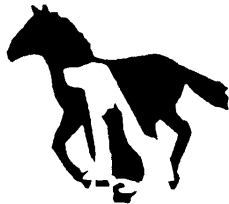


Bright Eyes Care & Rehab Center

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Member Newsletter

AUGUST 2017

MISSION STATEMENT

WE SHALL SHELTER, NURTURE, AND CARE FOR ABUSED, NEGLECTED, UNWANTED, AND STRAY ANIMALS; HELPING THEM TO REGAIN TRUST IN MANKIND; ASSIST WHEN ASKED; INTERVENE WHEN NECESSARY.

GOALS

1. Work to rehabilitate those animals with special needs and problems, whether physical or emotional; and provide them with new qualities to make them adoptable.
2. Implement school and public programs and services to promote responsible pet ownership.
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5. Be advocates for animals, speaking for those who are innocent, that cannot speak for themselves.

PLEASE----HELP US, HELP THEM

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E-Newsletters are done by Sandy Kempa, and emailed to those who have supplied an email address. E-newsletters save B.E. money, which we happily spend on needy animals. Because of our recent computer problems, we have had trouble getting our paper newsletters mailed out to those who do not have computers, or those who choose not to participate in electronic newsletters. We are continuing to work on solutions, and hope people will be patient. We place the paper newsletters at the Skyline Lodge, Double Arrow Vet Clinic, East Slope Vet Clinic, the Beehive, the Seniors Center, and at the shelter, too. Our FACEBOOK account and our own Website also have the current newsletters. We thank Kindra for her work on our FACEBOOK account and Dale for her work on our Website.



AUGUST 16, 2017 BRIGHT EYES GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The August meeting was called to order by the President, Terrie Nylund. She asked attendees to peruse the 06/21//2017to 08/16/2017 Treasurer's Report, which was approved as written. Income came from: Cash donations; Scrubbies; Misc. sales; Memberships; 4th of July Bake Sale; Memorial donations; Pet Memorials. Expenses were to: Breen Oil; Double Arrow; NW Energy; 3 Rivers (phone); inContact; Ace (portable pens, litter); Montana Waste; Petco; FF Sun Times(S/N ads); Acantha (S/N clinic ads, Bake Sale ads); Deposit Stamp(info change); Shelter Medicine Seminar Hotel for Kindra; Payroll(June, July-Terrie, July-Kindra); State taxes; Federal; Soc.Sec.; Medicare; Swensen(2016 taxes, June, July taxes, qtlly UI); Unemployment (2nd qtr). Spay/Neuter checking account had income from: Donations; Memorial donations; Pet Memorial; Adoption donations; Guardian Angel donation; Surrender donation. Expenses were to: East Slope Vet Clinic (spays, groom Big Ben, Shadow, treatment of badly injured cat and euth); Double Arrow Vet(spays, neuter, treatment of Jim's cat, Sparrow, bloodwork, X-rays). . Savings account had income from interest (so modest). Our CD's are waiting for needed expenses for the animals, the shelter, and the property. Page 2. Our working capital is much smaller than our total assets, and is carefully

managed to benefit needy animals. A complete Treasurer's report is found in the meeting agenda or available by request. We estimate that soon, our monthly expenses will be \$7,832, reflecting our new full-time shelter manager salary. Soon, we must concentrate on seeking more income; fundraisers, donations from our dear friends and members, as well as seeking those elusive grants. The needy animals depend on us, and we appreciate any and all help!

CORRESPONDENCE: 1. Our dear Jim Thalman wrote a nice note of how he enjoyed the 4th BBQ at the Nylund's. So nice! 2. Melody and "Xena" wished us a great summer. 3. Nye Patton Brookover wrote kind words of her long-time, dear friend Thelma Nauck, with her memorial donation. 4. Fairfield Drug sent a beautiful card and more kind words of Thelma—" always loved-never forgotten-forever missed. A heart of gold Thelma had. She has been greatly missed".

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OLD BUSINESS: The June meeting minutes, in the June newsletter, were approved.

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. SUMMER FESTIVAL in the City Park, was very nice and the new pen to display animals was awesome! Although, Terrie and Dodie had a challenging "first" time in setting it up. And, Dodie, sorry once again, for drenching you with water. HaHa!

2. FOURTH BAKE SALE was a great success (\$862.75!) and we thank everyone for taking time out of that busy day to help out. The afternoon BBQ at the Nylund's was fun and Jim T. came, too!

3. KINDRA STIMSON will officially start working, as Shelter Manager, on Sept. 3rd. The attending group want to have a Meet and Greet for her, so B.E. members and the public can say "Hi and Welcome!" to her. We decided that our Fall Dinner/Dance would work well. We are hoping that the Stage Stop Inn might be available on Saturday, Oct. 28th, and make the event into a Halloween Party, too. We will know more, after Terrie calls there.

4. PENNIES FOR PETS is at Rex's, tomorrow, Aug. 17th with all assigned time accounted for. So many nice shoppers and the public, are very generous at this event.

5. DINNER/DANCE date was discussed, and we are hoping for Oct. 28th, but other Saturday evenings in October could work, also. No real theme was selected, but yummy soups, main dishes, salads, and desserts was popular ideas, again. Entrance will be Free-Will Giving, which works well. More information in next newsletter.

6. BOARD ELECTIONS will be at November meeting. Those whose terms are due for renewal are: Rick Kerr, Lorraine Walley, Sandra McGhee, and Terrie Nylund. Anyone wanting to serve another term or wanting to begin their journey as a board member, is asked to let Terrie know, by the first of November.

7. MISC. A. Michelle Hensley told the group, how "Thelma" dog will be adopted by her and Jerry, to join their "Ruby" and "Lucy" dogs. Michelle often volunteers at the shelter, and found herself falling in love with Thelma, and after other interested parties passed on her, she took Thelma home to see how it might work out. Thelma is fitting in very well; and after Michelle and Jerry return from a California visit, they will take Thelma home, forever. All of us are very happy! B. We all looked through the Animals Available and Animals Adopted lists. As usual, the Available list is much longer than the Adopted list; but, we never give up!

C. NEW TO OUR WISH LIST! Since our shelter opened, we have had a single laundry tub for washing dishes, only. Litter pans are usually washed on the floor of the dog shower, and kind of hard on backs, knees, and hips of volunteers. So, Terrie did some measuring and looking, and found that there are DOUBLE LAUNDRY TUBS that fit in our existing space, and would be a great addition and help for volunteers. Then, we could wash pet dishes in one tub and litter pans in the other sink; so helpful and sanitary. The cost appears to be about in the \$150 range; so we are wondering if any of our wonderful members might send us a donation, earmarked for double laundry tub. Thank you, in advance, if you can help us!

D. Terrie announced that August 24th is Dog Swim Day at the pool, and wondered if we might take any of our dogs to it. But, concern over the Dog Flu, that seems to be going around, although no confirmed cases in our area, is keeping us from joining in that really fun event.

8. NEXT MEETING WILL BE WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20th; 6:30, Library Meeting Room. Please try to join us, and see how we work to help needy animals. Kindra will be attending, and you may want to meet her, early. August meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Sandy Kempa, Secretary.

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YAHOO! ADOPTIONS AND GOOD NEWS STORIES!

1. CALAMITY, puppy, was adopted to Matt C. and Natalie C.
2. GUNNER, puppy, was adopted by Robert P.
3. MAVERICK, puppy, was adopted to Shaun T.
4. BREEZY, puppy, was adopted to Rachel and Scott H. We hear that she is just the most fun addition to the new family and their wonderful home, property!
5. LOUISE was adopted by Ed & Sharon H. and Sharon writes that they are so thrilled to have that wonderful girl, who is now lovingly referred to as "Lucy"!
6. THELMA, who came in with Louise, is going home with Michelle and Jerry H., upon return from trip. Already Thelma and other dogs are just fine on day trips.
7. Doolie dog, a KOA stray dog, Kenai, and Ring, all were claimed by their respective owners.
8. LEXI, kitten, was adopted to Kathy N.
9. WILLOW, kitten, was adopted by Sara O.
10. BLACK MAGIC, kitten, was adopted to Ken L.
11. STUBBS, kitten, also adopted by Ken. L.
12. KEEKEE, cat, adopted by Rose P.
13. GYPSY, cat, was adopted by Rose P.
14. PISTACHIO, cat, was an owner claim.

BEST WISHES TO ONE AND ALL!

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REMEMBER NEW SHELTER WEEKEND HOURS! 8:00-2:00. Please call 466-2100 before coming up. It's a good idea.

GIFTS FROM OUR WONDERFUL FRIENDS!

MONETARY:

CASH DONATIONS FROM: The Summer Festival donation jar; 4th of July donation jar; Helen Torgerson; Verna Schleuter; Kim and Gary Ralph in Honor of the Hopp/Bishop wedding; Traci Cain; Pat Larson; Liz Lambert; Diane Nodell (for placing cats outside of shelter); Kaylene Larson; Eugene Suek; Kenneth Mylar; Leona Somerfeld; Jim Thalman; Janice Morrison; Cap Edwards; Barb & Gary Mercer; Melody Carlon & Xena.

MEMBERSHIPS: Christian Offerdahl; Mary Ann Brandt; Rick & Sandy Corey.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS FOR: DOROTHY ALLEN, FROM Lloyd & JoAnn Reynolds, Sue & Bob Facklam, Jack & Syd Clark, Bob Nauck, Bill & Mary Smith, Roy & Diane Inbody. **FOR:** DOUG PETERSON (not Rex's) from Terry & Alice Gollehon. **FOR:** THELMA NAUCK from Steve & Terrie Nylund, Alice Sutherland, Nye Bookover, Mary Vollertsen, Ron & Chris Hinman, Chuck Allen, Fairfield Drug. **FOR:** DEWEY ERICKSON from Sandy Kempa, Michelle & Jerry Hensley. **FOR:** SANDY LANGE from Rick & Sandy Corey. **FOR:** RICK LAKE from SamTec and Employees.

PET MEMORIAL DONATIONS for: MADDIE, dog, from Lorraine W. and Richard R, Sandy Kempa, Steve & Terrie Nylund.

ADOPTION DONATIONS FOR : LOUISE, dog, from Ed & Sharon H.; GUNNER puppy, from Robert P., LEXI kitten from Dan & Kathy N.; MAVERICK, puppy, Shaun T family; FERN cat from Janet B.; BREEZY puppy, from Rachel & Scott H., STUBBS & BLACK MAGIC kittens, from Ken & Darlene L.

GUARDIAN ANGEL for GYPSY, RAGS, KEEKEE kitties, from Eva Anseth, Wendy Newman, Marisa Newman

Surrender donation for Liza from Rebecca L.

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NON-MONETARY GIFTS: Sadly, Sandy forgot list of donors and items at shelter, before going home to Great Falls. She will have the names and donated items in next newsletter. However, everything that was donated and donors are so appreciated!

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THESE NICE SHELTER CATS NEED LOVING FOREVER HOMES!

1. ALEX, DLH, neutered male, dark grey with some white, sweet big boy, A condition.
2. JACK, DLH, neutered male grey tabby with a little white, personality plus, a condition
3. KATIE, DSH, spayed female, dark grey, loves people, so nice
4. CHARLOTTE, DLH, spayed black female, so very nice
5. RAGS, DLH, neutered male, friendly, mostly white with beige markings
6. PANDORA, DSH, spayed female, white with some grey, nice, special diet
7. COSMO, DSH, neutered male, large gold tabby, wants to be only pet
8. EOWYN, DSH, spayed female orange adolescent, pretty
9. SILKY, DSH, spayed female dilute tortoise shell, senior, wants to be only pet
10. BO, DSH, spayed female, black, very nice

11. SUNSHINE, DLH, neutered male, white with tan spots, sweet
12. PATCHES, DSH, spayed female, white with grey, cute nose
13. BIG BEN, DLH, neutered male, very large lack and white, a little edgy, only pet?
14. SHASTA, DSH, female Siamese mix, very sweet
15. CISCO, DSH, gold tabby kitten, 4 mo., cutest ever
16. SCHNITZEL, DSH, 5 mo., black cutie , male
17. BERLIN, DSH, 5 mo., male, grey cuties
18. LUGNUT, abandoned 3+ wks. old, male grey w/white kitten, not yet ready
19. SKIPPER, abandoned 3+ wks. old, male grey w/white kitten, not yet ready
20. SLIPPERS, abandoned 3+ wks. old female black/white, not yet ready
21. BLOOMERS, abandoned 3+ wks. old female black/white, not yet ready



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THESE NICE SHELTER DOGS WANT LOVING, FOREVER HOMES!

1. TEAGAN, spayed female Border Collie mix; nice girl, ranch?
2. NALA, spayed female Bulldog/Rott mix, energetic, in training
3. APOLLO, neutered male German Shepherd, energetic, 1 yr.
4. MATILDA, spayed female Heeler, mix, energetic
5. LIZA, spayed female Blue Tick/Walker Hound mix, energetic

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BRIGHT EYES IS STILL WISHING FOR:



1. *RESPONSIBLE ADULT SHELTER VOLUNTEERS, willing to help in various ways---cleaning dog kennels, feeding, sweeping, mopping, cat litter pans, dishes, laundry, walking, socializing, phone work, meeting the public, etc. Training is provided. Come to shelter to get a Volunteer App, and visit about your own schedule. We will be flexible.*

2. *SHELTER SUPPLIES NEEDED: A. Clay-type Cat Litter B. LIQUID Laundry Detergent C. Address Labels for paper newsletters (8 1/2"x11" sheets); D. White Copy Paper E. Pastel Copy Paper F. Postage Stamps G. HP 564 Ink Cartridges in black and color for office printer H. Treats I. Kleenex J. Pump Sanitizer Gel; Paper Towels K. Used Laser Ink Cartridges L. Box Tops for Education*

3. *NO ALUMINUM CANS, anymore. Lost our people who took them to GF. NO USED MP3 PLAYERS*

NO TONER CARTRIDGES NO USED CELL PHONES Recyclers don't want them. NO GARAGE SALE DONATIONS No Garage Sale this year.

NEED FUNDS EARMARKED FOR A DOUBLE TUB LAUNDRY SINK! WE NEED TO WASH DISHES AND LITTER PANS IN SEPARATE SINKS. THANK YOU!

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More Good News Updates, next month!

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BRIGHT EYES 2017 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ~ to Benefit Needy Animals In Our Care

Mission Statement:

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Accomplishments:	2016	2001-2016	2016	2001-2016
*Pets reunited with owners	24	621	*Cat adoptions	37 644
*Spays and neuters	74	1379	*Dog adoptions/assists	49 583
*Sterilization expenses	12,688.00	98,192.00	*Medical expenses	1,264.00 34,687.00

FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES

- *Autumn Dinner/Dance
- *Pennies for Pets
- *Raffles
- *Bake Sales/Garage Sale
- *Winter Fair

As we prepare to yield to 2017 with the continuation of service to the community as a successful shelter, we have crossed some bridges and made some major decisions to better that service to you and the animals in our care. Lacking the dedicated volunteers that we desperately needed to train as staff, we had no alternative but to hire a full time Director, beginning June 1, 2017. Ms. Kindra Stimson will be joining our team as our leader on that day. Kindra will have her degree in anthrozoology and is completing her education in grant writing. Terrie Nylund will be stepping away from that position. Kindra will certainly brighten things up with a fresh way of looking at the inner workings of the shelter and will be doing something that she loves to do, work with animals. The foundation to build on had been created years ago and it was a strong one. We know that Kindra will continue to build on this foundation with the quality of care and compassion that compelled us to build the shelter initially.

You may see a change in the hours of operation if we can fully staff on Kindra's off days. You will be kept advised of these changes as they happen through the newsletter and by looking at our website, brighteyesanimalshelter.org

Thank you over and over again for your generous support, and blessings to you for the animals you help on a daily basis. Take care.

BRIGHT EYES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ~ 2017

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Your monthly newsletter will keep you informed of shelter activities