



The Paw Print

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

Keeping people and pets together

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Dear Friends,

The holiday season is fast approaching and I'd first like to wish all the best to you, your families, and your furbabies. Just a reminder that with all the rich holiday food and treats being enjoyed, don't share with your cats or dogs. Turkey bones get stuck in throats and guts, chocolate can be very problematic, and that fatty turkey skin can bring on a bout of diarrhea or worse, pancreatitis. And of course ribbons and other decorations are tempting but dangerous. Finally, remember when you have house guests that pets are safer being contained in another room away from open doors.

We had another awesome donation, \$4,500, this time from our partners at Canyon Pet Hospital from their Barks and Brews event. Thank you Dr. Julianne and Chris Miller!



If you are looking for ways to help pets and their people during the holidays, consider a gift to Paw Placement. I know I don't need more scarves or gloves so I ask family and friends for donations that will honor a pet or a family member who loved animals. One new way to give this year is on Giving Tuesday, November 28. #GivingTuesday is a global day of giving fueled by the power of social media. After shopping events like Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season when many focus on end of year giving.

You will be able to go to our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/PawPlacementOfNorthernArizona/> where any donation you make **on that day** will be matched by the Gates Foundation. Of course we welcome donations any other time, and they also can be made on our website, www.ppnaz.org/donate.

And if you need a stocking stuffer, a volunteer has generously created a calendar with photos by her talented husband. One hundred percent of the proceeds from calendars purchased through our website will benefit our many programs to help pets and people. Details are on page 4 of this newsletter.

Again, thanks to all of you for being part of our Paw Placement family!

Diane Jarvis, President

Vouchers for Spay/Neuter Surgeries

In October sixteen vouchers were redeemed resulting in six cats and two dogs being spayed and two cats and one dog being neutered. This will prevent the birth of numerous puppies and kittens that could well wind up in the shelter and euthanized.

If you know of anyone who needs help with the cost of the surgery, please have them call the **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line** at 928-300-4510.



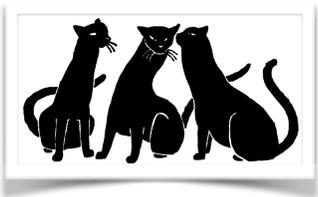
Financial Assistance for Emergency Veterinary Care

“Paw Placement is a life saver. No joke. Rio is now on the mend due to their medical support program. Thank you for all of your help and work with Canyon Pet Hospital. Rio will never eat a corn cob again if we have anything to say about it. He has been a changed pup since this event. He is way more cuddly and thankful. Full of extra snuggles and kisses. It is like he knows he was in trouble then and now is better.”

Kristina

Community Cats

We all know that spaying or neutering community/feral cats reduces the number of kittens born and thus reduces the number of kittens likely to be turned in to the shelter and euthanized. There are other good reasons for preventing the birth of unwanted and homeless kittens. One of those reasons potentially could affect your cat if he/she is an indoor/outdoor cat.



Kittens born outdoors to free-roaming, stray, or feral cats can contract an upper respiratory infection. Mother cats can act as carriers, passing on the infection to their litters. Healthy cats can become infected when they come into direct contact with a sick cat, as in a cat fight. Caught in time, upper respiratory infections can be treated successfully.

Untreated infections can lead to changes in the anatomy of the sinuses leading to chronic sinus infections. In rare circumstances untreated upper respiratory infections can progress to life-threatening pneumonia.

If there are free-roaming, stray, or feral cats in your neighborhood, protect your pet and call the **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line** at 928-300-4510 for help in trapping, neutering, and returning the cats to their community.

Pet Food Bank

Paw Placement volunteers distributed pet food to 47 families in the month of October. This made a difference for 232 pets (40 dogs and 192 cats). This is the last month we will be reporting Pet Food Bank activity as the Coconino Humane Association is resuming responsibility for the pet food distribution. Paw Placement volunteers staffed the Pet Food Bank from August 2015 to October 2017. During that time, 190 families were signed up to receive food for 419 dogs and 387 cats.

You Can Help Us Maintain These Programs

Giving to Paw Placement of Northern Arizona is easy. You can go online to ppnaz.org/donate to make a tax-deductible donation in an amount that works for you. You also can mail a donation to P.O. Box 942, Flagstaff, AZ 86002. We appreciate your support as do the pets and their families.

Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at smile.amazon.com/ch/45-2912962 and Amazon donates to Paw Placement of Northern Arizona.

Support us when you shop this holiday season

Buy your gifts and holiday essentials at smile.amazon.com. You shop. Amazon donates.

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Wildflowers of Coconino County 2018 Calendar

The calendar opens to 8.5 inches wide by 11 inches high and will perk up your home or office or make a great gift. The cost of \$15 includes shipping and handling. All proceeds benefit PPNAZ's plan to create a 21st Century animal shelter. Order now at PPNAZ.org.



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Pets for Life - Partner Profile

Findlay Toyota

Findlay Toyota has been a loyal supporter of Paw Placement for a number of years, most recently as the sponsor of our **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line** which just turned one year old!! One year of providing a valuable resource for pet owners (295 of them to date), answers to their MANY questions about where to find help with everything from temporary boarding, pet behavior training, found wild animals, financial assistance for pet medical emergencies, and spay/neuter or vaccines. In fact, 363 s/n vouchers were sent out to help reduce the number of unwanted animals. Thank you to **Findlay Toyota** for being an awesome community partner and to Michele Mileski for her dedication in answering all these calls!

Clifford O. "Pete" Findlay was a fourth generation Nevadan and an advocate for humanitarian causes, a man of gentleness and compassion, honesty and integrity. Starting with one small used car lot, he eventually founded Pete Findlay Oldsmobile in Las Vegas in 1961 which has now grown into the Findlay Auto Group with 24 dealerships, three of which are in Flagstaff. Pete's grandson, Robby Findlay, lives in Flagstaff and owns Findlay Toyota, Findlay Volkswagen, and Findlay Honda and carries on Pete's legacy of caring for his community.

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