It’s the Circle of Life
And it moves us all
Through despair and hope
Through faith and love
Till we find our place
On the path unwinding
In the Circle
The Circle of Life

-- From the movie, The Lion King

At the Park County Animal Shelter, our circle of life includes our community’s homeless animals as well as the many kind-hearted supporters like you, who make it all possible. The numbers show it is so:

94% Save rate at PCAS. We help more than 90% or more of the animals that come through our door find their place, making us officially a “no-kill shelter.”

274 Pet adoptions each year. Over the past five years, PCAS has arranged an average of 95 dog adoptions and 179 cat adoptions each year.

183 Reunited animals (mostly dogs) that are returned to their owners each year. PCAS plays an important role in helping people find their lost animals.

38 Days the typical animal stayed at the Shelter last year. Housing these animals for a short time allows time for them to reunite with their original home or connect with a new, forever home.

1,749 Animals fixed in our Spay/Neuter Clinics since 2010. Given their reproductive potential, a lot more homeless animals would exist without the clinics.

22% Taxpayer funded portion of PCAS budget (City of Cody 18% and Park County 4%).

28% Fundraising events and fees collected at the Shelter, as a portion of our budget.

422 Private donors that support PCAS, providing the remaining 50% of our budget.

The generosity of PCAS supporters allows us to keep animals more than a few days and be a no-kill shelter. PCAS is a no-kill shelter because the members, donors, supporters and volunteers like you make that possible. It is a circle of life. And because you are part of it, every adoptable animal finds its place, its “forever home”.

The Circle of Life
By Ken Markert, Board President
On Monday March 13th the **Cody Elks** held a Bingo Party to raise funds for PCAS. **Todd Valley** is the manager and his efforts and the help from the many Bingo players raised $643 to go into the Spay and Neuter Fund which helps the Shelter. Thank you Todd and the Cody Elks Lodge!

Many thanks to the folks at the **Sage Creek Community Club** for use of their facility for the Spring Yard Sale. And to the **Boot and Bottle Club** for use of their facility for the Spay and Neuter Clinics.

The PCAS thanks all the businesses who allow us to display the Dog and Cat Banks, those who pay for ads to go into the Wags and Whiskers newsletter and those who pay for the “Forever Home” ads that go in the Cody Enterprise, The Buyers Guide and The Pulse.

A BIG THANK YOU to **West Park Hospital** for use of the Monument Room for our Board Meetings.

Thank you again to the **Cody High School Honor Society** for doing more raking and moving around of the sand and gravel that had been delivered to the Shelter last year. Their work helped make the area in front of the Shelter more presentable.

Our thanks go out to **Jerry Kinkade** for use of the storage shed, **Cody Ace Hardware** for their monthly donations of $300, the **Cody Garden Club** for maintenance of the wooden barrels at the entrance of the Shelter, and all the volunteers that work on so many different projects that keep the Shelter on the move. **THANK YOU TO EVERY ONE OF YOU!**

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**WITH APPRECIATION**

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**WE APPRECIATE ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

- Alex Mitchell
- Linda Sparrow
- Terry Sparrow
- Jim Shapple
- Connie Moore
- Holly Moen
- Mary Whitmore
- Gerry Patterson
- Doug Blough
- Dawn Day
- Mary Jo Hardy
- Linda Kolak
- Becky Ransom
- Kelsey Brown
- Jean Crutchfield
- Leigh Dvarkshkis
- Todd Currier
- Meg Sommers
- Lynn Entwisle
- Neil Markert
- Robert Grossman
- Caroline Foy
- Carrie Christman
- Jackie Bullock
- Justin Currie
- Sandy Mueller
- Sydney Montgomery
- Joi Inbody
- Holly Morgenweek
- Anastasia Joy
- Abby Klesschs
- Claire Pfister
- Mackenzie Brown
- Allison Edwards
All PCAS members are welcome to attend any Board Meeting, held on the third Thursday of every month at 5:30 at West Park Hospital. You can also get e-mail notices of all meetings by contacting Ken Markert at k.r.markert@gmail.com

Membership/Board Meeting—April 20th at 5:30 pm in the Monument Room at West Park Hospital. E-mail Ken at k.r.markert@gmail.com if you want to be on the e-mail list for the meetings. Everyone is welcome! THANK YOU WESTPARK HOSPITAL FOR MAKING THE ROOM AVAILABLE.

Garage Sale—May 13th at the Sage Creek Community Club on the Greybull Highway. Dawn Day is again collecting donations for the Garage Sale. Please call her if you can volunteer to help with sorting and pricing items. Volunteers are also needed for the day of the sale. She asks that no clothing be donated, but linens would be very welcome. Please do not leave donations at the Shelter. Call Dawn at 899-3952 if you have any questions. The sale starts at 7 am.

7th Jack Russel Corgi Races—January 13th from 6-9 pm at the Cody Auditorium. We raised $26,000 thanks to all of our sponsors, silent auction donors, volunteers, dogs and all those who attended. See page 12 for more information.

BANKING FOR DOGS AND CATS

The Dog and Cat Banks that the Shelter has been using for 24 years were paid for by volunteers that helped start the PCAS. Mary Schock began using these little banks and Gerry Patterson has now taken over the placing of them in the businesses in Cody and collecting the money. The total through December was $6,499. A great December helped to go over the $6,000 goal for the year.

The months of January through March 2017 have brought in $1,497.

Please keep supporting these banks! You can see their success in supporting the Shelter and they also do a bit of advertising for us!
These are Just a Few of the Shelter Residents Who are Looking for Their Forever Home

ADOPT YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND TODAY!

Cougar is a 7 year old loving male cat. He is deaf, but what he lacks in hearing abilities he makes up for in personality!

Ronaldo is a 1 ½ year old Heeler/Pit Bull who is such a good dog! He loves to play with other dogs, but also likes to be a huge couch potato!

Ellen is an 8 year old female cat. She is quiet and laidback, and would be a great companion for an older person!

Cornflake is a 2 year old female who knows no strangers!

Daisy is a 1 ½ year old Shepard Mix. Daisy loves ALL people and is amazing with children! She loves other dogs, but would be best in a home without cats.

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Manager’s Corner: Signs of Happiness
By Brittany Vaughn

Here at the shelter, we are often reminded of the many ways that animals and people are so different, and also how they are so similar. Every interaction that we have with an animal is unique, and each staff member connects with each animal differently.

One of the many (MANY) things that I love so much about animals is their ability and willingness to let you know when they are overwhelmingly happy! There is something so honest and endearing in the signs they give when they can’t control their contentment and happiness. You just know how happy a dog is when they wag their tail so hard that their whole body wiggles! Or when a cat is purring, you know there is no place they would rather be! Where sometimes people can be reluctant to show their true feelings, you can count on animals to express their pure happiness.

We also see how, just like for people, past experiences can shape an animal’s reaction to different situations. The biggest difference here is that animals can’t tell us when something is wrong, and why they are afraid or untrusting. This is why we believe that every animal deserves patience and as much understanding as possible when learning to cope with new situations.

Whether your dog is jumping and excited to see you every time you come home (personally, no person has ever shown so much excitement at my arrival as my dog!), or your cat is softly purring and “making muffins” when cuddled up with you, don’t take their love for granted. They will always provide the most pure and unconditional love you could ask for. And if you don’t have a dog greeting you or a cat purring in your ear, consider coming to the shelter to adopt one! You won’t be sorry!

“Until one has loved an animal, a part of one’s soul remains un-awakened.”
Anatole France

ADOPTING A PET

There are many loving pets available at the Shelter. They have been neutered or spayed (if age appropriate). And have received their first series of shots.

A free veterinarian visit is included with participating vets.

Adoption Fees are:
$35 for a Cat
$50 for a Dog over 5 years old
$75 for a Dog under 5 years old

You don’t have to be a Park County resident to adopt a pet.

Stop by the Shelter at 5537 Greybull Hwy. We are open everyday from 12:00—5:30 pm, except Sundays.
We have seen some change recently at Park County Animal Shelter, and personally I am seeing (and making) changes within my role! I am thrilled to be taking on the duties and responsibilities of the Fundraising Coordinator, in addition to those of the Shelter Manager. I am excited for the opportunity to contribute to another important undertaking of this organization which I believe so greatly in! This is a new challenge for me, and I am determined to do my part to see our shelter succeed! We will be hosting more events, setting high fundraising goals, and increasing our presence in the community!

I would love to hear from our wonderful supporters about any event ideas, and what’s important to you as donors! If there is something you’d like to know more about, just let me know and it just might be featured in one of our monthly e-newsletters!

Join our e-mailing list to be updated on the latest and greatest at PCAS! Send your email address to development@parkcountyanimalshelter.org to stay updated!

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The Ads that appear in the Cody Enterprise, the Buyers Guide and The Pulse could be the beginning of a forever home for dogs and cats that reside at the PCAS.

We thank the following for sponsoring a “pet needing a home.”

Ryan-McKenna Family Dogs
W.C. Orrell, Jr. of Little Big Man Books
Chadwick Veterinary Hospital
Bill and Sue Smith at Fireworks Factory Outlet
Lifetime Small Animal Hospital
Advanced Veterinary Care Center
Dawns Dogs, etc
The Royal Palace
3 DOG RESCUE is looking for Foster Homes and Good Homes for These Dogs

We have a two year old very handsome Great Pyrenees who needs a fenced yard and exercise as he is still “puppy” in many aspects. He’s very sweet and loving, housebroken but likes being outside and like most GPs will wander off if not contained. He’s neutered, microchipped and current on vaccinations. Would be a nice Pet Therapy dog as he loves everyone and is best friends with his older Golden Retriever buddy. “Benny” is a big boy and quite social for his breed. He is NOT a working dog and wants to simply be a companion! He needs a family that will include him in everyday activities and be HOME with him.

“Zip” is a soon to be 4 year old Queensland Red Heeler who is a really nice boy! He is a little chunky, but is on a diet and now that he is active again, is losing some weight. We feel so strongly about this great dog that we paid to have his knee surgery to make him pain free and more agile! He WAS a working dog as a young pup, but his family moved from a large spread in Montana into town in our area and “Zip” had to be tied all the time as they had no fencing. They cared enough about him to try to find him another home. “Zip” would be great with an outfitter, farmer/rancher or just anyone who likes to camp, fish or just hang out! Gets along with other dogs, wants to “herd” everyone and is jealous but not aggressive.

“Buddy” is a 19 month old Hanging Tree Cow Dog. He is exceptionally smart and his breed is comprised of the following: 3/8ths Border Collie, 1/8th Catahoula Hound, ¼ Kelpie and ¼ Australian Shepherd. They are a sturdy breed and “Buddy” is still a higher energy puppy but much prefers to be with his people rather than working livestock. He would be the ideal companion dog for a rancher, farmer, outfitter, rodeo professional, or someone who likes to recreate. He is good with horses, other dogs, and is curious but respectful of cats.

“Karah” is a 5 year old purebred German Shepherd with a very mellow and sweet personality. She loves attention and was relinquished to rescue only because her young owner is a college student working two jobs and “Karah” has been left at home alone for too many months! She loves other dogs, was raised with cats, and is good with children. She is nicely housebroken but now has some separation anxiety issues from being left alone for days on end. We know these issues can be overcome as she is loving her foster home where she is with other dogs and people all day every day!

Angel” is a stray who was seen in Greybull many times and no one could catch her. She was finally trapped when the big snow melt caused flooding and a wonderful good samaritan waded out to free her from a tree limb. It has been several months now and she is finally coming around. She is an American Eskimo, spayed and now current on vaccinations, believed to be approximately 6 years old. She is slowly learning to trust people again and will need a nice, quiet home where she can get individual attention. She weighs 20-25 lbs. and is very quiet and eager to please.

CALL OR E-MAIL KATHY FOR MORE INFORMATION:
307-587-4794
KATHY@3DOGRESCUE.COM
As part of our January E-Appeal, we asked for assistance in providing extra medical care for some kittens that were rescued from a hoarding situation. These poor kittens were full of ear-mites, could hardly breathe, and did not have an adequate appetite. These furry friends have been with us for not quite a month, but have quite literally, come leaps and bounds from where they were! We couldn't have provided such top-notch care without the assistance of some amazing donations.

Thank you to all who stepped in to help care for them!

STOP BY THE SHELTER TODAY AND FIND YOUR NEW BEST FRIEND!
WARM WEATHER TIPS FOR DOGS AND CATS

Never leave an animal in a car in hot or very warm weather. Even cracked windows are not enough to keep the animal safe in warm weather.

Exercising your dog early in the morning or later in the evening is the best for you and your dog.

Asphalt and concrete can get very hot in the summer heat and can burn the little pads on their feet.

Shelter for your pets should be provided not only in the winter, but also in the summer and during severe and stormy weather.

Fertilizers and pesticides can cause intestinal upsets and death to an animal. Keep your pets out of these areas when using these products.

Always have fresh water available for your pets inside and outside your house.

Be sure to consider a safe, pet friendly area for walking your dog as well as safe areas for dogs and cats to play.

Dogs may need to be groomed and have hair cuts, but shaving too close can cause their skin to sunburn.

If you have a “dirty little or big dog” the PCAS has a doggy bathtub available for you to use. Just let Brittany know so she can schedule a good time for you and the shelter. A donation would be appreciated for use of the bathtub.

With the wet weather and snow melt, there just could be some dogs that could use a good bath.
Adoptions:

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Currently in the Shelter:

Dogs/Puppies 9  Cats/Kittens 33

There are 1 dog and 4 cats with foster families.

Follow and interact with Bobby Rock on Facebook once a week for a live event as he broadcasts about an adoptable animal from the Shelter with Brittany’s help.

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Wyoming Basset Hound Rescue Foundation has been in operation since 1987. Allen and Holly Moen have been running WBHRF since 2005, when the original founder, from Casper, retired. We rescue basset hounds, as well as bloodhounds. Besides Wyoming, we rescue these dogs from Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado and Idaho. We have volunteers in all of these States who help with home visits, transports and fostering. We utilize foster homes for our rescues and we couldn’t do what we do without all the wonderful people who help in so many different ways. They all are what makes up WBHRF! We are a 501(c)(3) organization, we have a quarterly email newsletter, we have a calendar each year with photos of adopted bassets and blood hounds, we have an annual Basset Lover’s Picnic, we are on Facebook and our web page is www.wyomingbassetrescue.com where we feature our rescues up for adoption, have rescue information and where we have our own merchandise for sale, too!

For more information call 272-8089 or e-mail bassetrescue@tctwest.net.
The Jack Russell/Corgi Races were a success once again! Thanks to all the sponsors, silent auction donors, volunteers, dogs and community members who attended the races. The Shelter received $26,000 from the event, the largest amount to date. The amount of community support is truly overwhelming. The continued success of the event would not be possible without our sponsors.

We look forward to many more years of fast dogs, fun and enjoyment.

Granite Bone Sponsors:
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- Wyoming Diesel Power

The Numbers Don’t Lie!

Spay/Neuter Clinics make a difference: statistics from various animal groups show that one un-spayed female cat and one un-neutered male cat and their offspring can produce over 420,000 kittens in 7 years.
For dogs, this figure is 50,000.

Can you imagine 420,000 new kittens! That’s a lot of Blitzens, Cougars, Lornas, Lolas, Macaronis and Sardines (who are all still looking for their forever homes!)

SPRING SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC TOTALS

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Special Thanks to Boot and Bottle Club for letting us use their facility for free. We could not have these clinics without their help. We also thank Bev Ellis with Cody Motor Lodge for providing rooms for our veterinarians and West Park Hospital for providing oxygen and linens. And thank you to all the volunteers for your hard work in making the clinic possible.

PCAS Spay/Neuter Statistics to Date:

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Open to the Public:
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except Sundays

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E-mail:
manager@parkcountyanimalshelter.org

“Like” us on Facebook! We post pictures of all strays that come to the Shelter.
It’s a great way to see if we have your missing critter.

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