

# Malibu Life

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Photos by Nancy Rosenquist / TMT

The Los Angeles Pet Memorial Park and Crematorium, founded in 1929, is the final resting place to some 40,000 beloved pets, including those owned by film stars such as Albert Hitchcock, Charlie Chaplin, Rudolph Valentino, William Shatner and others.

## L.A. Pet Memorial ushers beloved companions into afterlife



Flowers and tennis balls litter the park on gravestones such as this one, which reads, "Play Ball, Run Amok, Be Your Alpha Self, Do it All..."

*Founded in 1929, nation's second-oldest pet cemetery in nearby Calabasas is a shrine to beloved companions.*

By Nancy Rosenquist  
Special to The Malibu Times

They are our family, friends and neighbors. In Malibu we see them hanging out on restaurant patios, in grocery stores and playing at the beach. We get used to their presence. Then, one day, as with all beings, they are gone. Decisions must now be made.

Nestled among the rolling hills of what is today Calabasas is the historic Los Angeles Pet Memorial Park and Crematorium. Just the second pet cemetery in the country when it opened in 1929—the first was the Hartsdale Pet Cemetery, dedicated in 1896 in Westchester County, New York—animal lovers of all kinds have been coming here to lay their beloved pets to rest for more than eight decades.

A walk through the park shows how dedicated people have been to their pets even years later. Out-of-towners make pilgrimages to visit; fresh flowers, dog toys and gravestones with pictures of pets literally cover the grounds. **See Pet cemetery, page B6**

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## Program offers society for adult disabled

*Founded by local parents, Creative Steps offers lifelong assistance and training to adults with disabilities.*

By Homaira Shifa  
Special to The Malibu Times

While there are many programs for children with mental disabilities throughout school, what happens when they graduate? A group of local parents wrestling with this question in extremely personal circumstances—See "Creative Steps," page B4



Julie Elkstrom / TMT

Nolan Hillis draws horses while waiting his turn.



## Malibu's Best Shot

Davis Mendoza captured surfer Novi Terzani catching a big one during some particularly heavy wave action on local beaches on March 1.

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