



Animal Advocates, A Chapter of the Unitarian Universalist Animal Ministry

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Meeting Dates:

UU Animal Advocates

4th Sunday of the Month
Next Meeting:
May 26, 2013
12:15pm-1:30pm
No RSVP Required

Wesson Room
First Unitarian Church
3701 Carlisle NE

Email:

mikeller1@comcast.net

A couple of days prior to the meeting, we will send a reminder notice for the meeting along with the previous meeting minutes. Please send us agenda items at anytime.

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“One of the most dangerous things that can happen to a child is to kill or torture an animal and get away with it.”

Anthropologist
Margaret Mead

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May Donation:

Pet-A-Bulls, Inc

Find out more at
www.petabulls.com

The Deadly Link— The Connection Between Animal Abuse and Domestic Violence

You might be surprised to learn that there is a distinct link – a *deadly* link – between animal abuse and domestic violence/child abuse. But when you think about it, it actually makes sense, doesn't it? Anyone who is heartless enough to hurt an innocent, defenseless animal probably wouldn't hesitate to exercise his power and control over a child or a spouse. An adage goes, “An abusive coward is an abusive coward. They don't make distinctions.”

Here are some shocking statistics about the link between these horrific acts:

- ⇒ 54 to 71 percent of women seeking shelter from abuse report that their partner had threatened, injured, or killed one or more family pets;
- ⇒ More than 80 percent of family members being treated for child abuse also have abused animals. In two-thirds of these cases, an abusive parent had killed or injured a pet. In one-third of cases, a child victim continued the cycle of violence by abusing a pet.
- ⇒ Children learn about abuse by being its victim. They often fail to develop empathy, and without this key quality they cannot recognize their victims' pain. When they begin to “act out” their abuse trauma, children first target animals. As adults, they find new victims among the most vulnerable – children, partners, and the elderly

New Mexico organizations are working hard to assist all of the victims and to educate adults and children about the deadly link. Animal Protection of New Mexico's Companion Animal Rescue Effort (CARE) program is a network of safe havens for the animals of domestic violence victims in New Mexico. Award winning screen writer Nina Knapp is working in New Mexico to stop this violence with her documentary film, *The Deadly Link*. To learn more or help with these local activities go to:

<http://www.apnm.org/programs/care/> and <http://thedeadlylink.com/>



Source: <http://www.paws.org/human-violence-connection.html>
<http://www.thelazypitbull.com/2012/11/the-link-between-animal-abuse-and/>

Pet Sitting Resource



We are working on a resource guide to help our members and friends with finding great pet sitters. If you are or know of a great sitter—yes we know we covet those contacts—please send the information to mikeller1@comcast.net

We **HOWL** for our Animal Advocate Artists!



Please visit the Artist Tables in the Courtyard



Animal Advocates Calendar Kindred Spirits Open House

Spring Open House, 2013
Come celebrate our Seniors and their Birthday Party!
at:
Kindred Spirits
Animal Sanctuary
Elder care & Hospice for Dogs, Horses and Poultry

**Saturday and Sunday
May 11th & 12th
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

SENIOR WELLNESS CARE Free Talks by some of our dedicated Healthcare Providers:	Saturday May 11th:	Sunday May 12th:
Mission Statement: Kindred Spirits is dedicated to providing End of Life Care and Hospice for older, unwanted dogs, horses, and poultry in a peaceful and serene sanctuary setting. Kindred Spirits Animal Sanctuary Ulla Pedersen, Founder & Director 3749-A Highway 14 Santa Fe, NM 87508 505-471-5366 www.kindredspiritsnm.org	12:00pm - 1:00pm From Trauma To Healing Mary Anne Schadler, DVM and Ulla Pedersen, RN Founder & Director	12:00pm - 1:00pm Snake Bites Nan Hack, DVM
	2:00pm - 3:00pm Animal Communication Leta Worthington	2:00pm - 3:00pm Canine Massage Breck Breckenridge

Directions: Kindred Spirits is located 20 minutes South of Santa Fe on Hwy. 14, ½ mile South of Lone Butte General Store (Shell Station)
Look for our signs and balloons on the mailbox!

Long Leash On Life's "To the Rescue!"

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at **"TO THE RESCUE"**
MASSIVE YARD SALE AND ADOPTION EVENT
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MAY 19
SUNDAY, MAY 19 - 10AM-3PM
LONG LEASH ON LIFE • 9800 MONTGOMERY NE
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DONATE	ADOPT
Drop off NEW or GENTLY USED YARD SALE ITEMS at Long Leash On Life between April 1 - May 18 <small>NOTE: we can't accept washing, books, or old electronics</small>	Come visit with dedicated local DOG & CAT RESCUE GROUPS at "TO THE RESCUE." More details soon at LongLeashOnLife.com

3rd Annual "TO THE RESCUE" EVENT SPONSORED BY LONG LEASH ON LIFE



2nd Pets of the Homeless Wellness Clinic
June 9th 12:00 pm- 3:00pm
St. Martin's Hospitality Center 1201 3rd St.
NW



If you are interested in volunteering for this fun and rewarding afternoon please contact Margaret at mikeller1@comcast.net

Animal Advocates Animal Blessing

September 29, 2013

Watch our newsletter for more information!