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animal friends**

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### Featured Cat



Do you know a family for **RAMONA**? She is a true lap cat and cuddle bug who gets along with the dogs and cats in her foster home. Please read all about her on [www.nmaf.org](http://www.nmaf.org) and **help her find a home!**

### Featured Dog



Do you know a family for **SUNNY**? She is a senior, special needs dog whose human died. An unbeatable house companion for a stay-at-home owner. Please read all about her on [www.nmaf.org](http://www.nmaf.org) and **help her find a home!**

# Friends' Newsletter

SPRING 2009

## In Memoriam

In 1981, Vadis Rhoades, NMAF's first Vice President, and her friend, Florence Krick-Jimenez, NMAF's first President, went 'downtown' to incorporate the rescue group. Florence remembers Vadis saying, "Now New Mexico Animal Friends exist!" deliberately using the plural of Friends to indicate the people involved with the organization, not just the entity. We are saddened by her recent death. Vadis bequeathed a very generous donation to NMAF and we thank Vadis's family with all our hearts. Vadis and her work as one of the first Friends will never be forgotten.

## Fabulous Fundraisers

**2nd Annual NMAF Fur Bowl** was a fun time and big success! It's rumored that a young lady in the Vanecek family rolled a nice 100+ game. Congrats! The event brought in \$2400 for NMAF. Thanks to our wonderful organizers Patty Bolnick and Cindy Patulski for their big "strike!" And THANK YOU Mike Draper and J.W. of Lucky 66 Bowl.

**The Valentine's Day and Easter Bake Sales** brought in over \$500. Yummy goodies were made for two-legged and four-legged friends alike. Thanks to Alesia and Jeri for putting these sales together and to all our volunteers who donated those delicious baked goodies. Thank you PetSmart for giving us space and buying some cookies too!

### \*\* 2009 MEMBERSHIP \*\*

Have you mailed in your \$35 membership dues yet?! We rely on your continued support and appreciate your being a **FRIEND** to New Mexico Animals.

## Feral Cat Blitz



A feral cat spay and neuter blitz took place every Sunday during the months of January, February and March. The volunteer response was overwhelming and some individuals worked all six clinics! The clinics fixed 399 cats during the three months and with the support of Animal Humane|New Mexico, the total number of cats altered was 587! What an absolutely incredible job these volunteers did on behalf of the street cats in our community. Bravo!



## UPCOMING EVENTS!

Don't miss the Weekly Adoption Clinics at PETSMArt, Mercantile

**Dog Adoption Clinic**  
Saturdays, 11am-3pm

**Cat Adoption Clinics**  
Saturdays, 11am-4pm  
Sundays, 12noon-5pm  
Thursdays, 6:30pm-8:30pm

### May 9-10

A FELINE FIESTA sponsored by the Enchanted Cat Club of Albuquerque. Expo New Mexico, School Arts Building, 9am-4pm both Saturday & Sunday. Proceeds from the show benefit ACAT & New Mexico Animal Friends. Face-painting and fun for all ages! Cats available for adoption too. Admission \$4

### May 16

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE 8am-1pm Vista Del Mundo Neighborhood. At Jeri Ramrath's house, 14105 Mesita Cliff Rd. NE, to benefit NMAF exclusively. To donate items & get directions call Jeri @ 292-6114 or e-mail [tjramrath@comcast.net](mailto:tjramrath@comcast.net)

## Log on!

NMAF's website is continuing to improve and bring more readily available information to our members, friends, and to potential adopters.

[www.NMAF.org](http://www.NMAF.org)

PayPal will be added soon so that sponsorship of our special needs pets can occur online. Every adoptable pet now has an assigned contact person for quicker response to adoption inquiries. NMAF's newsletter is planned to go on-line soon as well. We thank our awesome technical guru and webmaster, John Vance for his generous donation of time and talent at a great cost of nothing to NMAF!

## THANK YOU!

To our donors, contributors, sponsors, supporters, fosters and volunteers. Without your generous support and monetary contributions we simply could not help all the precious animals who desperately need us.

- 🐾Head to Toe Massage
- 🐾IWATA-MEDEA
- 🐾Florence Krick-Jimenez
- 🐾Long Leash on Life
- 🐾Lucky 66 Bowl
- 🐾PetSmart, Mercantile
- 🐾Pet Vet Market
- 🐾Star Tattoo
- 🐾Starbucks
- 🐾The family of Vadis Rhoades
- 🐾Town & Country Animal Hospital

## Monetary Contributions

### *In Memory of Manfred Frings*

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