

The Paw Print

"Infurmation" from the Humane Society of Lincoln County

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About HSLC

The Humane Society of Lincoln County, New Mexico is a 501(c)3 organization that was established in 1979 to improve the quality of life of companion animals in our community. The HSLC is an "Open Admission Shelter" that takes in any animal regardless of age, medical condition or temperament. The HSLC works tirelessly toward more animal adoptions, further pet pregnancy prevention, animal rehabilitation and educating the public.

2020 Adoption Numbers

Through October 2020 we have adopted out 478 animals, returned 180 pets to their owners, and have transferred 4 dogs and cats to other animal rescue organizations. Note that our transfer numbers have been impacted this year due to travel restrictions that we instituted as an organization due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

2020 also known as A Year With Some Ups & Downs

2020 was – to put it mildly – a year filled with both celebrations and challenges.

Thanks to fundraising efforts of dozens of HSLC Board members since 2011, several Furr Ball Committees, and literally hundreds of donors who care so much about animal welfare in our community, construction of the new **James Cook Animal Shelter and Adoption Center** on Highway 70 was successfully completed! Our shelter animals and staff moved into the brand new facility last spring.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we were unable to publicly celebrate. Even our annual **Furr Ball** fundraiser had to "go virtual" in July. To make matters worse, our resale shop had to close to the public for nearly three months and, as we write this newsletter, has been closed again until the spread of the virus is contained.

As a result, we have had to suspend our popular life-saving SPOT and TNR programs which provide low cost spay/neuter services for owned pets and community cats. And, like many other small businesses and non-profits nation-wide, our financial condition is being seriously tested.

On the brighter side, animal adoptions are UP! We exceeded our adoption numbers from 2019 even though far fewer animals came into the shelter this year (probably because many more people were staying at home due to the pandemic). In fact, 478 pets were adopted from the shelter through October!

More good news? The pandemic forced us to think outside the box for our fundraising efforts. Our decision to take the Furr Ball online was a bit controversial, but this year's virtual event netted over \$37,000 for the capital campaign and shelter operations & programs! This is equal to our net proceeds of our 2018 in-person event, so our socks were collectively blown off by how successful the event was. It was so successful, in fact, that we are hosting another online event – a PAWLiday Store! The estate of one of our loyal supporters, Sally Burkstaller, was bequeathed to the HSLC and many of her beautiful pieces may be found online on our PAWLiday Store at <https://qtogo.net/qlink/humanelincoln>

Still more good news: we've begun the "dirt work" for our Memorial Park adjacent to the shelter. More info on this exciting effort may be found inside this newsletter and on our website; we'll keep everyone posted on the progress of our Memorial Park in our e-newsletters!

Have we mentioned the benefits of fostering lately?

- Enjoy the playfulness of kittens and puppies with your family
- Children can learn the important responsibilities of pet ownership (before making the commitment)
- Provide for sick or injured pets so they can live full and happy lives
- Fostering creates space in shelters for other pets in need
- Give exposure to these foster pets to potential adopters

Opening your home temporarily to an animal from the Humane Society of Lincoln County is a special way to show your passion for helping animals. Many of the animals looking for foster homes face challenges that can best be overcome with the loving support of our fantastic foster volunteers. Our foster homes also provide us the opportunity to free up more kennels to help even more animals that are in need of immediate care.

As a foster volunteer you may host animals with special medical or behavioral needs, puppies or kittens under eight weeks of age and in need of special feeding and socialization or mother animals with nursing litters. By fostering a homeless animal, you are providing rehabilitation in a nurturing home environment and directly preparing them for adoption into a loving home.



What are some of the requirements of becoming a foster parent?

- Must be at least 18 years old.
- Ability to lift, push or carry at least 25 pounds.
- Own a car for transporting to veterinary appointments, or in case of an emergency.
- Have a schedule that allows you to meet the needs of foster animals placed in your care.
- Provide proof from your veterinarian that all household pets have current vaccinations or current titer testing.

If you are interested in fostering, please contact our shelter staff at 575-257-9841.

Annual Meeting Goes Virtual

The Annual Humane Society of Lincoln County will be held on January 23, 2021 at 1pm. This year's meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

Here's the info to join the meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85720178720?pwd=aXhrVkc1e1BybmdXY0I3aGxxZVIJZz09>

Meeting ID: 857 2017 8720

Passcode: 672208

Resale Shop News

Thanks to the support of our community, our resale shop was off to a great start in 2020 with record breaking revenues. Unfortunately our doors were closed for almost three months due to the Covid-19 outbreak in New Mexico.

We are happy to report that when we once again opened our doors for business, our sales picked right back up. We'd like to thank the HSLC Resale Shop staff for their hard work and our wonderful donors, who have been so supportive of our shop during these difficult times.

Memorial Park Development Now Underway

By mid-December, we should have the last survey completed on the Memorial Park in the front section of our property, east of the parking lot. Next steps after that are to complete plans for the first “zone” of the park, complete with a park bench, tree and at least designs for the walkways that will extend to the Memorial Wall, which should be constructed sometime in the spring.

Generous donors have already contributed to some of the trees, benches, memorial bricks for walkways and tiles which will be affixed to the memorial Wall once complete. Samples and prices are now available for most park components:

WALKWAY BRICKS

Engraved concrete bricks have a smooth surface and beveled edges with spacers on the sides. They come in several sizes and colors. Each Brick & Mortar Member of HSLC will receive a 12 x 12 brick with their membership, literally allowing us to “pave the way” throughout our beautiful Memorial Park. Otherwise, donors can “purchase” Memorial bricks as follows:

- 4” x 8” bricks, for a donation of \$100, will allow for 3 lines of engraving
- 8” x 8” bricks, for \$250, will allow 5 lines of text plus an image or logo and 8 lines without
- 12” x 12” bricks, for \$500, will allow 10 lines of text plus an image or logo.



MEMORIAL TREES

Between 10 and 15 mature trees will be planted in the front section of the Memorial Park, each including a 12” x 12” concrete brick near the tree’s base, to memorialize a loved one. Sponsorship of a tree in the Memorial Park is \$1,500.

MEMORIAL BENCHES

Durable, colorful metal benches will be installed in various places in the Memorial Park. Four-foot benches - each with a concrete memorial brick - will be made possible with \$2,000 gift, and six-foot benches will cost \$2,500.



MEMORIAL WALL TILES

Plans for the Memorial Wall will be complete once the survey is completed. The “vision” is to actually construct three walls, with some space between them, so that visitors can enter between them and read the many memorials sponsored by generous HSLC supporters.

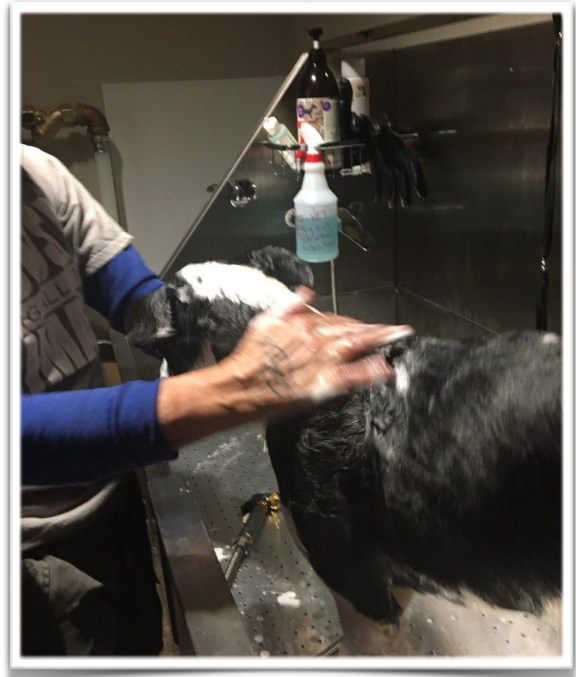
Exact materials and sizes have yet to be chosen until the plans for the wall are complete, but we know that the wall tiles will be available in three sizes and colors:

- Small tiles, for a donation of \$100, will allow for several lines of engraving
- Medium tiles, for \$250, will allow a few more lines of text plus an image or logo
- Large tiles, for \$500, will allow even more lines of text plus an image or logo



We have had great support from our community this year. The **Ruidoso Home Center** generously donated furniture for the new shelter: they donated the couch in our reception area, the loveseats for our dog and cat meet & greet areas, a desk for our shelter manager and a table for our staff break room!

Thank you to the **Village of Ruidoso**, the **City of Ruidoso Downs**, the **Village of Capitan**, the **Town of Carrizozo** and **Lincoln County** for their continued financial support of our shelter.



The **Ruidoso Valley Greeters** awarded us a grant that enabled us to purchase a disinfectant station for the new shelter and the **Community Foundation of Lincoln County** granted us funds for the purchase of two power washers to keep our shelter sparkling clean!

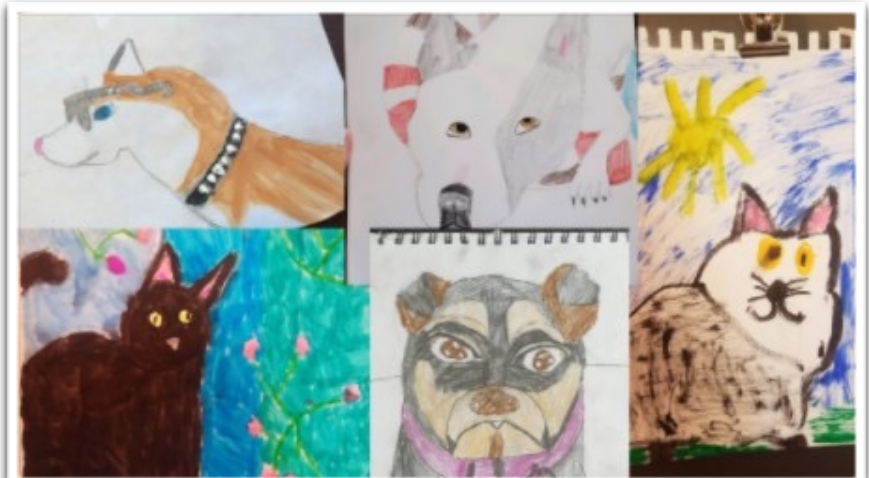
Dogs Trust USA had awarded us a grant for a new bathing tub for dogs in 2019; once we moved into the new shelter, we installed the tub and our dogs are really happy about it!

Mr. Jossard's Construction Trades Class at Ruidoso High School built "Spot the Dog" for us to use in our fundraising efforts for our low-cost spay/neuter program, SPOT.

RHS teacher's aides & students painted pet portraits for donations.

Albertsons has always been there for us to showcase our adoptable dogs at our off-site adoption events.

And last but certainly not least, we thank our staff, our volunteers at the shelter and resale shop and our fabulous **Dog Walkers!**

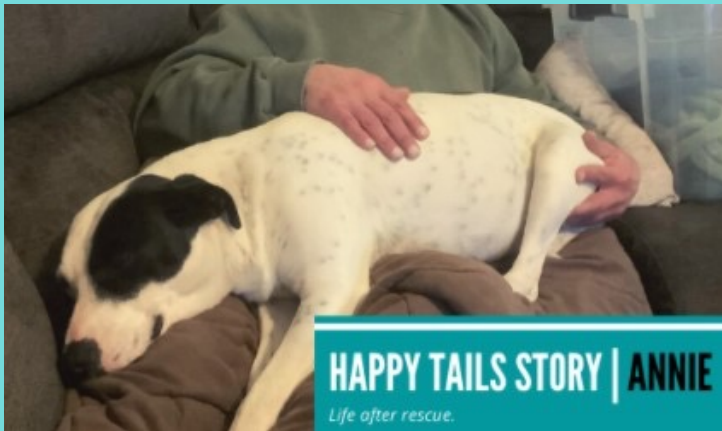




Holiday Shopping? Check out the HSLC Online Pawliday Store!

After having such great success with the virtual Furr Ball this year, we're trying something new this holiday season. We'll be taking our sales online this year for selected donations that have been received by our resale shop as well as some cute holiday themed merchandise. This will work a bit differently than our July online auction - all items have pre-set prices and will be sold as an "Instabuy" item.

Visit <https://qtego.net/qmlink/humanelincoln> to register with your cell phone number, personal info and credit card. You will receive a confirmation text that you have registered. Once you have registered, you may click on the Instabuy item that you are interested in & shop away!



Happy Tails

Life After Rescue

Annie came into the shelter extremely shy and scared. Pauline and her husband came to the rescue! "Annie has settled right in. She is very playful."

A big THANK YOU to Pauline and family for giving Annie the forever home she deserves!

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HOLIDAY WISH LIST

- CAT LITTER
- BLEACH
- WINDEX
- DOG/CAT TREATS
- DISINFECTING WIPES
- LEASHES/COLLARS
- PINESOL
- LAUNDRY SOAP (HE)
- DOG/CAT BEDS
- PAPER TOWELS

DROP OFF AT NEW SHELTER:
26048 HWY 70

SPOT & Trap-Neuter-Return Programs Need Your Help!

Our SPOT program (Stop Pet Overpopulation Today) and Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program for feral cats were off to a great start in 2020 – until the pandemic forced the temporary suspension of non-emergency veterinary surgeries.

The surgeries resumed after a few months; our SPOT program provided funding for the altering of 54 pets and 152 feral cats have been altered under the TNR program.

Unfortunately these life-saving programs have been put on temporary hold due to lack of funding. We are constantly on the lookout for grant opportunities but have found that the Covid-19 pandemic has created a shortfall of funds with granting foundations this year.

If you are able to donate, we have a number of options available. You may become a SPOT/TNR HSLC member with an annual donation of \$150 (visit hslcnm.org/membership/ and click on "become a member"). Of course, a donation in any amount is welcome! You may either donate by visiting our website hslcnm.org and clicking the "donate now" button or by mailing us a check at: **HSLC P.O. Box 2832, Ruidoso NM 88355**

'Gifts of Love' - 2020

Rita Swindle	In honor of Bill and Joy Reed
Robert Trimble	In memory of Lily
Janice Free	In memory of Honore Mitchell
Mr. & Mrs. Meadows	In memory of "Sophie"
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In honor of Craig & Billy Lynn Snyder
Laura Norris	In memory of Sam
Leigh Runyan	In honor of Ed & Marilee Runyan
Ronny & Joette Maskew	In memory of Joyce Walker
Gilberto Alvarado	In memory of "Ellie" the most loving pooch and most missed
Jeri Allison	In honor of Lola & Leslie
Terri Mosley	In memory of Jason Waterfield
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of Bruno O'Banion
Cindy Odum	In memory of Wilbur Conley
Doris, Gary & Mikey Moore	In memory of Aunt Janie Jones
Mr. & Mrs. William R. Bailey	In memory of Myrna Fritsch
Gary L. Gilson & Elizabeth A. Baron	In memory of "Lulu"
Helen Joan Holt	In memory of "Doc" & "Pepper"
Jean Spurlock	In memory of Wilbur Conley
Guy M. Bowers	In memory of Tommy Bowers
Judith M. Tannehill	In memory of Joe Don Harrington
Amy Case	In honor of sweet Coco
Mr. Shane Viccinelli	In memory of "Miss. Lil"
Gilberto Alvarado	In memory of "Ellie"
Jeri Allison	In honor of Lily and Jake
Gina Kelley	In memory of Jinny Vigil
Jessie Holcombe	In memory of Wilma Mansfield
Leslie Wall	In memory of "Toolie"
Mr. & Mrs. James G. Kastor	In memory of Jack LaVern
Mr. & Mrs. Winifred D. LaVern	In memory of Jack LaVern
Mr. & Mrs. Meadows	In memory of "Joe"
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Frazier	In memory of "Copper Pugh"
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Clark	In memory of "Truman"
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Healy	In memory of "Shilo"
Mrs. Jennifer L. Hollis	In memory of "Wulfie" "Al" & "Turtle"
Mrs. Susan Dolphin	In memory of "Sooner" & "Toby"
Joy Johnston	In memory of Jane Johnston
Alice Petersen	In memory of Lily Wall
Mary Nell Webb	In memory of Sandy Park
Cynthia Lovin	In memory of Sandy Park
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Frazier	In memory of "Earl"
Laura Norris	In memory of Sam
Kristin Campbell	In honor of Phyllis Schuster
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry D. Perrin	In memory of Charlotte Campbell
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of Art Dunn
Amy Willeke	In memory of Myrna Fritsol
John & Mary Hjerpe	In memory of "Jimmy"
Barry Lucy	In memory of "Asa Maskew"
Amy De Monet	In memory of "Mia" and "Camila"
Gary and Doris Moore	In memory of "Trebucher"
Martha & Ron Clark	In honor of Susan and Don Whiteley
Linda Shalton	In memory of "Mr. Joules"
Mr. and Mrs. Meadows	In memory of "Masey"
Judith K. Tannehill	In memory of "Tasha"
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of "Blue"
Terry Reynolds	In honor of Betsy Burnett
Daryl and Betsy Snyder	In memory of "Silas"
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In honor of Mary Curry

'Gifts of Love' - 2020

In Honor of Nina Grunseth

Nina's Grunseth Family	Christy Lueck	Dale A. & Nancy Antilla	Cybele Kanin	Mr. & Mrs. James Werket
Charlie Brooks	Patrick Russell	Donald Fehrenbach	Kevin Ford	Jeremy Nerramore
Blair Larkins	Katharine S. Winston	Bockorny Group Inc.	Judy Foulds	Book Club
Diane Gremillion	Kathleen McDonald	Carly Smith Canigli	Katie Werner	Gina Kelley
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	Becky Brooks	Sheri Rodgers	Anne Sample	Liz & Leroy Smith
Greg Cory	Amanda Favis	Nina Winston	Liane Nelson	Kim Skinner
Katherine Winston	Katie Flannery	Morgan Winston	Sandy Longworth	Marshall Siegel
Kimberly Davis	Sarah Lindberg	Don Kilroy	Elizabeth Beduhn Donn	Paula Laskey
Café Rio	Cintha Gutierrez	Pat Brent	Aubrey Boyer	Anne Meyn
Vonne Williams	Caroline Offenstein	Cindy Kline	Pam & Dave Tomlin	Bunny Orsak

Multiple Anonymous Donations

In Memory of Mauriece "Maury" St. John

Elizabeth Sheppard	Lois Lacy	Brad Brock	Cindi Fuqua	Heath Deen	Edward & Nancy Loudat
John Loudat	Nan Wield	Mr. & Mrs. Hank Warden		NaRae Gallagher & Johanna Gallagher	

In Honor and Memory of Sally Burkstaller

Lisa Burkstaller	Carole Tidwell	Alys & Terry Wilmot	Kai Brown	Scott Bristol
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In Memory of Gary Dean

Phyllis M. Bewley	Sue Patton	Carol & Bill Bartlett	Gayleen Ienatsch	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Budd
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In Memory of Frances Powell

Jane C. Greig	Jeannette Herndon	Mountain Alarm Systems	Gary & Diane Singletary	City Bank
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Your gift to the Humane Society of Lincoln County is a meaningful way to honor or remember a special person, special occasion, or an animal friend. We will send a personalized card to your friend or family member as you indicate.

I would like to contribute \$ _____

In honor/In memory of: _____

My check is enclosed for \$ _____ *(Make checks payable to the Humane Society of Lincoln County)*

Charge: ___ Visa ___ Mastercard **Credit Card #:** _____

Expiration Date: _____ **V-code:** _____ **Signature:** _____

Occasion: ___ Birthday ___ Bat/Bar Mitzvah ___ Wedding ___ In Honor of ___ Congratulations ___ In Memory of ___ Christmas ___ Graduation ___ Hanukkah ___ Other: _____

Send acknowledgement card to:

Name(s): _____ **Address:** _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Personalized Note: _____

Please send payment to Humane Society of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 2832, Ruidoso, NM 88355

You may also visit our website (HSLCNM.ORG) to make a secure donation. *Donations are tax-deductible to the full extent allowed.*

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“Helping Animals have a Second Chance”

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