



A New Leash On Life

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P r e s i d e n t ' s M e s s a g e

We are off to a great start in 2009! Adoptions are UP! 14 dogs and 9 cats found their forever homes by the end of February. Our membership is growing! I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that membership is a wonderful way to support the Humane Society. If you are not already a member, please consider joining the Licking County Humane Society family. And if you are, we appreciate your help in asking others to become members.

Our goals for 2009 are very lofty, proactive, community based and healthy for humans and animals. Speaking of healthy, when was the last time you came to the shelter, got a leash and walked a dog? I say never walk alone! Two of our biggest goals are to increase adoptions and increase fundraising-I'll discuss our plan to accomplish these goals in another letter. Last but not

least, we at LCHS are thankful for **you**: the adopters, advocates, supporters and friends who read our news-



letter, stay informed, celebrate our successes and help lift us up in times of crisis. We have a favorite quote here at the shelter, and it's by Mohandas Gandhi: "**The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated.**" This is a time of great change in America, and here at LCHS we have answered the call to improve our standards of care and become the com-

munity resource and advocate that companion animals so desperately need. They are powerless to help themselves, and we can't help them without the support of our community. Please join us in caring for these innocent and deserving animals by supporting LCHS in any way possible. Whether it's with time, money, goods & services, or simply taking the time to educate others on spay/neuter or the positive work of LCHS, every bit matters. **Change is here, but we need your help to keep it going!** I welcome your thoughts, suggestions, and inquiries... please feel free to contact me at 740.323.2100 or homeward-bound@windstream.net.

Danielle Wilson

T h e M i r a c l e o f M i c r o c h i p p i n g

Each year millions of lost and abandoned animals are taken in by animal welfare organizations across North America, of these animals only 14% of the dogs and 4%

of the cats (estimated figures) are ever returned home. The major reason for failing to re-unite a lost pet with its owner is because the pets are unidentifiable.

Microchipping offers pet owners the only truly permanent method of identifying your pet and linking the animal back to you, the owner. If you want to improve your

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The Humane Society Volunteer Program

Volunteers are a very important part of the Licking County Humane Society. Without volunteers, many of our present programs and services would not exist. We are proud to have the help of so many who make a commitment to help us touch the lives of thousands of people and animals each year. Without you we would not be able to meet the needs of so many. Because the Licking County Humane Society is a not-for-profit organization only strong volunteer support

can allow the Shelter to continue to fight to save animals' lives. Our volunteers deserve gratitude and applause for the selfless gifts they give. The time, energy, skills and talents they generously lend - again and again - are priceless. Their efforts and dedication help make our organization better, our community stronger and our world brighter. From everyone at the Shelter, we sincerely thank all our volunteers for taking time to care! We thank you and our "Furry Friends"

thank you!
We commend all the volunteers who put their concerns for the welfare of animals into action by donating precious time. No matter what program you choose from our wide variety of volunteer opportunities, your help is special. If you have questions about our Volunteer Organization or would like to join "Our Pack", please visit the How to Help page at lchspets.org or call Sharlene at 740.323.2100.

Don't ever question the value of volunteers.

Noah's Ark was built by volunteers; the Titanic

was built by professionals.

-unknown



The Name Game

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Stumped by what to call your newly adopted puppy or dog? You can go with the majority by dubbing her Molly or him Max. - two of the most popular canine monikers. If you want to be more original, I offer these recommendations:

- Consider choosing a two-syllable name ending in a vowel, like Buddy or Gracie. These are upbeat sounding names.
- Select a name you enjoy saying out loud - not an embarrassing one like Poop-sie.
- Consider names associated with something you enjoy, like Chipper if you golf or Lily if you are into gardening or Aces if you play poker.
- Avoid names that sound too much like *no* - such as Joe or Flo. You don't want your dog feeling like he is always in the doghouse when you call out his name.
- Link the name to your dog's personality: Happy, Frisky or Speedy. Or con-

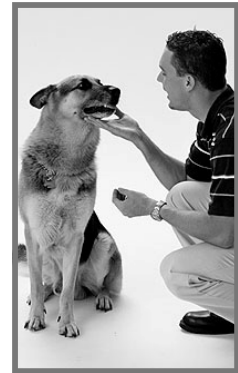
nect to the special circumstance behind his adoption by calling him, Chance (as in being given a second chance for a good life.)

- Resist names that describe unwanted behaviors like Houdini (for canine escape artists) or Chewy (for leather shoe gnawers). Make sure your dog associates his name with positive experiences. Say his name when you play, feed or cuddle with your new dog. For example, "Cleo, fetch!" or

"Murphy, want a treat?" By saying the name first and then the action, you garner your pet's attention - which makes giving cues much easier.

Avoid saying his name when you need to stop a behavior like digging or barking. Instead, clap your hands or make a sound like "uh-oh" to interrupt the undesired behavior and then direct your dog to a more acceptable action like sitting pretty or shaking paws.

Then reward that behavior with praise and a small treat.



No Presents for Me Thanks...

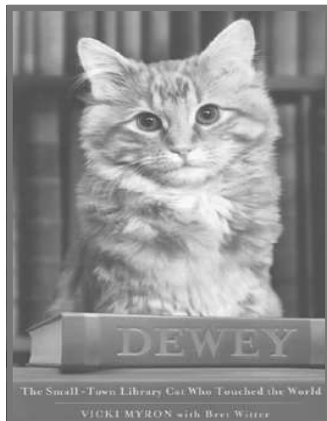
Our hearts are warmed when young people choose to celebrate their birthdays by making donations of supplies and money to the Humane Society rather than have guests bring gifts to their birthday parties. These acts of kindness happen on a regular basis and we continue to be amazed by these selfless young people. Thank you for your generosity.



Great idea?

We think so!

Catch the Dewey Magic



Dewey: The Small Town Library Cat Who Touched the World
By Vicki Myron

High on the New York Times best-sellers list, this memoir will offer much to discuss in local coffee shops and libraries, or wherever friends gather. While the relationship between Dewey the cat and the people of Spencer takes center stage, Myron also delves into family dynamics and the sense of community found in small town America. The opportunity for second chances is a recurring theme, as is the restorative power of nature. Definitely not Marley & Me for cat lovers, Dewey is more like Seabiscuit – a second chance for an underappreciated animal destined to win the hearts of millions, and his motley

crew of attendants each lacking something that the main character is able to provide. Myron says of Dewey, “He had an amazing sense of who needed him, and he was always willing to give his time.” Antics and anecdotes drive this point home. In the end, Myron credits Dewey much like Tobey Maguire summarizes Seabiscuit. “You know, everybody thinks we found this broken down horse and fixed him; but we didn’t. He fixed us. Every one of us. And I guess, in a way, we kind of fixed each other, too.” Dewey Readmore Books, readers will find, continues to be one of nature’s great fixers.

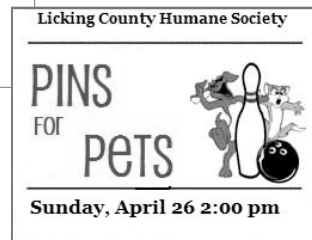
Pins for Pets Bowl-a-thon

Please join us in the 2009 Licking County Humane Society's "Pins for Pets"



Bowl-A-Thon. The event will take place Sunday, April 26th, 2:00 pm. at Park Lanes in Heath. Each participant is asked to raise at least \$20 in sponsorship money. There will be prizes for the highest fundraiser in the following age categories: 0-5, 6-11, 12-17 & 18+. There will be four bowlers per lane. Sponsor forms are available via

email to Ami Boch at ami1370@yahoo.com or you can pick up a form beginning March 15th at the Licking County Humane Society. You can also pre-register by calling Ami Boch at 587-4820. Please note that all sponsorship money is to be collected prior to the event on April 26th. All proceeds benefit the Licking County Humane Society.



Fur Arts Sake

We'd like to start a "Fur Arts Sake" gallery at our shelter. We'd like to invite local artists, young and old, to donate a piece of their work to the Humane Society-the only restrictions are that they be *kind* and *attractive* works of animals. The medium is entirely up to each artist. The Licking County Humane Society will receive a donation from the sale of each piece. If your business would like

to spotlight a couple of works of art for the Humane Society, please let us know. All proceeds benefit the animals and the Licking County Humane Society.



Charlie Cleans his Paws One More Time

Beach Babe





Dayse loves to go on long walks. Come see her at the shelter today!

Tula just wants a lap to snuggle.



How to Help: Become a LCHS Member!

The membership drive is being extended through April in order to give everyone a chance to purchase their membership and get full use of the benefits that come with it. If you forgot your membership or got busy during the hectic holiday season, we are asking that you reconsider and purchase a membership for 2009 to help all the

animals waiting for their forever homes at the shelter. A gift of \$25 for a single membership gets you a copy of the newsletter each time it is published, with all of the important news and fundraisers. You can also get \$5.00 off any service at Meegan Kennels, Substantial discounts for multiple training sessions with A Positive Connection Dog Training and Pet Sitting, 10% off at Ohio Pet

Chef with free home delivery, 10% off all food and 15% off supplies at Complete Petmart and 10% off pet cremation at Buckner & Kishler Funeral Home. Plus, you get a cool little card to carry around and let everyone know how much you helped the dogs and cats at the shelter!



Licking County Humane Society Membership Form

Sign up for: New _____ Renewal _____	Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$25.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$30.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	\$15.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Business	\$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime (One-time fee)	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Donation	_____

Total: _____

Method of Payment

- Check
- Cash

Name _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____
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Signature _____

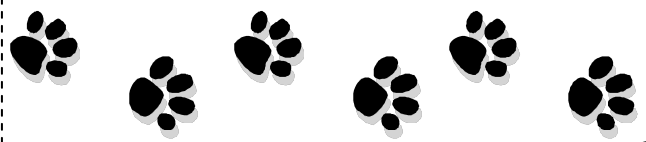
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B e c o m e a H u m a n e S o c i e t y
 M e m b e r !

One of the best ways to help LCHS is by becoming a member. As a member you receive discounts at several of our supporting local businesses and have voting power during our board elections. Membership donations help increase the number of companion pets placed in loving homes and decrease the number of dogs and cats that would otherwise be euthanized.

Thank you for your support!



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pet's chances of getting home in a lost pet emergency - microchipping is your best option.

Animal microchips are about the size of a grain of rice and are typically implanted just beneath the skin between the shoulder blades by a veterinarian or trained member of an animal welfare organization. The process is similar to a vaccination and most animals do not react when the microchip is implanted. Once implanted the microchip remains just beneath the skin for the rest of the animal's lifetime, a permanent form of identification.

The Licking County Humane Society began microchipping all animals with the 24PetWatch Microchip late last Summer and will begin providing this valuable service to the community later this Spring. In the event your pet goes missing, the 24PetWatch Lost Recovery Specialists will file a lost pet report, check for any corresponding pets found and conduct a real time search for your pet in over 500 animal welfare organizations across North America. In the event your pet is located, they will help to arrange a reunion between you and your pet immediately.

A n n o u n c e m e n t s

On March 17, 2009, the Licking County Humane Society Board of Directors will vote on revisions to the Humane Society Constitution and By-Laws. This will take place at the monthly board meeting which is held on the third Tuesday of every month in Room B of the Licking County Admin Building, 20 S. 2nd Street, Newark at 6:30 pm. Board meetings of the Licking County Humane Society are open to active members of the Licking County Humane Society.

Thank you.

B e c a u s e t h e y C a r e . . .

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| Carrie Lama In Honor of Miss Braunbeck & Mrs. Whitaker | Jeffrey & Mary Franklin In Memory of Richard "Cory" Baughman | Memory of Jenny Lee |
| Kay Mantonya In Memory of Chelsey & Shelby Mantonya | Lisa Butler In Memory of Tia | David Place In Memory of Maggie |
| State Farm Company In Memory of Gerald N Gorrell | ABF Freight System, Inc In Memory of Anne M. Robertson | Carol Duval In Memory of Raymond Womeldorph |
| Arthur Ours In Memory of Gerald N Gorrell | Harvey Elliott In Memory of Anne Robertson | Tim & Mary Gatens In Memory of Smokey |
| Eula Rizzo In Memory of J. J.-'08 | Dorothy Meyers In Memory of Anne Robertson | Carol Duval In Memory of Stella Rager |
| Dianna Conard In Memory of Richard "Cory" Baughman | Eula Rizzo In Memory of J. J.-'09 | Thank You! |
| | St. John's United Church of Christ In | |

N e w L C H S M e m b e r s

Family Memberships

- Dr. Raymond E. George
- Jerry Nethers
- Robert Martin
- Sterling & Beth Apthorp
- Mike & Brenda Svoboda
- Danielle Ford
- David & Patty Lehman
- Herb Gregg
- Mary Jane Golata
- Richard Orr
- Hobart & Monta Bower
- Jerry & Susan Reid
- Reese Alban
- Richard Parker
- Christine Black

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- Sharon Sykora
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- Connie Luther
- Henry Hook
- Kirsten Heider
- Eve McDonald
- Bonnie Strope
- Deb Reid
- Karin Marzano
- Clarrisa Howard
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- Sharlene Burford
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- Diane Charles
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- Jerry & Mary Satterfield
- Anna Lou Jones (In Memory of Cheryl Lehman)
- Patricia Beck
- Teresa Buker
- Robert & Doris Lowney
- Gerald & Catherine Provin
- James Riley

Thank you for supporting the Humane Society!



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Save a life...adopt a pet.

Available For Adoption: Meet Your New
Best Friend!



This is Lucky and she lives at the Licking County Humane Society. She is a white, Tabby, female cat. She was born a factory cat (a cat that lives among industrial and factory buildings, existing on the scraps and goodwill of the people who work there.) Thus, she did not learn how to socialize well with other cats. In most incidences, the society seeks a home for our pets where they can reside indoors and be an integral part of a family. Lucky however, would be happier as a barn cat and the shelter is willing to consider this option for her. She

is accustomed to outdoor living and as long as she is well fed and cared for, we are open to her living where she is comfortable. Lucky's independence helped her survive in her early life; now she needs a family who understands that and will love her for who she is. See Lucky and our other waiting pets at lchspets.org.



This is Scooby and she has been waiting for a long time for her forever family. Scooby is a Doberman Pinscher/Labrador Retriever [Mix].

She's a very sweet girl who gets scared by men sometimes. She tends to shy away when they try to pet her. However, she likes to play with boy dogs mostly because she enjoys rough-housing like a tomboy. She has really striking yellow/green eyes and is very submissive with her humans. Scooby's adoption fees have been lowered thanks to the generous support of her sponsors. She's a fantastic dog who really needs a forever home. See Scooby and our other waiting pets at lchspets.org.

"I think dogs are the most amazing creatures; they give unconditional love. For me they are the role model for being alive."

-Gilda Radner