



For Pets' Sake Humane Society

The Companion

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Supporting Planned Pethood: Volunteers working to improve the lives of companion animals in Montezuma & Dolores Counties, Colorado

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IT'S FEELING LIKE FALL!!

Fall is in the air! Cooler temperatures are **finally** here and it is hard to believe we are already into October.

It's time once again to enjoy spooktacular treats at the FPS Halloween Bake Sale on October 28. Taste buds that have been on hold over the summer will be brought back to life with Halloween bake sale sweet treats.

Completing the FPS fall season of events, the 20th Annual Turkey Trot will take place Thanksgiving morning. Please plan to join us for this Thanksgiving tradition and add a new commemorative T-shirt to your collection.

Another change that happens every fall is our election of officers. All our current officers were re-elected. Lynn Dyer, President; Pam Smith, Vice President, Rachel Caciagli, Secretary; and Liz Markum, Treasurer

FPS has just finished an amazingly successful Yard Sale and we are so grateful to all those who labored to make it such a success. The community came through with lots of donations and followed up with lots of purchases at the sale. The Yard Sale Team can't begin to thank the many volunteers who put in countless hours to make the sale exceptional. Without them, the sale would not have been possible. We are grateful to have raised over \$16,800 to help many needy animals and their owners in our community.

FPS, however, still faces the same reality... we need new, young blood if the organization is to continue. Fundraising events take their toll more with each passing year, especially on older volunteers, many of whom have other responsibilities in the organization as well. Case in point, bottle babies had to be fed every 3 1/2 hours by Marian Rohman, one of the three yard sale organizers. Another of the organizers, Pam Smith, needed to have her fosters fed while she was at the sale. Some of them were not very neat in their feeding routines. Third yard sale organizer Rachel Caciagli had to prepare transport crates for 13 kittens who went to new forever homes the Tuesday following the yard sale.

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The responsibilities of For Pets' Sake Volunteers never stop, and more help is needed to meet all the needs of animals in our community. Please consider stepping up and helping with our programs and at our fundraisers. Many hands, and stronger hands, make lighter work for everyone, and are necessary if For Pets' Sake is to continue to serve local pets and their people. We are so grateful for our hard working board and volunteers, but as with most non profits, we always need more help. We need YOU.



FPS HUGE FALL YARD SALE - 2023



Monday — Beef Barn 10am



Monday — Set Up Tables



Tuesday — Donation Day



Wednesday — Stuffed to the Rafters with Donations



Sunday — Beef Barn 6pm — All Done!

- ◆ Seven days!
- ◆ Many very tired volunteers!
- ◆ Over \$16,800 raised!
- ◆ Thanks to all!
- ◆ See you next year!



Marian Feeding the Bottle Babies



Marian Feeding the Bottle Babies Again!



Pam's Weston After Lunch

FALL EVENTS

THE SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN BAKE SALE IS COMING!

BAKE! BUY! VISIT! DONATE! ENJOY!

PLEASE SEE THE FLYER BELOW FOR DETAILS



Board Meeting Dates

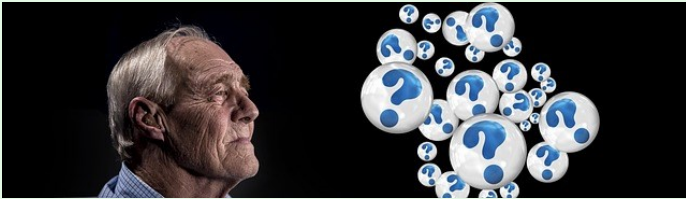
(Now on Mondays, instead of Thursdays)

Monday • October 2nd • 6:30 pm

Monday • November 13th • 6:30 pm

Call for information. (970) 565-7387

IRS, IRA, RMD???



So you have saved diligently over the years and have accumulated funds for retirement in an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). But when you reach that magical age - 70 1/2, 72, or 73 depending on your date of birth - the IRS demands that you take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) every year. The good news is that you can donate all or a portion of your distribution directly to a qualified charity and reduce your taxable income. Please consider donating to **OUR** favorite qualified charity, **For Pets' Sake**, when you do your year-end tax planning. Consult your financial advisor, tax preparer, or fund administrator for details.

The 20th Annual Turkey Trot

It's not too soon to start planning your - and your pet's - costumes for the BEST Turkey Trot in town!

THANKSGIVING DAY

NOVEMBER 23RD

PARQUE DE VIDA AMPHITHEATER

10:00AM - REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:30AM

Join us for a 1 mile FUN walk for pets and their best friends!





Halloween BAKE SALE

To Benefit
**FOR PETS' SAKE
HUMANE SOCIETY**




SATURDAY • OCTOBER 28

10:00am to 1:00pm

CITY MARKET/North Entrance

YOU CAN HELP!

 **Bakers - please drop off your goodies** at City Market Saturday morning starting at 9:30am. *Early drop-offs can be made at NetForce PC (1011 N. Mildred Rd) Friday, October 27th, 9:00am to 5:00pm.*



 **Pick up some home-baked goodies** for yourself, family and friends on Saturday. It's easy!

 Or stop by and **make a Kind-Hearted donation** to For Pets' Sake for pets sake!

If you have any questions, please call (970) 565-PETS/7387

Meet Mindy!

She is a beautiful short-haired tortoiseshell who is looking for a new place to call home. Fourteen years ago, Mindy was a For Pets' Sake foster cat and she was adopted into a very loving home. Fast forward to now - her owner recently had to go into a nursing home so Mindy is finding herself without a person to call her own. She is spayed and up to date on her vaccinations. Due to her age we did bloodwork on her to make sure all her parts were functioning properly and it came back perfect, no health issues at all. She recently had a dental with some extractions which went very well and she is fully healed from that. Mindy is a bit shy to start, but when she gets to know you, she will be your best friend. She loves to lounge in her cat tree or on a cozy bed and she still likes to play a bit. She is very mellow and easy-going. She would prefer to find a home where she can be spoiled as the only child, she is not really into other cats and we are unsure of her past exposure to dogs. If you think you could provide Mindy with a quiet, laid-back place to live out the rest of her years, call 565-PETS/7387 to arrange a time to meet Mindy.



Important Information from Riverview Animal Hospital



ALERT: Please be aware that there is an outbreak of kennel cough in the Denver metro area. Whereas kennel cough is traditionally fairly simple to treat, the strain currently spreading is severe. It is VERY important to protect your pet against kennel cough with a Bordetella vaccine, whether or not you have plans to travel to the front range (as some infected pets will certainly travel *here*). Kennel cough is highly contagious among dogs and can be spread via direct contact, contaminated surfaces, and even the air. The first symptom is typically a dry hacking cough (that sometimes sounds like a honk).

For more information, please refer to this article: : <https://kdvr.com/news/local/severe-kennel-cough-cases-on-the-rise-in-denver-dogs/>

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