January Volunteer Spotlight

**KCAC Volunteer**

**Melonie**

*What is your name:*  
“Melonie Middleton”

*Please share a story about a favorite pet past or present:*  
“Blackie was my mouse. She climbed on my neck and would give me a kiss. Clifford was my Red Beta. He was beautiful.”

*What is your favorite part of volunteering:*  
“I like to play with the cats, clean their cages and walk the dogs.”

What are 3 things we may not know about you?:

1. I like to roller skate  
2. I make earrings  
3. I like to watch Carol Burnett

Melonie and “Gourdy” enjoying some play time. Gordy is currently up for adoption at KCAC. Thank You Melonie for all you do!

**December Adoptable Pet—!**

This cool looking dude is called Captain Morgan. He came to us as a stray and we were all shocked when no one came looking for him. He gets along with other dogs and is loving yet playful. He is just 42 pounds and could stand to gain a few more pounds. We estimate him to be one year of age, so he should fill out a bit. Captain Morgan hops right in the animal control van when its time to go to the vet. He walks well on a leash and so far he has learned sit. With an experienced owner committed to training we think he would excel. Come visit our him at Kendall County Animal Control. He is neutered, up to date on vaccinations, microchipped and heartworm negative. His adoption fee is $120

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**Upcoming Volunteer Orientations**

- Tuesday, January 19th, 6:30–8:00 pm  
- Tuesday, February 16th, 6:30–8:00 pm  
- Please visit our website, www.co.kendall.il.us, or call, 630-553-9256, for more information!
Upcoming Events
Kendall County Animal Control is a big part of the community! Please check out our exciting upcoming events:

Volunteer orientations are held in the East Wing Conference Room (EWCR) of the Historic Courthouse located at 110 W. Madison St. in Yorkville. Dates for upcoming orientations are:

- Tuesday, January 19, 2015 — 6:30pm-8:00pm
- Tuesday, February 16, 2015—6:30pm-8:00pm

Adoption Events:

- Saturday, February 13, 2015—11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL
- Saturday, March 12, 2015—11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL

KCAC Looking for More Event Locations

Speaking of events...did you know that we’re always looking for spots in the community to hold adoption events and fundraisers? We’re lucky to have some wonderful partners, such as Pet Supplies Plus here in Yorkville, that host us for adoption events. However, we'd love to have even more spots to showcase our dogs as it is a wonderful way for them to receive some extra socialization and get their gorgeous faces out there and into the public’s eye. If you or a friend or family member has a business that would be interested in partnering with us, please email

Donations Needed!
Animal Control is currently in need of the following:
- Dry Kitten Food
- Dog Treats
- Canned Pumpkin
- Large Dog Weight Scale
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Bleach
- Peanut Butter
- Clumping Cat Litter
- Grain Free Dog Food

Thank you for your generous support!

Adoptable Cat-Stella!
Stella is a very striking young cat. She is sweet, tiny and loving!!! This young lady was a mother, she arrived here with her 3 kittens. All but one has been adopted and now its time for mommy to shine. If you are looking for a beautiful companion, Stella is the girl for you. She is estimated at 1 1/2 years of age and is fully vetted.
We’re thankful for all the wonderful people that come in on a regular basis with donations of food, toys, recyclable cans, and other items on our wish list. This month, we have a couple special shout outs for folks that went above and beyond.

We would like to give a great big thanks to Prohibition Junction in Oswego, IL for collecting $642.00 in cash donations for the shelter!

We would like to thank Kiddie Campus Preschool & Child Care Inc., Yorkville, again this year for collecting and donating items on our wish list including dog food, cat food, treats, toys and more! We appreciate your continued support.

Big Thanks to Pet Supplies Plus in Yorkville, IL for donations of pet food!

Rescue Tails

Shortly before the Thanksgiving holiday, a cute little 7 1/2 year old Shih Tzu mix named “McDoogle” was brought in and surrendered because his owner who could no longer keep him. Despite his age, McDoogle was an energetic little fellow with lots of pep and spring in his step. He was extremely affectionate with everyone he met and loved attention. Unfortunately we discovered McDoogle had some minor food guarding issues so we decided a foster home would be a more suitable environment for him. We reached out to one of our rescue partners “One Tail at a Time” who lined him up with a suitable foster home. We received an update from “One Tail at a time” and they report that McDoogle has been adopted by one of their volunteers who is aware of his special needs and able to manage it appropriately. Thanks to “One Tail at a Time” McDoogle is living a great life in his forever home!

For Information on adopting or becoming a foster for “One Tail at a Time” please visit their website: http://www.onetail.org/
Kendall County Animal Control is the County agency responsible for the enforcement of the state statutes governing rabies control in domestic companion animals. The State of Illinois requires that all dogs be vaccinated against rabies by a licensed veterinarian. Compliance with this law is monitored through the issuance of rabies tags for all dogs residing in the County. All dogs are required to wear their rabies tags when off of the owner’s property. If a pet is lost, rabies tags also provide an excellent means of identifying your pet.

Kendall County Animal Control enforces the County’s ordinance that prohibits dogs from running at large in unincorporated, residential areas. Animal Control also reports animal bites as well as pick up stray dogs that are in a contained area. Stray dogs may also be brought to the facility during business hours. Dogs and cats are available for adoption at our facility.

**December Summary**

There were many memorable moments in December. Among our favorites were “Meka” and “Pongo.” Staff and Volunteer favorite “Pongo” went to his forever home on December 10th after being at the shelter for a very long time. On December 31st a very happy little Meka went home with one of our volunteers and now has a new brother! Here is a quick breakdown of Kendall County Animal Control’s numbers for the month of December:

- Dogs reunited with their owners: 15
- Dogs adopted: 7
- Dogs placed with rescue groups: 2
- Cats reunited with their owners: 0
- Cats adopted: 4
- Cats placed with rescue groups: 8