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NEW SHELTER UPDATE: FUR BALL III

CRISTYN WEIL

HSOY NEW SHELTER PROJECT CHAIR

At this time, as we are gearing up for the Humane Society of Yuma's third annual Fur Ball, I am excited to report that the response to our request for donors and sponsors has been phenomenal. Fur Ball III is a black tie optional dinner, dance, and auction that will be held on September 12, 2009 at the Yuma Golf & Country Club. One hundred percent of the net proceeds from this event will go to the construction of the new shelter.

This year's theme is "construction"

to celebrate the much anticipated groundbreaking of the new shelter. Despite the summer heat and recession, Yumans are coming out in force to support us and tickets are selling fast.

Thanks to help from engineer Jim Davey and the folks at Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, work will begin at the site of the new shelter in December as we plan to construct a siphon which will allow us to get over the canal that runs on the



At press time, tickets to Fur Ball III had just sold out.

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HSOY HOSTS ANTI-CRUELTY WORKSHOP

The connection between human violence and animal cruelty, from sociopathic cruelty to patterns of domestic abuse, has been well-documented.

The Humane Society of the United States' First Strike program educates professionals from law enforcement, animal care and control, and social services on this connection and how their agencies can work together to prevent the cycle of cruelty and abuse.

The First Strike workshop comes to Yuma through the funding of the United Way of Yuma and the hard work of HSOY Director of Operations, Annette Lagunas.

Note: The Humane Society of Yuma is not affiliated with either the Humane Society of the United States or the Arizona Humane Society.



THE HUMANE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES



Kirby was Loma Clark's 500th rescue! Read about how awesome Loma is on Page 8.

SPAY/NEUTER UPDATE

ANNETTE LAGUNAS

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS.

Our vets have performed 568 low-cost surgeries at our shelter so far this year. The Humane Society of Yuma contracts with veterinarians from Desert Vet, Arizona West, and All Creatures Mobile Vet Clinic.

LARGE EVENTS PLANNED

We are very excited to be holding two, multi-day large-scale surgery clinics in the coming months. The first of these large events is scheduled for September 19th and 20th. HSOY is partnering with Animal Defense League of Arizona to alter over 100 animals in a two day period. All applicants for our low-cost events and program must be pre-scheduled prior to the event. NO walk-ins to the events will be allowed.

The second large-scale surgery clinic will be held from October 8th to the 11th, with the help of non-profits and doctors from around the state. Approximately 1,000 animals will be altered over the four day period. This event will include low-cost applicants in addition to feral cats that are brought in. Again, you must be pre-registered prior to the event. Check out hsoyuma.com/spayneuter for more information.

Hello again friends,

Well summer is almost over, and for many of us it's a welcomed break from the heat. For me, it means motorcycle riding weather. Riding a bike takes you away from the cell phone and allows a few moments to think without interruptions.

As usual, we're busy as ever at our shelter. I know I've said it before, too many things to do, and too few hours in the day. But we're still making progress and moving in the right direction. We have a long way to go, but little by little we find ourselves closer and closer to our goal of eliminating Yuma's pet overpopulation crisis.

I'd have to say one of the most exciting things continues to be our thrift store. The store continues to generate badly needed dollars for our vital spay/neuter program. The volunteers are incredible, and without them that dog wouldn't walk (I feel an obligation to use pet friendly puns whenever possible). Our low-cost spay/neuter program is a great success, with well over a 200 surgery backlog. This means the importance of spay/neuter is getting out there. We couldn't operate this program without the funding from the thrift store. So, if you have items to donate, or you're looking for a great bargain, drop by the store. You'll never know what kind of treasure you can find until you take a look.

Moving on, what needs to be made clear is we are not a county or city agency, and we fund humane society efforts with donation dollars. We do have contracts with Yuma County, along with the cities of Yuma and Somerton to provide animal control services. But these contracts only pay for code enforcement functions. Our mission of caring for the thousands of pets coming to our shelter each year, adopting these pets to lifelong homes, and eliminating our community's pet overpopulation crisis, is funded from your precious donor dollars. Please help change that perception in our community.

I hope to see you at this year's Fur Ball at the Yuma Golf & Country Club on September 12.

In closing, thanks again to all of our supporters. You save lives! Take a look at our mission statement and please know we have a noble and worthy cause. And without you we cannot accomplish our mission.

With warmest regards,

Shawn

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SUMMER HOURS

(until September 31st)

Office: 9 -5pm Tuesday-Saturday

Kennels: 10-4:30 pm Tuesday-Saturday

REGULAR HOURS

(starting October 1st)

Office: 9 -6pm Tuesday-Friday

9-5pm Saturday

Kennels: 11-5:30pm Tuesday - Friday

11-4:30pm Saturday



Who's My Daddy?

Board member Vicki Kerley recently had a 'paternity test' done on her precious, adorable Lilly. Can you guess her heritage?

(Answer on page 11)

Fur Ball attendees: Canine DNA tests will be up for silent auction.

SAVE ONE UNTIL THERE ARE NONE.

As a member of the Humane Society of Yuma, you will be helping carrying out our mission,

To ensure the humane treatment of all animals, reduce the number of homeless pets, and promote the value and importance animals contribute to our lives and community.

Your membership will provide Yuma's homeless pets with the love, care and support they deserve.

Here are just a few examples of how your membership can help Yuma's homeless pets.

JOIN THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF YUMA

- \$25 Neuters one cat.
- \$50 Disinfects all of our kennels for five days.
- \$100 Provides two trips of the "rescue express" to a rescue in Phoenix or Tucson (multiple pets can be aboard the express at a time).
- \$250 Vaccinates 12 animals.
- \$500 Spays five female dogs.

CHOOSE YOUR PAW. WHAT LEVEL OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP IS BEST FOR YOU?

- ☐ BRONZE PAW \$25
- ☐ SILVER PAW \$50
- ☐ GOLD PAW \$100
- ☐ PLATINUM PAW \$250
- ☐ DIAMOND PAW \$500

GIVE MONTHLY.

Making a monthly donation makes sense for both our pets and you.

A steady stream of donations allows us to spend less time fundraising and more time with our pets. Plus, you win by being able to figure your support for homeless pets in your monthly budget!

Thank you

HAROLD J. NIEBERGALL

(July 1, 1937- January 1, 2009), of Aniak, Alaska, bequeathed \$5,000 to the Humane Society of Yuma. We are honored to be the recipients of Harold's generosity.



THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH held a fund raiser to collect much needed towels and blankets for use at the Humane Society. On July 31st they delivered a truck load of contributions to the Humane Society of Yuma. Many thanks to the members of First Christian Church.

We cannot possibly thank everyone who deserves to be thanked. But do not fear, your generosity and efforts are greatly appreciated by us and our guests.



CJ AND FATIMAH AJAD stood outside Sam's Club selling their "famous Italian ices" to passers by for one dollar each. At the end of the weekend, they had made \$880 for the Humane Society of Yuma. Great work! **SAM'S CLUB** has been very generous to the Humane Society of Yuma. In addition to allowing us to set up various fund raisers outside their doors, they have just recently donated two pallets of dog food for our foster parents.



MARY ANN SCRIMGEOUR purchased a \$100 memorial brick in memory of her son, Thomas Scott. Along with the \$100 was \$9,900 for the new shelter. Mrs. Scrimgeour's kind and generous gift put the "wind in the sails" of what had been a very still sea for the new animal shelter brick project. When she was contacted and given the new shelter naming opportunities, Mary Ann said to use the funds in anyway for construction of the shelter. A tremendous heartfelt thank you to Mary Ann for her support and renewing our spirits of hope.

Leave a legacy ensuring the future of animal welfare in Yuma through a will, living or charitable remainder trust. HSOY Executive Director Shawn Smith would be honored to discuss estate planning options with you. Email him at ssmith@hsoyuma.com or call (928) 782-1621

WHY ADOPT

YOU CAN SAVE A LIFE. Over 60% of cats and dogs that the Humane Society of Yuma takes in are euthanized every year. There are many more homeless animals looking for a home than there are homes adopting them. Every pet deserves a chance at a forever home. With so many wonderful cats and dogs entering our shelter every day, you are sure to find a forever friend.

MANY ARE TRAINED. Owners turn over their animals in large numbers. Many of these animals come already trained, with a history of their behaviors, likes, and dislikes.

MANY ARE PUREBRED. If you have your heart set on a purebred you may be surprised to know that 20% of the dogs that enter our shelter are purebreds.

WHERE TO ADOPT

There are two places you can wag tails with our adoptable pets.

OUR SHELTER. We are open Tuesday through Saturday. Our office hours are 9-5pm and our summer kennel hours are 10 - 4:30pm. On October 1st, kennel hours will change to 11am-5:30pm Tuesday - Friday and 11am -4pm Saturday.

PETSMART. A few privileged cats reside there and are available for meet & greets in-between naps.

Several of our dogs make the trip over to PetSmart on Saturdays and Sundays.

Adoption Success Stories

We love to hear how things are going from our alumni in their new homes. Linda, our adoption supervisor, receives a lot of letters from happy pet parents and pets alike.

Sunday

We adopted a beautiful brown border collie, Sunday, from PetSmart a few weeks before our wedding and just a few weeks after moving into our first new home.

Since our engagement six months earlier, my husband had been pestering me to get a dog until I had snapped and said, "No dogs until six months after the wedding." He submitted to Bridezilla and gave up the subject.

We were at PetSmart getting cat food. We were in line paying when I remembered something we needed and stumbled on Sunday in the back. I fell in love and had 20 minutes till the store closed to decide to adopt her and grab all the puppy supplies we needed. We brought her home and she almost immediately wet our brand new carpet several times. I hate to say we almost took her back with all the stress. Luckily the wedding went through and the messes cleaned up easily. Now Sunday is the center of our lives.



She had been given up due to all her energy. Which we saw right away. But we walked her regularly and gave her lots of toys. We took her to training and

gave her some time to grow up. Now she is an AKC canine good citizen certified dog and is in training to be a therapy dog in nursing homes and a R.E.A.D dog to help kids in elementary school. Working tires her out. Training has taught her positive ways to get attention and all the love we have has made her secure enough to be herself. She brings a lot of joy to the school she works at, loves kids and receives compliments every where she goes. Adopting this happy puppy was the best wedding gift my husband and I gave each other and started our life together with a big furry ball of pure love.

Jennifer Levin

OUR MEDIA FRIENDS

Thanks to local media outlets, many of our adoptable animals get to strut their stuff in the limelight and be HSOY's goodwill ambassadors to the community.

KSWT – MONDAYS 4PM.

KYMA – WEDNESDAYS 5 PM AND THURSDAYS NOON.

KCFY – WEDNESDAYS 8 AM.

KTTI 95.1-- THURSDAY 9AM

STAR 100.9- THURSDAY 9:15AM

YUMA SUN – FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS IN THE CLASSIFIED ADS.

DESERT WARRIOR – PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY @ MCAS.

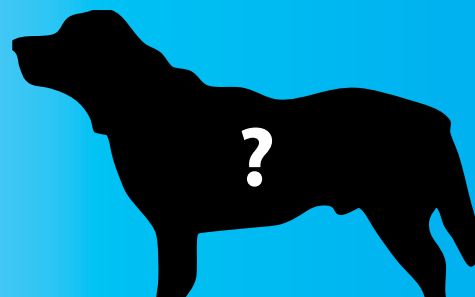
YUMA EXPRESS - FEATURED PETS

YUMASUN.COM – EXTENSIVE PHOTO AND VIDEO GALLERY OF ADOPTABLE PETS.

SPECIAL THANKS TO KJOK AND Z93 FOR THEIR AIRING WEEKLY MESSAGES FROM SHAWN.

What's your dog licensed to do?

We're looking for canine show-offs to be our poster boys and pin up girls for our 2010 licensing campaign. Send in a high-resolution picture of what your dog is licensed to do to newsletter@hsoyuma.com.



Keep Your Pet Safe On Halloween

Halloween is a fun time for humans, but not necessarily for pets. Please follow these tips and share them with others to help keep all pets safe this Halloween.

Protect your pet on Halloween by keeping him indoors. A pet that's out at night with trick-or-treaters might get spooked by noise and costumes, which could cause him to run off and get lost.

All cats should be kept indoors at all times; however, if you have a solid black or solid white cat, you should be especially careful about keeping him indoors on Halloween. Some people are superstitious about cats and may try to scare or harm him.

Keep your pet confined and away from the door while you're greeting trick-or-treaters at your home to prevent him from darting outdoors.



A scary cat or scaredy cat?



Your dog may feel that his territory is being invaded by the constant onslaught of visitors. Keeping your dog in a secluded area of the house will help him stay calm and prevent him from growling or possibly biting your visiting ghouls and goblins.

Keep Halloween candy out of your pet's reach because it can make your pet sick. In fact, chocolate and raisins can be fatal to dogs!

Celebrate Halloween with your pet by giving him goodies that are made especially for his species, like dog biscuits or cat treats.

If you're considering giving a black or white cat as a gift to celebrate Halloween, please give a stuffed animal instead.

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MONTHLY STATISTICS

	April	May	June	July
Patrol calls	846	857	858	845
Dog licenses	1825	754	438	394
Dogs turned in	358	376	387	395
Cats turned in	206	306	448	322
Dogs adopted	123	116	124	112
Cats adopted	33	22	47	42
Pets to rescue	27	81	39	73
Returned to owner	57	51	64	53
Pets euthanized	305	411	548	523
Cruelty cases investigated	54	57	71	85

SAN DIEGO HUMANE ROCKS!



San Diego Humane visited three times over the summer and took 45 lucky dogs out of the Yuma heat and to a forever home in a cooler coastal climate.

Yuma needs a new shelter, circa 1963

**Originally incorporated as the Yuma County Humane Society, we changed our name to Humane Society of Yuma in 2005.*

In January of 1963, jurisdiction of animal control in Yuma County was transferred from the Yuma County Sheriff's office to the Public Health Department. There were two humane officers stationed in Yuma and a third in Parker (La Paz County was part of Yuma County until 1983). At that time, the Public Health Department operated the local dog pound.

By today's standards, the city-county pound that had been built in 1953 in the city dump (present-day West Wetlands Park) would never have been acceptable from the day it opened.

In the summer of 1963, community disgust with the condition of the city-county pound spilled onto the Yuma Sun's opinion page. A flurry of letters recounted horrible scenes. One writer described the shelter as having "rotting, tick-infested, ten year old lumber."

In June, the Yuma Sun ran a story headlined "Clarification of Dog Pound Problem May Take the Bite Out of Issue." The article noted that the subject had become one of the most controversial in the Yuma area.

The article allowed Bill Rice, head of the City-County Humane Unit of the Public Health Department, an opportunity to alleviate public concern by speaking directly to the Yuma Sun's readers. One of the more notable quotes from the department head: "No dog is in that pound unless it or its owners violated the law or did something wrong. It is a jail or a prison for the animal. Some people would have us make conditions better there than in their own homes."

Ironically, the article reinforced the issue: Yuma needed a modern animal shelter. One reader responded that the article "is not taking the bite out of the issue since too many people know the facts of this 'hell hole' for dogs." Another reader, who visited the pound in response to the article, reported that most of the animals were "half-dead of starvation... some so weak they couldn't walk."

First meeting

Meanwhile, by 1963, the Yuma County Humane Society of the 1950's (which existed completely separately from the dog pound) had become inactive, but this is not to say that there were no local champions of animal welfare. In May of 1963, Margery Gordon (who would, in a few months' time, become a charter board member of the newly incorporated Yuma County Humane Society) was



1947-1954

An early city pound, along the river bank (note railroad bridge and Ocean to Ocean bridge in background).



1954-1965

Situated in the city dump in present day West Wetlands Park, the city-county pound was an improvement but soon deteriorated.



the local representative for the Arizona Humane Society's recognition of "Be Kind to Animals Week."

By August of 1963, a group of local citizens organized a meeting to discuss the formation of a new Yuma County Humane Society. Max Finch, general manager of the Arizona Humane Society, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Faure, who were instrumental in the formation of the Coconino Humane Association, were guests of honor at this first meeting. Both organizations had recently opened their own animal shelters in their respective cities of Phoenix (1957) and Flagstaff (1958).

At this meeting, the local group decided to model its articles of incorporation and bylaws after Arizona Humane. It was also at this meeting that the not-yet-incorporated Yuma County Humane Society received its first donation, a one hundred dollar check from the Yuma Kennel Club. (Incidentally, the Yuma Kennel Club is the major sponsor of this year's Fur Ball.) In the following months after the meeting, it appears that Max Finch made frequent trips to Yuma from Phoenix, lending invaluable expertise to the local upstarts.

INCORPORATION

The Yuma County Humane Society, Inc. was incorporated on October 20, 1963, and held its first meeting as

such on October 23rd. Charter board members were Elsa D. Cole, L. R. Foos, Ray Carroll, Ronald Wilson, Richard Lackey, Margery Gordon, and Les Hellman.

Soon after, the group received a \$500 check from a Phoenix area philanthropist. This became the first of many infusions of support from outside of Yuma received by the newly incorporated organization on its long road to building its first shelter.

At the start of 1964, the humane society had been raising small amounts of money from various fundraisers and memberships, but donations lagged. The organization then received word that E. DuBois, a Phoenix-area animal welfare philanthropist, would match dollar-for-dollar funds that the Yuma County Humane Society raised.

The idea surfaced to hold a telethon on KBLU-TV (renamed KSWT in 1991). The event, which was planned from May 16-17, was the first telethon in the country to benefit a humane society. The event was heavily publicized by Hollywood starlet Pamela Mason on both her television show and within her social circles.

For the telethon, several Hollywood celebrities came to aid the cause of building a new shelter for Yuma. Most notably among these was Jon Provost, who starred as Timmie in the television show, Lassie.

The telethon, held at the Yuma County Fairgrounds, ran televised around the clock. A July newsletter reported that total proceeds of the telethon, including a \$1,000 donation by Pamela Mason, amounted to \$4,000.



1965-present

Our present facility, while having had a few improvements in the past forty-four years, has become quite inadequate.

The not so distant future



Volunteer spotlight: Julie Pearson

We can't possibly thank all of our wonderful volunteers. Volunteers enrich the lives of our guests. You mean a lot to us, but you mean the world to our guests.

LINDA ANDERSON ADOPTION SUPERVISOR

Dependable, energetic, and always willing to help do anything that is needed. All this describes Julie Pearson. She clearly loves animals. All you need to do is mention a certain one and a great big smile crosses her face and she just lights up. She has experienced the joy of fostering a pet and seeing it go away to its happy "forever" home.

Julie has also adopted a foster dog and comes down to the shelter to bathe our guests, take pictures, and make "adopt me" signs. She places these "adopt me" signs all around to help find forever homes for these animals. She has assisted at PetSmart on countless weekends setting up, tearing

down, conducting poop patrol, taking the dogs out for a break, and answering questions from the public.

She cleans cat cages at PetSmart and jumps at any task she is asked to do with an excited "okay" and a big smile.



Sometimes she was the only volunteer there to help me and she handled it superbly by herself. The pet adoption at PetSmart has surely run a lot smoother with her there. HSOY and fellow volunteers give

her a great big THANK YOU for all her time and devotion. This teenager has left us adults in awe with her dependability, dedication, and all-around winning attitude.

Thanks & Good Luck, Caitlin!



Caitlin Leanord has volunteered as a vet tech for more than a year, assisting with hundreds of surgeries.

We'd like to wish her a whole lot of luck as she goes this fall to attend the University of Arizona for a Microbiology with the intent of going on to veterinary school.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

We hold a volunteer orientation on the first Thursday of every month at the new Main Library at 6pm.

There are many, many ways to help us out. Go to hsoyuma.com/volunteer to learn more!

- Walk Our Dogs
- Office/Administrative
- Help At Our Thrift Stores
- PetSmart Cat Cuddler
- PetSmart Pals
- Rescue Transportation

WHAT LOMA CLARK DOES FOR US **THE BULLET POINTS**



- Coordinates our low-cost spay/neuter clinic,
- sits on the HSOY board,
- keeps our kitchenette supplied with baked goodies
- donates generously
- transports dogs to the groomers
- always smiles
- and finally.... rescues dogs! Kirby (pictured on front page) was Loma's 500th dog rescue transport.



"Hi. My name is Bert. Caitlin adopted me from HSOY and I am going with her to U of A.

I just wanted to say that cats are horribly under represented in this newsletter."

NEW SHELTER

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

north side of our donated land. This site is located on the southwest corner of 40th Street and 4 ½ E. Following siphon construction, the citrus trees that are presently on the site will be “pushed” and the ground made ready for construction.

The Humane Society of Yuma's board of directors is in the process of selecting an architect for the project, and the building committee has solicited bids from several local firms. HSOY owes a debt of gratitude to contractor Troy Eckard for donating his time and expertise to help facilitate this complicated process. We would not be this far along without him - - t h a n k s Troy!

Shortly after you receive this lovely publication, you should be able to log onto HSOY's web site to view an elevation of the building and then we will post the plans as soon as they are available so you can track the construction progress.

This is all very exciting news, but we will not get much further past the design and groundwork without your continuing support. Currently we have about \$1.1 million in the kitty (if you don't mind the expression), but we need to raise another million dollars over the next six to eight months. So if you have been holding out, waiting for the right time to contribute - now's the time! We will take cash, stock, land,

whatever you have to offer. Or you can help by pledging to contribute--in whatever amount you can.

If you have your doubts about the need for a new shelter, PLEASE visit the existing shelter. The Humane Society of Yuma took in over 10,000 animals during the 2008 - 2009 fiscal year. The current shelter, which was constructed in 1964, was not built to accommodate that number of animals. The dedicated employees that work there are conducting triage every single day. They are working practically on top of each other and literally working in closets and trailers. The frightened animals are held in tiny cages and pens as they await for someone to come along and adopt them. If you visit the existing shelter, you will be shocked that the employees are able to accomplish what they do--given what they have to work with.

If you are waiting for someone or something else to fund this project, it is not going to happen. Because the Humane Society of Yuma is a private, non-profit organization, the city and the county are not going to provide financial assistance. It is up to those of us that care about the welfare of Yuma's homeless animals to get the job done. I know we can do it! Please donate now to help us get the job done!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2009
CITY OF YUMA DOG PARK

It's that time of year again, time to put your best paw forward to raise funds for a new shelter for Yuma. Ask friends and family to sponsor you for either a 1 or 2 mile walk.

Walkers who raise more than \$50 will receive an HSOY baseball cap. If you don't have a dog, you can still participate! There will be many fun activities for both canines and humans alike., all for a \$10 registration fee per person.

We'd love to have HSOY alumni and their forever families join us this year!

**More information to follow
at HSOYUMA.COM/WALKNWAG**

*Make new friends
and catch up with
old ones at Walk 'n
Wag 2009!*

Wish List

The economic downturn has put strain on our budget. We need to tighten our belts without lowering the quality of care we provide our guests.

Help us save money by donating the following goods.

NOTE: We cannot accept donations of dog or cat food. The Yuma Community Food Bank and Crossroads Mission accept donations of new pet food.

Kitty Litter	Clorox wipes
(non-clumping)	Folding chairs
canned wet food	Mr. Clean
Sheets	Kitty toys
Paper towels	Kong dog toys
Office Supplies	
Febreeze	

Change jars

The following businesses have our change jars on their counters.

Urban K-9

Chili Pepper

Pablo's

Foothills Animal Clinic

The Flower Mine

Round Table Pizza

The Quilting Bee

Paws and Claws

Yuma Feed

Puppy Love
Grooming

Foxworth Galbrith

Mr. G's

Sesame Kitchen

Brownies

M & D cigars

Mad Greek

Bottoms Up Pub

American Self
Storage

Don Quijote

LZ bar N Grill

Foothills Restaurant

Second Paw Thrift Store

SHERRELL JUDISH

BOARD MEMBER AND THRIFT STORE COORDINATOR

It is my pleasure to give you an update on how our thrift shop is doing. I can answer that in one second, and in one wordFABULOUS. We are a happy bunch of volunteers to be able to give such a report.

To review: we first opened a "test" thrift shop at the Arizona Market Place in November of 2007. In March, we closed the shop when the swap meet ended, recognizing a gross profit of \$23,309.00. We were thrilled. Our customers loved visiting our shop and we knew we were on our way to raising money for spay/neuter surgeries in the hope of reducing the constant flow of animals that came to our shelter each year. Volunteers came on board to help us, donations flowed in, and we struggled through windstorms, sand storms, cold and heat, and rain and hail--a challenge to say the least.



Second Paw is located on the corner of 24th ST and 4 Avenue behind Audio Einsteins.

Hours:

Tuesday -Friday 9-4pm
and Saturdays 9am-1pm
783-0408

Volunteer

It's a great way to volunteer without having to go to our shelter. Call Sherrell, 580-1000

Donate

We accept store donations during store hours. Pick up and delivery can be arranged. Call Angela, 782-2269

This endeavor gave us the courage to open a permanent shop at the corner of 4th Avenue and 24th Streets. Our "in town" shop opened August 12, 2008, first for just a few days a week and gradually to 5 days a week. We opened again in 2008 at the swap meet, which again turned out to be a popular venture, but a strain on us as we tried to split donations, time, volunteers, etc. between both places. After the 2008 Swap Meet closed, we made the decision to only keep the "in town" shop open and concentrate our efforts on that shop. This has turned out to be a wise decision because we are now realizing a gross profit of approximately \$8,000 per month.

All of this is possible only because we have a solid, dedicated group of volunteers who do sales shifts, sort, price, pick-ups and deliveries, handyman duties, and various other duties, along with the setting up of merchandise in our shop. We all cheer when we have a good day--and a good day consists of donations coming in and dollars made selling these donations. Two of our volunteers work a full time week doing the set up, pricing, sorting, and general other duties. They, and all the other volunteers, are the backbone of our little

shop, and it is because of them that we are enjoying the success we are.

To those of you who donate items for our shop, we thank you. To those of you who shop at our shop, we thank you. Without you and all the volunteers, we would not be able to help the animals as we are.

Check out the thrift store's
Christmas Room's Grand Opening
on September 15th!

Parking lot sales are the first
Saturday of every month.

HSOY PRODUCTS



CLOTH HATS

\$10 \$8 +\$2 S&H

KHAKI/SLATE GRAY



TUMBLER

\$8 \$6 +\$2 S&H



TOTE BAG \$5

\$4 +\$1 S&H



MOUSE PAD

\$5 \$4 +\$1 S&H

PET MEMORIALS

A special area at the Humane Society of Yuma has been dedicated to people who want to create a notable memorial for their loved pets or family members. A memorial rock garden is on display for people to make a tax deductible contribution to the Humane Society of Yuma. The Memorial Rock Garden is located at the Humane Society of Yuma. **SMALL \$40 LARGE \$75 BOTH \$100**

ROO BEE CRUELTY FUND

We have seen an increase in cruelty cases. This fund allows us to be able to provide medical attention while the case is being investigated. RooBee is a Bassett Hound that was found in a trash can with a broken leg and various other injuries. The Yuma community came through to help pay for her treatment until she could find her forever home. Monies donated to this program will be held until needed by our Animal Control Department. Your donations can also assist us in putting together rewards when we need the public's help in finding suspects of animal cruelty.

BONUS ADOPTION SUCCESS STORY: HENRY

Hi! On 8-20-09 I adopted a kitten. I named him Henry. He fits so well into our lifestyle. We are retired and have lots of time to spend with him. We also have a sweet dog that likes him, too. I am attaching a few photos! How blessed we all are to have each other. We have the

opportunity to give him a great life. He gives us so much enjoyment and love!

How sad that so many animals don't get a loving home and the opportunity to bring so much love and entertainment!! I will bring some items in from your wish list at his appointment time.

Thankfully,

Roberta Rich



Answer to "Who's my Daddy": Chihuahua, Collie, Doberman Pinscher, English Springer Spaniel, Cocker Spaniel, Dachshund, German Shepherd!!!

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HSOY MERCHANDISE

CLOTH HATS \$10 ____ KHAKI ____ SLATE GRAY

____ GREEN METALLIC TUMBLER \$8

____ TOTE BAGS \$5 ____ MOUSE PAD \$5

MERCHANDISE SUBTOTAL ____

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- ☐ BRONZE PAW \$25 ☐ SILVER PAW \$50 ☐ GOLD PAW \$100
☐ PLATINUM PAW \$250 ☐ DIAMOND PAW \$500

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____ **ROO BEE'S CRUELTY FUND DONATION.**

PET MEMORIALS:

☐ **SMALL \$40** ☐ **LARGE \$75** ☐ **BOTH \$100**

FORM OF PAYMENT

- ☐ **ENCLOSED CHECK/MONEY ORDER MADE OUT TO HSOY**
☐ **CREDIT CARD: MINIMUM \$25 PURCHASE//DONATION**

NAME ON CARD

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

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IF MONTHLY GIFT:

I AUTHORIZE THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF YUMA TO CHARGE MY CREDIT CARD ONCE A MONTH FOR THE AMOUNT OF ____.

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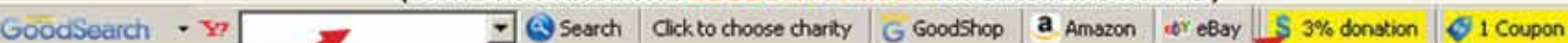
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