

FORGOTTEN ANIMALS OF LOS ANGELES RESCUE LEAGUE ("FALA") HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER, 2005

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*This year's newsletter is dedicated with love to Midget, Tess, Thomas,
and Violet: "You will be forever missed."*

It's been a busy, heartbreaking, and tremendously gratifying year for the volunteers of FALA. We want to share some of our rescue stories with you this holiday season. These are only a few of the many animals we were able to help, thanks to your continued support.



Eunice

FALA got an e-mail from a man who found a tired, sick old beagle wandering the streets late one night. FALA Board Member Heidi Mastrogiovanni and her husband Tom agreed to foster the dog until a permanent home could be found. "Then, the moment I saw her, I knew she was ours," Heidi reports. Tom named her Eunice, and Eunice is now cozy and healthy and happy in her new home. "She's such a sweet girl and we adore her," Heidi says. "We're going to make absolutely sure her later years are filled with love."



Fishcake

PRECIOUS BABIES AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION!

A woman who works in North Hills contacted FALA. There were many feral cats living on the premises where she worked. A neighbor decided to trap the cats and dump them in other parts of the city. FALA rushed in and rescued 19 cats in one night. They were all spayed or neutered, inoculated, dewormed, and treated for fleas. We returned the adults to the now managed feral colony. The six kittens were socialized by FALA volunteers. Three have been adopted by a lovely couple. One of the other three waiting for a good home is "Fishcake," a.k.a. Lola, who is

blind in one eye. She got her nickname from her rescuer, who befriended her with a fish cake. She was so hungry that she ate the fish cake in one bite. The woman who alerted us to this tragic situation is now a dedicated FALA volunteer. Fishcake and her siblings love each other so much; it would be wonderful if they could all be adopted together.

A woman who adopted two cats from FALA called us. There were cats living under the office building where she worked, and the new owner wanted the cats gone. He was going to board up the crawl spaces and let the cats starve to death. FALA President Charleen Sweeney and Vice President Shirley Russo rushed over and trapped the cats, all of which are now living in loving homes.



Sherman

BEAUTIFUL GIRL AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION!

Urma was rescued from the Union Rescue Mission Association parking lot, and that's how she got her name. She had a tough time living on the streets downtown. Urma is a darling, sweet little girl. She would love to be an only child because she's frightened of other cats. How can anyone resist those eyes?



Urma



Bojangles

Bojangles was rescued from one of our managed feral colonies in Toluca Lake. He showed up one day and never left. We thought he belonged to someone because he was so social, but when he greeted us at 2 a.m. on rainy nights, we knew he had been dumped. Yes, it happens even in the best neighborhoods. Bojangles was adopted by his foster family and has a wonderful home with playmates he loves.

PLEASE HELP US TO CONTINUE OUR LIFESAVING WORK

- Donate: FALA is staffed entirely by volunteers, so your donation will immediately help animals. A donation in the name of a loved one makes a wonderful holiday gift and is tax-deductible to the full extent allowed by law. Donating your old car is another way to help us help the animals. We are also always in need of pet food, cat litter, cat beds, and blankets.
- Volunteer: If you live in or near Los Angeles, we desperately need your help.
- Foster: Open your home and heart to an animal waiting for a permanent home.
- Adopt: There's no greater joy than giving a homeless animal a new and loving home.
- Ralph's Club: We are members of the Ralph's Community Contribution Program, so if you give us your Ralph's Club Card Number (see mailing form, below, or e-mail us), whenever you shop at Ralph's, FALA will receive a donation from the store.
- Call: (818) 985-8121 or (818) 762-2225 or e-mail fala-org@sbcglobal.net for information on any of the above ways to help FALA help the animals.

THANK YOU SO MUCH! WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU. ALL OF US AT FALA SEND YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES WARMEST WISHES FOR A JOYOUS, PEACEFUL HOLIDAY SEASON.

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