

The Pawpurrazzi



Kendall County
Animal Control Newsletter

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June Volunteer Spotlight



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

I have been a volunteer at KCAC for over six years now.

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

There have been so many special animals that have come through the shelter. It's hard to pick just one, but if I have to pick one it would have to be Dandelion, the 7 year old German Shepherd. When I worked at the shelter, Anna and I went to pick her up. Dandy was caught in a live trap, and she was absolutely terrified. When we

got her back to the shelter, she started to warm up with the staff members, but unfortunately when we heartworm tested her, she was positive. We ended up getting Dandelion treatment for it, but she did have a couple health problems along the way. When she was finally all healthy, she went up for adoption and received lots of love from the volunteers. Unfortunately, she kept getting past up and we didn't know why because she was a sweet dog. Naperville Area Humane Society was kind



enough to take her, and she was FINALLY adopted to a loving family with two little girls that will spoil her rotten!

What is your favorite part of volunteering?

My favorite part of volunteer-

ing is socializing the animals. I think socializing the animals there is so important and will better help their chances of being adopted. So if we have a scared cat or unconfident dog, I will spend most of my time working with them and building up their confidence to better help them find a home. When they do find a home, it makes all the time I spent with that animal worth it.

What are 3 things we may not know about you?

1. I have three guitars, all 3 are pink, and I have been playing guitar since I was 13.
2. I've been to two red carpet premieres in Los Angeles, and have met several celebrities.
3. I collect antique glass/ceramic dogs.

Allison spending time with Mr. Pibb.



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Upcoming Volunteer Orientations

- *Thursday, June 9, 2016 6:30-8:00pm*
- *Tuesday July 12, 2016 6:30-8:00pm*

Please visit our website, www.co.kendall.il.us, or call, 630-553-9256, for more information!

June Adoptable-Pork Chop! Adoption Fee Sponsored!



Pork Chop is a large mix breed and got his name because he is a big ham. He was a stray but we have estimated him to be about a year old. He is 70 pounds of pure love. Pork Chop is a big goof ball and is always happy. He is great with other dogs and does not seem to understand if a certain dog does not like him, as if his feelings get hurt. He keeps his kennel clean so he might be house broken. Our volunteers have been working on his training, but because of his size, no real small children please. When you meet Pork Chop he is of course super excited to have visitors, but after a few minutes he calms right down. He is a very smart boy who learns very quickly. Pork Chop is up to date on his vaccines, neutered, micro-chipped, and heartworm tested.

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:

- Thursday, June 9, 2016 from 6:30pm-8:00pm
 - Tuesday, July 12, 2016 from 6:30-8:00pm
- (Please email R.S.V.P to: Lpawson@co.kendall.il.us or call 630-553-9256)

• Adoption Events:

- Saturday, June 11, 2016– 11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL
- Saturday, June 18, 2016 –10am-2pm Prairie Paws Pet Adoption located inside the soccer field on the festival grounds south of Oswego High School.
- Saturday, July 9, 2016– 11am-2pm at Pet Supplies Plus 1755 Marketview Dr. Yorkville, IL

Special Events:

- Friday, June 24, 2016 - WSPY TV Channel 30 from 8:30am-9am featuring Kendall County Animal Control and an adoptable pet.

Donations Needed!

Animal Control is currently in need of the following:

- Dry Cat/Kitten Food
- Pate Canned Cat Food
- Canned Pumpkin
- Large Dog Weight Scale
- Laundry Detergent, Dish Detergent, Bleach
- Clumping Cat Litter
- High Grade Dry Dog Food
- High Grade Grain Free Dry Dog Food

Adoptable Cat-Hudson!

Hudson is a really great boy. He is loving, sweet, and great with other cats. He is also quiet, curious and can be playful. He loves attention and we think he would make the perfect addition to any caring home. He seems to have a “roll with it” personality and is up for meeting new cats and people. He is estimated at 7 years young and that is not old for a cat. He has plenty of love left to give would just love to have a home of his own. Hudson is fully vetted and microchipped his adoption fee is \$70.00 and he is available for adoption at Kendall County Animal Control.



Shout Outs and Thank You's!

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.

Lilah Weidner of Yorkville donated many needed items to the shelter including dog food, bleach and detergent !

Thanks for your help Lilah!



Big Thanks to Cal Vasko, Gabe Vasko, Emmett Vasko and Blayke Lohman of Yorkville who raised \$30 selling lemonade and donated it to the shelter!

Big thanks to all the donors who anonymously placed cash in the shelter's donation jar. With your help we are able to purchase many items needed for the shelter!



Rescue Tails



On February 23, 2016 Animal Control received a call from the Kendall County Sheriff's Department requesting us to respond to a Montgomery residence to assist the sheriff with an eviction. We were asked to remove a pet cat who had been left in the house. Staff was warned ahead of time that this was a hoarding situation and the house was unsanitary. We prepared by dressing in protective suits and face masks and went in to the home where we located the cat pretty quickly. We were just about to leave with the cat when the owner showed up. Fortunately we were able to get some information about the cat, who we learned was named "Rekon" and was 13 years old. The owner confirmed Rekon was the only pet she had in the home at the time. She also told us the cat had some dental issues and had trouble eating. The owner, no longer able to care for Rekon went ahead and signed ownership over to animal control. When we got Rekon back to the shelter we made him comfortable and gave him some soft food. He showed us right away that he was a gentle and loving cat when we stroked his back and he purred. We kept him safe, fed and happy for a couple weeks, but because of his advanced age and dental issues, we determined he would be better suited in a foster home. It simply would not be fair to a senior cat like Rekon to be at a shelter. We reached out to a few rescues and we were so thankful when one responded and said they could take him. On May 7th Rekon was picked up by a nice lady named Norma who operates a rescue called "Paws and Purrs Humane Society" who has also helped us by taking other special needs cats. We received an update from Norma and she reports that Rekon has since been placed in to his forever home where he will be loved and cherished as all seniors should be. For more information about adoptable pets at Paws and Purrs Humane Society, please visit: <http://pawsandpurrs.org/>

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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.

May Summary

There were many memorable moments in May. Among our favorites were "Mouse" and "Gopher". Cute Mouse went to his forever home on 5/12/16 and Gopher, a sweet senior went home with his two Moms on 5/23/16. Here is a quick breakdown of Kendall County Animal Control's numbers for the month of May:

- Dogs reunited with their owners: 22
- Dogs adopted: 4
- Dogs placed with rescue groups: 1
- Cats reunited with their owners: 0
- Cats adopted: 1
- Cats placed with rescue groups: 1



Mouse going home with his new Mom on May 12th.

Gopher's Mom brought him in for a little visit on June 7th..

