

SOCIETY SCOOP

The Humane Society of Nelson County Newsletter



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FIV Cat Gets a New Life

Feline immunodeficiency virus (FIV) is a virus affecting cats worldwide, with 2.5% to 4.4% of felids being infected. It is closely related to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Causing an AIDS-like syndrome, FIV is not typically fatal for cats, as they can live relatively healthy lives as carriers and transmitters of the disease for many years. A vaccine is available, although its efficacy remains uncertain. Cats will test positive for FIV antibodies after vaccination.



Hobie and Buddha

However, humans cannot be infected by FIV, nor can cats be infected by HIV. FIV is transmitted primarily through deep bite wounds, where the virus
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present in the infected cat's saliva enters the body tissues of another cat. FIV positive cats can share water bowls, eat from the same bowl of food, and use the same litter box with little danger of transmitting the disease. An infected cat can get secondary infections and conditions, but with vigilance and good care, can live a reasonably long life. The chance that an FIV-infected cat will pass the virus to other cats within a household is low, unless there is fighting between cats, or wounds present that could allow entry of the virus from infected to non-infected cat. Even with the low risk of transmission, we do not recommend multi-cat households adopt FIV positive cats. If you have no other cats, or already own a positive cat, consider an FIV cat.

Buddha is such a cat. He had been at the shelter for many months and was adopted but returned when it was discovered he was positive. Enter Hobie Humphrey. Hobie recently lost his cat of sixteen years to cancer and came to the shelter for a new companion. He specifically requested an older cat, a shy cat or any cat that had been overlooked. Shelter Manager and Adoption Coordinator Lisa Powell introduced him to Buddha. Buddha put on a show, rolling over to display his belly, purring loudly and acting quite playful. Hobie instantly loved him and took him home...and they lived happily ever after.



Yard Sale Kitty Gets a Second Chance

Meet Gregory... Only four weeks of age, he was plucked from a box marked "free" at a yard sale recently. Please, folks, don't give these babies away! We can help you find wonderful forever homes at the Humane Society. We screen adopters and look for permanent loving homes. The animals that come to us are tested for leukemia and heart-worm disease (dogs). In addition, they are vaccinated, treated for parasites and spayed or neutered. It doesn't cost Nelson County owners anything to relinquish pets, and their best chance is with us!

NEW HVAC UNIT

Our building, and everything in it is aging. This spring, our fifteen year old HVAC unit is requiring replacement. A GoFundMe account established by Judy Cooke raised \$1,755, which will be a tremendous help toward the \$4,000 cost of a new unit. We are still needing funds, so if you'd like to contribute, contact the Humane Society or go to our website: www.ncanimalservices.org



Emily's Sweet Treats



Ten-year-old Emily Anderson created a cake page to raffle homemade baked goods for the Humane Society. She donated all the proceeds she made after two weeks, which was \$380. She used part of the money on food and supplies and donated \$260 in cash. Some of her delectable desserts included chocolate covered strawberry bouquets, cheesecake stuffed banana bread, and Samoa cheesecake bites. Last year you might recall that Emily had a big kids day event and raised over \$1,000.



Thank you to the community for supporting us with these purchases and donations. We are very grateful to Mel, Phyllis and Kroger management.



COLLIN'S CORNER

Happy Spring! I am happy to hear birds singing from my view out of the shelter window! It is time to think about summer hazards. For a few reminders, be sure to inspect your pets for ticks and fleas and use preventative measures recommended by your veterinarian. Don't leave us in a hot car, and be sure to provide plenty of water during summer activities to prevent dehydration. Remember that our paws are sensitive to hot sidewalks and asphalt, so avoid those surfaces when it heats up this summer. Cookouts are fun, but beware of leftovers within our reach. Human foods can be upsetting to our stomachs. Some items, like corn on the cob, are choking hazards. Because not all animals have mastered swimming, be especially cautious around lakes and pools. It is a good idea to groom that extra fur off of heavy coats. We can get into trouble with snakes, spiders and stinging insects. Help us stay safe! Call your veterinarian if you encounter any problems.

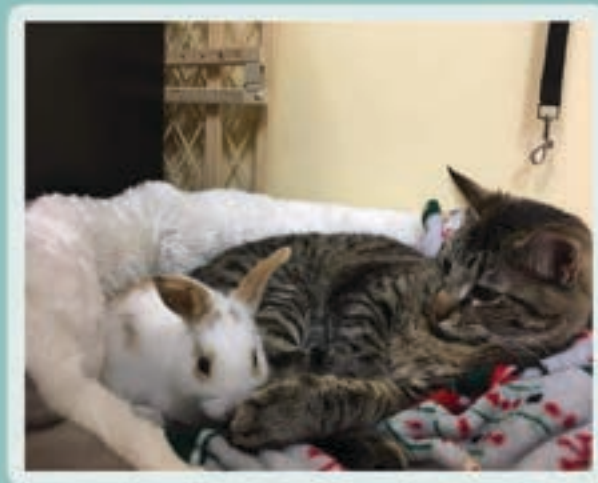


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In October last year, Mel Johnson and Phyllis Brown helped to organize a fundraiser at Kroger that netted \$1,389 in donations and nine shopping carts of food and supplies.



Girl Scouts Make a Difference

A Girl Scout is ready to help out wherever she is needed, and Troop 329 did just that. They raised money to provide \$150 in food and \$50 in cash to the shelter. Many thanks to Aubree Chesser, Cora Messer and Piper Troutman for this much-needed delivery.



Shop at Kroger with a Kroger Plus Card?

Help The Humane Society of Nelson County by registering at www.kroger.com/communityrewards. Once registered, enter our non-profit organization number **BM191** to start earning cash for The Humane Society of Nelson County. Please encourage friends and family to register too.

Shop at Amazon?



Try AmazonSmile! You can shop as always and at the same time get a donation for The Humane Society of Nelson County. Simply go to <http://smile.amazon.com> to order, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to us.

OUR WISH LIST

We have an ongoing need for many items:

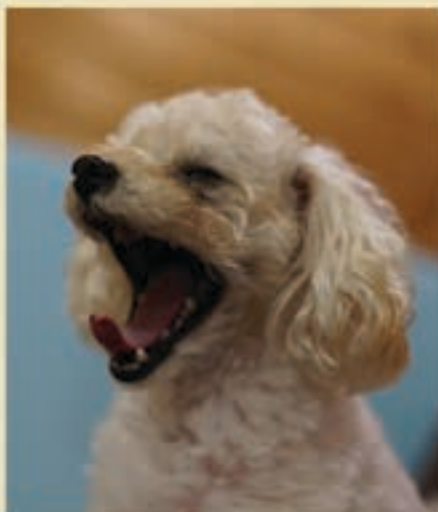
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| Baby food (chicken) | Gasoline gift cards |
| Bleach | Laundry detergent for HE washers |
| Canned dog and cat food | Kitten and puppy milk replacer |
| Cat litter | Nyla bones |
| Dawn dish liquid | Paper towels |
| Distilled water | Shampoo for dogs including waterless |
| Dog and cat treats | Towels |
| Garbage bags | Hot dogs for giving medication |
| Blankets, towels but no pillows | |

How Your Donation Helps

- \$200 buys vaccines for 50 dogs and cats
 - \$150 helps provide medical treatment for an ill or injured pet
 - \$100 vaccinates, feeds, treats parasites, tests for deadly disease and spays/neuters a dog or cat
 - \$ 50 helps our gas expenditures for transporting rescues
 - \$ 20 helps an unkempt animal get groomed
 - \$ 10 helps with antibiotic or steroid injections for sick animals
 - \$ 2 buys a toy for a dog or cat, a can of food or special treat
- A donation of any size can be stipulated to go to the Don Perkins Memorial Fund for Indigent Animals to help pets with owners who can't afford treatment for ill animals.



Why Do Animals Yawn?



Yawning is what occurs with drowsiness, when the brain needs more oxygen to stay alert. This is when animals transition from an alert state to sleep. Yawning can be a sign of stress or anxiety, although most animals are in a contented, relaxed mood when this occurs. Some physiologists believe yawning can cool the brain and occurs after energetic activity. Snakes and even fish yawn. Babies in the womb do as well. Cats sometimes yawn to end a standoff with another animal peacefully, like when your teenager says, "Whatever!" and walks away. It is also common for animals to yawn when another one does, including their human. Yawning is almost contagious. Just talking about it can induce yawning in people. Hunger and boredom are other triggers. Some studies have shown that animals with bigger brains have longer yawns. More intelligent animals have different types of yawns in response to different stimuli. Less-intelligent animals have only one type of yawn.

Bloomfield Middle School Sponsors Community Partner Celebration

Thanks to the guidance of Victoria Stiles, Bloomfield Middle School hosted an event to benefit our animals. Her students selected the Humane Society of Nelson County as their Community Partner. Lydia Graves represented the Humane Society. She was interviewed on what it is like to work with us, and played judge when three teams of students groomed shaggy stuffed Lhasa apso dogs. The children played games, made pillows for our animals and delivered much-needed supplies. Students interacted with dogs and cats at the shelter and then told others assembled in the auditorium about the personality of the pet they met. Temperance, Digby, Copper, Freckles and others each had their moment of fame. We are grateful for this increased awareness of the needs of our animals. The youngsters plan to organize future fundraisers, such as a 5K walk in May, and job shadowing.

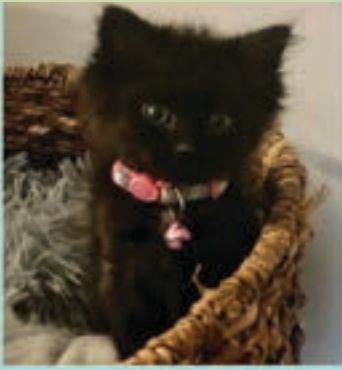


Clara Belle Bishop with Patty



Participating students included Cam Blair, Aidan Dadisman, Clara Belle Bishop, Ava Stark, Madison Brown, Shaylyn Bowman, McKenna Chadwell, Yasmine Noryang, Noah Sekulski, Jake McKnight and Jessa Simpson. Teachers included Victoria Stiles, Backpack Leader; Rachel Sibert, Agriculture Teacher; and Steve Mahoney, Counselor/Student NRG Team Teacher.

At left, Max "painting" a masterpiece on a paint-loaded canvas inside a Ziplock bag covered in peanut butter



Happy Tails



This is Smokie. Smokie had a broken left front leg near the elbow. It was determined with x-rays that it did not need surgical intervention and would heal on its own. He spent 4 weeks with his foster mom, Julie Duncan, and was happily adopted as an inside cat through the Purrfect Day Cat Cafe.

Generosity from the Takigawa Corporation America

Late last November, we were surprised with a large donation of food and supplies spearheaded by Mr. Ken Yamamura, president, and Ms. Carol O'Daniel, HR manager, of Takigawa Corporation America. The flexible packaging company opened in Bardstown in June of 2019. During their start-up, they tried to enlist different companies as clients. They packaged several bags of pet food as marketing samples of what they do. Rather than discard them, they donated them to us. Included were many items from our wish list, such as paper towels, bleach and laundry detergent. We are so grateful for this generous contribution!



Pictured from left to right: Troy Burgin, Printing Supervisor; Mallory Veech, Bag inspector; Ken Yamamura, President; Carol O'Daniel, HR Manager and Ann Takigawa.

We've Been "Adopted!"

The second graders at Foster Heights Elementary School have made us their project. They made three beautiful baskets filled to the brim with homemade and collected items: one basket for our cats, one for dogs and one with goodies for our staff! We are so proud of these teachers for modeling kindness toward animals to their young students, and for the hard work the students put into making these beautiful baskets. Teachers making the presentation included Lydia Fogle, Jane Taylor, Cheyenne Boone, Dawn Astrom, and Jordan Schappacher. Two other teachers who couldn't attend were Marla Bryant and Kelsey Gilpin.

In March, these ambitious second graders created three T-shirt designs for sale for fifteen to seventeen dollars each. One hundred percent of the proceeds benefit the Humane Society of Nelson County. Students played a variety of roles which included advertising, creating a commercial, which aired on PLG TV-13, and printing flyers for their school and downtown businesses. As of this printing, the students have had an article written about them in the Kentucky Standard and they have surpassed their goal of making \$2,000 in sales. They plan to host an outdoor event soon.



T-shirt design by Chloe Riggs, of Foster Heights Elementary School.



Boomer, a recently rescued pit bull, is anxious to inspect the doggie basket. Also pictured: Lisa Powell, Shelter Manager; Tiffany Ford, Rescue Coordinator; Lydia Graves, Kennel Attendant; and Dr. Deborah Perkins, Director.

Tributes

(received September 1, 2020-April 1, 2021)

We make every effort to correctly attribute your loving donations.

Please let us know if we have made an error and it will be corrected in the next issue.

In Memory

Patricia "Nikki" Adams, given by James and Patricia Stamper

Mary Rose Ballard, given by AON Corporation, Jodie Drees Ganote, Jason, Stacey, Kenny and Madelynn Grabow; "On behalf of the UK College of Medicine Faculty Council in memory of Mary Rose Ballard, mother of Dr. Hubert Ballard"

Jackie Ballard, given by Ingeborg Grant

Sarah Bell, given by Patricia Smith

Bobby Bow, given by Glen and Karen Derting, and Rose Marie Taylor

Jeffrey Carter, given by Joe and Janice Carter

Don Fletcher, given by Barbara Fletcher

Doris Geoghegan, given by William Geoghegan

Judy Godbey, given by Barbara and George Greenwell

Richard Greathouse, given by Carolyn Taylor

Nancy Grimshaw, given by Cathy Herbst, and Bonita McMillen

Margaret Hagan, given by Max and Diane Howard

Larry Hamilton, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Thomas Hawkins, given by Mike and Brenda Mackin

Sr. Pat Hill, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Judy House, given by Joe and Janice Carter

Theresa Hutchins, given by Sandy Haneline, Marsha Hutchins, Rob and Nina Hutchins, Mary Kelly, and Barry and Carmen Snider

In memory of Jake Jackson from the Bernheim Forest Staff and Board of Trustees. Note: Jake loved all animals, given by Roy Price

Casey Johnson, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Judy Jones, given by Anna Culver

Cindy Lindell, given by Karen DeBell

In loving memory of Anne Hobbs Logsdon, given by Nancy Bishop, Jennifer Pace, Gloria Lee, Rick Cusick, Tony McStoots, Charlie Carter, Jason Watson, Doug Daugherty, Dave Bogle, Douglas and Donna Lane, Cindy Lynch, James McCorkle, Jonnie Witham, David Skrym, Bill Bell, and Charlie Slater.

Stephen Crutcher Long, given by Michael Long

Muncie McNamara, given by John and Kathy Kelly

Philip Ducote Martin, given by Tristan Bradley Ashlock and Everette Jane Ashlock, Vonita Heck, John and Lisa Jones, Sally and Joseph Reed, J. Michael Salsman, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Pat Taylor, Joan Treals and Tim Martin, and Katy Yankow

Joy Ditto Mattingly, given by Patsy Parrott

Scooter Meador, given by Roy and Jacqueline Drake

Tammy Medley, given by Linda and Richard Price

Perry Metcalf, given by Joe and Janice Carter

Harold Morrow, given by John and Kathy Kelley

Joe Nalley, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Jamie O'Daniel, given by Benny and Sarah O'Daniel

Joan Partington, given by Bob Swope Ford, and Jama Edwards Kaye

Mary Phelps, given by James Phelps

Sue Pile, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Of my dear friend, Johnny Samuels, given by John Guthrie

John Thomas Samuels, given by Kim Beam, June Groover, John and Kathy Kelley, and Norma Jean Haydon

Elizabeth "Betty" Seay, given by Tom and Cheryl Seay, and Cindy Elmore

Joe Seay, given by Patsy Seay

Scott Schweinhart, given by Rose Marie Taylor

Kelley Smith, given by Inge Grant

Frank Stackhouse, given by Michelle Asay, Michael and Julie Bradford, Thelma Deatley, Don Dollens, Dr. and Mrs. Chris Jones, Patrick Kinman, Trudi Maish, Debi Chism and Ken Medley, Deborah Perkins, and Mary Ellen Tharp; also from Frank's own pets, Chica, Chip and Diego, who miss him terribly

Judy Unseld and Muffin, her and Eddie's beloved pet dog, given by George Brown

Judy Unseld, "She will be missed", given by Emmanuel and Cathy Ballard

Mary Jo and "Van" Van Vactor, given by Larry and Johanna Lawson

Freda Wallace, given by Carol and Raymond Hawkins

John Willis and Pauline Porter Drake, who encouraged and supported my love of animals, given by Mary Drake

In Honor

Sharron Blincoe, given by Cam Blincoe

"Thanks for all you do. Happy Holidays!" given by Jenny Boone

Judy Cooke, given by Lee Smithkier

Barbara Garnett, given by Robert Garnett

Jane Hagan, given by Mary Lee Nelson

Bonita and Fred McMillen, given by Joetta Gentry

Axle Moore, given by Rachel Jackson-Moore

For our family in thanksgiving, given by David and Catherine Murphy

Tributes

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Cathy Newton, given by Erica Strauss, Duncan Strauss
Happy Birthday to Cathy Newton, MD, given by Nancy Tietge
Of Christmas, given by Sandra and David Allen, Joseph and Susan Auberry
Deborah Perkins, given by Mary Jo Abell
Mary Spalding, and the volunteers who brought Penny Sofia to me, given by Patricia Johnson
Trudi Sutherland, given by Gail Hart
Thank you, Sam Taylor, given by Joel and Ellen Shoner
Volunteers of the Humane Society, given by Stella Stohles, Ralph and Judy Buckley
Volunteers and Staff, given by Mary Jo Abell, David Calisti, Anna Culver, Trudi Maish

In Memory

"Louie", given by Joan Altman
"Shelby" and "Jake", given by Linda Beam
"Sophie," "Sweetie Pie," and "Sindi," given by Yvonne and Charles Beam
"Winston," given by Jennifer Bewley
"Diamond," given by Leslie Bishop
"Jezebel," given by Sharron Blincoe
"Copper," "Jack," and "Cosma," given by Lori and Gary Boblitt
"Oliver" and "Sassy," given by Robert and Sandra Buckman
Of our brothers, "Jake," "Yak," and "Dee," given by Buck and Coco
"Smokey" and "Shadow," given by Barbara Chesser
"Sassy" and "Buster," given by Tommy and Patti Clark
"Sandy," given by Nancy Dahl
"Pobo," given by Suzanne Edelen
"Fritzi" and "Jo Jo," given by Peg Edwards
"Sebastian" and "Tucson," given by Tom and Carla Evans
"Tank" Bryan, given by Bonnie Cecil, Steven and Emma Hall
"Reese," given by Rob and Amy Farrell
"Buddy," "Hannah," and our past pets, given by Charlotte and Allen Geoghegan
"Max," given by Gary and Mary Sue Goff
"Gordon" and "Corbett," given by Carolyn and Gary Green
"Ivy" and "Axel," given by Christopher and Jane Harrison
"Chui," given by Judith Hiss
"Cooper," given by Judith Hiss
"Dee Bo" Hobbs, beloved min pin adopted from the Humane Society three years ago, given by Vicki Hobbs

"Charcoal," "Skunky," "Skippy," "Twinkles," and "Waif," given by David and Virginia Horlander
"Lad" and "Socks," given by Katherine Houghlin
"Zeus" and "Max," given by Tina and Martin Jones
"Maya," given by Mary Sharon Klein
"Nelson," given by Evelyn Knight
"Reba," given by Corinne Mastey
"Blacky," given by James and Mary McCubbins
"Smokey" and "Tiger," given by Betty McGirk
"Annie" Lenberger, given by Bonita McMillen
Of our previous pets, given by Bonita McMillen
"Isis," "Ramses," "Oscris," "Cleopatra," "Tut," "Chocolate," "Oreo," and "Snowball," given by Ramona and Charles Parrish
"Dolly," "Toby," and "Opus," given by Phillip and Janet Parrott
"Cyril," "Roxie," and "Wendy," given by Deborah and Gary Parsons
"Hershey," "Tasha," and "Lady," given by Donna Newton Paschal
"MoMo Pumpkin," given by Howard and Vicky Pulliam
"Sunny," given by Judy and Jeff Reynolds
"Dama," given by Sisters of Charity of Nazareth
"Katie" White, given by Dianne Smith, Leslie Wilson
"Mr. Boots. Thanks for all you do!" given by Patricia and Daniel Spelbring
"Chico," given by Brian and Teresa Vanderburg
"Dixie" and "Anna Belle," given by Bonnie and James Warner
"Socks," given by Linda West
"Foxy," given by Tracy and Sandi Yates

In Honor

"Sweet Betsy," given by John and Regina Czerwinski
"Woodie," given by Bettye Davenport
Of cats surrendered, given by George Gehr
"Marley," "Jasper," "Tempe," "Simba," and "Wicca," our living adoptees from the Humane Society of Nelson County, given by Anita McAdams Knott
"Sam" and "Will Feral," given by Judith Hiss
"In honor of our dog, Daisy, who came from the NCHS and is the BEST dog!!!", given by Mary Moore
"Wiley," who is 9 years old! given by Tim and Lisa Nowaskie
For cats, given by Frank Reed
"Bear," given by Sharon Shanks

Don Perkins Memorial Fund for Indigent Animals

In memory of Don Perkins, given by Sam Clements, Linda Akers

In honor of "Bobbie," given by Meagan and William Clements

In honor of "Squirt," "Sweet Pea," "Parker," "Monster," "Cookie," and "Winston," given by Deborah Perkins

WAYS TO GIVE

Come visit us or send us a gift by mail to our address (at right).

- Make a gift in honor or memory of a loved one. An acknowledgement card will be sent to the family or to the person being honored.
- Make a secure gift online at www.ncanimalservices.org. Click on "Donations" in the left side bar to use PayPal. All major credit cards are accepted.
- Make the Humane Society a beneficiary of your will or life insurance policy.
- Consider a charitable gift annuity.
- Donate securities. Ask your broker to arrange transfer of funds to the Humane Society account at Edward Jones by contacting Jennifer Newton at 502-349-3070 or by emailing Jennifer.Newton@edwardjones.com
- Bring out supplies for our animals (see wish list in this newsletter).
- Consider clothing consignment donations at JT's Consignments, 222 N. 3rd Street, Bardstown, 349-6937
- We are not able to automatically withdraw monthly donations, however, we will be happy to supply you with pre-printed envelopes for check donations. Call us at 349-2082.



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Our mission is to prevent cruelty to animals, relieve suffering among animals, and extend humane education.

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Return Service Requested



Kelsey Boone, along with friends and family, donated food and supplies, as well as \$200 in gas and Walmart gift cards. A big thank you for this beneficial effort!

Special Thanks

Emily Anderson, for raising \$380 with her bake sale and cake page, Emily's Sweet Treats
Bloomfield Middle School for making us their Community Partner
Jenny Boone, website design and maintenance
Beth Corbett and the Merck Foundation for matching donations
Foster Heights Elementary second grade class for adopting us and selling tee shirts they designed
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