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Ending Substandard Puppy Mills

Missouri has the absolute shame of leading the nation in the number of substandard puppy mills in our state. The atrocities your Humane Society of Missouri has witnessed in substandard facilities are so egregious that even those of us who have seen every type of abuse and neglect imaginable are horrified that mankind can inflict such cruelty on another living creature. These substandard facilities fail to provide adequate shelter, food, water and veterinary care for their breeding stock subjecting the animals to an utterly miserable existence in a two-by-two cage for their entire lives. These animals have never experienced the kindness of a human touch, never had their paws touch the grass, never been socialized and never been groomed. Moreover, the lack of veterinary care and basic nutrition severely compromises their health. Advanced dental disease, severe skin afflictions, eye and ear infections and parasites are all too common in these animals.

Your Humane Society of Missouri has been working with law enforcement to aggressively pursue the closure of substandard puppy mills. You will read

in this issue about two recent rescues of substandard puppy mill animals. These rescues attracted national attention and were featured on the **Oprah Winfrey Show** as well as the **Martha Stewart Show**.

The Humane Society of Missouri's goal is better enforcement of laws pertaining to the treatment of animals in breeding facilities. We believe that in a civilized society, no animal should be subjected to the torture, cruelty and sheer misery of living in a substandard facility. We vow to work diligently to end the suffering of these animals.

We sincerely thank our supporters for your interest in this important cause. In addition, we extend our heartfelt thanks to those of you willing to take a puppy mill animal into your home. Our foster parents and special adopters are blessed with an abundance of patience as well as a commitment to help right the wrong inflicted on these helpless victims. We are most grateful for your continuing support as we go forward. We will keep you informed regarding our efforts to help these animals in need and put an end to substandard puppy mills in Missouri. 🐾



Mike, a Yorkshire Terrier rescued from Greene County, comfortably sleeping while in foster care.

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Adoption Center (314) 951-1562
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Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; Sat. 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Behavior Helpline (314) 951-1540

Cremation Service (314) 951-1562

Pet Training (314) 802-5709

Education Programs (314) 951-1579

Gift Shop (314) 951-1566

Lost and Found (314) 951-1562

Membership and Auto Donations (314) 951-1542

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Adoption Center (636) 530-0806

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Open house every Saturday 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Humane Society of Missouri **Tails** is a quarterly magazine published by the Humane Society of Missouri.

The Humane Society of Missouri is dedicated to second chances. We provide a safe and caring haven to all animals in need — large and small — that have been abused, neglected or abandoned. Our mission is to end the cycle of abuse and pet over-population through our rescue and investigation efforts, spay/neuter programs and educational classes. We are committed to creating lasting relationships between people and animals through our adoption programs. We further support that bond by making available world-class veterinary care and outstanding pet obedience and behavior programs.

The Scoop

Jewelry Benefits the Animals

"A Paws for Celebration" hosted by **Simon Katz** of Simons Jewelers welcomed more than 300 guests on October 7, 2008.

The evening featured a festive preview of jewels for the holidays as well as exciting attendance prizes

that included \$5,000, \$2,500 and \$1,000 Simons shopping spree. This year marked the 15th year Simons Jewelers has graciously hosted this event — raising a total of nearly \$400,000 in support of neglected and abused animals. Proceeds from the event go to the Humane Society of Missouri's Dr. Doolittle Fund, providing veterinary care for homeless animals. 🐾



Humane Society of Missouri President Kathy Warnick, co-chair Lisa Imbs, Simon Katz and co-chair Susan Werner.

Veterinary Medical Centers Receive Top Ranking

The Humane Society of Missouri's three Veterinary Medical Centers recently received American Animal Hospital Association (AAHA) accreditation. The staff and facilities at Chesterfield Valley, St. Louis City Headquarters and Maryland Heights met more than 800 standards required by AAHA. Only 14 percent of veterinary practices in the United States and Canada have achieved this status.

An AAHA representative spent two days in St. Louis evaluating our written protocols, inspecting facilities, evaluating customer service and examining our quality of medicine and diagnostics, medical and surgery facilities. Ongoing evaluations and site inspections of the Veterinary Medical Centers of the Humane Society of Missouri are performed by AAHA officials in order to maintain this accreditation.

Humane Society veterinary clinics are open to the public, whether or not the pet was adopted from one of our three shelters. Proceeds from your patronage are used to rescue and rehabilitate animals to give them second chances to find forever homes.

To make an appointment at any of our Veterinary Medical Centers call (314) 951-1534. 🐾

Save the Date
June 25, 2009
6-8 pm

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Longmeadow Welcomes Two New Barn Buddies

Mini-horse pals **Poppy** and **Sage** are the most recent additions to the Barn Buddy program at Longmeadow Rescue Ranch. The miniature horses joined the traveling troupe that builds public awareness of the ranch, teaches the role of horses and farm animals in the ecosystem and raises funds to help cover costs of feed, board and medical care for the animals at Longmeadow.

The inseparable pair was rescued in 2008 along with hundreds of other animals that were sorely mistreated. When they came to Longmeadow Rescue Ranch, the two were underweight and loaded with parasites. With veterinary treatment, patience and positive interaction, their personalities emerged. Poppy, a two-year-old white miniature horse, is curious and energetic. Dun-colored Sage is typically gentle and quiet.



Poppy and Sage—our newest Barn Buddies



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Miniature horses are friendly and interact well with people. They are good companions. Through the Barn Buddy program, people can sponsor one of the animals at Longmeadow by sending a donation. Each sponsor may select a specific animal like Poppy & Sage, or **Mama Llama** or even a thousand-pound pig named **Snortin Norton**. Sponsorships range from \$25 to \$400, depending on the animal and length of time you choose.

For more information on becoming a Barn Buddy, contact us at (314) 951-1542. Visit your Barn Buddy or adoptable animals at Longmeadow Rescue Ranch every Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit longmeadowrescueranch.org for directions. 🐾

New Leash on Life

Back-to-Back Rescues Bring 301 Dogs to Safety

Two large rescues at substandard breeding facilities occurring a week apart in February rescued animals living in their own filth and some in danger of freezing to death in their outdoor cages.

On February 13, working with the Greene Co., Mo. Sheriff's office, members of the Humane Society of Missouri Animal Cruelty Task Force removed nearly 100 Yorkshire Terriers from a property near Pleasant Hope. The dogs had been housed in 2' x 2' cages with wire bottoms. All were severely matted with overgrown hair clumped in feces and urine. For some, the matting was so bad it restricted limb movement and blood flow causing bone death. Television icon Oprah Winfrey took an interest in the case and invited the Humane Society of Missouri to visit the show on Feb. 20 to raise awareness of the damage caused by substandard puppy mills.

"We are so thankful to Oprah and her staff for their continued efforts in raising awareness of the problem of substandard puppy mills in this country," said **Kathy Warnick**, Humane Society of Missouri president, who was a featured guest of the show, along with five scene-stealing, just-rescued Yorkies.

On the 19th, just one day before Oprah's audience was sighing over the Yorkies, the determined Animal Cruelty Task Force removed 208 small- and large-breed dogs from freezing temperatures and filthy cages on the site of an unlicensed, substandard facility in Newton Co., Mo. Rescued breeds included Chihuahuas, Boston Terriers, Miniature Pinschers, Lhasa Apsos, Pomeranians, West Highland Terriers, Huskies, Chow Chows, and Shar-Peis. Approximately 30 were puppies; four were pregnant.

Also removed was an underweight adult Bengal Tiger now being cared for at an animal sanctuary near Bloomsdale, Mo. The sheriff reported finding remains of dog carcasses in the tiger's cage.

The Newton Co. rescue was precipitated by a woman who became suspicious when she was not allowed to see the parents of the puppy she bought. The sheriff investigated her tip and found evidence leading to the warrant and rescue.



above: Cocker Spaniel puppies from Newton County.

left: Chloe and Legs were featured on the Oprah Winfrey Show in February.

Animal Cruelty Task Force Launched

With the new year comes a new name and renewed mission for the rescue and investigation function of the Humane Society of Missouri. The department will now be known as the Animal Cruelty Task Force. The work of the department—animal abuse investigations, owner education, animal rescue, and working hand-in-hand with law enforcement to successfully prosecute animal abusers—is now consolidated into one unit operating in St. Louis and throughout the state of Missouri.

“The scope of our work and professionalism of our staff have changed dramatically over the last several years,” says **Tim Rickey**, director of the Animal Cruelty Task Force. “All of our investigators, whether they work in St. Louis City and County or in one of our five Missouri territories, go through extensive training not only in animal rescue, but in evidence gathering and developing good relationships with local law enforcement and other animal welfare agencies. We want to partner with those entities to prevent animal abuse where possible, rescue when necessary and ensure the prosecution of animal abusers.”

Rickey says that reports of abuse and neglect are increasing throughout the state due in part to the current economic crisis but also to our improved relationships with law enforcement officials. “They are realizing that animal abuse is a serious problem and we can be an effective partner in solving that problem.”

An initial priority for the Animal Cruelty Task Force will be to improve prosecution rates and increase sentences for those found guilty of animal abuse, demonstrating that Missouri does not tolerate animal abuse. “For us,” says Rickey, “It’s all about the animals and their welfare.” 🐾



Upon arriving at the Humane Society of Missouri, every dog rescued was examined by a staff veterinarian.

“Refusing to let a buyer see the breeding facility, or at least the adult female, is a major red flag,” said **Tim Rickey**, director of the Animal Cruelty Task Force at the Humane Society of Missouri. “Buyers should be very wary of breeders who are not forthcoming about the care given to the animals they breed.”

The 301 dogs from the back-to-back rescues arrived at the Humane Society headquarters on Macklind Ave., filling every nook and cranny. Most arrived with their fur still wet from dog urine and soiled with feces falling from dogs in cages on top of theirs.

“Keeping the dogs in stacked wire cages eliminates the breeders’ chore of cleaning up after them,” explained **Debbie Hill**, vice president of operations for the Humane Society of Missouri. “It demonstrates the extent of their disregard for the animals. The wire cages are also a form of cruelty, since it is almost impossible for the dogs to balance on the wire, especially the small dogs.”

Both owners have been charged with animal abuse but, tragically, that often does not stop them from setting up another operation. For example, the Newton County owner was cited at least two other times according to public records. In January 2006, the USDA levied \$10,000 in fines for multiple violations. In July 2007, the Missouri Department of Agricultural seized 150 dogs from the property but no charges were filed at that time. Soon after, she set up a new operation, this time without a license.

The Humane Society of Missouri is committed to investigating reports of animal abuse wherever it occurs. We work diligently with local law enforcement and other agencies to rescue animals in jeopardy and pursue prosecution and conviction of animal abusers.

To report suspected animal abuse call the Humane Society's Animal Abuse Hotline at (314) 647-4400. 🐾

Disaster Response Team Called to Southeast Missouri for Emergency Animal Rescue

Winter Storm Hits Pets Hard, Too

For two days they stayed shivering in her home with no electricity and no heat. An elderly woman wouldn't leave without her pets — two dogs and three cats — and the shelter for people couldn't take animals. Fortunately, when rescuers from the Humane Society of Missouri Disaster Response Team advised the Red Cross of her plight, the two organizations worked jointly to set up a temporary animal shelter drop off inside the people shelter. Pets were then transported to an emergency shelter. Because the Humane Society of Missouri was there, this lady and her pets could stay in warm, safe places until power was restored and they could return home.

The January 26 winter storm deposited as much as two inches of ice in parts of southern Missouri, according to the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. The newspaper also reported that the resulting collapse of electric wires, buildings and trees knocked out power to about 125,000 homes. Between 65% and 100% of customers in the hardest-hit areas lost their power.

At the request of the State Emergency Management Agency, the Humane Society of Missouri's Disaster Response Team set up its highly regarded animal rescue operations. With the help of donations from individuals and companies, the Humane Society was able to provide food, water and shelter for pet owners in New Madrid, Butler and Pemiscot counties.

Dogs and cats, puppies and kittens were sheltered on the Humane Society's climate-controlled Mobile Animal Rescue Trailer in Sikeston. Two kittens were born in the warm and safe temporary home.

Rescuers delivered more than 350 gallons of water to area livestock and distributed more than 18,000 pounds of pet food and cat litter generously donated by Purina®, PetSmart®, PETCO® and Wal-Mart.

Several local animal shelters were without power and water and quickly became overcrowded with animals relinquished by owners who were so adversely affected by the ice storm they could no longer care for their pets. The Humane Society of Missouri brought 120 of these pets to St. Louis to help find them new, forever homes.

All told, the Disaster Response Team aided more than 200 pets and 500 families.

We want everyone to be prepared. Therefore, in collaboration with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, our Disaster Response Team assisted in preparing a booklet you will want to read and implement in your household: *Ready in 3: Three Steps To Prepare for an Emergency*. We hope you will read it and lead emergency preparations for your family and friends. Working together, we can be prepared and save lives.

To order your booklet visit dhss.mo.gov/ready_in_3/ or call (573) 526-4768 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Please make a contribution so that we are able to help the next time disaster strikes. Go to hsmo.org and click on Join Us or mail your donation to Humane Society of Missouri, 1201 Macklind Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110. 🐾

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May 16, 2009

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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- Pet contests to show off your pooch's greatest talents
 - Best Dressed
 - Best Stunt/Trick
 - Best Yodel/Howl
 - Doggie Derbies

Registration

Adults: \$25 (includes official Bark in the Park T-shirt)

Children ages 4-12: \$5 (includes official Bark in the Park T-shirt)

Children 3 years and younger: FREE



NEW this year —

All participants receive an official Bark in the Park T-shirt included in their registration fee.

Register today to walk in support of homeless and abused animals—and enjoy all of the great activities at the country fair.

Rules and Regulations

Your pet's current vaccinations records, including DHPP and Rabies, are required to attend Bark in the Park.

Pets must wear I.D. tags and be on a leash at all times.

No retractable leashes please. No dogs under four months of age or in any stage of heat are permitted. Pets must be under control during event.

Online Registration



It's so easy to register online at hsmo.org/bark. Once you are signed up you can access helpful fundraising tools and build a personalized webpage with a picture of your pet. You can even send emails to friends and family asking them to join your team or support

your individual fundraising efforts. Start earning fantastic prizes and help homeless animals today. Register at hsmo.org/bark.



Don't have a dog? Your cat will be happy to stay home while you raise money in his honor!

The 2009 Bark in the Park Mascot is...

BOOMER!

More than 2,500 of you voted and **Boomer** became the official Mascot for the 17th annual Bark in the Park.

Boomer is an 8-year-old tri-color beagle who's been a part of the Hylton family since 2000. Boomer has had many mishaps in life, but the biggest obstacle for him has been going through the pain of losing his sight and then losing his eyes. Right before he lost his sight completely, the family adopted another puppy, **Brandi**, who acts as Boomer's friend, eyes, and "guide dog." People are amazed at how well Boomer gets around! He looks like your favorite stuffed animal that's lost its eyes!

As the Bark in the Park 2009 Mascot, Boomer will lead the Walk for Animals on May 16. And, new this year, Boomer will have his own tent where he will meet and greet walkers, sign autographs and sell T-shirts with his likeness on the front! He will also receive a year's supply of Purina ONE® dog food.



Register as an individual or
start a team at hsmo.org/bark!



Rewards for Good Behavior

Raise money and qualify for great prizes like our limited-edition packable windbreaker plus digital photo frame or even a GPS navigation system!

\$25+: Official 2009 Bark in the Park T-shirt *(see page 8)*

\$75+: Official 2009 Bark in the Park cap, Official 2009 Bark in the Park T-shirt

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\$250+: Packable windbreaker, Official 2009 Bark in the Park cap, Official 2009 Bark in the Park T-shirt

\$500+: Digital photo frame, Official 2009 Bark in the Park cap, Official 2009 Bark in the Park T-shirt

\$1,000+: The Weber® Q™ 100 gas grill, Official 2009 Bark in the Park cap, Official 2009 Bark in the Park T-shirt

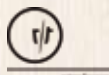
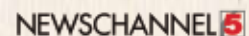
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Bark in the Park 2009!



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Dogs Dig Play Area Addition

Since autumn of 2008, dogs at the Westport Area Center of the Humane Society of Missouri are showing off their personalities with the aid of a simple platform and jump.

“We noticed that many dogs would jump onto the picnic table and some of the large boulders,” said long-time Westport volunteer **Linda Scroggins**. As an experiment, **Greg Williamson**, whose wife **Lori** volunteers at the center, built a small platform and a little jump for the outside area.

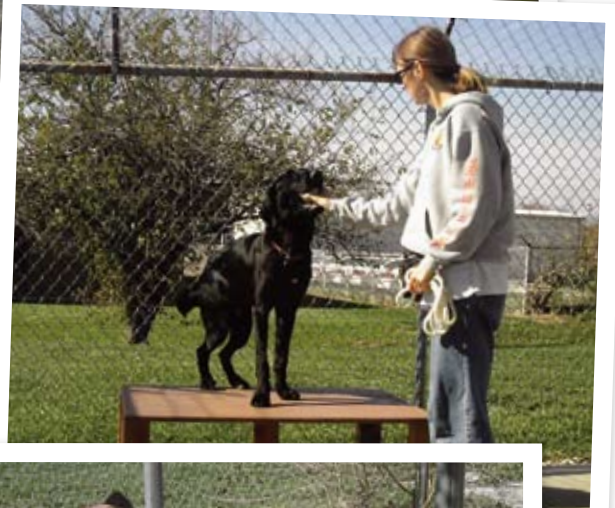
“It had more of an impact than we expected from such a simple thing,” continued Linda. The platform and jump were intended solely for environmental enrichment. However, she explained, they have also become training aids.

Volunteers like Linda and Lori work with dogs that need training to get the second chance they deserve. It works. “So far every dog they have worked with has been adopted right away,” said **Mary Dean**, adoption center supervisor.

In one case, the volunteers selected **Neman**, a black dog who needed to learn basic commands. “We could not get him into a down position for anything,” said Linda. “Once he was on the platform, he promptly laid down, we started rewarding him and he got the idea right away.”

The platform also turned out to be an adoption aid. “Neman loved dragging his toys up there to relax. Formerly, he was missing adoption opportunities because he would not show any relaxed behavior.”

Mary Dean has high praise for all the volunteers at the Maryland Heights location. “This project was initiated and implemented with very little assistance from staff. We are so grateful for their dedication to the animals.” 🐾



Neman (middle) and Diamond working on basic obedience on the platform.

Summertime in the City and Country

Hi Kids! Join us for some summer fun where you'll learn about your favorite finned, furry or feathered friends and make a cool keepsake to take home!

Furball Fun

Have a ball learning about rabbits, guinea pigs, rats and more; hamsters, ferrets and gerbils galore! Explore the wonderful world of small mammals. Find out what they need and how to care for these nocturnal animals in your home.

Date: June 9 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 50)

Is Being a Vet Your Best Bet?

What do you want to be when you grow up? Most animal-loving kids think they want to be a veterinarian, which is great because it's a fascinating job! But most kids don't know about the other fascinating animal jobs out there. Join us and meet an animal cop, adoption counselor, dog trainer, groomer, pet sitter and veterinary surgeon!

Date: June 11 (Thursday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 10-14

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 50)

Frisky Feline Friends

If you are crazy about cats, this class is for you! We're going to prove the many notorious cat myths wrong. Cats are loved by many around the world but they also get an unfair bad rap.

Date: June 23 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 50)

Tasty Treats for Pets to Eat

Bake, stir and roll your way into the Humane Society of Missouri to make some treats for our shelter friends.

Horses, dogs, cats, rabbits, birds and critters love after-school snacks just like we do. Yum! Join us as we bake and create delicious, healthy snacks for our critter friends.

Date: June 30 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 30)

Barn Buddy Bonanza

(Union, MO location)

There's nothing fowl about this camp. Slip on your boots city slickers and get ready to come on down to the rescue ranch! Did you know that pigs have tested higher on intelligence tests than most other animals? Or that each rooster can recognize the crow of at least 30 other roosters?

Find out much, much more at this camp! We'll take a hayride into the pasture and learn how to groom a horse.

Date: June 24 (Wednesday)

Where: Longmeadow Rescue Ranch

Time: 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

(bring a brown bag lunch, drinks provided)

Who: **Ages 6-8**

Fee: \$25 (Capacity 30)

Date: July 8 (Wednesday)

Where: Longmeadow Rescue Ranch

Time: 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

(bring a brown bag lunch, drinks provided)

Who: **Ages 9-11**

Fee: \$25 (Capacity 30)

CSI: For the Animals

Duck beneath the yellow crime scene tape and enter the scene of a crime. This is no ordinary crime; it was committed against an animal and it's your job, as an Assistant Animal Detective, to piece the clues together and uncover the truth. Who committed the crime? What laws were broken? What was the motive? The answer is in the evidence. This class will give you an inside look into the jobs of a real-life animal cop and a veterinarian.

Date: July 7 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 10-14

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 50)

Santa Paws is Coming to Town!

Pets like toys just like we do! Toys help us unleash our energy and help us exercise in fun and exciting ways. Our shelter pets need stimulation. Join us in Santa's Workshop in July as we create toys of all kinds for pets of many shapes and sizes.

Date: July 14 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 30)

The Call of the Wild

Can you hear them? If you slow down and listen quietly, what animal sounds do you hear in your own backyard? All animals have their own special language so they can communicate with each other. Come find out how our animal friends of the sea, sky and land communicate to send important messages back and forth to each other in the animal kingdom.

Date: July 28 (Tuesday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 50)

Extreme Doggie Makeover

Watch a doggie makeover right before your very eyes! Meet a groomer and watch her use her tools of the trade to groom a pooch from head to tail.

Date: July 30 (Thursday)

Where: Humane Society Headquarters

Time: 10 a.m.–noon

Who: Ages 6-9

Fee: \$20 (Capacity 30)

To register for a class, visit our website at hsmo.org/education and click on 'Summer Programs.' HURRY!! Classes fill up fast! 🐾

New

One Day Pet Training Classes

Solving your pet "issue" could be just a day away! Check out these sessions and live happily with your pet.

- Behavior and Training 101
- Multiple Dog Households
- Preparing for Your New Puppy or Dog
- Polite Behavior at the Door, at Home and Away
- Canine House-soiling
- Safe Play
- Introduction to Clicker Training
- Training Equipment
- Training Sampler
- Kids and Canines
- Bowser and Baby
- Biting and Mouthing
- Jumping Up*
- Doggy Hygiene*
- Fun with Fido*

NEW for Cat Owners

- Litter Box Manners

People attend the one-session courses without their pets, unless marked (*). Family members are welcome and included in the registration fee. Due to the format of these sessions, many are not suitable for children under age 10. There are no prerequisite classes for taking any these single-session training classes.

Please register at hsmo.org/pettraining or contact linda.campbell@hsmo.org. Unfortunately, we cannot accept walk-ins. For assistance with problem pet behavior, contact our Behavior Helpline at (314) 951-1540 or e-mail behavior.desk@hsmo.org. 🐾

Meet a Volunteer Who Multi-tasks

Sometimes, a simple decision made today can have a lasting impact on our lives. Five and a half years ago, **Mary Wildt** made just such a decision. A friend of hers talked her into volunteering to walk dogs at our Westport Area Center. Mary soon went from not even realizing the Humane Society of Missouri had another location to being one of our busiest and most dedicated volunteers. What began with dog walking escalated until Mary's resumé included foster parent, Pet Pal mentor, special events volunteer, transporter for Sammy's Star pets, and assisting at new volunteer orientation and training.

The demands of volunteering with the Humane Society of Missouri can be overwhelming but Mary has a clear understanding of her purpose here. "I get such satisfaction giving the dogs an opportunity to take a walk outside, interact with people and play for a bit every day before they are adopted. Without the volunteers coming in to walk dogs every day, the dogs would sit in their runs without any social interaction or exercise." Mary says she gets great satisfaction working with the other dedicated volunteers and knowing they are making a difference for the animals.



Mary Wildt



"Mary has spent many hours walking the dogs, fostering, training new volunteers, and helping out at special events such as Bark in the Park and Trivia Night," said **Mary Dean**, Westport adoption center supervisor. "Without her and the other volunteers we would not be able to do what we do. All of our volunteers go above and beyond the call of duty."

When she's not at the Humane Society of Missouri, Mary works at Centene Corporation in the legal affairs department. She also has a large family in the St. Louis area to keep her busy. Part of that family includes her husband, **Steve**, who is also a Pet Pal at the Westport Center. Mary and Steve have two dogs, **Buster** and **Raven** — both HSMO alums.

*For more information on volunteering, please visit our website at hsmo.org/volunteer or contact **Laura Renner**, volunteer manager at (314) 951-1577. 🐾*

Where There's a Will, There Is A Way— To Ensure Care For All Animals

Every day we at the Humane Society of Missouri see how the economic crisis “hits home” for people throughout the state. Many animals that come to us have been abandoned because of home foreclosure or because owners can no longer afford food and veterinary care for their pets. They come to us scared and bewildered.

Fortunately, because of thoughtful donors like you, we can give these pets the second chances they deserve. We are grateful to our many friends who have remembered the Humane Society of Missouri in their wills. Those donations help ensure that we can help animals for many years to come.

Consider Mystique, a shy calico cat, rescued last summer with more than 360 animals on an 80-acre property outside of Pleasant Hope, Mo. in Polk County. The animals were living in deplorable, filthy conditions with little to no access to appropriate or adequate food; no fresh, clean water; and no adequate shelter. Many were underweight and suffering from poor skin and coat conditions and other veterinary maladies.



Mystique before expert medical attention by the Humane Society of Missouri.

Numerous dead animals also were found throughout the property.

After expert medical attention and loving care, Mystique was adopted by **Amanda and Troy Gundy** of St. Louis and has been enjoying her life as a full-fledged member of the Gundy family, along with their two children and two dogs.

When you make a gift to the Humane Society of Missouri—either an outright gift of cash, credit card or stock, or as a deferred gift in the form of a bequest—it allows us to be there for all the Mystiques—now and in the future. Thank you!

If you have questions or have already provided for HSMO in your estate plans, please let us know. Call Patricia R. Cassens, CFRE, at (314) 951-1584 or email her at planned.giving@hsmo.org. We encourage you to contact your personal attorney or financial advisor when considering any gift. Please visit our website at hsmo.org/giftplanning to learn more ways you can help the animals. 🐾



Your Legacy of Caring Can Last a Lifetime... and Beyond.

Remembering the Humane Society of Missouri in your will is a good way to make sure that you leave behind a legacy of caring for abused and neglected animals.

Also, by including the Humane Society of Missouri in your will, you automatically become a member of our *1870's Associates*, which will entitle you to special benefits such as:

- Invitations to seminars
- Your name listed on the *1870's Associates* plaque
- Opportunities to attend social events

To learn more, contact Patricia R. Cassens, Planned Giving/Major Gifts office at (314) 951-1584 or planned.giving@hsmo.org.

Wish List

Our complete list can be found at www.hsmo.org. To donate any of the items below, please call the number listed. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law. If this issue of *Tails* is reaching you outside the St. Louis area, please remember your nearest animal shelter.

Our biggest wish is a home for every homeless pet. Please spay or neuter your pets.

Adoption Centers

St. Louis

(314) 951-1541

Westport Area Center

(314) 951-1585

Chesterfield Valley Center

(636) 530-0806

- Video/camera unit
- Dog beds
- Harnesses and collars (all sizes)
- Fans
- Cat beds, bedding and houses (all types)
- Catnip
- Supplies, such as professional grade cordless grooming clippers with #40 blades, nail clippers, brushes and shampoo
- Washable toys
- Purina® treats and dog biscuits
- Rubbermaid-type storage containers (66 qt.)
- Blankets, towels and wash cloths
- Newspaper (no slick ads)
- Plastic litter boxes (small or medium)
- Cardboard flats (from soda or pet food cases) for disposable litter boxes
- Paper towels
- Treats and toys for cats, rabbits, hamsters and guinea pigs
- Kwik Stop styptic powder or gel
- Canned dog and cat food
- Heating pads and hot water bottles
- Veterinary drug manual
- Digital camera with SD memory card
- Large Tupperware-type bowls with lids
- Kong toys
- Fabric softener sheets

Education

(314) 951-1578

- Vellum paper
- Animal-related children's books
- Gift cards to Michael's Crafts, Borders Books and Barnes & Noble
- Subscriptions to animal-related publications
- Laminating sheets
- Glossy photo finish paper for printer
- Bulletin board paper
- Unused markers
- Paper towels
- Hand soap (animal-friendly brand please)
- Model Magic Clay
- Slick paint/puff paint
- Fun foam
- Fabric markers
- Colored tissue paper
- Animal stickers
- New poster board
- Ink stamp pads (any color) and animal-related stamps
- Blank media CDs
- Animal-motif fabric
- Fabric markers
- Fabric paint (like Tulip slick) (any colors)
- Plain white T-shirts (all sizes) new, please
- Poster board paper
- Bradburn's gift cards
- Color markers
- Color construction paper
- Color computer paper
- *Kind News* subscription

Foster Parent Program

(314) 802-5710

- Kitty condos with perches (Used to confine litters of kittens, they provide a lot of vertical climbing space.)
- Portable exercise pens used to confine litters of puppies.
- Large collapsible kennels that can be sent home with foster parents.
- Premier or martingale-type collars (petite and small sizes)

- New/unused cat litter boxes
- Puppy pads
- New/gently-used animal carriers (medium & large size)
- Cat litter
- Dog beds (medium or large)
- Toys (soft, plush, washable toys for young animals to cuddle with, plus any kind of dog and cat toys for active play)

Pet Behavior Program for the Shelter Animals

(314) 951-1510

- Packages of hot dogs, string cheese and jars of baby food (chicken, beef, lamb)
- New/gently used Gentle Leaders and/or 6-ft. leather or nylon leashes
- Gift certificate to Dogwise.com, Barnes & Noble or Amazon.com (behavior and training books to use for shelter dogs and the helpline)
- Buster Cubes, Kongs or treat balls and other treat dispensing toys (provide environmental enrichment for both shelter and foster animals)
- Subscription to *Whole Dog Journal*, *Bark Magazine*, or *Dog Watch Journal* (behavior publications)
- White copy paper – sizes 8½" x 11" and 11" x 17" (used to make behavior information packets for adopters and helpline callers — vital for our program)

Rescues and Investigations

(314) 951-1514

- New Vari-kennels for large dogs
- Bumper-pull three-horse trailer with removable center divider, aluminum preferred
- 60 HP 40 jet board motor for flood rescue boat
- Color printer
- Muzzles
- Heavy duty leashes
- Trolley motor

Veterinary Medical Centers

St. Louis

(314) 951-1557

Westport Area Center

(314) 951-1590

Chesterfield Valley Center

(636) 530-0807

- Humidifier, tabletop size (four-gallon and smaller)
- Fluffy bathroom rugs, stuffed animals and similar to comfort sick pets
- Towels, blankets and quilts
- Heating pads and hot water bottles
- Cushioned mats for large dogs
- Newspaper
- Leashes and collars
- Professional grade cordless grooming clippers

Longmeadow Rescue Ranch

(636) 583-8759

- Miniature horse sized driving harness and cart
- Miniature horse halters
- Horse hair detangler
- X-large portable Vari-kennels
- Plastic sandboxes or kiddie pools to fill with water to keep the pigs cool in summer
- Medical supplies (vet wrap, brown gauze [4"], gauze pads [4" x 4"], roll cotton)
- Cotton lead ropes
- Break away halters in all sizes (especially small ones)
- Gift certificates for feed stores, tack stores, etc.
- Manure forks
- Stall bedding (baled shavings)
- Surgery sponsors or gift certificates to veterinarians
- Dump bed trailer
- Western saddles
- 2-way walkie-talkies
- Horse training DVDs
- All terrain vehicle
- Hot walker

Tributes & Memorials

The following companies and individuals have contributed \$35 or more to the Humane Society of Missouri as a memorial or in honor of someone special. Donations were received between November 1, 2008 and January 31, 2009.

In Memory of Pets

All My Beloved Pets

Mrs. Joan Shewmake

All of My Animals

Mrs. Judy A. Hays

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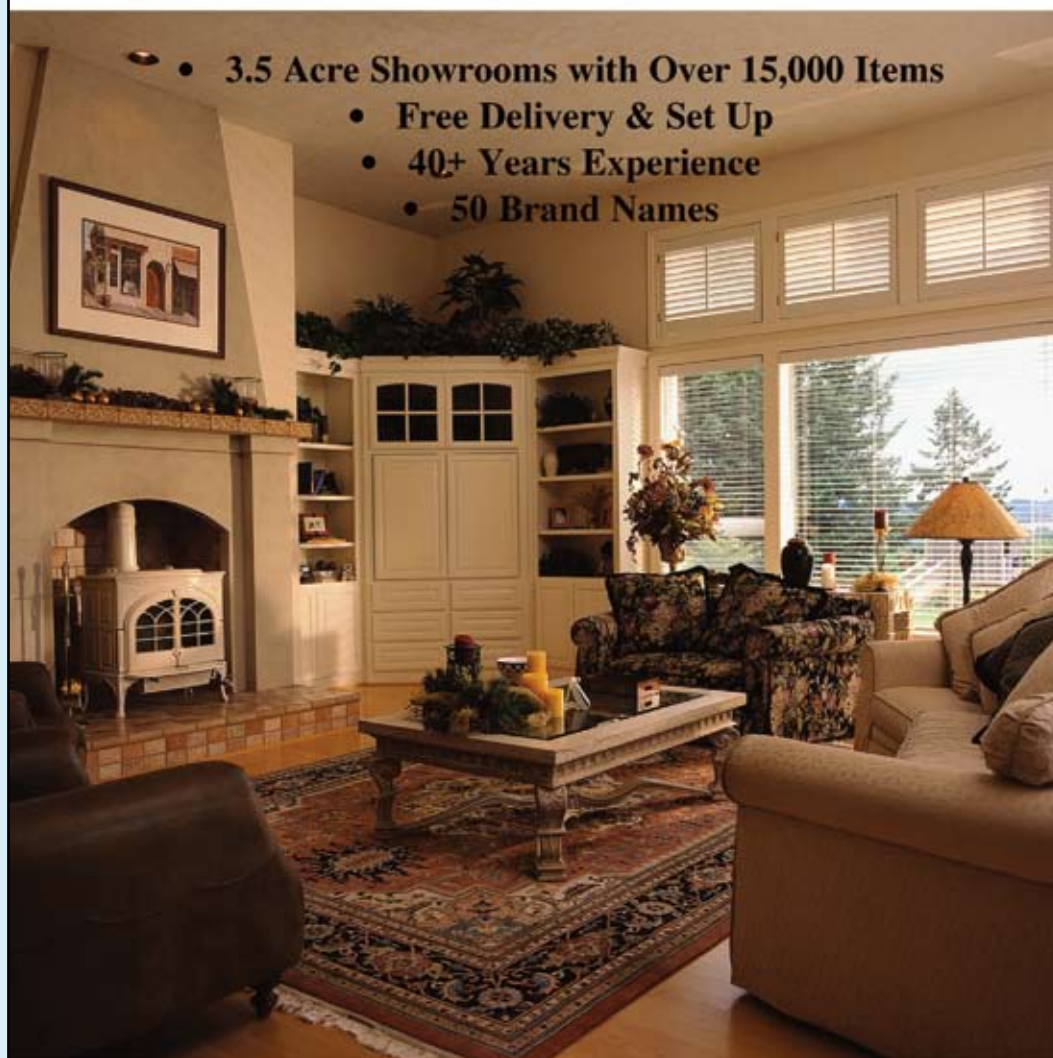
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