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**L.A.P.S. Donations are given back to local pets in need
Thank you for caring!**

Next LAPS meeting is Thursday, June 18: always check with a board member for change of dates

MEETINGS ARE ON THE 3RD THURSDAY at the Animal Shelter in Frisco at 6:30PM



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**Gotta LOVE Summit County's Mud Season....but please don't
wallow in it.....just dress appropriately & go out and play!**

JUNE 2009

Who would've believed, 19 years ago, that the League for Animals & People of the Summit would not only still be around.....but prospering too? Of course, 2009 might not be our best year, with the economy the way it is, but we'll still be out there helping as many pets as we can and bringing on all the fun times with our coming events. L.A.P.S. couldn't survive without the support from members, sponsors, grants and benefits, so **please keep us in mind for your donation money and/or time** and keep us afloat this year. **We always need prizes (any value) for our events**, so if you can donate anything for silent auctions or prizes, please email us and we'll get right back to you. With more & more happening in Summit County, our events sometimes fall on the same day as another, so maybe you could try splitting your time that day and enjoy all the fun (Let's Go Boating is the same weekend as the Frisco BBQ, so take a boat ride and then go stuff yourself.....(in a nice way, of course)!

On **Thursday, August 6 from 5-7PM at Frisco's popular Music on Main Street-Free series, L.A.P.S. will be the purveyors of fine liquor and beer** for your enjoyment during the music. All **proceeds will benefit L.A.P.S.** programs for spay/neuter and medical/surgical assistance for less fortunate pets in our County. This is something new for us, but when given a chance to raise money, we're all over it! Please stop by our tent and **"Buy for the Animals"** if you're going to be drinking anyway! **Look for the L.A.P.S. banner.....and drink responsibly so your pet doesn't lose his family!**



COMING EVENTS:

Let's Go Boating: Father's Day Weekend at Dillon Marina, June 20-21
Art on a Whim Gallery Benefit for L.A.P.S., June 26-28 Breckenridge
19th Annual K94K Race: Saturday, August 1 in Frisco
L.A.P.S. benefit at Frisco's Music on Main, Thursday, August 6
Pet Photos with Santa & Grinch in Frisco: Saturday, Nov 21 (tentatively)

Coming up **Father's Day weekend, June 20 & 21**, is the annual "Let's Go Boating" fundraiser at the Dillon Marina. This is an opportunity to take a captained sailing tour on Dillon Reservoir for **\$20 per adult and \$10 per child (12 & over only on the sailboats)**. Pontoon boat rides will be available for people with children under 12. Pontoon and sailboat cruises last approximately 40 minutes, and are being offered at these greatly reduced rates for this weekend only. Each year the generous folks at the **Dillon Marina donate the proceeds from this event to LAPS**, while their skilled captains kindly volunteer their time and expertise. **Reservations can be made, in person, at the marina between 10:00 and 3:00 on Saturday and Sunday**, with the last boats going out between 4:00 and 5:00 PM. For more information, call the Marina at **970-468-5100** or visit their website www.dillonmarina.com or check our website www.summitlaps.com

L.A.P.S. would like to send a special thank you to the Town of Dillon, marina manager Bob Evans, coordinator Colleen Schulte, office manager Shannon Jacoby and all the boat captains for making this event a success every year. Thanks also to the Tiki Bar and Chipotles for food and drink donations.

L.A.P.S. will be selling custom Stephen Huneck nautical theme t-shirts, unique "Treated like a Dog in Summit County" tees, animal zipper pulls and our new vinyl tote bags, so please check it out!

Got a question about League for Animals & People of the Summit (other than "why did we pick such a long name")? Please email Sally Beerup, Editor, at LAPS@colorado.net or check out our website www.summitlaps.com for photos of all our events.



FEELS SO GOOD TO SHARE ... THANKS!

Good News! **Vail Resorts** has extended their **Pet Photo Pass** program until July 2009 so please clean up the pets (of any kind) and get over to **Keystone Ski Area** and SMILE! For only a \$10 donation, your pets get their very own photo ID ski pass that you can't use anywhere, but they're really fun to carry around or give as gifts!

We're not sure if this opportunity will ever be available again, so better take advantage of it right away (think early Christmas shopping)!

Big thanks to **Gold Run Nordic/Town of Breck** for sponsoring **DogTerra** last March. Everyone had fun in the sun and most people even remembered the Daylight Savings change! Next year's event is set for Sunday, March 7, a week before that inconvenient little change so we should all be happier. Jim Sanders' crew of Deb Oately, Scott Yule, Rich Miller, Mac & Bonnie McCoy, Norman Prince, Andrea Stein, Carolyn Miller and Sally Willis, along with all the usual suspects (the L.A.P.S. Board, Larry Borsina, Haley Gelber, Laura Rossetter, Colleen Schulte, Dave Ver Shure, **Eileen Davies**, Carla Zinn-Rigger, Michelle Fleet, Doreen Telisak and Jena Ambacher made the event look easy. We also had some enthusiastic Dillon Valley Elementary students, Paula Talco Sanchez and Alan Mendoza and their great teacher, Chris Hall, who made and sold doggie biscuits and zipper pulls and donated the proceeds to L.A.P.S. Special thanks, per usual, goes to Louisa Morissey who lent her expertise (& equipment) to our ever popular ski joring clinics.

KSMT, Krystal 93, Summit Daily News Pet Scene, RSN, Abbey's Coffee, The Barnyard, Elk Mountain Trading Company, Breckenridge BARKery, **Mountain Lyon Cafe**, Rivers, Fun & Formal, TheNaturalHome.com, Rebel Sports, Downstairs at Eric's, Meg Jimenez Puppy PreSchool, Harper's Ridge Animal Chiropractic Care, Open Book, Safeway and The Next Page made up our Sponsors for the day and L.A.P.S. would like to give all of them a 4 Paws Salute for their continued and much appreciated generosity.

The Annual Meeting/Elections, held in April, saw a little bit of musical chair action on the Board: Cristi Eckert became the new VP after Linda Kay Peterson decided she needed to step down because of increasing time commitments elsewhere. There was some disappointment that no new candidates came forward, but we have it on good authority that there are some possibilities for the future. It's wonderful to get new ideas and energy from the new kids on the block, so if you're interested in being on the Board, we accept people throughout the year, so please email us.

Dr. Gretchen Norton did a power point presentation of "Common Emergencies/First Aid for Dogs & Cats" and answered quite a few questions at the end. We thank her for her helpful program and hope we never experience any of it!

During the evening, we munched on a variety of delicious **Subway** sandwiches, donated by owners Pat & Chrissy Phelan, who are always there when we need them.....Thanks again!

L.A.P.S. would also like to thank the good folks at the **Animal Shelter**, who continue to let us hold all of our meetings in the Rainbow Room and do a lot of work for us with the medical requests.

Anyone who took their mutt to the **Silverthorne Rec Center's Doggie Swim Day** in April could tell you that words cannot describe the chaotic fun that was had by all the 4-legged hairy things and most of the 2-legged variety.....the photos in the Daily bears witness to that. Thank you Town of Silverthorne and the Rec Center for all your generosity and hard work.....especially after this event! Proceeds from the raffle tickets were donated to L.A.P.S. and will be used to help more animals have healthier lives and maybe they'll get to go to this event someday! Kudos to all the volunteers and sponsors and we can't wait until next year to do it again!

Summit County Sheriff's Office's 911 Dispatch Center is putting together a fundraising raffle to purchase bullet-proof vests for their 2 K9's. Raffle tickets will be sold all summer and the drawing will be held at our 4K event on Aug 1 (and **\$500 will be donated to L.A.P.S.**!) The K9 dogs risk their lives for very little in return, and this is the very least we can all do to help protect them! Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25 and the prize is a HUGE assortment of items/gift certificates. Tickets will be sold at all L.A.P.S. events.

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On **Saturday, August 1st from 8-1** on Frisco's Main Street (by the gazebo), L.A.P.S. will treat you to the most fun you can have legally with your best friend/family member! For the second year, we are promoting the **"Feline No Way"** participation (no offense intended) in what has always been a Canine event.....of course, **you can't actually bring your cat, but you can participate "in celebration of" or "in memory of" your purrfect little pals.** Come out and enjoy the day with other animal lovers who support L.A.P.S.' programs that aid the less fortunate pets in Summit County. Your entry fee will go a long way, while you only have to go 4K (approx 2.5 miles), either walking or running to compete for some great prizes (age/gender categories). If you just can't see yourself doing a 4K or you don't have a dog, but you'd like to support the cause, please send in a **"Sleeping with the Cat" donation** and stay home with your pal. Just mail any donations to LAPS, PO Box 2512, Frisco, CO 80443 and THANKS!

Registration is from 8-9AM and the race starts at 9:15, so please come early or better yet, **pre-register** and fly through the process that morning. **Registration forms will be available at the Animal Shelter, all the Pet Stores and Abbey's Coffee.** We will mail our members a brochure in early July and you can save **\$5 off each entry if we receive yours by Sat, July 25.** We've kept the price the same as the last few years: **LAPS members pay \$20/25 and non-members \$22/27 PER DOG, so this is a great FAMILY event.** Free, delicious Abbey's Coffee, donuts, bagels and juice will be available all morning and you get a doggie bag full of yummys and a custom designed t-shirt (additional ones for purchase available).

There will be a dozen **vendors with pet-related products/services** set up all morning for you to peruse at your leisure and collect some free samples. Check out our **Silent Auction** with its variety of affordable items (all proceeds benefit L.A.P.S.) or stay for the infamous **Doggie Contests**, like Best Smile, Best Singer and more!

Over 150 dogs come out every year to pull their humans through the streets of Frisco to compete for great prizes in the walking/running/age/gender categories, along with lots of door prizes and socializing, so don't disappoint the kids or the mutts!

Don't wait.....download a pre-registration form and check out full details and hundreds of photos from previous K94K events. Sorry, **we don't have online payment options, so please send a check or bring cash/check to the event for registration and silent auction items.**

FUN PHOTO TOTES FOR SALE.....ALMOST FREE!

Want something different than a drab cotton bag to haul your stuff and groceries in?? Have we got the tote bag for you (and all your friends & family too). L.A.P.S. wants to help Summit County switch from plastic bag use, so try to have a little fun with it by purchasing our **colorful (pink or green) vinyl bags with inside zippered pocket, Velcro closing and a gusset bottom (sits up by itself).** The **FUN part is that one side of these large (16 x 12 x 3) bags is full of photo slots** so you can literally carry around all your pets, family or favorite bumper stickers (and we included a **\$5 off coupon for a L.A.P.S. event in 2009!**) There are **two styles available: 9 slots, all for 4x5 photo or 8 slots for a variety of sizes of photos.** The bags can be purchased at any of our summer events or email us and we'll send you a picture of them and you can send us a check. Each durable, re-useable bag will sell for **\$6 each or 2 for \$10** and are the perfect size for groceries, beach tote or doggie stuff.....and with the coupon.....almost Free! (Limit 1 coupon per family per event).