

SCOTT COUNTY SCOOP

Newsletter of Humane Society of Scott County, IN
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HUMANE SOCIETY IS NOW A 501c3 TAX DEDUCTIBLE ORGANIZATION!

The Humane Society of Scott County, IN has just received its 501c3 status. The new designation means that any donations given to the Society as of March 12, 2007, will be considered tax deductible by the IRS.

ALL donations are used exclusively to aid the Scott County Animal shelter by providing necessary vaccinations and meeting the medical needs of the animals; to provide for the needs of animals available for local adoption and those sent to rescue organizations; and MOST importantly, to assist in the cost of spaying/neutering animals adopted from the shelter and the humane society. This is the first time that the animals adopted from the shelter have had the opportunity to be altered as part of the adoption agreement and with this first baby step, the community might begin taking a stand against over pet population in our community. It has been disheartening to those working at the animal shelter for many years to see animals adopted through the shelter return 6-8 months later pregnant or with a litter of puppies. We may now be able to avoid some of that scenario!

Aside from badly needed financial contributions, the Humane Society also needs volunteers to help with fund raising functions, adoption fairs, foster homes and other area of animal support. There is a complete list of our needs listed in this newsletter and everyone is encouraged to find their "nitch" and get involved. The animals won't survive without the help of many people in many different capacities!

Anyone wishing to make a donation is encouraged to send the check to the Humane Society of Scott County, IN, Post Office Box 711, Scottsburg, IN 47170

**DUE TO THE GENEROSITY OF AN ANIMAL
LOVER, WE ARE NOW MEMBERS OF THE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE!**

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY:

The Humane Society of Scott County, Indiana is a Non-Profit organization, designed to aid the Scott County Animal Shelter, to have an aggressive adoption program in order to decrease the number of animals being euthanized, to release animals into the care of reputable rescue organizations, and to educate the community on the importance of spay/neuter and pet ownership responsibility.

If this mission statement touches your heart, please join us in making a difference for the animals in our community!



Enna, the blue eyed beagle mix, found her own family at the Scott County Fair in July as we held nightly adoption fairs to introduce the area to the Humane Society. Here she is being held by new "Dad", Joe Sanders.

NEW FRIENDS THAT HAVE SUPPORTED OUR CAUSE!



The DOGS, a local motorcycle club, sponsored a Poker Run on Father's Day and donated the proceeds to the Humane Society. It was hot but that didn't deter the riders from taking part in the day and cycling from Henryville to Beechwood Park in Scottsburg. Lo and behold, even a few of our humane society volunteers went along for the ride. The DOGS mascot, "Runt" pictured above, proudly goes along on every ride!

MONTGOMERY FARMS has offered their support to the Humane Society by letting us have Adoption Fairs there during their Sweet Corn Festival and Pumpkin Festival. You can tell the volunteers since we all wear bright green shirts wherever we go! Several young volunteers have proven invaluable as they work with the dogs and train them to walk on leash, to be more social, and learn to trust people once again.



DOGS Dog Lover and President, Tony Dehart, presents a check in the amount of \$120 to Teresa Kratzman, President of the Humane Society of Scott County, IN. This was the first time that an outside group noticed our organization and we were proud and grateful!

Jake, a flat coated retriever who was a long term foster dog, gets his chance and goes home with Lexington resident, Jeff Anderson. The first time Jeff saw him was at the County Fair where Jake had just been adopted. Jeff was disappointed that he missed his chance but as fate would have it, Jake was returned. When Jeff saw him at the Pumpkin Festival, he didn't want to lose out again so he signed the adoption forms and this time, Jake found a "forever" home.

JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS ON THE 4TH MONDAY OF EACH MONTH, 7:00 PM, AT THE CITY HALL. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



TOWN & COUNTRY FEED STORE IS A GOOD FRIEND TO THE HUMANE SOCIETY!

Town & Country Feed and Pet Supply, 418 N. Gardner, has been a true supporter of the Humane Society since we formed in January. They sponsor our monthly adoption fair on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 1-3 pm. Some "lucky" candidates are selected from the shelter and the foster homes bring the dogs /cats that they are working with and training in their homes. Some months are better than others for adoptions but every month is special to the animals that get a chance to "show off" to the public. Town and Country also lets a few of our cats live at their store so they get an even better opportunity to find the purr-fect home! Below is Denney Robbins, our Chief Animal Control Officer, as he visits with one of the critters looking for a home at the Adoption Fair.



WE COULDN'T HAVE OUTREACH WITHOUT "GOIN' POSTAL" WHO LET US HOLD SPECIAL EVENTS IN THEIR PARKING LOT!

Goin' Postal has opened its doors to the Humane Society several times - our first large fundraiser was held in their parking lot last month. We had many people contribute items to sell and also sold hot dogs/drinks. We even had a mini-adoption fair and adopted out 2 puppies into good homes. We had a good time (although it was HOT) and learned a lot about preparing for next year's sale.

John & Kim Ragusa, owners of Goin' Postal, are avid animal lovers and great supporters of the humane society. They help with the adoption fairs; they foster dogs in their home; and they are always available when we need special favors. They are also "failed fosters" - that means they even adopted one of their foster dogs and legally made Harley a "Ragusa!"

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Membership Program : Prepare Mailouts
Stuffing & Addressing
Maintain Data base

Adoption Fairs: Washing & preparing animals
Transporting animals to fair
Volunteers to work fair

Fund Raisers:

Bake Sales: Make baked goods
Work Bake Sales

Garage Sales: Help prepare for sale
Work at Sale

Callers for donations

Help tear down after sale

-Sewers for Bandanas (patterns available)

-Idea makers for new fundraisers

Newsletter Writing: Write articles

Composition of newsletter

Mail newsletters

Grant Writing: Grant research

Prepare and submit grants

Publicity & Outreach: Articles in newspapers

Visit civic groups & schools

Photographer - take pictures of shelter animals

take pictures for newsletter

Transporters: to transport from shelter for
needed vet work.

to transport for rescue

(short and long distance)

(weekdays and weekends)

Foster Homes: Short term foster homes needed to
work with shelter animals to prepare
them for adoption (social skills;
housebreaking skills; obedience)

Historian: to keep scrapbook of organization

Telephone workers: To call members when needed
Follow up calls to Adopters

THERE IS SOMETHING HERE FOR EVERYONE!!

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**FEATURED PET
MAX**

Max is an exceptionally nice cat who has overcome many obstacles. He is totally deaf and has been declawed on all 4 paws so feels quite defenseless. After being dropped at the shelter because the baby was "allergic", Max went on sensory overload and was terrified. Once in a foster home, he calmed down and has proven to be very affectionate. He is fine with cat friendly dogs and other felines. Max needs a quiet, cat-savvy home and will provide you years of good companionship. Call foster home, Joan Devaney at 812-889-3542 to learn more.



VISIT THE WEBSITE:

www.sisaveapet.com

VISIT THE SHELTER:

3rd & Montgomery, Scottsburg

Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri - 12:00 to 6:00 pm

Wed/Sat - 8:00 am - 12:00 noon

Closed Sunday

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INTERESTED IN BEING A MEMBER? GIVE
US A CALL!