



# PAW PRINTS



The Humane Society of Durham Region Newsletter 🐾 Spring 2011

## DECEMBER 17th 2010, Phoenix Rising! HSDR NEW SHELTER GRAND OPENING!



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The Humane Society of Durham Region celebrates the opening of their new shelter facilities in Whitby, Ontario on December 17, 2010. (Ian Goodall/Ian Goodall Photography)

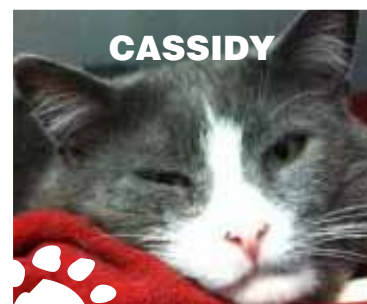
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### ADOPT ME!



CASSIDY



POPEYE



SAMPSON

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

People for Pets Walk-A-Thon - May 29, 2011

Intact Insurance Furry Friends 5k - June 5, 2011

18th Annual Golf Tournament - June 22, 2011



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## HELP NEEDED



### Photographer Needed

We are looking for someone who would be willing to come to the shelter once a week to take pictures of our animals to go on our webpage. A picture of a cute animal is worth a thousand words and what better way to encourage people to adopt our animals. If you are able to help us, please call Karin at 905-665-7430 extension 223 and leave a message. Thanks!

## ITEMS FOR SALE

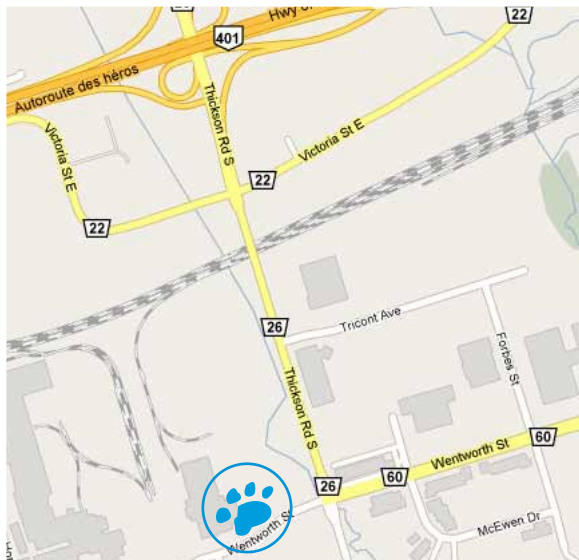
### Paw Imprinted Golf Balls

*The perfect gift for Mother's Day or Father's Day!*

For \$10.00, we are selling sleeves of 3 golf balls each imprinted with a paw print. It is a unique gift for the golfer in your life, as well as helping our animals at the same time. We sold out of our first shipment this year very quickly. They are Taylor-made "Noodle" golf balls. Remember, they are easy to distinguish from the rest when you hit your ball into the woods! A great stocking stuffer. **Please call Karin at (905)665-7430 extension 223 for more information.**



## OUR NEW LOCATION! VISIT US!



### HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION

1505 Wentworth St.  
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### SHELTER HOURS:

Mon : 11am - 5pm

Tues : 11am - 6pm

Wed : 11am - 5pm

Thurs : 11am - 6pm

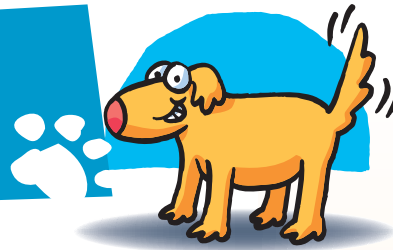
Fri : 11am - 5pm

Sat & Sun: 10am - 4pm





# HOME AT LAST!



*On December 17, 2010, we opened the doors of our new Humane Society of Durham Region.* It was an incredibly emotional day; tears of sadness for those we lost and tears of joy for those who will be cared for and loved here for decades to come.

It has been a very difficult and extremely busy two years – meetings, frustrations, joyous moments, sleepless nights, fundraisers, a roller coaster of emotions. All led to this wonderful day!

Many thanks to the staff of Independent Project Managers for helping to organize the event, with special kudos to Leanne Perrier. So many people came out, it was quite chilly but spirits were high. Our families, our friends, our members and the community were all there. Several politicians and representatives also came to show their support including Colin Carrie MP; Mark Holland MP and Kim Glover representing Honourable Jim Flaherty MP. Also there, Joe Dixon MPP, Christine Elliott MPP, Mayors Pat Perkins, John Henry and Adrian Foster; Councillors Amy England; Ken Montague, Michael Emm, Willie Woo, Bob Chapman; Scugog 1st Nation Baagwating Community Association. Your presence and words of encouragement meant a great deal to us.

We thank Dennis O'Connell, John Henry, Amy England and Chris from CRCS for your pledges given; you made a promise that day and kept it! Two special guests were with us that day to help cut the ribbon, Madeleine Frank and Quinton Abramson, representing the hundreds of children who have supported the new shelter through various fundraising efforts and donations. Young children to young adults have shown such compassion and caring for our animals, it is heartwarming.

First through the door, Claire and I carried the wooden urn containing the cremated remains of our animals that perished. They were placed lovingly in the memory corner beside a sunny window where they will remain forever. Leanne Perrier created a beautiful memorial with their names and pictures to hang on the wall above. Also, on the table are the urns containing our beloved Fred, the three legged shelter cat we had for many years, who died of cancer in April 2008 and Phoenix, our sweet little chow (terribly abused) who many of you will remember from the front pages of the papers in August 2009. He too died of cancer.

It was a fabulous day, everyone was ecstatic about our new home. People were coming and going all day. How nice it was to meet so many of our members and supporters.

The following week our animals came home with help of so many volunteers, Van loads of animals were transported and staff members settled them into their new surrounding. We were all home for Christmas!

There have been many adoptions since we opened as well as many animals coming in. People are enjoying just visiting or coming to walk the dogs or play with the cats. Our cat community rooms are great, the felines love their beds and perches and hiding places. All the dog kennels have a window to the outside and their own run and a bed to lie on, no more hard cement floors. Our little animals have their own room as well, every rat is enjoying his little hammock to lie in. The bunnies and guinea pigs are no longer hidden in a back corner.

We have geothermal heating and cooling and solar tubes to let in natural light. We are anxious to see our small trees and bushes in bud come the spring time. It would be nice to have a large "purple martin" condo put up on the property, I am sure there will be lots of mosquitoes for them to feed on. A bluebird house with a post! Our little trees are too small yet but eventually the birds will be able to nest in them! A couple of bird feeders, distelfink for the gold finches and black oil sunflower seed feeders for others. These will need a hook or stand as well. Just a few to welcome birds back to our area! If anyone is able to help out with these things, please call Karin at 905-665-7430 extension 223.

As well we are still planning our butterfly garden and community vegetable garden. Anyone who wishes to help with either of those, please call Karin at 905-665-7430 extension 223. The butterfly garden is self-explanatory and the vegetable garden will be a few small sections of land for those of you who want to putter in the garden; plan a few veggies for yourself and share some with our little animals.

The shelter has been built with the help of our supporters, it is for all of you to enjoy and be proud of. Please come for a visit and see what you have helped to create. Read the engraved bricks in the front hall foyer. Watch with joy, the antics of the animals. Every bricks, every blade of grass; every bush is a dream come true and you are all a part of it!

*Most importantly, if you have a dream don't let anyone tell you it is impossible ... "Believe"!  
Thank-you,*

**Karin Martens, President, HSDR**



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# SHELTER NEWS

WE STILL  
NEED YOUR  
SUPPORT!



## WISH LIST

- Gas Cards
- Canadian Tire Money
- Large Garbage Bins on Wheels
- Batteries AA, AAA - 9V
- Disposable Gowns
- File Folders
- Photocopy Paper
- Note Books
- Pens, Pencils, Tape, Liquid Paper
- Label stickers-Kitten Formula "KMR"
- Kitten baby bottles
- Dog Muzzles S-M-L
- Dog Coats S-M-L-XL
- Cat and Dog leashes, collars, choke chains and harness
- Cat And Dog toys
- Small Metal Litter Boxes
- Small metal food and water bowls
- Non-Clumping Cat Litter
- Yesterdays News Litter
- Cat Beds
- Cat Trees
- Lysol Spray or Wipes
- Large Garbage Bags
- Laundry Soap
- Dish Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Bleach
- Industrial Mop Buckets and Mops
- Brooms and Dust Pans
- Spray Bottles
- First Aid Kits
- Strong, durable ladder
- Pine Shavings
- Aspen Shavings
- Bird Seed, Indoor and Outdoor

Items can be dropped  
off at the shelter  
**Humane Society  
Of Durham Region**  
1505 Wentworth St.  
Whitby, ON L1N 7C1

### Our new home is built *but* we still have funds to raise...

We managed to raise \$350,000 of our \$697,000. The federal and provincial governments each contributed their third. So we have to take a mortgage something we never wanted to do! Having to pay interest to a bank will just take away money from our animals. Please we still need your help to raise money to pay off the mortgage. The sooner we pay it off, the sooner it will truly be ours ...Buy a brick (see page 12) only 134 left ... we have installed over 450 so far. Become a monthly donor (see page 8) Make a lasting legacy, remember us in your will or with your investments. Contact us and let us know about a fundraiser you want to have ... we will put it on our webpage! Look to (page 14) for naming opportunities.

### Shelter Numbers

Since we opened, our dog runs have been full and we have had to put small dogs in cages in the hall for brief periods of time. *Not including some of our animals in foster care, in the shelter we have 17 dogs, 67 cats, 11 rabbits, 20 rats, 6 guinea pigs, 54 birds and 2 potbelly pigs in foster care.* We also have at least five moms and kittens in foster care as well as other elderly or special needs cats and dogs. Everyone's waiting for their forever home.

### Bunnies!

We have many sweet bunnies for adoption. A pregnant female was brought in with two other adult bunnies and now she has three of the cutest little babies. We will not adopt out bunnies prior to Easter – buy your children a chocolate rabbit – not a real bunny! After Easter, everyone tries to get rid of them. They are cute but like any other pet they require time, bunny proofing your home and a commitment from you. They are living, breathing feeling pets, not something disposable. They can make a wonderful pet but they are not a toy to be broken or discarded. If you are looking to adopt a rabbit we have many but as with a cat or dog, these little animals need you to love and care for them for the rest of their lives!

### Birds, Birds & More Birds!

In January, there was a large rescue of 300 animals from a home in Fenelon Falls. We were asked if we could take some birds and cats to help ease the burden. We took in 10-12 cats and 127 birds. Our little interview room was immediately transformed into an aviary for the birds. An African grey parrot; (see story on page 9) lovebirds, cockatiels, finches, budgies, doves, parakeet and pygmy quails. We have had several adoptions but we still have several birds available including finches, budgies; doves; cockatiels and pygmy quails. These birds are just as important as every other animal in our shelter and it is gratifying to see them going from their former cramped, messy cages to new homes. We would love to see a few of the doves adopted!

### Special Needs - Little Chester needs a forever home...

Chester – a sweet little love. He is a small-framed Staffordshire terrier cross, 9 years old who absolutely loves people – adults and children alike. He was left behind in a house when his owner moved out west. Fortunately, a neighbour called us and we were able to rescue this emaciated little boy! Chester loves to go for car rides – Claire Nicklin, our Vice President or Elizabeth, one of the staff try to take him for a ride everyday. After picking up a Timbit for him, Claire will go to the lake and sit for a while. Chester snuggles and sits and watches the waves with her. His sweet disposition will make him a perfect "only" pet in a home with people who just want a "snuggle pet". Chester would do very well in a home without other animals. He is not used to other pets and Elizabeth is working very hard to socialize him and he has come a long way! A visitor to the shelter yesterday remarked how he actually smiled when Claire entered his run! Chester is a wonderful, wonderful dog – please, if you have some love to give and want oodles of love in return, consider adopting Chester.

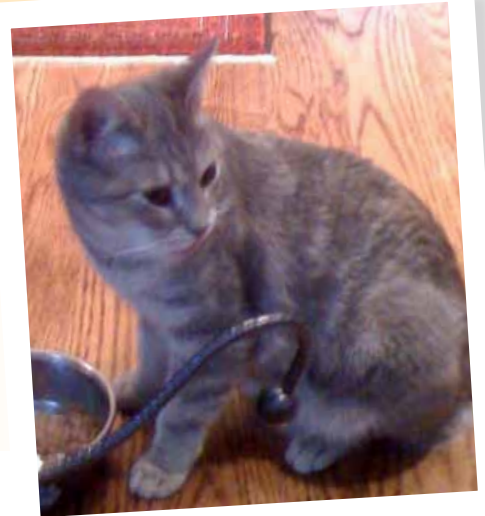


# HAPPY ENDINGS!



Thanks for all the help you provided me in adopting Bosco and Shortcake. They have adjusted quite well. The first couple days home they hid in one of my closets in my Christmas Tree box, LOL. Now they play tag with each other and are always playing. They make me laugh. They are much more playful at night time, I think they figure they got the whole house to themselves so they run wild. I came in from work today and they were both sleeping on the loveseat. *Thank-you, Rhonda*

Just wanted to send you an email with a little picture of Junie to give you an update. She is just the most gentle and lovely girl and she is doing great. She loves her new sisters Lou Lou and Meme. They chase each other and always seem to be hanging out together. All three girls sleep in our bed room at night and Junie likes to sleep on the fur like blanket on the chair beside the bed. Thank you so much for taking such good care of our little girl for us till we came along to bring her home with us. *Thank-you! Janet & Arnie*



Thanks for your knowledgeable help in pointing our family toward Bandit. He is a constant joy. He adapted quickly and easily to our house, and didn't even hide like most cats do in new places. He's affectionate and playful. *Thanks again, Angus, Julie, Andrew and Simon*



We adopted Bertha in November. She has been renamed Berta. She's a good cat . She loves her face and belly rubbed.

*Thank-you! Paul & Steph*

To submit your 'happy endings' adoption stories email [humanedurham@auracom.com](mailto:humanedurham@auracom.com)



JOIN US  
FOR THESE  
AMAZING  
EVENTS!

## UPCOMING EVENTS!



# Furry Friends 5k June 5th, 2011



For this NEW event  
you must register  
online now at  
[www.furryfriends5k.ca](http://www.furryfriends5k.ca)  
Thank-you!



*In support of all the  
animals in care at the  
Humane Society of  
Durham Region*



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WALK-A-THON**  
Anyone out there who is able to help us run our games  
at the end of the Walk-A-Thon on May 29th we would  
love to hear from you. We need a volunteer to help  
us organize about ten games for the dogs and their  
people. We already know the contests and  
just need your help to run it.  
Please call Karin at (905) 655-7430 Ext 223

### NEW EVENT! • QUINTON'S BBQ FUNDRAISER!

**Saturday, April 30 • 11:00am - 2:00pm**

**Location:** Wal-Mart, Taunton Rd and Harmony Rd, Oshawa

Come out and buy a burger or hot dog and help  
support the Humane Society of Durham Region!

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ANIMALS IN OUR CARE.**

### • HOME SWEET HOME AT LAST DANCE!

**Saturday, May 7 • 7:00pm - 10:00pm**

**Location:** Heydenshore Pavillion, 589 Water Street, Whitby, ON

Sponsored by Pets Eats N Treats of Durham Region

Door open at 7pm, Show starts at 8pm • Hosted by Amber Payie!

Tickets are \$20 per person

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Featuring the musical talent of The Usual Suspects and special guests HeSaid  
SheSaid • Late evening buffet • Silent Auction • 50/50 Draw • Cash Bar

**FOR TICKETS CONTACT PETS EATS N TREATS: 905 767 7387**

### • 20th ANNUAL PEOPLE FOR PETS WALK-A-THON!

**Sunday, May 29 • 9:30am - 3:00pm**

**Location:** Heber Down Conservation Area,

**Country Lane Road, Whitby, Ontario**

\$13.00 - Entry fee for individuals, families or groups. Parking fee \$3-\$4

9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Registration • 10:00 to 11:00 5 km walk • 11:00 to 11:30

Refreshments • 11:30 to 2:00 Great Prizes for highest pledge! Including an

overnight stay at Vintage Inn at Niagara on the Lake or \$500 gift card to Ste.

Anne Spa! • Rain or Shine! • Come on out for a great day!

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ANIMALS IN OUR CARE.**

Pledge forms will be available throughout Durham Region at Pet Food  
Stores, Veterinarians, Sponsors, and at the Humane Society or online at

[www.humanedurham.com](http://www.humanedurham.com) and on Page 13!

### NEW EVENT! • INTACT INSURANCE FURRY FRIENDS 5K RUN OR WALK!

**Sunday, June 5 • 8:00am - 11:00am**

**Location:** Heydenshore Pavillion, Whitby, Ontario (Dogs can come too!)

**YOU MUST VISIT [www.furryfriends5k.ca](http://www.furryfriends5k.ca) TO REGISTER BEFORE THE**

**EVENT! And download your pledge sheet today! For information on**

event sponsorship email Allison at [steveandallison@hotmail.com](mailto:steveandallison@hotmail.com)

**ALL DONATIONS GO TO THE ANIMALS IN OUR CARE.**

### • 18th ANNUAL HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Wednesday, June 22 • 12:00pm - 3:00pm**

**Location:** Kedron Dells Golf Course Oshawa, Ontario

**HELP US SUPPORT THE ANIMALS IN CARE AT THE HUMANE  
SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION!**

Cost: \$110.00 per person • Shotgun Start at 12:30 pm, includes: 18 holes, cart,  
9th hole snack, BBQ Dinner, and Prizes! Longest Drive/Closest to the Pin!

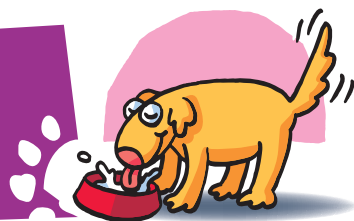
**CALL EARLY TO REGISTER! (905) 725-6686**

**Call to book your foursome now!**

**This is a very popular tournament and spots fill up fast!**



# ADOPT-A-PET



**POPEYE**  
Pot Belly Pig  
Age: 8 months



**THUMPER**  
Chihuahua  
Age: 2 years



**CASSIDY**  
Domestic Medium Hair/Mix  
Age: 5 Years



**BILLY**  
Domestic Medium Hair/Mix  
Age: 10 Years

**SAMPSON**  
Labrador/Mix  
Age: 11 months



If you are interested in any of our furry friends,  
please come down to our shelter and meet them in person.  
There are **MANY MORE** animals available for adoption,  
come visit us in person or online: [www.humanedurham.com](http://www.humanedurham.com)



## MORE NEWS!

### IMPORTANT NOTICE! Your HSDR Membership Renewal is due!

For those of you who may not remember, we will be renewing memberships from March to March every year. For those of you who renewed or became members since December 2010, this will not affect you. For others, we encourage you to help our animals and renew your membership. Those of you who are monthly donors are automatically on the membership list. Please fill out the forms on page 8 and send in your membership dues.

### Support the Humane Society of Durham Region!

*How many of you are participating in a golf tournament this year or know of someone planning one ... perhaps the proceeds could be for the shelter this year?*

We have our own tournament every year in June but there are always so many others with proceeds to various charities ... it would be wonderful if our animals could be the recipients of some other golf tournaments! Last year, the Ontario Insurance Adjusters Association of Kawartha and Durham held a wonderful tournament for us in Lindsay. Unfortunately, it was a heavy rainfall that day but people still came out and we received a cheque for over \$6,000 for the new building. Every cent raised will make a difference. Even if we are not the sole recipient, we would appreciate anyone looking for a charity to support! Please call Karin at 905-665-7430 extension 223.

### Grooming Room Supplies Needed

We need your help to furnish our pet bathing area! We have had a lot of dogs and cats come in this spring terribly matted and filthy from their previous environments. Some were running free – some were removed from deplorable conditions. Below is a list of items and their cost. If you wish to help simply send in a cheque or make a donation with Visa or MC and indicate which item you wish to purchase with your donation. Thank you for helping transform our little ducklings into beautiful little swans!

**Pet Grooming Dryer: \$235.00**

**Grooming Arm & Clamp: \$32 each x 2 = \$64.00**

**Loop Set: \$22 each x 2 = \$44.00**

**Bathing Restraints: 22" 10 each x 2 = \$20.00**

**Clippers & Blades: \$350.00**

### Pet Expo! August 27 & 28

On August 27 & 28, Sara of Shirley's K-9 Klipperry in Whitby will once again be hosting a Pet Expo at the site of the former Cullen Gardens in Whitby. There will be vendors of all kinds of animal paraphernalia; various groups and organizations; fashion shows, etc. Bring your dogs along – there is something for every pet owner out there! [Watch for more information!](#)

### Car Rally/Scavenger Hunt September 24

Keep Saturday, September 24 available as we will be hosting our 2nd annual car rally/scavenger hunt, similar to the amazing race on TV! Last year, everyone had a wonderful time and we know this year will be equally fun. [Watch for more information our website or in our next newsletter!](#)

## Special Foster Home Urgently Needed!

Little Aqua.

While walking one of our dogs, I found an emaciated frightened kitten on the lakefront trail in the woods near the footbridge and marsh near Camp X. She was absolutely starving and completely matted. We have had her to the vets and she was completely shaved down. Her little bottom and pads of her back paws are raw like 3rd degree burns. She has diarrhea since getting her food into her and her little meows of pain when she voids or has a bowel movement are heart wrenching. We have her on creams for her raw areas; medications for pain and some antibiotics and steroids.

All this little noodle wants is to be held and cuddled – she purrs constantly in your arms and kneads with her little front paws. She doesn't know what a litter box is and unfortunately has little stools in her cage. Oddly enough she often voids in her water dish! Perhaps she has food intolerance; we hope to try her on some special holistic foods to help her bowels. Once we can get the excoriated areas healed I'm sure she will feel so much better. She is in a large cage in a separate room from the other cats because of a current virus in the shelter. She desperately needs & craves constant love and attention.

*I'm appealing for a very special Foster Home to take her in and help her on the road to recovery. If someone has time to spend with her; cuddle her; treat her wounds and just love her please call Karin at 905-665-7430 ext. 223 and leave a message. She would be better in a home without young children as she needs to be treated gently. We will supply her with a large cage and supplies until her stools are under control – she does love to come out for a little freedom and run around! But most of all she just wants to be held!*





# Monthly Pledges Needed! And your 2011 HSDR Membership Form.

One of the best ways to help the animals is to make a monthly pledge for their care. It is a convenient and very effective way to make sure that there are funds available every month to buy food, medication, veterinary care and shelter. Many thanks to those of you who have already made your pledge. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so. It is simple to do. Just fill out the attached pre-authorized payment form and mail it along with either a blank cheque marked "void" or your visa or master card number with expiry date to:

**Humane Society of Durham Region, 1505 Wentworth Street, Whitby, L1N 0H9.**

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## HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATION FORM

I hereby authorize the Humane Society of Durham Region to arrange donation withdrawals from my bank account or my visa or master card (please specify) on the first day of each month for my monthly pledge for animal care. I understand that I may cancel this authorization at any time subject to providing notice of 14 days. To obtain a sample cancellation form or for more information on my right to cancel a PAD agreement, I may contact my financial institution or visit [www.cdnpay.ca](http://www.cdnpay.ca).

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Commencing: \_\_\_\_\_, 2011

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Visa or MC Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Bank Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I have certain recourse rights if any debit does not comply with this agreement. For example, I have the right to receive reimbursement for any debit that is not authorized or is not consistent with this PAD agreement. To obtain more information on my recourse rights, I may contact my financial institution or visit [www.cdnpay.ca](http://www.cdnpay.ca). VERY IMPORTANT: Please enclose an encoded blank cheque marked "VOID". Make sure your account has chequing privileges or credit card donation. Don't forget your expiry date.

Mail to: Humane Society of Durham Region, 1505 Wentworth Street, Whitby, L1N 0H6

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Yes! I want to help the animals and **become a member of the Humane Society of Durham Region**

Enclosed is my contribution to aid the Humane Society of Durham Region in its efforts to prevent cruelty, neglect and abuse of animals.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have enclosed my Cheque      **DONATION** \_\_\_\_\_      **MEMBERSHIP** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Debit my Visa or Master card for the amount of \_\_\_\_\_\$20 \_\_\_\_\_\$30 \_\_\_\_\_\$50 \_\_\_\_\_\$100 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Credit card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* New Member – with a contribution of \$20 (single) or \$30 (family) you can become a member of the Humane Society of Durham Region and receive our newsletter for one year.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donations and Membership Fees are Tax Deductible**



## FIVE PAW SALUTE!



### *African Grey Parrot “ROGER” adoption story...A very special Happy Ending!*

Just wanted to drop you an update about the African Grey we adopted a month ago. He is healthy and happy chatting up a storm to whom ever walks past his cage or bird activity centre.....he is quite friendly and ALWAYS wants to be with us. If we are watching TV he will jump off his cage onto the coffee table and wander over to the couch. Our birdie alarm gets up at 5am promptly and gives out a very loud GOOD MORNING WANNA COFFEE to start our day. We were originally going to name him Einstein but a couple days after he got home we called him “Einstein” he looked at us and said ROGER.....well what can you say to a bird that lets you know his name. He keeps himself amused by growling at the dogs and meowing at the cats.....then laughs at them when they walk over, and playing with his selection of Birdie toys. We are very thankful for being given the opportunity for being chosen as the adopter for him as we absolutely LOVE him as he provides all (including himself) with lots of antics and amusement. He also lets us know when he wants to go back to his cage by saying.....GET THAT BIRD BACK INTO HIS CAGE. We also saw a quick glimpse of the deplorable conditions he was subjected to when we watched the W5 special on animal hoarding.....as soon as he heard the woman's voice he hid under his cage blanket – poor baby. Again thank-you for allowing Roger into our lives and I am sure he would love to give you a big Thank-you as well. - Lisa

### Congratulations!

Alf and Marie Plummer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in January. To honour this special occasion, their friends made donations to the Society and a cat cage was purchased for them and their love of felines. Congratulations to both of you, Diamond anniversary is next!

### Special Thanks to an Employee & Two Good Samaritans

A couple of weeks ago on a Sunday, a man phoned in that a cat was stuck in his car engine. It had been there for 2-1/2 days already. Leanna Hazelton, our agent, was called at home and she immediately went to the home at 1:30 pm in the afternoon. At 6:00 pm, she still had no luck freeing this poor cat from the engine compartment. She said he was wrapped like spaghetti around the tubes and cords. A kind tow truck driver came to help but after 2 hours he too was at a loss. A mechanic friend of mine went down at 7:00 pm to see if he could help. At 9:30 pm, Leanna called to say they had just freed the cat and she was taking him immediately to the shelter. As my friend said, it was as if the cat had been stuck for 3 days in a yoga position. Such caring and devotion and perseverance ... thank you !

### Victorian Tea Raises \$1800.00!

What a wonderful afternoon tea we had on Sunday, March 6th, 2011 at Vandermeer Nursery & Garden Centre in Ajax; the setting for a beautiful luncheon and tea amongst the flowers. A very special thank you to Janet and her Hubbie for donating a delicious array of cucumber & cheese, egg salad or tuna sandwiches for people to enjoy with a cup of tea. Also thank you Anne, Brenda & Beth for all your delectable desserts! Claire did a fabulous job organizing the event and a Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the day a wonderful success. Everyone enjoyed the day and we raised **\$1800.00 for the animals!** We're already looking forward to next years Victorian Tea.



# GIFT OF LIFE



*So many of our animals have needed expensive veterinary attention. Animals requiring ligament repairs; tumor removals; amputations; eye infections; skin conditions and much more. Often animals have been brought in through our agent Leanna on weekends, requiring urgent emergency veterinary visits and stays. Unfortunately as I write this letter, we are in the midst of a deadly disease in a few of our cats – panleukopenia! Our vet costs will be exorbitant ... blood work; vet stays; intravenous; medications all in a desperate attempt to save the lives of our felines. Our staff is working very hard to keep things contained and bring our ill kitties back to good health so they can play and mingle with the others.*

**PLUTO** – a cat with distemper as well as upper respiratory. After a few trips to the vet as well as the emergency vet, he recovered nicely and has since been adopted.

**PATCHES** – a sweet black and white cat had to have an eye removed due to an ulcer and has since been adopted.

**GRACIE** – a very, very sweet middle aged Staffordshire terrier who was dumped in a ditch in Courtice. She was emaciated and could barely stand. A good Samaritan found her and she came into our care. After a weekend stay in the emergency vet clinic, she spent some time in the foster home and was then happily adopted. You should see her now, she is beautiful and happy!

**BUGSY** – a bunny that came into the shelter with a very bad skin condition and mites that made him lose all of his fur. Unfortunately, Bugsy passed away!

**LUCILLE** – an 8 year old tortoise shell cat. She was a rescue from the house in Fenelon Falls that had over 300 animals. She required 8 teeth to be removed and now is waiting with a funny little grin to be adopted to a new loving family. She is currently in a foster home.

**CASPER** – a sweet little ferret found outside in the snow. Had a skin condition as well as a gland problem, has been happily adopted.

**KADIN** – a beautiful Husky who required crusiate ligament repair. Very sweet boy who has been on cage rest for the past month and a half, waiting anxiously for a new family to take him home.

**HUEY** – sweetie boxer lab cross. Had a tumor removed from his rectum and a leg repair as well. Loves to go for a walk and will be a wonderful boy in his new home!

**PERCY** – a senior Staffordshire terrier, approximately 14 years old, found wandering. He was skin and bones but ever so gentle and loving. He had problems walking and would urinate frequently. With some pain medication and antibiotics, Percy enjoyed the affection showered on him at the shelter. A couple came to adopt Gracie (see previous Gif of Life recipient) after reading about her in the paper. She was already spoken for and then they saw Percy. As they said, “Gracie brought us here for Percy!” He is so loved in his new home, sleeps on the bed; his coat is beautiful, loves their other dog and is absolutely loved in return by the whole family!

**DOUG** – a beautiful black cat rescued from a car engine. Sadly, he developed panleukopenia and despite veterinary care and all the love in the world, succumbed to his illness.

**BIRDS** – some of the 127 birds that we took from the home in Fenelon Falls had a skin condition. They were seen by a veterinarian and after four weeks of medications, are absolutely beautiful and healthy. Many have since been adopted.

**We need your help folks ... our vet bills are very high but when you see a sick animal recover and go home, it is the most gratifying feeling in the world!**



## SPECIAL THANKS to the following people who have given to our Gift of Life Fund!

A&S Winkler for “Faith”  
A. Ellis – in memory of “Rusty”  
A&M Watt  
J&D Norman  
A. Duff D. Hamilton  
A. Kraev  
H. Quigley  
B. Richards  
N. Thomas  
C&R Noel  
Students of Fallingbrook Public School  
C&S Lalone – in memory of “Molly”  
G&M Higgs  
C. Carter in memory of Midnight  
L. Wilson  
C. petricko for “Autumn”  
S. Virtue

E&C Boudreau  
K. Watts  
H. Luxmore  
M. Brown  
J&R Crabtree  
B. Bertram  
J. Cook  
C. Lesperance  
J. Dell  
M. Johnson for “Faith”  
K&S Sewell  
S. Illerbrun  
K. Long Lan  
Lan & H.C. Smith  
K. Moscrop for “Faith”  
J.L. Webster  
K. White  
G&C Mitchell – Faith’s new parents

M&L Holloway for “Faith”  
D&M Harris  
M. Pearson  
M&M Parr  
R&J Ashkanase – in memory of Bear & Zoe  
Johnston  
R. Marshall  
K. Byng – in loving memory of Chester  
R. Northey  
H. Adams for “Faith”  
S. Morrissey  
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S. Sabrowski  
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T&K Nickson  
L. Mumby  
The Bradley Family & Eddie  
E. Maloan  
H. MacDougall – in honour of John & Colette  
G&E Meek – in memory of our Teddy (April 4, 1997 – October 27, 2010)  
L. Bruggemann – in memory of Obi & Blue – our 2 companions for many years  
P. Creighton – in memory of our beloved Dixie & Waggy  
Sunnycrest Recreational Fund – in memory of Helen Willard





## SPECIAL REPORT



### Cruelty Investigations at an Affiliated Humane Society

There are a lot of people that are unaware of the relationship that exists between Affiliated Humane Society's and the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (OSPCA). In Ontario all Humane Society's are either owned and operated by the OSPCA, or like us, are an affiliate of the OSPCA. Being affiliated with the OSPCA allows the Humane Society of Durham Region to have animal cruelty investigators appointed under the OSPCA Act. The OSPCA Act is what gives our investigators the powers of the police to investigate allegations of animal cruelty.

Animal cruelty encompasses a wide variety of things, from failing to provide a proper doghouse for your dog to physically abusing an animal. Investigation work falls into two categories, education and enforcement. A great deal of our time is spent educating the public about animal cruelty laws. For example, some people might not be aware that an outdoor dog's doghouse must meet certain conditions in order to be considered 'proper'. In this example the person who owns the dog may not be being malicious by not providing their dog with a 'proper' doghouse but was just ignorant of the rules governing doghouses. Investigators also investigate cases that involve extreme cases of physical abuse or neglect.

Before March 1st, 2009 the Criminal Code of Canada was the only animal cruelty laws OSPCA Investigators had to work with in Ontario. On March 1st changes to the OSPCA Act were proclaimed law. Prior to these changes the only offence in the OSPCA Act was failing to provide proper care for your animals' only if you were in the business of breeding and selling. It is now an offence for any person who owns or has custody of any animal to fail to provide the proper care. These standards of care are now regulations and are mandatory for everyone to follow. New offences are also added to the revised act. It is now an offence to cause or permit an animal to be in distress. It is an offence to interfere or obstruct an OSPCA Investigator while performing his or her duty. And it is now an offence to knowingly give a false report of animal cruelty to an OSPCA Investigator.

**Steven Toy**  
Senior Inspector Central Ontario  
Ontario SPCA

*Added Note: "A dog, sadly named 'Mistake'":*

*On Saturday April 2nd, 2011, HSDR Inspector Leanna Hazelton answered a call regarding a horrific abuse case against a German Shepherd. He succumbed to his abuse injuries. Charges have been laid. Watch for further details on our Facebook Page & Website.*

### A GREAT IDEA!



### WEDDING FAVOURS!

For those of you planning your wedding, consider a donation to the animals in need, in lieu of wedding favours for your guests. Leanne Perrier has designed lovely small boxes with a cute paw cut-out, our logo on one side and a brief description that a donation has been made. It is adorned with a small ribbon matching the bridesmaid's dresses or the colour of your wedding. These can be placed as they are for each guest or add a couple of "Kisses!" Many people today are choosing to donate to charities instead of giving out favours! Some newlyweds have even purchased a cat cage for \$500.00 in honour of their wedding, in lieu of favours .... Most guests today will appreciate the thought and compassion of donating to the Humane Society of Durham Region and helping our animals in need! **Please call (905) 655-7430 Ext 223 and leave a message for Karin!**



## BUY A BRICK!

For \$100, you can buy a brick for the new shelter. Buy a brick for a pet, in memory of a loved one, an individual, a classroom etc. Simply fill out the form below and it will be displayed in some amazing manner in the new shelter.

We will still be continuing with our Gift of Life and Project Duke donations. Also, we are gratefully accepting larger corporate, group or individual donations as well. We are currently designing new displays to showcase our donors.

ONLY  
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Number of Bricks \_\_\_\_\_ Each Brick \$100

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Please make cheque to HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION

And mail or drop off to:

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Telephone: 905-665-7430 • Fax: 905-665-9644

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Charitable Business # 13256 2984 RR0001



# PHOENIX RISING

MANY THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE DONATED TO PHOENIX RISING SINCE OCTOBER 2010 TO HELP OUR DREAM BECOME A REALITY.

## ONE PAW DONORS:

BAGWAATING COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – SCUGOG FIRST NATION - \$10,000

SCOTIABANK – HWY 12 & TAUNTON RD WHITBY - \$5,000

PERRY MECHANICAL - \$5,000

ONTARIO POWER GENERATION – PICKERING - \$5,000

WHITBY HYDRO STAFF - \$5,000

LAURA HULAJ-CAMPBELL & PETER CAMPBELL - \$5,000

MACKIE MOVING SYSTEMS - \$5,000



AS WELL, CAT CAGES HAVE BEEN PURCHASED BY L. YOUNG, D. SMITH & MAYOR JOHN HENRY. A CAGE WAS ALSO PURCHASED TO HONOUR THE MEMORY OF JANICE JEROMANS.

SPECIAL THANKS ALSO TO PICKERING ROTARY, J&A ROGERS, J. COOK, A. ELLIS, PET EXPO, RBC, BAKER ANIMAL CLINIC, K. JONES – AJAX ANIMAL HOSPITAL, CRCS, DR. MAKOWAL – SIMCOE ST VETERINARY CLINIC, COUNCILLOR AMY ENGLAND, W. BOUCKLEY.

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY SMALLER DONATIONS TOWARDS PHOENIX RISING AND WE THANK ALL OF YOU! REMEMBER EACH DONATION HELPS AND WE STILL NEED \$350,000 TO MAKE THIS BEAUTIFUL BUILDING OURS.



## We Want to Help Close the Gap!

**Yes, we agree** – the Humane Society of Durham Region's work is too important to let a funding shortfall derail the building of your much needed new home for the Humane Society after the tragic fire in December last year. Please use our enclosed gift to help close the funding gap and allow the Humane Society of Durham Region to continue its wonderful work in a much needed new home.

We choose to support the Humane Society of Durham Region's work with a gift of \_\_\_\_\_

**\$5,000 - \$14,999 - 1 PAW • \$15,000 - \$29,000 - 2 PAWS • \$30,000 - \$49,000 - 3 PAWS • \$50,000 - \$99,000 - 4 PAWS • \$100,000 + - 5 PAWS**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Direct deposit is available at any Scotia Bank Attention: Building Fund Trust/Oshawa Main, Account # 80762-01000-13

## MAIL THIS FORM TO:

**HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION** 1505 Wentworth St. Whitby, ON L1N 7C1

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 13256 2964 RR0001





## DONATION NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

There are a number of naming opportunities available to individuals, corporations, service clubs and foundations.

Cat Group Housing Room <b>PURCHASED!</b>	\$20,000	Animal Kitchen <b>PURCHASED!</b>	\$5,000
Cat Adoption Room (2)	\$15,000	Cat Intake Room	\$5,000
Small Animal Adoption Room <b>PURCHASED!</b>	\$10,000	Individual Dog Run (15) <b>10 LEFT!</b>	\$5,000 each
Animal Treatment Room	\$15,000	Laundry Room	\$5,000
Animal Isolation Room	\$10,000	Individual Cat Cages (several available)	\$500 each
Interview Room	\$10,000	Grooming Room <b>PURCHASED!</b>	\$10,000
Outdoor Cat Enclosure (3)	\$10,000 each	Outdoor Seating Benches <b>3 LEFT!</b>	\$1,000 each
Outdoor Dog Exercise Pen	\$20,000	<b>NEW! ASSORTED TREES &amp; BUSHES, VARIOUS PRICES</b>	

\$20,000 donations are named for 15 years. \$10,000 - \$15,000 donations are named for 10 years. Less than \$10,000 donations are named for 5 years. Multiple year donations are also available.

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## Gift of Life

This fund gives animals in our care that require expensive medical treatment a second chance at life, by paying for whatever surgery is necessary.

### You can help!

By donating to The "GIFT OF LIFE" Fund you can save animals that might not otherwise have a chance. Although we try to stop it, abuse still happens, and the animals are the innocent silent victims. This abuse usually leaves scars and sometimes damages that only surgery can repair. Without your help, we can't afford to repair all of the damage. You can make the difference! You can give the "GIFT OF LIFE"!

Please fill out this form and mail it along with your donation to help these silent victims.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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The "GIFT OF LIFE" Fund

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## HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION "PEOPLE FOR PETS WALKATHON" REGISTRATION, WAIVER &amp; INDEMNITY FORM

In consideration of the acceptance of my application and permission to participate as an entrant in the HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION PEOPLE FOR PETS WALKATHON, I, myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns hereby release, waive, and forever discharge HUMANE SOCIETY OF DURHAM REGION and the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority and all other associations and sponsoring companies and their respective agents, officials, servants, conductors, representatives, successors and assigns of and from all claims, demand, damages, costs, expenses, actions and causes of action, whether in law or equity, in respect of death, injury, loss or damage to my person or property howsoever caused, arising or to arise by reason of my participation in the said event, whether as spectator, participant, competitor or otherwise; whether prior to, during or subsequent to the event and notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of any of the aforesaid. I further undertake to hold and save harmless and agree to indemnify all of the aforesaid from and against any and all liability incurred by any or all of them arising as a result of or in any way connected to my participation in the said event. By submitting this entry, I acknowledge having read, understood and agreed to the above release, waiver and indemnity. I warrant that I am physically fit to participate in this event.

Signature: parent or guardian if participant is under 18 years of age.

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