Volunteer Spotlight
Nancy Garbe

How long have you been volunteering for Kendall County Animal Control:

I have volunteered at KCAC for over 8 years. For about 15 years I have been a licensed foster.

Please share a story about a favorite pet past or present:

My family has been blessed with many dear adopted dogs & cats. We currently have Henry (formally known as “The Beast”), a cat fostered that had a rough URI. He is “part dog” & very social. We recently adopted a special Golden/Hound mix now named Sky. She and Henry are doing great together. My latest foster kitten was only 5 days old when he arrived at KCAC. He is the youngest orphan I have ever had that lived & is thriving. Being a foster is one of the most difficult yet most rewarding things I have ever done.

What is your favorite part of volunteering?

My favorite part of volunteering is making animals feel loved while waiting for their new homes. When they have been at the shelter a long time & just the right person comes to adopt them it is such a thrill to see them go home with a happy new family of their own. My friendships with other volunteers & staff are such a blessing.

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

1. I was secretary for the Federal Aviation Administration back in the day of typewriters & correction tape. Loved my work & was good at shorthand.

2. Involved in Aurora Historical Society & have decorated rooms for Christmas season for many years.

3. Really have fun antiquing & am good at finding unique items to retreasure.

About Gus:

Gus was found all alone when he was only about 5 days old. Nancy, our volunteer & foster opened her heart & home to little Gus & bottle fed him until he was healthy & strong. When Gus was ready, Nancy brought him back to the shelter so he could find his forever home. Gus is very active & curious. He loves to run around & play with his toys. Gus is available for adoption. He would love a family who appreciates his energy & outgoing personality.
Adoptable Dog of the Month—Shadow

Shadow is a 2 year old American Pit Bull Terrier. Sadly this is the second time he has been in a shelter due to no fault of his own. He is a very loving and active boy who really enjoys having his belly rubbed. His fur coat is absolutely beautiful and his personality matches it. Shadow would love to have a home he could call his own forever. He is neutered, up to date on vaccinations, HW negative and microchipped. His adoption fee is just $120.

Upcoming Events

Come show us your skills! Kendall County Animal Conttrol is looking to add you to our team of passionate volunteers! You can learn more about orientation and general volunteer information by visiting: http://www.co.kendall.il.us/animal-control/volunteer/

Volunteer Orientation

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:

- Thursday, January 11, 2018, from 6:30pm-8:00pm
- Thursday, January 22, 2018, from 6:30pm-8:00pm

(please email R.S.V.P to: Lpawson@co.kendall.il.us or call 630-553-9256)

Adoption Events:

- Saturday, January 13, 2018 from 11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL
- Saturday, February 10, 2018 from 11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.” —Elizabeth Andrew
Rescue Tails

On August 29th a mixed breed stray dog was brought in as a stray. Sadly, so one came for him. We named him Mr. Goodbar and guessed his age at around 3 years. Mr. Goodbar was a very unique looking dog, short and with markings of a Rottweiler. He was very friendly with the staff, but unfortunately we discovered that he lacked training and had some behavioral issues. It was determined that he would be better suited in a home environment with a foster based rescue who could help with his special needs. We reached out to several rescues but sadly no one was able to help Mr. Goodbar, that is until the day Jen with Animal Heartline Humane Association came to the shelter. Jen was willing to meet Mr. Goodbar and when she did, she liked him so much, she agreed to take him if she could find a foster who would open their home to him. Mr. Goodbar received a stoke of luck when our big hearted volunteer Kristen stepped up and signed up as a foster with Animal Heartline Humane Association specifically to foster Mr. Goodbar! Kristen has since taken Mr. Goodbar into her home and renamed him “Ziggy”. Thanks to Kristen & Animal Heartline Humane, Ziggy is receiving the extra attention he needs and is one step closer to finding a forever home!

For more information about how to become a foster or adopt a pet from Animal Heartline Humane Association, please visit: http://www.animalheartline.org/

Donation Wish List

Animal Control is currently in need of the following:

- High Quality Premium Dry Dog Food
- Dry Kitten Food
- Canned Pumpkin
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Bleach
- Paper Towels
- Clay Cat Litter
- Peanut Butter
- Dog Treats
- Buckle Collars (Medium and Large)

Shout Outs and Thanks You’s

Thank You to the following stores for their continued support:

- Pet Supplies Plus, Yorkville
- Target Store, Yorkville
- Ace Hardware, Sugar Grove
- Sam’s Club, Oswego

Big thank you to Two Men and a Truck for holding a donation drive for the shelter!

Big Thank you to Oswego Vision LTD for their generous donation to the shelter!

Shout out to Cross Lutheran Church for the collection of much needed donations from our wish list!

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“Kristen, Ziggy and his foster brother’s Titan and Toby.”
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.

There were many memorable moments in December. Among our favorites were “Lolly” and “Snickers”. Cute and cuddly “Lolly” went home on 12/21/17. Handsome Snickers went to his forever home on 12/22/17. Here is a quick breakdown of Kendall County Animal Control’s numbers for the month of December:

- Dogs reunited with their owners: 19
- Dogs adopted: 7
- Dogs placed with rescue groups: 1
- Cats reunited with their owners: 0
- Cats adopted: 4
- Cats placed with rescue groups: 0