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These animals are all available for adoption...

Results of Your Kindness...

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2014 Shelter Statistics YTD

- Cruelty Calls - 1096
- Adoptions - 271
- Emergency Calls - 188
- Public Spay/Neuters - 296
- Awaiting Forever Homes -

75 +

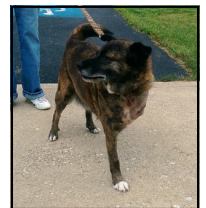
We could fill a book with stories of sick, injured, abandoned and surrendered dogs and cats who come to us each week. We never know what each day brings or how much help an animal might need. Enjoy a few stories of animals who have been touched by your support.

Turner came to us with badly infected eyes. He had a condition known as Entropion. It required surgery and weeks of healing time in foster care. His eyelids had to be stitched up so they would not grow inward. Now he is handsome and healthy and being adopted by his foster mom and APL Humane Officer Wanda.



In May, animal intake reached **122 animals!** This is double an average month at the APL.

Lizzy was found with an injured leg. Once examined it became clear she had suffered for some time without treatment. Her leg had been broken and nerve damage had set in. Her leg needed amputated. Here she is just after surgery. Sad face but a happy end to her suffering.



During the spring months, we had many large seizures and rescues. From a single home, we seized **37 dogs and cats** over a few weeks time. We also had 15 kittens arrive in one day, as well as puppies dumped at a local store. Our resources are stretched to the max. We don't expect these high numbers but when it happens we have to act.

Odin came to the APL after being injured and needed his eye removed. He was named Odin after the King of the Norse Gods who gave up an eye to gain wisdom and power. Lucky for him, he didn't seem to notice the difference. He has healed wonderfully and is just a perfect kitty, we think!



Jude came to us with a broken pelvis, broken hip and fractured spleen. She had been hit by a car, maybe even twice. She had gone without medical treatment for some time and was in dire need of help. All the while she was a sweet girl and after months of recovery she is happy and waiting for a home.



The list goes on and on. This small glimpse into the lives that were saved because of your support is why we are here. Portage APL relies on donations to make our work possible, and animals like these need you now and in the future.

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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.

A Word from Wanda

It's hard to believe that it has been almost six months since I was appointed as Portage County Humane Officer. Time goes by so fast when you love your job. From the Sheriff's Department and local police to the Dog Warden's office and residents, everyone has been welcoming, helpful and friendly. This job is so important to the community and its animals and I do my very best every day.

As the only Humane Officer in the county I stay very busy and have countless reports to investigate. To say it is not difficult or sad, would be untrue; because it is. Some people are terrible to their animals and seem to have no compassion which I will never understand. Sometimes it is intentional and other times out of ignorance or lack of resources.

One very hard part about this job is the law. Things I wish were illegal, sometimes aren't. I wish everyone had to love their animals, pet them and play with them but that's not the case. I can only enforce the law according to the Ohio Revised Code, not my heart. I try very hard to educate in hopes to improve an animals situation as well as offer recourses to help if possible. Each day I think I've seen it all and the next day I am proved wrong.

The best part of my job is seeing an abused or abandoned animal recover and flourish once rescued. You can't beat that feeling and it reminds me why I am here each day.

Please, if you see something happening to an animal and think it's abuse or neglect, call me. It may not be, but it's better to be safe than sorry. My direct line is 330-296-4022 ext 102.

Thank you,
Wanda White



Spay and Neuter Services

Low cost spay and neuter services are a very important part of helping stop pet overpopulation and unwanted animals entering shelters or being euthanized. At Portage APL we work hard to make that possible. Although we don't have our own clinic, we do host mobile clinics that come to our location and offer these services. We use **N.O.M.A.D. and PetFix of Northeast Ohio**. Both offer a variety of low cost options for cats. And of course, every animal adopted from the APL is spayed or neutered.

Please call us to schedule an appointment. We offer one or two clinics each moth. We also sell Friend of Animal certificates that can be used at many local veterinarians.

Still Waiting...to Be Adopted



Maude has been waiting months for the right person or family to adopt her. She is about 7 years old and about 45 pounds. Maude thinks she's a lap dog and is very affectionate. Mostly she wants to be near you, touching you or being petted by you. She likes to go for walks and is playful. She is our "greeter" at the front desk and tells us when she needs to potty. She runs out and waits by the door to come back in. She would rather be with people than outside alone, even for five minutes. She'd like to be the only dog. There are probably some dogs that could be a match for her but she truly seems uninterested in them. She just wants "her" people. You won't be lonely with Maude in your life. She'll love you every day.



Some things never cease to amaze us. These two handsome cats are **Winston and Windle**. For some strange reason, they have been waiting for a home since December when they were removed from a home with 14 cats. They are now about one year old and are absolutely amazing. They are a bonded pair and have never been apart. They play, sleep and eat together. They are very affectionate and will even crawl onto your shoulder and like being held. We have posted them numerous times on Facebook and still they wait. These two would make any home a brighter, happier place. We are astounded they are still waiting. Please adopt them!

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
- Streetsboro Vet Clinic
- Twin Lakes Veterinary

Thanks for your support!

Donations and Time Matter

Whether you're one person or a business, you can help the animals! Look at what Fast Track Auto Sales in Ravenna did for Portage APL! For the month of May, they donated money from each car sold to help us. The total was \$2500!!!! Thank you Fast Track Auto from all of us at the APL and the hundreds of homeless animals that rely on your support.

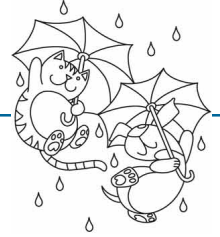
This is a perfect example of how you can help. Some people donate money from a lemonade stand, some folks have a dress down day at the office or ask their employer to match donations. There are so many ways to help. Thanks Fast Track!!!



We are so overwhelmed by the generosity that we see daily. It's hard to choose stories to highlight because Portage APL has so many wonderful supporters. In this case, these lovely girls had a lemonade stand to benefit the APL. These Streetsboro best friends and residents will both become Freshmen at Walsh Jesuit High School this fall. Among the toys, food, treats and cleaning products, there was an envelope containing \$650.00! That's A LOT of lemonade. The proper upbringing has made these girls know that it is "AWESOME" to give to animals in need. The entire Staff and residents at the APL say..."THANK YOU: JOB WELL DONE.



Paws to Celebrate, Spring Fling: "It's Raining Cats and Dogs!" Another Amazing Year!



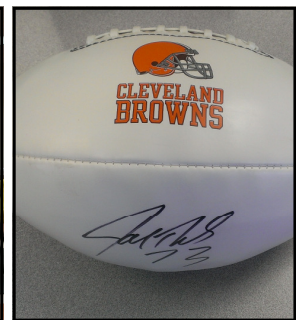
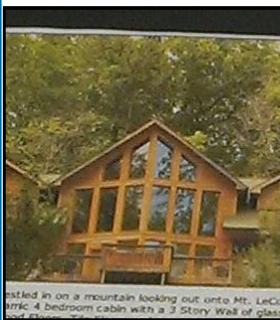
On April 26, 2014 Portage APL was ecstatic to have over 170 people in attendance at Paws To Celebrate! To all of you who attended, we extend a heartfelt thank you for helping us beat last year's numbers. The APL raised over \$26,000 after expenses! This is outstanding. Folks seemed to have a wonderful time and between the silent & live auction, yummy food and raffles, it couldn't have been much better.

This is our largest fundraiser of the year. CC, one of the dogs found a loving home (picture below). There were over 100 auction items that included a signed Joe Thomas Cleveland Browns football, a week in a gorgeous mountain home in Tennessee, art, jewelry, gift baskets, bags, dog and cat themed baskets, sports items and more. Mark your calendar for next year **April 18, 2015!!!**

Thank you to all who donated, attended, volunteered, sponsored or helped in any way. **2014 Paws to Celebrate Sponsors: Platinum Paw** Cheryl Casper, Joe & Vicki Ferrara; **Gold Paw** Eileen Hogan, Nancy Mitchell; **Silver Paw** Portage Vision Care; **Bronze Paw** Marian Bickley, Cid & Lee Cardamone, Jennifer & Bob Larson, Dennis & Sally Missimi, Tom & Mary Cochran, Mary Lynn Savage; **Copper Paw** Tina Austin, Commissioner Sabrina Christian Bennett, Kathy Cordaro, Jack Kerrigan/Bill Milau, Portage Community Bank, Ruth Saltzman, Carolynne Sendry, Marilyn Wilt, Sheryl Yankovich.

And thank you to our **committee** who worked so hard with smiles on to make this event a success: Lynn Hubach, Chair; Mary Cochran, Karen Fox, Judy Filipone, Kim Hardesty, Eileen Hogan, Sandra Jesionek, Nancy Mitchell, Mary Lynn Savage.

Cats vs. Dogs. The dogs won again! I guess we'll see what happens next year. Who can bring more change for APL animals?

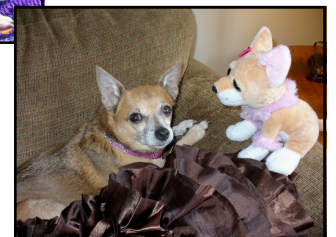
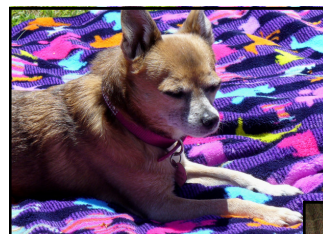


I Found a FUR-EVER Home!

Here's a wonderful update we received on Lyta (now **Cha Cha**).

"If ever there was a perfect dog, which all of them are perfect, it has got to be **Cha Cha**. She is so easily trained. She knows her yard and stays in it. We go to the park about 2 times a day and for many walks. She is a 'charmer' ... It must have been meant to be that I found her and I am blessed to have you be the ones that took her. I will send you some pictures."

Jacqueline



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!

Don't Miss Paws for Golf - August 16, 2014

18-Hole Golf Scramble, Saturday, August 16, 2014 at
Sugar Bush Golf Club, 11186 St. Rt. #88 Garrettsville, Ohio

Cost: \$100.00 per golfer

Registration Includes:

- 18 holes of golf w/cart
- Gift bag
- Lunch
- Dinner (BBQ)
- Beverages
- Skill prizes
- Cash prizes
- Door Prizes



Schedule for the Day:

12 noon: Bag Drop/Registration & Lunch

1 p.m.: Shotgun Start 18 Hole Scramble

6 p.m.: Dinner, Awards, Prizes



Other Ways to Help

Monetary donations are always welcome and needed but, if you are looking for other options, here are a few different ways to lend a hand.

Order engraved bricks that will be added to our hallway wall. One line is \$50 and two lines for \$75. Remember an animal or friend or just add a happy message. All proceeds benefit Portage APL. See enclosed form.

Use Goodsearch.com /Goodshop/GoodDining. They will give a percentage of every purchase to us; and there are literally hundreds of the biggest stores to choose from like Gap, Target, PetSmart, Macy's and more. Just designate Portage Animal Protective League as your charity and start searching & shopping.

Ask about a donation canister. Do you own a business? Or you can ask your employer? Spare change can really add up. We'd be happy to place a canister at your location. We'll collect it monthly or as needed

Buy APL apparel! We have summer and winter APL T-shirts, sweatshirts, tank tops, golf shirts and hats. They are reasonably priced and an easy way to show your support by wearing our gear.

Sponsor or attend an **event.** Donate an auction item or help be a part of the committee.

Donate items on our wish list

Plan a party or a fundraiser for the APL like a jeans day, birthday party, lemonade stand or a bake sale. There are many options.

Ask your employer to match funds you donate. It's double the difference!

Volunteer your time to walk dogs, play with cats, do administrative tasks or help plan an event!

I Found a FUR-EVER Home!

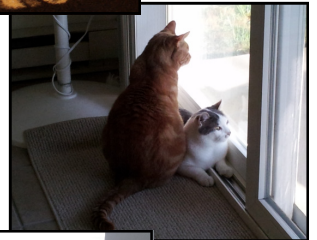
Another happy update we received!

“**Wilt** has a new name now and it's Simon. He is such a joy! He's so full of quirks and cuteness that it seems every time I turn around he has me grinning at him again. He LOVES his toys. Every toy in the house has been carried up and back down the stairs at least a dozen times or more. He picks them up in his mouth and carries them off! He even brings his favorite toy of the day to bed with him! It's a different one every night. He sleeps on the bed with Jackson and I, and loves to stand on top of me and get his head petted. My gosh he has a humongous purr!

Another favorite pastime of his is to watch the birds at the feeder outside the sliding glass door. He and my other cat, Jackson, hit it off at the start and now are the best of pals. They tussle a lot like kittens do and Jackson's often the recipient of grooming. Simon still has issues with being held but we're working on that a little bit at a time. He is the perfect fit here and will enjoy this loving home for the rest of his life.

Thank you so much for all that you do.”

Julie



Did You Know ...

We use Stretch and Scratch cat scratchers so that our feline friends can do “normal” cat things while at the APL. You can help us, by purchasing them online and shipping them directly to us. StretchandScratch.com

Become an APL Volunteer

Volunteering can be a very rewarding and fun experience. And Portage APL relies on volunteers daily. From walking dogs and petting cats to community events and administrative work, the APL needs volunteers.

Because we have a tight budget and want to be good stewards of the donations we receive, its important we utilize volunteers whenever possible.

Our staff is small, very busy and they appreciate the help volunteers give.

It's pretty east to become and volunteer. First, fill out an application. After we receive it, we'll invite you to attend the next volunteer orientation. We try to have one every couple of months and orientation is about an hour and a half long.

We do hope if you're interested in being a volunteer that you can commit to volunteering at least a few hours each month for about six months.

Once you're a volunteer, you'll be able to walk dogs or pet cats or help in other ways as needed. Sometimes we attend an event and need volunteers to staff our booth. Maybe we need help pulling weeds in the summer or with stuffing envelopes. Either way we need volunteers regularly to do our very best for the animals. We hope to see you soon!

Become A Cage Sponsor! We still have 25 available!

Help care for a homeless animal while it waits for a Fur-ever Home.

See pg.10 for more information

1 Year (\$500)

6 Months (\$250)

3 Months (\$125)

1 Month (\$50)

Shepherd’s Watch, Planned Giving Society

For nearly 60 years, Portage Animal Protective League has worked to advance animal welfare and promote responsible pet ownership while providing a safe haven for sick, injured, abused and abandoned animals in our area. You can help us continue with this necessary work for the next 60 years by including Portage APL in your overall estate and financial plan.

As a non-profit, tax-exempt organization, we rely primarily on the generosity of our donors. At Portage APL, we are committed to responsible financial management and planning. Our *Shepherd’s Watch Society* helps us weather financial challenges so we can continue to serve the hundreds of animals who come through our doors each year. Our ability to feed the hungry, care for the sick and wounded, and comfort the abused is a direct result of both ongoing contributions and planned gifts.

There are so many ways you can create a lasting legacy that benefits the animals right in your own backyard.

- Wills Life insurance policies Retirement accounts
- Gifts of property Gifts of stock And so many other options

Of course you’ll want to discuss your options and what’s best for you with a personal legal or tax advisor. But we appreciate your keeping us in mind when doing your long-term financial planning.

Thank you, on behalf of the animals, for your support...today and tomorrow.

A Note from our Executive Director

Greetings,

The summer is flying by and there’s been so much happening. We are grateful to be able to help countless animals and to have such dedicated supporters. Our work is not easy and it’s not for everyone, but it is a truly admirable line of work. I wouldn’t trade it for anything. For every time I’ve cried, there’s another time I’ve felt happiness no one could describe. Our hearts break a little each day for the animals we help... and then are mended by their resilience and love that prevails despite their pain.

I want to take this opportunity to talk a little bit about all of the great work we do on your behalf. Yes, we rescue dogs and cats and sometimes other domestic animals. Some come to us injured or from horrific situations and some are surrendered. We provide them with medical care and find them loving homes. We do not euthanize animals for space or time limits and we help almost a thousand animals each year. This is an enormous accomplishment in itself.

But did you know that we work in many other ways to help people and animals in Portage County? We provide pet food assistance for people who can show proof of need. We know that hard times affect us all. We help people feed their pets so they do not end up in shelters or worse. We give an average of 1,000lbs -1,500lbs of food away each month! We offer low cost, mobile spay/neuter clinics for cats twice a month. Since we are really the only shelter who accepts cats in Portage County we know how important it is to prevent future litters. We also sell certificates for spay/neuter of dogs and cats that can be used at local veterinarians and are less expensive than average prices. And, of course, our Humane Officer is hard at work investigating reports of cruelty, neglect and abandonment. She is the only humane agent in the entire county dedicated to this purpose.

We are busy and proud to do this work and we couldn’t do it without you. Thank you for allowing us to make a positive impact on the lives of animals in our community!

Chalan
Chalan Lowry



Family, Friends, Pet Tributes & Honors

People Memorials

In Memory of

Dr. Charles Beutel
Mary Beutel

Charles Bowers
Lonnie & Sandra Teeling
Cynthia J. Gerber
Robert & Deborah May
Barbara Werek
Linda Floyd
Marilyn Predl
Richard & Catherine Orlowski
Christine & Mark Devono
Curtis & Emma Jean Horton
Robert Moyer
Nancy & Don Roepke
Charles & Janette Snyder
Augustus Mercurio
Judith Jurkovic
Richard Ross
Lawrence Snodgrass
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Joan G. Wolonsky
Barbara Murphy
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Penny Davis
Joyce Snodgrass
Gleena Cline
Jerry & Elaine May

Mildred Breckenridge
Joanna Johnson
Joan Flynn
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Gary Butler
Connie Butler

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Dawn Carson

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Sandra Krutz

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Cheryl Cole
Laura Hammond
David & Janet Fosnight

Benedict Dusek Sr.
Norm Crock

Norma Dutter
Sandra Krutz

Martha Fleming
Kathleen Wise

Richard Foor
Valerie Bryan
Tim & Kim Dillon

Florence and Dave Goodman
Carol Flexer

Robert & Loretta Jones
Darmon & Janice Jones

Shirley Ulrich Kellcher
Jean Jacobs

Bill Kosmala
Ron & Mary Komito

Vivian Leickly
Barbara & Earl Clossin
Robert & Patsy Bennett

Mary K. Lilly
Howard Boyle
Lois Rericha
David & Lynn Duffy
Lori & Geri Strange
Tari Wilson
Scott & Justin Lilly
Mike & Lynn Lemon

Phyllis Mazzola
Donald O'Dor Family
Irene Reber
Mr. & Mrs. Vern Reen
Nancy & Nanette Stamm
Larry Trombka D.D.S.

Glenn Maoravec
Mary Maoravec

Bea Overholt
Elberta Lann

Mary Redfern
Gloria Haven

Rick Rowe
Jane Rowe

Olivia Sayre
Evelyn Glova

Kyle Seyfried
Patricia A. Hartle

Charlotte Shane
Kathy Cordaro

Natalie Stemple
Thomas & Gloria Yankovich
Meta Solter
Earl & Kay McFarland
Susan Hansford
Dorothy Davis
Coleman Foundation
Renee Knepp
Karen & Jim Merlitti
Walter Yankovich
Marcia Schultz

Jason Watson
Louis & Patricia Volpe

Dr. Walter Watson
Craig & Ruth Stephens
Paula Giulitto
Veronica Jurgena
Nancy Mitchell

Corky Weingart
Richard & Karen Pollard

Betty Winns
Donna Cornelius
Metta Linnen



Family, Friends, Pet Tributes & Honors

Pet Memorials In Memory of

Angel

Katherine

Annie

Patsy Bennett

Bally

Carol Flexer

Cecelia

Mark Lilien

Charlie

Christine Douthitt

Chloe

Nancy Angerman

Chloe

Windover/Nobel Family

Chocky

Rudy & Donna Tatalovich

Cole

Brenda Heminger

Daisy

Angela Hocevar

Daphne

Bob & Margaret Kernen

Ellie

Joan Rebecca Zeeb– Roman

Fred

Kevin & Jacquelyn Clark

Gummy Bear

Elsie Joy

Lacy

Nancy & Thomas Whitehead

Lobo

Warren Blazy

Maddie

Cathy Schelhamer
Joyce Schellhammer

Mario

Josephine Wardle

Max

Jean Salvatore

Molly

Elizabeth Hagen

Havre Montana

Lawrence Rehman

Mozart

Bill & Adele Fussner

Nala Girl

Karen Fox

Nikki

Christine Johnson

Oreo

Kathy Cordaro

Peaches

Judy Mink

Karen A. Pendleton

Lawrence Rehman

Pesty

Carol Flexer

Pete

Christine Douthitt

Red

Allen & Barb DeWitt

Saki

Barbara Henry

Saki

Doreene McDonald

Salem

Sue Phillips

Sheba

Beth Ina & Margaret Ina

Simon

Carol Flexer

Snuggles

Monica Kaley

Sophia

Maureen Frederick

Sophie

Carl & Mary LaLonde

Sophie

Craig & Darcy Melzer

Srini

Mark Lilien

Trudy

Karen Hoge

Xenapup

Ron & Mary Komito

Zowie

Richard Busch

People Honors In Honor of

Riley Baldwin

Kathy Cordaro

Tim Baldwin

Kathy Cordaro

Fritz Barker & Don Cooley

Barbara Watson

Sandy Bruce

Steven Brodzinski

Page Grace

Rebecca Hohenberger

Patty Lang

Karen Wise

Carol MacLean

Your Secret Sister

Fr. David Misbrener

Lisa Woods

Paul

Ross & Cynthia Christian

Helen Plicka

Paul DiMauro

Pet Honors In Honor of

Mollie Brunner

Elizabeth Brunner

Dusty

Brian Iczkowski

Dusty

Jack Kerrigan

Iris

Kathy Cordaro

Oscar

Marilyn Sessions

Raleigh (a.k.a Sammy)

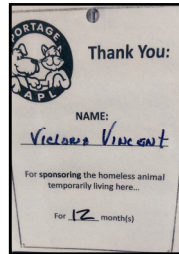
Tracy Wright

Robbie

Christine Bellian

A Special Thank You!

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 Robert Ackworth Estate
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 Bennington Auto Service
 Ben Baron
 Barbara Berry
 Best Friends Animal Clinic
 Big Dee's
 Chloe Nuzillat
 Brown Mackie College
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 Doris Kovacs Trust
 Dr. Laura Miller (MASH)
 Emily Peters
 Emma Knopsnider
 Equity Trust Co.
 Erica Thullen
 Estate Of Liselotte Stefanek
 Eva Jane Miller Trust
 Evelyn Dickerson Hair
 Design
 Fast Track Auto Sales
 Ferrara Electric
 Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
 First Church of God-
 Wednesday Night Kids
 Program
 F.O.E. Streetsboro
 Fortis College Honor
 Society
 Franklin Square Deli
 Green & Yellow Equipment
 - Jerry Japp
 Gail Emmitt
 Gretta Hoover
 Helen Plicka
 Home Savings
 Jessica Kostyo
 Joy Keaton
 Karen's K-9 Klips
 Kathy Kraft
 Kelly McFarland



Cage Sponsorships

Sponsoring an animal's cage is yet another way your donation can be used. Being a cage or run sponsor is a great way to visibly support the animals at Portage APL until they find their next loving home. A special cat cage or dog run "sponsor identity tag" is placed on a cage or a run with your name, your family name, your pet's name or the name of a business or organization. Your sponsorship will help provide food, care and comfort for up to one year. See photo example to the left. Form enclosed.

Current Cage Sponsors

Mary Ann Angelich
 Randy & Penny Becker
 Rob Bluestone
 Cheryl Bowers
 Thurl & Karen Carmany
 Mary Champer
 Christine Coiner
 Kathy Creed, Sanctuary Supplies
 Norm Crock
 Roger & Donna Evans
 Paulette Germer
 Dr. Deborah Grant
 Eileen Hogan
 David & Maureen Kemmerle
 Dr. & Mrs. Kurz
 Robert & Jennifer Larson
 Robert & Cathy Leach
 Lynn & Mike Lemon
 Galyna Livshyts

Craig & Darcy Melzer
 Fr. David Misbrenner
 Nancy Mitchell
 John Olson
 Mary Anne Palm
 Brad Raum
 Lawrence Rehman
 William Robenstein
 Carol Shreiner
 Karen Soini
 Edward Stolish
 Alan & Rita Tolcin
 Victoria Vincent
 Mr. & Mrs. Vlacovsky
 Joseph Willmott
 Lisa Woods
 GTS
 Communication & Cabling

I Found a FUR-EVER Home!

Hello,

It's hard to believe I've only had him since February! He's been a wonderful addition to my family, and such a handful. Since I've had him he briefly went through an upper respiratory bug, but since then he's been nothing but healthy. He enjoys getting into everything he can reach, dragging toys into bed with me and driving my six year old cat up a wall!



When he gets over excited he'll run around the house, drag his food out of his dish and chase them down piece for piece to gobble them up. We've renamed him to Marx and he's happy as can be, has put on a decent amount of weight and is nothing but happy and healthy.

Thank you again,

Anna



Leadership Circle

In 2010, Portage Animal Protective League established **Leadership Circle**. Membership is granted to donors who provide financial support to Portage APL by contributing \$1,000 or more annually.

Contributions from **Leadership Circle** members help nearly a thousand animals who come to the shelter each year because they have been injured, abused, surrendered, or abandoned. These animals receive food, shelter, and medical care for as long as needed until each adoptable animal finds a "forever home." **Leadership Circle** funds also support humane investigations. Reports of abandonment, cruelty, and neglect reach into the thousands. Contributions are also used to educate the public about the responsibilities of pet ownership and to offer low-cost spay and neuter clinics that help reduce pet overpopulation.

Why Leadership Circle is Important



As a private, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, we rely on the generosity of the community to make our important work possible.



It costs more than \$1,500 per day to operate our facility and care for almost a thousand animals we rescue each year.



Each animal adopted is current on vaccines, checked for disease, spayed or neutered, and free of fleas and worms. Portage APL is proud to do so much for so many.



Humane law enforcement is a daily necessity. Thousands of calls have been answered and so many animals saved. It is our mission to uphold humane laws and help the victims start over.

Leadership Circle Members

Sustaining Life Members

Eileen Hogan
 David & Maureen Kemmerle
 Nancy Mitchell
 Wendell Parr
 John & Mary Perry
 William Robenstine

New 2013 Life Members

James & Jean Baker
 Thurl & Karen Carmany
 Cheryl Casper
 Karen Fox & Rick Stump
 Gretta Hoover
 Sandra Jesionek
 James & Kathryn Lamb
 Bruce McBrian
 Dr. Alan W. Steggle

2013 Sustaining Members

Wendy Bellinger
 Melivin Benschoff
 Bev & Ted Bickley

Pat Bingham
 Dr. Violet F. Boggess
 Lou & KC Carrigg
 Tom & Mary Cochran
 Kathy Cordaro
 Jennifer Deckard
 David Taylor & Erica Eckert
 Michael & Tracy Farrell
 Kim Hardesty
 Donna Jo Krin
 Sandy Krutz
 Janet Hallaran
 Barbara Hodous
 Madonio/ Latina Family
 Alan & Judith Mail
 Alan & Louise Mellott
 Nick Leacoma
 Brad Raum
 Tracy Resseger
 Pat & Sherri Riley
 Victoria Vincent
 William & Blanche Wetherholt
 Barbara Ziegler

New 2013 Members

Kathy Creed
 Kay Cox
 Nancy Dalton
 Helen D'Ianni
 Harold Dubois
 Gary & Gayle Gallupe
 Jeffery Lamkin
 Robert & Jennifer Larson
 Earl & Kay McFarland
 Pam Meadows
 Patricia Moon
 Kathy Moorehouse
 Kim Paulus
 Eileen Petridis
 Cathi Rufener
 Richard Schaak
 Murali Shanker
 Betty Toy
 Pam Valentine
 Helen Weingart

A Special Thank you!

Kent State University—Dean Elizabeth Sinclair and the Bus. Professional Roundtable
 Kristen Kennedy
 Kristen Marsinek
 Livie Sayre
 Maddie Baron
 Madonio Family Animal Welfare Trust
 McMaster Carr
 Memorial Animal Hospital
 Nestle Community Care Network for Good
 Nicole Farrar
 Olivia Weeks
 Our Lady of the Elms—5th Grade Class
 Peggy Chaffins
 Penney's Auto Body, Inc.
 Petsmart
 Pet Supplies Plus
 People Care Pet Pantry
 Pitt Plastics Raw Materials LLC
 Portage Community Bank
 Portage County Bar Association
 Portage Foundation
 Progressive Casualty Insurance Group
 Purina
 Ravenna Moose Charities
 Record Courier
 Ron Schwartz
 Rootstown Giant Eagle
 Shearer Family Rev Liv Trust
 Stow Kent Animal Hospital
 Target (Streetsboro)
 Theodore Roosevelt HS
 Kiwanis Key Club
 United Way Employee Giving Campaign
 Victoria Hale
 Viking Vineyards & Winery
 Wanda White
 West Park Estates
 Wild Goats Café



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Portage Animal Protective League is a private, nonprofit 501©(3) animal welfare organization. We are not a government agency. We rely on donors like you to keep our doors open.

Thank you!

Dates to Remember

Paws for Golf, August 16, 2014 at Sugar Bush Golf Club - details on pg. 5

APL Car Show, September 13, 2014 at Mongoose Motor Sports and Schuman's Roadside and Towing. 12-4. Hundreds of hotrods, great trophies, food and APL animals. Sponsorships available.

Paws to Taste, December 6, 2014 at The Overlook (formerly the Fairways at Twin Lakes) Taste an amazing wine selection and a few special beers, enjoy delicious hors d' oeuvres, bid on auction items, buy APL merchandise, meet APL animals, 50/50 raffle and door prizes and more! Mark your calendar now. Don't miss out.

Rummage Sale, September 27, 2014 from 11-3 at Portage APL. We will be accepting donations for the rummage sale but because we don't have a lot of storage space, please call first to find out dates and times to drop off.

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
- 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 (2 oz) without lids
- Newspaper

To Keep Comfy and Cozy

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

To Keep the Office Running

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