

# Best Friends' NEWS



ANIMAL WELFARE & PROTECTION SOCIETY  
~ COLORADO'S NO-KILL SHELTER

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## Who's Who At The AWPS Shelter

GO to [www.puebloawps.org](http://www.puebloawps.org)  
and click on the link to the dogs

— or —

GO to [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com) and put in  
"Pueblo, CO" to find all the dogs at our shelter.

### Grace Has a Story

Her story is one of survival. We took her and two of her siblings from Pueblo Animal Services when they were about 10 weeks old though they only looked about 6 weeks old. They were at least six in her litter. All were malnourished when they got to PAS but Grace was the runt, really skinny and picked on. All three puppies were doing well and gaining weight but had been incubating kennel cough. We put them in isolation and administered antibiotics. They had been in isolation for about 10 days when one started throwing up and it was found it had parvo - a stomach virus especially hard on puppies and even harder on pit bull puppies. Grace and her brother showed no signs of parvo but the next morning her brother was found dead and Grace was sluggish. She was immediately taken to the vet. Grace's sister died at the vet 3 days later. Grace kept fighting and in three days was eating and drinking on her own. Two days later she came back to the shelter. However, the following morning it was evident that she had not been drinking or eating. She was very weak and could not stand. The vet said that sometimes the dehydration and lack of food causes an imbalance of chemicals in the muscles. It was obvious that Grace needed extra care especially after the shelter closed. Chris Comins took her home. She was given pedialyte and a high calorie vitamin/mineral supplement in nutritious



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### Our Mission

AWPS's mission is to take in lost or unwanted animals; to return lost ones to their owners whenever possible or after having them spayed or neutered, place them in good homes; and to educate the public about intelligent and humane treatment of animals.



## To Plant or Unplant — That is the Question

*by Marilyn Thompson*

Do you have a furry, four-legged friend who loves to help in the garden? One who loves to "unplant" the plants you plant. AWPS is sponsoring a special event just for you. On Saturday, May 19 from 9am-4pm at 1836 Bonforte Blvd., AWPS will host a plant sale. This is a yearly event, always a crowd pleaser, and always a great fundraiser for the shelter. Stop by, bring your dog, see if there are any plants you "both" like for whatever reason. You'll have a bloomin' wonderful time!

### Time Slips Away

*by Marilyn Thompson*

Are you like me? Before I know it, one month blends into the other and events overcome me on a daily basis. I always have wonderful intentions of sending a donation to AWPS, but sometimes I simply forget or I don't have a stamp, or whatever. Watch for details in the next AWPS newsletter for a new way to contribute more easily to AWPS!



## 2007 ANIMAL WELFARE & PROTECTION SOCIETY

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### The Animal Welfare Shelter

3420 W. 8th Street  
Pueblo, CO 81003  
(719) 543-6464  
[www.puebloawps.org](http://www.puebloawps.org)

### ADOPTION HOURS

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Monday - Sunday  
Closed Holidays & Bad Weather

### VOLUNTEER HOURS

**Dog Walks**  
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
**OTHER**  
Anytime we are open.

### Key Personnel

*Shelter Staff*  
Don Apadoca  
Brenda Bovill  
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Lynda Leech  
Elizabeth Mata

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## Shelter Happenings

*by Chris Comins*

In January and February, we took in 26 dogs including 3 owner surrenders, 1 stray and 22 transfers from Pueblo Animal Services. During that same time 35 dogs were adopted. We are sad to report that Annaleis, 13 years old and with us many years, passed away. She was a very good dog. We also had two pit bull puppies die from parvo. The good news is that 6 dogs that had been with us between 6 months and 4 years got good homes. Blackie who was featured in the last newsletter was one of those adopted.

**SPECIAL THANKS:** Pets and Friends Animal Hospital selected Animal Welfare as one of the animal groups to receive Christmas donations from their clients. We are also extremely grateful for the discounted services that Pueblo Small Animal Clinic provides on an ongoing basis. They allow us to bring dogs in during walk-in hours so that the dogs get immediate needed care. In February we had two dogs with bad injuries from fighting and two sick puppies needing immediate attention on a weekend day. Best Friends Animal Hospital never hesitated to take them in. Best Friends has always been willing to provide us with discounted emergency services on the weekends and we are truly grateful.

The staff worked very hard at removing the built up snow and ice from the runs so there would not be as much standing water when it warmed up. They chopped, shoveled, swept and hauled ice and snow. When things finally thawed, they still had to do some trenching to get water to drain since the ground was saturated. The dogs appreciated having dry areas to be in. Everyone is grateful for the warmer weather.

Thanks to those of you who brought in items from the last Wish List. Everything is appreciated but the dogs especially liked the blankets and carpet. When we have extra carpet, a piece is put down outside so they can choose to lie on it instead of the bare ground. Of course, some would choose to chew it up if they get the chance!



### WISH LIST

Hose end nozzles with shut off, dish washing detergent, bleach, anti-bacterial hand soap, Odor Ban, treats, collars - all sizes, choke chains, leashes and toys (rope and other).

### COME to PEPPER'S PLUS MAY 5 & 6

Cheri Pullara has once again invited Animal Welfare to participate in Pepper's Plus Annual Home & Garden Show. We will raffle tickets for \$100 worth of merchandise at the plant sale, have items for sale and give out information about our organization. There will be many vendors and of course Pepper's Plus will have plants and unique garden items for sale. We are grateful to Cheri and Pepper's Plus for their continued support of AWPS.

### Spring Cleaning? Donate to GARAGE SALE

Animal Welfare will hold another garage sale on June 16. It would be appreciated if contributors would keep the things to donate until the week before the sale and then take it to the shelter by June 14 or call Chris at 671-1773 to arrange a pickup that week. We do not have a lot of storage room. If you really need it out of your place sooner, give Chris a call and we will see if something can be done. Also, it helps us a great deal if prices are already on each item.



## MY Pal, "Dudley Do Right"

By Dolores Ables, March 2007

I wasn't really looking to get another dog at that time. My husband had been dead for a year when his dog followed him.

My sister knew how I love animals so she talked me into volunteering at the Animal Welfare Protection Society shelter. There I met a young black lab mix named "Studley." He had been trained by Lee Liljigren so I could see he was a nice dog. From day one, I believe he knew we were meant for each



other. I would bring treats with me every day so after our walks we would sit and have some.

That was April 2004. From the first day he has tried to please me in every way so I renamed him "Dudley Do Right."

Now he goes with me everywhere.

I'm a pretty good judge of animals. When you get one from an animal shelter like the one Dudley was at, you know you will have a pal for life.

I have had people come up to me and ask me where did I get such a nice dog?

He has made my life a lot happier. He is truly my Pal!

*Editor's Note: Dolores noted that Dudley Do Right is a tad shy around cameras, but the pictures Dolores sent, it appears that Dudley is not only a "Do Right," but is a "Dudley Just Right" for Dolores. Another wonderful match.*

### In Recognition with our Sincere Thanks

<b>Claudia Bartolo</b>	Carpet
<b>Sandra Bradley, CPA &amp; Staff</b>	Ongoing bookwork
<b>Carolyn Christopher</b>	Dog food pick-up & delivery
<b>Amanda Clerkin</b>	Dog food pick-up & delivery
<b>Colorado Bluesky</b>	Newsletter mailing
<b>Chris Comins</b>	Puppy formula & deworm meds
<b>Ken Evans</b>	Shelter supplies
<b>Rebecca Goodman</b>	Gift cards & cash donation
<b>Karen Harrington</b>	Carpet
<b>Carol Lammerts</b>	Dog food
<b>Nathan Lira</b>	Garage sale items
<b>Jerry Litvack</b>	Dog food delivery
<b>Micki McBride</b>	Dry & canned dog food & treats
<b>Linda Neilson</b>	Dog food pick-up & delivery
<b>PDQ Printers</b>	Newsletter discount
<b>Erin Ragulsky</b>	Type setting discount
<b>Jim &amp; Marilyn Rhoades</b>	Blankets & rugs
<b>Judy Ross</b>	Dog food
<b>Sam's Club</b>	Dog food
<b>Target Distribution Center</b>	Pet products
<b>Mary Beth Vasco</b>	Large dog crate
<b>Wal-Mart</b>	Dog food
<b>Carol Wilkins</b>	2 large dog houses & 6 dog sweaters

### AWPS Memberships

We appreciate the following individuals & businesses who have new or are renewing their memberships:

Dorothy & Michael Baxter	Miriam M. Owens
Barbara Bensik	Mrs. Bascam Pratt
Anna Brown	Mary Propes
Toni Carter	Ronald and Beverly Renoux
Edward T. Eurich	Jeff and Marty Roskam
Charles and Vickie Hall	Susan Fose
Stan Grundy	Neka Saraceno
Dolores Otte	Joan Williams



## Animal Welfare's Nineteenth Annual

# Spring Plant Sale

**Saturday, May 19th**

**1836 Bonforte Blvd.**

**9am to 4pm**



**ALL PROCEEDS  
BENEFIT OUR  
"NO KILL"  
SHELTER**

### A Large Selection of

*Hanging Baskets  
Potted House Plants  
Potted Patio Plants  
Geraniums Plants  
Petunias Plants  
Annuals  
Perennials  
Vegetable Plants  
Ceramic Pots  
Garden Angels  
And much more!*

*Come and see  
our beautiful selections —  
You'll be glad you did!*



## In Memoriam

### In Memory of Mayme Carlo.

Donations received from Nick Gradisar, Peggy Greathouse, Charles Pullen, James and Cheryl Frasher, Charles and Patricia Dionisio, Frances Birx, Bev Kachel, A. J. & Ron Newman, Lila Gradisar, Barbara Stout, Mary Salimento and Cheryl Trimble, Rodney and Jo Kay Cozzetto, Deborah G. Rankin, Dennis and Corrine Koehler

### In Memory of Norm Patterson.

Donations received from Wanda Morris, Marsha Garrett, James and Etta Provost, Ruth Patterson

### In Memory of Loyola Strader,

**"A very special lady who gave much love and care to my three little dogs."**  
Donation received from Judy Ross

### In Memory of Verna Philbin, 1920-2007.

Donations received from Sharon G. Massey, Sandra Cook and Lisa Hed

### In Memory of Bob Urban, "Loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend."

Donation received from Douglas and Jane Sawwell

### In Memory of Victor Gorsche, a friend for many years and a great dog friend.

Donation received from Sandra and Clyde Young

### In lieu of a Christmas gift to my sister, Barb.

Donation received from Cynthia Rains

### In Memory of Everett Singley, friend of Lois Morini.

Donations received from Grant and Bettye Anderson

### In Memory of Joe Trujillo.

Donation received from Aldea Sabo

### In Memory of Stanley A. Sulima.

Donations received from Gerald Lambert, Marguerite Palmour, Ethel Dominico, Stanley and Eileen Erjavec, Eulice Kogovsek, Jessie Banks, Robert Bridgman, Henry and Irene Sulima, Mary Gersick, Fred and Joan Vaught, Sandra Faiola, Redfern Construction, Jim and Mary Lou Redfern, Eagles Lodge Number 145, Bonnie and Gene Bacon

### In Memory of Dr. Ron Applbaum.

Donation received from Beth Davis

### In Memory of Carolyn L. Passero.

Donations received from Wes and Joanna Moore, R. Marvin and Brad Finnell, Arden and Betty Fonda, Pueblo Songwriters and Musicians Association

### In Memory of Linda Fredicks.

Donation received from Carl and Judy Koehly

### In Loving Memory of Shirley M. Book, dear mother of Terry Book and family.

Donation received from Doug and Jane Sawwell

### In Memory of Nancy Jackson.

Donations received from Estelle, Marcie, and Wayne Bartley, Ben and Shirley Weindling, Jerome and Sue Crane

### In Memory of Ed Terlep.

Donation received from Marilyn James Rhoades

## Pet Memorials & Dedications

### In Memory of Muttley who was a loving companion to Cris and Jeff Salerno.

Donation received from Sandra and Clyde Young Cheryl Hindsley and Sandra Bradley

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## In Memoriam Continued

**In Memory of Forest, who was an important part of our daughter's family. Forest was a beautiful seven-year-old golden retriever. Last June, he became the proud "Daddy" of 13 puppies, 10 survived and found homes. Unfortunately, all the puppies had homes when they lost Forest. He was very special and they hope some day to have a puppy from one of his offspring.**

For Sherri, Dennis, Branden, and Jillian Hayes.  
Donation received from Ron and Connie Cortese

### In Memory of Todd and Barbara Caudle's beloved pets: Charlie Caudle, Taggie Caudle, and Cheyenne Caudle.

Donation received from Ron and Betty Nufer

### They left paw prints on our hearts.

**In Memory of "Forrest and Barkley" who made their home with the Hayes Family; "Max and Buffy" beloved family members of Connie and Ron Cortese; "Jazzy" who is greatly missed by Sallie and John Donley; and my "kids," Tiffany, Panda, and Reggie.**

Donation received from Peggy Greathouse

### In Loving Memory of Candy, beloved and faithful pet of Colleen and Gary Clark,

Sheila and James Tarani.

Donation received from The Carter Crew

### In Memory of Andrea Crockenberg's dog, Gypsy, who was adopted from the AWPS shelter.

Donation received from Sandra and Clyde Young

### In Memory of beloved family members, Charlie, Taggie, and Cheyenne.

Donation received from Todd and Barbara Caudle

### In Memory of Rio, a wonderful German shepherd. He lived with Jean and Bob McKim for seven great years.

Donation received from Sandra and Clyde Young

### In Memory of our beloved dog, Rascal.

Donation received from Ed and Anne Henne

## Memorial Donations

*If you are making a memorial donation for a person or a pet, please remember to give us both your address and the address of anyone to whom you want an acknowledgment letter sent. Giving a memorial donation is a great way to honor a person who loved or loves animals and helps AWPS fulfill its mission. The memorial appears in the next issue that comes out after receiving the memorial.*

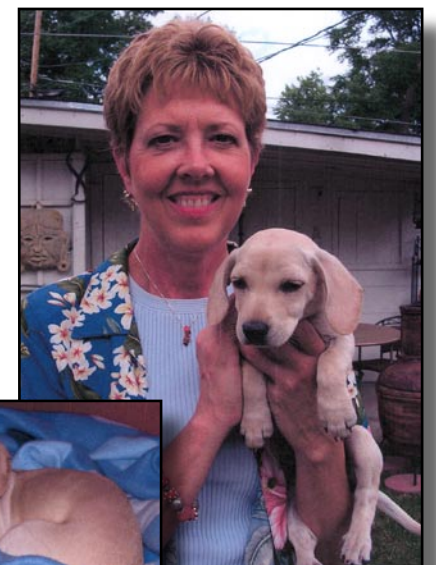
## Grace Has a Story Continued

canned food that was easy on the stomach. Gracie, as Chris calls her, continued to fight. At first she needed to be given liquid with a dropper and then lots of liquid with her food. In two days her muscles strengthened though one paw continued to fold under. Soon she was gobbling as much food as she was given. She became interested and in love with her soft toys. She learned very quickly to run and fetch a toy when it was thrown. This also served as good exercise for her legs. After 10 days she is a happy, loving puppy, no longer skinny. She loves attention - who wouldn't after what she went through!? She loves her belly rubbed and being in your lap. She really likes chasing her ball or toy and bringing it back. She is smart. She deserves a good, loving home where she will be gently raised. Grace wants her chance at proving that pit bulls can be gentle, loyal companions in the hands of the right person.

“Thank you so much for the work you do. I absolutely LOVE my puppy. She's the best part of my life! Thank you again and again.”

— Kathryn F. Wirkus, Denver, Colorado

*Kathryn adopted Lily from the AWPS shelter. Congratulations, Lily! Seems like your new Mom thinks you are pretty special. From the pictures she sent of you and her, it appears that it is a wonderful match.*



# Thank You for Your Contributions

As always, our monetary needs to care for injured, neglected, abandoned and abused animals continues. We are truly grateful to the following individuals & organizations for their continued support:

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| Audrey Davis              | Daniel & Janet Kralic       | Marilyn James Rhoades          | Sandra & Clyde Young        |
| Clara M. Di Chellis       | Don Krasovec                | Mark & Carol Jean Rickman      | Katherine Zervas            |
| Rhona M. Dye              | Jim Latona                  | David Robb                     |                             |

## Special Donations

A special thanks to Ruth Ann Sproul, Lakewood, Colo. She created and donated a "doggy's fall wreath" and donated a "doggy's fall wreath" for our fall fundraiser. Creating "doggy fun stuff" is her business now that she is retired. AWPS appreciates the support. AWPS received a Christmas gift from Shelly K. Orgill in honor of Peggy Rankin.

## Christmas in April

by Marilyn Thompson

Don't panic! You do not have to rush to go Christmas shopping. AWPS just wants to give you an update on the fundraiser called Photos with Santa Paws which is sponsored by PETSMART every year.

Last Christmas, AWPS earned over \$600 for photos -- and what a time everyone had. From the ever-popular Santa Paws Bob McClelland

who did an outstanding job just as he does every year. It is a new year so memories are vague as to who all the "elves" who barked, squeaked, snapped pictures, whistled, and cajoled all the photo entries, but you know who you are and thank you! See you around the Christmas tree this year!

## AWPS IS GRATEFUL

to the following businesses which have cash collection boxes. Every penny collected works for animals.

### Animal Kingdom Grooming

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## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- May 5 & 6 Booth at Pepper's Plus
- May 17 Raffle for \$100 merchandise at Plant Sale, Contact a AWPS Board Member
- May 19 Annual AWPS Plant Sale
- June 16 Spring Garage Sale
- Sept. 15 Feet & Fur
- Sept. 22 AWPS Golf Tournament
- December PETSMART Santa Photos

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# Yes!

I will support Animal Welfare & Protection Society and help to give homeless animals a second "leash" on life. Members receive a membership card and newsletters. (Membership is renewable annually and is tax deductible.)

- My MEMBERSHIP dues are enclosed. \_\_\_\_\_New \_\_\_\_\_Renewal  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 Senior/Student \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Individual \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 Family  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Benefactor \_\_\_\_\_ \$250 or more Guardian Angel

- Here is my DONATION to be used for:  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ current shelter operations.  
 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ the Emergency Vet Care program for injured or sick animals unable to receive vet care without help.

- Here is an additional donation to be used for the NEW SHELTER: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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