



CLAWS

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A NOTR FROM THE DIRECTOR

It's the holiday season again and 2011 is just around the corner! In January, CLAWS will be 4 years old! I can't believe it has already been four years! In the last four years we have grown from a tiny cat rescue with 5 volunteers, that ran exclusively out of foster homes, to a considerably larger organization with numerous volunteers and a 1600 square foot shelter to house the cats!! **In the last four years, CLAWS has helped to spay/neuter, rescue and provide medical care for 2315 cats! Of that, 2015 have been adopted into new and loving furr-ever homes!!** Those numbers are pretty impressive considering that we have NO paid employees, and many of us have full time jobs and families to take care of! None of this is possible without dedicated volunteers and we appreciate each and every one of our wonderful people that have been with us through thick and thin and continue to support us even as their lives and responsibilities change.

Looking forward to the new year, we are excited about some fun, new and imaginative ways to fund raise for the cats! We have some ideas, but we are still looking for new and original fundraisers. If you have any ideas, we would love to hear them! Anything can be a fundraiser! If you can coordinate a car wash, bake sale, penny drive or anything else, it can really help the cats!

Before we know it, spring will be here, along with many unwanted kittens. We are still struggling to find homes for this spring's unwanted kittens, so please, please encourage your friends, co-workers and neighbors to **SPAY AND NEUTER THEIR CATS!** We have many local veterinarians that are very cat friendly and compassionate, including, Cottonwood Veterinary Hospital, Tiara Rado Animal Hospital, Animal Medical Clinic, Banfield the Pet Hospital and Arrowhead Veterinary Hospital. There is also a new, low-cost alternative in town, Animal Birth Control, headed by Dr. Mark Chamberlin D.V.M. who took over what was formerly known as Planned Pethood Plus. Dr. Chamberlin has been practicing veterinary medicine since 1989, and is a high quality, low-cost alternative for spaying/neutering dogs and cats. His clinic can be reached at (970)523-5487.

Have a wonderful holiday season! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Valerie Mazrin

CLAWS President

KITTY COMMITTEE

Valerie Mazrin CVT....President, Treasurer

Kim Lindsey.....Secretary

Dr. Delio Tamayo DVM....Vice President

Rhonda Cole.....Board Member

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS



Adoptions at PetSmart!!
Every Saturday and Sunday
through the end of the year!!
-10am to 5pm



Come out to PetSmart this weekend (or any weekend!) and look for your new best friend!! We will have every color and age kitty available for adoption, and as always, all of the cats are spayed/neutered, vaccinated and tested for FeLV/FIV and heartworm.

Winter Festival on Main Street!!

Saturday, December 4th
-1pm through the Parade of Lights



This is a great fundraiser for CLAWS every year! We will have a booth in front of Page Parsons Jewelry on Main Street selling holiday goodies including hot cocoa, hot dogs, chili, candy, baked goods, and much, much more to benefit the cats!!



Pet Pictures with Santa to Benefit
CLAWS!

Saturday, December 18th and
Sunday, December 19th
-11am to 4pm at PetSmart



“Santa Paws” is a great fundraiser for CLAWS! Bring in your pet either day and you can purchase a picture with Santa and your pet for \$9.95, and the best part is, \$5 of that will go to CLAWS!! You will get a great keepsake of the Christmas season 2010 and help out the cats at the same time!



CATS ARE AVAILABLE FOR
ADOPTION AT CHOW DOWN
HEALTHY PET SUPPLIES



You can adopt a new friend at Chow Down Healthy Pet Supplies! Chow Down is located in the Redland's Albertson's shopping center. They sell healthy pet foods and earth friendly pet products. We have cats there that are available for adoption 7 days a week! Come and meet the cats that are currently there, Kiwi, Cherry, Libby, Chi Chi and Firecracker! They are all very friendly cats that are very well behaved and would love to have a home for the holidays!



Search Facebook for CLAWS
 Rescue and Adoption Center!

Thank you MOSAIC!



MOSAIC is an organization that runs a day program for individuals with developmental disabilities. In the day program they go on outings to different places around Grand Junction to enrich the lives of their clients. One of the outings that they do is coming to the CLAWS Rescue and Adoption Center to spend time with the cats! They come in each and every Monday, rain or shine! They spend about an hour each week at the shelter, brushing and petting the cats, and just loving on them! MOSAIC provides necessary enrichment, not only in the lives of their clients, but in the lives of our cats here at the shelter. The clients are so happy to see the cats every week! They really look forward to coming out to see them, and we know the cats look forward to their visits too! It's great for the cats to encounter new people and situations, it really helps to keep them social and friendly! You can check out what MOSAIC is doing for the developmentally disabled people in our community at:

www.mosaicinfo.org

Can't Adopt? Here's How You Can Help

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed to help with cleaning the shelter. This is done each and every day. We meet in the mornings at 9am, and stay until the entire shelter has been cleaned, usually until around 1pm. Even if you can only give 1 or 2 hours a week, it is a huge help to our volunteers and cats!

DONATE

Items always needed are **cat litter, bleach, Clorox or Lysol wipes, Lysol spray disinfectant, paper towels, disposable gloves, canned cat food, new cat toys, scratching posts and postage stamps.**

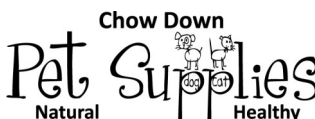


**The 2010 Cat Tails and Cocktails
Gala, Silent Auction fundraiser
was a success!**



We were able to raise over **\$5,000** for the cats (after expenses) with our **2010 Cat Tails and Cocktails Gala!** We had a great turnout, more than we have ever had at a fundraising event! Thanks to Natasha, one of our wonderful volunteers, the silent auction tables looked just gorgeous! Natasha W. spent the entire day setting up the tables, up until right before the doors opened! Thank you so much Natasha! Everyone had such a good time! Dr. Kevin Fitzgerald was hilarious and he even had an educational slide show that he shared with the audience about his animal welfare work in Alaska. It was very interesting to see how conservation efforts have helped the native species in that region!

Thank you again to our sponsors for making the event possible:



We would also like to thank all of our wonderful volunteers that spent so much time over the last year planning and helping to make The 2010 Cat Tails and Cocktails Gala the exciting event that it was: **Rhonda & Greg C., Todd M., Joe M., Alice & John O., Carol C., Teri & Chip, Susan & Alan W., Susan V., Cynthia C., Pearl W., Jeanne S., Tori Z., Caroline & Wes H., Ashley, Kyrsten & Sabyra M.,**

Thank you Joel Hillan from **KJCT News 8** for acting as our emcee for the evening!

Thank you Tinamarie and **Chad Mahlum** for setting up the **Lifestyles Studio Booth** at the Gala! Guests were able to have pictures of themselves with their friends taken for a small fee. They could dress in costumes provided or just be silly! All the money raised from the **Lifestyles Studio Booth** was donated to **CLAWS** by **Tinamarie** and **Chad Mahlum!**

Stay tuned to hear about our next big fundraiser!

Gifts from the Angels

*Start up funding for CLAWS was donated by generous individuals in memory of their loved ones.
We are forever grateful for their charitable contributions to our cause.*



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 choose the amount, and send it along with
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I want to help cats in my community!

**I am sending a donation for the
 amount I've marked below.**

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Address _____

Thank you for your generous donation!
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 your records.**



CLAWS is part of the City Market Cares Elec-
 tronic Fundraising Program!! This allows you
 to donate while doing your regular grocery
 shopping! How it works:

You fill out the form below and mail it in to
 CLAWS. Every time you shop at City Market,
 and show your card, a donation is made to
 CLAWS!! **This does not cost you anything**,
 it is City Market's way of giving back to the
 community. Just show your card each time you
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