Pet News

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THANKSGIVING is coming soon..

and we are thankful to all of you who adopt a rescue animal & support our No-Kill Rescue





... and we give thanks ...

We are thankful for those of you who think that a dog or a cat is a family member, not a piece of property.

We are thankful for our wonderful volunteers who continue to work for the animals, without pay, just so the end result is a forever home for our rescue animals.

. . . and, we are thankful for the unconditional love we receive from our rescue animals. They continue to love us and will forget the abuse, pain, and starvation they may have incurred prior to being adopted into their forever home.

October 29 is National Cat Day – DCHS did its share to celebrate the day with these adoptions





Roxanne, of Delta, figured she could handle two kittens (and they would keep each other company), so on July 10 she came to Quincy's home and opened up her heart to these two lovelies, "Symphony" and "Sterling." Thank you, Roxanne, for giving these two kitties a new, forever home! →

CAT FACT:

A cat usually has 12 whiskers on each side of its face.

← Taysia (middle) took home her kitten, "Lotus," on June 28 – she even brought a new pink carrier for the little girl. It's almost a given that Lotus will get lots of lovin' and attention from Taysia, along with her sisters, Melisa and Kylee. In addition, there is a 3-month-old Siamese named Coco waiting to join in the fun. Our foster mom, Chris, advised us that Taysia will be attending college in the fall to become a vet tech – another reason this is a perfect home for Lotus!

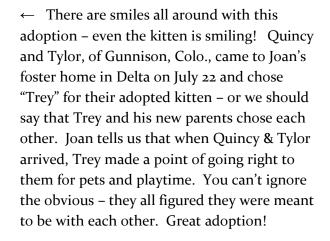
← Don and Robyn (not pictured) of Montrose adopted "Little Miss" on July 3 from Quincy, one of our foster moms in Delta. Look how comfortable she is in Don's hands – Little Miss knows she is going to a good home. She has such beautiful markings – hopefully Don & Robyn will send us updated photos as she grows up.





.... can you believe all these feline adoptions? It's so wonderful!!







← Please meet Athena and her daughter, Candace, who live on Fruitland Mesa in Delta County. Candace wanted a kitten in her life so her mom brought her to see the ones that Joan had at her foster home. Candace did have a hard time deciding, but eventually chose "Teddi," a beautiful light gold fluffball (the one she is holding in photo). We're sure that Teddi is enjoying the best of times at her new home with Candace, along with their 2 dogs and chickens. Thank you for adopting a rescue cat!



← Adessa and Keaton of Delta, Colo. decided that "Onyx" would fit nicely into their family and thus adopted him from Quincy at her foster home, also in Delta. Onyx is one fuzzy, furry package at 12 weeks of age and will obviously be loved. Great adoption!



... and look at this - more cat adoptions - Fantastic!!

Quinn and Magnus live in Telluride, Colo., but their mom, Julia, drove them to Joan's foster home in Delta to check out her kittens. Both of the boys found their perfect kitten − "Sweet Pea" for Quinn, and "Marble" for Magnus. A purrfect fit for both young men and the kittens! →

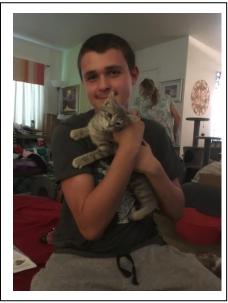
Thank you!

Hunter lives in Thornton, Colo., but while visiting family in Cedaredge, Colo., he managed to find this cute grey & white tabby kitten named "Bobbles" at Quincy's foster care home in Delta. The adoption date was August 9 and off they went, over the mountains, back to Thornton. Thank you, Hunter, for deciding that this little cutie needed to be in your life! →









- ← Brian and Margaret of Aurora, Colo. took home the solid black cat that Margaret was looking for. "Magic" was a feral cat but her foster mom, Chris, gave her the love & attention she needed to calm down . . . and since Brian is known as a "cat whisperer," their home is the perfect spot for Magic. They played with her for 2 hours to make sure that this little ebony kitty would feel comfortable with them. Super adoption!
- ← Lindsey and "Harry" (nka as Elvis Harry) make this photo look like the perfect adoption. Lindsey and her mom came to Joan's foster home to pick him up on September 5 – it looks to us like Elvis will be rather spoiled in his new home in Grand Junction, Colo. Thanks, Lindsey, for taking in a rescue cat!

Thanksgiving Foods That Are Bad for Cats and Dogs

What Foods are Toxic to Dogs and Cats?

It's important to remember which foods are bad for dogs and cats, especially during holiday meals when dogs and cats beg for table scraps and guests might fall for those cute faces. Below are six Thanksgiving foods bad for cats and dogs. Make sure to keep these away from your pets to ensure they remain healthy this Thanksgiving. Also, don't forget to inform your family and dinner guests about these potentially dangerous or toxic foods for pets so they do not feed them to your four-legged family members.

1. Stuffing

Thanksgiving dressing is often made with onions, scallions or garlic. These ingredients, however, are extremely toxic to dogs and cats and can cause a life-threatening anemia (destruction of the red blood cells). It's best to avoid feeding any amount of stuffing to pets.

2. Ham

Ham and other pork products can cause pancreatitis, upset stomach, vomiting and diarrhea. Pork is also high in fat, which can lead to **obesity in pets**. Even a small amount of ham can contribute a very large amount of calories to a small dog or cat's diet.

3. Turkey Bones

Bones can cause severe indigestion in dogs and cats, potentially causing vomiting and obstructing the bowel. Bones may also splinter and cause damage to the inside of the stomach and intestines. In some cases, turkey bones may even puncture through the stomach and cause a potentially fatal abdominal infection.

4. Mashed Potatoes

While potatoes are safe for pets to eat, mashed potatoes usually contain butter and milk, which can cause diarrhea in lactose intolerant pets. Additionally, some recipes call for onion powder or garlic, which are very toxic to pets.

5. Salads with Grapes/Raisins

There are many salads served at Thanksgiving that include grapes or raisins as an ingredient, from fruit salad, to Waldorf salad, to ambrosia. However, grapes and raisins are very virulent and potentially deadly. Grapes can cause severe, irreversible and sometimes fatal kidney failure in dogs. Be sure to keep all dishes that include grapes and raisins away from pets.

6. Chocolate Desserts

While pumpkin pie is the most famous Thanksgiving dessert, many people offer a variety of chocolate desserts at Thanksgiving. Chocolate is toxic to dogs and cats, yet dogs love the smell and taste of it. The darker the chocolate, the more toxic it is. Keep all chocolate desserts out of the reach of pets to prevent an emergency trip to the veterinarian. If your pets ingest any of these foods this Thanksgiving, be sure to call your veterinarian immediately. The most important part of holiday pet safety is early action, which may prevent more costly and serious complications from developing. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

Here's the story on this adoption, as told by Carol, our foster mom in Crawford . . .



Kelley, Lucy, Jellybean and Antony

Kelley and Antony attempted to adopt a dog from me in early June but at that time they were renting and the landlord said no. A few weeks later they bought a house in Paonia but it didn't close until this past Thursday, July 19th. But the minute they knew they had a house they went dog shopping and found Lucy at TAILS and TAILS agreed to keep her until they could move in. They went daily to visit and walk Lucy and then decided to also adopt Lucy's kennel mate but when they went that day Jellybean was gone! TAILS had transferred her to me. So, Kelley and Antony called me and I agreed to adopt Jellybean to them and to also keep Lucy until they could get into their new home. And, as before, they came daily to see their "girls" and to walk them and took them to the lake, etc.

SO... today was the big day (July 24), both Lucy and Jellybean got to go to their new home!!



← Here's another happy adoption that took place on July 28. Tina is a repeat adopter with DCHS and insisted that she would only adopt from the gal who adopted her last dog to her 10 years ago − and that lady was Carol, our foster mom in Crawford. So now it was time for "Trixie" to start a wonderful (probably spoiled) life with Tina at her new forever home in Delta. By looking at the photos below that Tina sent to us the next day, we can certainly tell that Trixie had no trouble at all adjusting to her new bed and cuddling up with Tina − we'd all like to have the cushy life that Trixie will have from now on.

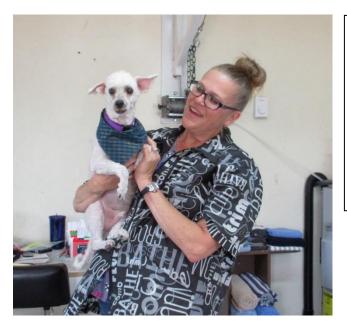
Thank you, Tina!





Our thanks to a local groomer

Please meet Dawn Moody, who runs her Puppy Love dog grooming shop in Hotchkiss, Colo. When this, obviously ungroomed, dog was found running loose in early August, DCHS was asked to take him in for foster care, and Dawn stepped up to the plate to offer her services as a groomer. Dawn took the dog in immediately and transformed wonders on him, as you can see by the "before" and "after" photos.





Here is Dawn with the "after" photo !! We can certainly assume that this little dog feels a lot better. Dawn has offered to help DCHS with any grooming services that might be necessary with our foster dogs – THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

Found this article on Facebook . . . It might be worth a try pretty clever

So I am passing on a genius idea from my niece for us pet owners. Yesterday my 72- lb. pit thought she was a gazelle. In reality she is a front heavy hippo. LOL with that big pittie neck, head and barrel chest the vet says she carries about 50% of her body mass from the chest forward. So Princess Justice did a head and face plant into cement and dirt. Banged up her face, nose and front leg. A claw broke clear to the base. After lots of blood, tears and a great vet and the sweetest pit ever who never whimpered she is gauzed, taped and socked. Now the great idea. She won't wear boots and it needs to stay dry and clean. Yeah, sure it's our rainy season. My niece put balloons on her dog's paws to keep them clean till they get sod down. BRILLIANT!!! So I tried it. Works like a charm. She hates it but can't chew it. It goes on to go out and off when she comes in. So for 97 cents I'm keeping her injured foot clean and dry. Thank you to my brilliant niece.

More dog adoptions Yea!!

Terry and Johanna, of Crawford, felt that their dog, Auggie, needed a companion. They found "Hannah" at our Crawford foster care facility with Carol. This photo only shows Terry & Hannah, but Johanna and Auggie had come on a previous day to also approve of adopting this sweet dog. It was necessary to wait until Hannah had recovered from her recent spay operation because, believe it or not − some unthinking former owner had allowed her to become pregnant at the age of 9 months! Life is so much better for Hannah now that she has love in her life! Thank you Terry and Johanna! →

Silly "Millie" came into Carol's foster home as a timid, scared little girl. Carol took the time to win her over, and now Jim, of Grand Junction, Colo., is going to continue to work with her, giving her all the love and patience she needs. Jim lost his old Border Collie/Heeler recently, and figured that Millie, nka "Ruger" was the perfect fit to fill that void. We think so too! Thanks, Jim! →





It came to me that every time I lose a dog they take a piece of my heart with them, and every new dog who comes into my life gifts me with a piece of their heart. If I live long enough, all the components of my heart will be dog, and I will become as generous and loving as they are.

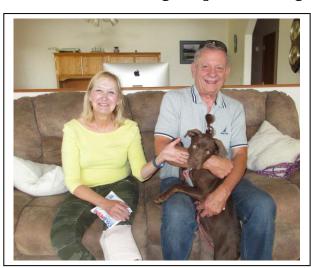
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We would like you to meet Karlie - a #1 Super Volunteer



Karlie Egging, age 14, is on her way to becoming a "dog whisperer." It was her idea to help out with rescue animals, so she approached our foster mom, Carol, in early July about coming to her place to volunteer. Karlie lives in the Crawford area and is not old enough to drive as yet, so her mother drops her off at Carol's place in Crawford. She spends hours with the dogs – talking to them, comforting them, and playing with them. This pup came in as a terrified stray, but within a short time Karlie was able to convince this little girl to eat treats from her hand. Karlie is friendly, dedicated, and most of all, loves animals! We couldn't ask for a better volunteer.

Here's the last dog adoption in August



← Brenda and Gary of Ridgway, Colo. lost their old Labrador Retriever recently and decided that "Tootsie" would fill that void. Too much excitement over the adoption of their new pup caused Brenda to trip and fall at Carol's foster care facility, thus the ace bandage and ice pack on her leg. We received word later that Brenda had actually broken her kneecap and is in for a long recovery – on the upside, Tootsie is doing very well at her new home.

BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY, BRENDA!

Check out these updated photos on our previous adoptions!!

"Emma Lou" was adopted by Cliff and Linda on June 20, 2018, and she was a little leery of Cliff at the time – not that you could ever tell by this photo. It's obvious to us that Cliff has won over Emma Lou, and most likely a piece of her heart. We love a happy ending! \rightarrow





Meet "Bentley" - adopted in November 2017 by Don and Robyn of Montrose, Colo. At the time this photo was taken (06/30/18), Bentley was nearly 10 months old and already 62 lbs. He is a Lab/Catahoula mix and has certainly grown into quite a handsome boy – quite a size difference from his puppy photo. We are told by his owners that Bentley loves to play with their cats and run on their acreage, but most of all, he is considered a wonderful addition to their family. You may recognize Don on page 2 of this newsletter where he and Robyn adopted another kitty from DCHS. We love those repeat adopters, especially when the love & attention given to their animals is so obvious in their photos.

"Daisy" and Ryan enjoy stopping in to say hello to Carol (Daisy's former foster mom) on their ATV. You may recall Daisy's sad story in our last newsletter, but now she is "riding high" with Ryan. Because of her leg injury, he needs to help her onto the ATV, but from there on she enjoys the ride and goes everywhere with Ryan. Sorry Maizy (Carol's dog) – no room for you. . . \rightarrow



... Animal updates, continued ... we love them! ...

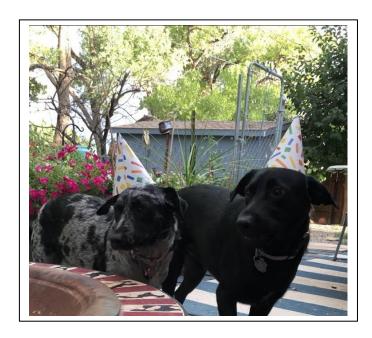


← Hey, we're hitting the road again! . . and it's me, "Kip" in my fancy new safety harness. I live in Colorado Springs, Colo. with my mom, Tracy, who adopted me in January 2018. Now we go on all kinds of adventures, like this ride to Vail, Colo. where we went camping in July. Did you notice that I get to ride "shotgun?" Aaaah, life is good, especially time spent with Mom!

"Katie" was a dog rescued from neglect and starvation. Carol took Katie and her 3 siblings into her care, brought them all back to health, and then Steve and his daughter, Mandy, arrived in Feb. 2012 and thought that Katie was the perfect fit for their family − and that turned out to be so true! Steve and his family live in Grand Junction, Colo, but were in the Crawford area for a wedding, so decided to stop in and show Carol what a wonderful dog they have in Katie. →



Here we have a photo of "Luna" and "Winston" celebrating their first birthday together. These dogs were siblings from the same litter, and by coincidence, were adopted by Royce and his sibling, Wyatt. Believe it or not, the dogs managed to keep their birthday hats on for a total of 30 minutes !! We're so happy that these two rescue dogs have such wonderful homes, and that they will be able to celebrate birthdays together for years to come. →



We had 16 dog & cat adoptions in July & August – great! Now, here are the forever homes for September



← Due to dire circumstances, little "Jeeps" had to be given up by her owners. However, good fortune prevailed and Amy and Jay, of Paonia, Colo., came to see her on Sept.7 and fell in love with Jeeps. Since she was recovering from her recent spay operation, they had to keep the adoption secret from their 9-yr-old, son, Edan, until Sunday, Sept.9, when they all came to Carol's foster home in Crawford and took this little girl with them to her forever home. Word has it that Jeeps might even be allowed to sleep on Edan's bed − we couldn't find a better fit for Jeeps − thank you!

Here is the first photo of Jeeps in her new home. Her new family loves to read, and apparently Jeeps like to listen – and relax with her family on the sofa. What a great life Jeeps will have! \rightarrow



← "Ernie" came to Carol's Crawford foster home in late July because his "dad" passed away and "mom" was elderly and couldn't care for him anymore. It took almost 2 months before his new "Mom" found & adopted him but it was a perfect fit for the two of them. Julia, who lives in Clifton, needs an emotional therapy dog and Ernie jumped in her car right away, ready to go when she came to pick him up in mid-September. Now they can take care of each other!

.... and the very next day, Julia's friend did a photo shoot of her and Ernie together . The two of them look like they're saying, "Life is Good." We are very happy for both of them! \rightarrow



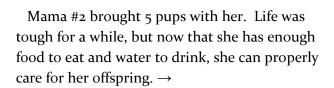
← Anthony, of Hotchkiss, Colo., adopted "Blaze" from Quincy's foster home in Delta on September 21. Blaze will have fun playing with "Benji," who was adopted from DCHS by Anthony this past summer – yea for repeat adopters!!

It's Puppy Pandemodium at our Crawford foster home 17 Pups!!

On September 16, our foster mom, Carol, took in three (yes, I said three) litters of puppies, along with their mothers since the pups were too young to be on their own.



← Here is Mama #1, with her lone pup. Both are doing well because Mama has lots of milk for her single puppy.



Mama #3 hit the jackpot with 6 pups, but she is being a good mom, and she and her young ones are a happy family. \rightarrow







← The fourth litter arrived on September 22, totaling five more puppies, along with the Mama who looks like a Chocolate Lab mix. Needless to say, Carol is busy bottle feeding some of the 17 little pups now in her care when the mothers don't have enough milk.

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