

California  
Potbellied  
Pig  
Association

# CPPA eNEWS

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**It's Party Time!**  
**This Saturday, June 6**  
**at Belly Draggers**  
**Ranch in San Martin**

If you can make it to the South Bay this weekend, come visit the two dozen lucky pigs that call Belly Draggers home.

Join your gracious hosts Cathy, Eva and Ercell and fellow pig fans for an afternoon of live music plus great food, drinks, a silent auction and pig tours.

**The party is from 1-3 PM.** For more info/RSVP, email [eiiepigs@garlic.com](mailto:eiiepigs@garlic.com), or visit: [www.bellydraggersranch.com](http://www.bellydraggersranch.com)

Hannah will be waiting for her belly rub!



## Considering Adding a New Pig to Your Family? There's No Time Like the Present

The current economic climate and the rise of foreclosures has resulted in more displaced pets than usual.

If you are in a situation where you may have to forfeit your home, please consider not only how these circumstances will affect your human family, but how your pets will have to adjust to the changes as well.

Should you determine that keeping your pets with you is not possible, take responsibility for your animals' lives and well-being and find them a new family. The number of animals

being dumped or left behind to starve on abandoned properties is staggering.

CPPA is updating the adoption page of its website frequently. Due largely to the increase of people losing their homes, there is an influx of potbellies in need of adoption.

At the time this was written, there were 8 pigs in the Northern California area profiled on the site. Be sure to click on the photo of the pigs to learn more about them.

[www.cppa4pigs.org/Rescues.html](http://www.cppa4pigs.org/Rescues.html)

If you've been thinking about increasing the snout count in your home, now is a great time to do so.

You can help a homeless pig through a tough transition while helping its former family have the peace of knowing their "child" will be cared for.

That being said, however, please do not bring a pig home without taking the proper precautions. You'll need to arrange a space so the animal can ease its way into your family and keep it separate from other pigs until dominance is determined.

[On a related note: Story on Overworked Rescuers:](http://www.pe.com/localnews/inland/stories/PE_News_Local_S_pigs27.4595d80.html)  
[www.pe.com/localnews/inland/stories/PE\\_News\\_Local\\_S\\_pigs27.4595d80.html](http://www.pe.com/localnews/inland/stories/PE_News_Local_S_pigs27.4595d80.html)

## FUN LINKS

[Silly Swine Flu Song & Video:](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tbt_PuVAVTU) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tbt\\_PuVAVTU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tbt_PuVAVTU)

[World Record Petrait Gallery:](http://www.petraitgallery.co.uk/home) <http://www.petraitgallery.co.uk/home>

[Pigs Can Play Video Games:](http://www.all-creatures.org/articles/ar-pigscanplay.html) <http://www.all-creatures.org/articles/ar-pigscanplay.html>

## Member-to-Member Questions

CPPA members have posed the following questions recently and **we'd like to hear from YOU** on these topics.

Please send a quick reply with "Q1 -Aggression" or "Q2- Water" in the subject line to: [info@cppa4pigs.com](mailto:info@cppa4pigs.com)

### Question #1: Aggression

If you have a pig that is (or was) aggressive, **is it male or female** and **how old**



**were they** when they started to behave aggressively?

### Question #2: Water

What do you recommend for a heated watering system that will allow the pig to drink out of it, since their jowls are so big?

