



The Paw Print

The monthly newsletter of Paw Placement of Northern Arizona (PPNAZ)

Keeping people and pets together

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Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line

your local source for pet-friendly information

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Dear Friends,

As 2016 draws to a close I would like to thank everyone who has supported Paw Placement. It is very exciting to see our new programs come to life in our effort to build a “Pets for Life” community! Through *The Paw Print* newsletter (new in 2016) we have done our best to keep you informed about our work and how your donations and volunteer hours have made a difference.

The voucher program continues to prevent unwanted litters and has grown to include vaccines; our volunteers administered the Coconino Humane Association Pet Food Bank; 24 Working Cats are out there doing their jobs, and the Animal Welfare Task Force has brought together shelters, rescues, and animal advocates in an unprecedented collaboration. Just in the last month we proudly announced the printing of the *Pets are Welcome in Flagstaff* brochure to provide a comprehensive list of pet services. And.....drum roll please.....we launched the **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line**. Having just one number to call will make it much simpler for residents to get answers to their questions about “all things pets” and further our goal of helping people keep their pets and take good care of them.

Without the hard work of volunteers none of this would happen. I'd like to say a big THANK YOU to board members Liz Bohlke and Pam Tharp for making it all work, to Sara Farris for running the Pet Food Bank, to Savannah Sidney for coordinating the Working Cats program, to Billie Fedderson and Deb Franklin for backing me up with the medical assistance program, to Ellen Kozub for facilitating the Task Force, to Jeanette Baker for making this newsletter a reality, for researching and designing the Pets are Welcome Brochure, and for helping with grant programs, to Linda Quinn and Michele Mileski for doing whatever needs to be done whenever asked, and to many others who show up when needed. Your commitment and dedication are so very much appreciated!

FACT: spaying female dogs and cats reduces the incidence of mammary cancer, eliminates uterine and ovarian cancer risk and prevents pyometra, a potentially life-threatening infection of the uterus.

Neutering male animals protects them from prostatic hypertrophy and infections, as well as testicular cancer and certain types of hernias.

Finally, please consider Paw Placement for a year-end gift. You can donate online at ppnaz.org/donate. As an all-volunteer organization, one hundred percent of your donations go to our programs and directly benefit pets and the people who love them. We need your donations to continue this work of the heart.

Wishing you all a joyous holiday season and a very Happy New Year!

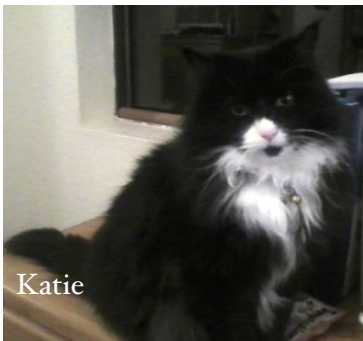
Diane Jarvis, President

Vouchers for Spay/Neuter Surgeries

Fourteen more vouchers were redeemed since October 1. Spay or neuter surgeries were performed on 12 cats and two dogs. Four of the cats were stray and the rest were pets. Thank you to those owners who took advantage of the vouchers to protect their pets and to the people who cared enough for strays to help them, too.

Financial Assistance for Emergency Veterinary Care

Katie, a 15-year-old cat, was not acting like herself. Her person became concerned, especially since the recent loss of her other two

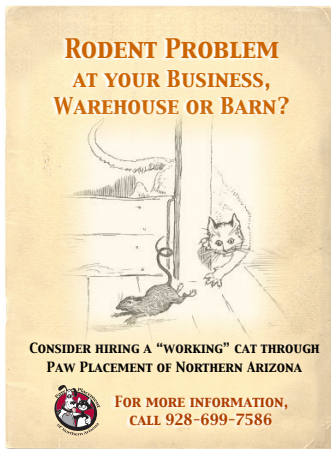


Katie

cats to age-related issues. Her person was not able to afford the tests and other procedures needed to assess Katie's health to determine the cause of her unusual behavior.

"Paw Placement is WONDERFUL! With Paw Placement's help we were able to have Katie thoroughly checked out and treated and now know that she is in purrrfect health for her age. Thank you!"

Elizabeth



Community Cats

There have been two more placements of Working Cats, bringing the total Working Cats placed to 24. The last two cats are still being confined so they will become accustomed to their surroundings. Stay tuned for future updates.

If you are interested in "hiring" a working cat or know someone who may be, go to our website for more information: ppnaz.org/communitycats.

Pet Food Bank

Paw Placement volunteers distributed pet food to 39 families in the month of November. This made a difference for 194 pets (106 dogs and 88 cats). The Coconino Humane Association's Pet Food Bank provides pet food as a temporary resource to eligible Coconino County residents to supplement their pet's food supply. Food is donated by Purina and distributed on the third Saturday of the month at the Coconino Humane Association.

Volunteers are needed to help distribute the food from noon to 3 p.m. on the third Saturday of the month. To help, contact Sarah Farris at sarah.farris@deckers.com.

The Flagstaff Animal Welfare Task Force

Diane and Ken reported significant progress in the Capstone project with students in the university's Computer Science

Department who are developing a survey/application for students who think they are ready to adopt a pet. The survey will contain pop-ups with educational information in addition to the questions about lifestyle, financial status, living arrangements, attitude, and more. The program will contain an algorithm to weigh answers to determine if the person is ready to adopt a pet. If so, they will be given information about pets in our local shelters who meet their criteria. If not, they will get information about alternatives such as volunteering or fostering. There is the potential for additional university support through the School of Communication. If approved, a student class could be responsible for developing and implementing a communication plan for the completed project.

Diane reported that Findlay did a nice job with the launch party for the Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line. It is up and calls have been received. More details will be provided after the line has been in use for a longer period of time.

There was discussion about where the Task Force goes from here, recognizing it had accomplished quite a bit in a short time. Members recognized the need to establish an active Trap/Neuter/Return program for community cats, to define audiences and messages about the importance of spay/neuter, and to identify additional funding opportunities. These topics and more will be discussed at a Task Force strategic planning meeting in January.

You Can Help Us Maintain These Programs

Giving to Paw Placement of Northern Arizona is easy. You can click on ppnaz.org/donate to make a tax-deductible one-time donation or you can sign up (subscribe) to make a monthly donation in an amount that works for you. You also can mail a donation to P.O. Box 942, Flagstaff, AZ 86002.

Shop at amazon.com? If you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon will make a donation to Paw Placement of Northern Arizona. Just go to smile.amazon.com and follow the easy steps to designate Paw Placement of Northern Arizona as the charitable organization of

Other Ways to Give

Shop at AmazonSmile

Shop at Fry's Foods and participate in the Community Rewards Program

Shop online through adoptashelter.com

Visit ppnaz.org/othergiving for details to sign up for these programs.

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Pets for Life - Partner Profile

Karma Sushi Bar Grill

Karma Sushi has been a loyal supporter of Paw Placement of Northern Arizona for many years. A portion of every sale of the Lucy Roll, an item on their menu named in memory of the owner's dog, is donated to Paw Placement.



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Karma Sushi Bar Grill, which opened in Flagstaff in May of 2006, is locally owned and based on the key values of innovation and excellence. The restaurant also is rooted in community, place, and history. They continue to be voted Flagstaff's best sushi year after year.

Owner Steven Scully began in the restaurant business in 1986, first working on the east coast, and then in several high-end sushi restaurants in Arizona. His commitment to the community is illustrated by **Good Karma Tuesday**, which is December 13. On that day ten percent of Karma's proceeds were donated to Second Chance Center for Animals and Paw Placement, in addition to the ten percent year round donation from the sale of the Lucy Roll.



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