

San Juan ANIMAL League

"we speak for those who cannot speak for themselves"

We thank you for your donations!



Our Wish List

Due to our ongoing spay/neuter operations, vaccination clinics, and feral cat program we are always **in need of:**

Volunteers!

Paper Towels

Towels, Sheets, Pillow Cases

Puppy Pads

Pet Food

Monetary Donations

Sponsors

Volunteers!

More Volunteers!

See page 3 for our biggest need and the back page for how to give..

Easy-to-Use Website

See for yourself!

All the schedules and easy on-line pay buttons for vaccination and spay/neuter clinics, info on pet emergency assistance, how to volunteer, how to become a member, how to donate or be a sponsor, etc.

SanJuanAnimalLeague.ORG



My Name is Dusty and This is Our Story

Thirteen years ago I was a couple of months old, stray, alone, skin and bones, starving on the reservation. Jana's Auntie found me and took me in. Her Auntie is still rescuing dogs.

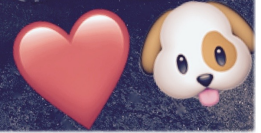
Jana adopted me. Fed me, and soothed me through my fears of thunder and lightning.

I'm still very afraid of thunder - the sounds hurt me inside and I bolt.

During one of the recent storms, I was outside when the thunder started and I bolted. Right out of the yard. Jana got scared. I could feel it. I love her, and we are connected, but I was lost again, wandering the streets. A big truck came, and I got caught. I spent a night in doggy jail. She called SJAL's hotline and they sent Jana to the shelter where I was hoping beyond hope she'd find me. She did.

She gets my vaccinations at the San Juan Animal League clinics, but she never had what she calls a mi-cro-chip put under my skin. What is that? A tiny piece of wood? Under my skin? Ouch! I don't want splinters!

I'm here on this page because, Jana, my best friend asked where to send a donation. A nice SJAL lady came to hear my story and explained about the microchip and that I'd never be lost again. I'm getting one at the next clinic.





Kathy Hogan

President's Message

Spring has officially arrived and SJAL is poised for another busy year as our efforts continue to help reduce the animal overpopulation problem in our San Juan County communities.

- **Simple & Affordable**

Spring is the best time for pets to be spayed/neutered—before nature takes its course. SJAL has increased options for affordable spay/neuter appointments. Our website makes it simple for you to pay for services and to choose your best appointment option from three locations: Paw Prints in Bloomfield; Aztec Animal Shelter; Dogsters cat spay specials at SJAL's McGee Park location.

- **Urgently Need Your Help**

Spring is also when the feral cat populations begin to expand rapidly. We are partnering with Dogsters to offer extra cat clinics just for feral cats. This requires more volunteers and help from compassionate folks who feed and take care of these kitties. What you can help with are delivering traps; cat transport; help at clinics; and cleaning traps/staging room. There are many opportunities to help our furry friends whether you like a hands on or supportive role. If this is something of interest for you we would love to hear from you.

- **Thank You, Volunteers!**

At the first vaccine clinic this year a record number of volunteers participated making this one of the most successful clinics to date! We can't say thank you enough to the people who give so selflessly of their time. We are nothing without our community of caring volunteers and I feel proud to be a part of such an amazing group.

Kathy



Vaccine Clinics



First 2017 Vaccination Clinic

This was one of the largest groups of volunteers ever to donate their collective energy to the benefit of our community pets.

It was also one of the largest groups of pets ready for their vaccinations and micro chips! So glad there are chairs for people to sit instead of stand now. Everyone showed great patience clear up to 4pm!

Remaining 2017 Vaccination Clinics

Apr 9, 12-4pm - Bloomfield Multicultural Center
May 7, 12-3pm - Kirtland Engineers Union Hall
Jun 4, 12-4 pm - Farmington Sycamore Center
Jul 9, 12-4pm - Aztec Senior Center
Aug 13, 12-3pm - Farmington Rec Center
Oct 8, 12-3pm - Bloomfield Multicultural Center
Nov 12, 12-4pm - McGee Park Fairgrounds

Generous Donors to the Rescue!

Loyal to the Needs of Animals, they give and give and give...



Sponsors help us keep our vaccination clinics ongoing and affordable. **Louis Fogelman** (L), owner of **The Coin Shop** celebrates his birthday month (July) by sponsoring the July Vaccination Clinic. Mike, owner of Blue Moon and Porters restaurants, has a rescue dog named Oscar, and he sponsors the clinic in August. One of Mike's servers, **Dani** (R) donates her time to our Trap/Neuter/Return efforts.



Help Wanted: Spay/Neuter Clinics and TNR

Our Cat Clinics happen the First Thursday of each Month with shifts that begin at 7:30-10:00, 10-12:30, 12:30-3:00 and 3:00-5:30. They include check in, monitoring and transferring cats back and forth from the building to the van, check out and clean up. Laundry needs include delivery, or washing, or return. Sunday clean-up afterward entails vacuuming and mopping up. **We could really use help.**

Volunteer, Bernie (L) and Dr. Nowicki (R), 1 of 24 altered cats; and carriers lined up for cleaning.



SJAL's **Volunteers** do it ALL. Every bit of this non-profit is accomplished by volunteers out of compassion for all animals, beginning with our **Board of Directors**. We have some new faces on our Board of Directors, and there is always room for a few more. We are a working Board and there are many tasks to oversee. The energy and ideas that flow at each meeting are inspiring. If you feel that this would be a good fit for you, please contact one of us. See bottom right column for our names. *These are the reason we work for animal rights (all rescues)...*



Make an Animal Happier & Healthier—Join Us Today!

Sign up on our new Membership page at
SanJuanAnimalLeague.ORG
or leave your name & number on the
Hotline: 505 325-3366

Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS & 2017 Clinic SPONSORS

*Your support helps bring vaccinations to **thousands** of pets.*

- Citizens Bank
- Canine-Castle
- 7-2-11 Food Stores
- Kent & Mary Wilson
- The Coin Shop
- Porters Restaurant and the Blue Moon Diner
- Ziems Ford Corners
- Doggie Day Spa

Newsletter SPONSORS



MEMBERS of SJAL

Your donations go directly to the care of local animals!

VET PARTNERS

- Dr. Nowicki, DVM (vac. clinics)
- Dr. Shayna Whitaker, DVM (spay & neuter)
- Dogsters (spay & neuter)
- Dr. Bauer (spay & neuter)
- Animal Haven

SJAL BOARD of Directors

Kathy Hogan, President
Melissa Salyers, Past President
Alia DiRe, Treasurer
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Laura Lee Russell, Newsletter
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Or Current Resident

Membership Categories

\$20 Individual

\$35 Family

\$50 Business/Professional

\$100 Corporate

\$_____ Friend of SJAL

Donations are always welcomed.

Annual Membership Meeting Highlights...

Special thanks go to our **Past President Melissa Salyers**, who stepped into the role of President of the San Juan Animal League with grace and fortitude, and whose gentle guidance kept us on topic. She stepped into this role at the sudden passing of Joel Farrell when no one else would or could. *Thank you, Melissa, for your continuing support to SJAL and your undying love of animals in our community.*



Kristen Langenfeld, political activist and long-time supporter of San Juan Animal League, spoke to us about New Mexico's House of Representatives Bill HB123—the creation of a first-ever state low-cost spay/neuter program in New Mexico sponsored by Rep. Carl Trujillo. HB 123 passed the House of Representatives 50-17 on 2/13/17. On 3/7/17 this bill passed Senate Public Affairs Committee 6-2. Unfortunately the bill died in the Senate Finance Committee.

We thank Kristen for keeping us all up to date on the status of this bill where it most likely will take two more years to come to fruition. More info at Animal Protection Voters New Mexico: <http://www.apvnm.org/expand-statewide-spayneuter-funding/>

Our Donors are GIFT Givers!

When a donor gives us **money** (which can happen easily on-line on our website using PayPal or a Credit Card), we go to Sam's Club and buy litter, towels, cleaning supplies and cat food for our TNR clinics. Sometimes people give us **gift cards** (which we can apply toward printing costs, supplies, etc.) or **checks through the mail** (see our return address for where to send).

Melissa says, "People can also **come to my office, at Canine Castle, with donations of cat or dog food, puppy pads, towels and sheets, etc.** I usually take these to McGee Park where we have our storage and cat clinics in building #15, or I give them to the program managers." We appreciate all the ways people give to our programs! Nothing goes to waste! **A BIG THANK YOU to ALL of our DONORS!**

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