

# A NEW LEASH ON LIFE

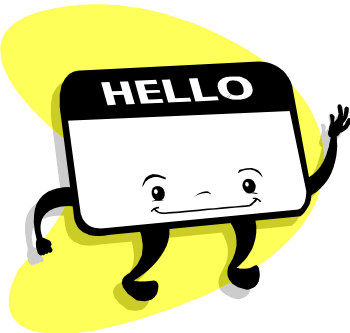
**"We can judge the heart of man by His treatment of animals"—Kant**

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## Meet the New Board Of Directors

With only one returning member, the Homeward Bound Board of Directors faces a challenging year of building a strong case for public, non-profit status and launching a major fundraising campaign (see insert). However, with the following good people working to achieve these goals, the dream of those original Licking County Humanitarians back in 1966 (see page 2) lives on.



Will Kennard, President, is married with two adult daughters. He graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in Finance. He has worked at State Farm Insurance Companies for 37 years. He has had a life long interest in pets and their welfare. His letter to the membership is found as a special insert with this newsletter.

Gloria Pack is our new Vice President, and Deborah Turner is the Recording Secretary. Both of these professional women are employed by State Farm and have worked closely with Will. Their experience working as a team should add to the effectiveness of the new Board.

Cathy Jones, Treasurer, graduated with a 4.0 GPA from COTC with Associate degrees in both Accounting and Business Management. She is currently employed by Harry & David in customer service, while pursuing a home based business with Pre-Paid Legal. She has nurtured critters of one kind or another all her life and now owns 4 cats, 4 dogs, and one cockatiel. Her goal for HBHS is to eliminate waste and insure that all money spent is spent well and wisely.

Dee Williams, Membership Secretary, was born and raised in Newark, graduated from Ohio State, and is a retired Program Manager from the Polk County, Florida, Board of Education. She hopes to elevate the status of volunteers and members to the level of importance crucial to organizations such as Homeward Bound. Pets have always been important in her life, but the business aspects of HBHS are her major concerns at this time.

Vene Snyder and Amy Callander, members At Large, are outstanding members of the community. Both women run their own businesses. Vene is owner of Mistyhollow Pet Motel and Amy's name is synonymous with Callander Acquisitions. Vene takes a personal interest in all her furry guests at the Pet Motel and Amy is a regular TLC volunteer at the shelter. What powerful additions to our organization. It should be a very good year.

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**End of the Year Financial Report:** Julie McCormick, Past President, distributed our accountant's financial report for 2006 at the annual meeting. The month of December showed a net loss of \$4873.23. Expenses for the month were \$16,182.20. Monthly operating expenses always exceed revenue. Without the legacies and bequests in trust at Park National Bank, the shelter could not exist. We are permitted to use interest income from these funds (\$1,062,715.89) to help cover operating expenses. Fundraising and donations alone are never enough to pay all the bills.

**Don't forget the next Board meeting will be April 17, at 6:30 p.m. in Room B of the Licking County Administration Building.**

### HBHS BOARD

#### Board of Directors Voice Mail

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Will Kennard, President  
Gloria Pack, Vice President  
Deb Turner, Secretary  
Cathy Jones, Treasurer  
Dee Williams, Membership  
Vene Snyder, At Large  
Amy Callander, At Large

### STAFF

Jodi Morris, Vet Tech  
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Rhoena Scaffide, Medical Advisor  
Robert Viores, Kennel Tech  
Ricky Napper, Kennel Tech

### SHELTER INFORMATION

**Address:** 548 Dog Leg Road  
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**Hours:** Thursday 12-7 p.m.  
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www.homewardboundpets.org

### MISSION STATEMENT

The Homeward Bound Humane Society is a nonprofit volunteer organization devoted to the humane treatment of animals. The Society furthers its mission by providing shelter and adoption opportunities for homeless animals, by educating the public in regards to the humane treatment of animals, and by reducing over population of cats and dogs through spay/neuter procedures.



# SHELTER MEWSINGS

## A TAIL OF WOE

My name is Rusty, and I have been living at the Homeward Bound shelter for over a year and no one seems to be able to see what a great addition I would make to a nice family with lots of room for me to run and play. The problem is that I get so excited when visitors come to the shelter that I jump and bark “pick me; pick me,” which they don’t seem to understand and somehow doesn’t gain me any points. My favorite thing is playing catch in the play yard. That’s a picture of me playing with a throw toy. You can see that I am quite a hand-



some fellow. I’m a full-blooded two-year old red tick coonhound with all my shots. I had an operation that

makes me more suited for companionship than hunting (if you know what I mean). The only undesirable trait that I have is not liking cats; so I need a master or mistress that sees eye to eye with me on that score. Come out and see me sometime. I’m sure I’ll be around.

### McNALLY'S PET CORNER

by Julia Rees

**Q: How do I prevent my puppy from doing damage or getting into mischief?**

**A:** The rule of thumb for dog training is “set the dog up for success.” All dogs, first and foremost, need at least 2 hours a day of playtime. A puppy needs to be supervised at all times until it has learned what it is allowed to chew, and where it is supposed to eliminate. Keeping the puppy on a ten foot remote leash is an excellent way to keep it in sight and to train it not to wander off. When the puppy cannot be supervised, house it in a secure area. An escape-proof crate, a dog run or a collapsible pen are simple, effective and safe. Do not tie the

dog up. This is not safe and could cause future behavioral issues. The dog will adapt quicker to the new area if it is associated with rewards. Have the puppy enter the area for all treats, toys and perhaps food and water. This area should have some dry, comfortable bedding, and should never be used for punishment. Housing the puppy in an isolated area where there is minimal human contact should be avoided. In fact the best area is a kitchen. Each time a puppy is to be confined, it should be exercised and given the opportunity to eliminate. A puppy should not be confined longer than 2-3 hours. Have a toy box that is filled with 10-15 chew items. Do not give the puppy any personal items such as an old sock or shoe. This would be training it to chew on your socks and shoes. Besides, swallowing a small thread from a sock could be fatal.

*A donation has been made in memory of Nicki, who was adopted in 1994 and sadly missed by Danny and Fanny Bellman.*

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE LICKING COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

In the year 1966 an influential group of Licking County residents filed Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State to form The Society of Humanitarians in Licking County. The Board at that time was made up of Jon Spahr, Mrs. James Riley, James Boudrie, Glenn Abel, Robert Wells, Bruce Humphrey, Ron Van Atta, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, Rev. Hurdiss, and Mrs. E.H. Gress—all familiar names to long-time Newark residents. In 1974 the Licking County

Commissioners recognized The Society of Humanitarians in Licking County as the only existing Licking County humane Society.

John Luzio, Director of the Licking County Animal Shelter, recalls that the Licking County Humanitarians took over the one room, cement block building behind the Licking County Animal Shelter in 1979. Prior to this the County had used the building for storage, for aggressive dogs and for miscellaneous farm animals.

The Humanitarians began adding to the original kennels until it is as you see it today—a very old, dilapidated piecemeal structure.

On January 3, 1986, under the guidance of Virginia Weiss, President of the Society, the Articles of Incorporation were amended to change the name of the Society to the Licking County Humane Society. The IRS at that time determined the Society to be a private non-profit foundation with donations being tax deductible—just as it is to this day..



# PAUSE FOR THE PAWS

## GRANDE PAWS = PET THERAPY

This is a picture of Madison.



She is a beautiful , long haired, gray kitty with a sweet and cuddly disposition. She would make a wonderful companion animal for anyone, but especially for a senior citizen living alone. Madison is around two years old, and used to living with an older person.

There is no shortage of research showing that pets (cats in particular) can help lower blood pressure. Some studies have shown that they even reduce cholesterol and prolong life.

The Grande Paws program at the shelter identifies suitable animals for eligible seniors, and sponsors are found to donate the adoption fees. The recipients only need to meet the other requirements of a regular adoption and be able to care for their new pet.

If anyone knows of a senior citizen who is interested in pairing up with a companion animal, but cannot afford the adoption fees, please contact Dee Williams at 740-344-7403.

## FUNDRAISING UPDATE

It's that time of year again—time for major fundraising activities to begin. Saturday, July 7, has already been designated as the day for the Jazz and Rib Fest, and other events are in the mill. Winter projects brought in a total of \$643.37—\$552.37 from the Christmas gift wrap and \$91.00 from Holiday pet pictures at Complete Petmart. If you are interested in volunteering at fundraisers, e-mail Beca Saad at [beca.saad.h2zn@statefarm.com](mailto:beca.saad.h2zn@statefarm.com).

## REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE

Any suggestions, questions, or complaints? Just dial 323-0070 to leave a message for the President or any Board Member. Want to volunteer? Leave your name and number and have someone get back with you. All messages will be answered as promptly as possible.



## PAINTING UP A STORM

Sometime in April our staff along, with volunteers from Denison University, will be painting the interior walls of the shelter. Students from the Denison Art Department will follow up by painting murals in the cat's play room and other areas. Then in June volunteers from State Farm will swarm in and redo the outside. Any extra paint supplies you might have lying around would be appreciated.

## NEW MEMBERSHIP RATE SCHEDULE

For the 2006 elections all Homeward Bound memberships were determined to begin on the first of January. This was to reduce the amount of record keeping that had to be maintained and to have an up to date list for the election of officers at the annual meeting. To correct an oversight regarding new members joining throughout the year, the Board voted to reduce the membership fee by half after June 30, and to credit memberships for the following year if paid after November 30. This has been confusing to some of our long-term members who have been used to paying their dues during the month of their original application, but from now on things should work more smoothly.

*A donation has been made by Joan Lawson in loving memory of Midnight.*

## THE McNALLY CONNECTION

On the previous page you might have noted "McNally's Pet Corner" by Julia Rees Julia is a licensed Behavioralist at McNally's Dog Center and welcomes your questions. Julia's e-mail address is: [mcnallysdogcenter@windstream.net](mailto:mcnallysdogcenter@windstream.net).

Homeward Bound is fortunate to have McNally's Dog Center providing, at no cost to the shelter, behavior modification sessions for our adoptable dogs with unwanted habits.



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## *IN LOVING MEMORY*

*Donations have been made to Homeward Bound Humane Society in memory of  
Pat Heimerl, Millie Hanshue, Cheryl Lehman, Mary Slone, John Burger,  
Jeanne Brown and John Burger*

*By the following people:*



*Fran Heimerl  
Carol Carter  
Charles Wade  
Harold Slone  
Sallie Craig  
Sol and Judy Kramberg  
Kristine and Steven Wiersma*