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Our Mission

The Allen County SPCA will promote the prevention of cruelty to animals by providing a safe haven for animals, an effective and comprehensive adoption program, education and outreach programs for the community and deep and broad membership and volunteer programs.

Growl at the Moon — Karaoke for a Cause

Our first Growl at the Moon karaoke fundraiser was a complete success! Over three-hundred and fifty people packed into the Grand Wayne Convention Center on October 15 to enjoy cocktails, a delicious dinner, an expansive silent auction with nearly 100 items, and yes, karaoke produced by Sweetwater Sound and David Shearer at Sure Shot.



Throughout the night we auctioned off multiple ways in which ticket-holders could back the Allen County SPCA. Thanks to the event, we have enough financial support to feed the dogs for a whole year, run two community vaccine clinics, spay/neuter the adoptable animals, facilitate adoptions, and much more. In total, we raised over \$48,000, and our shelter animals couldn't be happier!

But the highlight of the night came when we shared our needs for the Angel Fund. You may remember Janey, the dog that was left at the SPCA overnight only to free herself and get hit by a car. You probably also remember Ryder, the transfer from Muncie who had the worst case of mange we'd ever seen. Both of these dogs were lovingly brought back to full health thanks to our Angel Fund—and both were then adopted into forever homes. So imagine the joy when BOTH dogs took the stage as living examples of what this amazing program can do!! There were smiles, tears, and wagging tails all around!

We want to thank all of our incredible sponsors and supporters for helping to make Growl at the Moon the amazing event that it was. If we didn't see you there but you'd like to support any of our programs, we'd love to hear from you! And as always, we hope to see you March 4 at our next big fundraiser, Pawject Runway! Stay tuned ... more details will be coming!

The Allen County SPCA Gets a Makeover

While we have a rich heritage, we also know that we are continually evolving and have become a nonprofit force in northeastern Indiana. With adoptions up by 500% and increases in the services we provide, we've made some huge strides in the past few years. To best reflect this newfound direction and purpose, we are in the process of completely rebranding the Allen County SPCA!



We unveiled our new, streamlined logo (pictured here) at October's Growl at the Moon event, and our donors, staff, and supporters can't get enough. It's modern, simple, and powerful at the same time. In 2017, our new look will officially roll out on our website and in our print materials. Join us as we look to the future and push for even more adoptions and funding as we serve Fort Wayne's pets and pet owners!



Saturday, March 4, 2017

SAVE the DATE

Hotel Fort Wayne, Marquis Ballroom
 305 E. Washington Center Road,
 Fort Wayne, IN

Be a part of our exciting red carpet event showcasing the creative talents of local groomers competing for bragging rights and awards. Area groomers will transform their four-legged models into magnificent works of art and then walk the runway while judges tally the scores. Be a sponsor or a guest and mark your calendar to attend! It's a little bit of canine Hollywood, and it's all for a great cause.

Groomers, we invite you to showcase your ingenious artistry through your grooming skills. This event will be a great opportunity for you to create, style, and flaunt your talents while helping shelter pets find their fur-ever homes!

Ticket and sponsorship information will be posted to our website soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PETCO Community Outreach

Saturday, November 5, 2016
 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
 315 Coliseum Blvd.
 Fort Wayne, IN 46805

PetSmart (Apple Glen) Charities National Adoption Weekend

Saturday, November 12, 2016
 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM
 1760 Apple Glen Blvd.
 Fort Wayne, IN 46804

PETCO Community Outreach

Saturday, December 3, 2016
 11:00 M – 1:00 PM
 315 Coliseum Blvd.
 Fort Wayne, IN 46805

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Executive Director's Message

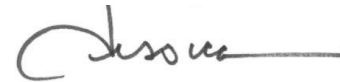
In last month's issue of Paw Prints, I hinted that we'd be making some big announcements at Growl at the Moon. If you were there, you saw it. We unveiled our brand-new logo! I want to thank the dedicated committee members who met for several months reviewing various designs and discussing the whole reason we're launching a new logo in the first place: rebranding.

Why rebrand now? Because we're doing so many wonderful things, and we're on the cusp of so much more. Gone are the days of simply being an adoption agency for homeless pets. Now, in addition to our phenomenal adoption program, we're offering critical assistance to pet owners in need via our Pet Promises program. And, frankly, I'm afraid people don't know what we do. In fact, I'm afraid some people don't even know who we are.

We're marking our 66th year in local animal welfare, but every day I encounter people who refer to us as the "ASPCA," not the Allen County SPCA. That might not seem like a big deal, but the ASPCA is located in New York City, and their focus is on national animal welfare matters such as disaster response. Though we have tremendous respect for them, we are not affiliated with them, nor do we receive financial support from them, except through grants for which we are eligible to apply. There are a number of folks donating to the ASPCA but presuming their support is staying here locally – it's not. In addition, we still encounter people who confuse our work with the work of our friends and colleagues at Fort Wayne Animal Care & Control. Though we work together as coalition members committed to solving local animal welfare issues, we are two separate organizations.

To tackle this, the board and I thought we should do some work to educate our community on who we are and what we do. Stay tuned in the weeks and months ahead, and you should see plenty more from us in the media and around town. We want people to know us, because the more friends we have, the more good we can do! How can you help? Ask a friend if they know about us. If they don't, tell them. And if you want to know more, call me! I'm all too happy to talk about the good work of the Allen County SPCA!

We are on the cusp of great stuff, and you can be a part of our life-saving work! In fact, if you read this article, you already are. Thank you!



Melissa Osborn — Pet Promises

The Hair of the D.O.G.

Diogi needed our help. His dad, Mike, had taken him to the vet multiple times due to an unknown allergy that causes Diogi to become very itchy and lose his fur. A few months ago, Mike lost his job, leaving him unable to afford to take Diogi to the vet for his seasonal steroid injection and exam. He had a little money, but the \$200 vet visit was going to be more than he could afford. Feeling helpless, he reached out to Pet Promises. When the conversation started, the stress in Mike's voice was apparent. He wasn't sure when he would be going back to work or what the best thing for his sidekick was. He even mentioned that finding Diogi a "better owner" might be in his best interest. Seeing the way Diogi looked at his dad, I knew rehoming Diogi was not what was in his, or his dad's, best interest.

We set up a Pet Promises appointment at Allen Veterinary Hospital for Diogi (and his dad) to get the help they deserved. It was hard to not love Diogi instantly. He's very social and friendly, and despite his balding, uncomfortable-looking body he is a very happy dog. He's 8-years-old, neutered, current on vaccines and microchipped. Mike fell in love with his boy just as instantly seven years ago when he showed up in his yard as a stray. Dr. Rademaker determined that Diogi has a very severe allergy to fleas. Even just a couple of fleas on his body could cause him to look the way he looked that day. Keeping him on flea preventative for the rest of his life is imperative. Dr. Rademaker sent Diogi home with a couple of prescriptions, and Pet Promises was able to give him a year's worth of flea preventative. The bill at the vet that day did not cost Mike \$200. Dr. Rad discounted the total by 1/3, The Allen County SPCA's Pet Promises program paid 1/3 and Mike paid 1/3. At the end of the day, Diogi returned to the only home he's ever known with an owner who loves him very much ... and our generous donors, and a veterinarian who believes in this program, made it possible to keep that precious human-animal bond intact. It's a special thing to watch an owner love their pet, and it feels downright incredible when you are able to help them do that. Diogi, Mike, and I thank you from the bottom, top and all sides of our hearts for making this possible.



Diogi before



Diogi after

Memorials and Tributes

We acknowledge those who recently passed and remembered the Allen County SPCA in their memorials. We thank their friends and family who honored their memory with a donation to the Allen County SPCA. Their dedication to our mission is the foundation for our work here. Below are those we have received in the month of September.

In Loving Memory Of... A memorial donation was made in honor of the following:

Nancy Alberding

Nanette Lawler
Brian and Sherry Puglise
John Centlivre
Norma Hoffman

Matthew & Christina Schoeff
Cecile Charais
Damian and Jenny Gosheff
C&A Tool Engineering

Loraine Bickford
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Beth Firestine
George and Marie Hagerman

Mildred Webb

Bruce and Kathryn White
Carolyn Hein
Steven and Jeanne Cox

Haley Wetherill

Marion-Clairmont Family Fund

Neil Winebrenner

Douglas and Suzan Sanders
Carla Gappinger
Alden and Karen Myers
Jean Moore

In Loving Memory Of Our Pets ... Celebrating the love and happiness our pets brought to our lives through memorials in their names.

Waffle, beloved pet of Ardy and Joanne Boehme
Judith Maxwell

Fluffy, beloved dog of Mark and Mary Hardy
Frank and Nancy Hudson

Bailey and Sophie, beloved pets
Vivian Hernandez

Lacey, beloved pet of Ron VonGuten
Charlotte Heaston

Bijou Bonny, beloved bunny
Mike and Susie Fox

Cass Lillith, beloved pet
Robert and Rhonda Jetmore

Dirk Watson, beloved cat of the Watson Family
Rochele Watson

Tribute In Honor Of ... A donation was made in the names of those in bold by their friends listed below them.

Neil and Sharon Wissman's Marriage
Rob and Nicole Hines

Sunny's 1st birthday
Carolyn Rothermel

Cyan Miller's Birthday
Casey Claypool

Scarlett, beloved dog
Marion-Clairmont Family Fund

Introducing our new Volunteer Coordinator

Our volunteers really make this place hum, and so we're thrilled to bring on board a new Volunteer Coordinator to help wrangle schedules and coordinate volunteer projects. Meet Dani Wagner! Dani grew up in Columbia City, but after going to school for art she moved out to Los Angeles to work in the entertainment industry.

Ready to return to the Midwest, she moved back to Fort Wayne recently with her husband, John, who is from Chicago. She has a cocker spaniel/weiner dog mix named Rilo, and when it comes to her role at the SPCA, she's looking forward to working with the volunteers, getting to know everyone, and petting lots and lots of animals.



WISH LIST

Our center is always on the lookout for supplies that will help keep our dogs and cats healthy, safe and happy. From food to toys, we welcome a number of items that will give our fur friends a comfortable lifestyle.

Cat & Dog Needs

- Non-clumping kitty litter
- Box lids from copy paper cases (for cat litter)
- Heavy weight paper bowls for medication
- Egg cartons
- Martingale-style collars (medium & large sizes)
- Kennel sipleads
- Stainless steel pet pails
- Made in the USA rawhide chews
- Kuranda dog beds
- Kuranda Vinyl cat perches
- Screw on cage food & water bowls
- Disposable cat scratchers
- Covered cat play houses (no carpeting)
- Kitty condos
- Kitty Kongs

Our Cat & Dog Food

- Science Diet Sensitive Stomach & Skin (cats & dogs)
- Science Diet Puppy Healthy Growth
- Science Diet Kitten Food
- Science Diet canned kitten & adult cat food

For Our Community Pet Food Donation Program

- Dog and Cat food, dry or canned

Donations may be dropped off at 4914 S. Hanna Street, Fort Wayne, IN during our regular business hours:

Tuesday-Fri day 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday/Sunday Noon - 4:00 p.m.

For a complete list, visit our website.

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Thank You!

OUR STAFF

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Tiana Giannini, Brandi Jacobs, Mandi Swygart,

Alli Miller, Jordan Schmel and Cathi Tucker.

To Adopt (ext 202)

To Volunteer (ext 204)

COMPANIES THAT CARE

We want to recognize and thank a few companies that have recently helped our nonprofit shelter:

- **Swiss Re**
- **Sweetwater Sound**
- **Bob Rohrman Subaru**
- **Longe Optical**
- **BIGGS Gutter Cleaning**

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