Have you ever met a tripod dog? If you have, you may have been surprised by how little having an amputation affects a dog’s ability to get around. At some point in a pet’s life it may be medically necessary to remove a leg as was the case with “Charlie” a sweet natured 2 year old Labrador/Boxer mix. Charlie came to our shelter when he was owner relinquished because his owner was moving and could no longer keep Charlie. The owner had let us know that Charlie had sustained a break to his back left leg. The break had already healed but Charlie walked with a noticeable limp. We also noticed that Charlie did not want to place much weight on his left leg, favoring the other 3. We took him to the vet where he had x-rays taken and the results were not good. Unfortunately the break had not healed correctly. This rendered Charlie’s leg almost useless and possibly painful. The vet said that the best thing for Charlie was to remove the leg. The vet felt that Charlie should be able to recover quickly and be offered for adoption causing really no set-backs for him at all. On September 10th Charlie received the surgery he needed thanks to donated funds from our “Medical Donation Fund”. Amazingly Charlie did not need much of an adjustment period in order to regain almost complete mobility. Many pets require a little extra time to learn to balance after an amputation. In Charlie’s case, he had already adapted since he had been used to placing more weight on 3 legs for quite some time. In fact, Charlie seems happier and more energetic than ever before. He may have lost a leg, but he gained a whole new sense of freedom. He is more bright, active and most importantly free of discomfort. Plus, he is as handsome as ever. We just think he is beautiful inside and out. Charlie has a bright future ahead, living a long healthy life playing ball and going for nice long walks. He is a good boy and it’s our hope he will be adopted soon. He will be a wonderful addition to any family. Good things come in 3’s and that’s our Charlie.

Charlie came from a home with children and is vaccinated, HW tested, microchipped and neutered.

Meet Charlie the Tripod Dog

Charlie enjoying some exercise in our doggie play yard.

For tips and resources on 3 legged pets, visit: Tripawds.com

Cat of the Week– Tammy

Tammy is about a year and a half old. She is still very young and just loves to play with toys, especially fishing pole type toys. She is a very striking looking cat with beautiful markings. She has a very sweet and outgoing personality.

Adoption fee:$70

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Upcoming Volunteer Orientations

- Wednesday, September 13, 2017 6:30-8:00pm.
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017 from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

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, September 13, 2017 from 6:30pm-8:00pm.
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017 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, September 9, 2017, 11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL
- Saturday, September 23, 2017 10:00pm-12:30pm Critter Care Vet Clinic 4287 Eldamain Rd. Plano, IL

Donations Needed!

Animal Control is currently in need of the following:

- Digital Video Camera
- High Quality Dry Dog Food
- Dry Kitten Food
- Canned Pumpkin
- Smooth Peanut Butter
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Bleach
- Paper Towels
- Non-clumping Clay Cat Litter
- Black Kongs (Large)
- Buckle Collars (Medium and Large)

Adoptable Dog - Slim

Slim came to us as a stray, so we don't know much about him. We think he is a Pointer/Pit Bull terrier mix and about 5 years old. What we do know is that he is very playful and loves toys. He was very slim when he came in but since his stay with KCAC, he has gained 12 lbs! He is never late for dinner. He also enjoys kongs filled with frozen peanut butter. He is a nice boy and would do best in an active family. Come visit him today!

Slim is up to date on vaccinations, microchipped, HW tested and neutered. His adoption fee is just $120.
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 special shout outs for folks that went above and beyond.

Thank You to the following stores for their continued support:

Pet Supplies Plus, Yorkville
Target Store, Yorkville
Ace Hardware, Sugar Grove

Big thanks to Brandon from Oswego who purchased donations for the shelter using his Birthday money!

Big thanks to Lila, Leo and Owen for donating much needed items from our wish list!

Thanks to fundraisers like “Pictures in the Park” and other generous donations, including memorial donations, KCAC installed a large dog exercise run!

Rescue Tails

On August 14th a beautiful senior yellow Labrador Retriever named “Chloe” was owner relinquished due to no fault of her own. Her owners had moved and were no longer able to keep Chloe. Sadly at 10 years old we knew Chloe may have a hard time adjusting in a kennel environment. We also know from experience the fact that senior pets can be difficult to place because many people want to adopt younger dogs. Chloe however showed us right away that she had so much to offer with an amazing personality so we wanted to do everything in our power to help get her in to a home. Chloe was overdue for her vaccinations and exam so the first thing we did was to take her to the vet. It is very important for pets especially senior pets to have regular annual examinations. Unfortunately a vet exam revealed some health concerns such as fatty tumors and a large mass on her side. She also had an ear infection in both ears so we began treatment to get her feeling better. We began reaching out to home based rescue organizations right away with the hope a foster would open their heart and home to Chloe. Surprisingly, it didn’t take very long to get a response from a rescue and we were so grateful. “Young at Heart Rescue” contacted us and informed us that they had a foster who would take Chloe in and care for her until they found a forever home for her. On August 14th Chloe was picked up by the rescue and transported to her new foster home. Fortunately for Chloe she did not have to spend very much time at the shelter and was able to be placed in a home quickly where she would be much more comfortable. Big thanks to the great folks at Young at Heart Rescue!

Young at Heart Rescue is a 501cs organization and is dedicated to rescuing senior pets from shelters. For more information about Young at Heart Rescue such as adopting, donating and volunteering, please visit: http://www.adoptaseniorpet.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.

August Summary

There were many memorable moments in August. Among our favorites were “Scarlett” and “Lanie”. Sweet Scarlett was adopted on 8/10/17 and cute and cuddly Lanie was adopted on 8/11/17. Here is a quick breakdown of Kendall County Animal Control’s numbers for the month of August:

- Dogs reunited with their owners: 16
- Dogs adopted: 7
- Dogs placed with rescue groups: 1
- Cats reunited with their owners: 0
- Cats adopted: 3
- Cats placed with rescue groups: 4