



Pets on Wheels – *Update* of Scottsdale

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MACY'S SHOP FOR A CAUSE

Saturday, August 26-28, 2016
three days to shop this year

Shopping Pass Discounts
10% to 25%
all day **at any** Macy's store location.

Since 2006, Macy's Shop for a Cause event helps non-profit organizations raise funds for their charitable efforts. Once again, Macy's has partnered with Pets on Wheels of Scottsdale.

For each \$5.00 donation
you receive a Shoppers Pass for
10% - 25% discounts
while shopping on **August 26, 27, 28**

Plus enter to win a \$500 Macy's Gift Card

**100% of donations go directly to
Pets on Wheels of Scottsdale**

We need your support in promoting our fund raising efforts with family, friends and co-workers and to volunteer with your dog at Macy's, Fashion Square on August 27 & 28th.

Shoppers Passes are available **now** through
August 28, 2016.

Contact **Peggy Eischen**
Email: petsonwheelsaz@gmail.com
Phone: 480-312-1741

Stop by to meet our volunteers and dogs at
Macy's Scottsdale Fashion Square
Scottsdale, AZ
August 27-28, 2016

MEETING JULY 21 Learn about Canine Dental Care



Dr. Visser detected cracked and broken teeth and was able to restore Zoe's healthy smile.

Our guest speaker for the July 21st quarterly meeting is Dr. Chris Visser, a Veterinary Dental Specialist. In addition to having a veterinary dental practice, Dr. Visser volunteers his services to the Phoenix Zoo where he has performed over 300 dental and oral surgery procedures on zoo animals during the past twenty-five years.

Dr Visser has an international reputation as an author and lecturer. He was awarded Veterinarian of the Year, 2007 by the Arizona Veterinary Medical Association and was inducted into the Arizona Veterinary Hall of Fame in 2013.

Dr. Visser will provide tips on good dental health for our dogs as well as sharing his experiences in providing dental care to lions and tigers and bears, Oh My!!

The meeting will be held Thursday, July 21, 2016, at 7:00 PM. in Room 4 at the Via Linda Senior Center. The Senior Center is located at 10440 E. Via Linda Drive.

We encourage you to invite friends and family to hear Dr. Visser's educational and entertaining presentation.

Arizona Gives Day a Success for Pets on Wheels

Pets on Wheels raised **\$4216** during the Arizona Gives campaign on April 7th. For the second year, we were able to exceed our donation goal and nearly double the amount of last years' donations.

We particularly want to thank those volunteers who donated and those who networked for us with their family and friends. We give a special thanks to volunteer Nancy Maurer who provided a generous dollar match of the donations made by her friends and family. We also appreciate the networking of Zoe Bykowski, whose fans came through for us many times.

Final numbers from Arizona Gives show that your donations helped **759 Arizona nonprofits** raise a record-breaking **\$2.84 million** for Arizona Gives Day 2016!

Thanks again for your support of Pets on Wheels through Arizona Gives

TOP VISITORS

Volunteers having the most visits during the months of April through June are shown below.

Kathy Sins & Bentley, Grayson & Winston	88
Diane Bykowski & Zoe	56
Warren Clark & Pepper	29
Ivan Smith & Ozzie	28
Julie Bronstein & Darmok & Jilad	21
Peggy Eischen & Boone & Mason	19
Chris Barnes & Lily	16
Peter Baxter & Dodger	16
Barbara Digges & Maxine	16
Loraine Simons & Liberty & Scarlet	16
Linda Scott & Rocco	15
Marsha Usdane & Munchkin	14
Denise Villalon & Monte	14
Ed Faber & Jasmine	13

Please sign your name clearly in our sign-in book so we can note your visit on the roster. The figures are used in our monthly report to the City of Scottsdale, and to record the dogs' visits to see if they are eligible for an annual award.

Walk for a Dog Support Pets on Wheels

You can support *Pets on Wheels* when walking with your dog by using the *Wooftrax Walk for a Dog* app for Android or I-phone.

The app is easy to use and tracks (on your cell phone) the distance, time, and average MPH for every walk you take. Don't have a dog?? You can still use the app to track your personal walking or can even create a fantasy dog or two!!

Walk for a Dog donates to your animal organization (Pets on Wheels, of course), based on the number of times you walk, **not** the distance. So every *Walk for a Dog* counts, whether it's around the block or a three mile hike. If you have more than one dog, you can register each of them.

The app can be downloaded directly from the *Walk for a Dog* website <http://www.wooftrax.com/> or from the Android or I-phone app stores. And for those who are already using the app, be sure to turn it on when you are visiting with your dog---because you are walking!



NEW VISITING TEAMS

We welcome **10** new volunteer teams who began their visits during the last 3 months.

Barton House

Stephanie and Laurie Weber with Rocket

Haven Health

Christine Drawert with Hana, Ellen Baker with Chanel, Christina Shorall with CoCo

Heritage Court

Elaine Selmier with Papi

Tempe Friendship Village

Jeannie Pearce with Duke

Sante

Susan Knodle with Abby

Shea PARC Sharon Ketterer with Minnie

The Gardens

Diane Mase with Maggie, Alyssa Quinn with Lily

Pets on Wheels Volunteers Learn Canine First Aid

Would you know what to do if your dog began choking or if you came upon a dog that had been hit by car? Eight *Pets on Wheels* volunteers can now answer **YES** to those questions. These volunteers participated in an all day training session on May 7th, led by Malinda Malone, certified trainer with Pet Tech, the first international training center dedicated to CPR, First Aid, and care for dogs and cats. Many of you met Malinda at our April quarterly meeting.

Skills we practiced included the primary assessment, CPR, rescue breathing, safely applying a muzzle to an injured dog or cat, and bleeding protocols. We also learned about fractures, poisoning, heatstroke, and discussed canine dental care and special needs of senior dogs. Malinda also assisted us in identifying what should be included in our canine first aid kits.

The course included a workbook and information about the *Pet Saver* application for your smart phone or tablet. Malinda Malone, our instructor gives this class on a recurring basis. Please contact her at **480-213-0477** if you are interested in enrolling in a future class.



Front row: Diane Mase, Diane Bykowski, Christina Shorall
Back row: Glenn Zellmer, Peggy Eishen, Chris Barnes, Kathy Sins, Barbara Digges, Malinda Malone (instructor)



We learned to muzzle.



And we applied a bandage.



Pet Emergency Care: Most emergencies occur when your regular vet's office is closed. Know the location and phone number of the **closest after-hours pet emergency facility**. Add that information to your cell phone contacts.

Heat Wave! Should You Shave Your Pet?

Summer is in full swing, and temperatures are heating up nationwide. We know that as a responsible pet parent, you want to do everything you can to keep your best four-legged friends cool. So when you look at your Pomeranian, Golden Retriever or long-haired cat wearing a thick, fluffy coat, you might feel tempted to break out your grooming tools and give him a serious hair cut.

But hold those clippers! While you or I would hate to sport a fur coat in 100-degree weather, your pets' fur coats are actually providing them with heat relief.

"A dog's coat is kind of like insulation for your house," explains Dr. Louise Murray, Vice President of the ASPCA Animal Hospital. "Insulation stops your home from getting too cold in winter, but it also keeps it from overheating in summer—and your dog's coat does the same thing."

Dogs' coats have several layers, and these layers are essential to your dog's comfort in the heat. Robbing your dog of this natural cooling system can lead to discomfort and overheating. And keeping your dog cool isn't the only reason to leave his coat intact, Dr. Murray warns. Your dog's coat prevents your pup from getting sunburn and helps protect her from skin cancer.

So what can you do? It is ok to give your long-haired dog a "summer cut"—trimming her long hair may make it more manageable. It is best to allow a professional groomer to perform the haircutting, and never shave down to the skin or try to cut the hair yourself with scissors.



If you prefer not to cut your dog's hair, that's fine. Dogs with thick coats naturally shed so that they have a lighter coat in the summer. Remember to brush your dog's fur and bathe her frequently as clean, brushed fur allows for better air circulation.

OUR BENEFACTORS

Gifts during the months of April, May, and June were:

Patrons – \$400 plus
Nancy Mauer
Give with Liberty – employees
United Way – General

Contributors – \$100 - \$400
Lamar Kelsey
Malinda Maloney
Fry's / Kroger

Supporters – \$25 - \$100
Amazon Smile
Basha's
Diane Bykowski
Barbara Digges
McKesson Foundation

In Memory of Steve Semon:

Laurie & Dennis Checkoway
Peggy Eischen & Glenn Zellmer
Fay Forman
The Goldenthal Family

Farewell, Friend

Rainbow Bridge Crossing

Pam Geistweit's beloved Golden Doodle, **Cooper** crossed the Rainbow Bridge in April. Cooper and Pam became a visiting team in 2012.

Thank you so much!

Pets on Wheels in Action...



Rocco (Linda Scott) visiting with Hazel who is 102 years young at **Pueblo Norte**.



Three cool dudes, **Bentley**, **Grayson**, and **Winston** (Kathy Sins) relax after a day of visiting.



Elaine Taute and her mini-horse **Sparky** visit **STARS** and **Sunrise Middle School**. Sparky high-tails it out town in the summer.

Upcoming Events

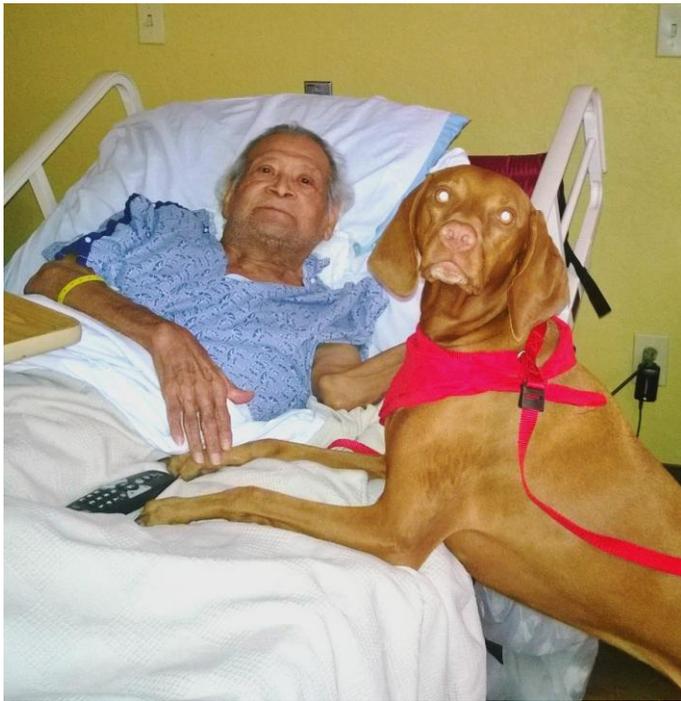
Macy's Shop for a Cause August 27-28
Scottsdale Fashion Square

Bridgeway September 22nd
Ability360 Center, 50th St & Washington

Dog Days Via Linda November 6
Via Linda Senior Center

Dogs in the Garden November 6
Desert Botanical Gardens

Pets on Wheels will need volunteers for each of these events. Please email Peggy Eischen at petsonwheelsaz@gmail.com if you can help.



Ava (Tracey Sosna) steps up to share a greeting with a resident at Heritage Square.



Missy (Kathy Homes) is happy to spend time with this resident at Westminster Village.

The Pets on Wheels Update newsletter is published four times a year for volunteers and others interested in Pets on Wheels activities. Suggestions and material should be directed to petsonwheelsaz@gmail.com. We are always interested in photos of your dog at "work."

Guest Editor: Barbara Digges

Special thanks from the President:

First: Many thanks to the teams, who have notified me that there will be a break in their visiting routines.

Second: Kudos to the volunteers, who faithfully report the counts each month.

Third: Much appreciation to the evaluators, who have had to work overtime.

I know we have the most dedicated volunteers, **ever**. You are truly appreciated.

Peggy



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QUARTERLY MEETING

**THURSDAY
July 21
7:00 to 9:00 PM**

**VIA LINDA SENIOR CENTER
105th Street & Via Linda
Scottsdale, AZ**

**Guest Speaker:
Dr. Chris Visser, Veterinary
Dental Specialist**

50-50 RAFFLE

DOOR PRIZE

Invite your family and friends!