March Volunteer Spotlight

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How long have you been volunteering for Kendall County Animal Control: “About 3 years”

Please share a story about a favorite pet past or present: “In the last year we had a beautiful calico cat name “Apricot.” She had F.I.V. She couldn’t really play with others. She let me play with her and she touched my heart. And I found her the right home with other F.I.V cats.”

What is your favorite part of volunteering: “Taking care of the cats and kittens and giving them love and affection…”

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

1. I modeled for upcoming designers downtown.
2. I was a makeup artist and cosmetologist.
3. I love to travel.

March Adoptable Pet—Jazzy!

Jazzy was surrendered by her owners because they were moving. Little did she know it was actually her lucky day. Jazzy had been bred several times, was skinny, her nails were overgrown and she was missing most of her fur. Sadly Jazzy had never seen a vet in her life. With some TLC, visits to the vet, & good food our Jazzy is on the mend. She was spay or course, so no more puppies for her. Jazzy lived with several dogs, but can be dog selective. Jazzy is a sweet girl with an amazing spirit who wants nothing more than love and affection. Jazzy will need some basic obedience and since she is a people pleaser, she should learn fast. Adoption fee $120.00 and includes spay, vaccinations, heartworm test, and microchip.

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Upcoming Volunteer Orientations
- Wednesday, April 6, 2016 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:

Come show us your skills! Kendall County Animal Control is always looking for some great additions to our team of passionate volunteers. You can learn more about orientation and general volunteer information here: http://www.co.kendall.il.us/animal-control/volunteer/

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:

- Wednesday, April 6, 2016 — 6:30pm-8:00pm

Adoption Events:

- Saturday, March 12, 2016—11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL
- Saturday, April 9, 2016—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
- Pate Canned Cat Food
- Dog Treats
- Canned Pumpkin
- Large Dog Weight Scale
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Bleach
- Clumping Cat Litter
- High Grade Dry Dog Food

Thank you for your generous support!

Adoptable Cat-Beans!

Beans was brought in as a stray with another cat (Noodles) that we believe to be his brother. Both are very sweet, laid back cats. They are estimated at 1.5 years of age. Beans can be a bit more shy at first but will warm up quickly. They can be adopted together, but we know that is a long shot. If you are looking for one or possibly two cats, please come in and meet this dynamic duo. Both love to just hang out and once they are settled in and they will purr to show you how content they are. Beans and Noodles are neutered, vaccinated, FIV/FeLV negative and microchipped. Adoption fee
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 Cub Scout Pack 384 from Oswego for collecting donations for the shelter!

Big Thanks to the wonderful people at Open Door Rehabilitation in Sandwich for their generous donation of pet food, treats and cleaning supplies!

Thank you Kierstyn for raising $160.00 for the shelter with her Hot Chocolate Fundraiser!

Rescue Tails

On January 23rd we received an urgent call reporting a dog who had been hit by a car. Staff member Kayla responded immediately to the scene in unincorporated Newark. Upon arrival, she found a very scared Australian Shepherd mix trying to hide under a van. She managed to get the dog out and in to the animal control van and she transported to a vet who was already awaiting their arrival. Once at the vet, the scared dog was checked over for possible injuries and scanned for a microchip. The dog did have a Micro-chip which was registered to a female Australian Shepherd named “Blue” and it provided us with the owner’s contact information. Luckily Blue only had minor road rash and was able to be released from the vet right away. We were able to make contact with the registered owner, but sadly we were told that Blue had been given away to someone in the country and no other information was known. We cared for Blue for the 7 day stray hold and within that time the registered owner signed her over to us. Unfortunately, Blue continued to be very fearful. With time, love and lots of patience we were able to win over her trust and she proved to be a very spunky and playful girl. We decided the best thing for Blue was to try and place her with a home based rescue organization because of her fear of strangers. We contacted “All Herding Breed Rescue” and they agreed to come out and meet Blue. We were a little worried because of Blue’s fear issues, but we were ecstatic when Blue reacted very positively in her meeting. We have since received an update from All Herding Breed Rescue and we were told that she is doing great in her foster home. If you are interested in adoption or fostering a pet for “All Herding Breed Rescue”, please visit: http://www.allherdingbreeddogrescue.com/
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.

February Summary

There were many memorable moments in February. Among our favorites were “Martini” and “Goose”. Martini had been at the shelter for 2 long months before going to her forever home on February 20th. Beautiful and Cuddly Goose went home with his new Mom on February 20th. Here is a quick breakdown of Kendall County Animal Control’s numbers for the month of February:

- Dogs reunited with their owners: 10
- Dogs adopted: 3
- Dogs placed with rescue groups: 1
- Cats reunited with their owners: 0
- Cats adopted: 3
- Cats placed with rescue groups: 1

Martini and her new Dad are all smiles as they leave the shelter.

Goose going home with his new Mom