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La Plata County Humane Society Names 2018 Animal Advocate of the Year

Durango, CO - La Plata County Humane Society (LPCHS) announced the recipient of the 2018 Animal Advocate of the Year, Cathy Roberts an LPCHS volunteer. The award was announced at LPCHS annual fundraiser, the Bark and Wine event, held at Fort Lewis College on November 10th.

Cathy is a long time LPCHS volunteer and former board member. She created the La Plata County Lost and Found pets page on Facebook and works tirelessly updating the page to safely reunite pets with their families. Along with managing the lost and found page, Cathy co-manages the LPCHS Facebook page and actively takes adoptable dogs downtown on Adopt Patrol. When she is not advocating for the homeless pets, you can find her walking up and down Main Street as a Downtown Ambassador.

“Cathy is an outstanding volunteer and advocate for all the homeless animals. Her passion, energy and love for homeless pets is contagious to those of us that have the pleasure to work with her. She does anything we ask, in an effort to help the staff and animals in our care, and is an invaluable member of our community!”, stated Chris Nelson, Director of Animal Services.

2018 Animal Advocate nominees included:

Alex Jun, LPCHS Animal Protection Officer
Anna Anderson, Annie’s Orphans
Carolyn Bollinger, LPCHS Volunteer Coordinator
Chandra Fowler, LPCHS Foster Coordinator
Charlie Gremmels, LPCHS Foster Mentor
Chris Nelson, LPCHS Director of Animal Services
Dianne McCracken – Spring Creek Horse Rescue
Ken Hibbard – LPCHS Education & Adoption Counselor
Lisa Parker – Lisa Parkers Puppies
Marcy Eckhardt – pranaDOGS Behavior and Rehabilitation Center
Morgan Wells – LPCHS Shelter & Behavior Assistant
Paula Woerner – Owner/Director Wolfwood Refuge
Peg Rodgers – LPCHS Foster Mentor
Susan Kroes – LPCHS Volunteer

Funds raised at this year’s Bark and Wine event will support LPCHS’s ongoing programs: the medical and behavioral program, courtesy hold for our community member’s pets in need and low cost medical services are provided every day to allow the animals to become their best selves. LPCHS is honored to be a community partner for 47 years and continues to provide the necessary services for the pets entrusted into our care.

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