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Rescue Ranch Helping Families and Their Pets Stay Safe This Fire Season

YREKA, California April 26, 2021 — Rescue Ranch today announced that it will be hosting “May Day! at Rescue Ranch” on May 1, 2021, 1-4 p.m., at its facilities in Yreka, CA, to help families and pet owners learn about emergency preparedness this fire season.

“It’s an outdoor event for everyone. The idea is to have fun, while learning how to stay safe during fire season,” says Board Member Laura Finley. “There will be educational activities, games, demos, tips and useful information for the whole family.”

“May Day! at Rescue Ranch” will take place at Rescue Ranch facilities on Oberlin Road in Yreka, California. Activities include expert demos and advice on how to prepare yourself and your pet for evacuation. Dog Trainer and County Supervisor Nancy Ogren will show attendees how to muzzle and crate train their dog, while CB Ranch Rescue will provide live demonstrations with a horse and handler. Siskiyou County Humane will have information for cat lovers. There will be food available, games for the kids, and raffles at the end of the event.

There will also be a low-cost vaccination and microchip clinic on-site for dogs and cats, with local veterinarian Amy Fousek, DVM. Microchips and vaccines (rabies, parvo/distemper) will be available for \$10 each. For dogs who need all three, the cost will be \$20.

“We’re making it our mission to help our community stay as safe as possible. If you’re not prepared, you’re at higher risk for a poor outcome. With a good plan in place, your stress levels will be lower, you’ll move more quickly, you’ll avoid panic and you just might save a life,” says Finley.

“May Day! At Rescue Ranch” Details:

Date: Saturday, May 1st, 2021

Times: 1-3 p.m.: low-cost vaccination and microchip clinic for dogs and cats.

2-4 p.m.: Emergency preparedness: demos, tips, games, food, and more.

Cost: Admission is free

Location: 2216 Oberlin Rd, Yreka, CA

About Rescue Ranch:

In 2020, Rescue Ranch assisted Siskiyou County Animal Control with animal transport and evacuation. It also supported pet shelter-in-place efforts for households affected by the Slater Fire. Staff and volunteers traveled to each home and supplied pets with food and water until they could be reunited with their families.

Back at the shelter, the number of displaced animals changed daily. At one point, in addition to its usual on-site contingent of roughly 40 dogs, Rescue Ranch was host to 42 extra dogs, 40 cats and one parrot.

Rescue Ranch was established as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in 2001. Its purpose is to rescue dogs of all breeds and create opportunities for dog adoption. The ranch currently helps rehome over 500 dogs a year. It promotes responsible dog ownership and provides the community with assistance in the care of their pets.

Rescue Ranch is a no-kill shelter and relies on generous donations from the community and local businesses, as well as grants from foundations and organizations. It does not receive funding from any State, County or City agencies. Proceeds from the boarding facility and thrift store also help cover some of the general operational costs.

All dogs are spayed or neutered, and receive the best care while at Rescue Ranch. The organization also offers donation-funded community assistance programs, such as Kitu’s Fund, a no-interest loan for high-cost emergency veterinary expenses; a dog and cat food bank, low-cost parvo-distemper vaccination and microchipping, free and low-cost dog training, as well as help with transportation for veterinary appointments booked through the facility.

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