

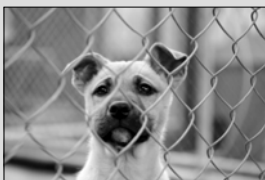
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You can Help!



See that envelope tucked in this newsletter? Your contribution, even a small one, could save one animal who might not get another chance.

Pleased to meet You!

Greetings!

My name is Gail Keegan and I am the new Executive Director/Development Director at the **Lake Humane Society**. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself to the donors of LHS and share some of my thoughts with you about this wonderful agency.

I was born and raised in Cleveland and have lived in Lake County for over 25 years. Two of my cats, Ashley and Rex, were adopted through LHS over 15 years ago. Needless to say when the opportunity arose to join this organization I jumped at the chance.

As the only nonprofit humane shelter in Lake County we are called upon to help with the rescue, care, rehabilitation and adoption of animals from every community in our county. Our rescue vehicle is operational 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. We rescue animals that have been injured, abused, neglected or have been deemed to be a nuisance.

Our shelter is blessed to have a remarkably dedicated staff and a devoted group of volunteers. Through the efforts of these tireless workers we have been able to assist thousands of animals every year. It takes the work of many hands to accomplish all that we do.

We have a flexible volunteer program which allows people to help LHS according to their own busy schedules. Our volunteers help walk dogs, clean cages, assist with grooming, work special events or foster animals that are not yet ready for adoption due to illness, injury or special needs. We hope you will consider volunteering your time to help the animals in our shelter.

We are always looking for good foster homes too. Fostering a dog, cat or litter of kittens until they are ready for adoption allows us to give animals a second chance they might not otherwise receive. Often times an animal has had surgery, has been injured or is too young to be adopted. Foster homes provide care for these animals as they transition to the point when they can go up for adoption.

Established in 1937, LHS has been serving animals in Lake County for 70 years and we are eager to examine opportunities for creating innovative programs and expanding our services. I welcome your thoughts and ideas. Together with our supporters, LHS will be a shining model reflecting the value, respect and love of animals emanating from a caring and supportive community.

Thank you for your continued support of LHS.

Spotlight on Board Member Nikki Matala

Two years ago, Board President Kelli Kerwin sat down with Nikki Matala to invite her to serve on the LHS board. It didn't take very long for the animal-loving Matala to say yes. Matala's full time job as Executive Director of the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce has kept her very busy for the last 7 years but she welcomed the opportunity to make time for LHS. "I want people to know how great shelter animals can be," she

said. Her own cat Misha, a 7-year old Russian Blue, was a rescue and singularly rules the Matala household.

Matala's vision for LHS includes positive growth and expanding awareness of the vital service the shelter provides. But rising to the top of her list of goals is public education about curbing animal population growth and tougher laws on animal abuse. "I'd like to see more people educated on the importance of spaying

and neutering pets and much stricter laws against those who abuse animals" she said.

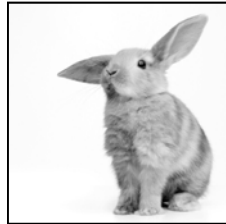
In addition to her full-time job Matala is also a part-time realtor with ERA Lenz.



Join us for a "Hare Raising" afternoon

The shelter has many beautiful and loving rabbits available for adoption. We invite you to join us on Sunday, September 16 for a special **Bunny Adopt-a-Thon**. In addition we are offering a free "Rabbit 101" class with Janet Reed, our volunteer bunny expert, at 1:00 p.m. Her presentation will begin at 1:00 pm and last about 15 minutes. Even if you have acquired a bunny outside of LHS, we encourage you to

attend this information session to learn more about these



sensitive and gentle pets. Reservations are encouraged to help us gauge attendance.

Call Janet Reed at 440.951.8373 before September 14th to reserve your seat.

Sunday, Sept 16, 2007
1:00 – 1:15 p.m.
Conference Room
Lake Humane Society
7564 Tyler Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060



Interested in donating items for our Silent Auction? Please contact the shelter at 440-951-6122, ext. 107

Mutt Strut 2007

On Saturday, August 25th, LHS will be hosting the **Thirteenth Annual Mutt Strut** at Penitentiary Glen. Mutt Strut is a pledge walk that benefits the animals at the shelter. Open to the canine set and their human friends, Mutt Strut has been instrumental in raising funds to support the work of the Humane Society for the last twelve years. Mutt Strut continues to attract new participants and supporters each year. Last year, about 175 wet dog lovers braved the elements. In between raindrops, many enjoyed walk day festivities and helped raise over \$14,000.

To be eligible to participate in Mutt Strut, all dogs must be at least four months old and must be leashed

at all times. Please use good judgment concerning your animal's temperament. Carefully decide whether your dog is temperamentally and physically suited for the event. You may walk alone, with friends, or with your favorite dog! Registration begins at 9:30AM and the walk starts at 11:00AM. Enjoy demonstrations from Mentor Police K-9 Unit and Tracey Dixon & K-9 Hanna-Volunteer Search & Rescue. Have the opportunity to meet Eileen McShea, with TV3's Good Company, participate in contests, face painting and win raffle prizes. Following the walk enjoy a free hotdog lunch. The event is rain or shine!

Special thanks to the following 2007 Mutt Strut

sponsors-AM 1330 WELW "The Talk of the Town", American Culinary Federation, Animal Hospital Inc., Avery Dennison, Barr Bros. Construction, Inc., Brightwood Animal Hospital, Cherry Knoll Natural Spring Water, Chipotle Mexican Grill, Corsaro Insurance Group, DAD's Pet Care, DeMarco's Donuts & Bakery, DiCarlo's of N.E.O., Fredon Corporation, Giant Eagle-Loehmann's Plaza, Mentor-on-the-Lake, Painesville, Willoughby Commons, & Willowick, Home City Ice, Invisible Fence Brand, Kathleen J. Miller & Associates, KD Pet Services, LLC., Lancaster Bingo Company, Inc., Marc's, Marous Brothers Construction, Martinet, Martinet & Recchia, Inc., Master Tool Corp., Park

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LHS would also like to thank the following companies for their monetary donation-Fusion Incorporated, Lisa's Mane Attractions Hair & Nail Salon & Royal Plastics, Inc.

Mark your calendars and show your support by being a part of Lake Humane Society's Mutt Strut!!! Please call Cheryl at 440-951-6122 X107 for more info or if you have any questions.

2007 Silent Auction & Reverse Raffle

The Lake Humane Society will be hosting the **Second Annual Silent Auction & Reverse Raffle**. The event will be held on November 2nd at Cappelli's Comfort Inn in Mentor. Last year, over 200 participants attended raising over \$9,800. Participants will be able to enjoy an evening of dining, dancing and have a great opportunity win at the raffle. We are expecting several hundred guests for this fun-filled evening.

LHS is looking for companies interested in donating items for the Silent Auction as well as sponsorship

opportunities. We sincerely hope that you will consider lending your support to help make our **Silent Auction & Reverse Raffle** a success! By donating raffle items or a monetary donation, you will give our community's homeless, abused and injured animals the chance for a new life...a fresh start. Please, help us help the animals through a generous donation to be used at the event. We need to receive raffle items by **October 12, 2007**. If you need to have your item picked up, please let us know and we can arrange that.

Those interested in sponsoring the event should contact Cheryl at the shelter for more information. Sponsors need to be secured by **September 4, 2007** to qualify for the benefits. Remember all contributions are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

Thanks to our sponsors (as of July 16, 2007): Corsaro Insurance Group, Lancaster Bingo Company, Inc., The Spatz Home Team, Realty One, STERIS Corporation & Universal Metal Products, Inc.



We Need You!



Lake Humane Society is always in need of caring volunteers. A few hours a month can make a world of difference to the animals in our care.

Please contact the shelter at 440-951-6122, ext. 106

Interesting in Volunteering

... at the Lake Humane Society?

Hi!! I am Christina Vidmar, the new Volunteer and Foster Manager here at the Lake Humane Society.

Please join us for a Volunteer Information Session to find out all the great things that you can do!! They are held the first and last Monday of every month right at the shelter. The sessions start at 6:00PM and

last between 45 – 60 minutes. There are so many ways that you can help out at the shelter ranging from TLC for the cats, dog walking to attending special events.

Do you have a child that wants to help? While you have to be 18 years of age to handle the animals solo, they are encouraged to come along to help out with you. We are so proud of our current

volunteers and we would love to have you join our team!! If you are unable to attend our sessions, please contact me directly at 440-951-6122 Ext 106 and we can schedule a time for you to come in and talk about what type of volunteering you are looking to do. We look forward to seeing you here!!!

Help the LHS van keep rolling!

The Lake Humane Society operates the **ONLY** rescue van in Lake County that runs 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. But it has reached the end of the line. Four mechanics have deemed it beyond repair and LHS is concerned that when it breaks down our rescue and cruelty investigation efforts will be seriously affected. A recent article in the News Herald about our van has so far brought in over \$13,000 in donations from generous LHS supporters. Unfortunately this is still far

from the estimated cost of approximately \$35,000 for the van and customizations needed for cages and equipment. Here are some statistics about the rescue van.

- Only animal rescue van in Lake County available 365 days a year, 24 hours a day.
- Van used for both cruelty investigations and for injured animal rescue.
- Used for the July 2006 flood rescuing approximately 100 animals (dogs, cats, rabbits etc).

- Estimated annual mileage is over 30,000 miles.
 - Used in over **700** animal abuse investigations and injury rescues since 2005.
 - Van is currently in need of brakes, transmission, and entire engine.
 - Used to transport animals for mobile adoption.
 - Used to transport animals to emergency hospital after hours if needed.
- If you would like to make a donation to our van fund simply send us a check payable to the *Lake Humane Society* and

note **Van Fund** in the memo portion of your check. We appreciate any and all donations to help us secure a safe vehicle for our vital work. We hope you can help.

Our very sincere appreciation to the following individuals who have made donations to the Lake Humane Society in memory of a family member or a friend or to honor someone special-both pets and people.

MEMORY OF: Angel Mickey Darcy	Don Sr., Charley H., Spike & Dolly Donald Walton	Radar Judith & Ron Smith	Dan Borelli Judy Podpadec	Ellery Fuldauer Demetra Fuldauer	Sue Ann Branstein Mr. & Mrs. Romeo Ciofani Croson (Jacobs) Family Jo & R. Scott Farnham Jan Kaminsky Mansfield (Jacobs) Family Julie Miller Richard & Judy Parker Frances & William Pastor Frank & Carla Wilson
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These donations include donations that were made from January 23, 2007 through July 16, 2007.

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated items that help keep the shelter running—dog and cat food, cleaning supplies, and the like. Special thanks to the following individuals, families, and organizations:

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Upcoming LHS Events

August 25

Mutt Strut

Penitentiary Glen, Kirtland

September 16

Bunny Adopt-a-Thon

Lake Humane Society, Mentor

November 2

Silent Auction & Reverse Raffle

Cappelli's @ Comfort Inn,

Mentor

Wish List

Lake Humane Society is in need of the following donations. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Daily Needs:

Purina, Iams or Science Diet Puppy & Dog Food (dry)

Purina, Iams or Science Diet Kitten & Cat Food (dry)

Canned Kitten food

Cat Litter, Cat Litter and more Cat Litter (clay)

Other Shelter Supplies:

Pre-paid Gas Cards

Trash Bags

Paper for Printers, Copiers and Faxes

Liquid Dishwashing and Antibacterial Hand Soap

Hand Sanitizer

Paper Towels

Heating Pads or Hot Water Bottles (to keep kittens/puppies warm)

Shoe Boxes or other Small Boxes (great beds for cats/kittens!)

Miscellaneous Items:

Digital Camera (for cruelty investigation)

Video Camera (for cruelty investigation)