

# **For Pets' Sake Humane Society**

# The Companion

# September 2023

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

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### FOR PETS' SAKE ANNUAL MEETING ELECTS BOARD MEMBERS

On August 20, 2023, For Pets' Sake held its Annual Meeting in Centennial Park. Required in the By-laws, the Annual Meeting is where Board Members are elected, or reelected, and FPS Program Managers present a brief summary of their programs for the year. Reports were given on Cat Foster, Dog Foster, Spay/Neuter, Feral Cat Project, Medical Assistance, Pet Food Assistance, Membership, Grants, and Endowment Fund, Five current board members were up for reelection: Pam Smith, Liz Markum, Lynn Dyer, Rachel Caciagli and Kathy McWhite. Pam and Kathy were re-elected for two-year terms, and the others for three-year terms. A NEW board member, Jack Schuenemeyer, was also elected for a three-year term. Jack is a long-time member and a former board member and we welcome him back on the board. Many of you turkey-trotters know Jack as the pilgrim who leads the trot. Look for information on our new board member in a future newsletter.



A potluck followed the meeting and everyone shared good food and conversation. It was great to see a few members at the event who had not attended previously. One member, Lou King, came all the way from Silverton with his dog and travel companion, Ada, a tripod girl he adopted from For Pets' Sake years ago. Everyone enjoyed Ada's company, as well as Lou's. His travel effort was rewarded with the meeting prize of a set of Animal Art Works Art Cards. Big thanks to everyone who came to the meeting. IF you were not there, please try to join us next year.



Lou & Ada

Thanks to our new, and old, board members, and our members who came to the park for the Annual Meeting. It is great to see everyone and share the successes For Pets' Sake has achieved.

Together we can do so much more!

# **FALL EVENTS**

## THE HUGE YARD SALE IS COMING!

# DONATE! BUY! VOLUNTEER! PLEASE SEE THE FLYER BELOW FOR DETAILS



## **Board Meeting Dates**

(Now on Mondays, instead of Thursdays) Monday • September 11th • 6:30 pm Monday • October 2nd • 6:30 pm Call for information. (970) 565-7387

## Halloween Bake Sale



SATURDAY OCTOBER 28TH CITY MARKET NORTH ENTRANCE 10:00AM to 1:00PM

# 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!



Jack & Gracie at Turkey Trot 2022

# FOR PETS' SAKE HUMANE SOCIETY



Huge Yard Sale!

Wednesday • Thursday • Friday • Saturday September 20 - 23, 2023, 8:00 am-3:00 pm

Montezuma County Fairgrounds, Highway 160, Cortez

DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE BEEF BARN

at the Fairgrounds Tuesday, September 19, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Early donation times and pickup of LARGE items can be arranged. Call 970-565-7387

<u>PLEASE</u> NO computers, printers or other techtronics, NO paint or chemicals, NO televisions and NO tires!

**CALL US TO VOLUNTEER!** 



## For Pets' Sake Food Program

For Pet's Sake runs two low-cost food assistance programs: one for pets, run by Teresa Griffin and Cindy Robsion, and one for outdoor cats, run by Joyce and Dick Lundberg and Marian Rohman. These programs provide much-needed food to cats and dogs in our community at a requested donation of \$5 per 20 lbs of food. The owners and caretakers can receive up to one month's food for each outdoor cat or up to five owned pets. All pets need to be spayed or neutered, all outdoor cats need to be in a registered colony where they have been or will be spayed or neutered through our Feral Cat Project. Food is handed out twice a month at our storage unit.

FPS receives some donations of food from Walmart and occasionally the Colorado Pet Pantry for the pet food program. Our general fund purchases the rest and Cindy picks it up. In the past two pickups, Teresa and Cindy dealt with 30 people who received food for a total of 67 dogs and 34 cats, which came to 2086 lbs of dog food and 340 lbs of cat food and took in \$334.50. That's one month of food. They do this every month.

The food for the Feral Cat Project (FCP) caretakers is paid for by the FCP. Marian signs the caretaker up to work on getting their cats fixed and adds them to the food program, if requested. People who feed the endless stream of abandoned cats at trailer parks are not expected to make donations for the food, but most do anyway. Marian orders the cat food by the pallet (1000 lbs each) and Dick picks it up. In the past two pickups, Dick and Joyce dealt with 30 people (the same number as the pet food program) who had a total of 687 cats. They handed out 3220 lbs of food and took in \$764. Donations pay for about 1/3 of the cost of the food. And again, that's one month of food and they do this every month.

These people are dedicated volunteers helping the animals in our community. They have been working in these programs for years on a totally volunteer basis, sometimes in extreme weather (just think of all of the snow we got last winter). For Pets' Sake is happy to provide this important service to our local pet owners and caretakers, and very, very grateful to these wonderful volunteers.







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