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RED BARN THRIFT STORE

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New Year, 2018

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Editor

Mission Statement:®

We strive to achieve the following goals:

- Protect the welfare of homeless and neglected pets by providing care, shelter, and sterilization to prevent future unwanted pets,
- Secure adoptive homes for pets, and
- Support community awareness of ethical treatment of animals.

Board of Directors

2018

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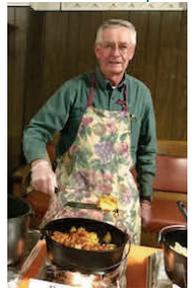
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Annual Fundraiser Brings Hungry Folks in out of the Snow

About 200 people enjoyed burgundy elk stew, tamale pie, and huge variety of other choice vittles and many yummy desserts all cooked in cast iron dutch ovens in the Elk's parking lot. November 4th was the 6th annual edition of the popular event which netted \$1,635 in support of Hope's Haven. Thank you to all the volunteers and patrons who came out to help this good cause!

Board member, Jim Schubert, serves up some buckaroo spuds



" Take me, take me"

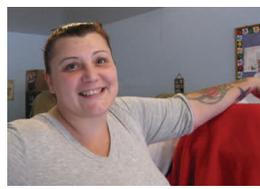


Winter Special ~ \$10 off regular adoption fees: cats & kittens are adoptable for only \$25 — dogs & puppies (no puppies available just now) are \$60 through the month of February. Come in and find your "fur-ever" friend. You'll both be glad!

All animals are spay/neutered, treated for parasites and have basic shots except Rabies, which must be given by a licensed vet.



Shelter Manager Hired



We are happy to announce that the Board of Directors has chosen Mia Mason to fill the position of shelter manager. She replaces temporary manager, Mike Severn.

Mia grew up on a farm, loving animals all her life. She often would rescue an injured or stray animal. She says that animals are her life, so this is her *dream job*. Mia came to Idaho two years ago. She says that she has learned much from experience as an office manager and being with animals.

"I followed and watched my managers and my coworkers and have taken bits and pieces here and there to make me be a good manager," she said.

A ton of enthusiasm and smiles are traits that will bring some new energy and exciting plans for the shelter. Come in and meet her and see some of the changes already in the making.

Tee Shirts and Patches



Looking for a great gift for a friend or family member or even yourself? We have beautiful blue t-shirts with a cool logo on the front available for \$20 each. Visit the Red Barn for your choice of sizes.

Black patches with our logo are also available to put on a shirt, hat, jacket or anything else.



HELP NEEDED

Drivers are **DESPERATELY** needed to transport animals to WSU in Pullman, WA for spay/neuter once a week. Fuel can be provided.

Can Crushers: usually once a week pick up cans from collection site and machine crush at shelter

Transporters: to take crushed cans to recycling site in Spokane

Volunteers at the shelter: basic animal care and clean-up duties. Let us know when you could help out.

Volunteers at the Red Barn: general retail assignments such as working the cash register, stocking and light cleaning.

If you can help out with any of these jobs, even one day a week or more, PLEASE contact Hope's Haven or Red Barn.

Our success depends on willing & reliable volunteers.



Cats, cats, cats...

Cat Cuddlers Club* has been added to TNR (Trap, Neuter, Return) Program

Huh? *When the cats are coming out of surgery they need to be warm and gently brought out of anesthesia to recover safely. Several volunteers hold the cats until they are ready to be put back in their cages.

In 2017 a total of 329 cats have run through our clinics. That is 329 cats that will no longer be adding to the huge number of feral cats in our community. Add 2016's total of 250 felines sterilized brings the grand total to 579 cats who will not be adding to the unwanted kitten population.

As you can see, it takes a large number of volunteers to keep the program functioning. It is a fun and rewarding experience helping out at the clinic. If you would like to find out what you could do to help give us a call at (208) 245-8677 or 245-PETS.



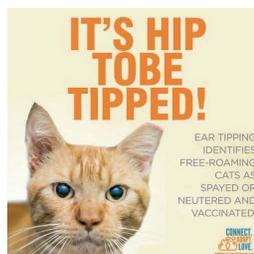
Community Cat Program Needs Your Support

If you'd like to contribute to this outstanding effort, please bring or send your donation (earmarked "TNR") to:

Benewah County Humane Society

P.O. Box 642

St Maries, ID 83861



Happy Endings: Sirius gets a home!



This beautiful lab mix dog came to us at the end of April, 2017. It was determined he had suffered an inoperable injury to his windpipe, and, because of that, vets were reluctant to put him under anesthesia for neutering. After a number of lab tests, x-rays, and consultations among vets at WSU, Kootenai Humane Society, and Benewah Vet Clinic, it was decided to run the risk and proceed with surgery to neuter Sirius. The plan was to use the least anesthesia, work as quickly as possible, then bring him "around" post-haste. Dr. Douglas Walker of Benewah Vet Clinic and his team performed the surgery in record time, and Sirius healed and became available for adoption. Sirius would have special needs in that he needed a home where he could be "active, but not over-active," always wear a harness for walks, and not get overheated or over-excited.

Time passed, yet Sirius remained cheerful as he saw other dogs come and go. No one seemed to want this special needs loving animal until January 2nd—at last—his forever home. His new owner states ... "I kept seeing his picture in the paper and decided to go see him. As we met, Sirius was all over me." Happy ending & new beginnings.

THANK YOU TO VALLEY PIECEMAKERS

QUILT & CRAFT CLUB

whose members generously donated some adorable, handmade potholders.

Available @ Red Barn by donation.





Paul Bunyan Day Pancake Breakfast

We did it again. The *all you care to eat breakfast* fund raiser was another great success as many hungry carnival goers stopped in to the Eagles Lodge on Sunday, September 3rd for the delicious breakfast of pancakes (of course), scrambled eggs, sausage and ham fixed up and served by a loyal group of volunteers. The event brought in \$1,709 to help care for Hope's Haven "residents."



RED BARN GIFT AND THRIFT

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Bring in your gift list! It is never too early to start looking for something different for those special occasions. We have toys and jewelry, picture frames and tools, kitchen gadgets and books, and many things to bring a smile to someone on your list. Check out the new arrivals daily at the Red Barn; there just might be something to fit the bill. Look for specials posted every day and **crazy** special events.

The store supplies a large portion of the funds that keep the shelter going. Thank you for the fantastic efforts: Manager Sara Silvfast, Assistant Manager Dinah Krasselt, and the crew of volunteers. Several *snow bird* volunteers have flown and new volunteers are always welcome and needed. If you have even one day a month or more we can use your help. No experience is needed.

Special Need: Red Barn Thrift Store workers dream of a large, secure space in which to **sort and store donations**. If you have an unused garage, shop, etc. close by in town and would be willing to donate the use of this space, please let Sara know. This would also be an opportunity for a tax write-off. Also, it would be an indirect way of helping animals, as it would boost sales in the long run.



Sara gives a *shout out* to onlookers at the PB parade.

Don't delete/toss this letter but please pass it on to your friends.