

**Elmer DOB 12/22/22  
9 1/2 Months Old**

**Thank you Sepulveda Golf Tournament for Elmer's  
sponsorship to help make a difference .**





**Down in Madjeska Canyon watching cow herding and gettin Elmer arounds a busy outdoor environment with live music, horses, cows, and good old country living.**







**Elmer did so well and was so calm watching the cowboys ride their horses as they herded the cows. He showed no signs of fear and settled well after the show.**



**It's August.... Golf tournament time.**



**This was Elmer's first golf cart ride. He was a bit nervous and it took a little to get him to face forward and look out the window.**







**Greeting the  
golfers.**



**Taking in the  
view**



**Getting lots  
of love from  
a golfer.**



**With El Presidente Janie and family. Janie you are OCGDA's most loved and all your support for GDA/TLC is undeniably the biggest gift to give.**



## Practice makes Perfect



I try to get Elmer used to things that are a part of our everyday life and that one day he might have to walk his human by unexpectedly. So I have him watch the Garbage truck to get used to the sounds.

Below:

I took Elmer to the hospital to practice walking through the offices, elevators and the revolving door.







**Practicing walking on different surfaces and watching the shopping cart roll over the bumps.**

**Below:**

**We went out for breakfast and ran into a "Guide Dogs for the Blind" PIT and they both did so well not interacting with one another**

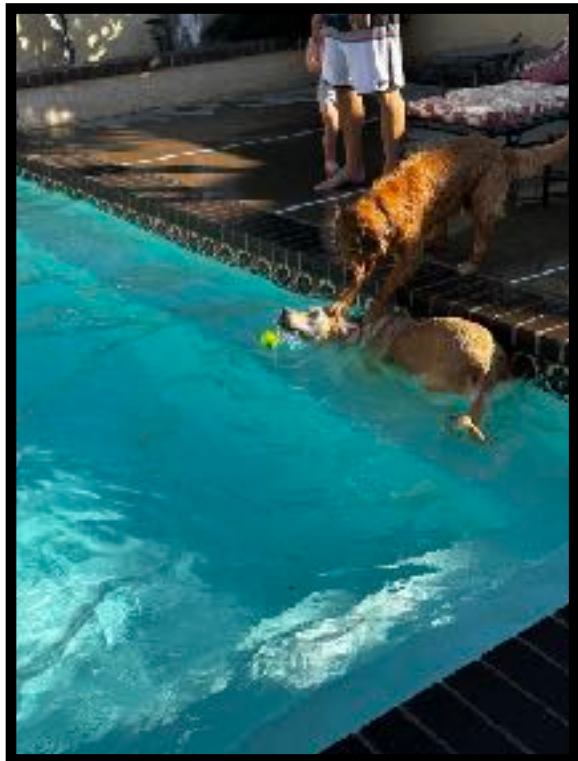




We take Elmer next door to our neighbors house and to my in laws to learn proper pool/water etiquette. Though he's a golden retriever he does need practice to learn to swim. His impulse control to not jump in the water even though his friends are in the pool was spot on.



## POOL PLAY TIME





Road trip to Laughlin to visit a family friend in the hospital. Elmer did so well with his impulse control with not running down to the river and try to swim.  
Elmer had great hotel etiquette



This trip was literally a 24 hour turnaround and we had to implement on exercises so we practiced "come" command in the empty halls were Elmer could run and stretch his legs..

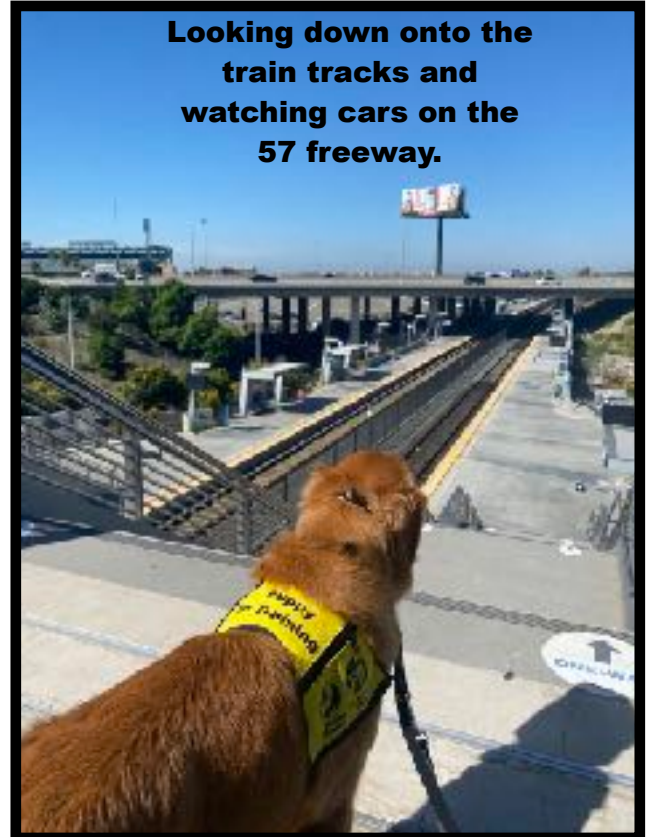




# OC Service Animal Training day in Anaheim Transportation Station



**Walking side by  
side down stairs**



**Looking down onto the  
train tracks and  
watching cars on the  
57 freeway.**





**Above Elmer is practicing going up the Wheel chair lift into a bus.**

**Left:**

**Elmer is calmly positioned in a "Close" on a bus ride full of dogs.**

**Right:**

**Elmer practicing with a different handler and one of our sweetest friend Nancy.**





**Elmer at his first concert. We are at  
RSM concert in the park for Yatch  
Rock music.**

**Elmer settled in so easy and was  
unfazed by all around him. I was so  
proud of him.**





# Halloween





**Loving time with family.**

**Thank you so much Sepulveda Building  
Materials for sponsoring this SWEET boy  
Elmer.**

**He is so intelligent, confident, and truly  
lovable.**

**He melts our heart everyday and we are so  
proud to raise him. Your generosity is beyond  
the words thank you and we are very  
blessed to have this opportunity you have  
given Elmer and us.**

**Lots of love,  
Elmer, Charlene, and Alex Gagnon.  
Paws and Kisses**

