



Henrico Humane Society

Summer 2003

Pet Expo 2003—A Great Time Had By All!

For the fourth year in a row, Pet Expo was a huge success! Almost 2,600 participants came to The Showplace to have a good time, many of whom brought their own pets. A new attraction this year, Richmond's own Pet Psychic, Terri Chenault, drew a line of people all day long who wanted to better understand why their pets act the way they do. Popular events such as Stupid Pet Trick Auditions for The Late Show with David Letterman, a dog agility course, and pet contests were back to entertain the crowd. Henrico Humane Society alumni and current dogs available for adoption walked the runway in a Dog Fashion Show, which rivaled anything you might see in New York! We adopted 17 dogs from the Expo into loving, permanent homes and raised money to help the hundreds of other dogs and cats that HHS cares for each year. Thanks to all of the sponsors, vendors, demonstrators and participants who made the Pet Expo a fun way to raise funds for the rescue and care of homeless animals in the Greater Richmond area!

Check inside for more pictures of this fun-filled event!



HHS Volunteer Named "Kid of the Week"

Bill Bevins of Lite 98 radio chose Henrico Humane Society volunteer Corbyn Riddell as Lite 98's Kid of the Week in May! Corbyn was nominated by Sheba, a favorite HHS alumni who has recently been adopted (see related article in "Happy Endings"), with a little help from Myriam Hunt. Sheba had the following to say about Corbyn:



Pictured in clockwise order: Peggy Stoots, Pam Enroughty, Jan Mitchell, Candy Partridge, Myriam Hunt, and Corbyn Riddell.

"In the summer of 2000, Corbyn, then a mere eleven-year-old girl, began researching local animal rescue groups. Her mother brought her to Ukrops Westpark to work as a volunteer at the Henrico Humane adoption stand, and thankfully she's been with us ever since! For the last three years, raining "cats and dogs" or shine, Corbyn has sacrificed every Saturday to walk, love, and care for us.

In gentle spirit and companionship she tends to each puppy, dog, and human volunteer. She talks to the people of our community who come to the adoption stands, educating them about K-9 rescue, answering questions, and telling stories in the hopes that one of us will be chosen. Full of compassion, grit, and love, Corbyn rejoices for the lucky dogs bound for home and commiserates with those still waiting."

Henrico Humane Society is so proud of Corbyn, and appreciates all of the hard work and dedication she gives to the organization.

Cactus House 2003

It was another hot year at the Cactus House! Over 1,600 people attended the tour, which was held on June 14 and 15. Thankfully, it did not rain as predicted, so tourists took their time to enjoy all of the wonderful things to see both inside and outside the home. Look for more details on this successful fundraiser in the next newsletter edition.



Election Results

Elections were held in December where Executive Board Members were voted into office. Below are Henrico Humane Society Officers and Chairpersons:

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The Education Chairperson position is still open. If you are interested in learning more about this volunteer opportunity, contact Pat Smith at 262-6634 and leave a message on the volunteer line, or e-mail volunteer@henricohumane.org.

Volunteer Corner

Joyce Gothard

By Beverly Cook



If you don't know Joyce Gothard, then you probably have not volunteered at one of our Special Events. Joyce holds one of Henrico Humane Society's (HHS) most important positions as Volunteer Coordinator. She has been working with volunteers ever since she joined HHS in 1991. She pulls together close to 75 volunteers for The Cactus House Tour and over 200 volunteers for the Pet Expo, our two biggest fundraisers. Additionally, she coordinates the distribution of posters for these events throughout the Greater Richmond area. Joyce also ensures all of the other activities during the year have the appropriate number of volunteers. To start with, she has assisted in almost every yard sale held over the years! Not only does she coordinate the volunteers, but she also assists in gathering the sale items and pricing them, as well as set up, and sales. Yard sales have always been one of Joyce's favorite events. Other activities she coordinates include gift wrapping, pet pictures with Santa at PetSmart, bingo, fairs, and bazaars held throughout the year.

Joyce's dedication to volunteers is unsurpassed, and her winning personality makes Joyce perfect for this position. We thank her for the hundreds of hours she has devoted to HHS activities. If you want to volunteer, contact Joyce at volunteer@henricohumane.org, or call 262-6634 and leave a message on the volunteer line.

Heat Pump Man Saves Kittens!



By Roscoe Puckett

It wasn't exactly "all in a day's work" for Mr. Bucky Flanagan, proprietor of Flanagan Heating and Air Conditioning, when he came to the home of Laura Puckett to replace a heat pump one morning this past February. Having made prior service calls to her home, Mr. Flanagan was aware that Laura serves the Henrico Humane Society as a foster caregiver for cats and kittens. On previous calls he had made to her home, he spent a few minutes playing with the cats and kittens if he had time. But on this occasion, he had no idea that his job would not be complete until he had saved the lives of two newborn kittens.

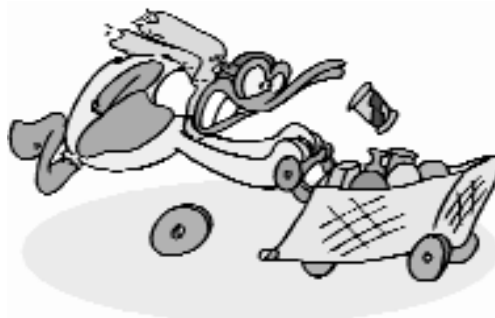
Earlier in the week, Laura had taken in a very pregnant cat named Chelsea. Before leaving for work the day Mr. Flanagan was scheduled to come, she checked on Chelsea who seemed fine and demonstrated no signs of labor. Even so, Laura was concerned that the noise of replacing the heat pump might upset her since she was in an upstairs room directly above the heat pump. After Mr. Flanagan had finished the job, he called Laura who asked him to go upstairs and check on Chelsea. A few minutes later, he called Laura back to say that Chelsea had given birth to two kittens in the litter box, and that the kittens were covered in litter. After instructing Mr. Flanagan to take the kittens out of the litter box and brush them off, Laura raced home. She arrived soon after to find Mr. Flanagan sitting beside the box she had set up for Chelsea to deliver her kittens in. Chelsea looked exhausted, while the two newborns appeared somewhat chilled but otherwise okay. Chelsea delivered a third kitten while Mr. Flanagan stayed to observe.

Since he saved the lives of the first two kittens, Laura suggested that they name his lively favorite "Bucky," another was named Lennox after the name of the heat pump he had installed, and the third was named Flanagan. Mr. Flanagan called the kittens, all male, "crazy cute!" All three kittens have been adopted and now living in loving homes, thanks to Bucky Flanagan.

Editor's Note: An article about Bucky Flanagan's rescue efforts will also be published in the Lennox newsletter!

Shop at Food Lion and Support HHS

HHS has signed up with Food Lion to participate in the "Lion Shop & Share" program. Each time you shop at Food Lion and use your MVP card, a portion of your total grocery purchase will be donated to HHS. All you need to do is link your MVP card to HHS by visiting www.foodlion.com or calling 262-6634 and leaving a message on the general mailbox (we can fax or mail a form to you if you do not have internet access). The program does not interfere with MVP discounts in any way, and MVP product does not need to be purchased to participate. It's that easy!



Wishbone Tree 2002

By Julie Serfass

The Wishbone Tree program involves displaying Christmas trees decorated with Henrico Humane Society animal ornaments in locations around town. On the back of each ornament is a gift idea for a homeless animal. Wishbone Tree 2002 fulfilled our wildest dreams! In 2001, trees were placed in two locations. In 2002, trees were placed in the following seven locations: Countryside Veterinary Clinic, Fin and Feather Pet Store, Federal Reserve Bank, McKesson General Medical, Gibson Properties, Steward School, and Supervalu Eastern Region Headquarters.



In addition to dog ornaments, we also made cat ornaments this year, which were a huge hit. Over 750 ornaments were printed, all of which needed to be cut out in the shape of an ornament. Children at Steward School and Boy Scout Troop 744 tackled this time-consuming task.

Over \$600 in monetary donations were received, in addition to 1,213 pounds of dry dog food, 277 pounds of dry cat food, and 452 pounds of cat litter. Other donations included canned dog and cat food, dog and cat toys, treats, cleaning supplies, bedding, and cat carriers. Feline Care Chairperson Vicki Deland and my two sons counted each and every item, which was quite a job! As you can see from the picture taken of my van after just one pickup, the program was a huge success!

To put things into perspective, HHS requires the following supplies to care for the animals in our care. On the dog side, we average 40 dogs in the system at any given time. Assuming each dog goes through a 20-pound bag of dog food per month, that's 800 pounds! On the cat side, we average 30 cats in the system at any given time. Assuming each cat uses 50 pounds of cat litter per month, that totals 1,500 pounds!

So the next time you pass our adoption stand outside of Ukrops, Fin and Feather, or PetSmart, please consider making a donation. Supplies are always needed—not just at Christmas! You can also show your support by organizing your own food drive at work, in your neighborhood, at your child's school, etc. If you are interested in getting a Wishbone tree this holiday season, please send an email to adopt@henricohumane.org, or call 262-6634 and leave a message on the general mailbox.

Henrico Humane Society would like to thank our 2003 Wishbone Tree sites, without which the program would not have been so successful. We would also like to thank all of you who made a generous donation to help us save homeless animals!

Membership Has Its Privileges

By Catherine Parrish Tejnecky

OK, so you won't get cash back from this investment. You won't even get travel protection for an extra dollar a month. Membership in this organization won't add to your prestige or social status. However, membership with Henrico Humane Society is something that everyone could benefit from.

For the bargain price of only \$25 per year, you can join an organization that is helping to make our community better every day. We do this by getting homeless pets off the streets and putting them in homes that are brightened by their presence. What can we get for \$25? Here are just a few ideas from PetSmart.com:

- 20 pounds of Iams Dry Dog Food + a 4 pound box of Dog Biscuits
- 5 Packs of Pawprint Tennis Balls (6 balls/pack)
- 1 Dog Collar + Leash + Correction Chain
- Cat Bed & 2 Tie-Dye Cat Toys
- 20 pounds of Clumping Cat Litter + a Litter Pan Starter Kit

Membership fees help us cover expenses that adoption fees and fundraisers do not. You may even want to consider becoming a lifetime member for \$100. In this newsletter, you can read stories of how Henrico Humane Society has rescued animals and placed them in wonderful homes. Some of these cats and dogs may not have lived if we had not been able to provide the necessary medical treatment and shelter.

To become a member of HHS, please complete the form on page 11 of this newsletter and mail it to:

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Adopt Me, Please!

The cats and dogs featured here are just some of the pets that are looking for loving homes.

Visit www.henricohumane.org to see more animals available for adoption.



Ruth is a 2-3 yr. old black and white short-haired female. She is shy at first until she gets to know you. She is pretty independent and looking for a loving family with older kids, to give her a wonderful life! Other cats would be fine, but she'll be the boss.



Chloe is a 2 yr. old medium-haired white domestic female.

This sweet, white cat curls up on the chair and looks so cute. She jumps in the air when she plays with her toy mouse. She will curl up on the bed with you for a nap. When you scratch her head, she purrs and gives you head-butts. She likes other cats, and is curious about the dog. Ask us to tell you more about how loving and fun she is.



Chloe is a sweet 2 yr. old medium-haired white domestic female. She'll curl up with you for a nap and purr when scratched. She jumps when playing with a toy mouse. She likes other cats, and is curious about the dog.



Kelley is a 2 yr. old calico female lap-cat. She loves to be with people, get tummy rubs, and play with toys, sit on your lap for a quiet moment, play hide-n-seek, and sleep on the end of the bed at night. She is looking for a home with no dogs.



Connor is a 1 yr. old brown and white short haired male tabby. He loves to crawl in your lap and get lots of petting, and gives kisses! He is very playful with toys, other cats/kittens and gentle with people.



Griffin is an 8 mos. old black and white tuxedo female. This very sweet dainty kitty has is quiet but curious and likes to play with other cats. One favorite is curling up in a warm spot and taking a catnap.



Fred is a 13 yr. old male black med-haired domestic that runs into the room to join the other cats for food. He can be seen by appointment. He doesn't do well at the stands. Fred is healthy and is a very active senior citizen.



John Doe-ggy is a 2 yr. old 40-50 lb. male German Shepherd mix. Needs lots of love. He's not good around cats or male dogs and prefers to be the only dog. He doesn't enjoy being at the stand. He'd much rather you visit him in his foster home. Call for an appointment.



Sweet Pea is a 1 yr. old female lab pit mix. This very nice sized little girl is looking for her permanent home. Sweet Pea is good with other dogs, cats, and children.



Prince is a 4 yr. old 85 lb. male Shepherd mix. He is good around other dogs, enjoys playing outside, has a cat as a companion at his foster home, and enjoys being with humans (large and small). He will follow you around and stay by your side wherever you go.



Buz is a 1-2 yr. old male Walker Hound. He was kept in a pen before getting rescued. He enjoys the company of other dogs that he has in his foster home, and hopes to find a new loving home of his own.



Grady is a 4 yr. old medium-sized adult male Border Collie. He is very smart and incredibly sweet. He does not enjoy being at stand, and HHS feels that his personality would best be viewed with a visit to his foster home. Please call for an appointment.



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Happy Endings



I wanted to say hello for Vangogh...(these days he's actually going by Milo). Since I adopted him in March 2003, he has brought such joy to my life. It took him a good two weeks to stop hiding under my bed, but now we are inseparable. He's always waiting at the door for me to get home, he loves to help me get ready for work, and loves to snuggle close when it's nighttime. Thanks so much for helping me find this special guy!—*Totty*



We adopted Rico in June 2001. We wanted to share with everyone what a joy and all of the happiness that he has brought to our lives. We now live in Va. Beach where Rico enjoys the surf and sand. He is looking forward to having his own backyard, which is in the making. If it hadn't been for HHS, we would never have found our "baby." Thank you again for the wonderful gift you gave to us.—*Kristal and Brian*



I just thought I'd let you know that Tashman is a true part of our family. From a pup that was supposed to be around 55-65 lbs., he has grown slightly larger and is now a sleek 100+ lbs. He loves to play "keep away" and when he is inside, he still thinks he's a lap dog. We are glad to have Tashman as part of our family.—*Sheila & Harry Roberson*



I just wanted to share this photo of Abby (formerly Duchess) in her runway debut at your Pet Expo fashion show in February. Doesn't she look adorable in the raincoat? I also wanted to thank you again for bringing her and I together. I couldn't ask for a better companion. She's really blossomed since I first brought her home, and she's so much fun! Thanks again!—*Megan*



I just thought I would give you an update on Beans since you were such a great foster parent to her. We have renamed her Maggie. She has become the most loving little girl and sleeps with us every night. She loves to play and knows how to "fetch" her little mouse that you sent home with us. She actually has quite a collection of toys, but her most favorite is the little mouse with the leather tail that you gave her. She drops it on my chest when I am in bed and I throw it across the room; she promptly brings it back and puts it on my chest (over and over again). She is very good with the boys, and them with her.—*Eric and Brian*



Here are some pictures of Faith, who we renamed Lady. She is the sweetest dog and we absolutely love her. She loves to play fetch and tug of war. We are so lucky to have gotten her to join our family. Thank you so much.—*Chuck*



Hello from Sheba and us—she is just such a sweetheart! We have really been enjoying her. At first, Buddy was not too keen on sharing our apartment with another dog, and all Sheba wanted to do was play with him! But Buddy really needed a friend to run with and she seems to be doing great; I think he has adjusted well to her now. Thank you so much for taking care of her. I know it was hard to have to say goodbye because she is a wonderful dog, but we think she is going to do well with our family. Thanks again for everything—*Glen, Jorie, Richard, Caelin, Stephen, Buddy and Sheba*



W-o-o-d-y. Here Woody, Woody, Woody. That is how we call our youngest household feline. He does not understand kitty, kitty, kitty. He just looks at you, like "duh, you know my name, use it". He weighs 11 pounds and is one of the friendliest and loving cats we have ever owned. His favorite toys are 'mousies', and his favorite human snack food is popcorn. We (including Dusty) are so thankful that he was one of the lucky ones rescued and had such a good, loving foster home. He has earned a special place in our hearts and home.—*Pamela*



Just wanted to give you an update on Skittles. We adopted this little guy in the beginning of May 2003. He was so scared the first week. But he is doing so well! He acclimated immediately to us and to the other cats. About 3 weeks ago we started introducing him to the other cats, and they are all good friends now. There is the occasional temper tantrum, but this morning I caught Skittles (who we are now calling Wrigley) asleep on the bed cuddled up next to Mischief (the dominant female cat). Wrigley loves to roam around the house, and sit with us on the couch when we are eating dinner, and has already taught himself to use the other cats' litterbox and food box. He is always playing with something, and is so self-confident. He is an absolute joy to have in the house. While he still tends to be skittish, he just loves to cuddle. He has even let himself been held (for about 10 seconds), but he is getting there. We love him so much! Thanks so much for everything you do.—*Sarah Gricus and Scott*



Girl Scout Troop 577 Bakes for Homeless Animals

By Julie Serfass

Back row (L-R): Denise Anders (troop leader), Caroline Carbia, Faith Meade, Nicole Anders, Alicia Malin, Kathryn Hamill, and Diane Pominski (troop leader). Front row (L-R): Taylor Hudson, Lauren Johnson, Erin Dreelin, Nicole Maransky, Kathryn Brand, Marissa Barbee, and Sydney Banton



In October of 2002, Girl Scout Troop 577 needed a community service project. Since one of the girls is my best friend's daughter and I do volunteer work with HHS, she phoned me to find out what Sydney's troop could do to help homeless animals.

Education Chairperson Elizabeth Selfe and I went to the troop meeting and spoke to the girls about Henrico Humane Society and what we do, as well as the importance of spaying and neutering their pets. To better illustrate our mission for the girls, I arrived with two of my rescue dogs: Rufus, an 85-pound Chesapeake Bay Retriever mix, and Lucky, a 10-pound Pekingese.

The girls were then provided with recipes for dog and cat treats. They went home and baked lots of goodies. I attended their next meeting and was thrilled to see that they had filled an entire table with homemade treats! These treats were bagged with adorable little labels made by the girls. HHS sold the goodie bags at Bizarre Bazaar and used the proceeds to help feed our animals and provide medical care. Since HHS is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization, donations such as these are priceless.

If you have a group in need of a community service project, or are interested in baking treats, organizing a food drive, or raising funds for the hundreds of animals we rescue each year, please email adopt@henricohumane.org, or call 262-6634 and leave a message on the volunteer line. We can use all of the help we can get!

Help Lick Pet Overpopulation

Move over Elvis, here come Kirby and Samantha!



Within six months of their Sept. 20, 2002 launch date, the U.S. Postal Service's "Neuter or Spay" stamps had shipped 219 million copies to local post offices and to the public. That makes the stamps, which feature puppy Kirby and kitten Samantha, among the fastest-selling in USPS history, and they have the potential to be the first ever social-awareness stamp to sell out. Only The King can claim a higher print run for a commemorative stamp, with 517 million in 1993.

Attempting to lick the pet overpopulation problem and generate awareness of responsible pet guardianship, the "Neuter or Spay" stamps are the first ones to call attention to the issue of pet overpopulation. They feature a male puppy, Kirby, and a female kitten, Samantha, both of whom were photographed in a Connecticut animal shelter while they were awaiting adoption (and both have since been adopted).

Their stories highlight the plight of millions of pets awaiting adoption throughout the country, and of the need to spay or neuter as a preventative part of the solution to pet overpopulation. Spaying and neutering is such an important issue because in seven years, one female cat and her offspring can theoretically produce 420,000 cats and in six years, one female dog and her offspring can theoretically produce 67,000 dogs. The Humane Society of the United States estimates the number of cats and dogs entering shelters each year to be between six and eight million, with three to four million of those being euthanized. There are too many pets and not enough homes.

Until they run out, purchase stamps at your local post office or call 1-800-STAMP24 and have them delivered or visit the U.S. Postal Service web site. Help get the word out by using these stamps, and by talking to your friends, neighbors, family members and co-workers about the importance of spay/neuter.

Written by Brian Sodergren, excerpted from www.hsus.org

The Joy of Being a Foster Parent

By Myriam Hunt

It is an indisputable fact that dogs have quite effectively managed to become indispensable in our lives and steadfast in spirit even after the unwelcome goodbye. My first experience as an HHS foster was not the overwhelmingly success I had imagined. Although one of my pups went home to a wonderful family, I was unable to part with the other and selfishly kept her for myself. Apparently, such behavior is the natural phenomenon of the rookie foster, and the old-timers of HHS cheerfully accepted my temporary digression from the objective.

Sheba was the next dog I fostered. She is a beautiful Shepherd mix with soulful eyes, an adoring disposition, and the speed and grace of a gazelle. How patiently she waited for the right family, and how bittersweet that eventual union was for me. They were perfect, of course, and she quickly assumed her rightful position in their lives.

Next, came Corky, black as coal with a coat to envy. How he tested my resolve to fulfill my end of the bargain, but his story has an exceptional ending. He and his brother were both adopted by the same family, so

Corky and Chester will never be separated again! They have children to play with and a family that adores them both. Missing Corky will be a constant in my life.

For those of us who learn to stick with the agenda, it becomes clear with each farewell and new arrival that the test is far from over. Today, I am the proud foster mom of a puppy who in mere hours has managed to steal my heart. Playful, sweet, and smart as a whip, I rue the day of her departure. In the meantime, I cherish the moments.

Dedicated to the memory of Shadow. My sweetie, I love and miss you always.



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HHS Needs the Following Supplies

- Iams or Science Diet dog, puppy, cat or kitten food
- Kitty litter (any brand)
- Crates
- Bedding
- Toys
- Treats
- Towels
- Blankets



Your Financial Support is Needed and Appreciated!

Donations

- In Memory of:

- In Honor of:

- Medical Expenses for:

Membership

- \$25 Annual Membership
- \$100 Lifetime Membership
- \$200 Corporate Sponsorship

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Volunteer Opportunities

- Special Events
- Newsletter
- Telephones
- Publicity
- Transportation
- Adoption
- Education
- Safehousing
- Fund Raising
- Grant Writing
- Web Site Work



Donations Needed to Help Smithfield



Smithfield, The Famous Painting Pig, needs your help! Smithfield, who has appeared at Pet Expo and on many local

and national television shows, has been diagnosed with nasal cancer. Smithfield has contributed to many charities and has helped raise money for many organizations. He is a very special and gifted animal.



Smithfield's treatment is expected to cost \$5,000. His owner, Fran Martin, has taken Smithfield to a local vet, who referred her to the Virginia Tech Vet School. Tests were run at Virginia Tech, however they did not have a radiation

machine and referred Fran to NC State's oncology department. Smithfield could experience a total recovery if he receives this treatment. He is presently in excellent health and is in no pain.

Fran's two teenage sons are both working to be able to contribute to Smithfield's medical expenses. Fran is a teacher who is working two jobs. The Martin family greatly appreciates any support you can provide.

You can send donations to:

Bank of America
Friends of Smithfield
P.O. Box 6121
Midlothian, Va.
23112-6121


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Henrico Humane Society would like to thank Katherine Rosen and Melaina Russell, along with their moms Cindy Rosen and Denise Russell, for all of their hard work in gathering donation items and helping at the dog adoption stand. Thank you so much for your dedication!—*Marney Titmus*

HHS would like to thank Mrs. Paterson and Jr. Beta Club Members for your generous donation of blankets, sheets and

towels. The dogs and puppies will be so much more comfortable in their crates at adoption stand. The proceeds from the dog treats that you so kindly made will help buy food and medicine. Our official dog treat tester gave your efforts an A+ !

Thank you, again, from all of the Henrico Humane Society members, dogs and puppies.—*Susie Greene*

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