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Caring for animals in Need of Help Since 1955

These animals are all available for adoption...

Cinder & Ella, A Tale of Survival...

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2013 Shelter Statistics YTD

- Cruelty Calls - 165
- Adoptions - 125
- Rescues - 136
- Public Spay/Neuters - 60
- Awaiting Forever Homes -

80 + Dogs & Cats



On a cold December night just before Christmas, the cry of tiny kittens could be heard coming from an industrial sized furnace. Inside two, 4 week old kittens were found after they had climbed into the furnace in search of a warm place to sleep.

Terrified, burned and covered in pieces of metal, dirt and soot, a good Samaritan brought rushed them to our shelter. After being treated by a local veterinarian they were placed in foster care so that they could receive round the clock care. Named Cinder and Ella they began their long journey of recovery. Ella fared well, with only a few shortened whiskers and scrapes but Cinder was burned over almost every bit of his body from the tips of his little ears to the end of his tiny tail.



Although severely injured, his intense will to survive shown through as he kept right up with his sister and warmed the hearts of everyone involved in his recovery. He endured multiple, daily soaking baths for his burns, ointments, antibiotics, other medications and took it all in stride. "We didn't think his fur would ever grow back on his face and we noticed his back feet had melted so he had no real toes or nails. He lost his tail too." said Diana, his foster mom.



Over the next two months Ella developed into an exuberant, confident little kitten and Cinder's wounds began to heal and scar over. They bonded with their foster dog and cat in the home and spent a lot of time, just being kittens. Cinder especially made many trips to the veterinarian to track his progress and health. In the end he did lose his tail and a good portion of his ears, but it's a small price to pay for survival.

Today Cinder is well and waiting to be adopted and we know he will find a loving home soon. Cinder will always bear the scars of his past but thanks to the aid provided by his wonderful foster mom, Portage APL and supporters like you, he will live a long happy life!

Ella was recently adopted by a wonderful couple and she will have a former APL adoptee, Wesley as her new brother.



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Mission:

Portage Animal Protective League is a private, non-profit organization, dedicated to the advancement of animal welfare and responsible pet ownership. In support of the mission: we shelter and find safe homes for injured, abused, surrendered and abandoned animals, uphold and enforce all animal cruelty laws, reduce pet overpopulation through spay/neuter programs and educate the community on the social responsibility associated with pet ownership.

Vision:

We envision an educated and caring community that recognizes and respects the rights of animals to receive humane and compassionate treatment and actively supports efforts to ensure their welfare.

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month!

Part of our mission at Portage APL is to uphold and enforce animal cruelty laws and rescue animals that are abused, abandoned, injured or neglected. We spend countless hours investigating, rescuing, caring for and finding homes for animals that have suffered from a variety of situations.

It is important to bring light and attention to animal cruelty in our community. The best way to prevent animal cruelty is to stop it in its tracks. Whenever you witness something happening that you feel is an act of cruelty, report it. Report it to your county Humane Officer, your county Humane Society, your local police, the county sheriff's department, or dog warden. Each of these law enforcement agencies can assist in getting the information to the right person who will then investigate, and when necessary take animals into custody, get them treated, and prosecute the offenders.

One must understand, however, that the Humane Officer is not a "Lone Ranger" who can remove an animal based solely on your accusation. The Humane Officer must follow the legal process as required by the Ohio Revised Code. Sometimes this is a longer process than the person filing a complaint wants to endure, but it's the law.

What kinds of things should you report?

- Animals infested with fleas or ticks or having hair loss due to fleas
- Wounds or injuries that are left untreated
- Severe matting of fur, dirty coat or extremely long nails
- A collar embedded in an animal's neck because it is too small
- Severely underweight animals
- Untreated upper respiratory illnesses with severe eye or nasal discharge
- Animals of all types must have adequate and clean food and water, adequate shelter from the elements, kennels or cages or pens or doghouses that are large enough for them to move around in, and be able to stay in an area that is free of feces and urine, garbage, broken glass, compost piles, mud, or any objects that may cause them harm.

If you witness animal abuse or suspected abuse, please, don't keep that secret. Report it. Law enforcement agencies take abuse seriously. Report abuse. When you don't, you become part of the problem. When you do, you become part of the solution and aid in the prevention of cruelty.

To reach Portage APL Humane Officer, please call 330.296.4022 ext. 102

Still Waiting...to Be Adopted



With this pair you can get twice the love and happiness! **Shiloh and Shayanne** need to be adopted together. These cuties are like two peas in a pod. They are friendly, sweet, playful and would love a home. Their owner died and they needed a new start. They are sisters, 3 years old and have never been separated. They'll remain at the shelter until adopted together. Both were very shy and have come out of their shells nicely. They would do well in most homes given appropriate time to adjust. They've been through a lot and we are excited for them to find a new, loving fur-ever home.

This pretty girl is **Rachelle**. She is only about 3 years old but has been waiting for over **a year** to find a home. She is spayed, up to date on vaccines, micro chipped and healthy. She is spunky, enjoys petting (when she wants it) and likes to talk to you. She is tolerant of other animals and would do best with kids older than 12. She needs someone to give her a chance. When bonded with someone, she is just a sweetheart. Being in a cage for a long time is stressful. She deserves a chance at happiness.



Did You Know...

With every adoption, you receive a free wellness exam from one of these local veterinarians?

- Aurora Vet Clinic
- Mantua Vet Clinic
- Memorial Animal Hospital
- Stonewall Animal Hospital
- Best Friends Animal Hospital
- Richardson Animal Hospital
- Stow Kent Animal Hospital
- Animal Medical Center
- Garrettsville Animal Hospital
- Ravenna Road Animal Hospital
- Love & Care Animal Hospital
- Hartville Vet Clinic
- Portage Animal Clinic
- Rootstown Veterinary Hospital

Thanks for your support!

Donations & Time Matter



Birthdays come and go, but this birthday will long be remembered by the Portage APL. Katie, a fifth grader at Franklin School, celebrated her 11th Birthday on November 22, and asked for gifts for the APL. This is not a new happening in this household, because Katie's brother William did the very same. These remarkable kids, the children of Rebekah and Mike of Kent, have been taught well. It's always amazing when the young think of others instead of their own wants. Mom Rebekah brought Katie and the scout members of Troop 90154 to the shelter on Saturday to present the donations. A tour of the shelter was in order, and all the girls were eager to listen and ask questions. We hope the girls enjoyed themselves, because you know WE SURE DID! Thanks Katie, and many Happy Birthdays. Pictured left to right, back row, Katie, Jenna, MacKenzie, Alyssa, Laura. Front row, left to right, Lauren, Auya.



Maya, daughter of Eric and Katelin of Hiram, is the youngest person to donate to Portage APL. It's never too early to start giving. Maya's first birthday was celebrated in February. Little did we know, that Portage APL animals would benefit from her party. What a wonderful and creative way to help! They brought dog food, cat food, litter, garbage bags, paper towels, bleach and much more. When these items are donated, it saves the APL from having to purchase them. What an impressive family... already teaching compassion to their one year old child.

Did You Know ...

You can follow Portage APL on Twitter @PAPL_Cat? View the world through a shelter cat's eyes and keep up on shelter happenings and updates. We know you'll love it!

Celica Tests Her Nine Lives

Not every animal likes to go for a ride... Some time ago, this cat was surrendered to Portage APL. While getting her out of



the car to bring her in, she escaped! She ran through the parking lot, under cars and all around. No one could catch her. So, APL Cat Assistant, Betsy set a humane trap in hopes of catching her. A day passed and no luck.

Then on Saturday after arriving home in Auburn, Betsy let her dogs out. They began to bark more than normal. So Betsy came outside, only to find her dogs barking at the hood of her car. She opened the hood and... there was the lost

kitty!!! Sitting on top of her motor, squeezed under her hood. This cat had ridden home this way. And who knows if she'd been there for one or two days. Her little feet were burned, but her fate should have been much worse. She was very lucky that day. It was, after all, St. Patty's Day weekend. Not only is she gorgeous, but she's just a sweetie pie. She isn't available to be adopted yet. Her burns need to heal and she still needs spayed. But in the meantime, she'll be warm, safe and loved in our shelter.

I Found a FUR-EVER Home!

Remember our wonderful pair, **Monk and GeGe**? They have found a home! This dynamic duo has gone to a house and a fenced in backyard. Pamela of Ravenna came to look at the dogs and loved everyone she saw, (our kind of woman) but was intrigued by Monk and GeGe. Pam wanted two dogs, but hadn't thought of these two. After leaving the shelter empty handed, it didn't take but a few hours for Pam to come back and say she wanted Monk and his sidekick, GeGe. The rest is history, and the shelter seems a bit lonelier now, but we are thrilled that Pamela had the foresight to see the beauty not only in the dog's looks, but in their hearts. THANK YOU Pam. These dogs deserve the very best and we are sure you will see to that.



Remember **MoonWalker** from our winter edition of Tattle Tails? Well here is a wonderful letter and photo from his new family.

Dear APL Staff,

Moony is doing great! We just love him. We are now in Florida until May. We take Moony to the park in the morning around 7am for about an hour. He has about 8 friends that he plays with. He also loves to chase squirrels and rabbits at the park. In the evening we take him to a different park on the beach for about 45 minutes. Moony is picking up his energy level. He can't keep up with some of the other dogs, but we are working on that. He has more energy than he used to. Moony has been on our boat and he loves it! He went to the gulf but the water wasn't deep enough to swim, so he went wading. I don't think he knows how to swim yet but I think he will learn from my son's dogs when we get back to Ohio.

Right now he is sleeping on his doggie pad because he is tired from his walk. Thank you for such a wonderful dog!

Irene & Dennis

"Moony in the motor home, ready to go to Florida!"

Did You Know ...

We collect paper, cardboard, magazines, etc. and recycle them for money. Don't throw away your paper or cans. We also turn in empty ink cartridges for money towards office supplies. So please bring us yours! Every dollar counts. Just ask an animal in need!

Paws To Honor 2013, Honors & Recognition Dinner

Each year, we come together as a staff and board to honor some of the people who make our work possible. We honor Leadership Circle donors as well as other special people. Leadership Circle is a group of committed donors who give at least \$1000 annually to Portage APL. We also give awards to volunteers, businesses, foundations, and more.

We call this event **Paws to Honor**. On March 7th at the Rusty Nail in Kent, a small group gathered to give recognition, enjoy dinner and drinks together and pause to appreciate the support Portage APL receives.

Those who were spotlighted at the event are as follows:

Volunteer of the Year Awards

Diane Ramos
Lisa Wright
Sheryl Yankovich

John & Mary Perry

Jon DeRhodes Award

Rose's Rescue

Business and Corporate Support Awards

Green & Yellow Equipment, Jerry Jaap
Karen's K-9 Klips, Karen Stalknaker
Schumann's Roadside & Towing

Special Recognition

Dr. Suzanne Paroff, D.V.M.

Community Support

Brown Mackie College

Philanthropy Awards

Jo Woodward Solem Foundation



A Note From Our Executive Director

Dear APL Friends,

Well, spring is on its way and time is flying by. I can't believe that it has been over a year since I began. The last year (and a few months) has been wonderful, stressful, happy, sad, busy, exciting and many other things. But most importantly it has been filled with positive change. We have become more efficient and frugal. We are making new friends and spreading the message of our good work. Intake and adoptions are up but expenses are remaining level. Our events have been more successful and you, our supporters, are the reason for many of the great things that are happening.

With the season of growth in mind, I want to talk about giving. Each day, we receive donations in the mail, online, and over the phone. These contributions keep us running from day to day and month to month. From \$1 to \$5,000 +, we are grateful for every penny. For Portage APL to be able to do more for animals in the future and keep our accounts from fading, I am asking each of you to increase your giving this year.

The economy has impacted so many businesses and organizations over the last few years and we are no exception. When our children and grandchildren need to report abuse in their community or find an injured animal in need, I want to know Portage APL will be there. That means not living from month to month, but years in advance. Everyone can help in some way. Attend an APL fundraising event, give monthly, skip a coffee drink once a week, collect your spare change, ask your employer to hold a fundraiser, follow us on Facebook and share our stories.

And of course, I am always available and happy to come and speak about our organization. Just ask. Thank you for all that you do!

Chalan



Join **Shepherd's Watch** by remembering Portage APL in your overall estate and financial plan.

Each year, we strive to raise funds to operate our shelter and provide important services to the community. But in the long term, wills, bequests, gifts from estates, trusts, land, and life insurance will ensure a bright future for our organization.

Thank you in advance for remembering Portage APL in your will.



Paws to Celebrate, Spring Fling: "It's Raining Cats and Dogs!" **April 20, 2013**



Join us for our annual fundraiser on April 20, 2013 and let's raise thousands of dollars for Portage APL. This year, the Paws to Celebrate name remains, but a fresh theme, Spring Fling, "It's Raining Cats and Dogs!" has been chosen. Each year, we gather, eat, drink, bid on auction items and raffles, and most importantly, raise funds to help the hundreds of abused, abandoned and injured animals we rescue each year.

This year we hope to raise record dollars with your help! We have chosen a larger venue, the American Legion Hall in Kent, so we can hold up to 300 people! The evening begins at 5pm. We have some outstanding auction items like a **Lake Erie Charter fishing trip for 6** people including lunch, autographed Kent football items, Akron Zips tickets, a Kindle Fire (raffle), autographed Cleveland Indians items, wine baskets, art, hotel stays and much more. Even bid on a chance to have your animal on the front cover of the **2014 Portage APL calendar!** Also, this year we are so pleased to have T.K. O'Grady as our Emcee!! T.K. is an animal lover and has a long history of helping organizations that do good in the community. He has been a D.J. on 97.5 WONE for many years and we think he'll be a great addition to an already fun event.

Reservations are \$65 per person. 5-8pm American Legion Hall in Kent. The evening includes a silent and live auction, raffles, music, buffet dinner and more. You'll probably see a few homeless animals from Portage APL looking for a fresh start. To make reservations, please call 330.296.4022. Auction items are still being accepted. Things like gift certificates, baskets, sports items, jewelry and more are needed. If you'd like to donate an item, please bring them to Portage APL by April 12, 2013.

New this year: *Change for Paw\$*

Cats vs. Dogs. Empty your piggy bank, purse or wallet and bring your spare change (or dollars)! We'll be collecting them in CAT & DOG bins. Will the cat or dog lovers bring more *change* for APL animals?

Munchkin, Small but Mighty



Munchkin sure had a rough start but love, medicine and hope can change a tiny little life forever. She came to the APL at four weeks old and weighed just 11 ounces. Her front leg was bent in the wrong direction, was cold to the touch and she smelled of infection. Her poor, injured leg was also filled with maggots. The staff couldn't believe she was alive. At her first visit to the veterinarian, this little fighter even found the strength to hiss at the doctor. In the end, her leg was amputated. Large doses of love (from her foster mom), food and medicine got her healthy and ready for a fur-ever home.



Months later, her new mom Connie says: "She is a pistol. Loves getting in the bath tub after I take a shower and she also plays with the shower curtain. Nothing stops her!! She runs after her 'brothers' especially Drake. They chase each other all the time. He even cries for her. She climbs the scratching post. Loves watching the birds from the patio door. When I brought her home, she knew she was home. Never hid, made herself at home and ran exploring the house. I would say she has adjusted well. :) I am so glad I adopted her or is that she adopted me?"

-Connie

To help the many animals like Tanner, Munchkin, Celica, Cinder & Ella and many more, donations to the Portage APL can be made by mail, at the shelter, on the web http://portageapl.org/Donate_Online or by phone at 330.296.4022

Meet the New Additions ... to our Board of Directors!



Kim Demich-Hardesty, 47, was raised in Portage County and now lives in Stow with her husband Tom, who is the Assistant Sports Editor of the Record-Courier. She is employed by McMaster-Carr in Aurora in the Accounts Receivable Department and currently lives with 6 rescued cats. Kim has been a long time advocate and supporter of the APL since she adopted her first dog

from the shelter on Lake Street when she was in 2nd grade. She has also volunteered and even worked for one of the shelters in the area in some capacity. She is excited to join the Board and help raise awareness and much needed funds for Portage APL.

Christine Hawkins, comes from a large family and is the oldest of six kids. Loving animals is an inherited trait. As a newborn,

there were two Persian cats who guarded her bassinet. Growing up, her household was swarming with kids, cats and dogs.

She is happily married to her husband, Paul, who is an accountant. And they have one son, James. Two Persian cats, Julius Caesar and Sylvester, allow Christine and family to live with them. They set the house rules!

She is a board-certified registered nurse with a master's degree in nursing administration. She has enjoyed a career in nursing at Robinson Memorial Hospital and has had the opportunity to carry out many different leadership roles which she hopes will benefit the Portage APL board and shelter.



Upcoming Events to Benefit Portage APL

Spring Fling April Adoption Special - Each adopter receives a brand new pet bed and a new toy with their adoption (while supplies last)!



April 20, 2013 - Paws to Celebrate, Spring Fling: "It's Raining Cats and Dogs!" (See opposite page for more details)

May 5th, 2013 - Love is in Bloom Adoption Event at Stow Kent Animal Hospital, 12 - 4. Join us for raffles, snacks, games, fun and adopt a new family member!



June 15, 2013 - Hogs for Dogs Poker Run. Registration begins at Portage APL @ 11am, first bike out at 12pm. Pre-Registration by 6-10-13 \$15.00/rider and \$10.00 /passenger. Day of Event: \$20.00 /rider and \$10.00 /passenger. Ride ends at the Big Dog in Ravenna for food, fun and raffles.

June 22, 2013 - Streetsboro Parks & Recreation will hold **Paws in the Park**. You and your dog can give a minimum donation of \$10.00 to participate. Held at the pavilion in City Park, the walk begins at 10am. Sign up in advance by stopping in or calling the Parks and Recreation office.



July 6, 2013 - Portage APL Car Show (Rain date: Sunday, July 7, 2013). Where: Mongoose Motorsports and Schumann's Roadside & Towing, 1340 E. Main St., Ravenna, OH. Show hours: noon to 4PM. Registration will begin at 11AM. Donation: \$10.00, Contact: Joe/330-296-2052. 35+ Trophies; Food, DJ

August 3, 2013 - Paws to Golf, Golf Outing. Sugar Bush Golf Club. \$100.00 per golfer 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start INCLUDES: 18 holes w/cart, BBQ Dinner, Contests, Cash Prizes & Door Prizes.

Paws to Golf: Honoring the memory of Doug Sendry.



A Special Thank You!

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Crestwood High School
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Davey Resource Group
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Dawson Insurance
Davey Tree
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Don & Nancy Roepke

Dorothy Beck
Janet Kearney & Tom Beck

Theodore Bickley
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Marilyn Fear
Dan & Kerry Fuller

Giovanni Filippone
Eileen Hogan & Pets

Carl Flynn Jr.
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Clarissa Bradley

Betty Foor
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Anita Starcher
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Joseph & Theresa Nanassy
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Mary Howitt

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Sue Smosarski

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Linda Gombeda

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Susan Grajek

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Bobbie Keith
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Donna Peters

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Sandra Belcastro

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Sue Brairs

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Barb Miller

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Stephen & Jeanne Michaelids
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Donna Peters
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Kent Brown's Backers

Shirley Stone
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Justine Trivelli
Helen Baxter

Coy Tennant
Lois Tennant

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Patricia Miller
Gloria Falsted

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David & Lara Lach

Alex
Christal Baker

All Neglected & Abused Souls
Richard & Catherine Dilley

All Your Angels
Karen Franklin

Angel
Vincent & Sandra Pelose

Annie
Robert & Patsy Bennett

Ariel
Maureen Thomas-Ryan

Ashton
Jill Conway-Barbuto

Autumn
Paul Williams

Babe
A.J. Kandes

Bailey
Gwyneth Stine

Barney
Catherine Schellhammer

Benji
Catherine Schellhammer

Best Pet
Malcolm Daykin

Bishop
Kathy Cordaro

Bonker II

Timothy Ludick

Boo Boo
Carolyn Jones

Boomer
Kathy Cordaro

Britty
Steve & Laura Nobil

Bubba
Steve & Karen Shirey

Buddy
Sally Roberts

Buddy
Mike Grajek

Buddy
Stephanie Byrne

Buddy
Ruth Ankeny

Candee
Nick Nero

Casey
John Carnes

Casey
Ginny Jarosky

Charlie
Christine Douthitt

Chelsea
Joan France

Cloud
Janet Sessions

Dolly
Vincent & Sandra Pelose

Donut
Judith Pudloski

Duke
Kevin Plorkowski

Eddie
John & Ann Gargan

Edward
Catherine Schellhammer

Eeyore
Diane Sahley

Elwood Blue
David & Robin Eschelman

GiGi
Lyliane Matheiu-Kerns

Gizmo
Mary Howitt

Hamlet
Shawn Gordon

Hazel
Judith Pudloski

Henry
Evelyn Colville

Hobo
Penny Crowe

Hunter
John Carnes

Jackie Boy
Mr. & Mrs. Bosko

James Bond
Mr. & Mrs. Bosko

Jamie & Jody
Dottie Bower

Jody
Judith Pudloski

Josie
Angela Hocevar

June Bug
John Carnes

Kasey
Kathy Cordaro

Kelly
Ginny Jarosky

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Lady Love
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Mimi
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Liliane Matheiu—Kerns

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Kathy Cordaro

Missy
Mary Kotapish

Molly
Elizabeth Hogan

Nesta
Kristina Coley

Nikita
Gweneth Stine

Noah
Sandra Krutz

Ollie
Ceasar Manelo

Oreo
Kathy Cordaro

Ozzie
Doctors Andrew & Kathi
Rancer

Ozzie
Nancy Mitchell

Patches
Catherine Schellhammer

Patricia Puffball
Richard Busch

Peneolope
Paula Long

Pete
Christine Douthitt

Pets in Heaven
Krista & McKenna Burchett

Ponache
Lyliane Matheiu-Kerns

Poncho
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Pookie
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Purr-ky
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6 Months (\$250)

3 Months (\$125)

1 Month (\$50)

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Tanner, In Memoriam



To those of you who may have missed a recent stories regarding TANNER, we want to take a moment in memoriam. It is a heartwarming tribute to a wonderful dog, and a wonderful family. Tanner came from a horrible situation where he suffered long term neglect. He was very underweight, with wounds and hair loss all over. He spent months recovering and waiting while his owner was prosecuted. Once the owner pled guilty and he could be adopted, a wonderful family came all the way from Mansfield to give this senior guy the life he deserved. Knowing he may have only weeks or years, they gladly made him a part of their family.

In a note from them, they said "He follows me everywhere I go and he is actually wagging his tail!!! We have our sign language down, since he is deaf, so he knows what I mean when we communicate, he's very intelligent for his age. Last week he got his first massage for his arthritis and a bath. He LOVED it!!! Tanner now has an orthopedic bed and an elevated feeding dish to help with his arthritis. We are making him as comfortable as possible. He's certainly spoiled. Tanner went to vet on Monday to have a check up and he check out great, although he does have an ear infection that we are treating and also have gotten his arthritis meds while we were there. Tanner is living like a king and will continue to as long as he is a part of our family, which we hope will be for a long time. He's the apple of our eye and we are happy to have him here to give him the life he never had. Thank you guys for giving our family this gift. We truly appreciate it:)" Natasia and family. Sadly, Tanner took a turn after just a couple of weeks. We can only say that he, no doubt, had the best few weeks of his life with Natasia and Sean.



Coming Soon! 2014 Portage APL Calendar

Soon, Portage APL will have its very own calendar! We all receive calendars for holiday gifts and birthdays. Wouldn't you like a calendar that supports and showcases Portage APL and adopted and loved animals throughout the community? And even one with your pet's photo in it? We knew you would!!

The calendar will be an 8 ½ x 11 staple-bound wall calendar featuring supporter-supplied photos of our furry friends (as well as APL animals). This means you'll be able to place your order and submit a photo (s) of your pet (s) which will be included in the calendar. We'll begin the process in May... We'll use a website to collect the pre-order information and photo information. Pre-ordering is required if you are submitting a photo and is recommended for all others. All photos must be received by August 1, 2013. Look for more information to be announced in the coming months via Facebook and our website.





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You can help homeless dogs and cats through a generous donation of your used car, boat or recreational vehicle.

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Volunteers Needed



Dog Walkers, Cat "Cuddlers", clerical and fundraising volunteers are needed at the shelter.

Call 330.296.4022 , Extension 0 to volunteer.

Our Wish List

Through the generosity of the community the Portage APL is able to keep our animals flourishing. During their stay the following items are frequently needed to care for the cats and dogs:

To Keep Healthy and Clean

- Purina ONE or Pedigree dog/puppy food; Purina ONE Sensitive or Purina ONE Indoor cat/kitten food; Milk Bone Biscuits (Minis), Canned Friskies Pate Turkey & Giblet, Poultry Platter or Mixed Grill
- Tidy Cat non-clumping, non-scoop litter, Yesterday's News litter
- Mr. Clean or Spic & Span cleaners, Clorox Bleach, Paper Towels, Heavy Duty trash bags (33 gal), Tall Kitchen trash bags
- Paper serving boats, small plastic serving cups (20 oz) without lids
- Newspaper

To Keep Comfy and Cozy

- Dog/cat toys, dog beds, towels and blankets
- Rubber-backed rugs (bathroom type)
- Small, medium, large, and extra- large dog crates
- Pipe cleaners, large pompoms (2 inch)

To Keep the Office Running

- Forever postage stamps
- Folders (2 pocket blue)
- Copy paper