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Quincy Humane Society hosting annual meeting on Wednesday, March 20th at 6:30pm

Join us for our annual meeting on Wednesday, March 20th, at 6:30pm. We have invited Jane Holt, Paw Pals founder and board member, to speak to our community about Paw Pals. As many of you are aware, Paw Pals decided this year to cease operations. Jane will be discussing that decision, as well as how the void left by Paw Pals can be filled by other organizations in the community.

"No one can put a price on the bond between a pet and an owner." It was with this mantra in mind that Paw Pals was founded in 2001 in an effort to keep animals in homes despite financial difficulties. Paw Pals has contributed significant resources to our community, including a weekly pet food pantry that fed pets from over 250 families each month, emergency medical treatment and spay/neuter and vaccination services to hundreds unable to afford it, and supplies to help animals kept outside.

Additionally, the Quincy Humane Society will be discussing how our staff and volunteers can help fill the holes in animal welfare that will undoubtedly be left after Paw Pals officially closes its doors.

The annual meeting gives the shelter staff and board members the opportunity to reflect on our past year and plan for the upcoming year. With such major changes occurring with animal welfare organizations in our community, we'd love the opportunity for honest feedback from our friends and volunteers. Please make plans to join us!







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A Letter from the President ...

I have been acquainted with Jane Holt since the mid-1990s. Jane had recently left the board of directors as I came on, and was then working as Operations Director of the Quincy Humane Society. When Jane left to form Paw Pals, I offered my time to assist Jane with some of the work she was doing in the community. Jane and I have also responded to large scale emergency sheltering situations such as New Orleans and Joplin. And we've done more rescue efforts regionally as well. We've travelled together to animal welfare seminars and spent times both having fun and sharing our sorrows over the fate of animals. We've discussed ways we could improve the lives of animals, some that have been attained and some that remain dreams to accomplish in the future. Unfortunately, these will not be accomplished with Paw Pals. The community is losing a valuable resource with the closing of this organization. Yesterday, I called Jane as I received a complaint about some dogs that had no straw and the temperatures were frigid. She called me and left a message that she ran some over and was very familiar with the situation. Next winter there will be no one to call for these animals.

The Quincy Humane Society and Paw Pals have forged a great relationship and collaboration especially in the area of spay/neuter and wellness programs for pets. We have distributed excess resources for use by Paw Pals and the clients Jane serves. We will certainly need to fill some voids. Notably, we have identified the need for transportation for those who cannot get their animals here for appointments. Since the city has lost an animal control officer, we would like to increase trap, neuter, release efforts to curb the population of free roaming and feral cats. We could use dedicated volunteers to continue and expand these efforts.

While the Quincy Humane Society at present cannot pick up all the facets of Paw Pals, we feel that with the current volunteers and new ones we can recruit we hope to continue to keep the Paw Pals efforts for betterment of the lives of animals and their caregivers viable.

So we say thank you Jane for ten years of dedication to the underserved animals in our community. We wish you well and hope to see you around. She will continue to be a board member of the Quincy Humane Society Endowment and we have discussed our desire to continue to respond as needed to emergencies and volunteer her efforts in disaster situations.

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··· Shelter updates ···

QHS assists Humane Society of Missouri in horse cruelty case



Above, you can see one of the malnourished and neglected horses needing rescue. This picture in particular highlights the horse's visible ribs.

In September of 2012, the Humane Society of Missouri cruelty investigations department reached out to the Quincy Humane Society for immediate assistance with six horses. Two of the horses were malnourished and need of immediate placement with a person familiar with rehabilitation of nutritionally depleted horses. We posted a notice on our facebook page and within a few hours had a wonderful adopter for the two horses needing the most attention. The adopter had previously adopted a dog from the Quincy Humane Society and had a beautiful pasture and barn for them.

Thanks to a casual conversation with someone familiar with the Forget Me Not Horse Rescue and Sanctuary we were able to transfer four of the horses to their care. Transportation was provided for all six of the horses. Urgent situations like this rarely work as quickly and as smoothly as this one. The investigator on the case was pleased with the speed and the quality of the outcomes for these beautiful creatures.

Innovative product prevents bird strikes on windows

We've all heard it: that heartbreaking "thud" of a bird hitting our window. Did you know it is estimated that this happens somewhere between 100 million and one BILLION times each year in North America?! Did you also know that our cities present a largely ignored problem to migrating birds? At night, migrating birds collide with lighted window glass or are confused by building lights and circle these buildings until they drop, exhausted, onto one of the city streets below. The next morning, the survivors may either fall victim to urban scavengers or can't find their way out of the canyons of glass, concrete and steel. In confusion, some then collide with windows reflecting the urban landscape.

Here at the Quincy Humane Society, we've discovered a great new, inexpensive product that helps to prevent wild birds from accidently striking windows. *WindowAlert* is a decal that you apply directly onto your window. The decal is available in a variety of shapes and themes, and when

applied, it appears as frosted or etched glass. Each decal has a special coating that reflects ultraviolet sunlight. This ultraviolet light is invisible to humans, but birds see it as a brilliant glow – much like a stoplight.

Building owners and managers, companies who lease space in larger buildings and individual employees whose offices have exterior windows can take action to help prevent bird window collisions.

Tall buildings that use the "lights out" guidelines below may save thousands to even hundreds of thousands of dollars from their energy bill and significantly reduce their building's carbon footprint.

For tall buildings and buildings located on "migration corridors," like lake shores and near rivers, minimize or extinguish night lighting (lighting visible through exterior windows and exterior vanity lighting) between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. during the migration periods of mid-August through October and mid-March through May. You can

accomplish this by:

measures:

- Utilizing motion detectors to control lights when lighting is necessary.
- Scheduling night cleaning to reduce the amount of time lights are needed.
- Programming light timers to fit hours of operation and cleaning.
- Reducing perimeter lighting.
- Installing lower-intensity lighting.
- At night, move activities requiring light to interior rooms and use low-intensity task lighting like desk lamps.
 However, all businesses can prevent bird striking by taking the following
- Install CollidEscape, Bird Screens, WindowAlerts or other treatments on ground level windows, or use solar reflective blinds or curtains to reduce daytime collisions.
- Include "bird-friendly" building concepts when designing or remodeling a building.

If you'd like to purchase ultraviolet decals for your windows, check out www.windowalert.com.

Shelter Updates

Want to become a foster parent?

We are in the process of revamping our foster program. We plan on starting all our young puppies out in foster care for 10-14 days before they are available for adoption. All supplies are provided! Fostering provides love and socialization for puppies and gives them a safe, healthy place to hang out! If you are interested in helping us with these short term foster situations, please call Lindsey at 217-223-8786!



Congratulations to our shelter veterinarian, Dr. Jodi, who recently got married! Dr. Jodi has officially changed her last name—she is now Dr. Jodi Markle—although around here, we'll probably continue to call her Dr. Jodi!





•7:00pm-11:00pm

•\$75 per person includes hors d'eourves, 2 tickets for cocktails, and \$100 worth of gambling chips.

•Town and Country Inn and Suites

This cocktail event will feature Vegas style gaming tables, professional dealers and live music performed by the Horndogsl Attendees can choose from poker, black Jack, roulette, craps, and more. Spend your night gambling, dancing eating and drinking - all to benefit the **Quincy Humane Society!**

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For more information please contact Voluntr@adams.net or call 217-223-8786

··· Special Thanks ···



Special thanks to Sunset Home, who's employees hosted a holiday fundraiser. Geri Howard, Madeline McNally and Nikki Christ, left, chose to donate the proceeds to the Quincy Humane Society. Thank you to Sunset Home for their donation of over \$600!

Each year, the students of Mrs. Parrott's 6th grade class at St. Dominic School, below, choose to collect donations for the Quincy Humane Society. This year, the students brought TONS of donations for the shelter, and spent some time taking a tour and visiting with some animals. Thanks so much, Mrs. Parrott's class!

Special thanks to the employees of People's Prosperity Bank, below, who collected money and donations for us! Thanks so much!





Special thanks to Emma Davidson, right, and her classmates who collected supplies to donate to the animals. Thanks for all you do, Emma!



··· Mutt Strut ···





Mutt Strut 2012 was a *HOWLing* good time....but we are already gearing up for Mutt Strut 2013—TAILGATING! We are gathering ideas for prizes, games, contests and more! If you'd like to weigh in, comment on our facebook page!



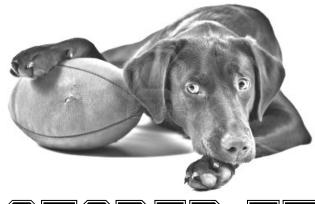






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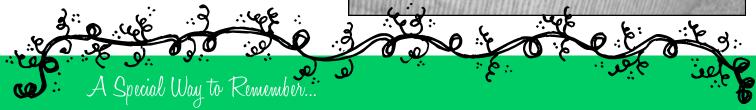
Murdoch is a great puppy! He rarely barks, which I find extremely odd for a beagle puppy. We also adopted Murdoch's sister, Lady (aka Journey, from the same litter as Murdoch) several months later. The first week it was slightly chaotic, because they played and were all over each other constantly. Although they still play quite a bit, we are no I longer having to separate them. Lady has a much different personality than Murdoch. She is starting to realize that when we leave, we are coming back, and we are not going to abandon her. Murdoch and Lady sure seem to enjoy each other's company and love to be outside together. I am so glad that we decided to make Lady part of our family as well!

-Laura Hulse

Harrison, who we have renamed Jonesy, is doing great! We mainly got him as a companion for our son, but Jonesy has become very special to all of us, truly a member of our family. After some initial adjustment on our part we haven't had any problems with potty or crate training, and he is doing well adjusting to our cats. Not sure the cats will ever be friendly with him though, but that is ok as long everyone minds their own business! Jonesy continues to be a little mouthy, and if given an opportunity he will occasionally try to chew on something inappropriate, but keeping plenty of toys at his level has mostly solved this issue.

Thank you! Sincerely, Steve and Heidi Woods





If you would like to remember a deceased family member, friend or pet you can send your gifts of condolence as a memorial to the Quincy Humane Society. Not only do these gifts help the many animals found at the Quincy Humane Society, but it also lets the family of the deceased know that they are remembered.

If you would like to make a donation in memory or in honor of a person or pet, please:

- Send your gift to PO Box 3173, Quincy IL 62305
- Enclose a note with your check including the name of the deceased, whether it is a person or a pet, and the name and address of the family to notify of your gift.
- The family will receive a card of acknowledgement. The amount of the gift remains confidential.



Thank you for remembering your friends and family in such a wonderful, generous way!

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"Smokey" Daugherty by

Jean Mitchell

"Fievel" Mitchell-Alexander by

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"Friday" Cather by

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"Angus" McElhoe by

Sheryl Entsminger

Brian, Heather & "Jill" Gustison

"Snickers" McGartland by

Jane Meginnes

"Jake" Mitchell-Alexander by

Jean Mitchell

"Skeeter" Jorgenson by

Sheila Morgan

"Chunk" Lanning by

Patty Lanning

"Georgie" Kater by

Dave & Ginny Kater

"Gus" Miller by

Kristopher Kutcher

"Riley" Biswell by

Kristopher Kutcher

"Giles" Kelley by

Sally Westerhoff

Kris Kutcher & Todd Shackelford

"Jackson" Keller by

James & Susan Keller

"Link" Saunders by

Kathy Herman

"Lady" Bale by

Hobson & Linda Bale

"Snowflake" Holtschlag by

Jona Holtschlag

"Sophie" "Waldo" & "Sally" by

Lavonne Klatt

"Becky" by

Joseph & Linda Huie

"Bella" by

Lindsey Niekamp

"Mollv" Fischer by

Michael & Michele Foster

In Honor of...

Sally Westerhoff by

Alice Morrill

Jennifer Davidson

Sue Allen By

Sandy Nachenberg

Vicki Huse by

Jennifer Davidson

Riddell Noble & Charles Rollins by

Richard Fischer & Kevin McFarland

Ken & Donna Fast by

Robin, Mike & "Sammy" Deangelis

Mary Ann Brink by

Lynne Trautvetter

Rose Burling's Birthday by

Friends

Phyllis Smith by Nancy Sparks

Doc Daugherty's Birthday by

Jean Mitchell

Mary Gates

Martha Danglade Kathleen Garlisch

Debbie Kinscherf by Nona Bauer

George Spear by

Rita & Azad Tayyab

Jennifer Davidson by

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Mary & Bill Fairbairn

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Demir & Vicki Saka by Rita & Azad Tayyab

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Martha Danglade by

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Fred Nothold by

Cathy & Jim Stebor

Meredith & Sam Scibilia

Janet Canavan by

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Gretchen Hollender

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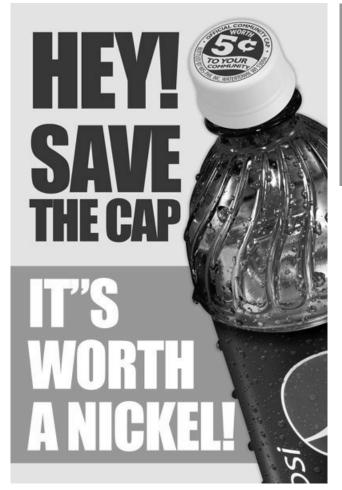


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