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The Companion

December 2024

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Happy Pawlidays!!

Hard to believe that once again the calendar has reached the end of another year. At For Pets' Sake, our weeks and months spin from one animal crisis to another, and then from one animal success to the next. This year has been another rewarding adventure with the number of animals For Pets' Sake has been able to assist, especially those with critical issues. (See a happy story on page 3).

For Pets' Sake wishes you a holiday also shared with friends and loved ones of the two-legged variety. Our four-legged loved ones are always ready to share love (and food) with us at any time of the year, and although we are always grateful for their unselfish love, even they take on a special "sparkle" during the holiday season. (Especially when they wear the tinsel).

In 2024 For Pets' Sake was able to hold a fall yard sale providing much needed income for our programs. Many of you helped with the sale, donated items, and purchased them, resulting in revenue gratefully added to the FPS bank account. Thanks to everyone who participated!! Due to a generous bequest from a member, FPS will be holding off on next year's yard sale. Hopefully by that time new, younger blood will be able to take on the tasks current older board members and volunteers cannot.

For Pets' Sake held three bake sales this year, with the BIG Christmas one coming up this month. Thanks to all of the bakers and buyers. We couldn't get a sugar high without

you! Besides filling tummies, the bake sales also help to enrich the FPS bank account. Pennies For Pets at the Farmers Market brought in much needed currency. It's always fun to see how many people save up their pennies, nickles, dimes, etc. just for this event. FPS is grateful for every coin, dollar, and check received.

In 2024 the tradition continued at the 21st Annual For Pets' Sake Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning. Many of you were anxious to be out and about on a sunny, crisp day to trot your stuff for the benefit of FPS. (See story and photos later in this newsletter).

In the spirit of the holidays, we ask you to please remember For Pets' Sake in your holiday giving. Your holiday request will be arriving in the mail shortly. For Pets' Sake hopes you will, once again, remember all the dogs and cats that depend on FPS, and continue to help us help them. For Pets' Sake sends very best wishes to you, our supporters, and all your furry friends, for a joyous holiday season, full of love, purrs, and lots of wet noses.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!

Lynn Dyer
President



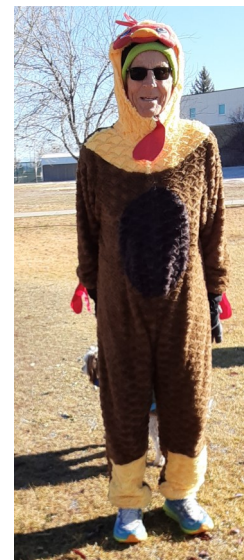
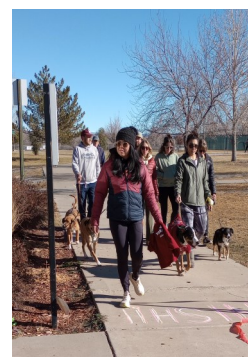
THE 21ST ANNUAL CORTEZ TURKEY TROT...THE TRADITION CONTINUES



An enthusiastic group of pets and their people gathered under a sunny, crystal-clear, Colorado blue sky to participate in the **2024 For Pets' Sake Turkey Trot**. An assortment of dogs, a cat, a miniature horse, and their people had a really fun time. Prizes were awarded for first to cross the finish line, last to cross the finish line, best costume, best trick, and most unusual animal (the judges couldn't decide, so the cat and the miniature horse both won a prize in this category).



A total of \$2040 was raised for the pets in Montezuma and Dolores Counties. Thanks to everyone who participated and special thanks to our business sponsors.



Home for the Holidays

Did you go to the yard sale last year? Do you remember a litter of four sick bottle babies that spent all day at the sale getting fed every three hours? Well, they did finally learn to eat on their own and after nine weeks of diarrhea, they did finally get better.

But one of them didn't quite get all the way better. Macadamia still had some problems finding the litter box even after he was feeling great. His sisters and brother moved on to their new homes, and Macadamia's foster mom decided that she would just keep him since she was okay with his problems. Well, he outgrew them after several months and turned into the liveliest, lovingest, funniest cat in the family. He loves all of his new adopted brothers and sisters, sometimes a little more enthusiastically than they really want. But at 15 months old, he's learning. This is a photo of him with Carly - the oldest cat in the house at 20. She's okay with a wiggly snuggler. At least some of the time. But we're all glad he's found his home for the holidays and forever.



Macadamia at 8 weeks old

*Marian Rohman
Feral Cat Project Coordinator*



A WARM WELCOME to our newest board member Diane Bush. Diane is a community member who has volunteered with FPS for the last couple of years and has answered our call for new board members. Read more about Diane in the February newsletter.

Cliffrose Continues to Support FPS



Ric and his furry best friend Chip

Cliffrose and owner Ric Plese continue the tradition of supporting For Pets' Sake with funds from Desert Dollars. Throughout the year customers receive coupons, called Desert Dollars with their purchases. These Desert Dollars may be redeemed in August and September. If customers do not wish to take their Desert Dollars, Ric collects them and donates the total value of them to For Pet's Sake.

This year For Pets' Sake received \$350 as a result of this unique fundraising idea. What a great year-end gift.

Thank you Ric and all our friends at Cliffrose for your continued support.

Happy Holidays!!

Holiday Bake Sale

December 21, 2024

BAKE! BUY! VISIT! DONATE! ENJOY!
SEE FLYER ON PAGE 5 FOR DETAILS

Sharps Creek Tree Farm

We would like to send a big **THANK YOU** to Ken, Marla, and Shandiin for inviting us to their beautiful tree farm in Cahone last weekend. FPS board members and a volunteer helped to make wreaths while enjoying the cozy atmosphere of the lovingly restored log cabin. And For Pets' Sake received 10% of the proceeds for the weekend! What a great way to get into the holiday spirit! We appreciate your support!



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December 10



Black Friday, Small Business Saturday, Cyber Monday, Shop 'Till You Drop...we all know the popular catch phrases for this time of year. At For Pets' Sake our favorite slogan is "Give Where You Live." Tuesday, December 10th is your chance to do just that! Support care for local dogs, cats, and their people. Donate to For Pets' Sake now through December 10th. Thank You!

[Donate](#)

Just a Reminder

We don't publish a January newsletter in order to give your hard-working board of directors and newsletter editor a holiday break. We'll be back in February.

Board Meeting Dates

Monday • December 9th • 6:30 pm

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Call for information. (970) 565-7387



HOLIDAY BAKE SALE

TO
BENEFIT






FOR PETS' SAKE HUMANE SOCIETY

Saturday, December 21st

10:00am until Sold Out

At CITY MARKET/North Entrance

YOU CAN HELP!

-  Drop off baked goods at City Market Saturday morning starting at 9:30am. *Early drop-offs can be made at NetForce PC (1011 N. Mildred Rd) Friday, December 20, 9:00am to 5:00pm.*
-  Pick up some home baked goodies for yourself, family and friends Saturday morning. It's easy!
-  Or stop by and make a Kind-Hearted donation to For Pets' Sake for pets' sake!



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