

SUMMIT THERAPY ANIMALS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 10, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.

Senior Community Center, Loveland Room, Frisco, CO

AGENDA

- I. Call to order and welcome at 5:43pm: Susan Alderman and Lyn Manton Krueger
- II. Treasurer's Report: Jan Shipman
 - A. We are waiting to go over 2016 budget.
 - B. There are four new teams. We are paying for lifetime memberships - \$60.00
- III. Newsletter – Ann Hill & Susan Alderman have been creating these. It shares what teams have done – including photos. Please send photos and stories to Susan or Ann.
- IV. Member introductions: Team members report on their community volunteering.
 - A. Dawn/Zuma: Upper Blue Elementary, READ; Bristle Cone; Advocates
 - B. Denise/Gus: School of Mines
 - C. Louise/Cisco: Silverthorne Elementary – READ
 - D. Adrienne/Pepper: READ, Library in Summer; Kremmling – assisted living (sing/play music – Pepper comes too).
 - E. Brad/Max: Upper Blue Elementary – READ; Breckenridge Library
 - F. Holly/Mavey: Summit Cove – READ; Timberline; Humane Education with Animal Shelter
 - G. Patti/Ingrid: Breckenridge – READ; Breckenridge Library; St Anthony's; Addiction Recovery Group
 - H. Bonnie/Bella: Frisco Elementary – READ; CMC; School of Mines; Silverthorne Elementary; Timberline

- I. Donna/Jake: Jake retired this year after being the Animal Shelter's Humane Ed dog for the past 13-14 years. He also was one of the first READ dogs in the county – recruited after Donna sat in on a session with Susan & Alma.
- J. Susan/Alma: They started the READ program in 2004. Alma had her 13th birthday. She goes to Frisco Elementary – READ; CMC. Susan also has Ivy (a transfer of ownership after Ivy needed a different job than being a Mobility Service Dog).
- K. Teresa & Byron – visited Frisco Library, Timberline, S.C. Elementary – READ. New member
- L. Maggie/Cossett: Silverthorne Elementary: READ; Timberline; CMC
- M. Jan/Woody: Silverthorne Elementary: READ
- N. Lisa/Kensey: New
- O. Don – has two standard poodles. Checking out what is happening in Summit County. He lives here part time & in FLA.
- P. Sylvia/Pete: New & interested
- Q. Bonnie/Bella at Silverthorne Elementary (per Jan)
- R. Kay/Lilly & Maggie at Silverthorne Elementary (per Jan)
- s. Lyn/Vinnie: will share more during presentation
- V. Sara Grunes, A&A Pet Supply-guest speaker: “Dog Nutrition and Dietary Options for Dogs” (Sara did not make it for the presentation)
- VI. New venues for volunteering: membership – list of venues on the website.
 - A. Wounded Warriors – Fall & Spring (Lyn will look into that – Spence also has contact with this group).
 - B. Jan – rewards program at school with kids who are doing well. (Remember to always get permission slips for each child – especially if you are meeting individually). Check with schools.

- c. Susan – reminder when volunteering at schools – to get permission slip for each child, especially when meeting individually.
 - d. Rotary – Maggie double with up Rotary? We do things differently than Rotary
- vii. Lyn Manton Krueger, Dogsong Animal Training & Behavior-speaker: “What is my dog saying? Understanding the emotional states of dogs” Special training needed for dogs going to emotional support situations – dogs are affected. Lyn shared a wonderful presentation and shared Vinnie is retiring. Well done Vinnie! Thank you for your service!!
- viii. Special Training for ‘Animal Assisted Crisis Response’ – it is a 6 week training program.
- ix. New team recruitment & getting the word out of who we are: We have seven new teams this year!
 - A. Dillon Valley Elementary school (we have no teams there).
 - B. Humane Education – speak with Donna from the Animal Shelter
 - C. Vail ECO – volunteer opportunities – they are seasonal.
 - D. Brochures – Donna suggested putting them in the Adoption Bags at the Animal Shelter.
 - E. Summit Daily:
 - 1. Community Notes – once a quarter as it is free.
 - 2. Future Article – Distressing for Exams
 - 3. Photos – submit good photos and likely get us in the paper.
 - F. STA Newsletter – Ann Hill well done! Keep submitting stories and stuff to Susan, Brad, and Ann randomly throughout the year and it will get in the Spring Newsletter. Photos, too!
 - G. Breckenridge Magazine – nice article and photo of Vinnie!
- x. Fundraising Ideas
 - A. We do not want to compete for dollars with the Community.

- B. We have lots of money right now in our budget, in the past we did so good – Brad is holding off on raising monies.
 - C. 2016 – we will seek more funds.
- XI. New Business/Reminders:
- A. Photo shoot opportunities: Kyla Rys- kylarys@gmail.com
 - B. Resource lending library for S.T.A. members at Dogsong Animal Training & Behavior, 330 Dillon Ridge Way, Suite 8, Dillon. 970.376.3934
- XII. Meeting Adjourned at 6:55pm