

## Animal Protection & Control Committee, Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

**In attendance:** Karen, Tyler, Ana, Maureen, Marge

1. Update for next Amigo's meeting, Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Ana will present the following points as our report:
  - -Next clinic date is March 30-April 2<sup>nd</sup> at Guileramina's house (same as December clinic)
  - -Jenny has graciously volunteered to be the Food Co-ordinator. Anyone who is interested in contributing part of or a meal should contact Jenny with details.
  - -we need some volunteers to help do set-up at the house on Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m.
  - -request that anyone leaving Lo de Marcos who have left-over dog food, or who have flea, tick spray or house, garden spray, to consider giving same to Ana. Ana is getting requests for help from local families whose houses are infested for help with disinfecting/fumigating them. You cannot take dog food from Mexico into the USA.
2. More details re upcoming clinic:
  - -Lupita will arrange for use of the loudspeaker to announce the clinic
  - -Ana will contact Casa de los Ninos and request ok to do a short presentation to those children about the clinic and the importance of spay/neutering their animals. Time permitting, Ana will contact the local school and ask that an announcement be made to the pupils re the clinic dates.
  - -Donna has agreed to update, post and remove Spay/Neuter Clinic posters.
  - -Ana will contact Rob and Lupita and request them to be in charge of the paperwork that has to be completed when pets are dropped off for surgery and when they leave the clinic. These details are required by PEACE.
3. Preparing a business card for Animal Protection & Control Committee. Marge suggested that we draft up a card that we can leave with some of the most popular local businesses. The information on the card would include the name of our committee, the Amigo's logo, and contact name/number for anyone who wishes to make a donation. The card would be in both Spanish and English. Maureen will check with Neil to see if he would help with preparing same. Tyler will check out cost of printing/cutting the cards.
4. Karen suggested that she and Ana contact the local priest to discuss the possibility of have a Blessing of the Animals day as is done in the US and Ca. They will report back to us when this has happened.
5. Ana will send an email through the Amigos in September 2011. The purpose of the email is to give us details of what is most urgently needed---sutures, dog collars, leashes, etc. with a view to getting the word out to our local vets who might contribute same. We, in turn, can send these details along to our friends who might be coming to Mexico and who would be interested in helping our cause.
6. Marge reported that at the most recent Chair's Meeting, President, David Graff, advised that Amigos has a budget shortfall of approximately \$40,000 ps. David advised each committee to plan on spending only 75% of our allocated budget. David did confirm that we can pay the full \$16,000

pesos to PEACE for the March clinic. We will address any shortfall for the Fall clinic in November, 2011.

7. Marge is to prepare a donation box which we will have available at the next Spay/Neuter Clinic. Those pet owners who are able will be encouraged to make a donation.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Marge Hummel

Committee Chair

6<sup>th</sup> March, 2011

