



## Giving Back....

### **MUTTS & MARGARITAS, HOSTED BY HINSDALE HUMANE SOCIETY AMBASSADORS, RAISES \$10,000 FOR HOMELESS ANIMALS**

Hinsdale Humane Society's Ambassadors hosted its first fundraising event — Mutts & Margaritas — Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2014 at CiNe Modern Taqueria in Hinsdale, and raised over \$10,000 for the shelter's homeless animals. The Ambassadors, formed in 2014, is a new volunteer group of 22 local women whose mission is to raise awareness about the organization and its outreach programs through community events.

Mutts & Margaritas ran from 7-10pm and featured a red carpet photo opportunity complete with adoptable pets wearing sombreros, a silent auction, wine pull, and celebrity bartenders, Amity Comiskey, Kristi Gilbert and sports announcer, Rebecca Haarlow. CiNe Modern Taqueria donated a portion of profits from the evening to benefit the homeless animals.

The HHS Ambassadors include (in alpha order): Michelle Beaulieu, Darlene Bingham, Katie Crotty, Christie Cuthbert (HHS Board Member), Kirsten Douglass, Colleen Elliot, Molly Haunty, Sara Herman, Megan Hickman, Jeanette Hoenig, Nicki Hutter, Laura Kendall, Kristin Kohn, Mistie Lucht (Chair), Megan Mannor, Jorie Parwani, Allison Peters, Ali Rago, Jill Sunderson, Katie Szafarczyk, Jill Tabachka, and Jennifer Zeno.

"We are so fortunate to have a strong foundation of volunteers supporting us, and we are thrilled to add the unique skills of the Ambassadors to our family," said HHS Board Member, Christie Cuthbert. "HHS is so much more than just a place to find a new family pet. There are outreach programs, obedience classes, youth education opportunities, pet therapy and more. Whether they've adopted a new furry family member, or have a neighbor with special needs, chances are everyone in this community has met someone whose life has been positively impacted by Hinsdale Humane Society."

With the success of Mutts & Margaritas behind them, the Ambassadors are starting work on future events, including an upcoming Pictures with Santa photo session for families and pets on Nov. 29, 2014. For more information about the Ambassadors and upcoming events, please contact Robin Carroll at [pr@hinsdalehumane-society.org](mailto:pr@hinsdalehumane-society.org) or (773) 551-7218.