

Volunteer Voice



**Tell a friend!
Make a New Year's
resolution to refer a
friend to come
volunteer in 2012**

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Voices

What is your New Year's Resolutions to help the animals?

Be Brave and Stand Up for what I believe in!

Cactus Mok, Volunteer

Save more dogs!

Sue Zucker, Rescue Group Coordinator

Design and implement team building for volunteers.

Candace McGrew, Program Manager

Adopt at least 1 cat every day that I come to volunteer

Pauline Purcell, Volunteer

To help the teen volunteer program.

Aldair Jimenez, Volunteer

If you have a new story and pictures that you would like to share please email them to Nwarring@rivcocha.org

Reminders:

Happy New Year

We will be closed

February 13, 2012

February 20, 2012

Please remember to check your email frequently. Thank you.

Update:

- We are pleased to announce that we now have the new kennel card holders on each kennel for our adoptable cats and dogs. The Animal Care Technician's will be updating the kennel cards on a daily basis. The adoption books that held the kennel cards will no longer be used.
- The dog agility park is currently still closed and off limits. It needs some minor repairs done to help secure the fencing. Rules and grand opening will be announced soon!
- In your honor we will be having our annual Volunteer Appreciation Awards and Dinner sometime in April. I would like to start a serious and dedicated committee to make your event memorable and special. If you have the time, desire, and connections in your community, I would like to invite you to be a part of our Volunteer Appreciation Committee. An email was sent to each of you on January 18th with more details or feel free to see Candace.

January 2012 Birthdays

Angie Alvarez	1/4	Mary Betancourt	1/7	Yasmin Abdi	1/2
Brenda Lara	1/11	Nathaly Sotelo	1/27		
Deane Lares	1/10	Sabria Parker	1/7		
Dorothy Gambina	1/3	Sabrina Prestigiacomio	1/15		
Elizabeth Alvarado	1/14	Suehelen Garcia	1/19		
Elysia Foraker	1/15	Tobin Hannett	1/2		
Emily Lundberg	1/21	Tre Peak	1/25		
Eric Stringer	1/21	Uriel Gonzalez	1/9		
Kristen Gamble	1/20	Wilfred Mallard Jr	1/14		



January 2012 New Volunteers

Abril, Mark	Gonigan, Lisa	Ortiz, Adriana
Adame, Misael	Guerrero, Rayanne	Peak, Tre
Akaniro, Crystal	Harris, Naomi	Sanchez, Natanael
Anderson, Melissa	Hernandez, Melissa	Staley, Olivia
Carlin, Divya	Kishino, Katherine	Vinson, Nancy
Chu, Diana	Kubiak, Janine	Yamashita, Karalynn
Clark, Caitlin	Martus, Mercedes	
Diaz, Angelique	McCullough/Vandermeer, Alicia	
Drake, Roni	Mildebrandt, Amanda	
Estrada, Agustin	Mok, Ka-Ying	

Patrick Fung: Volunteer of the Month



Patrick Fung is doing an amazing job volunteering as a veterinary technician assistant in the clinic. Patrick came to America from Hong Kong five years ago. He obtained a bachelor's degree in civil engineering while living in Hong Kong. He worked as a civil engineering for nine years. After moving to America, Patrick began volunteering at the shelter to get a change of scenery from his civil engineering job.

Aside from volunteering, Patrick does a lot of extracurricular activities outside of the shelter. Patrick has been married for nine years, and has a daughter and a Pomeranian named, Pomy. In his spare time he enjoys sky diving, scuba diving, and photography. For part time work, Patrick is the owner of his own company called Hongseng which is involved in maintaining

internet investments.

He has been volunteering here for over six months. In those six months, he has accumulated 576 volunteer hours. The time and commitment that Patrick has put into the clinic, earns him the honor of being volunteer

Marizela Cabrera :

Volunteer Choice for Employee of the Month



Marizela, has been working at the shelter for two months and has already made a great impression with the volunteers. She began working here because she wants to make a difference in the lives of animals. When Marizela is not at work she loves to spend time with her fiancé and two kids, Donell and Jackson. She also enjoys listening to music and playing video games on Play Station 3. Marizela has two dogs; a poodle named Paris, and a terrier poodle mix named Coco Channel No. 5. Before working at the shelter, Marizela worked at an animal hospital which taught her a lot about animals.

She loves her new job and the people she works with.

She is always willing to help the volunteers with any questions that they have, and is always polite to the staff, customers, and volunteers. Way to go Marizela, we appreciate you!

Volunteer in Action

