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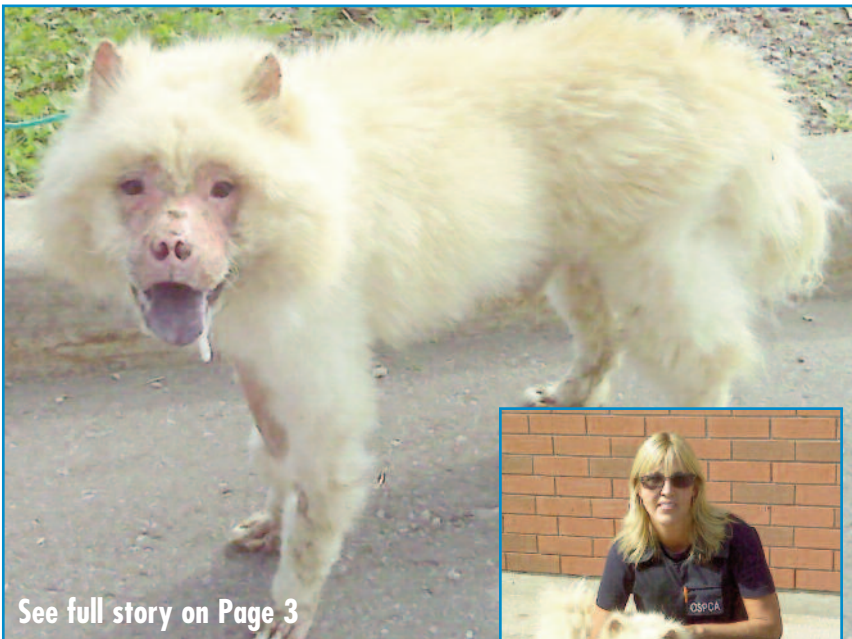


The Humane Society of Durham Region Newsletter Sept Oct Nov 09



PHOENIX UPDATE

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to everyone who has supported Phoenix, the wagging of his tail sends a thousand sincere thanks.



See full story on Page 3



Phoenix with Humane Society Investigations Officer Debby

Wednesday, September 9th, 2009 - Phoenix was feeling well enough to go into his foster home. The foster parents met Ruby and Debby at the vet clinic at 10 am. They spoke at length with the clinic staff about his needs and were given instructions about his medications and food. We received our first update in the afternoon and were informed that he had marked every blade of grass in the yard before proceeding to have a nap on the bed with one of the foster parents. He is fitting in very well and they love him to pieces. His next veterinary checkup is September 17th.

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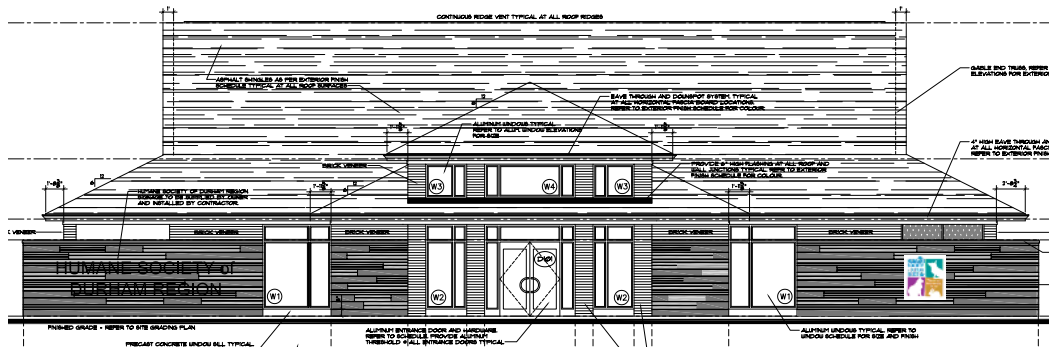
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PHOENIX RISING - SHELTER UPDATE

Our architect Peter Archer has submitted his drawings for our shelter. It is based on the concept of the Midland Shelter, which he also designed. It was wonderful to visit their shelter and envision our future home. Everything will be geared to better air exchange and filtration to keep down illnesses, lots of natural light, improved accommodations for the animals, up to date building materials for the floors and walls to make for ease of cleaning, a separate area for staff to have their breaks, a large laundry room, 15 dog runs, each with its own window to the outside as well as outdoor runs. Separate cat rooms and cages as well as a communal cat area. Three enclosed outdoor cat play areas, a separate tub and shower area for the animals – all in a beautiful, welcoming new building. It is certainly very exciting. We hope to incorporate “green” initiatives if possible i.e geothermal and solar water heating.

Further costs we have incurred include \$8 834.12 as a first payment to Peter Archer and Associates Architect for the design and outlay of our future shelter. This brings our current costs to \$460 552.63 as of August 24, 2009.



Can We Send Your newsletter by email?

Each newsletter costs us \$3.00 to print and mail even with all the preparation done by volunteers and staff.

We can now provide this to you at no extra cost! Your email address will be kept confidential.



Please Note

All articles that appear in Paw Prints do not necessarily represent the thoughts and views of the Humane Society Of Durham Region



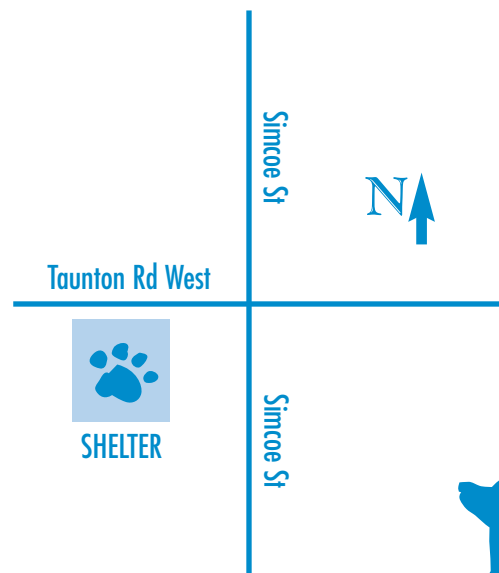
Our Temporary Location

Address

79 Taunton Road West,
Unit 1,
Oshawa, L1G 7B4
(905) 433-2022

Shelter Hours

Mon : 11am - 6pm
Tues : 11am - 5pm
Wed : 11am - 6pm
Thurs : 11am - 5pm
Fri : 11am - 5pm
Sat & Sun: 10am - 4pm



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HONOURING OUR INSPECTOR



Debby Houghton, our inspector, had received an award of recognition from Crime Stoppers for her work and valiant efforts to protect the animals in our community. Congratulations Debby We are proud of you!

Wish List

- Gas Cards
- Large Garbage Bins on Wheels
- Large White Boards and Cork Boards
- Dog or Cat Encyclopedias
- Batteries AA, AAA - 9V
- Large and Medium Rain Coats
- File Folders
- Photocopy Paper
- Note Books
- Pens, Pencils, Tape, Liquid Paper
- Label stickers
- Kitten Formula "KMR"
- Kitten baby Bottles
- Dog Muzzles S-M-L
- Dog Coats S-M-L-XL
- Cat and Dog leashes, collars, choke chains and harness
- Cat And Dog toys
- Small Metal Litter Boxes
- Small metal food and water bowls
- Non-Clumping Cat Litter
- Yesterdays News Litter
- Cat Beds
- Cat Trees
- Lysol Spray or Wipes
- Large Garbage Bags
- Laundry Soap
- Dish Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Pine sol
- Bleach
- Industrial Mop Buckets and Mops
- Brooms and Dust Pans
- Spray Bottles
- First Aid Kits
- Strong, durable ladder
- Pine Shavings
- Aspen Shavings

PHOENIX'S STORY

A badly neglected Chow was found in a couple's yard in Courtice. Somehow he made his way there and they notified the authorities. We placed him under veterinary care, not knowing if he could ever survive. His condition was deplorable. Open skin lesions, severely malnourished, toenails overgrown and curled under, all fur missing from his face, paws, lower legs and abdomen... a tragedy. We offered a reward to help find the person responsible for this despicable treatment but unfortunately no results yet. Within a week of veterinary care, Phoenix responded to the love and care he was receiving. His tail wags, he likes to sit in the sunshine, his exposed skin is turning pink, his coat improved and he loves to eat and even lets out a little bark for treats. People from Canada and the United States have responded to his plight.

Unfortunately our worst fears were confirmed when Debby and Ruby took him for consultation with an Oncologist (cancer specialist) at Guelph. He has an inoperable form of cancer at the back of his tongue. His immune system is such that he couldn't withstand chemotherapy. We have decided with the veterinarian's guidance to treat Phoenix palliatively. At the current time, he is happy and pain free. He will live out his life, be it weeks or months, in a loving foster home with regular vet care. When his life is no longer comfortable, we will gently put this little soul to sleep, knowing love to his last breath.

SHELTER NUMBERS

Its summer and our numbers of animals are incredibly high again. We have no more room. There are no more cages and there is no more space. We simply cannot take in any more for the time being until we have a large number of adoptions. Our staff and volunteers are maxed out on fostering bottle-fed kittens one and two days old every two to three hours, twenty four hours a day.

We have 104 cats and kittens in the shelter, 42 cats and kittens in foster care, 12 dogs and puppies in foster care, 4 dogs in kennels, 1 dog in the shelter, 5 rabbits, 1 gerbil, 2 hamsters, 6 guinea pigs and numerous rats. Two kittens are available for adoption at the Courtice Pet Valu and 4 cats at Pet Valu Plus Pets in Bowmanville. Since PetCetera went bankrupt (owing us a large amount of money from adoptions by the way), we have even less space to house and adopt our animals. Our animals are beautiful, please think of us if you or a friend are looking to adopt.



Visit us online at: www.humanedurham.com



WEDDING CARDS

Instead of giving out favours or small gifts to the guests, why not consider a donation to the Humane Society of Durham Region instead.

One of our members, Sharon Zinner has designed beautiful cards that in place of a wedding favour, a donation has been made to the shelter. Each card is professionally hand made and they are really lovely with a small cut out paw in the corner and soft blue ribbon across the tent card. Or we have a flat card, again with a white card on blue background. If anyone is interested in more information, please call Karin at 905-433-2022.



BUY A BRICK!

For \$100, you can buy a brick for the new shelter. Buy a brick for a pet, in memory of a loved one, an individual, a classroom etc. Simply fill out the form below and it will be displayed in some amazing manner in the new shelter.

We will still be continuing with our Gift of Life and Project Duke donations. Also, we are gratefully accepting larger corporate, group or individual donations as well. We are currently designing new displays to showcase our donors.

BUY A BRICK!

Number of Bricks _____ Each Brick \$100

Inscription (10 words or less please)

Payment by Cheque or Visa is gratefully accepted:

Please make cheque to HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION

And mail or drop off to:

79 Taunton Road West, Unit 1, Oshawa, L1G 7B4

(905) 433-2022

VISA Card Number: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Charitable Business # 13256 2984 RR0001





HAPPY ENDINGS



14 years ago this month, my husband and I adopted a 2 1/2 year old shepherd/collie (and most definitely husky) cross from you and on this anniversary, I just have to share our story with you. Nikki had been left with you because her owners were moving into an apartment. At the time, the woman helping us said that Nikki, who was very shy and a bit skittish, would be our friend for life once she settled in. Well, 14 years later Nikki is still with us and most certainly is a steadfast companion -- one of her nicknames is "Shadow", not because she is dark but because wherever I go, Nikki follows.

Nikki is 16 years 8 months old. Her hiking and running days may be over and she is no longer the terror of small rodents, but she still enjoys sniffing around the woodpile and under bushes.

Thank you for taking Nikki in all those years ago and letting us take her home.

Alison C



SPARKY IN HIS NEW HOME



Just a quick update on "Oddball"..whom I'm calling "Misterman"..and he seems to be ok with that..

I absolutely love this guy....

No squawking on the ride home..got him in here..opened the cage..he came right out and started walking around like he owned the place.

Poking his head in every nook and cranny..even jumped in the bathtub and stood on the toilet to check out the sink.

He loves the window sills, and I have a nice wide shelf on the window ledge in my room so he can stretch out.

He loves that cat grass...and he's eating and drinking just fine...and seems very healthy.

He loves me fussing over him and scratching him, and purrs like a trooper..he even already jumps up on my kitchen table when I say.."Where's the brush..do ya want the brush?" and will let me brush him for quite a long time.

He does have some matted knots under his chin, but I'm just going to leave that for now..we'll get around to that..maybe even a bath...although I don't think I've ever bathed my cats..he seems to like the tub..so we shall see..all in good time.

He slept on my bed last night..right at the foot..the whole night.

He is just the best...I don't think I could have picked a more gentle and sweet guy..

I guess we'll see you in a few weeks for his shot..

Please see some pictures attached.

See ya soon,
Jackie C





UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS!

MEDIA EVENTS

**Watch for media events in early October as we kickoff our major fundraising campaign for the new building!
"Phoenix Rising"**

COUNTRY DANCE

**Legion Hall on 471 Simcoe St S in Oshawa on
Saturday, October 17, 2009.**

Tickets are \$15.00 for tickets please call 905 655 3090

PET PICS WITH SANTA

**at Vandermeer Nursery on November 28 and 29,
December 5 and 6 and December 12 and 13.**

More info to follow, please check our website for updates.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON UPCOMING FUNDRAISING EVENTS

There are many great events happening please check out our website regularly!

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You're sure to find something to be a part of.



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SHELTER NEWS



FUNDRAISING COMMERCIAL SOON TO AIR ON TV!

Canadian actor Art Hindle graciously volunteered his time to shoot a fundraising commercial just for us! The commercial will soon air on local TV stations. A huge THANK-YOU goes out to Art Hindle, Thomas Gofton and Synn Studios, for volunteering their filming and editing skills to help our cause.



Left to right: Joanne Howard - HSDR Volunteer, Art Hindel, Karin Martens - HSDR Board President, Ruby Richards - HSDR Shelter Manager

HUMANE EDUCATION

For information or to speak with someone about our Humane Education Programme, please contact Ruby at 905 433-2022 ext 4



FOSTER HOMES NEEDED

We need foster parents now more than ever because of our lack of space to house animals. Cats, cats with kittens, occasional dogs...our space is limited, so please if you can for any length of time, we need you. Please call 905 433-2022 ext 3.

NEW SHELTER VAN NEEDED

We are in need of a good, reliable, used van for the shelter. The van is essential for the daily operations of the shelter. Anyone with information that could help us please contact Ruby at 905 433 2022 ext 4. Thank-you!

CALENDAR ADVERTISING AVAILIABLE!

Any businesses wishing to advertise in the upcoming Humane Society of Durham Region calender for \$150.00 please see page 9 and contact Ruby at 905 433 2022 ext 4.



Adopt-A-Pet

If you are interested in any of our furry friends, please come down to our shelter and meet them in person. We are located at **79 Taunton Road West, Unit 1, Oshawa**. See map and our new shelter hours on Pg 2.



LIL MISSY

A potbelly pig. She is house trained and will scratch at the door to go outside, she loves to snuggle on the couch or under her blankets in bed with her family.

She goes bananas for a belly rubs, she knows her commands: here, sit, stay etc; Lil Missy is not destructive, but she is very lazy. Lil Missy is not a fan of busy atmospheres or large crowd of people. She will tolerate other animals but will need to slowly be introduced to them. She is a DPP not a barn pig, she is a member of the family and chooses to be treated as so!

DPP = Domesticated Potbelly Pig



CASHEW

Pony/Purebred, 25 years 3 months, Female



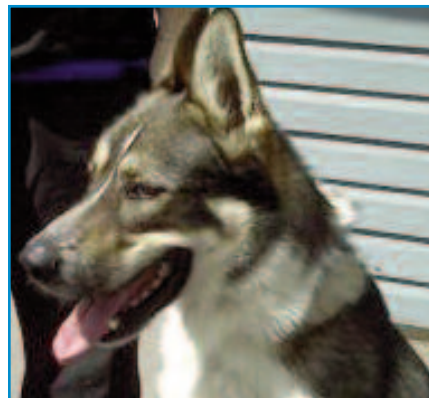
BLUEBERRY & RALPHIE

3 year old budgies male (blue) and female (green)



ANTHONY

Purebred rabbit, male.



JAKE

Jake is supposed to be 4 years old but acts a lot younger. He is a large boy and extremely strong, he needs to be walked on a halti or harness as he does pull and has no manners. He seems to want to be friendly with some dogs but is an aggressive player. He doesn't know how strong he is. An experienced dog owner is preferred and obedience training is a must. Due to his size and strength, no children under 14 should be in the home. He is very friendly with people but has a tendency to jump up on people. No cats. He loves the car and travels well.

He is neutered.



RATS

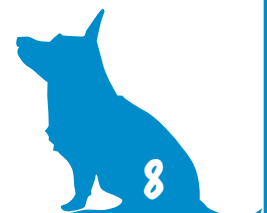
5 months old, small & furry.



LIBRA

3 years 5 months - Male, Libra came to us because an abscess broke open on his shoulder, his family could not afford the vet care, it has been medically treated and healed very quickly. Libra is ready for his forever home! Libra is not a cat that can be handled or lavished with cuddles, he is a very independent cat that likes to adventure on his own and come to you when he is comfortable.

Visit us online for **MANY MORE** available pets for adoption:
www.humanedurham.com



2010 Calendar Photo Contest



The Humane Society of Durham Region's 2010 Calendar Photo Contest
Closing date - October 16, 2009



All eligible photo entries will be included in the 2010 calendar

First place photo will be featured on the cover & the 13 runner-ups will be highlighted as the "pet of the month".

The entry fee is only \$15 and all proceeds go to the support of homeless animals in the community.

Digital photos on disc only will be accepted.

Entry forms are available online at

<http://www.humanedurham.com/> or at the shelter
79 Taunton Road West, Unit 1, Oshawa, ON L1G 7B4
(905) 433-2022 ext. 0



SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ENTRY FORM!



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Humane Society of Durham Region's Annual Pet Photo Contest



Your pet(s) ought to be in pictures! We want those pet pictures featured in our 2010 calendar. That's right! It's time for the Humane Society of Durham Region's Annual Pet Photo Contest. All photo entries will be included in the 2010 Humane Society calendar. The first place photo will be featured on the cover, and the 13 runners-up will be highlighted as the "pet of the month." In addition to being featured in our calendar, fantastic prizes will be awarded to the top three photos. The entry fee is only \$15 and all proceeds will go towards **supporting homeless animals in our community**, so mail or deliver that special, 4"X6" pet print or e-mail a high resolution photo along with your entry fee and the entry form found at the bottom of this page. We will accept digital photos in JPEG format, but ask that you also include a print copy with the disk. (see Rules for details). The contest closes **October 16, 2009**, so don't delay, submit your photos today!

RULES

1. You may enter as often as you wish, but each entry must be accompanied by a separate entry form and entry fee.
2. Entries can either be landscape or portrait. (Please ensure that prints are no more than 4" X 6").
3. Digital entries must be in JPEG format, on a disk or CD. All prints are scanned and entered into the calendar, but digital prints are often grainy and/or noisy, limiting enlargement potential. However, if you are submitting a JPEG file, we also ask that you submit a print copy for our records along with your entry form and entry fee.
4. Pets only please!
5. Amateur photos only please.
6. Any photos deemed inappropriate for any reason, from content to quality, will not be included in the calendar.
7. Pictures will not be returned.
8. **Do not write on the back of photos.**
9. The contest closes October 16, 2009.
10. Mail or deliver entries to: PHOTO CONTEST, Humane Society of Durham Region, 79 Taunton Road West, Unit 1 , Oshawa, Ontario, L1G 7B4 or e-mail: humanedurham@auracom.com . For further information, questions, or
11. comments, phone (905) 433-2022 ext. 0
12. **All photos will be included in the Humane Society of Durham Region's 2010 Calendar.**

PLEASE PRINT

Name: _____ Pet's name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
Province: _____ Postal Code: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Alternate Phone: _____

Photo caption (may be included in calendar with winning entries):

I understand that all entries become the property of the Humane Society of Durham Region and will not be returned. I grant permission to the Humane Society of Durham Region to publish this photo in its 2010 calendar, and its use in future publicity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I would like to order _____ calendars, at \$10 each = \$ _____
Add \$2.50/ calendar for shipping & handling if mailing is required = \$ _____
Total \$ _____

I have enclosed my cheque/money order, payable to the Humane Society of Durham Region

Please debit my VISA

Card # _____ Expiry _____
mm/yr

Signature _____





GREAT SUCCESS STORIES!!!

PEOPLE FOR PETS WALKATHON 2009

We had a wonderful day, the weather behaved and so many people and their pets came out to join us. Some of our previous adoptees were there as well. Blue, with those beautiful blue eyes, our wonderful Riley, Copper, the beautiful St Bernard, and Lenny and Lily, two shepherds previously rescued through Animal Protection Services in distress, malnourished and with their collars deeply embedded in their necks. All of these dogs are now thriving and incredibly loved in their homes. Thank you to their wonderful families.

Although the walk was muddy in spots because of all the rain, the animals didn't care and after all, that's what it is all about. They loved their swim in the pond afterwards.

We had treats and soft drinks and the dogs played games including musical mats, pentathlon and best trick. There were wonderful prizes donated by local businesses and everyone had a great time. This year we had special guests including two cockatoos and two cats. It was just a wonderful day.

Thank you to all of our volunteers who manned the registration table, our checkpoints and the barbeque and special thanks to Nadina and Kara for organizing the games this year.

We raised an incredible \$15,531.67! Our top pledge winner D. Paré raised \$2250.00 in honour of her dog who passed away in April. **She won an overnight stay at the 5 star Vintage Inns in Niagara on the Lake with dinner for two. The second prize of a \$150 HBC gift card and a \$50 gift card to the Keg Restaurant was won by L Doran for \$2060. E MacDonald, who raised \$1660 chose a \$125 spa package from Skin and Body Clinic as well as a one hour massage session from Whitby Chiropractic Wellness Centre. Our fourth prize winner was P Gosling who raised \$654. He chose a \$25 gift certificate from Vandermeer Nursery, a \$25 gift card from Global Pet Foods and a \$25 gift certificate from Boston Pizza.**

For all of you who supported us, thank you. You are a part of "Phoenix Rising", our new Humane Society of Durham Region.

A special thank you to all of the businesses who supported us.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

In June we held our annual golf tournament at Kedron Dells Golf Course. Unfortunately it poured rain in the afternoon, but that didn't deter the golfers. Everyone had a wonderful day, with good food and lots of fabulous prized and silent auction items. **We raised just over \$11,000! Thanks to Jodi, Cindy and Brett for organizing the event.** To all of our volunteers, golfers and sponsors, wags and purrs from the animals you have helped.

BOWMANVILLE VET CLINIC OPEN HOUSE

On June 13, the Bowmanville Vet Clinic held an open house and all proceeds from the day were presented to the Humane Society. **They had a variety of activities for everyone of all ages to enjoy and raised over \$1000 for our animals.** Sincere thanks to you all!

SIMCOE ST NORTH VET CLINIC BBQ

On July 5, Dr Makowal and his staff, Dawn, Jackie and Jennifer held a barbeque at the Simcoe St N Veterinary clinic in Oshawa. Besides the barbeque, they had raffles, face painting and silent auction items. It was a lovely sunny day and several people attended and enjoyed themselves.

**They raised \$3000.00 for our animals.
Wags and Purrs to all of you.**

HOME SWEET HOME DANCE

Pets Eats N Treats held a benefit dance at the Best Western Motel in Oshawa earlier this year. They had live music, a wonderful silent auction with great gifts, prizes and a meal. It was a tremendous success and enjoyed by everyone who attended. **They raised \$4360.75.** Thank you so much for your continued support for our animals throughout this year. You have made a difference in the lives of so many.



Paws For Our Cause

Gift of Life

So many animals, so many vet bills! Just to name a few:

Phoenix – see his story on page 3 and the cover.

Pluto – a beautiful dog who came to us with a bad ligament/bone injury of his back leg. After surgery and pin placement, he is now in a new home with a loving family.

Tobias – a severely injured cat with several old broken bones as well as a newly broken pelvis. After surgery by a specialist, he is now happily recuperating in a foster home.

Jordan – a sweet Boston terrier, who was hit by a car, broke his front and back leg as well as several teeth. He is also in a foster home until he will be available for adoption.

One of seven 2 week old boxer pups we had in foster care after their mother shunned them. The runt had failure to thrive as well as other medical issues but with veterinary care and the love and determination of their foster mom, is now doing well.



Several cats and kittens with severe upper respiratory and some with calicivirus required vet care. We lost a few but the diligence of our staff through force feeding until they were able to eat on their own again allowed the majority to recover and many have since been adopted.

Thank you to the following people who have generously given to our Gift of Life fund.

D Menard

K White

J Chave - in memory of the Hallowells

J Dell

H Tischler

L Hulaj-Campbell

P Anderson

J Miller

R Scarlett

S Palmer

Whitby Hydro Staff – in memory of Maria Bartkiw

M Rowland, W Brown, D Quilty, V&J Farrell – all in loving memory of Chase Hedington

S Hembroff

N Stotts – in memory of Anna Lowe

M Loughran Lewis

S Virtue

M Spafford – in memory of Chloe

D Hamilton

R Northey

GM Higgs

M Spafford – in memory of Jack Spafford

With thanks to all of you.

Leave a Lasting Legacy...

We need your help now more than ever, with a rebuilding project underway. You can make a difference for decades to come for so many animals. A charitable bequest – name the Humane Society of Durham Region in your will. Reduce the tax payable on your final income tax return.

Life Insurance – donate a new or existing life insurance policy to the Humane Society of Durham Region and receive tax savings.

Gifts – donate securities, mutual funds, stocks, bonds etc and receive substantial tax savings.

There are many ways you can help your own financial situation as well as the animals at the Humane Society of Durham Region. Make a difference please.

For information on these and other investment advice, please contact a lawyer or investment advisor who can help you invest in the gift of life.



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TOXIC FOODS FOR PETS

- Tomato: stems, leaves
- Onions
- Caffeine
- Tobacco
- Mushrooms
- Alcohol/Hops
- Toadstools
- Salt
- Potato: stems, leaves
- Avocado
- Rhubarb leaves
- Chocolate
- Eggplant
- Compost
- Raisins/Grapes
- Yeast – ruined bread dough
- Medications

PET POISON HELP LINE
1-800-213-6680



Charitable Donations

Anyone working can have charitable withdrawals from their paycheques to be forwarded directly to the shelter!

Five Paw Salute

Thanks to W. Hraynyk for your donation of tickets to a Mosport event. Wags and purrs to **Sinful Inflections Custom Tattoos** in Whitby for your continued support of our animals through the sale of your artwork.

Thanks so much to the students at the following schools who have supported us through various fundraisers.

Hillsdale Public School in Oshawa, Sir William Stephenson Public School, EA Fairman Public School, Plum Tree Public School in Mississauga, Dr CF Cannon Public School in Oshawa, Duffins Bay Public School in Ajax, Maple Ridge Public School in Ajax, Harmony Road Public School in Oshawa, SA Cawker Public School, Meadowcrest Public School in Brooklin, William Dunbar Public School in Pickering.

You have all helped so many of our animals in need.

To all the children who have requested birthday donations to us, wags and purrs.

Lin Gardinor, from Funny Farm Boutique makes beautiful dog collars (see her web page) and has donated thousands of dollars from the sales for our shelter.

Mr and Mrs Anderson of Niagara Falls donated over \$5000 to match Lin's donation. Thanks you, thank you, thank you. Two people, miles apart, through one fundraising initiative, have helped an incredible number of animals.

Maret Sadem-Thompson was the Principal at Bellwood Public School in Whitby. She retired on June 30th, 2009. Her retirement party was held on May 7, 2009. At Maret's request and being a major animal lover, any monies received in lieu of gifts for her retirement, were to go in the form of a donation to the Humane Society of Durham Region.



Maret Sadem-Thompson (on left) presenting (Jodi Hewett - HSDR Volunteer) on right

Thanks to the Oshawa Centre You may remember at Easter, the Oshawa Centre had a huge area set up for the Humane Society with face painting, a raffle, a large donation drop off 'dog-house' and we had some of our animals there. On July 10-19, they held a safari sidewalk sale. Again we had our animals there and donations were collected by the Centre staff. Incredibly, this resulted in fourteen of our animals being adopted, including our fifteen year old cat, Clarence.

Your support for us has resulted in so much public awareness, thank you OC!

Thank-you!



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More Five Paw Salute

During the past three months, we have been invited to participate in several fundraising and public events. We want to thank everyone who thought of us and invited us to promote the Humane Society of Durham Region at your events.

April 30 Oshawa Little Theatre presented “Camelot” with a portion of the proceeds for the shelter

June 6 and 7 Garden Bros Circus (animal free) at the GM Centre donated \$1 from the sale of every ticket, donating over \$1000 for our animals.

June 17 and 18, the Bay at the Oshawa Centre allowed us to set up a table in their store.

June 20 Whitby fire Dept held a Whitby Safety Day and a table was set up for us.

June 24 Royal Bank on Rossland in Whitby had an open house and we had a table.

July 18 and 19 Dog Days of Scugog had a table set up for us and we received proceeds from the sale of bandanas

July 25 it was Whitby Harbour Day and we had a table set up at the yacht club.

July 25 Cineplex Odeon in Ajax invited us to have a table for the premiere of G-Force. One of our guinea pigs was adopted as a result.

August 8 and 9 Pickering Flea Market invited us to set up a table and bring some of our animals, some of our cats were adopted.

August 9 Durham Vegetarian Festival was held at Heydenshore Pavilion in Whitby. We had a table there and it was a tremendous success.

Thanks to everyone who visited us at these events. We appreciate the opportunity to set up a table at any event to help raise public awareness for our animals in need.

Thanks to the Bubble Gum Kids! As always, **Jeannie Hawley and her students at St John the Evangelist Catholic School in Whitby** held classroom raffles throughout the year and donated the proceeds to our animals. What started out as 25 cents to chew gum in class several years ago (hence the name) has now become inexpensive monthly raffles. For the school year of 2008/9, they presented a wonderful cheque for \$2545.35. “Riley” Nicklin graciously thanked everyone with a lick and a wag of his tail..

Thank-you!



Radio Pet of the Week

The local radio station **AM 1350 CKDO** and **FM 107.7 CKDO**, which play fabulous oldies music is supporting us by featuring a pet of the week. Every Monday at 4:45pm, Gary Bernardi chats with Ruby, our shelter manager, on air and they focus for a few minutes on a pet of the week from our shelter. Please listen, it's a great station and we love their support!



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Snow angels dig for pets

By LISA RUTLEDGE
Times Staff

When news broke that a fire had destroyed an Oshawa animal shelter, two Clemens Mills Public School students decided to dig deep.

In fact, over the holidays, the pair of snow angels dug deep enough to clear the snow off countless neighbours' driveways and sidewalks, raising \$50 for the Oshawa Humane Society.

Victoria Siminoski and Rebecca Gregory knocked on doors, not asking for money for themselves, but rather anything homeowners cared to donate to support the animals that survived the mid-December fire.

"They were very tired at the end of the day, however, they knew the money was going towards a good cause," explained Victoria's mother, Leah Siminoski.

After learning about their cause, residents gave the duo whatever change they had on hand.

And despite being back in school, the students are vowing to keep up the effort and continue shovelling and collecting for the shelter.

Impressed with the girls' initiative and willingness to muscle through the cold snow for a good cause, Siminoski said the two are setting a good example for their peers.

"Hopefully, this will inspire other kids their age to do the same."



Rachel Klumper for raising \$600 in lieu of gifts at her 10th Birthday Party

Money Concepts of Whitby for raising \$525 from a raffle

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If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so. It is simple to do. Just fill in the attached pre-authorized payment form and mail it along with either a blank cheque marked "void" or your **Visa** credit card number and expiry date to: **Humane Society of Durham Region, 79 Taunton Road West, Unit 1, Oshawa, L1G 7B4**

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