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**2nd Chance 4 Pets Director Speaks at Conferences and Facilitates Webinars for  
National Pet Sitter Organizations**

LOS GATOS, Calif. (August 26, 2016) – Amy Shever, volunteer Director of 2nd Chance 4 Pets, delivered a presentation at the National Association of Professional Pet Sitters (NAPPS) in Orlando, Florida, in March, 2016, and facilitated a webinar for NAPPS members in August, 2016. Amy also delivered a similar presentation at the Pet Sitters International (PSI) conference in September, 2015 and led a webinar for PSI members in April, 2016.

The workshop and webinar, “Lifetime Care Planning for Pets: Ensuring the Care of Animal Companions in the Event of Their Owner’s Death or Disability,” provide a comprehensive overview of available options to help responsible pet owners plan for the possibility that their pets might outlive them.

Each year, more than 500,000 pets are surrendered to shelters in the United States because their owners died or became too ill to care for their pets. This tragedy is the result of pet owners not having a plan in place for someone to care for their pets should anything happen to them.

Often, pet sitters discover that their clients have not thought about making appropriate plans should their pets outlive them. Many of these clients may assume that the pet sitter would care for their pets should they be unable to care for them. Pet sitters use the information from the workshops and webinars to help their clients make appropriate plans and confirm exactly who would be responsible for providing lifetime care for the pets.

Amy's workshop and webinar presentations outline the important steps required to ensure lifetime care for pets. These steps include documenting how the pets should be cared for, setting up a fund for the pets' continued care, and most importantly, identifying committed caregivers who have agreed to provide love and care for the pets.

#### **About 2nd Chance 4 Pets**

The mission of 2nd Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily surrendered to animal shelters each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. A 501(c)(3) non-profit, all-volunteer organization, 2nd Chance 4 Pets works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Visit [www.2ndchance4pets.org](http://www.2ndchance4pets.org) for more information.

#### **About the National Association of Professional Pet Sitters (NAPPS)**

The National Association of Professional Pet Sitters (NAPPS) was founded in 1989 by a small group of pet sitters. NAPPS is a non-profit membership organization that provides educational opportunities and resources for pet caretakers and pet parents. The membership consists of 2,200 pet sitters nationwide. For more information, visit [www.petsitters.org](http://www.petsitters.org).

#### **About Pet Sitters International (PSI)**

Established in 1994, Pet Sitters International (PSI) is the world's largest educational association for professional pet sitters, representing nearly 7,000 independent professional pet-sitting businesses in the United States and Canada, as well as abroad. PSI provides its members with access to affordable bonding and liability insurance and educational resources that include a comprehensive Certification Program, Pet Sitter's WORLD magazine, The Scoop e-news, and PSI's annual Quest convention. For more information, visit [www.petsit.com](http://www.petsit.com).

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