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*adoptions stop 45 minutes before closing

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from the executive director



A Shared Language

Here at Rescue Village we work hard every day to normalize the adoption of homeless animals, embrace widespread spay and neuter to reduce the number of unwanted and homeless animals, build a community of responsible pet owners, and make compassion and kindness our starting points when dealing with both animals and humans.

I have spent over nine years talking with you. I have heard countless stories about the joy you experience with your companion animals. I have listened as you recount how you gave above and beyond care to your pets once they were seniors. We have shed tears together over the problems of a troubled animal you took into your home.

The tolerance, appreciation for flaws, and love for animals with special needs has, literally, left me breathless. "To act on behalf of animals and inspire people to build a more humane community" is the Mission of Rescue Village. With all of this in mind, I propose we embrace these four basic principles:

- All animals deserve humane treatment and our moral concern
- We should never tolerate cruelty, no matter who engages in it, how it is excused, or where it is perpetrated
- Hurting animals runs against our common values
- Reducing cruelty and punishing perpetrators of cruelty helps to build a humane society

The shared "language" of kindness and compassion has united us since Rescue Village opened its doors in 2001. Achieving our mission means making good on our principles through concerted community efforts. In this space, we find commonality. In this space, we work for a new world.

Sincerely,

Hope Brustein, Executive Director

spring animal fever



In the spring it's tempting to give gifts of rabbits, chicks and ducklings. They are truly adorable. In the beginning, the kids and adults are happy and loving every hop, peep, and quack. Then reality sets in and families and kids start to realize that these precious creatures grow, and need more care than imagined. Committed animal guardians provide what is needed. Yet, ultimately, many of these animals wind up in shelters or abandoned.

In early April 2016, six chicks came to Rescue Village from a person who purchased them before checking her city's ordinances about keeping chickens. The chicks spent two weeks at the shelter before they were adopted. We are happy that these birds are now living their lives free-ranging on a farm where they belong.

Be sure to keep in mind that, while bunnies, chicks, and ducks are very cute, they are a big commitment and require specialized care. You may want to stick to the marshmallow peeps and chocolate bunnies this Easter! ■

pet health tips from the shelter vet



Warmer weather means health and safety tips for your pets. Dr. Megan Volpe, our medical director, wanted to send a few reminders

■ Flea / Tick Preventative:

The time is here when those pesky fleas and ticks latch on your pets! Make sure your pet is up to date on their flea and tick preventative and you are checking them thoroughly after being outdoors.

■ Heartworm:

Spring is Heartworm season! Heartworm disease is easily avoided with a monthly heartworm preventative medication prescribed by your veterinarian.

■ Hide Holiday Goodies:

Make sure to keep leftover candy and "grass" from Easter baskets out of reach of your pets. Chocolate and decorative grass used to fill baskets can be deadly.

■ Pets Get Sick from Pesticides:

Consider not using pesticides or chemicals on your lawn this year. Frequent exposure contributes to illness in all creatures and can be extremely harmful if ingested.

more than just a pretty face

Pit Bulls and dogs that look like Pit Bulls often get a bad rap because of Breed Specific Legislation and false stereotypes that have been built up for years. Sometimes bully breed mixes sit on the adoption floor longer than many other dogs. We have heard all of the myths and here is what we've learned: every dog must be viewed as an individual. Rescue Village has seen many success stories when adopters looked past these stereotypes. ■



Teddy gets a new life

Teddy came to Rescue Village in August of 2016 as part of a 15 dog rescue. We believed in Teddy despite an alleged "history of aggression." At Rescue Village, Teddy was medically and behaviorally assessed, and we decided he was a sound candidate for adoption. Yet, Teddy was not thriving on the noisy and ever-changing adoption floor. He was stressed and not his best self. So, change of plans.

One of RV's most experienced foster volunteers, Michelle, took Teddy into her home. She had already fostered dozens of dogs and puppies. The aim was to get Teddy ready for adoption and help Rescue Village find a fitting home for him. However, Michelle grew to love Teddy so much that she adopted him for herself, saying, "I came to realize that Teddy was meant to be in our lives. As the weeks have passed he is less nervous around people—he is great with my other four dogs and all the puppies that we foster! He is now a very happy playful boy and I couldn't imagine our home without him." ■



Nova's Story

Nova came to Rescue Village as a transfer from the Geauga County Dog Warden. Nova was a 7-month-old Pit-mix pup with a ton of energy and constant need to play. Mackenzie came to RV looking to adopt a dog. She saw Nova and initially had reservations. "I was a little bit hesitant to adopt Nova, but only because of today's stereotypes towards Pit Bulls," Mackenzie said. However, when she spent time with Nova, it did not take long for her to realize that Nova was affectionate and smart.

Nova is trained to walk on a leash, interact with children and other dogs, and spend time in her crate. In Mackenzie's words, "Pit Bulls are so capable of being loving, loyal, family dogs with the right training and right owners. They are truly amazing dogs who need their bad reputation to be forgotten." We could not agree more! ■

did somebody say kittens?

During the spring and summer months, Rescue Village sees an influx of kittens. This annual phenomenon starts as early as April and reaches its peak in late spring / summer. If you find a litter of kittens in your neighborhood, here's what you should do:

1 Don't handle them. Wait for Mom to return.

If you don't see a momma cat with the babies, resist the urge to disturb or touch them! Wait to see if she returns (up to 8 hours). **It is always best to leave kittens with their mother, especially if they are under 8 weeks old.**

2 Call Rescue Village.

Rescue Village does not take in feral kittens but we can provide you with helpful information and advice. We also offer **TNR (trap / neuter / return) services** for both the mother and kittens, once the kittens are 8 weeks old. The *CatSmart TNR program* is for outdoor cats and provides high quality spay / neuter surgeries and basic vaccines for only \$20 per cat.

3 Find them homes.

If the kittens are social with people and are older than 8 weeks old, try to find them a home through family and friends, posting on social media, or by calling Rescue Village to discuss intake when cage space is available. We typically have a long waiting list from spring through fall. If the kittens are younger than 8 weeks old, call Rescue Village to discuss supplies that we can provide and how to best care for them until they are old enough to come to the shelter.



celebrate a night of
Moonlight, Magic & Rescue

*Tails at
Twilight*

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, June 17, 2017

RESERVE YOUR SEAT TODAY:
www.geaugahumane.org/tails-at-twilight

A small, long-haired dog, possibly a Yorkshire Terrier, is dressed in a black top hat with a silver star on the side and a red bow tie. The dog is sitting on a black table. In front of it are several playing cards, including a red heart and a red diamond. A magic wand lies on the table to the right. The background is a dark purple with a subtle pattern.

*photo by: Amy Sancetta
subject: Sylvia Oliver's Cricket*

mind, body, & soul?

Rescue Village offers a number of programs that enrich the minds, bodies, and souls of people and animals. We've developed a number of new opportunities for animals and people to connect, improve their physical and mental health and well-being – and to have FUN! ■



Reading to Shelter Animals

The rhythmic sound of a child or adult reading out loud is very comforting to animals in a stressful shelter environment. Kids learn about volunteering and doing good deeds as they improve their reading skills. Animals receive socialization making them better candidates for adoption. It's a win-win act of love. ■



Get Fit *with* **Fido**

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Get Fit with Fido gives dogs an opportunity to exercise and have fun away from the shelter. Our volunteers and staff take a group of our dogs to the Geauga Park District for a hike. It's a great way for people and dogs to get in shape and make new friends. ■

Music and Aromatherapy

All of the dogs in our care receive specialized sound and smell therapy. Our volunteers attach scented blocks to every dog kennel. This aromatherapy enriches the animals' natural sense of smell. The scents are rotated to keep our dogs' noses active and happy!

We also provide sound therapy for dogs and cats. Sound therapy includes all genres from Beethoven to soft rock, though we do skip the heavy metal! While the shelter animals may not sing along, it has been proven that music helps create a calm and happy environment. The soothing music is powerful enrichment for all Rescue Village animals. ■

What is this?

This clay disk is handmade by volunteers and staff and is scented with essential oils to keep the our pups noses active and engaged!

There is one hanging on every dog kennel on our adoption floor, in our overflow areas in the back, and in our isolation kennels so that every nose can sniff happily.





Therapy Dogs / Ambassador Dogs

Rescue Village Ambassadors consist of teams of certified therapy dogs and their handlers. They travel with the humane education department to assist with outreach programs. They visit schools, go to Girl / Cub Scout meetings, and attend community speaking engagements. Our therapy dogs offer love and companionship to our elderly citizens at senior living facilities. These visits help promote the animal-human bond and inspire children and adults to lead more compassionate lifestyles. There's no better therapy than a hug or a lick from a furry companion! ■



Pets for Patriots

Pets for Patriots is a companion pet adoption program for United States military veterans. The *Pets for Patriots* program makes it possible to find loving homes for the most overlooked shelter animals and gives the gift of fidelity, joy, and love to both veterans and animals.

It has been proven that companion animals reduce stress, depression, and symptoms of emotional and physical illness, while increasing a person's activity level and social engagement. Companion pets can help ease the stresses associated with veterans' transition back to civilian life. ■

adoptable animal sponsor program



Adoptable animal sponsors provide food, medicine and veterinary care for the animals in our shelter. Sponsors receive monthly photos and stories about animals they are helping.

Please sign me up for:

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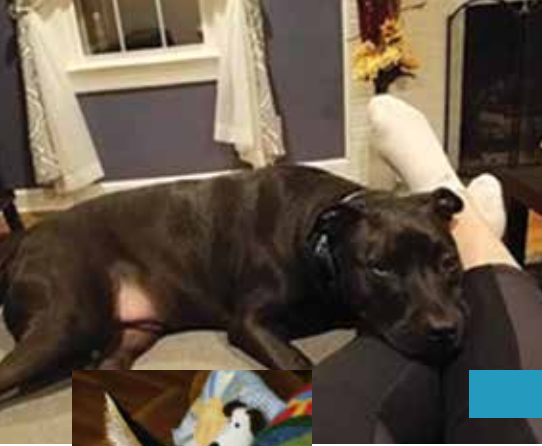
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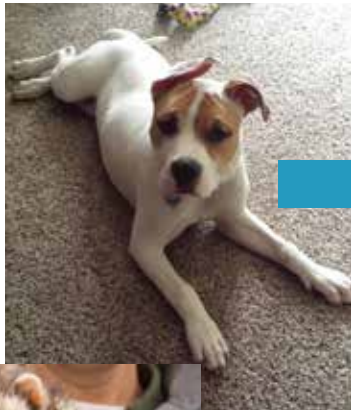
Coltrane

We adopted Coltrane (formerly known as Bon Jovi) last summer. This guy has brought us so much love, excitement, and new experiences. He enjoys playing at the park, playing with his ball in the house, wearing sweaters, and bothering the cat. We are so happy he chose us for his forever home - Katelynn ■



Lucky

Lucky (now Oscar) loves his bed, loves to be brushed, and loves to play with his toys! I couldn't be happier with him! Thank you so much for posting a picture of him on your website that I couldn't resist! He's very attached to me and follows me all over the house. He's even become quite the little traveler! I don't want him to miss me and be lonely so when we go on trips we take him with us! He handles the drive like a champ and loves to visit with everyone when we get there. - Caryn ■



Jax

We fell in love with Jax, formerly Nicholas, as soon as we saw him in his cage. He ran right up to us wagging his tail and being silly. He is doing very well in the home. He was house broken within a week and has gotten along very well with other dogs. He has even been to the dog park and played with several other breeds, ages, and size dogs. He loves kids too and loves to play with them. I believe the Pitt Bull breed has a very undeserved reputation as a vicious breed. I have been growled and snipped at on several occasions in my life and every time it has been by some other breed, usually the small breeds. - Ron ■



Luke

Three years ago I adopted a ferret from your rescue named Luke. He came to you as a humane case. Luke was taken in covered with fleas and malnourished. I saw his picture on your site and something hit me about him. I came in, knowing he was coming home with me. I want to thank you for being there for him. He is a tough little guy, never puts on winter weight. I call him my street fighting man. He is mostly blind now but gets around fine and always gets the best spot in the ferret pile....I help here with ferret rescues in Cleveland. So, thank you for Luke. He is loved, has a comfortable soft bed, and will get pumpkin soup tonight with his meds. - Janice ■



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for these upcoming events in support of Rescue Village:



april
20
Help a Horse Seminar &
Social Hour at Rescue Village




april
23
Help a Horse Day
at Rescue Village



may
6&7
Rummage for Rescue Sale
at the Geauga County
Fairgrounds (see below)



june
17
Tails at Twilight
at Rescue Village



august
6
Wet Nose 5K
at Orchard Hills Park



september
10
Woofstock at the Polo Field
NEW VENUE - See below for details

Rummage for Rescue

DONATIONS NEEDED. For a list of what we are accepting as Rummage Sale Donations, please visit us online at: www.geaugahumane.org/rummage-for-rescue.

Rummage for Rescue Donation Drop-Offs

April 29th, 10am-4pm - 198 Kenton Road, Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

May 3rd, 10am-2pm - Geauga County Fairgrounds, 14373 N Cheshire Street, Burton, OH 44021

May 4th, 4pm-7pm - Geauga County Fairgrounds, 14373 N Cheshire Street, Burton, OH 44021

May 5th, 10am-5pm - Geauga County Fairgrounds, 14373 N Cheshire Street, Burton, OH 44021

*or by appointment by emailing events@geaugahumane.org

Cats on Mats

a kitten infused donation based yoga class

Rescue Village is teaming up with local yoga instructors to offer Cats on Mats, a one hour \$10 donation based yoga class filled with friendly, furry felines!

Check out our upcoming Cats on Mats class schedule online at:
www.geaugahumane.org/catsonmats



Woofstock

Bringing Woofstock HOME

We are excited to announce that Woofstock 2017 will be moving to a new venue: The Polo Field! Mark your calendars for September 10th and get ready for the biggest, furriest, family (and dog) friendly festival and FUNdraiser in Northeast Ohio. More details coming soon at www.geaugahumane.org/woofstock



for more information,

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