

Kuwait – Animal Welfare Group Celebrates Success with its 3rd Annual Ball

The Protecting Animal Welfare Society, (PAWS), celebrated another successful evening with the 3rd annual 'Paws for the Cause' Ball, which took place in the beautiful gardens of The British Embassy this week. The event, hosted by the Embassy's Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. Timothy Stew and his wife Michelle, was attended by 250 guests, including VIPs from the Diplomatic Corps and Senior officials from the Animal Health Ministry and Kuwait Zoo.



"Our 3rd Annual Ball isn't only an opportunity to celebrate 5 years of 'PAWS' and the rehoming of over 1,000 animals but serves to raise essential funds for the shelter and the services we provide to abandoned, injured and stray animals 365 days of the year," said Margaret

McLuskey, PAWS Chair.

McLuskey added that the event enabled the PAWS team to recognise the

outstanding commitment and dedication of an international team of volunteers and patrons and thanked all attendees who gave their support by attending the prestigious event.

Noting that the group, (affiliated to Kuwait Environment Protection Society, World Society for the Protection of Animals, Middle East Network for Animal Welfare and the RSPCA International), is unfunded by the municipality or by private sources, McLuskey informed the audience that events such as this strengthens the society's ability to provide veterinary, shelter and care services to many hundreds of companion, domestic and wild animals annually.



The PAWS Chair thanked VIP patrons & guests from the local, international and diplomatic community including Her Excellency Deborah Jones, United States Ambassador to Kuwait, His Excellency Mr. Glenn Miles, the Australian Ambassador, His Excellency Dr. Ján Lišuch the Slovakian Ambassador, His Excellency Dr Michael Worbs of the German Embassy, Senior officials from the Animal Health Ministry and Dr Farida Al Mulla, Director of Kuwait Zoo amongst other distinguished guests.

McLuskey acknowledged the generosity of the evening's generous sponsors including, KLM, United Airlines, Movenpick Hotels, Marina Safir Hotel, Crowne Plaza Hotel, The Hilton Hotel, Holiday Inn, Al Manshar Rotana, Radisson SAS hotel, Al Yousifi Electronics, Panasonic, Al Mulla - Bebehani, Pedigree-Whiskas, Cozy Corner, Bubbles Nail Salon, Queen Nails. Cookie-Licious, Thai Art Gallery, Indian Heritage, Keifan Optics, International Optique, Nayshan, The Sultan Center, Majed Al Trabolsi of MSS Travels, Ethan Allen, Cutting Edge, Soho Salon Hair Studio, DHL, Nando's, My Pink Moon, Blue Lounge, Switchback Band and DJ Victor.

Photos Top: PAWS Chair Margaret McLuskey with H.E. Deborah Jones, United States Ambassador to Kuwait and Mr. Timothy Stew Chargé d'Affaires British Embassy

Back by popular demand the Gold Rush Maidens from the British Academy of International Arts did a superb job for the Raffle Draw, with party-goers happy to 'dig deep' for this worthy cause! Guests enjoyed a cocktail reception with a superb 3 course dinner catered by the Crowne Plaza hotel and later danced to the music of the band 'Switchback' led by dynamic band-leader David Flitcroft who had the embassy gardens rocking as guests took to the dance floor. DJ Victor kept the energetic guests busy as the balmy evening continued into the small hours of the morning.

The Protecting Animal Welfare Team thanks all sponsors, patrons, guests and volunteers for helping to make another "PAWS for the Cause" event a night to remember. For more information on PAWS, visit the group online at www.paws-kuwait.org



Photos L-R: Guests in the Embassy Gardens, Golden maidens, Guests, H.E. Mr. Glenn Miles the Australian Ambassador, Paaf official Madam Maha with Katie Browne, Dr Jawad Saud with PAWS Dr Lubica Marsova, PAWS Summer & Jenan, PAWS Jesse & Margaret, Mr. Martin Foster with his wife PAWS Graphic Designer Jenny Ryder,