



Paws To Read

The Quarterly Newsletter of the HUMANE SOCIETY OF PORTAGE COUNTY

Fall 2004

From the Desk of the Operations Manager:

Here we go again, Happy Halloween, Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas, the hat trick of holidays. As always the season finds us running low on both time and money. It is one of the most difficult times to approach the public for donations and again ask for help, but here I go.

Our fundraisers this year fell short of their predicted outcomes, donations in general have been tight, but the animals still need to be fed and cared for on a daily basis. So as you go about your holiday shopping if you could buy one additional roll of paper towels, a pack of toilet paper, a bag of kitten chow, a bottle of bleach, etc. and drop it by the shelter, your gifts will be greatly appreciated. Donations of blankets, sheets, rolled newspaper and towels are also readily accepted. Monetary donations are always appreciated. We cannot do what we do without the help of the community in Portage County.

Despite the personal differences any of us may have, the animals are the recipients of these donations and will not thrive without them. I believe in my heart that the goal of all those reading this article is to see as many animals as possible placed into permanent, loving homes and to not see the lives of any adoptable animal end before its time. My plea goes out to animal lovers everywhere to help us help our furry friends this holiday season and always.

*God bless,
Nancy Butterfield*



NEW HOURS

The Humane Society of Portage County has seen a very tough year. We rely solely upon the donations of the generous people of Portage County. This year's donations are down significantly. We are therefore forced to make necessary budget cuts. Because of this, starting **November 15th** we are cutting back on operation hours. New hours will be:

Monday:	12:00 Noon - 5:00 PM (office only)
Tuesday:	12:00 Noon - 6:00 PM
Wednesday:	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Thursday:	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday:	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Saturday:	10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Sunday:	CLOSED

We do hope this is only a temporary situation. Even though the hours are cut back the animals still need to be fed and cared for every day. Your tax deductible donations can help.

PLEASE -- remember us and give generously. We appreciate your help.

The HSPC Board of Directors



OUR "TAILS" ARE WAGGIN' FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The Humane Society of Portage County is a non-profit organization, funded by donations from people like you. The welfare of our animals and the future of our organization depends on you. Show your support and become a member today!

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PORTAGE COUNTY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

_____ JUNIOR (\$10)
_____ REGULAR (\$20)
_____ SUPPORTING (\$50)
_____ PATRON (\$100)
_____ LIFE (\$250)

☐ Payment Enclosed - Please Make Check Payable to: Humane Society of Portage County

☐ Please Bill My: ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____

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Please contact me about:

☐ Including HSPC in my will

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☐ How to donate gifts of Securities, Stocks, Bonds, Etc.

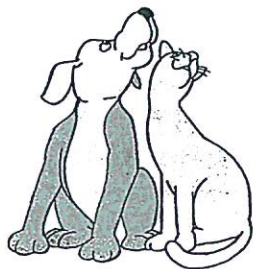
☐ How to donate items, goods or services

All Donations are Tax Deductible.

THANK YOU!

The Humane Society of Portage County is dedicated to the humane care of all warm-blooded animals surrendered within the boundaries of Portage County. This includes placement of all adoptable animals through the use of private adoptions, breed rescues, fellow sheltering groups and a foster care program. Those animals found to be unsuitable for placement due to health or temperament issues will be humanely euthanised. No animal with a bite history will be placed.

Animal Control services are provided to those municipalities who contract with the humane society. Contact us at 715-344-6012 to see if we service your area.



FUR BALL APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Humane Society of Portage County and the animals we care for, we would like to say **THANK YOU** and a round of "**APAWS**" to the following donors of this year's Fur Ball. **THANK YOU** to all of our dedicated volunteers who contributed countless hours to help put this evening together.

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The Moose Family Center
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Cold Weather Hazzards

Be Kind To Your Pet - They Have Feelings Too!



When dogs and cats lived in the wild, cold weather was rarely a problem because they evolved to suit the climates in which they found themselves. But people changed nature's plan by bringing thin-coated dogs to New England and desert-dwelling cats to Minnesota. Brr!

With the exception of pets, such as huskies, that were bred to withstand cold climates, dogs and cats aren't made for frigid conditions. Most urban pets spend the majority of their time indoors, and don't have tolerance for extremely cold weather. They get just as cold in icy weather as people do. And because they go barefoot all the time, their paws are vulnerable to

ice, packed snow, and road salt and in extreme conditions, they can develop hypothermia or even frostbite. Ear tips are especially susceptible to frostbite.

When the thermometer dips below freezing, it is important to protect dogs and cats from the elements, even when they are only spending a short time outside. During the coldest part of the year most of us will winterize our homes in preparation. But, have we considered preparing our pets to help them meet the challenges of winter? **Do not leave your pets outdoors unattended when the temperature gets below freezing!**

- **Outdoor Pets**

Some pets are better suited than others for living outdoors. There is a common misconception that dogs will be "fine" if left outside. This is not true! All pets need adequate shelter from the elements and insulation against cold weather. Pets should not be left outside for long periods in freezing weather - like humans, they can suffer from hypothermia & frostbite. The young and the senior pets are especially at risk.



Certain breeds, such as Huskies and Samoyeds are better suited to very cold weather, but the majority of dogs need your help and intervention. Indoor accommodations are best during extreme temperature drops, but if that is not possible, set up a suitable house in an area protected from wind, rain, and snow. The shelter should be elevated, insulated, wind and watertight. The shelter should not be so large that they cannot preserve their body heat. Insulation, such as DRY straw or blankets will help keep in body heat. If your animal is prone to chewing, do not use blankets or material that can be ingested. Also, remember that animals drag a lot of moisture into their bedding areas from snow, rain and mud. Check it often and change it whenever it is wet, or your pets can't keep themselves warm. Cedar shavings can be irritating to the skin, so use with caution depending on your pet's hair coat.

Caution - do not use a heat lamp, space heater, or other device not approved for use with animals. This is a burn hazard for your pet and a fire hazard. Pet supply vendors sell heated mats for pets to sleep on or to be placed under a doghouse, but read and follow directions carefully before use.

Outdoor pets in particular require more calories in the winter to generate enough energy to cope with cold. A high quality nutritionally balanced diet is adequate to meet these increased demands; therefore most pets will not require supplementation with vitamins. In addition to a good diet, fresh water should be offered several times a day. Pets are not able to get enough water from licking ice or eating snow. A heated dish is a wonderful tool for cold climates. The water stays cold, but doesn't freeze. *Caution needed for animals that may chew.*



- **Indoor Pets**

Indoor pets may actually require less food in the winter since they tend to be less active. Play periods and walks should be continued, but geriatric dogs, short-haired dogs, and those with health problems should wear a sweater on cold days. If you have a short-haired dog outside, consider a sweater for any long exposure to the elements.

Shivering is the earliest indication your dog is too cold. As hypothermia progresses, the dog becomes lethargic and weak, and it's gums may turn pale or bluish. Frostbite

is dangerous because it normally goes unnoticed beneath fur. It affects ears, feet, tail, scrotum and mammary glands. After the initial numbness, pain and skin sloughing may occur. Don't leave your dog outdoors after cold-weather exercise. Dry your dog off and bring it indoors and let it rest and get warm.

Dogs with very short coats have the least tolerance for cold. Extremely short-coated breeds include Greyhounds, Dobermans, Boxers, Boston Terriers and Chihuahuas. These breeds shouldn't go outside without a sweater or a coat except for short times to relieve themselves. Small dogs with short coats (such as Chihuahuas, miniature Pinschers, and miniature Dachshunds) are especially vulnerable to cold. They may not tolerate any outdoor exercise in extremely cold weather.

- **Foot (Paw) Care**

Many dogs need boots in cold weather, regardless of coat length. If your dog frequently lifts up his paws, whines or stops on his walks, his feet are uncomfortably cold. Be sure to get your dog used to wearing boots before cold weather sets in. Another frequently seen foot problem is the formation of ice balls between the pads and toes of the feet, especially in dogs with long fur. Once ice balls form, they are very painful, much like walking on rocks. When dogs get these, they often whine, stop walking and start chewing at the bottoms of their feet to remove the painful ice balls. To help prevent ice balls; trim hair around your dog's feet. Apply a small amount of Vaseline, cooking oil, or PAM spray to your dog's feet before taking him for a walk. Make sure you use oil that can be eaten; most dogs lick at their paws. If your pet walks on salted sidewalks or streets, be sure to wash his paws after your walk. Salt is very irritating to footpads. Many dogs will quickly start whining and biting at their feet after just a few steps on salted roads. Gently rub the bottom of the feet to remove the salt as soon as your dog is off the road.



- **Frozen Lakes and Ponds**

Animals don't realize what "thin ice" is. Once they fall in, it is very difficult for them to climb out and hypothermia is a very real and life-threatening danger. "Ice skating" dogs are prone to injuries such as cruciate ligament injury if allowed to "skate" with their humans. This is also true of icy walks.

- **Antifreeze Dangers**

This is actually a winter and summer potential problem. Cats and dogs are attracted to the sweet smell and taste of antifreeze, and will often sample some if left out in a container or spilled on the garage floor. Just a few licks can be fatal. Lock up antifreeze containers and clean up spills immediately. If you suspect that your pet has gotten into antifreeze call or take your pet to your vet immediately – DO NOT WAIT – ANTIFREEZE IS FATAL!

- **If Your Pet Sleeps in the Garage...**

Be on the alert for any antifreeze leakage or antifreeze containers left out where they could spill or be chewed on. Also, do NOT start the car in a closed garage - for your safety and your pet's safety – carbon monoxide poisoning is a silent killer. They also require blankets, straw or bedding of some sort, heated pad or dog bed to lie on. Don't expect your dog to sleep on the cold, dirty concrete. And don't forget the food and water!

- **Arthritic Animals**

Arthritis is worse during cold and damp weather. Take special care to handle your pet gently, watch out for icy walks, provide soft (and possibly heated) bedding, and administer any necessary medications. See your veterinarian if your pet is arthritic or you suspect arthritis.

CATS

Most cats prefer to spend winter indoors, but be cautious if your cat likes being outside. Don't let him out in bitterly cold weather, and be sure he has a warm place to go if he spends a lot of time outdoors. Cats left outdoors have a particular hazard; they often crawl onto a warm car engine to get warm. When that engine is next started up, the cat can be seriously injured or killed by the fan blade or belt. It's much safer to keep your cat indoors in winter. Before starting your car, knock on the hood or honk the horn to scare off any cats - and prevent tragedy.



Happy Tails!



Hi Everyone!

Here's a picture of our precious "Cookie" – now called Phoebe. She loves her brother Eric, and his girlfriend Andrea too! She is a maniac when she sees the garden hose even before you turn it on. She attacks the sprinkler and loves the water shooting into her mouth. We're trying to break her of "head-butting" which she does when we come home and let her out of her room. But she is just enthused to see us – she's exactly what we hoped for.

Her cropped tail is finally healing. It has been quite a challenge to keep the bandage on it, and to keep her from licking it, but I think we won. Now she seems to have a urinary infection, so we got pills for her.

Thanks for the check for the vet's bill. Our hope is that all of your animals are adopted soon.

Rod & Ginger Shives
(Phoebe was adopted 8/14/04)

Hi Everyone,

Remember me? My name was Hanna a few months back. My new owner recently went to Africa on a safari and when she returned home she decided to rename me Oka (I had no say in this). It is the name of an area she visited in Africa and wanted to remember. Well, everyone tells me I look like a wild dog of some sort so what the heck.

I would like to give you a quick run down of what has been happening in my life since I left the shelter. First of all I was checked out at the vet clinic to make sure my hips were ok. Well...my hips are great but I do have a fractured femur. It was a nice clean break and I show no signs or symptoms, so that is why it went undetected. Anyway, it is healing without surgery. Keep your fingers crossed that I stay sound because this is what makes or breaks it for the search team.

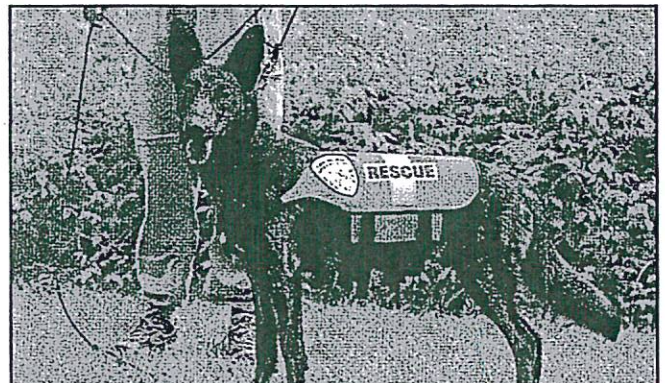
I have tracking drive and scenting capabilities that I didn't even know I had. I am pretty awesome as a working dog. I am also pretty unbearable to live with in the house but we are working on that. If anyone needs help removing wallpaper just call.

I am dog friendly, people friendly, I have play/tug drive, and food drive and I am high energy and bold enough to do this kind of work. Everyone on the team loves me. I have been to a Dutch Shepherd handler and he feels that I am a Dutch Shepherd. But, if not who cares, I am good at what I am being trained for and that's all that counts.

I am sending you a recent pictures of myself so you can see how awesome I look in my search dog vest. And take note, the boat ride is what they call part of my socialization. I call it a blast to be out on the lake.

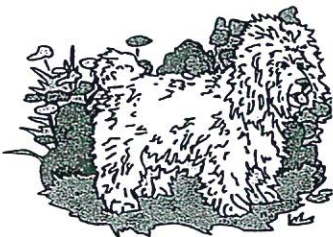
Well, I hear my roommate calling to go out and play so I am going to have to run. His name by the way is Brando and he is a big hunk of a boxer. He is tolerating me right now but I am sure in the future he will come to love me like everyone else has. I miss everyone at the shelter and the girls at Jay Mar. Thanks for all that you have done for me.

Love Bites & Licks,
OKA
Illinois-Wisconsin Search Dogs



A Poodle In Peril

By Nancy Butterfield, HSPC



On an evening in July, Officer Deb from the Humane Society of Portage County was called on by the police to look at an injured dog. When she arrived she found a very sweet little poodle mix with a deformed and smelly paw. At first glance she thought she was looking at toenails and dirt, but when she arrived at Oakview Vet Clinic, she found this to be far from the truth.

Dr. Hankison worked diligently to clean the paw and find the source of the offensive odor. When he was finished what they discovered was a missing paw with the bones exposed and a significant amount of infection. The planned course of treatment was pain medication, antibiotics and amputation. Through all treatment, this lovable canine remained friendly and cooperative, winning the hearts of all who came in contact with him.

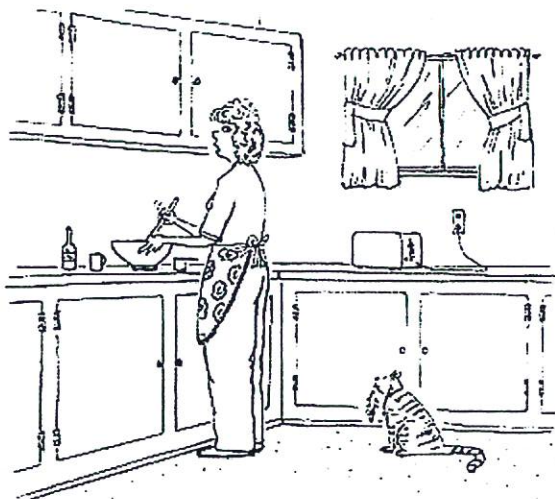
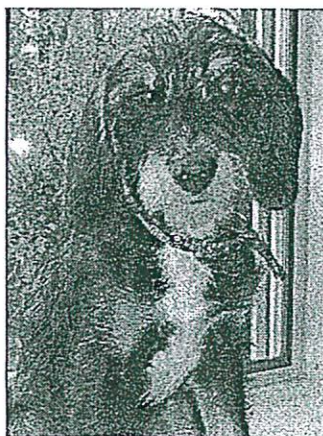
Dr. Hankison and the staff at Oakview performed the surgery and covered the costs through a special fund they have for special need cases. Also, while at the clinic our little shelter pooch won the heart of a lady who later adopted him and took him home. At last report all is well and he is enjoying his new family very much. Our thanks to the wonderful doctors and staff at Oakview Vet Clinic.

Hi Everyone,

My name is Georgie Porgie and I now live with a wonderful family. Winnie (an English Shepherd) and Tilly (a Basset) are my best friends. I also really like Sadie the cat.

I also love my mommy Shelby Counce very, very much she takes great care of me. When she comes home from school I love to jump in her arms and put my paws around her and give her lots of kisses.

Love,
Georgie Porgie
(Adopted 10-15-04)



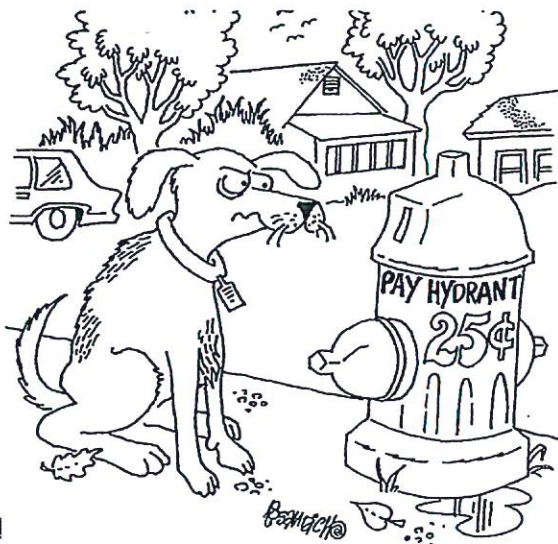
"Thank you for catching the mouse – no, you can't use the toaster."

Doggie Dictionary:

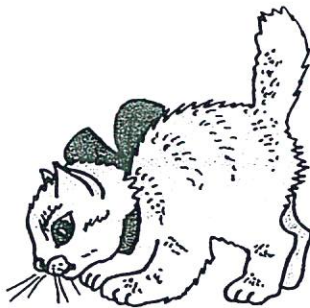
Bump: The best way to get your human's attention when they are drinking a fresh cup of coffee or tea.

Dog Bed: any soft, clean surface, such as the white bedspread in the guest room or the newly upholstered couch in the living room.

Leash: A strap which attaches to your collar, enabling you to lead your person where you want him/her to go.

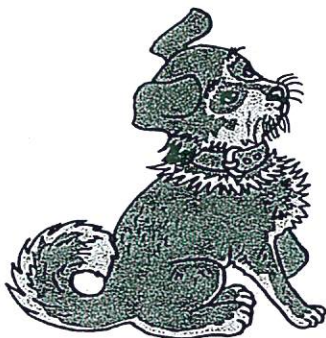


Happy Tails Letters



We would love to hear from you!

If you have adopted a pet from the shelter and would like to share their story with us, please drop us a line letting us know how things are going. If your pet would like to send us a letter and let us know what's going on in their lives since they left the shelter we would love to hear from them.



If you or your pet would like to share a picture please feel free to include that with your letter. Please note pictures will not be returned.

We look forward to hearing from you and your pet!

Thanks,
The HSPC Staff

SIMPLE ACTS OF KINDNESS BEGIN WITH YOU!

***Provide a loving home by adopting a pet.
Become a member of the Humane Society of Portage County.
Become a volunteer or make a donation.***

"PETS & PERSONALITIES ON PARADE"

Do you wish you had a little buddy to come home to? Do you want a friend that loves you unconditionally? Then press that button on your TV remote and switch to Channel 3 and watch our program ***"Pets & Personalities on Parade"***.

You will get a chance to see some of the animals that we have at the shelter that have *lost their way* or that are available for adoption and learn a little history on the animal. If you see a pet you might be interested in feel free to call the shelter or stop in for a visit. Our friendly staff is always willing to answer all of your questions. We want to find loving, caring homes for the animals.

The show is aired at:

Wednesday – 6:30 PM

**Thursday – 6:30 AM, 4:00 PM
& 8:00 PM**

Friday – 3:30 PM & 6:30 PM

Saturday – 10:00 AM & 12:30 PM

If you would like to be a guest on the show call the shelter at 344-6012 to set up a date. Taping is done every Tuesday at 11:00 AM and is completed in about 45 minutes.

Special Thanks!

The Family of Kevin Ford — The Annual Kevin Ford Memorial Golf Outing had another great turn out. Because of Kevin's love of animals all proceeds from the outing are shared between the Humane Society and the Wild Life Center. We are so grateful to the Ford family for their generous donation of \$4,500 which goes into our new building fund. Special thanks to Julie & John Ford for organizing this caring event.



Sandy's Bar in Plover — Once again we wish to extend our sincere thanks to Sandy Lamb and Dave Gerzmehle (chief organizers) and their whole group for donating the proceeds from their fun filled charity golf outing! The whopping \$6,500 has gone towards our sorely needed shelter operations. Sandy is truly one of our heros!

It is because of wonderful people like this that we can take care of our animals and serve and educate our community. We desperately need your help. If your family, school, work or group would like to help raise funds but don't know where to start please give the shelter a call. (715-344-6012)

Gifts - Sponsors - Honorariums - Memorials



GIFTS:

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Mary Mullins

4 Weeks of "Pets & Personalities on Parade" (TV Show)

HONORARIUMS:

Jan Woodward
Jerry & Susan Riederer
Dr. Prudence Precourt

In Honor of Kari Simonis
In Honor of Alex Platten
In Honor of Eleanore V. Precourt

MEMORIALS:

In loving memory of Deanna Juhnke by:

Roland Juhnke
Dave Staszak
Shirley Busa
Chris & Jenny Brindley
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Clarence & Ann Milfred
And Many More Friends

Wisconsin Valley Philatelic Society
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In loving memory of Gordon & Eleanore Precourt by:

Dr. Prudence Precourt – in memory of her parents

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In loving memory of Genevieve Densch by:

Gene Buchanan & Isla & Bryan Frederick

Lynette Densch in memory of her mother

In loving memory of Gary Tessner and his love of dogs by:

JoAnna Squire

In loving memory of Elizabeth Bongard & Stanley Lewandowski by:

Susan Bongard

In loving memory of "Mindy" beloved German Shorthair of Mary Ann & Ray Lauers by:

Karen O'Keefe

In loving memory of "Abby" beloved dog of Barbara Grover & John Smith by:

Leslie Ruelle

You Can Help!

Our day to day operations at the Humane Society of Portage County requires unbelievable quantities of supplies for feeding, cleaning and our day-to-day office operations. You can help by donating the following items at any time.



ITEMS NEEDED:

Toilet Paper	Kitten Chow	Blankets & Flat Sheets
Paper Towels	Dog Treats	Copy Paper
Powdered Laundry Detergent	Rawhides	35 mm Film
Bleach	Pigs Ears	Polaroid 600 Film
Clorox Spray Cleaner	Peanut Butter	All In One Cameras
409 Cleaner	Cat & Dog Toys	Kitchen Trash Bags
Jungle Jake	Kong Toys	33 Gallon Trash CANS with LIDS
Dish Washing Liquid	Stuffed Animals	33 Gallon Trash Bags Clear or Black
Small Bags for Picking Up Dog Poop		
Donations for New Cat Condos/Houses (Prices range from \$1,200 - \$2,200 a piece.)		

Another Way To Make Your Donations Count

Education:

Produce one weekly TV show	\$ 40.00
Purchase "Kind News" for one elementary classroom	\$ 25.00
Pay for paper of one quarterly newsletter "Paws to Read"	\$150.00

Medical Costs:

One week's veterinary expense	\$75.00
One week's supply of medical supplies	\$65.00
One week's supply of rabies vaccine	\$45.00

Neuter/Spay (Average Cost):

Neuter one cat	\$ 60.00
Spay one cat	\$105.00
Neuter one dog	\$105.00
Spay one dog	\$145.00

Shelter Expenses:

One week's telephone cost	\$40.00
One week's utilities (heat/air/electricity)	\$80.00
One week's water bill	\$40.00
One week's general supplies	\$95.00

If you would like to know exactly where your cash donation is being used, we have a new idea that may help you in your decision. Each donor that covers one or part of any of these areas for a month will have their name mentioned on our weekly TV program, *"Pets & Personalities On Parade"*.

Make your check payable to the Humane Society of Portage County and send to P.O. Box 512, Stevens Point, WI 54481. Make sure that you note on your check or include a note with check specifying what you are helping to sponsor.

Foster Homes

We are always in need of foster homes for our adoptable pets that are in need of a little extra TLC. This may include moms with litters, recovering animals and those pets in need of a little extra training. If you think you would make a good foster parent and would like to volunteer, please stop by the shelter and fill out an application.



Volunteers

Have a little extra time? Need a walking partner? Want a pet, but can't have one? Love to do fundraising or bulk mailings? Stop down at the shelter and pick up a Volunteer Application and get started right away. An orientation and three-month commitment are required. Call Nancy at 715-344-6012.

DOLCE DIGITAL IMAGING & PRINTING

Without the generous donation from Nancy Dolce of Dolce Imaging & Printing, 23 Park Ridge Drive, Stevens Point, WI this newsletter would not be possible. We wish to thank Nancy and her company for donating the printing of our newsletter.

If anyone would like to donate paper or money for our next newsletter in January please contact the shelter for specifics on what is needed. (344-6012)

A MESSAGE OF THANKS

During this time of thanksgiving there are so many people I am thankful to:

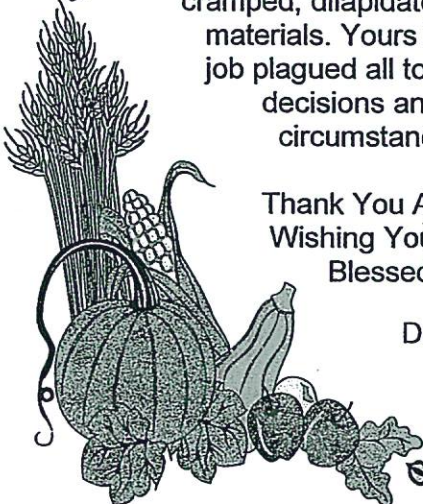
Thank you to all our **donors**, whether it be large or small. Please know that anything you give to the humane society is very much appreciated. Without any other funding it is only by your donations that make it possible for us to care for our neglected and abused companion animals, conduct pet therapy and offer several different educational programs to our community.

Thank you to our **volunteers**, you are the behind the scenes backbone of our humane society. You give countless hours of your time and talent to either help at the shelter, govern on the Board of Directors or work on fundraising. You give so much and are not thanked enough. I have the sincere pleasure of working with so many wonderful and dedicated people.

Thank you to our **staff**, who work in an old, cramped, dilapidated building with antiquated materials. Yours is an emotionally stressful job plagued all too often with life and death decisions and sometimes dangerous circumstances.

Thank You Again!
Wishing You and Your Family a
Blessed and Happy Holiday.

Dolores Glytas, President
PCHS Board of Directors



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



NOVEMBER

Pet Pictures With Santa

Nov. 11 & 12 - 11 AM to 8 PM

Nov. 13 - 9 AM to 2 PM

Pictures will be taken at The Companion Shop, 937 Main St. Downtown Stevens Point. Call **The Companion Shop** to make an appointment for your photo session - 715-344-2821

\$15 for 1 to ? pets

\$5 extra per person

SEE YOU THERE!

Remember the Humane Society at **Thanksgiving**. Your cash donations are very much appreciated and please look at the list of items that we need on page 10 of the newsletter.

DECEMBER



Merry Christmas & Happy
New Year to all of the
wonderful people that care
about us and love us until
we find a new home.

Love From,
Your Furry Friends
at the Shelter

HUMANE SOCIETY OF PORTAGE COUNTY

Shelter Facilities

P.O. Box 512 - 100 6th Avenue - Bukolt Park

Stevens Point, WI 54481

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

You can contact / e-mail the Shelter at www.nancy@pchs.org

NEW HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – 12:00 Noon – 5:00 PM Office Only

Tuesday: 12:00 Noon – 6:00 PM

Thursday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

HOLIDAYS - CLOSED

Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

SUNDAY - CLOSED

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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