

A LETTER FROM MAIZEY'S NEW HOME

To all the wonderful people at Blackhat Humane Society:

"We recently adopted a wonderful dog who started life with the Navajo People. We saw her on your website in early November, the contact was Andrea Frazier, the dog was called Sugar.

We lived in Ft Defiance in the early 1970's and took care of two dogs wandering in a pack of many. Those dogs moved with us to the Northwest and had a wonderful life with us for many years. It was happenstance that we stumbled across your website and perhaps luck or something greater that we found the dog we were looking for. We fully understand the great need you have for all types of help with pet overpopulation. Please accept the enclosed donation to aid your endeavors. The dog named Sugar has been renamed Maizey and we love her to pieces. Thank you for all the work you do."

Mary and Dick Warren
Lynden, Washington



MAIZEY

IN MEMORIAM



HANK

A NOBLE FRIEND. WE ENJOYED EVERY MINUTE OF THE SHORT TIME WE HAD WITH YOU.

KEVIN AND DEBORAH ROE

Animals in Translation



Temple Grandin and Catherine Johnson
with Thinking in Pictures

BOOK REVIEW

Did you know that orange cats are the most affectionate? That a dog with a white spot or blaze on its chest is likely to be very smart? That you can tell a horse's temperament by the placement of the "cowlick" between its eyes? These facts and more will amaze you when you read Temple Grandin's new book, "Animals in Translation". Ms Grandin's history of a person with autism gives her a perspective on animal science like no other expert in the field. She compares animals to autistic savants, with special forms of genius. The book was fascinating, anecdotal and fun to read!

"A tired dog is a well-behaved dog. Animals are more alert and ready to learn when they've had some exercise. It's good for you, it makes your dog love you and you gain *so much* from just 15 minutes of letting the little kid in you out to play with your dog each day."

"Dogs don't count the minutes they're with you. They enjoy each moment, they drink it up! So next time you see your mutt, take a few minutes to touch him and look into his eyes."

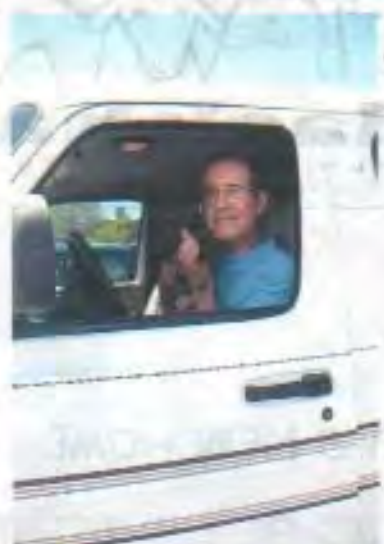
Tamara Martin, Pres, Blackhat Humane Society



OUR WISH LIST

- Dog and cat food
- Airline and metal crates
- Collars and leashes
- Soft squeaky toys
- Blankets and quilts
- Vet supplies
- MORE foster homes**
- (928) 337-2828

ONE GREAT GUY!



Neither rain, snow nor the dark of night keep Nick Cassasa from meeting the Blackhat Transport in Flagstaff each month. Nick and his wife Marni started Noah's Ark Rescue in Phoenix 6 years ago. They had been volunteering at a shelter but decided they wanted to do more. Nick feeds the neighborhood strays and the birds as well. He never gives up on a sick animal. Nick is currently caring for a diabetic cat, 2 leukemia positive cats and 5 FIP positive cats.

Our foster dogs and cats go to foster homes in Phoenix with Noah's Ark where they stay until adoption. Noah's Ark keeps us supplied with pet food and vaccinations as well as finding super homes for our rescued animals.

History of Blackhat Humane Society

Blackhat Humane Society was started in the year 2000 by some people who wanted to do more than just feed the starving, homeless animals wandering the vast and open Navajo Nation. On the "Rez", towns are often 100 miles apart with nothing but desert and red rocks between them.

Many folks who live and work on the Navajo Reservation are concerned about pet overpopulation and they're doing all they can to find medical care and homes for these extra animals. What our group seeks to do is help these kind people to continue helping the animals. There exists a network of foster homes throughout the Navajo Nation. Animals are taken into foster care where they receive food, vaccinations, medical care and lots of love.

When the foster home

feels the animal is ready for adoption, Blackhat puts the animal's picture and biography on our website:

www.rezdog.petfinder.org

Our group cares mainly for dogs and cats but we care about **ALL** the animals and have helped horses, cows, goats and hawks to find a safe haven. * 95% of our money goes to veterinary care. Few young animals receive vaccinations on the Rez, resulting in a high incidence of Parvo and Distemper viruses. All BHS animals are vaccinated and spayed or neutered before adoption. Our group knows that education is the way to make changes and we have taken steps to provide programs and literature regarding responsible animal care to all ages.

*** In 2003, we rescued and placed: 218 dogs, 42 cats, 2 horses and 2 goats. In 2004, we rescued and placed, 248 dogs, 50 cats, 1 baby horse, 3 donkeys and 2 quail.**

A generous donation has been made to Blackhat Humane Society, from David and Judith Roe



In memory of KC, our sweet girl and loyal companion. We will run and play with you again someday.

The Pippins

THANK YOU!

- Patricia Klemick
- Rose Moonwater
- The Roe Clan
- Cedar Vet Hospital
- Dr Larry Sams
- Alan Dworkin
- McKinley Co Humane Society
- Julie Snyder

GALLUP HIGH SCHOOL GOES ALL OUT FOR BLACKHAT

On behalf of the student body, Gallup High School's Senior Council donated \$1,000 to the Blackhat Humane Society. With money from the homecoming dance, a student-staff basketball game and a walkathon, the students generated money to give back to the community.

The school has a tradition of donating money back to the community at the end of the year. Casa San Martin (a homeless shelter), and Habitat for Humanity also received checks in the amount of \$1,000. We are honored to have been chosen to receive this generous donation for our work with the animals. Tamara Martin, President, and Ruth Storer, Secretary/Treasurer, accept the check from Carrie Ames, Student Council Advisor (and one of our best Foster Homes!)



Special Blessings to:

Marie Wallace

Sarah Hayduk

Valerie Schraechter

3 courageous women who are fighting to open New Beginnings Animal Rescue in Bluff, Utah.

We have a new mailing address! All Blackhat mail should now be addressed to our Treasurer, Ruth Storer, @ P.O. Box 137, Sanders, AZ 86512. We are no longer using Double D Vet in Window Rock for our mailing address.

***Please write and send photos about your rescue, fostering or special pet experiences. We'll do our best to get them into our newsletter!



Available for Adoption



Mimi— 8 week old female Border Collie mix

Call Joni @ (928) 755-3818

Sunny— 1 year old spayed female Cocker mix

Call Tamara @ (928) 337-2828



Ginger—2 year old spayed female Greyhound mix

Call Carrie @ (505)863-5535

Mahatma Gandhi

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated"

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Our homepage: www.rezdog.petfinder.org

Volunteer Opportunities

Blackhat Humane Society would be lost without these wonderful foster homes! We are proud that none of our rescued animals are confined in cages. All live in foster homes and are part of the family that cares for them. We can tell you if they're housebroken, if they like children, whether they embrace or chase cats, their behavior around livestock. We know how they behave while riding in cars and how they act at feeding time. All of our rescued animals go to their adoptive homes up-to-date on vaccinations. All are spayed or neutered (if old enough). We supply some foster homes with food, sup-

plies and financial assistance for medical care. We do the advertising for prospective adopters and are always available to guide the foster parents through the adoption process.

_____ Yes, I would be interested in fostering a stray animal. I understand that I may chose dog, cat, goat, cow, horse or any other animal that interests me.

_____ Yes, I enjoy teaching and I'd love to create a short program that could then be handed over for a teacher to present.

_____ No, I can't foster. I already have too many animals! Please accept my donation of \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____

State _____ Zip _____

DONATIONS NEEDED!

100% of donations go to the animals; for food, vaccinations and spay/neuter surgery. Please help us to help them! Send to:

Blackhat Humane Society

P.O. Box 137

Sanders, AZ 86512



We Miss You, ANNIE!