



Canine Comfort

*a non-profit
organization helping
dogs in need*

YEARLY UPDATE

From April 2009 through January 2010 Canine Comfort, Inc. has been very busy. This is an accounting of what we have accomplished thus far this year.

Thirty puppies were taken in, wormed, vaccinated and held for a period of time to be sure all were healthy. They were then surrendered to Alaska Dog & Puppy Rescue (“ADPR”) for adoption. ADPR always lets us know when they are adopted and so far all puppies have been adopted. Sue and Craig Luchsinger adopted one of the beautiful boys and Kathy Sweeney just couldn’t live without a gal with wiry hair.

Three adult dogs were given up to Canine Comfort. Two were sent in to be spayed, one to be re-homed and one returned to Aniak to a new forever home. One was sent to Alaska SPCA where he was adopted before the week was out into a home fit for a king.

Seven loose/stray dogs were taken in until the owners were found and notified.

Twenty-five phone calls from concerned citizens were responded to. We would like to thank those who care enough to have Canine Comfort, Inc. check on questionable animal situations. Thank you.

Assistance was given to **three** homes concerning containment success. The proper set up of runners and positioning of dog houses is important for the dog to be happily contained.

Nineteen calls for medical treatment were dealt with. These treatments are the vaccination of dogs and puppies, the removal of stitches, an accidental poisoning, dog fighting injuries and a dog that was shot. Some of these calls were assisted by Dr. Robert Sept via telephone.

One little dog was given an overnight stay at Kathy Sweeney's home and put onto his homeward flight the next morning.

Kalskag, Kwigillingok, Toksook Bay and Mt. Village were in need of our assistance with the re-homing of puppies, the feeding of starving dogs and the emergency treatment and rescue of a puppy with a string embedded into her neck. Canine Comfort, Inc. is very grateful to ADPR for quickly responding to these needs. And to all the people who donated dollars for food to be sent out to dogs in need.

We are able to provide straw for sale to pet owners for their dogs who live outdoors. Our high school shop class made it possible for **four** more dogs to have a more comfortable winter. Thank you to the wood shop teacher and students.

On April 12th and October 11th 2009, Dr. Sept was here to provide veterinary care. Canine Comfort, Inc. was proudly able to provide pet owners monetary help for **twenty-two** dogs and cats by subsidizing the cost of surgeries by approximately 40%.

On May 11th 2009 Bev, Sue and Kathy were interviewed for the Purina Pro Plan magazine, Rally to Rescue. The good folks of Purina did an excellent job with this article about our efforts here in bush Alaska. Thank you again. With this publication we gained many people interested in helping us educate, provide better care and rescue domestic animals that otherwise may have perished.

On May 22, 2009 Kathy Sweeney received her lay vaccinator certification.

On June 20th 2009 news anchor, Andrea Gusty, interviewed Sue Luchsinger and Kathy Sweeney for Channel 11. Thank you Andrea, many people did see that piece out here and are better informed on the proper care of their pets.

On July 21st 2009, Kathy Sweeney was invited to speak at Kids Camp about how to be safe around strange dogs, the proper care and training of a puppy, and the best way to care for a dog going to have puppies. Sookie, one of Canine Comfort's puppies at that time came along to demonstrate all the commands she learned in only a short two weeks. Of course she was a huge hit. Thank you for inviting Canine Comfort, Inc. to Kids Camp.

On August 15th 2009 a benefit concert was put on by Rally to Rescue called "Pipe Line to Rescue". All proceeds and donated goods from this event were slated for us here in Aniak, but sadly we have not received anything from

this event. Those companies, here in Aniak, who were contacted for this event, we thank you just the same for your support and good will to help us provide for the homeless and hungry animals we will continue to provide for.