



# PAWS to READ

Winter 2011

## From the Director's Desk...

Greetings!

It was bound to happen. I was destined to fall in love again.



Enter Kelcie. She came to the shelter on a warm August night courtesy of one of our humane officers, who had responded to a call regarding a stray dog that, as the caller put it, "looked like someone had slashed her throat." When I and our veterinary assistant came to work the next morning, we immediately knew that, once again, we were charged with the care of a dog suffering the effects of an imbedded collar.

When I think about that first face-to-face with Kelcie, I remember very vividly why I fell in love in the first place. Her neck was the worst I have ever seen. Whomever left her in that dark neighborhood to fend for herself had not only let her collar grow into her neck for what had to have been months, they had also ripped that collar out of her flesh before dropping her off. The wound was so deep that it was only millimeters from her esophagus; given just a little more time, Kelcie would have been no more.

And yet, Kelcie was so ... happy. Her horrible wound didn't seem to faze her. I got down on the floor, and she crawled up into my lap and cuddled her head into my armpit.

We cleaned up the wound as best we could. We sent her off to be fostered by local veterinarian Janet Reibe of Woodhaven Animal Hospital. Dr. Reibe took one look at Kelcie's neck and decided to surgically repair the area, free of charge to the Humane Society.

I went home that evening and began looking at Web sites for doggie names. She would have a name that reflected her character and resiliency, and her sweetness. I found it - Kelcie, which in Irish means "brave".

Kelcie came home with me two weeks after arriving at the shelter. By that time, her bandages had come off and the scar was barely visible - Dr. Reibe did such an amazing job!!! Kelcie was sweet, funny, cuddly and very, very busy. She interacted amazingly well with her two new "brothers" - both very busy themselves - and her elderly "sister", the 15-year-old matriarch of the family. She even, for the most part, let our cats have their space.

As I get to know my new girl, questions continue to buzz in my head. Before she came to us, Kelcie's nails had been cut and she had been groomed. Who could have taken the time to do this and not have seen the damage on her neck? Someone had taught her to play fetch, and to sit. Who could have trained her and not noticed that she was suffering? I have asked these questions often as abused animals have come to the shelter, but this time it is really, really personal.

In October, my husband and I took great pleasure in tossing the harness that Kelcie had worn throughout her recuperation period. We bought Kelcie a collar - her first real collar, one that would never, ever hurt her.

I have concluded that all things happen for a reason, and that most times fate intervenes. It was destined to be ... my new little sweetie, Kelcie the brave.

Always,

*Jen*

Jennifer L. Blum  
Executive Director

**Please give to the animals this holiday season! See page 15 for details!**



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# Meet Our Veterinarians

## Dr. Elizabeth Wysocki



Ever since I can remember, animals have been my passion. I have been curious about what makes them tick since I was small and that curiosity and interest has led to a career as a veterinarian. After I finished high school, I attended the university of Wisconsin-River Falls to earn a bachelors degree in Broad Area Science and then it was on to the University of Minnesota for four years of graduate work to earn the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree.

After graduation, I began working in the Central Wisconsin area, doing mixed and companion animal medicine. I have worked with other employers, done relief work, and now have been on my own the last six years. Recently, I have been spending time at the Humane Society of Portage County working with their spay and neuter program. All of this has helped me to draw from many sources when I am dealing with a sick pet.

I live in the area with my husband and three children. We have had many pets over the years and now have four cats, two horses and a lovely yellow lab named Josie. I also love to bike, cross country ski, garden and spend time with my family.

Dr. Elizabeth Wysocki  
Misty Acres Animal Care

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# The Elm Road Rescue

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It began last Easter, the Elm Road rescue. That's when Jerry and Tammy Naczek noticed that more and more cats were visiting their property – but where were they coming from? They decided to take a look around the neighborhood and ended up at what appeared to be the source – the home of a man who had recently passed away, leaving his outdoor cats behind. The situation was dire: cat carcasses littered the scene, and the remaining cats were starving and ill, with litters of small kittens everywhere.

The Naczek family recognized the gravity of the situation. Leaving these cats to fend for themselves would only mean more and more sick, starving kittens each year. That's when Jerry and Tammy became heroes. They spent months caring for the cats; they made sure food and water were always available and they spent time with the animals, helping to make them more social. Jerry bought live traps and, slowly but surely, used them to capture cats and kittens, then brought them to the shelter for care. The Naczeks remodeled their barn to accommodate some of the adult cats they brought in; after these cats were spayed and neutered at the shelter, they were returned to the family as outdoor pets.

Jerry visited the shelter in early November with one of the last remaining Elm Road cats. At that time, he asked staff if we had need for an expert live trapper, as he had certainly become one of those!

We applaud the Naczeks for their compassion and their generosity. They saved the lives of many and did their part to stem the tide of future homeless cats. We and the Elm Road cats owe them the most sincere thanks.



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# Pet Ownership in Singapore

Here's something for you to mull over: Ever wondered what it would be like to own a dog or a cat in another country? What about in the island city-state of Singapore, located in Southeast Asia? Not the country you had in mind, eh?

On this tiny island, pet ownership has been, and continues to be, extremely popular among its five million inhabitants. In almost every household, one will inevitably hear the familiar and welcoming sound of a dog barking or a cat purring. In this article, I will furnish to you some fun facts and tips pertaining to owning a pet in Singapore!

**Fun Fact #1:** The distance from the most easterly to the most westerly point of Singapore is nearly similar to the distance between Stevens Point and Wausau (Yes, it is immensely small)! However, while small, Singapore boasts an array of beautiful parks, beaches and nature trails, which provide owners with a whole host of options when taking their pets out to play.

## Epic Weather!

Singapore is perpetually scorching hot, with temperatures breaching nearly 33 degrees Celsius (or 91 degrees Fahrenheit), and humidity levels averaging nearly 70% or so on a daily basis. As such, dogs and cats have an increased need to quench their thirst as compared to those that live in less-humid, colder climates (such as Wisconsin), for instance.

**Tip #1:** Make sure your pet has constant access to cool and clean water.

**Tip #2:** To reduce the risk of mosquito-breeding, change your pet's water bowl at least twice daily.

## Lost Your Pet? Don't Fret!

At some point in a pet owner's life, she/he may inevitably lose her/his pet. This is a pet owner's biggest fear! While Singapore is small, it is blanketed by a mass amount of buildings, which drastically hinders the search process, making it difficult and tedious for the owner to retrieve her/his pet. However, do not despair! Owners can head to the SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) to find their lost pets.

**Fun Fact #2:** The SPCA of Singapore is strikingly similar to the humane societies located across the United States. They are a non-profit organization that takes in nearly 700+ animals on a monthly basis. Visit their Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/spcasingapore> or sift

through their main Web site at <http://www.sPCA.org.sg/> for more information.

**Tip #3:** No matter how sturdy and/or expensive your fence is, pets will invariably devise a way to escape! For added security, have your pet micro-chipped at your local humane society or veterinarian.

## Exercise: The Key to a Happy Pet!

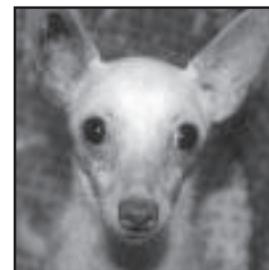
Given the size of Singapore, most families reside in apartment-style homes, which results in pets being cooped up most of the time. Naturally, owners realize that their pets need to engage in activities every now and then.

**Tip #4:** Take your dog for a walk at least once or twice a day. If you have a cat, play with it whenever you can. Put simply, give your pets some well-deserved exercise (and attention)!

**Fun Fact #3:** To deal with Singapore's blistering-hot weather, most pet owners generally take their pets for walks either before dawn or after dusk. These times are generally the most bearable weather-wise, and would still provide ample sunlight for both owner and pet.

Over the years, pet ownership in Singapore has grown exponentially. It has now become commonplace for most Singaporeans to own pets! Overall, I hope this article has given you some insight regarding pet ownership in Singapore. Take good care of your pets, and all the best.

Kaihan Lin  
Singaporean,  
UWSP graduate  
and pet owner





# The Animals Teach Us

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## This is a story about what a dog and a person have gone through to get it right in life.

The story begins with a child that is left with the father while the mother worked. The father knew that he created his children, but he also thought that he had the right to raise a hand and beat them for his excuses. What could they have done wrong to receive bruises and cuts and pain? Such fear the children would feel! They knew never to make a mess and always get their chores done because if they didn't, the consequences were a fist or a kick.

That is what some animals go through every day! I am that child and I work as the adoption coordinator at the shelter. My childhood was tough and I see a lot of these animals trying to get past what has taken me years to do. I was the dog in the corner being so fearful of the next beating. The scars are always going to be there. You never forget them but you know with every day it gets better. There are times in my life that the scars are brought to my attention. This is one of those times.

I recently met a dog named Blue that reminded me of myself when I was getting over such abuse. The first day I met him he was backed into the corner of his kennel and was frozen in fear. I hooked him up to his leash and pulled him out of the kennel. Blue screamed and fought and bit at anything he could grab. The staff came running and thought that he had been hurt. They quickly saw that he was afraid of us and what we wanted for him. The things we could offer him he did not understand: a warm touch and a gentle pat on the head for encouragement. This dog had been beaten and shamed as I was as a child and did not understand kind people.

Every day, Blue came to know us as kind people and people that gave him the chance to trust. I remember being in the hallway one day talking to Lissa, our veterinary assistant, and she noticed his ears were inflamed. We quickly went to work to clean and treat the ears when Blue had a terrible panic attack. This dog thought that we were trying to hurt

him like his previous owner had done so many times. Blue flipped on his back and snapped and screamed as Lissa and I gently held him down while he went through this horrible flashback of pain. We slowly cleaned his ears, very gently, and he soon learned that this was different. Blue knew that our intentions were to take his pain away.

I remember the first time I took him in my vehicle for a ride to McDonalds for his hamburger with no pickle. The day was going well and he had proven to me that he was getting better by leaps and bounds. I thought, "Why not test him away from the shelter?" I put Blue in my car and off we went down the road a few blocks to McDonald's. I placed the order and got to the window to pay when I heard what I thought was water running. Well it was; Blue had been so nervous that he left what I think was at least five gallons in my back seat! I laugh at it now but he was so afraid at what he had done, and the shame he felt made me want to cry.

That was the day that made me think about my childhood and how I made it through. Blue taught me that you can't hold on to these bad memories and let them take you into the past. Blue and I know that if people love you and let you grow, that is all you need. This was a life lesson for me. I saw this dog grow every day with the love that our shelter gave him and now Blue is in a home with a family of four. This family has opened their hearts and given him a chance. This family gives him the love he deserved all along. Our shelter just needed to get him on the right track. Please remember the job that we need to do here and support our mission. Love them all, our animals. I love you, Blue Boy!

Sherry Tucker  
Adoption Coordinator

# Blue's Special Memories...



1st day at the cottage with Leah & Josh.



I get lots of attention from Josh.



Boo & I fight and play, but we are becoming friends.



We went to watch the kid's soccer game.



And Leah!



Soccer with Daddy & Leah in the back yard.



My baby koala.



I'm giving Mommy my belly. Then I like to squeeze in her face!



I was part of the team playing keep away from Leah.



Koala sleeps with me.



Lots of exercise for me!

Thank you so much for loving me and doing such a great job getting me ready for my new life. I AM HOME!

♥ Blue



# Happy Tails



If you have recently adopted a pet, please send your happy story for "Happy Tails" and a picture of your pet and we will try to place it in our newsletter. For quality pictures, please send a digital photo to the shelter - [jennifer.blum@hspcwi.org](mailto:jennifer.blum@hspcwi.org) - or a high quality hard copy with your letter.

*Please remember ... your best friend is only a shelter away!*



Hello,

This is long overdue, but I'm finally getting around to giving you an update on Sydney, who was a guest at the shelter back in 2007. After I brought her home, I think it took a little while for her to figure out that she was home, but she settled in nicely. She loves walks and chewies. We moved out of an apartment and into our own house in 2008. Sydney loves having her own yard to play and just hang out in, and she really loves having a porch. She likes to sit there and watch the world go by. Here are a few pictures of her enjoying life.

Thanks for all you do for the animals!

Mary



It was a lucky day for me when I visited the Humane Society of Portage County in January of 2011. Having lost my beloved cat Smudge at age 18, I lasted for, oh, about a week before I knew I needed someone new in my life to love. Enter Shirley. She was just hanging out at Jay-Mar waiting for someone to notice her and her picture online reached out and grabbed me. While I was in the process of adopting her, Missy (known as Cricket for the short time she was at the shelter) stared up at me with such big sad eyes that I had to take her home, too. As you can see, they are not twins and not littermates. They are really polar opposites but have bonded as the best sisters ever. Anyone who meets Shirley has to love her. She demands it. Missy is the quiet one who makes you love her because she is just so sweet and mellow. My thanks to

Sherry and Amanda for facilitating all of this for me. My girls will have the best home I am able to provide for them for the rest of their lives and I will have had mine enriched by sharing their love. My best to all of you at the shelter. Keep doing the wonderful job you are doing helping these poor sweet orphans find homes.

Mary



# Happy Tails



Our 10-year-old wanted to write a quick thank you to the Humane Society about our newest family member:

*Thank you Humane Society!*

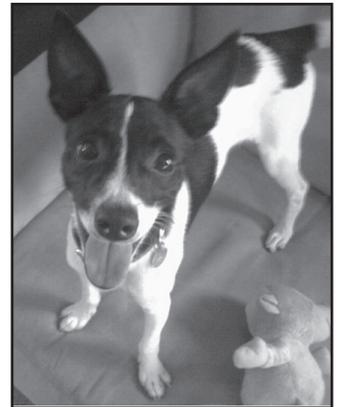
*We love Jethro, but we changed his name to Milo. He's really sweet and he can't go to sleep without his head on you or something. He likes to play fetch and play with his chew toys. He also likes to go on walks.*

The rest of the family wanted to add:

Meeting Milo at HSPC that day in July, we knew right away after looking into his cute puppy face that he was meant to be our dog. We have thoroughly enjoyed spoiling

him since bringing him home – he especially loves walks to the Companion Shop to pick out treats and chewies. He's very snuggly and his favorite time, as our son said, is lying next to someone with his head resting on them and taking one of his frequent puppy naps ... then he's ready for more play time! Milo is very intelligent and has been working on learning to fetch, simple commands like "sit" and "stay" and more complex tricks like jumping through a hula hoop. We can't imagine Milo not being part of our family.

Mark, Bobbie, Mason & Abby



This cat has become part of our family in a big way! He owns the love seat and rules the three dogs. He sleeps in bed with us and the dogs, and he tells the dogs where he wants to lay so they move and he gets the spot he wants! He is constantly playing in his jungle gym set my husband bought him and he loves cat nip and treats. He has gained about 3 1/2 lbs and will tell us when his dish is almost empty, **never** letting it get all the way empty!



Here are a couple of photos to show you he is fine and getting fat and gets lots of **LOVE!!**



Sandi and Fred and Mama'scita, Cricket, and Peanut (his two sisters and one brother) Chihuahua, Bichon, and Shihtzu/ Maltese



# A Tale of Three Kitties



In early 2004, we were in the sad position of having no cats in our household; the void screamed at us and was not acceptable. We went to the Humane Society of Portage County where we were adopted by two wonderful adult cats. Sophie (who was Tuffy while at HSPC) was a 2-5 year old multi-colored sweetie. She had been removed from a home with too many cats. Sophie was covered in scabs from flea bites and had many rotten teeth that required pulling. She never divulged her rough life or discomfort. From the first night in our house, she trained our golden retrievers with a solid biff on their noses and a rub on their legs, and she promptly chose to sleep with Alyssa. The Queen of the house was established.



Misty (aka Vera) was a one-year-old gray cat with a purr that rumbled across a room. She will jump six feet into the air to get a fly, explore every nook and cranny in our house, but she will also come when Kristin taps her pillow for bedtime and patiently be strapped into a doll stroller to be carted all over the house.

Amber (aka Norma) adopted us while we were volunteering at the humane society. She was less than a year old but full grown. She is a multi-colored cat that we should have named popcorn, her favorite treat. It is very common to hear a loud squeaky noise, only to realize that Amber is sitting near her people purring a loud, squeaky purr.

Through the cat project with 4-H at the Amherst Fair in 2011, Kristin and Misty earned a third place overall and Alyssa and Amber earned a second place (Reserve Grand Champion)!! As Portage County is blessed with two fairs, they tried again at the Rosholt Fair. Misty and Kristin worked their way up to Reserve Grand Champion and Alyssa and our approximately 10-year-old Sophie took Grand Champion! The judge, Don Finger, is a former 4-Her who is now an American Cat Fanciers Association all-breed judge.

We always knew our shelter kitties were winners – now we have the trophies to prove it!!

The Pagel Family  
Mike, Lara, Alyssa & Kristin

*On August 29, 2011, owners, employees and patrons of Morey's Bar in Stevens Point presented Jennifer Blum, Humane Society executive director, with numerous supply donations and a check for \$2,143.55, the proceeds of their 1st annual golf outing in support of our organization. According to event organizers, their goal for 2012 is \$4,000!*



# Become a Spay/Neuter Sponsor And Make a Difference!

**Fact:** in the U.S. as a whole, there are an estimated 6-8 million homeless animals entering animal shelters every year.

**Fact:** spay/neuter is the only permanent, 100-percent effective method of birth control for dogs and cats.

Your donation to the spay/neuter sponsor program will help defray the cost of this necessary surgery for our animals at the Humane Society!

If you would like to be a part of this amazing opportunity, please send your donation and the form below to:

Humane Society of Portage County  
Spay/Neuter Sponsor Program  
3200 Iber Lane  
Plover, WI 54467



## Spay/Neuter Sponsor Donation Form

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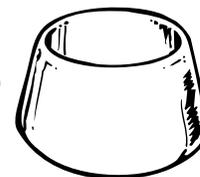
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## YOU CAN HELP! – OUR WISH LIST –

Day-to-day operations at the Humane Society of Portage County require unbelievable quantities of supplies for feeding and cleaning. You can help by donating the following items – remember us the next time you shop!

- Adult dog and puppy food – Purina One, IAMS or better, please!
- Adult cat and kitten food – Purina One, IAMS or better, please!  
*(We've had a generous donation of wet food for cats and dogs - please, give from the rest of our list!)*
- Cat and dog toys - anything that can be sterilized with bleach
- Dog harnesses, collars and leashes - all sizes
- Bleach and powder laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Dawn dish soap - a great degreaser!
- Paper towels, toilet paper, liquid hand soap, dishwashing liquid
- Wood pellets (we use these for cat litter - they can be purchased at Lowe's or Walmart)
- A cash donation is always appreciated!



**We thank you for your support!**



Become a Humane Society member today and you will receive:

- “Humane Society of Portage County Member” window cling
- \$10.00 microchipping for your pet
- Discounts on rabies vaccinations

Don't delay – join us today!

**HUMANE SOCIETY OF PORTAGE COUNTY  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP**

\_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR (17 and under) - \$10

\_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL - \$25

\_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY - \$100

\_\_\_\_\_ LIFETIME - \$500

\_\_\_\_\_ CORPORATE SILVER (ANNUAL) - \$250

\_\_\_\_\_ CORPORATE GOLD (ANNUAL) - \$500

\_\_\_\_\_ CORPORATE PLATINUM (ANNUAL) - \$1,000

Payment Enclosed (Please make check payable to Humane Society of Portage County)

Please Bill My:  MasterCard  Visa

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**All Donations are Tax Deductible.**

**THANK YOU!**

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# HUMANE SOCIETY OF PORTAGE COUNTY



Dear Friends,

Stars are so beautiful on a cold, clear winter night. We celebrate the stars during the holiday season - we sing about the "star of wonder, star of night." Stars give us inspiration during the frigid winter months.

At the Humane Society of Portage County, our stars of the season are many and varied, as are their stories. Enter Jack, the yellow lab rescued as a stray by one of our humane officers on December 22 last year. He weighed in at the shelter at a mere 40 pounds, just a skeleton with skin. He was severely dehydrated and malnourished - almost starved to death. Like a holiday miracle, we found that Jack had a microchip. On

December 23, he was reunited with his owner after having been missing - stolen? - for almost three years.

Enter Alex, the pit bull terrier mix that became an Animal Planet star! On March 31, Animal Planet called the shelter to say that they had been searching online for a dog with a particular look, and Alex fit the bill. He was the spitting image of Dude, a dog that had saved his owner's life during a bear attack in Sparta, Wisconsin in April 2007. We escorted our star to his debut on a series called "Saved", and he did us proud! On May 9, the truly inspiring story began. Alex was adopted to a wonderful family who report he is the joy of their household.

Enter Trooper, the 12-year-old cocker spaniel who was rescued by humane officers from his deceased owner's home on September 29; he had survived there alone for an estimated 22 days. His ordeal had almost been his end, but with loving care our Humane Society staff were able to bring him back. His eyes are now bright and his spirit is good; he is being fostered by a wonderful family who love him dearly.

Without the generous donations of people like you, care of these animals would not have been possible; the cost of food, shelter and medical care increases every year. The Humane Society of Portage County is not funded by any outside organizations - our only support comes from you. It simply isn't possible to carry out our mission of care without you.

Please give to the animals this holiday season. The animals with which we share our lives give us comfort, joy, and hope, everything that this holiday stands for. Help the Humane Society give the same to those animals less fortunate, that they may someday find their forever home.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer L. Blum  
Executive Director



*A great holiday gift to yourself and our friends in need.*

*Yes! I want to help the animals at the Humane Society of Portage County find a loving home.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Shelter Facilities

3200 Iber Lane

Plover, WI 54467

Phone: 715-344-6012 or Fax: 715-344-5954

### HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday: 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday: 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Wednesdays & Holidays: CLOSED

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### Mission Statement

*Our mission is to prevent cruelty, abuse, neglect and overpopulation of companion animals while seeking adoption of these animals into compatible homes, and teaching humane awareness and respect for all life thus helping to build a better community.*

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