

# AWL Grand Opening Day

The grand opening on Friday, June 6 was a HUGE SUCCESS with over 1,200 visitors on Friday alone! Donors and pet lovers came from as far away as Arizona to witness the unveiling of the new adoption center, dog park and retail store. Visitors were treated to refreshments and tours of the new AWL Complex.



"This is a day we have waited for a long time," said Jeff Williams, DVM, president of the board of directors for the AWL and president of Countryside Veterinary Services, Inc. "Our volunteers and the community have given us such great support not only monetarily, but also through their countless hours of volunteer work. This project would never have turned into a reality without everyone's help."

Kerry Pettit, executive director of the new complex then proudly highlighted its features.

"The AWL Adoption Center has increased capacity, accessibility and has provided an inviting, pleasant atmosphere for staff, volunteers and visitors," she said. "The new adoption center's special features include cat towers, pet spotlight showcases and indoor play areas, which have

all greatly increased adoptions. We are celebrating empty cages!" Space has also been created for treatment, grooming, education and family pet bonding.

In addition, an outdoor "Bark Park," was created, which offers an exciting and fun playground where an owner can spend time with their dog, giving them off leash areas to play and exercise in a controlled environment under the supervision of their owners while promoting responsible dog ownership. Access to the AWL Bark Park is by an annual membership supporting the AWL.

The retail area, "Have a Hart Pet Store" is open to the public and is operated by volunteers with all proceeds benefiting the shelter's daily operations and the vital programs of the AWL. Deepest appreciation was extended to the Marjorie Hartman Family Foundation for their gift.

Future plans for the complex were also outlined by Dr. Williams that include expanded kennels, quarantine and isolation areas, a surgery center and an education community room. The pond will be dredged, which will expand the Bark Park with a "Pond Park," which can then offer dock jumping and retrieving competitions and will also expand the walking paths. A farm animal enclosure for rescues is also in the AWL's future.



Hours for the AWL Adoption Center and Have a Hart Pet Store are Tuesday through Saturday from 12 noon to 6 p.m. The Bark Park is open every day from dawn to dusk.

# AWL

## ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE

### AWL Board of Directors

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## THE MENAGERIE THRIFT & GIFT SHOP

*All proceeds benefit the operations and services of the Animal Welfare League. Shop here  
and help the animals at the same time!*

### FABULOUS FINDS AT BARGAIN PRICES!

Visiting the Menagerie is like shopping in a catalog and taking a trip down memory lane at the same time. You will find everything from the usual to the unusual, including items from your childhood. We have a large variety of new and used items, with new merchandise coming in daily!



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 Jewelry & Accessories  
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### DONATE YOUR UNWANTED ITEMS!

Good, clean, usable items that are in working order are cheerfully and gratefully accepted. All items donated are tax deductible; just let us know if you need a receipt. Have a large donation? We ask that you call ahead and schedule a drop-off date, or you can call us and schedule a time to pick up a large furniture donation.

Location: 6037 East Market Street, Warren, Ohio 44484  
 (Old Route 82- across from Leo's Ristorante in Howland)

PHONE: 330.856.5174

HOURS: TUESDAY - SATURDAY 10A.M. - 6P.M.

# How to **contact** US?

We have so much new information we want you to know!

**Location:** 812 Youngstown Kingsville Road SE, Vienna, Ohio 44473 (Route 193, just south of Route 82, across from Avalon Squaw Creek Country Club). *Please note that the Brunstetter Road Shelter is closed.*

**Telephone:** 330.539.5300

This number is **THE** number for contacting the Animal Welfare League in Vienna. This one number connects you to all of our services. All prior numbers connected to the Brunstetter Road shelter have been discontinued.

**Mailing Address:** Animal Welfare League, P.O. Box 66, Vienna, OH 44473

**Website:** [www.AWLrescueme.com](http://www.AWLrescueme.com) **Email:** [infoawl@dtinc.com](mailto:infoawl@dtinc.com)

**Hours:** AWL Adoption Center and Have a Hart Pet Store:  
 Open Tuesday through Saturday noon to 6:00pm. Closed Sunday and Monday.

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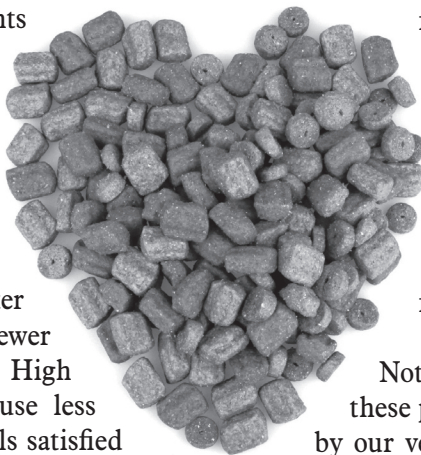
**Bark Park is open from dawn to dusk every day.**



# WHAT YOU FEED YOUR PET MATTERS

Feeding your pet the right type of food can keep your pet healthy and happy. At the AWL Have a Hart Pet Store, we offer those foods that meet the stringent requirements set by the Association of American Feed Control (AAFCO). In order to claim that foods are "complete and balanced" for a given life stage (or all life stages) pet food must meet either the AAFCO Feeding Tests or AAFCO Nutrient Profiles.

Feeding high quality foods results in better overall health for your pet. Less illness means fewer veterinarian visits and a longer, happier life. High quality foods require smaller portions and use less fillers, so your pet gets more nutrients and feels satisfied with less. For these reasons high quality foods do not cost any more than less expensive brands. You will also notice smaller



stools when feeding these recommended foods because your pet is able to utilize all the nutrients without all the fillers.

The foods that the AWL has been chosen to offer in our retail area meet these requirements and more. You will be able to find Fromm, Hills and Purina pet foods.

Fromm is a family owned and operated premium pet food company that has been in business since 1904. They offer handcrafted recipes for dogs and cats that are grain free and are offered in regular and life stage foods. Hills originated over 70 years ago and offers a complete line of nutritionally balanced foods for all stages of your pet's life. Purina, who has been making pet food for over 75 years, also offers life stage foods.

Not only does AWL's Have a Hart Pet Store offer these premium foods, but the staff has been educated by our veterinarians and can help you find the perfect food for your pet's needs.

## THE MARJORIE HARTMAN HAVE A HART PET STORE

*Looking for that Special Treat or Toy? Maybe Quality Pet Foods made in the USA?*

It's all here in the AWL Have a Hart Pet Store located inside the AWL Complex.

### We offer:

- Bowls, beds, crates
- Leashes, collars
- U.S.-made pet food and treats
- Grooming products



- Flea & tick prevention products
- Training aids
- PLUS more!

If you can't find what you're looking for, just let our experienced and knowledgeable staff know and they'll find it for you.

And remember, every dollar you spend with us helps us support our shelter animals.

Open Tuesday through Saturday, Noon to 6 p.m.



**AWL**  
ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE  
**Have a Hart♥Pet Store**  
**10% off**  
**Entire purchase**

(excludes pet food) Offer expires 9/10/14

Must present coupon at time of purchase. Offer excludes all pet food. Void if copied or reproduced. No Cash Value. Valid only at the Have a Hart♥Pet Store located at 812 Youngstown Kingsville Road S.E. Vienna, OH 44473

Phone: 330-539-5300  
All Profits benefit the Animal Welfare League

**COUPON**



## 1. WHAT IS AWL'S ANIMAL INTAKE POLICY?

AWL is a private organization that is under no obligation by state laws or government funding to take in animals (unlike the county dog pound). We have a selective animal intake procedure as space becomes available. People wishing to surrender a cat or dog should call or stop in and give the AWL staff their name, phone number and information about their animal(s). When space becomes available, AWL staff will call immediately. Our pet information network may know of someone looking to adopt your type of dog/cat. AWL staff evaluates the mental, behavior and physical health of each animal in our care. If we are full, and all our animals already here are in good mental and physical health we cannot accept intakes. We are not willing to trade a life for a life as long as the animals in our care remain emotionally and physically stable, and show no signs of suffering. AWL has made a financial investment in the animals in our care through vaccinations, heartworm testing, flea/tick treatments and general health care. We are dedicated to helping as many as we can find a loving forever home.

## 2. IS THE COUNTY POUND PARTNERING WITH AWL BY MOVING INTO THE AWL FACILITY?

For several years, talks have been ongoing between the AWL and the Trumbull County Commissioners concerning partnering with the Trumbull County Dog Pound and moving into the AWL facility. The commissioners gave huge encouragement and were agreeable for the new building plans and for a partnership between the AWL and the County Dog Pound. When we planned for the new shelter, all of the construction plans included the appropriate space to accommodate both entities. Both entities agree it would be the best arrangement for our communities and the dog population; providing one location where lost pets could be taken and then found by their owners.

The grand opening of the AWL Adoption Center included only the "core" part of the total facility, enabling the AWL to carry out the AWL mission. It did not however, include the finished square footage necessary to bring in the Dog Pound. All of the structure, block walls, concrete floors, rough plumbing, rough electrical is complete and paid for by the building fund campaign. The AWL is continuing to meet with the commissioners in hopes that they will provide the funds necessary to finish the build-out on the additional kennel space to accommodate the Dog Pound and also provide additional operating funds to accommodate and care for the animals from the pound. We cannot move forward until appropriate funding

from the county is in place. The Animal Welfare League is a 501(c)3 charity and receives no federal or state funding.

We hope this comes to fruition very soon and we gain funding. This could be a win-win for both entities. It would certainly be a win-win for the dogs!

## 3. WHAT BENEFITS HAVE ALREADY BEEN SEEN BY MOVING INTO THE NEW FACILITY?

Since moving into the new facility, May 6, AWL is able assist three times as many animals with the same amount of staff. The more efficient building, additional kennel space, cat towers, and isolation areas provide a much safer and less stressful environment for the animals. The building design also aids in reducing the spread of potential disease from incoming animals, and allows volunteers and staff to adequately exercise the animals rain or shine by use of our indoor play yards. These all benefit the animals in AWL's care.

## 4. DOES AWL PROVIDE HUMANE INVESTIGATION SERVICES?

Yes! AWL has two Humane Officers sworn in to enforce animal humane laws of the State of Ohio, within Trumbull County. If you have a concern or complaint regarding animal cruelty or neglect please **call our Humane Officers at 330.539.5300.**

## 5. WHY ADOPT FROM AWL WHEN PUPPIES AND KITTENS ARE FREE IN THE NEWSPAPER?

AWL is dedicated to providing healthy and friendly pets for adoption. The adoption fee includes an entire package of benefits. See article on page 10 "Adopt a Shelter Pet" for details on adoptions or call AWL Adoption Center at 330.539.5300.

## 6. WHY SHOULD I ADOPT OR DONATE TO AWL?

AWL has 46 years of experience in animal sheltering. We have stood the test of time and strive to do the best we can every day. We are progressive with the ever changing needs of the animals in our community. Our new shelter is a clear testament of our dedication to the animals and public we serve.

## 7. HOW CAN I HELP AWL AND THE ANIMALS OF TRUMBULL COUNTY?

- Donations
- Spaying & Neutering
- Volunteer
- Support the Menagerie Thrift & Gift Shop
- Shop at the Have a Hart Pet Store located in the AWL Adoption Center
- Become a member of the Bark Park

# AWL EVENTS

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2014 17TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Hit the links and help the AWL continue its work. The 17th Annual AWL Golf Classic has been planned for Friday, Sept. 5 at the Avalon-Squaw Creek Country Club, 761 Youngstown-Kingsville Rd., right across the street from the shelter. Registration and lunch begins at 11 a.m. and will be provided by Panera's. A shotgun start will be at noon. Golfers will then enjoy dinner and an open bar at 6 p.m., courtesy of O'Charley's. There will be various skill and tournament prizes, as well as 50/50 raffles, a Chinese auction including signed PGA merchandise by Jason Kokrak, Avalon memberships, "thank you" bags and more. PLUS—someone can win a new car with a hole in one! Registration is \$125 per golfer or \$35 non-golfer (dinner and bar only). Sponsorships are also available. For more information, to register, or make a donation, visit [www.AWLrescueme.com](http://www.AWLrescueme.com).

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2014 19TH ANNUAL "WALK FOR THE ANIMALS"

The 19th Annual Walk for the Animals has been planned for Sunday, Oct. 5, with registration beginning at noon at the AWL Shelter, 812 Youngstown-Kingsville Rd., Vienna. A blessing of the animals will be conducted at 1 p.m., after which, the Bark Park and walking paths will be open until 4 p.m. Events such as an Amazing Pet Trick Contest, Best Pet Costume, Owner/Dog Look Alike contest, a smallest/largest dog contest and a Frisbee contest will start at 2:30 p.m. Awards will be presented at 3:30 p.m.

In addition to all the fun family events, there will be a 50/50 raffle, a bake sale and a Chinese auction. The walk will be held rain or shine. Leashes are required (no longer than six feet and no retractable leashes), proof of rabies vaccination is required and we ask that only two pets per walker.

**Sponsorships are available** including "Leader of the Pack"—\$1,000, "Animals Best Friend"—\$500, "Kitty Power"—\$100 and "Puppy Power"—\$100. A free t-shirt will be given to those who donate \$100 or more. We ask that you reach out to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, employer or anyone else, to ask them to sponsor you or donate to help raise money for our animals. Remember, all donations are tax deductible. Prizes will be awarded to the top ten money raisers.

**Mark it on your calendar** and come strut your pet for our homeless animals. Please see the Registration and Donation Form

on page 11, 12 in this newsletter for more information and the registration and donation form.

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2015 "AN EVENING WITH WINE & CHOCOLATE"

## SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2015 31ST ANNUAL "FASHIONS FOR COMPASSION" FASHION SHOW

**PLEASE GO TO**  
[www.AWLrescueme.com](http://www.AWLrescueme.com), or  
call **330.539.5300** for additional  
information on all events.

## A BIG THANK YOU!

Braydich Dental in Hubbard, Ohio named the AWL as the 2014 recipient for **SMILES FOR CHARITY** held March 1 through June 30.

We send a big thank you to Dr. Braydich and his entire dental group and staff. Not only are many more human smiles bright and white for those who participated in Smiles for Charity, but thanks to their hard work and generosity, many more shelter animals have something to smile about!

The **AWL 10th Annual Motorcycle Run** held July 27 was a success despite challenging weather! We send a big thank you to the sponsorship and annual dedication of the V-Twin Cruisers Motorcycle Club Ohio – Warren Chapter and to those bike riders who faithfully support the event each year. Participants enjoyed a scenic ride to Foxburg, Pa. and all the comradery for the animals.

This was the second year for **Wings & Wheels**. We send a big thank you to Bill Griffin and all of his crew for this wonderful event on August 9 and 10. Bill's generosity in supporting the operations and services of the Animal Welfare League has really made a difference to this community. If you missed it this year be sure to attend in 2015. It was a great event for all to see... planes, cars, tractors and motorcycles... wow! Be sure to visit the new Ernie Hall Aviation Museum that Bill has built.

AWL sends a big thank you to all the **Volunteers** who assist in these events. We salute you for your good deeds!

# Volunteer Spotlight

**DIANNE E. FORD** was recognized at the AWL's recent ribbon cutting for her dedication of over 30 years to the organization. Dr. Jeff Williams, board president, presented Dianne with a plaque that graces the outside wall of the volunteer office where she devotes many hours to the shelter. It was also noted that Dianne volunteers more than 2,500 hours each year.

"It was such a nice thing they did for me. It was so wonderful," Dianne said referring to her recognition at the grand opening.

Dianne said that she first became involved with the AWL when she adopted a dog from the shelter back in 1985 and since then she's been involved in many aspects of the shelter. While still

working at Trumbull Metropolitan Housing Authority, Dianne worked with a group of people that started the Menagerie and "spent a lot of time there."

"Once I retired, I started out with one afternoon a week then I was volunteering full time," said Dianne. Currently Dianne volunteers on the weekends, often with her husband Ken, and concentrates her work on maintaining a mailing list, the entering of volunteer hours and "thank you" letters from the AWL and the Menagerie.

Dianne also previously served on the board of directors and helped initiate the first golf outings with proceeds going to the shelter.

*Thank you so much Dianne for your hard work and dedication!*

## Volunteers are Always Needed

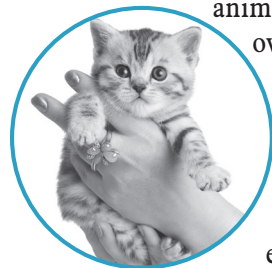
We are currently taking contact information from anyone interested in becoming a volunteer with the Animal Welfare League. We welcome the assistance of volunteers in roles that include:

- greeters to welcome and direct visitors to the proper department
- retail assistants to keep shelves stocked; the area neat, clean and organized; as well as assisting customers
- canine and feline socializers to provide exercise and socialization to animals awaiting adoption to keep them healthy and happy
- caretaker assistants to help with laundry, dishes, cleaning and sanitizing cages and dog runs and more
- help at fundraising events

Please contact the AWL at 330.539.5300 for upcoming dates for volunteer orientation. Please come help us with our many dogs and cats awaiting their forever homes!

## AWL Legacy Society

Remembering the AWL in your estate planning provides for the vital services of the organization to continue. During your lifetime you helped to make possible the saving of thousands of animals from cruelty, abandonment, starvation, overpopulation and more, through your support of the Animal Welfare League.



### Is the Animal Welfare League in your Estate Plans?

The Animal Welfare League recently established an endowment fund with the Trumbull County Community Foundation. The purpose of the endowment fund is to ensure ongoing financial support for the AWL. You may have assets to donate that can help ensure AWL's long-term future.

Your Endowment gift can meet your own personal and financial objectives:

- Maintain flexibility by planning now for a revocable gift effective at death:
  - Wills and Living Trusts
  - Retirement Plans & Other Beneficiary Designations
- Make the gift now and get immediate tax benefits:
  - Gifts of Stock or Mutual Funds
  - Gifts of Real Estate
  - Gifts of Cash
- Plus Income for Life:
  - Charitable Remainder Trusts

Please contact us **330.539.5300** or the Trumbull County Community Foundation at **330.915.3710**.



# Adoption Successes

**ZIGGY** Arnold Ziffel of Hooterville fame, doesn't have anything on Ziggy a.k.a. Snarky that came into the shelter through the humane officers. This soon to be handsome boy



came in when the little piggy's owners were hospitalized and no longer able to care for him. He needed a lot of medical care and attention. But, a new owner came to the rescue.

"Within a short time after I took in Ziggy, which was rough at first, he has had all shots, teeth fixed, wormed, physical therapy from me, neutered, hooves all fixed up and socialized. As a result he is now

harness, crate and litter trained (saves on straw in the stall) has learned to sit, stay, speak, come and lie down," said his new owner. "I am now teaching him to do a high five." She reports that all his hair has grown back, and the sores on his skin have gone away.

The owner reports that Ziggy gets along great with cats, chickens, dogs, a donkey and a horse. She said that having fresh air and therapy allowed him to use his back legs in a grassy place and gallop (yes gallop) and the veterinarian sees no permanent dysfunction now.

"It's just a matter of strengthening daily and keeping his feet clean and trimmed, but he's getting to point where I can do most of the routine stuff," she said. "So from me and Snarky - he will have a good life out here on my 40 acres, even though I was quite out of my element at first. Good news is he will work for pretzels or lettuce!"

**We have a new saying at the shelter—  
"Our success is measured by empty cages."**

**BJ** In July 2013, humane investigators received a call for service regarding animal neglect and took custody of BJ, a two-year-old male terrier mix. In January of 2014 the case was finally settled in court and AWL was awarded custody of BJ and the owner prosecuted for animal neglect.

Like some little boys, BJ was a sweet guy that needed to learn some basic manners. BJ was selected to attend the Caring Companion's prison program to help teach him basic commands such as sit, down, stay and to walk properly on a leash without pulling. After graduating from the program, BJ was still overlooked by potential adopters at the old shelter, despite his better behavior. Shortly after moving into the new shelter and being featured in our showcase rooms, BJ was quickly adopted to a loving family. A great testament to our new facility!



**FELINE FRIENDS** Another great testament and feature of the new shelter are the cat towers. The cat towers have been an amazing upgrade for our feline friends. No longer in a cramped two feet by two feet cage with little room to play

or be seen, these four- and five-story towers allow cats to move about and interact with potential adopters. The openness of the units allows light to filter through so guests can really see the cats in action.

Historically, black or dark colored cats have a low percentage of adoption. In typical housing like we experienced in the old shelter, they often are unseen, blending in with the cage, plus the small area does not allow for personalities to shine. Our new cat towers really have turned this around. Since transferring the animals to the new shelter in early May, we have adopted out four black cats and two dilute tortoiseshell grey cats.

The staff finds this absolutely incredible and is confident that this is directly related to the new towers! Thank you Mason Company for designing such a great habitat for our feline friends!

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADOPT AN ALREADY TRAINED DOG?

The Animal Welfare League's Caring Companion Program, which kicked-off in 1999, can now boast that it has successfully adopted over 300 dogs to happy owners.

Through a joint venture with Trumbull County Corrections Institute, six dogs are selected every nine weeks to enter the program and live with inmates. Each dog is assigned to two inmate handlers where they teach the dogs basic obedience, crate training and house training during the animal's stay. Approximately three weeks prior to entering the training, AWL staff begins to select dogs for the program and pinpoint shy, timid, or dogs with behavior issues such as poor leash behaviors or jumping that they feel will benefit from the program.



"This training helps give these harder to adopt dogs a better chance at adoption. Once selected the dogs are spayed or neutered and given a general health exam," explained Kerry Pettit, executive director of the AWL. "All dogs are up-to-date on vaccinations, heartworm preventative and flea/tick prevention. The importance of selecting the dogs a few weeks in advance, gives the dogs time to heal from surgery or treat any minor issues such as ear infections so they are healthy and ready to go to the prison for training."

Once selected for the program, the dogs can be pre-adopted by potential homes and at the end of the nine-week training, the adoption is finalized and adopters are able to take their newly trained pet home. The adoption fee for a prison trained dog is \$200. The pet will be current on all applicable vaccines including rabies, current on heartworm-flea/tick prevention, is spayed/neutered, and pet will be microchipped with registration of new owner. **For more information how you can adopt one of these specially trained pets, call 330.539.5300.**

# FEATURED ADOPTABLE PETS

**BISHOP** is a three year old male Pit-bull/Boxer mix. Bishop was rescued by AWL's After Hour Emergency Response team back in February. He was emaciated and hairless from a severe case of mange. AWL has treated his skin condition and he is at a healthy weight now. Bishop loves to play and deserves a forever home and a second chance at life.



**SKY** is a three year old male Shepherd mix. Sky's previous owner became homeless in January and struggled for a few months to live out of his car with Sky. The realities of being unable to continue to care for Sky were too great and tearfully Sky's owner brought Sky to AWL in March. This loving boy has been patiently waiting for a new home.



**SPIKE** is a six year old Shar Pei/Shepherd mix that is a graduate of our Caring Companion Prison training program. This fabulous boy often spends time in AWL's Administration Office because he is so well behaved and housetrained.



**CASPER** is a two year old male Pitbull/Whippet mix. Casper would do best in a home if he was the only dog.



**HARLEY** is a one year old male Labrador/Pitbull mix. This young boy was rescued by AWL's Emergency Response team and treated for a skin condition.



**MILO** is a four year old Puggle (Beagle/Pug). The AWL staff recovered him and was unable to track down his original adopter. Milo is looking for a third chance to find his forever home.



**KAYLA** is a one year old female Labrador/Pitbull mix. She was brought in through our Emergency Response Service and treated for skin lacerations.



**IZZY** is a three year old retriever mix. Izzy was adopted over a year ago from AWL, however new landlord issues forced the previous owners to surrender Izzy back to AWL. This sweet girl is patiently waiting for a new home.



**ACE** is an eight year old male Labrador mix. Ace's previous owners were moving and although they had him for five years, they were unable to take him with them. This senior boy deserves a forever home.



**BELLA** is a six year old female Husky mix. Bella's previous owner was moving and although they owned Bella for six years, they were not able to take her with them on their move.



**PERRY** is a two year old Cocker Spaniel. Perry recently has been shaved to remove all the painful matts on his body. Perry needs a patient and loving home to help give him a second chance.



**MAJOR** is a five year old male Chow/Labrador mix. Once again, Major was surrendered by his owners because they were moving and not able to take him with them.



**DEXTER** is a seven year old Chow Chow mix. Dexter was surrendered to AWL when his owner passed away. This boy is used to living in a home and he curiously watches visitors pass by his run and waits for someone to adopt him.



**TIGER** is a seven month old Plott Hound mix. Tiger is currently in training at the Trumbull Corrections Instituted through our Caring Companions Prison program. Tiger can be pre-adopted.



**JACK** is a one year old Husky/Labrador mix. Jack is currently in training at the Trumbull Corrections Instituted through our Caring Companions Prison program. Jack will do best in a home with no children. Jack can also be pre-adopted.



**ABBEY** is a two year old Domestic Short Hair. Abbey is the shelter's longest resident. She came into AWL back in October and has patiently watched many dogs, kittens, cats, and puppies get adopted. It's time this sweet girl finds a forever home of her own!



**NICK** is a one year old Domestic Short Hair. Nick is still waiting to be adopted.



**OREO** is a two year old Domestic Short Hair. Oreo is not so much of a lap cat as a play with me cat.



**KIKI** is a one year old Domestic Short Hair. She was a stray no one came to reclaim.



**RUFIO** is a one year old Domestic Short Hair. Rufio is a curious boy.



**WISTERIA** is a two year old Domestic Short Hair. Wisteria would do best in a single cat household.



**MUSTACHIO** is a three year old Domestic Medium Hair. He was a stray that was rescued by our Emergency Response Service.





# MORE FEATURED ADOPTABLE PETS

**SAMMY** is a nine month old Domestic Short Hair. She was a stray no one came to reclaim.



**BENTLEY** is a four year old Domestic Short Hair. Bentley's owners were no longer able to care for him so they surrendered him to AWL.



**ZUMBA** is a one year old Domestic Short Hair. Zumba and her kittens were strays that were dropped off at a local veterinarian's office.



**ALLIE** is a ten month old female Domestic Short Hair. Allie was surrendered by her previous owner because they had too many animals.



**MOCHA** is a four year old female Domestic Short Hair. Mocha was also surrendered by her previous owner because they had too many animals.



**KITTENS!** We have LOTS of kittens in various colors and coat lengths ranging from two to four months of age. All are up to date on their vaccines, have been tested negative for Feline Leukemia and Feline Immunodeficiency viruses.

**THESE BEAUTIFUL ANIMALS CAN BE ADOPTED AT THE AWL COMPLEX TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY FROM NOON UNTIL 5:30 P.M. FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING ADOPTIONS, MAKE SURE YOU READ THE "ADOPT A SHELTER PET... VISIT THE AWL ADOPTION CENTER" ARTICLE IN THIS NEWSLETTER.**

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT TIFFANY MINOR

who is a team leader for the adoption counselors/animal caretaker staff at AWL, has been working at the shelter since 2008. She helps evaluate incoming animals, process adoptions and makes sure that all the animals are up-to-date on their vaccines and medical needs.

Tiffany is a graduate of Lordstown High School and currently lives in Warren. She said that her favorite part of working at AWL is watching animals that were brought in ill or injured and see them heal and change into happy adoptable pets.

"I've always been interested in animals," said Tiffany. "When I was a child, people used to drop off strays at our house, because they knew we would take good care of these homeless animals."

Tiffany has two daughters that like to go to the park, play softball and help Tiffany cook. She also resides with her Yorkie, Cali.

Thank you so much Tiffany for all your hard work and dedication!



## AWL TO THE RESCUE!

On Tuesday, May 13 at 9:22 a.m., the AWL received a phone call from the City of Warren Dog Warden stating that he was at an eviction on Lenar Street. He said that there were several dogs inside the house, breed Chow Chow, with mange. They had been abandoned. The City of Warren contracts with the Trumbull County Dog Pound to take in its impounds. This furry family was facing near certain euthanasia. The new facility allowed us to house these seven adults and five puppies separately and care, treat and evaluate each dog's condition and temperament. All 12 canines have been successfully transferred to homes with the help of a Chow Rescue. We are thankful our new facility allowed the nightmare to end for

these 12 dogs. What would have happened to these dogs if AWL had not been there to help?

This is just one excerpt from our call log. We have two humane officers on the job providing cruelty and neglect investigations and giving assistance to municipalities. In addition, we have other staff and volunteers who tirelessly work to help animals in need.

## Cruelty & Neglect Investigations

If you see animal abuse, please call our office at **330.539.5300**. Please note that all calls are confidential.

# In Memory of Beloved Pets - 2014

When our hearts are broken by the loss of our every day companion... that special pet who enriched our lives...we take comfort in knowing that the pain means something... it means that our beloved pet made a real difference in our lives. Sometimes we ask.... is the pain is worth it?.....yes...definitely, yes... pet tributes tell us this is so. These gifts are vital to the operations and services of the AWL. There are so many pets that need your help. Thank you for your gifts in memory of that special pet and in their name giving to help to better the lives of our shelter pets.

## Heidi, Margie & Paul McCummin's Dog

Paul & Margie McCummins  
Albert & Janet St. Clair  
David & Barbara McNeil  
J Wayne & Molly Rush  
Joan Wilkerson  
Ronald & Shirley Weir

## Cindy, Elvis, Koko, Max, Mo, Zeus

Barbara & Mary Busko

## Spike

James & Esther Nicastro

## Scarlett, Irene & Nancy Lindsay's Little Furry Love

Carmichael, Bonnie

## Pepsi & Jett, our beloved poodles

Hoover, James D & Patricia A

## Peanut & Rascal

Dionisio, Neva

## Dakota

Beatty, Becky

## Cindy, Tosha & Penny

Pollock, Norman & Barbara

## Cheyenne

Young, Dr Thomas & Lynn

## Teddie, our Golden Retriever

Smith, Nancy

## Stuck

Northside Farms

## Rocky

Smiley, Richard & Noralee

## Ricky, beloved dog of Delyte DeLong

Funk Jr, Richard & Roxanne

## Snowie, my cat & Buttons, Rubbie & Daisy, my dogs

Schnur, Susan G.

## Mike

Heston, Patricia Ann

## Mike

John, George

## Molly

Hillier, Joyce

## Oliver, loyal & handsome dog of Mary Beth & Blaine Bansky

O'Dell, Ann

## Packy, my beautiful & loving Sheltie

Suszczynski, Sandra

## Bella, their daughter Jamie's Yorkie

Aulizia, Patrick & Suzanne

## Brandi

Weekley, Lynn & Eleanor

## Catie, Yorkshire Terrier

Phythyon, Laurel A

## Daisy Dog, Ellise Martin's dog

Lewis, Carter & Carole

## Domino, Randy & Gyneth Blum's Beloved Dog

Field, Alicia P.

## Dora, beloved cat of Shari Wojtowicz

Ference, James & Linda

## Happy, Sparky & Tipper

Villareal, Domingo & Mary

## Adopt a shelter pet... visit the AWL Adoption Center

Adopting a shelter pet is a testament of a caring and compassionate person. Shelter pets make great pets. There is a deep bond the moment this happens for the person... and pet... saving a life is just like that. We have cats, kittens, dogs and puppies all waiting for that special person, a new family and a new home.



All adopters must fill out an application that must be approved before taking one of our pets home. We encourage you to make sure that your new pet is a good fit in its forever home.

- All of our animals are given the first set of vaccinations, worming, heartworm test, feline leukemia/AIDS test, and are treated for fleas. All adopted animals are spayed or neutered.
- All our animals are micro-chipped.
- Our adoption staff will assist you with any information you may need regarding your pets care, feeding, training.
- Stop in and visit the many wonderful animals we have ready for adoption!

## Adoption Fees:

Cats/Kittens- \$120.00

Senior Cats over 8 years of age- \$80.00

Dogs/Puppies- \$150.00

Senior Dogs over 8 years of age- \$120.00

Prison Trained Dogs- \$200.00

Farm Animals (goats/sheep/pigs/horses)- \$50.00 - \$300.00

Pocket Pets (small birds/reptiles/rabbits)- \$5.00 - \$30.00

Parrots (Macaws, large birds)- \$50.00 - \$200.00



# 19th Annual Walk for the Animals

## Sunday October 5, 2014

Strut Your Pet for Our Homeless Animals

Animal Welfare League New Shelter

812 Youngstown Kingsville Road SE, Vienna, Ohio

Registration: 12:00pm

Blessing of Animals: 1:00pm

Open Bark Park and Walking Path: 1:00-4:00pm

Fun Events: 2:30pm

Awards: 3:30pm

### Sponsorships Available

- Leader of the Pack \$1000
- Animals Best Friend \$500
  - Kitty Power \$100
  - Puppy Power \$100

Walk is Held Rain or Shine

Prizes awarded to the  
Top 10 Money Raisers & other Listed Events!

### Fun Events for the Whole Family!

- Amazing Pet Trick Contest
  - Best Pet Costume
  - Owner/Dog Look Alike
  - Smallest/Largest Dog
  - Frisbee Contest
- 50/50 Raffle, Chinese Auction
  - Bake Sale

### Event Rules:

We welcome well mannered, friendly,  
non aggressive pets  
Leashes are required  
(no longer than 6' and no retractable  
leashes)

Limit 2 pets per walker  
Scooping is required (bags provided)  
Proof of Rabies vaccination required

Free T-Shirt  
(minimum \$100.00 donation required)

Reach out to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, employer, or anyone you meet -  
ask them to sponsor you or donate to help you raise money for the animals.

All donations are tax-deductible.

All checks are to be made payable to Animal Welfare League.

For more information call: 330-539-5300







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PO BOX 66

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REGISTRATION & DONATION FORM - PLEASE PRINT

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

My Pet is a \_\_\_\_\_

Dog, Cat, Bird, Pig, Horse, Turkey, Duck, Ferret, etc. (Breed)

Pet's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Adopted from Animal Welfare Shelter \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies vaccination performed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Rabies Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian Name/Clinic Name

**Your contribution is tax-deductible. Make Checks Payable to the Animal Welfare League.**

Donor's Name • Print	Amount	Donor's Name • Print	Amount
1. _____	_____	9. _____	_____
2. _____	_____	10. _____	_____
3. _____	_____	11. _____	_____
4. _____	_____	12. _____	_____
5. _____	_____	13. _____	_____
6. _____	_____	14. _____	_____
7. _____	_____	15. _____	_____
8. _____	_____	16. _____	_____

TOTAL CASH \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL CHECKS \_\_\_\_\_ GRAND TOTAL DONATIONS \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Prizes for top 10 money raisers**

- 1) To receive a free T-Shirt & qualify for prizes you must raise a minimum of \$100.00.
- 2) The donations must be collected and turned in on or before the day of the walk.
- 3) Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.
- 4) Please bring a water bowl for your pet and a baggy (will be provided) to pick up should 'mother nature' call.
- 5) Please do not bring any females in 'heat' or pets that must be muzzled.

**WAIVER:** I, the undersigned, on behalf of myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages which I may have against the Animal Welfare League of Trumbull County as well as any other person connected with the Walk For The Animals, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns and agree to indemnify and hold them harmless from all cost, expense, injuries or liability arising out of my or my pet's participating in the Walk For The Animals or as a result thereof.

I also agree to exercise all safety precautions and out of respect for the property of others, I will avoid littering.

I further certify my pet & I are in good health, my pet is vaccinated including rabies & we are physically able to participate in this event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Signature (If Under Age 18) \_\_\_\_\_

# 2014 Tributes to a loved one, a friend...

Tributes to a loved one or a friend say something special about them. The Animal Welfare League is always deeply honored to be named by someone as their charity of choice. And, when tribute gifts are given, the families also receive that feeling that that person mattered. A legacy of caring is one that we all take pride in and can feel good about. Tribute gifts are so important to providing the operations and services of the AWL. So, to those special people, we take a moment to remember them and to say thank you for caring. May the wonderful memories of those special people live on in our hearts and in the lives of the many pets that they have helped.

## In Memory of...

### **Richard Baker**

John & Alice Comyns

### **Edna Blackmon**

Shawn & Linda Zappia

### **Robert Blickensderfer**

Dennis & Malinda Garriss

### **Lawrence Brown**

Brown, Lani  
Burger, Keith & Melanie  
Cox, Andrew  
Cox, Clyde & Suzanne  
Elliot, Monica

### **Lucille Dixon Brown**

Holzshu, Doris T.

### **Jean Brugler**

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Antil, James & Susanne  
Bailey, Martha  
Bottorff, Alan & Merrily  
Brugler, Robert & Ruth  
Buente, Victor  
Crick, Gary  
Covelli, Caryn  
Cox, Cathy A.  
Delaquila, David & Laura  
Dolan Dixon, Theresa  
Johnson, Brett & entire work-group  
Juergens - Jastatt, Nancy J.  
Knorr, Daniel, Lori & Chris  
Kringeta, Noreen  
LaPorta, Clementine M  
Lewis, Aaron & Nora  
Lundy, Laurie  
McCormick, Neal & Marsha  
McCummins, Paul & Margie  
Mills, Jackie  
Noll, Peter & Amy  
O'Grady, Joseph A.  
Palette, Alma  
Robinson, Warren & Janet  
Schoch, Ron & Karen  
Sliver, Frances L  
Sparks. Dr Rufus & Kathleen  
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Townsend, Marilyn

Westphal, Robert & Mary J.

Wilson, Rachel C.

Wonders, John & Shelley

Young, Barbara

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Brugler, Dane  
Brugler, Donna  
Brugler, Robert & Ruth  
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Covelli, Caryn  
Cox, Cathy A.  
Crick, Gary  
Delaquila, David & Laura  
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Lundy, Laurie  
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McCummins, Paul & Margie  
Mills, Jackie  
Noll, Peter & Amy  
O'Connell, William & Joyce  
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Ruggieri, Joseph & Barbara  
Schoch, Ron & Karen  
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Wonders, John & Shelley  
Young, Barbara

### **Richard & Jean Brugler**

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### **Lawrence Butler**

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Hulan, John & Ruth  
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**We need your email address!** We understand that some members would prefer to receive a printed version of the AWL newsletter. We also know that because we are a non-profit organization, we need to spend every "donor" dollar effectively and cost efficiently. With increasing postage and costs of printing and addressing, we now are offering the newsletter online and through email. Please email us at [infoAWL@dtinc.net](mailto:infoAWL@dtinc.net) to begin receiving information from AWL electronically instead of a printed version. We say thank you in advance for saving \$\$ that can then be spent on the services we provide to the many animals that need your help.



# CHECK OUT THE BARK PARK!



## **BARKING IS ALLOWED. BECOME A MEMBER AND HAVE A BARKING GOOD TIME!**

Many of our local pet owners have asked us why the AWL Bark Park is a membership park. A membership Bark Park promotes responsible pet ownership. All dogs in the park must be certified by their veterinarian to have been vaccinated and wormed and free of infectious diseases. These health restrictions help to protect dogs from illnesses that can easily be avoided through responsible pet ownership. We have made every effort to provide a safe and worry free environment for you and your dog to enjoy.

The Annual Family Membership to the AWL Bark Park includes the use of all Bark Park play areas and walking paths. Each family membership includes a pet bandana for the registered dog and must be worn while the dog is in the Bark Park play areas, (two bandanas if there are two registered dog family members). Additional bandanas for other registered dog family members can be purchased at the AWL Adoption Center.

In addition to enjoying the quiet country setting of the Bark Park and experiencing the enjoyment of pet socialization, meeting other pet enthusiasts and discounts on training opportunities, members of the Bark Park also get to experience the joy of sponsoring a shelter pet in the AWL Adoption Center. Helping the AWL to provide for a pet waiting for their new, loving family to adopt them, is an important part of the AWL Bark Park Membership.

Currently there are three Bark Park enclosures. The Jeanne Tyler Pupp Pupp Play Area is for dogs of all sizes with walking paths and obstacles to intrigue and stimulate a dog's curiosity. The Lil Pup Play Area is for small dogs and restricted to 25 pounds and under. Frisbee Park is a large fenced area for dogs of all sizes with lots of running room for playing frisbee or retrieving balls and other toys. All areas are open from dawn to dusk.

For people comfort while dogs play, we recommend bringing a lawn chair and a cold non-alcoholic beverage. Don't forget to bring along a supply of water for your canine friend as well! Depending upon the time of day there are some shady areas. Food is not permitted inside the play areas to reduce aggressive and competitive behaviors between dogs in the same play area.

Plans to open the Pond Pup Play Area are also underway. In mid-summer we hope to get the pond dredged and a regulation dock built to host competitive dock jumping and retriever trials. Then we will finish enclosing the pond area to complete the fourth enclosure, the Pond Pup Play Area. The Bark Park Committee also hopes to extend the walking paths around the outer perimeters of the enclosures. A Boy Scout project is currently constructing benches for each enclosure. To volunteer services or materials to help the Bark Park Committee call AWL 330.539.5300.

For complete membership information, rules & regulations, registration and veterinary forms, please visit the AWL website [www.AWLrescueme.com](http://www.AWLrescueme.com) or call the AWL for more information.

*We thank you for your support! To our canine friends*

## **...ENJOY THE PARK!**

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