

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT  
TO THE  
BOARD OF ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSIONERS  
FOR THE MONTHS OF  
DECEMBER 2007**

At the meetings of December 10, 2007, and December 17, 2007 the General Manager or his designee provided the following updates, summary of activities, and information about events in November and December. The Board did not meet on December 24, 2007, due to the Christmas holiday.

**Announcements:** On November 21, 2007, the Department graduated its first class of Animal Control Officers under the leadership of Officer Chris Carroll, who recently assumed overseeing the ACO Training Program. Nine officers graduated the program and received their badges.

On December 2, 2007, the General Manager attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Stray Cat Alliance Cat Club fund raising event with Commissioner Riordan and Council Member Dennis Zine at the Wilshire Ebell Theater. At the event, Assembly Member Lloyd Levine was honored for his work on AB 1634. Also Commissioner Riordan's public service announcement with St. Louis Cardinals Manager Tony LaRussa was publicly viewed for the first time.

On December 4, 2007, Assembly Member Lloyd Levine held a press conference at the East Valley Animal Care Center to announce the kickoff of the second round of his **AB 1634 Spay/Neuter Campaign**. Renowned game show host Bob Barker and other celebrities and members of the media attended the press conference. Along the same lines, the Department is still working with City Council, the Mayor's Office, and the City Attorney's Office on the development of a Citywide spay/neuter ordinance.

**Department Personnel:** The Department's 6<sup>th</sup> veterinarian officially started her first day working for the Department on December 10, 2007. In its ninety-nine year history we believe, this team of six veterinarians is the most the Department has ever employed at one time.

The Department announced that it is actively recruiting to fill the positions of the Public Relations Specialist and the Volunteer Program Manager.

**Department Events:** On November 29, 2007, the Department hosted the Grand Opening of the new West Valley Animal Care Center at 10:00 AM. Commissioners Riordan, Ponce and Quincey attended, as well as Council Member Greig Smith, Assembly Member Lloyd Levine and actress-rescuer Linda Blair.