



# Morning Starr No-Kill Animal Sanctuary

an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) organization

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Newsletter



## NOT HOW I IMAGINED IT!!

You may remember a couple of issues back in our newsletters the story about the eight, three day old puppies. In the last newsletter they were all adopted, all was well and everyone was happy! Another happy endings tail!!!! Not so happy tail for one of the puppies when she was diagnosed with congenital kidney failure. This is Nelly's owners story in her own words.

When I first found out about Nelly's health problems, the worst part was waiting for answers. I couldn't help but fear the worst. I googled all the information I could find on renal dysplasia. It wasn't good. I was hoping that her kidney values were elevated due to the UTI. When the ultrasound confirmed the diagnosis, I really didn't want to believe it. I just kept thinking that she couldn't be sick because she doesn't act sick. The specialist explained that since she was born with this condition, it feels normal to her because her kidney values have always been high. I felt heartbroken when the vet told me that she would eventually stop eating, drinking, and playing. It seemed so surreal because she's still so little. Her baby tooth fell out at the vet appointment! When the vet recommended meds and diet changes, I was totally on board. I wanted to do whatever I could so she would feel better. When we got home from spending all day at the specialist's office in Phoenix, it really set in. I felt overwhelmed and scared about the new diet, meds, and the possibility of fluids. Then I sat down with the paperwork, meds, and supplies. I got organized! A few simple changes were very manageable. I swapped out her meaty treats for raspberries. Her medicine goes in the raspberries or directly on her food. She doesn't need fluids yet so I decided not to worry about that right now but I have a box of supplies in the closet for when that day comes. I also ordered her prescription puppy food in a large bag from an internet supplier. The specialist just called yesterday and the good news is that her labs look pretty much the same. She hasn't improved but she's not getting any sicker. Hopefully, these changes will allow us to keep her kidney values stable for as long as possible. The vet told me the difficult part would be looking at her every day and knowing that she is sick and that nothing can fix her. It's true. Nothing will cure her renal dysplasia...but Nelly doesn't seem bothered. Now that I've had some time to adjust to the news, it bothers me less and less. My puppy is happy, loving, and having a grand time chewing on anything she can find. What else could I ask for her? I think when she gets really sick, it will be hard for me. But for now, everything is really okay.

I guess this is another happy ending tail!



## There's A New Vet In Town!!!

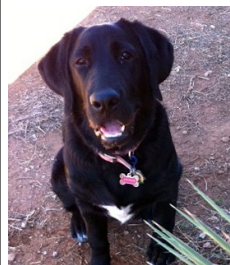
Those of you who live in Cornville, AZ will be happy to know that we now have a new Veterinarian in town. That is a big WOW for a town of 2,000 people! I was driving by on Page Springs Rd. and saw the sign that said Cornville Pet Clinic. I had to stop in and see what that was all about. I met with Dr. Jerry Oler and welcomed him to the neighborhood. When I got his spay/neuter rates I was even more happy! Please stop by and say hello to Dr. Oler and tell him that Morning Starr Animal Sanctuary sent you. 1050 S. Page Springs Rd. Suite C, Cornville. 634-1445



## MAGGIES CORNER



Maggie graduated her puppy class and she can play perfectly! It was more of a social class. She will be starting her advanced obedience class next week. She was barking when she was in the car and would see people outside. What we did was when she would bark I would say, “no bark”! if she stopped then I would give her a treat and say “good no bark.” It seems to be working and she is getting better. She seemed to do it most at the post office when I went for the mail so I spend a little more time when I go and do a little training while I am there. People watching think I am crazy... “No bark... Good no bark!” give treat. I started taking her to the doggie park as often as possible to meet other dogs and to see other people besides me. I am not crazy about dog parks and still take care to protect her from other dogs that the owner is not watching well. Remember that if you have any problems with you puppies to ask a trainer in your area and try to fix the problem right away. Always chose a trainer that used positive methods and is never harsh. Maggie is still getting up around 4 am to ask to go outside potty, but is very consistent during the day to let herself out the doggie door. All in good time.



## WYATT, NOW WHAT?



Two months ago we were dealing with colic. A little time goes by and all of a sudden Wyatt is limping. His legs did not seem swollen so we just gave him some bute powder for those old legs. As the days pass it seems to get worse and he can hardly walk. We get the vet in to check it out and after about 5 minutes he finds out that it is an abscess on the bottom of his hoof. He makes a nice little hole in the bottom of his hoof and out comes a very nasty looking liquid. He bandages it and of course it falls off in 2 days. Keeping it clean was hard to do so I got out the big plastic boot. Put it on his foot and then filled it with salt water so it could soak all day and continue draining. It seemed to work good and he stopped limping within two days.

## It Takes a Village!!!

Morning Starr is helping with a large cat rescue in lake Montezuma area! When we got an email and were asked what we could do to help with a large cat rescue we told them we were willing to help with the cost of the spay/neuter of these cats and kittens in order to get them into new homes. A very responsible pet owner in the Lake Montezuma area notices a very dire situation. Instead of doing nothing she decided to take this situation on and get these kittens and cats into new homes. You may have seen the notices for kittens in your vets office or in the Ad King newspaper. We worked together with this person and with the Red Rose Inspiration for Animals. I love it when it all comes together. The only way to solve these problems from continuing is the spay and neuter of these animals so that more will not be born. It is so great to see people in the community and organizations work together to get it done. I always say that “it takes a village!!” If you are interested in some very cute kittens please contact Karen at 928-300-9151 or email [karenm1313@msn.com](mailto:karenm1313@msn.com)



**Please give to our SNAP program to help us to continue to help in these situations!**

## CAT RESCUE NEEDS HELP!



Jaime from Hooves, Paws and Claws has many lovely kittens for adoption. All are spay/neutered, thanks to assistance by Morning Starr's SNAP program. They are all vaccinated too. Jaime can also use some other things. Please give her a call if you are interested in any young kittens or wanting to volunteer with her rescue.

**CALL JAIME at 567-7022**

Morning Starr is not associated with this rescue and is putting this ad as a public service



There is a cool way to raise money, every time you shop online or search the web, and I think you should check it out:

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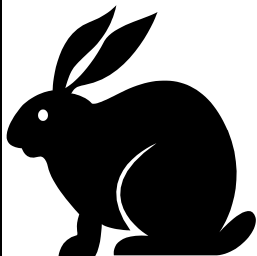
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a new search engine powered by Yahoo!, and raise a penny or more for us every time. Guess what, even window shopping can help! When you visit online stores each visit counts as an entry in their \$50,000 Surfathon sweepstakes where you can win a prize for your cause! They're giving away \$1000 in prizes, every month through the end of the year! I hope you'll join for more chances to win - just create your free iGive account and check out their stores.

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**\$346.57 raised so far!**



Lori is not well and is now having to move from her present location. She also has 4 bunnies for adoption to good homes. For more information please contact Lori @ 928-592-8153. These are not Morning Starr animals but we are trying to help find them homes through this ad.

Be Humane



Neuter or Spay

### The SNAP counter

This is a running total of how many dogs and cats we have spayed and neutered with our Spay Neuter Assistance Program, thanks to you!

**Dogs & Cats 312**

### DETAILS OF OUR SNAP PROGRAM

If you need assistance to spay or neuter your pet, we can help you with our Spay Neuter Assistance Program (SNAP)! Morning Starr will pay \$\$ towards your spay/neuter vet bill:

Cat neuter \$30  
Dog neuter \$50

Cat spay \$40  
Dog spay \$60



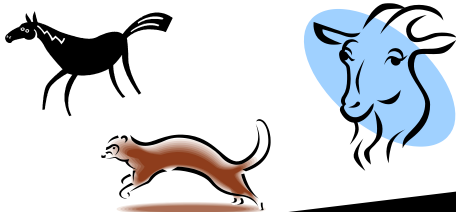
Our senior spay neuter assistance is on hold for now but you would get the same assistance as above.

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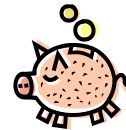
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**Please give generously.**

**Thank you in advance for your generous gift.**



## Help! We Always Need Lots Of Stuff!

- **Alfalfa Hay** or any other feed may be purchased at Olsen's Grain. If you leave your name and address, a tax receipt will be sent to you. Call Olsen's at 928-649-3900 they know exactly what we need.
- Halters, lead ropes, new or used.
- **Lots of Equine Sr. for the Sr. horses.**
- **Corral Panels**
- Timothy hay for rabbits.
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- **Horse corral panels**
- Surgical bandages and equipment.
- Ferret pine pellet litter (must be wood pellets).
- Ferret Hammocks and baby blankets, litter boxes (small), ferretvite.
- **STRAW**
- **Equine Senior**
- Goat Cob, sweet feed.
- Donate to our spay/neuter fund!
- **Grant Writer**

**We need corral panels! Anyone who has any, old, new, rusty, it does not matter. Will pick up.**



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**Little donations add up  
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