and the collar snapped and the minpin was off and running. They were in a camp ground that had natural land with bushes etc so they never found the dog. But, the dog was picked up as a stray and they called MinPinHaven to try and figure out how the dog got to Wyoming. Minpins are good but Arizona to Wyoming? The family took the dad's cell phone on vacation with them and left the mom's phone at home with the house sitter (no home phone). I called the mom's cell phone and

thank heaven it was a way for the family to communicate with the house sitter. She had the family contact MinPinHaven and they went to collect the tired but happy roaming minpin!

Micro chips save lives only if the information is up to date so by having MinPinHaven as the primary contact, if all the stars do not line up and the dog gets loose, there is one more safety net for the dog to get home. It is amazing how many dogs land at a shelter and get to go home – and how many dogs are abandoned at the shelter because the microchip information is outdated.

See Whiz Offer For MinPinHaven Rescue Supporters

Great News for those of you that met Pee Whiz at the Pet Expo! Pee Whiz is the all natural odor and stain remover that the Queen of Clean endorses – and now the minpins endorse it as well. I used it on the favorite pee spot on the patio and it removed the scent (therefore the encouragement to remark that spot) left by the many minpins residing at one of the foster homes! Carl had requested that all MinPinHaven rescue people, family, friends and newsletter subscribers now get an **Exclusive 20% OFF** their Pee Whiz purchase! All they have to do is enter... **minpin** ...in the coupon code box and click "Apply" to see their Instant Savings!!! You can find them on the web at www.PeeWhiz.com.

Please make sure to spread the word and let us know what you think of the different scents of Pee Whiz!!!!



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Your Donations Help

Most dogs come in to rescue needing some or all of the following veterinary care: shots, spayed/neutered, microchip, heartworm test and monthly anti-parasite heartworm preventative medication. Some dogs require additional vet care for existing conditions. The average cost of getting a healthy dog ready for adoption is about \$145.00. Every donation you make helps with these expenses. If you prefer, your donations can be made with specific instructions regarding how they are to be used - directly to vet expenses, for Minchi's surgery, for a dog that needs insulin, for any dog that needs help, etc. Additionally, gift cards for Petco or PetSmart, gift cards for gas to conduct home visits around Arizona are greatly appreciated. If you purchase Taste of the Wild or Natural Balance dog food for donation we will gladly pick it up if you contact us and let us know where we should go. We appreciate any help you can provide so these little guys are not left to suffer in the desert or in shelters where their lives are at risk.

Please mail your tax deductible donation check made out to MinPinHaven Rescue to:

MinPinHaven Rescue
P.O. BOX 5878
Glendale, AZ 85312

THANK YOU!

From the
MinPinHaven Board of Directors

More Foster Homes Needed to Help Save More MinPins!

(Ed. Note: This is especially true now that we have lost our main facility and we have to pay to board dogs until a foster home or adopter can be found)

MinPinHaven Rescue could use more foster homes to help us protect the seemingly never ending parade of dogs in need. We are currently busting at the seams of our capacity and that means fewer dogs are saved each month.

If you know someone that can commit to fostering any of our dogs it will open up a spot to save another. Fostering is not a commitment to take lightly. While vet and medical costs are covered by MinPinHaven, time, training, and day to day caring for these sweet dogs does take time. However, you get ten times the love back from them and it is a rewarding experience saving these lives.

We still have to refuse to take into rescue adoptable MinPins needing to be saved from the hot streets of Phoenix because we have no room for them. Some are found as strays, some are found dehydrated and in dire need of food and water, some are losing their homes due to families losing their homes. Fostering any dog brings great rewards when you know that little life is safe because you gave them a place that is safe and cool to stay.

MinPinHaven Rescue Quarterly Newsletter

MinPinHaven, a non-profit, no kill rescue group located in the Phoenix area, is dedicated to caring for miniature pinschers and other small breed dogs who are searching for their new forever families. The rescue babies are welcome to stay at MinPinHaven until their perfect forever home is found.

This newsletter is published once a quarter by MinPinHaven Rescue, Inc. to help draw attention to the needs of the adoptable dogs here and around the world and show everyone that it does not take much to make a difference in the lives of these dogs. Please help us save more adoptable dogs!

Questions? Contact the Editor at: ray@raysweb.com

[If you would like to be removed from our mailing list please send an email to the editor. \(click here\)](#)

MinPinHaven Events and Mailing List.

If you would like to receive notices about upcoming MinPin gatherings around the valley, send an email to pat@minpinhaven.com and we will add you to our mailing list.



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Pet of the Quarter Meatwad

Meatwad is a shy boy between 4 and 5 years old. He is shy at first but once he trusts you, he is so loving and attentive to his humans. He is a black and rust neutered male with the cutest face you have ever seen! He was found tied to a pole in front of a PetSmart and taken in by a cat rescue. Once he started chasing the kittens he wasn't very welcome and he came in to minpin rescue. MinPins are hunters...and he is good at it! His natural tail is always wagging and his ears are erect and give expression to his smiling face. He wants an active family for walks and car rides cause he loves to be with his favorite people! Once comfortable he will chase the other dogs to get them to play with him!!!! He loves attention and is very lovable in return – he loves belly rubs and will fall asleep on his back enjoying long belly rubs given the chance. He will need obedience training to gain confidence and to understand what you want him to

do but once he knows what you expect of him, he is very smart and wants to please his humans!

If you would like Meatwad or any of our rescued animals to join your family, please go to www.minpinhaven.com and fill out our

[Adoption Application](#)

Phoenix Mercury and MinPin-Haven Rescue Fundraiser (Flyer on page 7)

The Phoenix Mercury is playing the Tulsa Shock on Sunday, July 10th at 3 PM. If you purchase tickets through a MinPin-Haven Rescue volunteer for \$25 per ticket, there is a \$15.00 tax deductible donation to MinPinHaven Rescue included in the your with each ticket purchased! The usual price of these tickets is \$49 – half price! If you would like to help us out but cannot make it to the game, you can donate your ticket to Make A Wish Foundation, Big Brother/Big Sister or the Phoenix Boys and Girls Club.

If you get a group of 10 or more together (do you coach your daughters basketball team or know their coach) you can get in early while the Mercury is warming up, sit in the front row AND get a picture

taken with one of the Phoenix Mercury! How cool is that for a young women's basketball team to be able to watch from the front row – as the Mercury team warms up AND get a gift AND get a group picture taken with one of the players! Does your team have team tee shirts???? The kids in their team tee shirts with a Mercury team member!!!!

The catch is you must purchase tickets by Friday, July 8th in order to take advantage of these great opportunities and help out the minpins of MinPinHaven Rescue. Complete the attached form and call 602-402-3273 to get your tickets! Thank you for your support.

Recipe of the (HOT) Month Doggy Ice Cream

- 1 pound plain yogurt
- 2 heaping tbsps creamy peanut butter
- 2 heaping tbsps honey
- 1 medium banana

Mix all ingredients together until smooth. Either place in ice cube trays and freeze and give one cube at a time daily or top dry dog food with a tablespoon daily. Yummy and full of nutrition and cooling in these hot summer months!



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5th Annual Dog Days of Summer



PHOENIX MERCURY VS. TULSA SHOCK




Sunday, July 10th @ 3 p.m. at US Airways Center
Come check out the Pet Expo before the game from 12:00 – 3:00p.m.

****\$15 from each ticket sold goes to benefit MinPinHaven Rescue, Inc.****
****Can't make it to the game? Ask us how you can donate your tickets to local youth programs for kids!****

Dog Days 7/10	Lower Level (curves/ends, regularly priced \$49)	\$25	\$
Total Amt. Enclosed			\$
PAYMENT METHOD: Cash or Check Only			
CONTACT NAME			
ADDRESS			
CITY		STATE	ZIP
HOME PHONE: () -		CELL PHONE: () -	
EMAIL			

For questions or to order contact:

Pat Daigle at (602) 402-3273 or pat@minpinhaven.com
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Sun City West Animal Hospital

Dr. Joshua Winston, D.V.M.
General Practice & Dermatology
13576 Camino Del Sol, Ste 1
Sun City West, AZ 85375
623-584-8030

Dr. Winston and his staff care for all breeds of dogs and cats and have seen many, many minpins. Once you and your pet are established clients of SCWAH and something happens to your pet after hours, you can call the after hours help line and Dr. Winston will call you back to guide you in the care of your pet. Very knowledgeable and caring vet and staff.

Arizona Partnership

Over the past 10 years Arizona Partnership has refined a process that has successfully rehabilitated over 1200 dogs from such unwanted behavior as aggression, separation anxiety, housebreaking, destroying items, digging, excessive barking, and pulling on lead. Their copyrighted process establishes the human as Alpha over the canines while focusing directly on removing the bad behavior. The consultative approach develops a Behavior Modification Plan with incremental 2 week goals, focusing on the successful rehabilitation of the problem canine. Sometimes the frustration can be overwhelming. Before considering giving up your dog, contact John Kalevi Sievila at Arizona Partnership. Call 480-821-0745 for a free consultation or email John at info@arizonapartnership.com

ALDF

Animal Legal Defense Fund
www.aldf.org

The Partner Connection

(click on header to visit their website)

Maricopa County Animal Care and Control: New Hope Program

The purpose of MCACC's New Hope Program is to find permanent homes for animals that are not adopted under regular shelter circumstances, and to acknowledge, cooperate with, and support the efforts of other animal care, training, rescue, welfare, and control organizations. The New Hope Program is a partnership between MCACC and other animal welfare agencies to help ensure that as many adoptable animals as possible are placed into permanent and loving homes. New Hope partners take animals from MCACC that might otherwise have to be euthanized. New Hope Partner Organizations are Animal organizations that are established or recognized in their communities as animal shelters, animal welfare organizations, animal rescue organizations, and veterinary hospitals within the State of Arizona may be eligible to participate, subject to approval, by MCACC.

Any group that is interested in becoming a New Hope Partner can request the New Hope Application by contacting the Alternative Placement Manager at 602-506-PETS or LLong@mail.maricopa.gov.



Arizona Spay & Neuter Clinic

6835 E Thomas Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85251
480-874-3647

Dr. Mel Pence and his staff are professional to work with; great with the humans and absolutely wonderful with the pets! Please call Treva and ask about their low cost services and their dental programs. Call them to say hi and get to know what services are available.

PetSmart

25372 N Lake Pleasant,
Peoria, AZ 85383

PetSmart

855 N 54th St,
Chandler, AZ 85226
(I-10 and Ray Road)

Animal Rescue Center

4015 E Cactus Road
Phoenix, AZ 85032
602-867-9720

Animal Rescue Center is the low cost spay and neuter clinic affiliated with Sonoran Veterinary Specialists. Open Tuesday through Friday from 7 am to 5 pm, by appointment only, they offer low cost spays and neuters, micro chips, shots, heartworm tests and HeartGard to rescues and the general public. I have worked with Mary for years and the care given to our animals is exceptional. Please call Mary to schedule an appointment for low cost, high quality an appointment.

**Please Support All Of
Our Partners, It Will help
you, your animal, and
MinPinHaven Rescue!!!**

Thank you!