



Paws for thought ...

Membership 2008 • For friends of the Highland Animal Shelter

Happy Tails ... “Benny”

See that handsome black dog with the grayish muzzle? That’s me Benny!

At the tender age of 13, I was adopted from the Highland Animal Shelter. Yes that’s right, I had been waiting at the Shelter since 1997. Thank goodness the Shelter volunteers had faith that one day the right family would come for me. I’m thrilled to tell you all the exciting things I’ve been experiencing with my new family. I now have two canine “siblings” who I just adore, Owen & Ally. Owen and I love to wrestle, and Ally has taught me how to beg for treats! Me and my two BFF’s (*best friends forever*) spend our mornings lounging on the deck watching birds and squirrels ... then we check out the pond to say hello to the ducks and toads. Before long, it’s bedtime (my favorite time of day!) With a snuggle bed in every bedroom, I get to choose who I want to sleep with!

I often think of my canine bud’s at the Shelter. As I burrow down for the night, I say a prayer they’ll be adopted by a family just like mine. If you are looking to adopt a companion **PLEASE** consider my senior Shelter buddies like Max, Frosty, Dexter and Mr. Beagle. They too have been waiting a long time for forever homes. I will never forget what the volunteers at the Highland Animal Shelter did for me. Please continue your support of the Shelter ... it was my home for many years and without your support, I would not be where I am today!

PS ... we are deeply grateful to PetsMart (O’Fallon, IL location) for the adoption opportunities they provide our Shelter. We are humbled by the generosity, public awareness and adoption efforts they diligently support on behalf of the homeless dogs & cats in our community. Thank You to PetsMart!

Raise Shelter \$\$\$ thru eBay

Who doesn’t love eBay?

Now you can support the Highland Animal Shelter, by selling on eBay! We have been approved through MissionFish, so you can list an item on eBay and have the proceeds benefit the Shelter. Just list your items with eBay Giving Works - the easiest way to sell certified charity items on eBay. It’s safe and easy.

How to get started:

1) Register for an eBay account 2) Register as a MissionFish nonprofit, if you haven’t done so already 3) Add your eBay Seller ID as a Nonprofit Direct Seller in your Nonprofit My MissionFish account 4) Create your MissionFish seller account



Kapua

The Shelter gets a Facelift !

We've been busy as bees the last several months, with many improvements being made on behalf of the Shelter pets. As pictured at left, a major project was completed in renovating the kennel walls for the dogs ... both inside & out. The original steel panels had begun to deteriorate to the point of rusting, and developing holes ... causing problems with the dogs' paws getting injured. **Thanks to you, our members** and the combined efforts of **many** businesses & individuals (*too many names to mention in the space we have!*) we were able to remove the old metal panels, and rebuild the walls with stone blocks. **June's Pet Resort** was invaluable during the renovation, in allowing us to board the dogs during the project. The permanent new walls are completely safe for the dogs, and much easier to clean for the volunteers! Special thanks also to **Kevin Brown**, for tackling the fence project --- the outside play areas have been divided with additional fencing, allowing more of the dogs to go outside and play at a time. The **Boy Scouts** also lent a helping hand over the spring, by tackling the peeling paint on the ceiling ... the old paint has been scraped, and the ceilings have a bright, fresh coat of paint. **Jeff Juwer** has spent much time repainting the interior walls of the shelter, giving it a whole new look! And **Roger Thien** donated some time to seal the outside of the Shelter office, to protect it from the weather.

Many other improvements have been made, and as a result ... we passed our State Inspection with flying colors!

Please stop by to see the great improvements, and definitely visit the animals at our Open House on Oct. 4th!

Seniors for Seniors !

Purina has recommitted itself to assisting senior citizens in our community with adopting a mature pet as part of the Purina Pets for People Program. Purina will donate \$50 to help cover the cost of an adult cat or adult dog adoption fee for each qualifying senior.

Please contact us at (618) 654-6067 or (618) 225-9472 if you would like to meet some of our senior pets! You can also view the many dogs & cats available for adoption on our website: highland.petfinder.org

Why adopt a Senior Dog ?

- Many older dogs have already experienced car rides and walking on leash, so they're instant companions!
- Older dogs settle in easily and are ready and willing to bond with you and your family.
- What you see is what you get with older dogs. They've already grown into their personalities.
- An older dog probably won't need a great deal of exercise, and will really appreciate quality time with you and a good nap.
- Old dogs can absolutely learn new tricks!
- Older dogs are looking for human companions who will value their wisdom and their slow pace. They have their very own special appeal.



After



Before



After



Before



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Frosty

2008 Spring Raffle Success = “new” Van!

Thank you for your participation in our Spring Raffle - we congratulate our winners on behalf of the Shelter pets, and thank you for your support of this successful fundraiser stay tuned for details on our Fall 08 Raffle!

- Ruebel Hotel Pkg.: Rosemarie Wilkes
- Cardinal Baseball Tickets: Clint Oller
- Movie/Book Basket: Minnie Lager
- \$100 Gas Card: Chris Schoentag
- Cardinal Jacket: Marilyn Miederhoff
- \$50 Walmart Card: Steve Creek
- \$50 Olive Garden Gift Card: Maryellen Stakenas
- \$50 Lowes Gift Card: D. Bryan & Charlene Bashore
- \$50 Michael’s Certificate: Nailah Collins
- \$50 D.P. Golf Gift Card: Wallie McCraw
- \$55 June’s Pet Resort Certificate: Deb Workman
- \$50 Target Gift Card: Alex Wuellner
- \$26 Panera Gift Card: Geri Stallman
- \$25 Hallmark Gift Card: Mary Frick

The Shelter was able to purchase a “new” used cargo van with the money raised from the 2008 Spring Raffle (pictured at left, with our “Mascot Josie”). This van will enable us to take more animals to adoption events and to carry most (or all) of our supplies. We also still have the Astro van to use as well. When taking our animals to adoption events we have been limited on the number of animals we are able to bring ... the purchase of the extended van will be such a great asset to the Shelter!

Did you Know

The average cat uses **160 pounds of kitty litter** per year ? Needless to say, we are always in desperate need of litter either clumping or clay!

PetSmart Charities has a flower club ? You can order **flowers** online, and 10% of each order placed will benefit homeless animals.

You can donate your **recycled aluminum** proceeds to the Highland Animal Shelter, by bringing your cans to the Highland Recycling Center?

Why adopt a Senior Cat ?

- They will value a slow-pace lifestyle!
- They are always housebroken ... using the litter box is natural!
- They don’t have to be walked!
- They are low maintenance ... they can nap up to 22 hours per day!

Your purrfect companion is waiting for a “forever” home at the Highland Animal Shelter. Please stop by to meet Davy, and the many senior cats who are waiting patiently to find the 2nd chance they deserve.

Davy



The freshly-painted cat playroom, viewed from the front cat room.

Website is Re-designed!

Please visit our recently redesigned website! Special thanks to Leslie Dippel for her extra efforts on this project, and to keep our website current.

highland.petfinder.org





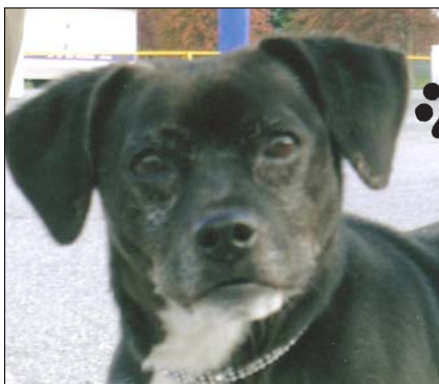
Winnie



Jake

Macy's Metro St. Louis is Now Part of eScrip Program!

1. Pick up your card at Schnucks.
2. Activate card by calling 1-800-931-6258.
3. Swipe registered card w/each purchase at Schnucks (or Macy's.) Up to 3% of monthly purchases will automatically be contributed to H.A.S.



Pookie

Adopt-A-Thon at PetsMart

Sat. & Sun., Sept. 13 & 14, 2008 • PetsMart • O'Fallon, IL

This is a multi shelter/organization Adopt-a-Thon to help promote the adoption of rescued and abandoned animals from the Metro area. Adoptions will be available on site for anyone looking for that special addition to their family. There will be approx. 100+ animals, waiting for you to come out and meet them. There are also special attractions planned for the event ... Details to come!

Paw-B-Que

Sat., September 20, 2008 • Tru-buy Parking Lot • Highland, IL

Give your "paws" a rest and have a whisker lickin' hamburger, hotdog, bratwurst or pulled chicken sandwich for lunch. To get your tail really wagging chips, cole slaw and soda will also be available for purchase.

Open House & Plant Sale

Sat., October 4, 2008 • at the Shelter • Highland, IL

Highland Antique Show

Sat. & Sun., October 11 & 12, 2008 • Lindendale Expo Bldg. • Highland, IL
Early Bird Preview & Sale to Benefit H.A.S. - Sat. 9am -10am

Triad Craft Fair

Sat. and Sun., October 25 & 26, 2008 • Triad High School • Troy, IL

Fall Trivia Night

Sat., November 22, 2008 • KC Hall, Old Collinsville Rd. • F. Heights, IL

Holiday Raffle '08

Nov. — Dec., 2008 • 100% of proceeds benefit the Shelter animals

Holiday Silent Auction

Nov. — Dec., 2008 • US Bank Lobby • Highland, IL

Just in time for the Holiday Season, we will hold our 2nd annual Holiday Silent Auction. The silent auction will be set up in the lobby of the US Bank located on Broadway, and will run from late November through Friday, Dec. 19, 2008. A nice variety of items will be available to bid on ... great for holiday gift giving!

Pet Photos with Santa

Dates t.b.a. • PetsMart • O'Fallon, IL

Scotch Doubles '09

Sat., January 24, 2009 • 7:00 pm • Hi Top Bowl • Highland, IL

*\$20 per couple for 3 Games (Incl. ball, shoe rental, snacks, attendance prizes)
Children bowlers are welcome!*

FOR MORE FUNDRAISER INFO:

Email - dogpaws21@charter.net or blackycats@sbcglobal.net

Phone - Christy @ 977-0072 or Leslie @ 791-0406

Adoption request from Pookie ...

My name is Pookie. I am a 7yr. old beagle mix and I live at the Highland Animal Shelter. As you all know we have an Adopt-A-Thon listed on your schedule Sept 13-14th. I would like to invite you to come and meet all of my furry friends. Our caretakers are very excited about the adoption event I may even get my hair cut and nails trimmed! This event is very important to all my four legged friends, some have been at the shelter since 1996. Well, I have to go ... it is my turn to play in the yard!

A very excited and tail wagging, Pookie

HONORARIUMS

June Blaine, in honor of her Birthday
Leslie Dippel

Sharon Cornell, & her beloved dog "Willie" Happy Birthday Sharon!
Ellen Geil

Leta Dippel, Merry Christmas & Happy Holidays 2007!
Leslie Dippel

Dr. Gary Gass, in honor of his Retirement ... Thanks for all your years of loving care to all animals, large and small.
John Zuk

Thomas Hill, in honor of his 60th Birthday!
Mike & Dee Kapilla

In Honor of **Sharon Hurt**
Judy Feltz

Paul Jacob, in honor of his 80th Birthday
Paul Jacob

In Honor of **Shirley Mainridge**
Fischer and Frichtel Homes

Sandy Poelker, in honor of her Birthday and Merry Christmas 2007!
Geri Stallman

In Appreciation of the Kindness of **Marty Ringering**
Dorothy Haberer

The Scharf Family
A Holiday Donation from
Lori Singleton & Lesley Chaney + Susie & Sabrena

Fred Singleton, in celebration of his Birthday
Irene Singleton

Dr. Fred W. Singleton
A Holiday Donation from
Lori Singleton & Lesley Chaney + Susie & Sabrena

Irene Singleton & her new adoptee, "Tiny"
Lori, Lesley, Erin & Rebecca ...and the four-footeds "Susie" & "Sabrina"

Geri Stallman, in honor of her Birthday & Christmas
Sandy & Tom Poelker

In Gratitude of **Gary and Tina Thien**
from Annie "the beagle" Thien

Joe Tragesser, in appreciation of his devotion to the Shelter pets
Deena Dailey

Marilyn Warren, in honor of her Birthday
Sandy Poelker

Bill & Shirley Weist • Brenda Weist
The Schauber/Gerstenecker Family • Henry & Larry Rueter
In honor of our friends, and for our four-legged friends at H.A.S.
Merry Christmas!
Bob & Carol Weist

Bob & Carol Weist, A Christmas Gift!
Billy & Shirley Weist



PET MEMORIALS

*This issue is donated
in Loving Memory
of Brisk -
Beloved H.A.S. Cat
We shall meet again
at the Rainbow Bridge...*



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person/pet being honored,
or family of person/pet being
memorialized.

You can download a donation form from
our website:
highland.petfinder.org

This is a wonderful way to help the
homeless animals in our care, and
remember those dear to your heart.

PET MEMORIALS

Annie, *Beloved dog of
Paula Williams
Joan Napier*

Barney & Fred
*Canine children of
Jeff & Lynn Haas*

**Bogey • Hope • Toby • Francis •
Cupcake • Mozart**
*Beloved H.A.S. Dogs
Lynn Haas*

Bogey • Toby • Francis
*Beloved H.A.S. Dogs
Leslie Dippel*

Boo Boo, *my beloved cat (13y)*
& **Bingo**, *my neighbor dog (14y)*
Grace Korte

Buckets, *beloved dog of
Carol Michael
John Duft & June Blaine*

Buster, *beloved pet of
Matt & Candace Detmer
Joyce Detmer*

Buttons
Grace Korte

Combo & Stache
*Beloved pets of Deena Dailey
Deena Dailey
Lydia Dailey Hicks*

Comet, *our beloved dog, the
best Golden adopted from
the Shelter!*
Darrell & Sandy Coons

Daisy Mae, *Beloved dog
of Dan and Linda Kutzgar
Joan Napier*

Destiny, *Beloved Cocker Spaniel
of the David Henderson family
Steve & Diane Henderson
David, Joy & Sabene Henderson
Richard & Elizabeth Wiese*

Fritzie, *Beloved pet of
Jeannette Hurley
Mr. & Mrs. Jon Zinkgraf*

In memory of our precious
Gracie
Mark & Nancy Tebbe

Jacy, *Beloved dog of
Marc & Kathy Karnell
Bette Ward*

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HONORARIUMS

Harold Wright, *in honor of his Birthday*
Alan, Sandy and Nathan Wright

Ruth Zobrist, *in celebration of her Retirement*
Barb Schauster • Ron & Karla Smith

MEMORIALS

Adelaide Atchinson
Del & Dick Beckman

Dorothy M. Bargetzi
Brett Gustin • Jacki Gorman • Harold & Judy Miller • Lee & Lori Gustin
Helen Hundsdorfer, Ellen Gelly & Gladys Bargetzi • Louise Green • Jeanette Hammel

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Jack Milligan • Karen Kunz

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Leta E. Plocher
Oscar & Mary Hug

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PET MEMORIALS

In memory of my beloved friend

Jerry
Sally Steiner

Lacey, *Beloved dog
of Dan and Bunny Korte*
Joan Napier

Mikie, *Beloved dog of Ron, Deb,
Stefanie, Stacy & Ryan Pratt*
We love & miss you very much

Miss Boo • Gramps • Elvira
Beloved H.A.S. Cats
Lynn Haas

**Miss Boo • Velvet • Basil
Cascade • Rascel • Simba
Gramps • Tipster • Amelia**
Beloved H.A.S. Cats
Leslie Dippel

Molly, *Beloved canine
member of the Ankrom family*
Lynn Haas
Sandy Poelker

PJ, *Beloved pet of
Keith & Brenda Korte*
Mark & Nancy Tebbe

Pepper, *Beloved cat
of the Mainridge Family*
Joan Napier

Shadow, *loving canine member
of the Denton Family*
Alan, Sandy & Nathan Wright

Sheba, *Beloved friend to
Sandy Poelker*
Joan Napier
Leslie Dippel
Geri Stallman

Sheba, *Beloved kitty of
Mark & Barb Schauster*
Karla Smith

Sugar, Lucy & Lizzie
*Beloved members of the
Musso Family*
Frank and Teri Musso

Toby, *Beloved H.A.S. Dog*
Dixie and Dale Morlen

Whitney, *Beloved dog of
Glenn Beckmann & Family*
Wanda M. Weder

Woody, *Beloved dog of
Dan & Susan White*
John Duft & June Blaine

Whitney, *beloved dog of Peggy Webb*
The Wright Family

Zorro, *my beloved cat*
Pat Krupp

MEMORIALS

Eloise Postlethwait
Brian and Sam Ankrom • Lowell & Pat Postlethwait

Kathleen E. Razek
Jim & Joan Koehler • Barbara Stallard

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Oscar & Mary Sue Hug

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Joan Napier

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Sandra Wendler
Illinois Dept. of Transportation, Danney & Sheila Hayden,
and the Maryville Knights of Columbus

Jenny Winkeler
Joan Napier

Shirley Wolz
Floyd Wolz • Don & Sharon Koenig & Family

Alice Ziener & her beloved dogs, Shelka & Freckles
Cheryl Taylor • Faith Eck • Lorraine Burton • Dorothy & Fred LePere
Mildred Schaefer • Tim & Pam Jordan • Ruth & Bill Schroeder •
Lawrence & Linda Walcheck • Frank Ziener

Alice Ziener *In memory of Mom and her last best friend "Freckles"*
Robert Ziener

*It is our sincerest effort to list all memorials & honorariums correctly.
Should there be any errors or omissions, please contact Christy at
(618) 977-0072 or at blackycats@sbcglobal.net.*

Membership Newsletter Enclosed!



Colleen



Frankie

Think about how it would feel to be homeless.

Then, think about how it would feel to be homeless as a senior citizen.

Or, even more to the point, think about how it would feel to be a homeless senior citizen living in a kennel.

Pets require the same sense of belonging and need for love that humans do.

The older dogs & cats that come to us have found themselves without home and family because their human companions couldn't or didn't want to keep them, or worse yet ... dumped them.

Life as they knew it forever changed.

You can change that! If you have room in your home and heart for an older pet, please consider adopting one of our Senior Shelter Pets!



Dexter

YOUR GIFT will immediately help the Shelter animals

\$5 \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 \$ Other _____

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Address _____

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Phone _____ Cell _____

Please Email Shelter News to me at: (E-mail address) _____

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