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September 2016

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Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Our Mission

The Allen County SPCA will promote the prevention of cruelty to animals by providing a safe haven for animals, an effective and comprehensive adoption program, education and outreach programs for the community and deep and broad membership and volunteer programs.

Calendar of events....

Thursday, September 8
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Bark N Brew Community Outreach Trubble Brewing

2725 Broadway, Fort Wayne, IN 46807
Bring your well-behaved dog to the pet-friendly patio

Saturday, September 10
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

PETCO Community Outreach

315 Coliseum Blvd,
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Saturday, September 17
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

PetSmart Charities National Adoption Weekend

Petsmart Maysville
10260 Maysville Road,
Fort Wayne, IN 46835

Don't miss out on any of these outstanding events!!

Forever Family

When they were surrendered to the Allen County SPCA, it was clear they were a bonded pair. Levi, the Jack Russell blend and Little Missy, her Schnauzer sister, had been together all their lives. And now their human was leaving town, and they couldn't accompany her. It was the fall of 2014.



It only took a week for Levi and Little Missy to find their forever family. Doug and Joni were no strangers to special needs dogs, and this bonded pair of pooches (one older and one younger) were enough to touch the hearts of the Lehmans. The two humans and their canines lived together for nearly two years before Levi (now Ellie) began showing signs of illness. The Lehmans took her to see their regular vet, Dr. Dan Rodgers, at Aboite Animal Hospital. Tests concluded that Ellie had a rare condition that would require extensive treatments. Committed to Ellie's total care, the Lehmans embarked on a journey that included multiple visits to Aboite and to see Dr. Amy Totten, the specialist at NIVES (Northeast Indiana Veterinary Emergency Services), as well as some experimental human-grade immunotherapy – anything to try to save Ellie's life.

We were so moved when Doug and Joni called to share the sad news that despite all those heroic efforts, Ellie did not make it. They simply wanted us to know what became of that cute little Jack Russell and to tell us that they had tried absolutely everything to save her life. The Lehmans shared just how special Ellie was, not only to them – but to everyone she met. Even throughout her illness and various treatments, all the veterinarians and techs grew fond of Ellie – so fond that they, too, grieved when it was time to say goodbye.

In a world where we often see the worst from people and in a mission like ours where some of the toughest neglect cases can make a person question the humanity (or inhumanity) of it all, we were reminded that day the Lehmans called that there really are people who – given the chance – will do anything for their animals. It's what we hope for from all of our adopters, that they will do the very best they can – with the resources they have – to give a former shelter pet the very best chance at life.

We salute all of you who go to the greatest lengths you can to love and care for your animals until the very end. And when that day comes, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for giving your all to an animal from the Allen County SPCA.

Curly's Village Inn 3rd Annual

PawFest

Sunday, September 18
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Food and Live Auction!

4205 Bluffton Rd • Fort Wayne, IN 46809
Call (260) 747-9964 for ticket information.

Join us for the best doggone chili cookoff of the year!



Sunday, September 24
Noon - 3:00 pm

Harley-Davidson of Fort Wayne,
6315 Illinois Road, Fort Wayne, IN

For more information go to www.doggonebestchili.org
Admission is \$5 for adults and includes unlimited chili tastings.
Children under the age of 10 are free.



Join the Allen County SPCA for a spirited evening filled with food, drink and a lively karaoke competition.

This casual and light-hearted fundraising event will feature multiple food buffets, live and silent auctions, as well as a DJ providing music for those wanting to sing their hearts out for the SPCA!

To purchase event tickets go to www.GrowlAtTheMoon.org. We are looking for items for our silent auction, if you would like to donate or inquire about corporate sponsorships, please contact sarah@acspca.org or call (260) 744-0454 ext.250.

Grand Wayne Convention Center • Fort Wayne, IN
Saturday, October 15th, 2016
6:00 pm Cocktails • 7:00 pm Dinner and Show
www.GrowlAtTheMoon.org

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To Volunteer (ext 204)

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Companies That Care

We want to recognize and thank a few companies that have recently helped our non-profit shelter:

- Lutheran Life Villages
- Heritage Parts
- Sunburst Supply

A huge "Thank You" goes out to all of you from the residents and staff of the Allen County SPCA.



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Executive Director's Message

I've never liked the saying, "Let the cat out of the bag," because – really, who puts a cat in a bag in the first place? Still, it's time to make some announcements!

Our fall fundraiser, CatWalk, which we've all come to love, is taking a bit of a cat nap this year. Due to several scheduling conflicts, a few of the salons couldn't participate, leading us to postpone the event for a year. We know many of you will be disappointed, too, but take heart! We're excited to introduce something new!

Growl at the Moon will take the stage Saturday, Oct. 15th at the lovely Grand Wayne Center in downtown Fort Wayne. What's Growl at the Moon? It's karaoke for a cause! You're invited to join your friends for an evening of ridiculously fun, first class karaoke sung by second class singers! You'll laugh. You'll cry. It will be better than Cats! (Well, we think nothing's better than *actual* cats.)

Details about tickets are on the back of the newsletter. Please join us. In fact, get a whole table for your friends. We're still looking for corporate sponsors, too, so if your company would like a corporate table, give me a call at the shelter.

And, if all that fun isn't enticing enough, we have a VERY BIG announcement to make at Growl at the Moon! Want a hint? Little changes are coming that will make a BIG difference! So, please, get your seats for Growl at the Moon right away. Oh, and start practicing your songs in the shower!

Spotlight on Vicki Swanson

By: J. Mark Hannon



Vicki Swanson has been volunteering with the Allen County SPCA since September of 2014. Vicki began her volunteer experience by socializing cats, but she has since progressed to walking dogs and helping out at the front desk at the shelter. Vicki finds it most rewarding when she witnesses adopters taking home new family members.

When Vicki is not volunteering at the shelter, she can often be found fostering expecting mothers and their kittens. Vicki says that "fostering has become my passion." Vicki also stays busy taking care of her own pets including four dogs (Mia, Lucy, Floyd and Roxie) and four cats (Ruby, Gretal, Cyrus and Amore). In addition, Vicki is married with three adult children; she loves to play tennis, is an Assistant Tennis Coach at St. Francis and volunteers with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana. Thank you, Vicki, for all that you do for those in need in our community.

Pet Promises Spotlight: Thomas and Skyler

By: Melissa Osborn

When I first saw Thomas and Skyler they were walking down Hanna Street, Thomas looking sad and downcast and Skylar on his leash alongside him, unaware that anything was wrong. I could see the hurt and panic in Thomas' face and when I said, "Good morning! What can we do for you?" he had to fight back tears to say, "I need you to find a new home for my boy." Thomas explained that due to some tough times he had been forced to move to a motel until he could find permanent housing, but unfortunately the motel didn't allow animals – even good boys like Skyler. I knew two things for sure: Skyler was loved and cared for, and he and his dad shared an obvious bond and breaking that bond just felt wrong!

Thomas and Skyler *are* Pet Promises. Thomas had made a promise to Skyler, a promise that he would never abandon him, and not being able to keep that promise was hurting both of them. All that stood between keeping them together was a motel pet policy and the ability to afford a vet visit for a rabies vaccine. (Skyler was already neutered and microchipped!) Thanks to generous donations from our supporters and grant funding from PetSmart Charities, we were able to schedule an appointment for annual vaccines for Skyler and arrange for transportation for him and his dad that day. That appointment, combined with a Google-generated list of Pet Friendly motels in town, was all it took to have Skyler and his dad walking back down Hanna Street in a whole different mood than when they had walked up. I wish every person who has ever donated to the Pet Promises program would have had the pleasure of seeing the look on Thomas' face when he discovered there was help available to him. Finally, on that gloomy day in August, Thomas was given a little sunshine. He wouldn't have to break his promise to Skyler, and before long would have a permanent place to call home and most importantly would have Skyler to come home to, and thanks to the Allen County SPCA Skyler would have anything that he needed!

Memorials and Tributes

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We acknowledge those who recently passed and remembered the Allen County SPCA in their memorials. We thank their friends and family who honored their memory with a donation to the Allen County SPCA. Their dedication to our mission is the foundation for our work here. Below are those we have received in the month of July.

In Loving Memory Of...

A memorial donation was made in honor of the following:

Darlene Adams
Jerry and Julie Richerson
Micahel and Laraina Seigel

Stanley and Catherine Dowell
Jerry and Catherine Warner
Michael and Beth Ann Savieo
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James and Fry Schindler
Thomas and Judy Mettler
Michael and Toni Mankey

Steven Norton
Robert and Nancy Gebfert
Michael and Seka Pape
Jodie Karrick
Steven and Susan Norton

Charles Ray "Chuck" Raugh
James and Karen Young

Revere Reese
Kent and Amy Litchin
Craig Reese
Thomas and Gwen Byers
Betty Booher
Mary Louise Spice
Phillip and Sandra Swihart

In Loving Memory Of Our Pets...

Celebrating the love and happiness our pets brought to our lives through memorials in their names.

Chandler, beloved dog of Diane McGlone
Jean Tipton

Grayson, beloved cat of Caitlin Lothamer and Sean
Jessica Henry

Mr. Pickles, beloved cat of Kathy and David Todoran
Tom Pepler
Barbara Pepler

Kaysee, beloved dog of Brian Dawson
Janet Dawson

Baby, beloved dog of Dawn LaPorte and Christopher Hanks
Jessica Henry

Smoky, beloved cat of Ken and Marcia Fritz
Marcia Fritz

Otto, beloved dog of Mark Hannon and Terry Ratliff
Jessica Henry

Tavi, beloved cat of Maureen and Crystal
Rita Voors

Tribute In Honor Of ...

A donation was made in the names of those in bold below by their friends listed below them.

Raven Deleon and Michael Loberde's wedding
Michael and Raven Loberde

Cale Reese and Otter
Lindsey Hill

Bast, Bandit, Mickey, Sprite and Aria, beloved pets
Jon and Valerie Brejle

Harper's Birthday
Karen Pawlak

Ginger, our beloved cat's Birthday
Deborah Peel and Michael Cupp

Wish List

Our center is always on the lookout for supplies that will help keep our dogs and cats healthy, safe and happy.

Special Needs

- Multi-cat enclosed playpen/cage
- Dog agility equipment set

Special Enrichment Items

- Training dog treats
- Soft dog treats
- Adaptil and feliway in spray bottle
- Feliway plug-in diffuser with refills
- Peanut butter

Housekeeping Needs

- Batteries
- Disinfectant spray such as Lysol
- Hand sanitizer
- Dish detergent
- 39 gal or larger trash bags
- Tall kitchen trash bags
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Resealable plastic bags - quart or gallon size
- 4" x 4" gauze pads

Office Needs

- Postage stamps
- White & color copy paper
- Duct tape
- Zip ties - medium/heavy duty

Cat & Dog Needs

- Box lids from copy paper cases
- Heavy weight paper bowls for medication
- Egg cartons
- Dog squeaky toys
- Martingale-style collars (medium & large sizes)
- Kennel slipleads
- Made in the USA rawhide chews
- Kuranda dog beds
- Kuranda Vinyl cat perches
- Screw on cage food & water bowls
- Disposable cat scratchers
- Covered cat play houses (no carpeting)
- Kitty condos
- Kitty Kongs
- Gift cards to PETCO, PetSmart, Pet Supplies Plus

Our Cat & Dog Food

We feed our dogs and cats the following food.

- Science Diet Sensitive Stomach & Skin (cats & dogs)
- Science Diet Puppy Healthy Growth
- Science Diet Kitten Food
- Science Diet canned kitten & adult cat food

For Our Community Pet Food Donation Program

- Any dog and cat food, dry or canned

Donations may be dropped off during our regular business hours at:

Monday - Thursday 11:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday Noon - 4:00 pm

4914 South Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, 46806

Thank you for thinking of us!