

Genius Dog Newsletter

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“Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole.” Roger Caras

Local Animal Services & Licensing

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The **County of San Diego Department of Animal Services** located at 5480 Gaines Street in San Diego (San Diego Region) provides dog licensing and animal control services for the unincorporated areas of San Diego County and the cities of Carlsbad, Del Mar, Encinitas, San Diego, Santee, and Solana Beach.

Note: Dog owners who reside elsewhere in San Diego County may [click here for a listing of organizations that provide animal related services for other cities.](#)

Ensure that your dog is currently vaccinated against rabies. Dog owners are required by law to have their dogs vaccinated against rabies by a veterinarian and licensed by the time the dog is five months of age, or within 30 days after obtaining or bringing any dog over four months of age into this jurisdiction, and

dog owners are required to renew the dog license before it expires. You may apply online, by mail, or in person.

For additional information concerning dog licensing or other aspects of responsible pet ownership, please visit the County of San Diego Animal Services website at <http://www.sddac.com/index.asp>.



Animal Friends of the Valleys (formerly LEAF) located at 33751 Mission Trail in Wildomar provides animal services to the cities of Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, Wildomar, Murrieta, Temecula and Menifee. (Lost animals from the city of Menifee are housed at Ramona Humane Society in San Jacinto. If you find an animal, please take him to Ramona Humane

Society. The Southwest Communities Animal Shelter in Wildomar cannot accept Menifee animals.) The humane and animal services officers respond to calls from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. They also respond to all EMERGENCIES within the city limits of the above cities after regular business hours.

State laws and city ordinances mandate that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies and licensed at the age of four months or within thirty days of moving into a city. The city of Lake Elsinore also requires that all cats be licensed.

For additional information, please visit the Animal Friends of the Valleys website at <http://www.animalfriendsofthevalleys.com/>.



Why “No!” doesn’t always work By Carmela Lutz, CPDT-KA

When my daughter was about five-years-old she wrote on her bedroom door with a permanent black marker. I told her not to do that again. A couple hours later when I was checking in on her, I noticed she had drawn a picture on her bed sheets. I told her “No! Stop drawing on your sheets!” Later that evening when it was time to tuck her into bed, I saw she had drawn a flower on her leg with a blue pen. So what’s the moral of this story? Saying “No!” doesn’t always work with children or dogs.

Simply saying “No!” doesn’t provide any further information or instructions. You assume it will stop the behavior, but that doesn’t mean the behavior it is replaced with will be any more acceptable than the one you just stopped. By giving your dog a cue/command, you are communicating exactly what you want your dog to do. So, instead of yelling “No!” at your dog whenever he jumps up on someone, tell your dog to sit.

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STORE DISCOUNTS!!!

Take an additional 10% off all items (including clearance items) for the months of March & April.

NEW PET PRODUCTS COMING IN APRIL.

Check out our online store for some great new products. Our store's website is www.GeniusDogTraining.com/store

MAY TRAINING SPECIAL!!!

All previous clients (orientation, workshop, private training, or group classes) are eligible for 15% off all private, in-home training when registered during the month of May.

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Wylie's Corner

Hey, want to have some fun?

Take your human to the **2013 Walk for the Animals** on Saturday, May 4th from 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM at NTC Park at Liberty Station Point Loma, San Diego.

NEW LOCATION!

A scenic two-mile walk with an optional half-mile walk (if your human ate too much at the pancake breakfast), live music, pet-friendly vendor village, prizes & activities for you and your 2-legged companion.

This is a great activity for the whole family. Register for the walk or donate today by visiting the website below...
www.sdhumane.org/walk

For those seafaring dogs here is a great way to spend the day with your human and it's free (for you at least, your human has to pay \$24)...ain't it great to be a dog!

The **13th Annual Pet Rescue Day on the Bay** will be held on Saturday, May 18th with one-hour tours at 9:30 AM, 11:15 AM, and 1:00 PM.

NEW TIMES!

Location: 1066 North Harbor Drive, San Diego (between Broadway Street and Ash Street).

Hornblower's popular, pup-friendly Pet Day is a towel and blanket drive and fundraiser benefiting the homeless animals

of the Helen Woodward Animal Center (that's where I was adopted from).

For additional information or to book your cruise, visit the website below...

<http://www.hornblower.com/port/overview/sd+petdayonbay>



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