

Beagle Bugle

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T-SHIRTS FALL 2008!

We are now taking orders for Brigade t-shirts and bags – last day to turn in your order and money is Wednesday, October 8th and delivery is at the November 1st meeting! Order forms are at the meeting and on the website and can even be mailed! Think “holiday gift-giving”!

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT!

As we approach our FOURTEENTH year in existence this October, I stopped to ponder on all the people who help to make the Beagle Brigade the success it is! So, over the coming year, I would like to put the “spotlight” on the various volunteers who help run this big club!

We'll start with the group who keep track of who is there and who they brought – our **Registration** table folks! This dedicated bunch comes early to the meetings to help set up things and then they distribute the nametags for the members and also keep a running tally of the number of beagles – this is the only way we have to count them, as the beagles don't stand still for long!

Darlene is the loving mom of Jax, Max, Winston, Cindy and Cruiser! It's quite a job just getting her pack to the meeting! Susan is the happy mom of Copper, one of our regal older beagles! Robert, father of Boomer and Snoopy, gave up a transfer to AZ to stay with us. Lois, mom of Carrie and Buckley, often travels from other states just to be here. The group also comprises of Darlene's friends Vickey and Gary and some others who substitute as needed are Dave (also our Chief Coordinator), Robin, mother of Jude, and our Rosemary!

While we all play, this dedicated group is hard at work keeping track of our records, so please take a minute and thank them for their hard work for YOUR Brigade!

-Laura

BEAGLE BRIGADE SCHEDULE

Oct 4	Monthly Meeting – RAFFLE!
Nov 1	Monthly Meeting – shirt orders returned!
Nov 15	Mid-month Walk – San Elijo Lagoon!
Dec 6	HOLIDAY GRAB BAG PARTY!

OCTOBER 2008 RAFFLE!

Funding an organization has never been so much **fun** as what we do at the Beagle Brigade! No dues are collected nor are donations solicited, but we meet our yearly budget of \$2000 by having a FANTASTIC time with our bi-yearly raffles! 50-60 of the greatest beagle items are offered, all beautifully gift-wrapped, and the excitement of seeing WHO is going to win WHAT is overwhelming! Please come to the October meeting and help support your club and have a lot of **fun** doing it!

WALK AT SAN ELIJO LAGOON

If you don't know what a shallow-water estuary is, then this is your chance to learn! The San Elijo Lagoon is famous for its coastal wetlands and on this self-guided walk, you will have a chance to see the flora and fauna, including up to 295 bird species! The paths are wide and flat, so this is considered an EASY walk. And, to make it even BETTER, we will be serving our famous Rosemary and Gib's Tailgate Breakfast! Pick up your flyer at the meetings or print from the website! See you Saturday morning, November 15th at 10 a.m.!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 6TH – OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY
GRAB BAG PARTY – FOR THE BEAGLES!!!**

SURVEY 2008!

65% of our members who took the Survey have one beagle, 28% have two beagles, one member has three and TWO members have FOUR beagles!! 49% of you attend all or most of the meetings, but 39% do not attend any mid-month walks because of distance, work, age of beagle, prior commitments or just plain forget!

50% read all or most of the Bugles and only 6% never read them! Visits to the Beagle Brigade website are at an all-time high of 77%, but our leading statistic was that 88% know of our Beagle Adoption program! 44% of our members learned about BB from other members, 23% found us on the web, and 30% learned from other means, like our license plate frames! The final rating of our meetings for Great/Good was 100% - your club officers appreciate the kudos! Thanks to all who participated in this – we loved the comments, too!

BEAGLE OF THE MONTH!



Sparki Harwayne-Elkind has been coming to the Brigade for years and still enjoys it!!!

ADOPTION CORNER

The summer has been incredibly busy for our great Adoption Coordinator, Rosemary, and she now has over **EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY** adoptions completed! Rosemary diligently works with 22 San Diego shelters and rescue groups, plus families displaced by the housing industry crisis and others. If you need help for your beagle or would like to give a needy beagle a home, please contact Rosemary at her new email address:

beagleadoptions@earthlink.net

Directions to Poway Dog Park

Meetings are held the First Saturday of Each Month at 9 AM.

From Interstate 15, take Poway Road east about 4.3 miles until you reach Bowron Road. Turn right at the library and follow Bowron until it ends. Parking is on the right. Follow the sidewalk and the sound of happy beagles to Pen #1!

EVENING STROLL BALBOA PARK 2008!

Once again we amazed San Diego's tourists with a huge crowd of beagles walking through Balboa Park on a beautiful June evening – it was definitely cooler there than in most parts of the county! We saw the new Butterfly Garden, the Rose Garden, the Southwest Garden and other sights – what a great time we had!



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Monthly Reminders – Please...

- Absolutely no treats, please! Competition for food can lead to biting and fights.
- When entering or leaving the dog runs, always keep one of the two gates closed.
- Watch for and clean up poop, even if it is from someone else's dog.
- Discourage any aggressive behavior, including humping of other dogs.

See you October 4th at 9 a.m. in pen #1!

Attendance

August meeting
97 Summer Beagles!

September meeting
121 Holiday Beagles

Beach Party
38 Sandy Beach Beagles!