



Lap Dog Rescue

of New Mexico, Inc
a 501c3 non-profit organization

Fall 2012

Mark Your Calendars!!

We have a LOT going on this season, so mark your calendars, tell your friends, and join us for the following Lap Dog activities:

October 13

11-1PM & 2-4PM

Bring your Furrries to Petco on Lomas for our **Halloween Photo Shoot!** Professional photographer Don Campbell will take pictures of your pups in a fall-themed setting! Costumes welcome!

October 20

1-3 PM

Mariposa Gallery in Nob Hill will have artists doing **pet portraits** for a small donation of only \$15. Mariposa is also raffling a professional piece of art valued at \$525 by revered artist Diana Stetson. The raffle price is just \$10 and tickets are being sold now.



October 27

10-3 PM

LDRNM **Adoptathon!** Join us at the Petco on Lomas for their Halloween Extravaganza and see some of our adorable adoptables!

On October 27, we will also be drawing one lucky ticket for a Hot Air Balloon ride (valued at \$150). Buy your raffle ticket at lapdogrescue.org or any of our events!



It's Willow!

Here's Willow. Willow is a beautiful little dachshund girl who came from Valencia County earlier this summer. Willow was very sick and had major health issues including a hernia in her chest cavity, heart issues, and intestinal parasites. After two major surgeries, we are happy to say that Willow is well and eagerly awaiting her forever home. Dr. Averhoff, Dr. Coleman and all the staff at Vista Larga Animal Hospital did an amazing job with her. Even with our greatly discounted veterinary rates, Willow still has a large medical bill. Please help Willow by donating to her medical fund. You can donate through Pay Pal or Just Give on our website LapDogRescue.org or by sending a check to us.

A Chat from our Veterinarian - Dr. Vickie Averhoff, Vista Larga Animal Hospital, "My Dog is Hypothyroid, Isn't He?"

Hypothyroidism is a common yet often over diagnosed dog disease. When a dog is hypothyroid, they are often slow and lethargic, and they tend to seek heat. They may gain weight easily and often have a poor hair coat. If you suspect that your dog may be hypothyroid, work with your veterinarian to run a full diagnostic thyroid panel (T4) and rule out any non-thyroidal illness. Hypothyroidism is easy to treat with supplementation. Most hypothyroid dogs can live normal, healthy lives with treatment.

For the entire article, "My Dog is Hypothyroid, Isn't He?" check out the LDRNM website at www.LapDogRescue.org

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Why Should I Microchip My Pet?

This summer, Lap Dog Rescue received a call from a person in Huntington Beach, California. They had found one of our dogs! They identified us through the microchip and after a quick computer search, we identified and notified the dog's owner. The poor little fellow had run off while they were on vacation and are now re-united. Happy ending! **Lesson Learned:** Microchip your pets AND please remember to keep your ownership data updated.

And Big, Big thank you to:

- **French Funerals - Cremations** for their financial support to our medical fund this year.
- **Menchie's Yogurt, Dawg Gone Good** and **Olo Yogurt Studio** for sponsoring fundraisers for us.
- **Petco** on Lomas and Eubank for supporting fundraisers and adoptathons.
- **Kay's Critter Cleaners** and **Prairie Dog Groomers** for always being ready with a pair of clippers to groom our rescued dogs.
- **Vista Larga Animal Hospital** in Edgewood for taking such good care of our rescued dogs.
- **Petland** for their donation of food and snacks
- All of our wonderful fosters, adopters, supporters and donors! You save lives!

How Can You Help?

We are so grateful for the outstanding support we receive from our donors. We can't begin to thank you enough. And, we need your continued support. As the holiday season approaches, please remember us in your holiday giving. Here are some ways that you can help:

- Our veterinary bills make up most of our expenses so a *monetary donation* is most helpful. You can go to our website at LapDogRescue.org and donate through Pay Pal or Just Give. Or you can send a check to us.
- Check with your company to see if they will match your donation. Several New Mexico companies will do this – maybe yours will!
- Be sure to designate LDRNM during your United Way campaign. Remember, we are a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.
- Check out Amazon.com. We have a "wish list" called Lap Dog Rescue of New Mexico. When you're ordering gifts for others, maybe you could order something for us as well.
- We can always use everyday items such as XS, S and M dog collars and leashes; HE detergent and other cleaning supplies; and paper towels (you know why!).
- And, the next time you're at the post office, how about buying an extra book of stamps for us.

A Message from Marie

What a wonderful year we've had. So far this year we've placed over 170 dogs into loving, forever homes. My personal thanks go to our fosters who tirelessly devote themselves to caring for the little ones while they await adoption. It can be a challenging experience but one that is so worthwhile. My thanks also go to three of our Board members who have moved on to other ventures. Chris Burns, Pat Tode, and Susan Herrington helped our organization grow and thrive. We look forward to their continuing to work as volunteers for LDRNM. And, a big welcome to Anita Kelly and Susie Cutler, our newest Board members. Keep up the good work everyone and remember us as we move through the end of 2012 and forward into 2013.

Thank you for supporting Lap Dog Rescue of New Mexico. Your generosity helps us to save some pretty wonderful little animals.

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