

Humane

Society

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OF THE OHIO VALLEY

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Humane Society of the Ohio Valley

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90 Mt. Tom Road
Marietta, OH 45750

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday 11:00-5:00pm
Saturday 11:00-4:00pm
Sunday Closed
(By Appointment Only on Sunday)

SHELTER STATISTICS.

January – July 2016

Dogs/Puppies:

Intakes 544
Adopted..... 117
Reclaimed 104
Rescue Transfers 273
Euthanized or Died In Shelter..... 7

Cats/Kittens:

Intakes 487
Adopted..... 138
Reclaimed 7
Rescue Transfers 216
Euthanized or Died in Shelter..... 21



**PLEASE
VACCINATE,
SPAY,
AND
NEUTER
YOUR
PETS!..**



DENNIS ALAN ('BUTCH') MORRIS

March 25, 1952-July 6, 2016

The HSOV and animals in Washington County Ohio lost a local hero when Dennis 'Butch' Morris passed away on July 6, 2016. Butch served as Humane Officer for the HSOV from 2001 until November 2012 and was known throughout the County as a champion who stood up for dogs, cats, and all other animals who needed his gentle touch (and strong voice) to speak up for them. Butch had a gift for calming frightened animals and gaining their trust,

and he was surely 'The Dog Whisperer' many years before the term came popular ☺ Butch was an advocate for abused, abandoned, and neglected souls who needed someone to tell 'their side of the story' .. and Butch never let them down ☺ And he was never shy about speaking up when an animal's welfare was at stake!

Butch usually shared his office with a dog who needed extra TLC, and it was a common sight to walk by and see a sick/injured dog or a senior dog enjoying a soft bed and quietly sleeping at Butch's feet .. or perhaps one who was so frightened that he/she trusted only one person at the time (and you know by now who that was). Butch often shared his lunch with dogs that he picked up as strays and always had a supply of cheese/peanut butter crackers in his truck as treats for those dogs as well as ones already in the shelter.

Butch also helped many cats in danger and one of our cat rescues (Three Sisters) credits him for being the reason they have helped so many HSOV cats. Butch saved a young mother cat (Tori Grace) in September 2010 and wouldn't give up on her. Tori Grace traveled to Three Sisters and paved the way for hundreds of other cats to follow in her footsteps. (Tori Grace's story is published in the February 2011 HSOV Newsletter)

A celebration of Butch's life was held on July 24, 2016 and his family, friends, and co-workers shared their memories and favorite stories about him. We extend our deepest sympathy to Butch's wife Sharon Morris (HSOV Adoptions Clerk) and to all of his family. We are reprinting his obituary which was published in *The Marietta Times* on Tuesday, July 12, 2016:

Dennis Alan 'Butch' Morris, 64, of Marietta, passed away July 6, after a courageous battle with cancer.

*He was born March 25, 1952 to
Dean E. and Mary L. Morris.*

*He was an Army Veteran serving in the Vietnam War.
Butch will be most remembered as the Washington
County Humane Officer.*

*He is survived by his mother; his wife, (Sharon);
daughter, Tara (Brian) Worstell; sons, Daniel Morris
and Dennis A. Morris II, stepson Chris (Christina) Burns;
grandsons, Bradley Worstell, Christopher and Zachary
Burns; sisters, Terry (Red) Slotter, Debbie (Dan) Morris
and Pam (Greg) Nicholson; sister-in-law, Betty Morris.*

*He was preceded in death by his father; brothers,
Michael (Kathy) and David; grandson, Trent A. Morris.*

*Per his wishes he will be cremated with a
Celebration of Life to be announced at a later date.*

*Donations in his name may be made at any Peoples
Bank Branch to help defray expenses.*

THE HSOV FOSTER PROGRAM is always in need of foster homes and doesn't have to be a long-term commitment. Often we need short-term care for a dog/cat awaiting transport. Pregnant/nursing mothers or dogs/cats who aren't adapting to shelter life appreciate/benefit from the hospitality of a real home environment. A spare bedroom or bathroom usually provides the perfect accommodation. If you can offer a temporary home for an HSOV dog or cat, we encourage you to contact Celeste Ridgway (cr_ridgway@yahoo.com) A foster application must be completed and submitted for approval (available at the shelter and on our www.hsov.org website). HSOV provides food, necessary supplies, and medical care. You provide the love and attention ☺

The HSOV OFFERS MICROCHIPPING SERVICE for dogs and cats at a very reasonable cost ... \$20 for the microchip and no registration fee through PetLink. This is a great way to ensure that your pet has the best chance of being reunited with you in the event that he/she is lost. All veterinarians and animal shelters (including HSOV) have microchip scanners and can locate owners of microchipped dogs/cats. This is especially helpful if dog tags/collars are missing and fantastic for cats since they tend to wear breakaway collars for safety reasons. The microchipping service is available to all pet owners and is not limited to HSOV adopters. No appointment is necessary. The service is available during normal shelter hours (Monday-Friday from 11am-5pm; Saturday 11am-4pm).



The HSOV was recently recognized and received the Community Service Award from the Muskingum Valley Area Chamber of Commerce

at their annual meeting held on May 5, 2016. A Proclamation recognizing the HSOV was also received from United States Representative

Bill Johnson and a third certificate of recognition was received from Governor John R Kasich. Representatives who

accepted the award on behalf of the HSOV included: Jared McGilton (HSOV Board President); Becky Johnston (HSOV Board Treasurer); Kelly Goedel (HSOV Executive Director); and Scott Martin (HSOV Board Member).

SHELTER STAFF

Executive Director – Kelly Goedel
Shelter Manager –
Assistant Manager – Misty Carpenter
Adoptions Clerk – Sharon Morris
Humane Officers – Misty Carpenter, Todd Hallock

HSOV Kennel Technicians:

Misty Carpenter
Rennelle Casto
Brittany Daugherty
Brianna Deem
Steve Dickinson
Clyde Duffey
Todd Hallock
Ted Laskowski
Michelle Rudd
Devon Stout
Richard Watson (Summer Employee)



HSOV BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Jared McGilton
Vice President – Shelly Kidd
Secretary – Chris Murphy
Treasurer – Becky Johnston
Sandra Brightwell
Teresa Cunningham
Scott Martin
Celeste Ridgway
Debra Ryder



HSOV Committee/Sub-Committee Chairpersons:

Building/Maintenance/Grounds –
Shelly Kidd, Sandra Brightwell
Finance – Teresa Cunningham, Debra Ryder
Fundraising – Jamiann Voshel, Shelly Kidd
Homeward Bound – Celeste Ridgway [Chairman]
Adoption Follow-Up – Celeste Ridgway,
Wendy Irvin
Canine Rescue – Celeste Ridgway,
Teresa Cunningham
Feline Rescue – Sharon Paul
Foster Program – Celeste Ridgway, Sharon Paul
Rescue Transport – Jo Ellen Gray, Marilyn House
Membership/Nominations –
Teresa Cunningham, Chris Murphy
Operations – Scott Martin, Kelly Goedel
Public Relations – Scott Martin [Chairman]
Newsletter Editor – Sharon Paul
Petfinder/Facebook/Photographer – Sharon Paul
Website – Patricia Walter
Volunteer Coordinator -





HSOV EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS

Monthly	HSOV T-Shirt/Sweatshirt Fundraiser
Tuesday September 6, 2016	HSOV Board Meeting, 7:00pm Washington County Commissioners Office 223 Putnam Street, Marietta OH
	NOTE: 2016 Membership must be paid on or before the Sept 6th meeting in order to vote for new board members at the annual meeting in Dec
Sunday September 25, 2016	HSOV Wags & Whiskers Paws Walk, 11am-2pm East Muskingum Park, Marietta OH
Tuesday October 4, 2016	HSOV Board Meeting, 7:00pm Washington County Commissioners Office
Tuesday October 11, 2016	Raise Some Dough Fundraiser Original Pizza Place, 231 Second St, Marietta OH
Tuesday November 1, 2016	HSOV Board Meeting, 7:00pm Washington County Commissioners Office
Tuesday December 6, 2016	HSOV Board Meeting/Annual Election; 7:00pm Location To Be Announced
Tuesday December 13, 2016	Raise Some Dough Fundraiser Original Pizza Place, 231 Second St, Marietta OH

Humane Society Of The Ohio Valley Presents

Wags & Whiskers Paws Walk

Sunday September 25, 2016
11am to 2 pm
Muskingum Park Gazebo
Front Street, Marietta
A FUN TIME FOR EVERYONE!!! (Rain or Shine!)



Blessing Of The Animals
Parade Your Paws
Raffles and Country Store
Activities for Adults & Children
Learning & Information Stations
Contests...Best Dressed, Bob for Tennis Balls
Pet Talent Show, . Pup-Arazzi Photos and MORE!

www.HSOV.org or (740) 373-5959 For Additional Details



Humane Society of The Ohio Valley Kash for Kritters

Weekly \$100 Drawing
(Tickets reentered for each drawing)
Final Grand Prize \$500

Raffle runs July 2016 to June 2017

Winners posted on Facebook and HSOV.org weekly

Donation \$52.00

Must be 18 to Enter

2016-2017 HSOV KASH FOR KRITTERS Tickets are still available for this ongoing fundraiser (donation of \$52/ticket). Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit the HSOV. Weekly drawings for \$100 are held on Tuesdays and winners are notified by phone or via email. Winning tickets are placed back in the 'barrel' and are eligible for future drawings in addition to the Week #52 Grand Finale prize of \$500. Tickets are available at the Humane Society of the Ohio Valley (HSOV), 90 Mount Tom Road, Marietta, Ohio and are also available from Board Members and several volunteers.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS



The HSOV is enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. If you are a Kroger shopper this is a way you can monetarily support our shelter by simply using your Kroger Plus Shopping Card. You must register your card online (www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and choose the HSOV as the non-profit organization you wish to support. Just visit the website, follow the instructions, and enter NPO Number 93001 or the name 'Humane Society of the Ohio Valley', select our organization from the list, and confirm. You must swipe your registered Kroger Plus Card when shopping for your purchases to count. The HSOV is given a percentage of sales purchased by registered card holders.

“PRINCE” (formerly known as “Birdman”) ...

“**Birdman**” was a darling 4-year old male kitty who was surrendered by his tearful owner on April 5, 2016. This handsome boy had a white short smooth coat, a triangular-shaped patch of black on the back of his neck, a long gray/white tail, and a beautiful face with gray markings around both ears, and a black heart-shaped mark on his cute pink nose. “Birdman” had the sweetest disposition, and you couldn’t help but fall in love with him. He was special in many ways and truly melted our hearts.



“Birdman” had severe neurological issues which were the result of a “CH” (cerebellar hypoplasia) disorder which causes jerky movements, tremors, and problems with walking/balance coordination. CH disorder is non-progressive and is NOT contagious to other cats. The disorder is caused when the cerebellum part of the brain (which controls motor skills) is not fully developed at the time of birth.

“Birdman” enjoyed life in his previous home and thrived there until his owner lost the house and there was nowhere else for “Birdman” and his friends to live. He was not adapting well in a small shelter cage and soon began to lose

muscle tone ☹ We posted a video on our HSOV Facebook page which featured “Birdman” walking and hoped that a compassionate kind-hearted person or family would open up their home to this special kitty. **Verne Felty** viewed the video from her home in Michigan and contacted a friend whose passion was helping special-needs animals ☺ **Gretchen Sommer (Lucky Day Animal Rescue)** immediately said that she would love to have “Birdman” join her family ☺ ☺

“Birdman” began the journey to his new home on April 21, 2016. Verne Felty picked him up in Toledo Ohio and drove him to meet his ‘Guardian Angel’ Gretchen Sommer in Grand Blanc, MI. **“Birdman” was given a new name when he arrived. He is now known as “Prince” in honor of the musician “Prince” who passed away on April 21, 2016.** Gretchen has faithfully posted updates on her facebook page, and we have been thrilled to read about his progress and new life. We are sharing two of our favorite updates:



May 10, 2016 .. *“I just gotta share my **Prince** story from last night. Prince’s room (where he stays if I am not available to actively monitor him) is in our sunroom which is right off of our living room. This is where we have all the cat trees and toys. It has one step down to get into the room. It has a door but we never shut it. Our usual nightly routine has been this .. cats get their dinner, then when done eating, I carry Prince to the couch when we are ready to watch tv. I make him a comfy spot and he hangs there with me. So last night I fed dinners, went to clean up the kitchen (en route I turned on the tv). Came back to pick up the cat dishes and Prince is nowhere to be found. I am looking all over, behind cat trees etc. (And kind of freaking out as he has never left the room on his own.) I walk back by and there he is on the couch in his spot! He made it up there ALL BY HIMSELF!!! Now some might not be too impressed with this, but you have to understand the determination it took for him to do this task! I think he is loving our routine, heard the tv on , and knew it was time! He is now able to get up and down that single step! I am so amazed at the progress he is making!!!!”*

Our Feline Rescue Coordinator, **Sharon Paul**, replied: *“I am so happy (and touched) that you shared this story about Prince. This really is a sign that he looks forward to- and knows the evening routine ♥ And that he is willing to do whatever it takes to please you and to be next to you ♥♥ I can truly appreciate the monumental effort this took on Prince’s part to climb onto the sofa! Like reaching the top of Mount Everest!!!”*

“**Prince**” has fit into Gretchen’s home perfectly and loves his housemates (which naturally includes other rescued cats, kittens, dogs, and puppies). Gretchen and her family purchased a farm this past summer, and we love reading about Prince’s newest companion who was rescued by Gretchen (a piglet named **Sonny**):

“PRINCE” (formerly known as “Birdman”) ...

“Sonny: The Lucky Little Pig That Didn’t Go To Market” also has a unique rescue story: On June 6th, this tiny white piglet was shoved into a crowded livestock truck with many other pigs and was headed down a highway in Indiana to market. Fate intervened when he fell out of the truck and onto the highway. “Sonny” was injured, confused, and so scared he couldn’t move. A kind man who saw what had happened wrapped Sonny in a blanket and drove him to the Humane Society of Genesee County (ALL the way in Michigan!!!). Sonny writes on his facebook page that “ he heard them say he was in shock, appeared to have a broken leg, and they were calling a person from ***Lucky Day Animal Rescue*** to come get me. ***Gretchen*** came and took me in her car and rushed me to another building. She said these people would help me feel better. Dr. Amy said I was in shock and had a broken leg.



They took such good care of me and got me all cleaned up. All of a sudden what seemed to be a very bad day was turning out to be not so bad! I got to meet another doctor who said he was going to fix my leg. His name was Dr. Ian and he made it so I can walk again. He put 3 metal pins in my leg on June 10th. I am still healing and am feeling stronger each day. I have met so many people that treat me good, give me belly rubs, and LOTS of good food. I am so thankful for that kind man that stopped to save my life and to all the other folks that have helped me along the way .. and especially



Gretchen who gave me the perfect home. I am surely one Lucky Piggy!” Update:

“Sonny” is completely healed and living the dream life these days. He has been neutered and weighs over 100 lbs. Sonny enjoys life to the fullest and loves sleeping in dog beds, playing in the fenced-in back yard, and sharing his home with “Prince” and his other kitty/doggy companions ☺

The most recent update about “Prince” was posted on August 23rd:

Check out this sweet guy! This is Prince - the sweet boy that has severe CH (cerebellar hypoplasia). He climbs beds, steps and couches like a boss!!

“Prince” is doing so good and has really attached himself to my 19-year old son. He sleeps with him every night and is the most determined cat I have ever met. He can climb on beds and couches which is nothing short of a miracle. We have a screened-in catio and he loves to sit there and watch the birds and get fresh air. We love him so much!! Prince is very special needs and is doing so well here ♥

Editor’s Note: We hope that Prince’s story will inspire others to adopt special-needs cats (and dogs). CH kitties are noted for having the most affectionate, loving dispositions and have so much love to bestow upon the person who gives them a chance ♥♥

We currently have another kitten (Stevia) in our shelter who is likely a CH kitten if anyone would like to meet him ☺ “Stevia” is a cute 5-month old black-and-white boy who loves to play ball, and he doesn’t realize he is any different than his little sister (Splenda). Their beautiful momma (Sugar) is also looking for a home.

*"The broadest and maybe the most meaningful definition of volunteering:
Doing more than you have to, because you want to, in a cause you consider good."
~ Ivan H. Scheier, American pioneer in the field of volunteerism ~*

WE LOVE OUR HSOV VOLUNTEERS ☺

(And that definition of volunteering is a perfect introduction as we recap their recent activities) ☺ ☺

Volunteers **Ginger Eubank** and **Holli Mannix** visited the **Veritas Classical Academy School** (Marietta Ohio) on February 26, 2016 and took two very special goodwill ambassadors with them ☺ HSOV Kitty "Jax" and HSOV Dog "Sally" were the stars of the day and loved the attention they received from the school children. Ginger and Holli gave a presentation on pet safety and the importance of spay/neuter.



A successful Adoptathon and Craft/Bake Sale was held at **Pet Supplies Plus**, Vienna WV on March 19th. Volunteers took several HSOV dogs and cats and four of them (two dogs/two cats) found new homes that day! Pet Supplies Plus also collected supplies and monetary donations for the HSOV.

Volunteer **Susan Gray** and Washington County Dog Warden **Kelly McGilton** hosted a tour for local **Boy Scout Troop** on March 21, 2016.



Washington County Dog Warden **Kelly McGilton** and several volunteers attended the **Marietta College "Pet Your Stress Away Day"** on April 14th. Several dogs were taken to this event, and it was difficult to tell who was more stress-free at the end of the afternoon (our dogs or the students) ☺

**Dog Lovers needed
to walk/play
with shelter dogs**

**Humane Society
OF THE OHIO VALLEY**

Mon-Fri 11:00 to 5:00
Sat 11:00 to 4:00
Sun 12:00 to 3:00

Group Walks
Tues/Thurs 5:00 to 7:00
Sunday 3:00 to 5:00

**Cat Lovers Needed to
Cuddle Cats &
tidy their kennels**

**DESPERATE
HOUSECATS**

**New
Volunteer
Orientation
Sunday at
1:00
No
appointment
needed**



Volunteer **Julie Lowther** conducted a shelter tour for a local **Boy Scout Troop** on April 14th (which the boys thoroughly enjoyed!). Julie also presented an informational session on the importance of rabies vaccine.

Several volunteers attended **Marietta College's Community Day** on April 16th and were accompanied by some happy HSOV dogs for a mini-adoptathon/publicity opportunity.

Volunteer **Susan Gray** attended the **Carol Goff Realtor Open House** on April 20th. Susan's date for the occasion was **HSOV pup "Wishbone"**, and they accepted a cash donation on behalf of the shelter ☺

Chris Murphy, Linda Perry, and Kelly McGilton were guests of **WTAP-TV** on April 22nd and video-taped sessions for the **"Mom's Everyday"** programs which were aired in following weeks.

Many of our volunteers attended the **Earth Day Celebration** on April 23rd which was held at The Armory located in downtown Marietta OH. Several HSOV dogs and cats also attended and put their best paw forward in search of a new home.

Our shelter participated in the **Marietta YMCA Family Nights** during the months of March-April 2016. Volunteers and board members (including **Donna Ball, Amber Dennison, Holli Mannix, Shelly Kidd, Richard Long, Jared & Kelly McGilton, Chris Murphy, Amy Rogers, and Don & Beth Underwood**), treated HSOV dogs and some cats to an evening at the "Y" and the children/families LOVED them ☺ Our volunteers also participated in the **Marietta YMCA Healthy Kids Day** on Saturday April 30th.

THE **HSOV Board of Directors** hosted a **Volunteer Appreciation Picnic/Cook-Out** on May 3rd which was held at Tomlinson Park, Williamstown WV ☺

WE LOVE OUR HSOV VOLUNTEERS ☺

Advanced Auto Parts (Beverly Ohio) invited us for an adoptathon at their store on May 7th and a good time was had by all ☺ (Especially the lucky dogs who were chosen to attend the event!)

"The Dog Days of May" was held at the **Belpre Heights United Methodist Church** on May 14th. Volunteers took shelter dogs for adoption and donations were accepted for the shelter. A local veterinarian held a canine vaccination clinic in conjunction with the event.



Thanks to the **Riverview Credit Union**, Belpre Ohio for hosting a fantastic event for the HSOV on May 20th which included an adoptathon and community outreach for publicity and donations)

Volunteers and their favorite dogs attended the **Belpre Homecoming** on August 6th to show off their talents, good looks, and costumes as entrants in the "Puppy Pageant" which was held by **Boxers Bed & Biscuits**. Although none of our HSOV dogs won "titles" this year, they were all winners in our eyes. The two HSOV dogs who were chosen "King" and "Queen" in

the 2015 Puppy Pageant ("**Durango**" and "**Honey**") were honored guests and rode on the Boxers Bed & Biscuits float in the Homecoming parade.



The HSOV has been invited to attend the **Farmers Market** (Washington County Fairgrounds, Marietta Ohio on the first Saturdays of the month. Volunteers and board members will be bringing dogs for adoption, selling HSOV merchandise, and accepting donations. Please stop by and visit us there!



Our shelter dogs LOVE the second Friday of each month during the summer/fall when volunteers pick them up for an 'evening on the town' to enjoy the **Merchants/Artists Walk** in downtown Marietta ☺



Volunteers continue to take shelter dogs to visit nursing homes/senior centers/schools. **Ginger Eubank, Bonnie Fennel and Beth Underwood** are among our dedicated volunteers who enjoy this community service and are very much appreciated by seniors at The Women's Home, Brookdale, O'Neill Senior Center, Heartland, and The Pines

We appreciate our volunteers **Wendy Irvin, Julie Lowther, Holli Mannix, Christie Sallee, and Patty Thaxton** who give each and every shelter cat/kitten extra TLC. The majority of our volunteers prefer to walk dogs, so our shelter kitties truly love the care and attention when Wendy, Julie, Holli, Christie, or Patty open the door to their cages and hold them in their arms for some one-on-one loving ☺



Volunteers who have attended orientation sessions and have received their color-coded volunteer lanyards are invited to join us on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00-7:00pm for **"After-Hours Dog Walks and Cat Cuddling"**. We often have additional walks on Sunday afternoons.

Volunteer orientations for new volunteers are held at the shelter from 1:00-3:00 on Sundays (thanks to **Linda Perry, Brenda Dewees, and Ginger Eubank**).

No appointment/reservation is required so feel free to join us on Sundays. We can also schedule orientations at your convenience if Sundays don't work for you. Our volunteer application is available at the shelter and on our website (www.hsov.org).



Amber Dennison (our HSOV Volunteer Coordinator from 2015-July 2016) submitted her resignation recently ☺ We will miss her smiling face and all that she accomplished during her tenure as volunteer coordinator with us. Amber was respected and loved by volunteers, and she was an invaluable asset when it came to planning/organizing events. We wish Amber the best of luck and success in her new endeavor and hope that she will continue to play a role in our shelter and stay in touch with her HSOV friends ☺



AND THE OSCAR GOES TO ...

Fourteen HSOV dogs (and one kitty) spent a fun-filled evening as they attended a premiere showing of the movie *"The Secret Life of Pets"* at the Odyssey Theatre in Marietta Ohio on the evening of July 7, 2016.

Thanks to Angie and **Winding Road Kennel** for sponsoring this event! This special premiere showing gained momentum and became a wonderful fundraiser for both of the area humane societies (**HSOV**/Humane Society of the Ohio Valley and **HSOP**/Humane Society of Parkersburg).

Our Volunteer Coordinator (**Amber Dennison**), along with her team of volunteers, shared their ideas to create an exciting evening with HSOV dogs (and one special kitty) and their escorts competing in a **Red Carpet Event** with an **Oscar/Academy Awards theme**.

HSOV male dogs were attired in formal black/white tuxedo ties, and the HSOV female dogs wore festive red boas ☺ And **HSOV kitty Sophie** looked ravishing in her pink frilly tutu ☺

Photos were taken in the lobby of the theatre as the Oscar nominees put their best paw forward, smiled for the camera, begged for votes, and surveyed their competition ☺

Photos were also taken as each Oscar nominee and their escort walked down the aisle in Odyssey Theatre #5. Clever descriptions were read about each of the nominees as they strolled down the 'red carpet'. The descriptions were amusing and priceless ☺ We especially loved the one for **Pepe' Le Pew ...** "He is an adventurous young man who has starred in two made-for-TV movies, "Sprayed By A Skunk" and "Hey! That Wasn't A Cat". He is a friendly fellow who came in with his friend, Skunky McGee. Skunky has since moved on to his dream role as someone's fur baby." **Amber Dennison** and **Amy Rogers** deserve an award for best script writing ♥

PARTICIPANTS IN THEIR STARRING ROLES WERE:

Amber Dennison (Coordinating/Overseeing), **Amy Rogers** (Master Of Ceremonies Who Announced The Nominees) **Wendy Irvin** (Oscar Voting Ballot Manager)



BANJO



BRIE-ANN



CLIFFORD



DAVY JONES



JOSIE



Amber Dennison



Amy Rogers



Wendy Irvin

HSOV Volunteers and HSOV Oscar Nominees:

Brenda Stewart Dewees and "Oboe"
Donna Ball and "Brie-Ann"
Chris Murphy and "Clifford"
Dominique Hickey and "Layla"
Cameron Sparkman and "Pepe' Le Pew"
Josie Miracle and "River"
Sharon Ramage and "Maddie"
Ginger Hearn Eubank and "Simba"
Tina Binder and "Banjo"
Linda Schadel and "Ladybug"
Ricci Davis and "Davy Jones"
Lisa Burdine and "Kassy"
Levi Zimmerman and "Thor"
Evan Onestinghel and "Josie"
Julie Schaad Lowther and "Sophie" (Stroller
 Kitty)

Sharon Paul (Pawparazzi Photographer)

Wendy Irvin (Oscar Voting Ballots Manager)

Becky Johnston - Fundraising/PR
Jamiann Voshell - Fundraising/PR
Kelly Goedel - Fundraising/PR
Michele Reed - Fundraising/PR
Shelly Kidd - Fundraising/PR

**Wendy Irvin announced the Oscar winners
 after the official ballots were counted:**

TOP DOG award goes to "Oboe" (with first
 runner-up being "Davy Jones" who was only one
 vote behind)

FUNNIEST award goes to "Pepe' Le Pew" (with
 River, Oboe, & Clifford close behind)

**MOST AWESOME OVERALL award goes to
 "Thor"** (who was clearly in the lead all the way)

**MOST INTERESTING award goes to "Pepe' Le
 Pew"** (with second runner-up being "Thor")



**OBEDIENCE CLASS CLOWN award goes
 to "Pepe' Le Pew"** (who was clearly in the
 lead all the way)

**MOST LIKELY TO GET ADOPTED award
 goes to "River"** (clearly the leading vote-
 getter)

**PRETTIEST FUR/BEST DRESSED award
 goes to "Sophie" (cat in a stroller)** (with
 Simba being the first runner-up for the
 title)

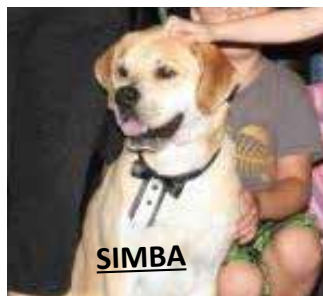
BEST BEHAVED award goes to "Sophie"
(cat in a stroller) (with first runner-ups
 being "Ladybug" and "Clifford")

Update about each of the Oscar nominees
 (as of August 22, 2016):

Brie-Ann, Clifford, Davy Jones, Kassy,
 Ladybug, Maddie, River, Simba, Thor, and
 Kitty Sophie signed contracts and went on
 to even greater starring roles in their very
 own homes!

Pepe' le Pew is 'under contract' and has a
 home waiting for him.

Banjo, Josie, Layla, and Oboe are still
 waiting for someone special to put them
 under contract (i.e., adoption paperwork)..
 but good news for Layla who found a
 temporary foster home.



“Maggie” was a beautiful 3-year old female Pit Bull Terrier mix who

was surrendered by her family on May 27, 2016. This sweet girl had been hearing-impaired since birth and had adapted well to a world without sound. Maggie was trained



to visually recognize hand signals and would respond to basic commands (sit, stay, down, and speak). She was obviously a very intelligent dog ☺ “Maggie” was a good-looking young lady with a snow white coat, a long tail, and an adorable face with a tan patch around her right eye, a liver-colored nose, and short semi-erect ears. “Maggie” loved

her people friends (including children), but she wasn’t good with small animals (puppies in particular). **“Maggie”** loved to play ball and yearned to be a lapdog.

Since Maggie was listed as a ‘Special Needs Dog’ and was hearing-impaired, we realized she would need a special



person in her life who would be willing to spend time learning hand signals and caring for her.

That special person arrived at our shelter in early June 2016 ☺ **Cheryl Fiedorczyk** had inquired about volunteering at the HSOV and (in retrospect), “Maggie” was surely the reason Cheryl was meant to

become an HSOV dog walker. Cheryl is a school teacher who was on summer vacation, so the timing was perfect when she made Maggie’s acquaintance and fell in love with her ☺ Cheryl often works with special-needs students and has a special gift/talent that she wanted to share with Maggie. The Fiedorczyk family brought their dogs for a meet-and-greet in late June (which went very well), and **“Maggie”** was officially adopted on July 1st.

When we read Cheryl’s facebook comment on July 2nd, we knew that “Maggie” had found the perfect home: *“Maggie did great last night. We left the bathroom light on so the bedroom wasn’t totally dark since she’s afraid of the dark. She slept beside me on the bed most of the night. I woke up several times to find her kissing my hands and face. Once I found her sitting up beside me, looking around and smiling ... just like she was thinking WOW, THIS IS ALL MINE NOW!”*



“Lloyd”

was a magnificent 2-year old male Pit Bull Terrier mix who arrived at the HSOV on February 22, 2016. This beautiful boy had a fawn-

colored short smooth coat with cream highlights, a long tail, and a handsome face with black shading on his muzzle, expressive brown eyes, and short floppy ears. He was extremely friendly, loved attention, and was a loving gentle soul who was a good-will ambassador for his breed.

“Lloyd” was a favorite of our staff and volunteers and a real ‘ladies man’ ☺ He was chosen to attend several social- and adoption events including visits to area schools. Our volunteers reported that “Lloyd” loved children and was always anxious to make their acquaintance. And he was ok with other dogs. “Lloyd” was not a fan of cats, but we felt he was perfect in every other way ☺

Perhaps “Lloyd” was merely waiting on the perfect family to spend the rest of his life with. On July 5th Lloyd went home with a nice young family, and we LOVE reading their facebook updates and seeing photos of him in his very own home ☺ ☺

“Lloyd” waited patiently for five months until he found his forever home. We have several dogs who have been waiting much longer and urge our readers to take a look at Oboe, Tequila, Diesel, Leon, Layla, Chester, Josie, Hendricks, and Rocky who have the distinction of being our residents with the most seniority as far as length of time in our shelter.

We truly believe there is the perfect home for all of our dogs (and cats) if we can find the person/family with whom they were meant to share their life ☺





“Ace Ventura” (Pet Detective) has competition these days from the HSOV and literally thousands of our supporters who are quickly called into action when we learn about a lost/found animal. And our success rate with locating their families is pretty impressive!

We have 17,600 fans on our main HSOV Facebook page and 7,200 members on our HSOV group page who are true animal lovers/advocates, and they share pictures and information about missing animals within minutes when they appear on either of our facebook pages. We encourage anyone who has lost their dog, cat, or other animal to post photos with descriptive details about where their pet was lost (and to provide contact information). Time is of the essence!

The HSOV also posts photos of dogs brought in as strays and those picked up by the Washington

County Dog Warden on the main HSOV facebook page as quickly as possible as well as on Pefinder.com

Over 100 dogs have been reclaimed from the shelter this year (and 7 cats) after their photos were posted. And numerous dogs have found their way home (thanks to the power of Facebook) before they were ever brought to our shelter ☺

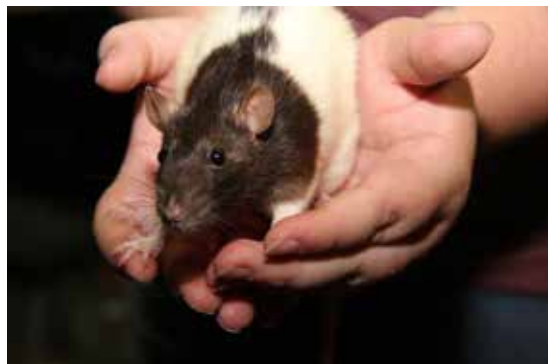
One of the happiest reclaim stories was that of a 15-year old Collie whom we named “Laddie”. His family (and Laddie) had moved to a new home which was several blocks away from their previous home, and this sweet older fellow decided one afternoon that he would set out on foot to go ‘back home’. Luckily a Good Samaritan found him on a busy street and gave him a ride to the HSOV. We posted his photo on Facebook/Petfinder, and he was reunited with his family 48-hours later. There wasn’t a dry eye in the shelter as we watched Laddie (whose real name was “Beau”) going back home ☺



One Hundred and One ~~Dalmatians~~ Pet Rats ☺

The HSOV acquired 100+ pet rats on June 21, 2016 after being surrendered by their owners because they were overwhelmed with too many to care for ☺ We are accustomed to intakes of dogs, cats, pot-bellied pigs, exotic birds, goats, sheep, guinea pigs/hamsters, the occasional snake, and chickens/ducks. This was our first experience with so many pet rats!

There were all ages ranging from a few days/week-old babies to full-grown adults, and there were a large variety of colors as well (white with pink



eyes, white/tan, brown, gray/white, etc) Most enjoyed being held and many loved to sit on your shoulder. We asked for assistance from staff at **WeLovPets** and experienced pet rat owners (and we loved the one lady who came each day with a ‘**Pet Rat Mom**’ decal on her car) ☺ Our staff and volunteers gave the new arrivals extra TLC on a daily basis ☺



The little boys and girls were soon made available for adoption and/or rescue. Our shelter is very rescue friendly, and we were happy that several rat rescue groups visited our shelter and transported the majority of the pet rats to their facilities. The last two pet rats were adopted locally on August 24th ☺

“Helen” was a beautiful one-year old Dilute Calico

who was brought to the safety of our shelter on February 22, 2016. This sweet young lady appeared to be blind in both eyes when **HSOV Humane Officer (Misty Carpenter)**

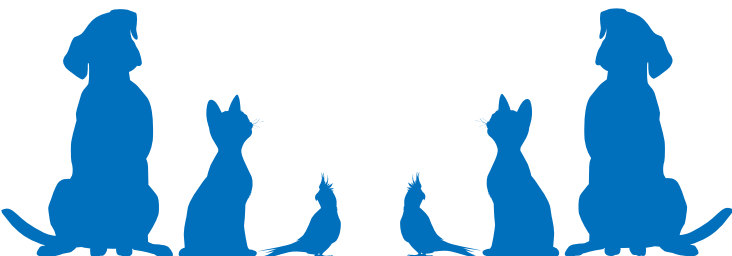


picked her up, and she was immediately taken to one of our wonderful local veterinarians. We were shocked and saddened when it was discovered that “Helen” had suffered a gunshot wound to the top of her head (which would explain how she lost her eyesight). “Helen” returned to our shelter a few days later, and she

had already adapted to a world without vision. She was understandably easily startled, and there was a distinct possibility that she was also hearing impaired. “Helen” had the sweetest disposition ☺ We had fallen in love with her and took glamour photos for our Petfinder/ facebook listings and also posted her pictures/story on Homer’s Blind Cat facebook page in hopes that someone would give her the home she deserved.

We were very happy when a wonderful lady in Upstate New York inquired about adopting Helen a few weeks later! That lady had experience with blind kitties and wanted to give Helen the best home ever. We had Helen spayed in mid-March in anticipation of her journey to New York. Transportation arrangements hit an unexpected ‘snag’, so “Helen” was our guest awhile longer. During that time we noticed she was beginning to see shadows (or perhaps sense movement). And she remained the sweetest kitty ever ☺

“Helen” left the shelter early on the morning of June 4th en-route to her new home and new ‘momma’ who had been patiently been awaiting her arrival while transport was arranged. Thanks to Misty Carpenter and Helen’s adopter for never giving up hope on this special kitty and for finding a way to make her dream home a reality ♥☺☺☺



**5 REASONS
TO ADOPT
TWO
KITTENS**
INSTEAD OF JUST ONE

1. One kitten can become lonely and bored.
2. Two kittens will help keep each other busy instead of bugging you.
3. Having two kittens is very entertaining!
4. You'll have fewer behavioral issues with two kittens.
5. You'll save TWO lives instead of one!

The HSOV has many bonded pairs of siblings (and litters of kittens) who are currently available for adoption from our shelter, and we also have several in foster care. Kittens do much better when adopted in pairs (or trios), and the HSOV has some of the cutest ones you’d ever hope to meet ☺

Please stop by our shelter to meet them in person or view their photos on our Petfinder listings (www.petfinder.com/) enter the Marietta zip code ‘45750’ or on our main HSOV Facebook page under the HSOV CATS Album.



Thank you to the **Friends of Feline Fund** for their financial assistance and cooperation with the HSOV as part of an ongoing joint program for spaying/neutering our shelter cats. This program allows us to ensure that all HSOV cats (and older kittens) are altered before adoption. This is a win-win situation for everyone. The adoption fee for HSOV cats is \$20 with an approved adoption application (which includes vaccinations, wormer, and spay/neuter procedure). So the spay/neuter is provided free-of-charge for our adopters.

A total of 249 HSOV cats were spayed/neutered during the 2015 calendar year and has surely helped to control over-population and to increase the adoptions of HSOV kitties. There have already been 203 HSOV cats spayed/neutered for the period January to August 2016 so we will exceed last year’s number!

If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to help provide spay/neuter of cats, you may send a donation to:

Marietta Community Foundation
[Friends of Feline Fund]
PO Box 77
Marietta OH 45750

Writing Our Thank You Notes😊

The 13th Annual “FUR BALL” DANCE/AUCTION was held on Saturday, February 27, 2016 at the Shrine Club in Marietta Ohio. This is one of our most successful fundraisers and the 2016 Fur Ball was no exception! More than 300 community members attended the event and over \$31,000 was raised that evening. **daVinci’s Italian Restaurant** (Williamstown WV) catered the affair with fabulous food, and **The Bash** provided music/entertainment throughout the evening.

A big round of applause to the many Corporate FurBall Sponsors for their support: Green Meadow Veterinary Hospital, Groggs Heating & Air Conditioning, JD Byrider, Pest Pro, Dr. David Rand Kirtland, Rich & Bonnie Walters, Marietta Dairy Queen, Mondo Polymer, Williamstown Bank, Smoker Friendly, Belpre Animal Clinic, Al Cott Marine, local State Farm Insurance Agencies (Charles Wentz, Amanda Marshall, Edwin Hetzer, and Terry Coffman), and Boxers Bed & Biscuits. And **thank you to these businesses who also offered their support**: Smittys Pizza, McDonalds, Blake Home Inspections, Riverview Credit Union, Dr. Paul Kupferberg, Wharton Auto Group, Apex/True Value Hardware, Skinner Firestone, Wark Accounting, Winding Road Kennel, Virginia Narsete, Thomas Schultheis, Berkshire Hathaway Realtors, Goldline Jewelers, and Home Depot.

Thanks to Becky Johnston (FurBall Committee Chairperson) and her committee members (Sandra Brightwell, Kelly Goedel, Shelly Kidd, Leigh Linger, Michelle Reed, Deb Ryder, Tami Schrader, and Jamiann Voshel) for the many hours they spent making this event so successful and so much fun 😊

THROWDOWN FOR THE POUND 13: ROLL THE DICE was held on Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Marietta Middle School Gymnasium in Marietta Ohio. This fundraiser is one of our most thrilling events and also among the most successful. Thanks to **Adam Johnson (Manager/WeLovPets)** and **Remix Pro Wrestling** for planning/organizing another ‘Throwdown For The Pound’ for the benefit of the HSOV 😊 This most recent Throwdown raised \$3,320 for our shelter 😊 And we also want to thank Adam and WeLovPets for all that they do for the HSOV (showcasing our cats/dogs for adoption in their store, collecting supplies, and allowing us to hold adoptathons at their location).

VIGNERON INSURANCE AGENCY (Williamstown WV) hosted a unique **“It’s Raining Cats and Dogs”** Fundraiser during the month of April 2016 to benefit the HSOV. For each “like” received on their Facebook page, Vigneron donated \$1 to the HSOV. They also collected items for our shelter which were listed on the HSOV’s Wish List. Thank you Vigneron Insurance Agency 😊

COMFORT SUITES (202 Cherry Tree Lane, Marietta OH) celebrated **“National Pet Month”** by holding a donation drive for the HSOV from May 2nd through May 27th 2016 😊 Comfort Suites collected and delivered so many great items to our shelter as a result of this donation drive.

APPLEBEE’S (Marietta OH) held a **“Paws For Carside”** Fundraiser to benefit the HSOV on Mondays-Tuesdays from May 2nd through May 24th 2016. The HSOV received 10% of the total orders during that time frame 😊 Thank you Applebee’s for choosing our shelter as the recipient of those funds!

The 2nd Annual HSOV PURSE & THIRTY-ONE BINGO Fundraiser was held Sunday, April 10, 2016 at the Reno Community Center in Reno Ohio. Thanks **to Jamiann Voshel** and **Shelly Kidd** (Co-Chairpersons) for ensuring this fundraiser was such a huge success! A total of \$3,510.47 was raised for the HSOV that day!! Jamiann and Shelly wish to thank everyone who attended to play bingo and to the individuals who donated items for the country store/raffle items and/or food. Several vendors were present to show their products and also support the HSOV.



Writing Our Thank You Notes☺

WILLIAMSTOWN BANK (In Conjunction with daVinci's Italian Restaurant and S&P Harley Davidson) held the **WILLIAMSTOWN BANK COMMUNITY PICNIC** at Tomlinson Park, Williamstown WV on the evening of Friday, June 3, 2016. Several of our volunteers attended the picnic with their four-legged 'dates' (HSOV dogs who made guest appearances) ☺ Donations were collected by Williamstown Bank personnel and the proceeds were split between the HSOV and the Williamstown Food Pantry. We were thrilled when Williamstown Bank representatives (**Sharon Anderson** and **Teresa Cunningham**) visited our shelter on June 8th and presented HSOV Executive Director (**Kelley Goedel**) a check in the amount of \$1,730 in addition to donations of pet food/supplies which were collected at the picnic. Thank you Williamstown Bank for your continued support of the HSOV ☺



Thank you to **THE ORIGINAL PIZZA PLACE** for their **"Raise Some Dough"** bi-monthly Fundraisers which were/are being held on the second Tuesday during the months of February, April, June, August, October, and December 2016. The HSOV receives 15% of the total collected receipts for the day of each fundraiser. This is a great way to help the shelter dogs/cats while enjoying mouth-watering pizza ☺



The HSOV PET FAIR was held on Saturday, June 25, 2016 in conjunction with the Farmers' Market at the Washington County Fairground located in Marietta Ohio. This Pet Fair was suggested and sponsored by our local newspaper, **The Marietta Times**, who provided advance publicity for the event (including a special newspaper insert on Wednesday, June 22nd which highlighted several of our fantastic dogs and cats). Thanks to **Amber Dennison** (HSOV Volunteer Coordinator) for her assistance in planning, coordinating, and 'match-making' skills. Eleven HSOV dogs and their volunteer handlers attended the event. Thanks to HSOV Board Members (**Becky Johnston, Shelly Kidd, Chris Murphy, and Deb Ryder**) who attended and assisted with set-up, transports, and 'manned' the information booths. They were multi-tasking throughout the event .. answering questions about the shelter, providing information about our adoption process, accepting

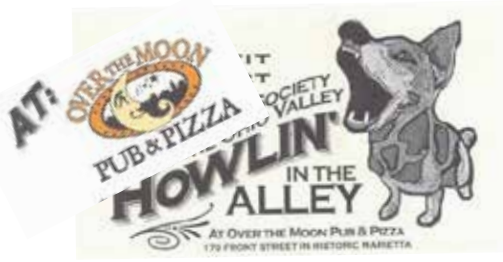


donations, and much much more! And thanks to **Jamiann Voshel** (HSOV Fundraising Coordinator) for being such a great hostess/sales promoter along with the Board members ☺ The Pet Fair event raised \$904 for the HSOV. As a result of this event, the HSOV will be attending the Farmers' Markets on several Saturday mornings throughout the remainder of 2016.

We also wish to thank **The Marietta Times** for publishing an **'Adopt-A-Pet' column** in the second- and fourth Friday editions of the newspaper each month. This column (which is sponsored by local businesses) features photos/descriptions of four HSOV dogs and four HSOV cats who are available for adoption.



Writing Our Thank You Notes😊



Over The Moon Pub & Pizza (170 Front Street, Marietta OH) held a **"HOWLIN' IN THE ALLEY"** benefit concert for the HSOV on Friday, July 15, 2016 from 8pm-midnight. Thanks to Over The Moon Pub & Pizza for raising a total of \$1,169.30 for our shelter 😊

DaVINCI'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT (Williamstown WV) held a dine-in/take-out fundraiser for the HSOV on Wednesday July 20, 2016 from 4pm-8pm

and donated a percentage of their sales that evening to our shelter. daVinci's presented us with a check for \$275 that evening with an invitation to come back this Fall for a repeat performance 😊 Thank you daVinci's for all that you do to support the HSOV. We were pleasantly surprised (and that is surely an understatement) when we also received two monetary donations that evening. One was \$40 in cash/change (from family/friends/board members who were dining together). The other was a check in the amount of \$5,000 from a local businessman who wishes to remain anonymous 😊😊 So the grand total for the daVinci's evening was \$5,315.00



Thank you to everyone who participated in the **HSOV SCAVENGER HUNT** fundraiser which was held on Saturday, July 30, 2016 at **Gators (109 2nd Street, Marietta Ohio)**. There were 23 teams competing in the Scavenger Hunt (many with clever team names/costumes!) Team members searched downtown Marietta to hunt for items alluded to in the form of

clues/riddles, performed tasks such as forming a 'human totem pole', and documented their activities with photographs in order to earn points. Needless to say, everyone who attended was royally entertained 😊 The HSOV Scavenger Hunt raised a grand total of \$1,228.60 for the shelter. This fundraiser was an adult-themed event, and we are contemplating a future scavenger hunt which would be appropriate for families/young children. A big THANK YOU to **Jamiann Voshel and her committee members (Shelly Kidd, Michele Reed, Deb Ryder, Brad Sullivan, and Patty Thaxton) and to Jeff Harris (Gator's)**

The 3rd Annual PURSE & THIRTY-ONE BINGO Fundraiser was held on Sunday, August 14th at the Reno Community Center in Reno Ohio. **Chairman Jamiann Voshel** wishes to thank everyone who came to play bingo and support the HSOV. Thank you also to the vendors for displaying their items, to the sponsors of prizes, to Patty Thaxton and Sharon Paul for the table décor, to Shelly Kidd, Michele Reed, Deb Ryder and Becky Johnston for helping work the tables and the floor, to Sandra Brightwell for overseeing/ loading the shelter van with donated supplies, to Jared McGilton for calling the Bingo, and to Tera Phalin-Parks, Jimi Parks, and Rob Henthorn for working the kitchen. We had a great team of workers! I am pleased to say with your support that we raised a total of \$3046 for the HSOV." The 4th and 5th Annual Purse & Thirty-One Bingo Fundraisers will be held in April- and August 2017.

Thanks to **WINDING ROAD KENNEL** (Parkersburg WV) for the creative fundraiser which they arranged for the benefit of the HSOV (and also the Humane Society of Parkersburg). **A special premiere showing of the movie "Secret Life Of Pets" was held at the Odyssey Theatre (Marietta)** on the evening of July 7, 2016 which raised \$600 for both local shelters. An in-depth coverage of this 'Red Carpet Event' is featured in this newsletter under the title "And The Oscar Goes To...."



Scavenger Hunt Committee



Itty Bitty Kitty Committee



Doggie Stylers



Dirty Dog Walkers

We Love Our Young HSOV Supporters

WE LOVE OUR YOUNG HSOV SUPPORTERS (and the love they show for shelter dogs and cats) ☺ ...

The amazing youngsters who are featured in this article celebrated their birthdays by asking their family and friend to purchase gifts for the HSOV animals instead of personal gifts for themselves or collected monetary donations/supplies for our shelter. We are proud of each of them and also their parents ☺ ☺



Madison Miller, who celebrated her 15th Birthday, visited our shelter on February 22nd with her family and delivered many wonderful gifts. They also toured our shelter and distributed afternoon treats to many of the dogs and cats. Thank you Madison ♥

This beautiful young lady is **Morgan**, and she celebrated her 5th Birthday on April 19th. Morgan and her family delivered a multitude of wonderful presents for all of the shelter animals and then toured the shelter and met many of the HSOV dogs and cats. Morgan was very inquisitive and asked questions about each animal that she met (a true animal lover!) Thank you Morgan for

sharing your special day with the HSOV dogs and cats ☺

This handsome young man is **Kingston McMahon** who celebrated his 7th Birthday. Kingston and his family delivered a carload of gifts on April 25th.



Kingston looked very debonair wearing his captain's hat (which was appropriate since he was chosen as the 2015 Little Mr. Sternwheel during Sternwheel Festival in Marietta Ohio). Incidentally, Kingston also shared his 6th Birthday with the HSOV dogs and cats so we are hoping this has become a family tradition ♥



Thank you **Lex Bauman** for collecting funds to donate to the HSOV. This young entrepreneur came up with his own unique idea to help the animals and displayed some of his artwork to accompany his fundraiser on April 25th. Lex is the son of **Randy Bauman**, and we are all proud of Lex ☺

Aden Day and **Carter Edwards** are 'Best Buddies' who celebrated their 5th birthdays on April 26th. These adorable young men had a special wish when they blew out the candles on their birthday cakes ☺ They made a wish for donations for the HSOV dogs and cats, and their wish was certainly granted. They visited our shelter on May 3rd and delivered an amazing array of nice gifts which included supplies, food/treats, and cash.



The boys were each presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and then toured the shelter. One of our shelter dogs "Leon" was introduced to Aden and Carter, and he loved the doggie biscuits that they offered him ☺ Thank you Aden and Carter ♥



We Love Our Young HSOV Supporters



Thank you **Putnam Elementary School (Devola Ohio)** for all of the donations and supplies that you collected for the HSOV dogs and cats☺ These wonderful young students visited our shelter on Saturday, May 14th and delivered so many thoughtful gifts!

Thank you to this delightful **Girl Scout Troop and their advisors** who brought so many nice donations for our HSOV dogs and cats on Saturday, May 21st. Everyone enjoyed a tour of our shelter that afternoon, and the girls met many of our special dogs and cats who are waiting for homes



This adorable young lady is **Chloe**. She celebrated her 5th Birthday on June 12th. Chloe and her mother delivered special treats, food, and toys for the shelter animals on the afternoon on June 14th. Chloe was a natural for the camera and a delight to photograph! She loves all animals but may have a preference for kitties, so she spent some time with one of our momma cats (Burrito) and her kittens (Chimichanga, Nacho, and Tamale) after delivering her presents. Thank you Chloe!!

These beautiful young ladies are **Kayla and Reagan Romey**. They are from Maryland and were visiting in the Marietta Ohio area this summer and wanted to do something nice for our shelter ☺ Kayla and Reagan decided to bring some donations for the HSOV dogs and cats, and they visited the shelter on the afternoon of July 13th to deliver their gifts. Thank you Kayla and Reagan ♥



Taylor and Lillie Pannell (who live in Alpharetta, Georgia) were visiting family and relatives in Marietta Ohio and wanted to do something for the HSOV dogs and cats while they were here ☺ Taylor and Lillie visited our shelter on July 15th and brought bags of Purina food for the dogs/puppies and cats/kittens. Thank you Taylor and Lillie for your gifts and

visiting with us before you went back to Georgia☺



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The link to the HSOV AmazonSmile website is ...

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-4393873>



AMAZON.COM “WISH LIST”

Our shelter has also established a “Wish List” on amazon.com as a convenient way for our out-of-town supporters to donate needed items to our shelter. Simply go to the www.amazon.com website and search for the “Humane Society of the Ohio Valley (HSOV)” under the ‘wish list’ drop-down menu and you will see a list of gifts that we wish our shelter animals had. These items may be purchased online and will be delivered right to our door.

The link to our wish list is:

<http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/?ie=UTF8&cid=AA5SFHY4ZF1HX>

We encourage our local supporters to patronize the many wonderful merchants in our area when purchasing donations for HSOV shelter animals. Apex Feed & Supply, Big Lots, Dollar General, Dollar Tree, Giant Eagle, K-Mart, Kroger, Tractor Supply, WalMart and WeLovPets are among the businesses who do so much for our shelter. And please remember that local veterinarians also have needed items (such as flea medication and pet foods) that are available from them.

WISH LIST

- Tax-deductible cash donations
- Sam's Club & Wal-Mart gift cards
- Gasoline debit cards
- Purina dog/cat chow
- Purina dog chow/little bites
- Purina PRO dog food
- Purina puppy/kitten chow
- Canned/wet dog/cat food
- Stainless steel food/water bowls
- Kitty litter (non-clumping)
- Litter pans & scoops (stainless steel only)
- Dog leashes/collars/harnesses
- Dog/cat treats

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- Pet Carriers (all sizes)
- Blankets & towels
- Pet shampoo
- Flea/tick medication
- Laundry detergent
- Bleach
- Odo-Ban disinfectant/deodorizer
- Dishwashing liquid
- Window cleaner
- Paper towels & toilet paper
- Spray bottles

- First-aid supplies
- Latex gloves
- Hand sanitizer
- Plastic watering cans
- Hose spray nozzles
- Heavy-duty leaf/lawn bags (60-gallon size)
- Kitchen trash bags (20-gallon size)
- Grooming supplies
- Nail clippers
- Office supplies
- Copier/laser printer paper
- Aluminum cans (for recycling)

- Hot dogs/spray cheese (for meds)
- Safe Paw ice melter (winter months only)
- Please note we no longer accept newspapers



2016 Membership Form - Humane Society of the Ohio Valley

Complete this form and mail it with your check made payable to HSOV to:
HSOV, 90 Mt. Tom Road, Marietta, Oh 45750

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

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All members receive the HSOV newsletter. The newsletter may also be viewed/printed from our website www.hsov.net

* membership must be paid by 1st Tuesday in September to vote at annual meeting or to be a candidate for HSOV Board of Directors.

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Sponsor's name will be displayed on a plaque at the shelter.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Thank You! HSOV respects your privacy and does not sell or share donor information.



The HSOV always welcomes an "in-memory" donation for the passing of a friend, relative, pet or a special gift for celebrating a birthday, anniversary or other occasion.

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Celebrating The Life Of "Muffin"

This sweet 16-year old kitty was surrendered by her owner on May 9, 2016. Our hearts sunk when we noted Muffin's age and wondered if anyone would be willing to adopt this senior lady ☺ A remarkable young woman saw Muffin's photos/story and promised she would give her a loving home. **"Muffin"** went home with JamAnn on July 16th and is being loved and spoiled ☺ ☺

We celebrate Muffin's life and the 354 HSOV kitties who were adopted/rescued from January-July 2016.



THANK YOU TO THESE BUSINESSES & INDIVIDUALS FOR SPONSORING DOG KENNELS/CAT TOWERS ☺

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Thank you to our HSOV Kennel Technicians and Humane Officers who take fantastic care of the dogs/cats in our shelter on a daily basis. These compassionate individuals are there for the animals 365 a year and give them the love, socialization, and extra TLC that they would give their very own pets. We often see posts on their personal facebook pages which include photos/videos of HSOV dogs/cats as they write their personal feelings about them in hopes they will find the homes they deserve. We express our appreciation and thanks to: **Misty Carpenter, Rennelle Casto, Brittany Daugherty, Brianna Deem, Steve Dickinson, Clyde Duffey, Todd Hallock, Ted Laskowski, Michelle Rudd, and Devon Stout.**