

Annual Report: 2003 Accomplishments

2003 was a very busy year for the Friends of Greater Lansing Dog Parks organization! The following are highlights of our successful year:

- ☆ **Ordinance Amended** – Following a community-wide dialogue on the importance of a dog park, the Lansing City Council, in April, amended the city ordinance to allow dogs off leash in selected, designated city parks.
- ☆ **Non-profit Organization Established** - The Friends of Greater Lansing Dog Parks was approved in September 2003 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization able to accept charitable donations for tax purposes. All funds donated are tax deductible.
- ☆ **Support of City and County Parks** – We are honored to have the active support of the City of Lansing Parks and Recreation Department and the Ingham County Parks Department.
- ☆ **Potential Site Located** – Scott Woods Park, off Aurelius Road, has been identified as a potential site for the off-leash dog park. This is a beautiful, natural area with plenty of space for our dogs – more than 17 acres!
- ☆ **Two Successful Events Held** – The organization staged two very successful events in 2003. We had the Doggie Paddle Party in September at Hawk Island County Park and the Walk in the Woods and Halloween Costume Party in October at Scott Woods. The combined events attracted over 100 dogs and their owners and raised approximately \$800.
- ☆ **New Website** – We recently launched our new website at www.lansingdogparks.com. Please check out the site and take a look at the fun pictures on our events page.
- ☆ **Membership Is Growing** – Our organization's membership, while still in the growing stages, has increased significantly this year. If you would like to become a member, just download the brochure, fill out the information and send it to us at the address on the form. Recruit a friend to join us also!

After reviewing this list, we hope you will agree that we have much to be grateful for and to celebrate! Now would be an excellent time to make a donation to the Friends of Greater Lansing Dog Parks. Remember all contributions are tax deductible. If you would like to make a financial contribution, please make out your check and send it to:



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