

A Dentist Decides on a Duo: Meet Sybil Kitty & Snowflake

Dr. Angela Klingensmith is a dentist in Upper Arlington who has been bitten by the kitty bug.

She and her two daughters, Hope and Sydney, already had two cats at home, Jinx and Asia. On an afternoon in October, a patient (who also happened to be a Humane Society staffer) heard Dr. Klingensmith mention how she was thinking about getting another cat for her daughters to care for as “their” cat.

The Humane Society staffer was currently fostering a litter of seven adorable babies in her office, and invited Dr. Klingensmith to come out and meet them.

All it took was one look at the sweet baby faces, and the dentist and her daughters decided to adopt not one, but TWO kittens, who they named Sybil Kitty and Snowflake.

“They are a lot less maintenance because we got them together. They are inseparable,” said Dr. Klingensmith.

The two kittens run, play, groom and entertain each other all day. Their antics keep everyone else entertained, as well.



Hope and Sydney with Sybil Kitty and Snowflake

“I’ve laughed so hard at these kittens,” Dr. Klingensmith said.

Hope and Sydney have had a great time with the kittens, too. Each girl has claimed a kitten and considers herself the kitty’s “mom.”

The girls spend every waking minute with the babies and can’t wait to get home from school to play with them.

“Sydney reads out loud to them, and she will show them the pictures in the book,” Dr. Klingensmith said.

The kittens are in a very happy home, with lots to do, plenty to eat and company whenever they want it.

“I can’t imagine not having them.” 🐾



keeping kitty close

Did you know that five out of every six homeless or unwanted animals admitted to the Capital Area Humane Society are cats? Central Ohio’s cat population is staggeringly out of control, and we want to do something about it.

Since our feline friends can’t speak, it is important to make sure that kitty is carrying proper identification. The easiest and most visible way to do this is to make sure your pet wears a tag that includes your name and phone number. Any cat has the potential to get lost – even cats that stay indoors may slip out, or become separated during a field trip to the vet. We want all lost cats to make a quick, healthy return home to their worried owners.

The number of cats brought into the shelter on a daily basis continues to soar. Tagging or microchipping makes a huge difference in allowing us to determine the necessary first steps to take with an animal, which in turn allows us to make best use of shelter resources. When a temporarily lost cat cannot be recognized, it must receive shelter care and medical evaluation that could be put to use with an animal more urgently in need. One phone call may be all that kitty needed.

The Humane Society sells identification tags, including an officially licensed Ohio State Buckeyes pet tag! See page two for details.



Critical Need!

We have an immediate need for new or gently used collars and leashes. Donations can be brought to the shelter during open hours: 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm Monday through Friday or 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm Saturday and Sunday. Thank you for your generosity!

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Dear Friends,

I first met Spot in 1993. I was the director of the Bangor Humane Society and the shelter supervisor came to my office holding a newborn pup, 6 days old, his eyes still closed, with a big white spot on his forehead. I knew almost immediately and irrationally as I already had two dogs, that this puppy would never leave my home. It is a moment that is truly magical, and though I have deeply loved every furry companion that has shared my home, Spot held a place in my heart that was his alone.



**Spot
as a puppy**

On January 20, I held Spot close to me as he left this Earth. It's an unbearable moment. But somehow I lived through it, and beyond it, and continue to tackle each day as a day I will continue to live without him here with me.

I share this with you because I am one of the fortunate few surrounded by people who share and understand the passion I have for companion animals. My colleagues, my friends, my family all understand the incredible loss I feel, but many of you may not be so lucky when you experience this loss. I want you to know that there resources and people available to help and support you in your grief. Locally, a pet loss support group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at the Cord Camera location on 4784 North High Street in Clintonville. For more information call Dorothy Hall at (614) 895-3416 or (614) 882-9338. A pet loss hotline is available through the "Honoring the Bond" program at the OSU Vet School – staffed by student volunteers evenings and weekends, for hours and the phone number visit www.vet.ohio-state.edu/789.htm. The internet is another good resource for information including the Association for Pet Loss and Bereavement (www.aplb.org) and www.petloss.com. Many books have been published on the subject, including two that I personally recommend, **Dog Heaven** and **Cat Heaven**, by Cynthia Rylant. They are sweet simple stories that acknowledge the incredible loss while reminding us to remember the simple joy of sharing life with a dog or cat. In **Dog Heaven** she begins, "When dogs go to Heaven, they don't need wings because God knows that dogs love running best. He gives them fields. Fields and fields and fields." It makes me smile (and cry) to imagine Spot running, playing and taking life seriously as all good Chow Chows do.

For those of you who have and will lose a precious friend, you have my heartfelt sympathy. If there is anything we can do for you here at the Humane Society, please let me know.

My best wishes,

Jodi Lytle Buckman



Capital Area Humane Society Executive Director, Jodi Lytle Buckman, with her dog, Spot.

Photo Courtesy of Rick Buchanan Photography

BY THE NUMBERS

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Total
Adopted:						
Dogs/Puppies	69	94	81	132	94	470
Cats/Kittens	94	107	99	147	119	564
Rabbits	2	12	14	14	11	53
Pocket Pets	12	10	15	12	4	53
Number of Volunteers:	327	348	361	382	401	
Number of Volunteer Hours:	2,950	3,238	3,865	7,472	3,432	20,957

Tag you're it!

Show your Buckeye pride! Now your pet can join in the tradition of rooting on the best team in the land with these personalized Ohio State pet tags.

For only \$10 per tag, you won't want to miss out on this opportunity to show off your pet's team spirit! These tags come in two fun styles: dog bone and military tag. No matter what time of year it is, make sure everyone knows who your pet is rooting for!



Call (614) 777-7387, ext. 221 for an order form.

WORTHINGTON
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**Worthington Chiropractic Center to Host
Pet Appreciation Week April 23 - April 28**

The Worthington Chiropractic Center is hosting their fifth "Patient & Pet Appreciation Week". The week's events are designed to promote a healthy community and benefit the Capital Area Humane Society. Last year the event raised over \$2,100 and two happy pets found homes.

During the week of April 23 - 28 all new chiropractic patients will be offered a free spinal health screening. Dr. Keiser and Dr. Shannan will offer a free screening that includes consultation, examination, surface EMG, X-rays if needed and a personal report of findings. These services normally are valued at up to \$300. New patients are encouraged to donate to the Capital Area Humane Society in lieu of payment. Worthington Chiropractic Center will match donations up to \$1,000. Call now to schedule your screening and benefit Humane Society pets at (614) 848-5211.

Saturday morning, April 28, Worthington Chiropractic Center has invited area professionals to talk about issues that effect your pet's health and wellness. The Capital Area Humane Society will bring pets for adoption and information on how you can help. Come on down and join the fun.

Free Pet Health Classes, be sure to attend one or all!

**Worthington
Chiropractic
Center**



Patient & Pet
Appreciation Week
Benefiting the Capital Area Humane Society

Pet Chiropractic & Acupuncture

Pet Diet and Nutrition

Pet Massage

Pet Training Tips

Pet Socialization

There will be a host of door prizes for pets and their owners.

For information and class times, call the Worthington Chiropractic Center at (614) 848-5211. The center is located at 6180 Linworth Rd. in Worthington, just north of the intersection of Linworth Road & Dublin-Granville Road.

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visit www.caahs-pets.org

Meet Our Volunteers
Lori & Jane

Lori Gillfillan and Jane Harding understand a dog's language – when you consider that a dog's language is his behavior.

Lori and Jane are the volunteer leaders for the Capital Area Humane Society's Dog and Puppy Training Classes. They have both been volunteering at the Humane Society since the early 90's.

Both Lori and Jane have their hand in many areas of the shelter – the ladies both work on the shelter's major fundraiser; Jane has also worked in Matchmaking, Dog Walking and fosters animals throughout the year. Jane and Lori found their calling when they signed their dogs up for dog training classes.



Lori & Jane enjoying a day of volunteering.

"Tyler (Lori's Springer Spaniel at the time) is the whole reason why I am at the Humane Society," Lori said. "I saw how important training was with him."

Lori and Jane started out as dog training students, but quickly evolved into helping out during class, eventually became teachers. Now, they coordinate the entire program!

"You meet a lot of very nice people and nice dogs," Jane said. "It is great when you know you've given people a tool to use to correct behavior, which will keep dogs in their homes."

Pet Training Tips

While it is safe to say that Lori and Jane are experts in the field of dog and puppy training, they are learners, too.

"We consider ourselves always learning," Lori said. "We learn from our own dogs."

Both encourage everybody to take their dogs to training class. Humane Society members receive a discounted class fee, as do those who have dogs adopted from the Humane Society. (Visit www.caahs-pets.org and click Programs for more information regarding the Humane Society's Dog and Puppy Training program.)

"It is a great opportunity for everybody," Jane said.

When they are not at the Humane Society, Lori and Jane can be found spending time with their own animals – Lori's dog, Hunter, and Jane's dogs Rogan and Patches, and cats Cindy, Mickey, Poge and Henley.

Dog and puppy training classes are run completely by volunteers to raise money to support the Humane Society. 🐾

Ask Our Vet



Do you have an animal question that boggles your mind? Ask an expert.

Barbara Whitlock, DVM, is the Chief Veterinarian at the Capital Area Humane Society

Why are there so few kittens on the adoption floor in the spring?

The cat's reproductive cycle is seasonal with the most active breeding time in the spring and summer. Usually female cats start coming in heat again in January after a brief autumn rest. The gestation period is 63-65 days. Kittens are usually 6-8 weeks old before they are big enough to thrive on the adoption floor. So kitten adoption season begins in earnest around Memorial Day.

How many times a day does a mother rabbit feed her babies?

Baby rabbits, or kits, are usually born in the morning. They are born hairless and blind. The mother rabbit, or doe, feeds the babies only once or twice a day and then leaves the nest. At each feeding the kit can consume 20 percent of its body weight in milk. At three weeks the babies have hair, their eyes are opened, and they begin nibbling solid food.

Believe it or not, our new Development Manager, Mary Hiser, was interested in the various disease control procedures we have at the shelter. So here are a few of the more important ones.

Did you know that cats can be contagious for URI without having any obvious symptoms? Even a slight nasal discharge can mean trouble. The most common URI virus we have at the shelter is rhinotracheitis, a herpes virus. Like other herpes viruses it can cause a long-term infection sometimes even for life. Symptoms can flare up when the immune system is suppressed by stress.

Did you know that maternal immunity passed to puppies and kittens in the first milk or colostrum can block the action of vaccinations sometimes until 16 weeks of age? This is why a series of puppy and kitten vaccinations are given until they reach four months of age. It is also why puppies are not allowed to walk outside or go to off-site adoption events until they have completed their puppy shots. Puppies returning for surgery after adoption do not come back to the shelter until they have completed their puppy vaccinations.

Did you know that the viruses that cause parvovirus and panleukopenia are resistant to most disinfectants? This is why we use bleach or Virkon to clean cages and why dogs are vaccinated before they are walked outside. It is not unusual for a puppy to be brought into Admissions with parvo. Every surface inside is bleached but we can't bleach the ground outside where the puppy may have vomited or had diarrhea.

Send questions to: newsletter@cahs-pets.org

Wish List

- New or used (laundered) towels
- Flat fleece beds – no cedar or removable parts
- Toilet seat covers (cats like to curl up in them)
- Canned kitten, cat, puppy and dog food – IAMS is preferred
- Heavy-duty nylon or leather leashes and collars
- Hot dogs & cheese for training classes
- Bleach
- Cat litter – non-clumping
- Kongs (no squeak or soft toys)
- Dog seat belts (photo)
- Gentle Leaders
- Paper towels
- Dish and hand soap
- Window cleaner
- New electric heating pads
- Shoe boxes
- Office supplies (new)
- Extra large airline animal crates (Varikennels)
- Exercise pens for litters of puppies and kittens
- Extra large collapsible wire crates
- Stainless steel pet bowls (no plastic)
- Green back sponges (Scotch Brite)
- Dish and hand soap
- Heating lamps with porcelain sockets
- Heavy-duty garden hoses
- Cat toys, ping pong balls & used golf balls
- Laptops (Windows 2000 or better)
- Soft treats for training classes
- Busy Bone chew treats (Purina)
- Cheweez Rolls Dog Treats (Purina)
- Hard plastic baby toys
- Bunny toys from www.busybunny.com
- Live traps (for the feral cat program)
 - 1 quart spray bottles
 - KMR by Pet Ag
 - Mace
 - Animal stretchers
 - Animal first aid kits
 - Band-Aids
 - Vaporizers
 - No slip collars
 - Digital SRL camera
 - Window cleaner
- Paper towels
- Bales of straw (with no mold)
- Heavy-duty trash or lawn bags (at least 33 gallon)
- Unopened first aid kits and supplies
- HP printer cartridges #45, #78
- Digital thermometers – rapid read



HUMANE AGENT'S CASE LOG

This is just one example of the thousands of calls that the Capital Area Humane Society's charitably funded Animal Law Enforcement Department responds to each year.

In late November, Humane Agents from the Capital Area Humane Society assisted the Franklin County Sheriff's Department in breaking up a dog fighting ring. The situation was very volatile and extremely dangerous. There were small children living in the residence, drugs on the premises and fighting dogs being housed in a child's bedroom. Four dogs and a litter of six puppies were seized as a result of the investigation. The adult



dogs were underweight and suffered from injuries ranging from fractured teeth, bruised chest areas, puncture wounds, multiple scars and fleas. The puppies displayed fractured teeth, eye complications, and body sores.

Two men have been charged with dog fighting and drug possession (both

felonies), as well as three counts of cruelty to a companion animal and are awaiting trial. If you witness animal abuse, please contact the Capital Area Humane Society's Animal Law Enforcement Division at (614) 777-7387 ext. 250.

Thank you to our anonymous volunteer donors who covered the cost of AAA memberships for our Animal Law Enforcement staff.

Be an AdvoCAT and help address cat overpopulation in central Ohio!

There is a cat crisis in Columbus. Cat overpopulation has remained consistently high over the last decade, and today some local animal organizations estimate there are more than 1 million stray and feral (or free-roaming) cats in central Ohio.

The Capital Area Humane Society is launching a "Be an AdvoCAT" campaign to educate the community about the cat crisis and ways to help. Each month, the campaign will feature a new message related to cats. The first focus is programming for lost and found pets.

We are partnering with Pet FBI (Pets Found by the Internet), a non-profit organization (www.petfbi.com) that provides information on missing and found pets in Ohio. A computer workstation has been installed at the shelter so that community members can search databases for lost cats or dogs, or post information about a found pet. Templates for posters and door hangers will also be available, as well as the opportunity to print copies of a lost or found poster.

The facts:

- Local laws provide no protection or services for stray cats.
- Franklin County funds a dog shelter which is unable to accept cats.
- Of the 13,000 animals taken in during 2006 at the Humane Society, more than 10,000 were cats.
- Of these 10,000 cats, nearly 8,000 were reported to be strays.
- Other privately funded organizations have limited resources and turn away admissions when they are at capacity.
- The Humane Society responds daily to cats in crisis as the default animal control service for cats in the community.
- The placement rate for cats at the Humane Society is 15 percent (compared to 81 percent for dogs) due to the overwhelming numbers and challenges managing spread of disease in large populations of cats at the shelter.
- Lack of identification for cats hinders reuniting lost cats with their owners.
- There is no law-enforced method for handling stray cats or centralized location where they may be taken.

We are asking the community to help make a difference in the lives of cats by pledging your support as an AdvoCAT. Learn more and register online at www.caHS-pets.org.



Community Shares of Mid Ohio

Workplace Giving Makes Supporting Needy Animals Easy!

Initiate a Community Shares of Mid Ohio charitable giving program at your workplace. The Capital Area Humane Society is a proud member of this umbrella group, a workplace-giving program that allows employees to donate to designated charities through payroll deductions. This is an easy way to make your gift to the animals each year. With just a few dollars per paycheck, you can make a significant contribution to our programs and services that will assist our animals all year long.

To find out whether your company currently participates, check with your Human Resources or Payroll Department. If you would like information on how to get your company involved, please call (614) 777-7387, ext. 221. Detailed information can be obtained by contacting Community Shares of Mid Ohio at (614) 262-1176 or by visiting their web site: www.communityshares.net.

SAVE THE DATE!



Bring your appetite and let your local celebrities and restaurant chefs do the cooking! The Humane Society is hosting the 5th Annual Celebrity Chef event. This tasty occasion features local celebrities and restaurant chefs offering samples of their favorite recipes, an outstanding raffle, an auction and a wide variety of food and cocktails that will please any palette. All proceeds from this event benefit animals at the Humane Society!

Thursday, March 22, 2007
6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
THE HUNTINGTON CLUB
 located in the
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Tickets are \$35 general public,
 \$30 for CAHS members and
 \$50 for patron tickets

Call (614) 777-7387, ext. 233 for more information or visit www.caHS-pets.org.



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A Peek At Our Programs Dog Walking

Did you know that dogs at the Humane Society typically get several walks per day? Walking the dogs in our care is very important because it gives the housebroken animals time outdoors to maintain their good habits, which in turn increases their chances of being adopted. Our furry friends also enjoy exercise in the fresh air, individual attention from special volunteers, behavior reinforcement and a break from the stress of shelter life.

This huge undertaking would not be possible without our dog walking volunteers. Susan Lant and Julie Hagerty are the volunteer co-leaders for this program and are always eager to introduce new volunteers to this very rewarding activity.

The dedicated dog walking team walks in rain, sleet and snow, 365 days a year. Dogs are walked between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm weekdays and until 5:00 pm on weekends. Automated scheduling is maintained on a special website, which ensures that volunteers are spread out to cover every shift. Dog walkers are asked to commit to walking at least every other week.

If you would like to become a Humane Society dog walker, you will need to attend a new volunteer orientation, which is typically held the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am (no registration necessary). As part of this orientation, you will have the opportunity to sign up for a dog walking training class. Get out your walking shoes, grab a leash and join our dogs for a nice stroll (it's great exercise for you, too).



Veteran dog walkers Robert and Lisa with Neo.

Calling All Girl Scouts!

The Capital Area Humane Society and the Girl Scouts - Seal of Ohio Council have come together to educate young girls about animals and compassion. The Humane Society hosts several Girl Scout events during the year, during which the participants work towards earning their Animal Care Patch. In addition, the girls walk away with information or knowledge that will help them work toward their animal Try-It (brownies) or Pet Care Badge (juniors).

The events are divided into sessions on a variety of topics, where the girls learn about animal care, future careers with animals, and treat making. The girls also tour the facility and meet the residents.



Girl Scout events are already scheduled and filling fast for the upcoming months. Contact Becky Sides at bsides@sealofohio.org to find out information and how to register.

2007 Calendar of Events

CELEBRITY *Chet* EVENT



PAWS

Halloween Pet Parade

HO! HO! HAPPENINGS
Pet Photos with Santa

Thursday, March 22 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.
The Huntington Club at the Ohio Stadium

FIRST ANNUAL
Thursday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m.
Homestead Park, Hilliard

Friday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Hyatt Regency, Downtown Columbus

Sunday, October 28 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Easton Town Center

First two weekends in December
At your area Pet People stores

LOPPY MINI LOP ADULT FEMALE



With her distinctive markings and her great personality, Lopyy would make a wonderful addition to your family! One of her volunteer friends writes, "She's definitely skittish in the cage but once she is out and exercising, she is hilarious. Bouts of energy, then a bit of a rest and she is off again. She enjoys pets. Some time is needed for her to exercise and explore and then she is less jumpy when you gently pet her ears and jowls. She loves to sit up high on her box and survey her surroundings." For more information about her, or about having a pet rabbit generally, email rabbits@cahs-pets.org.



2 PAWS UP

The Capital Area Humane Society would like to thank the following groups and individuals for making a difference in the lives of the homeless, abused, abandoned and neglected animals in our care. We could not do our work without your support!

Fisher College of Business Staff Advisory Committee

Created holiday "Giving Tree" to benefit the Humane Society

Scioto Country Club fitness center staff

Donated gratuities to benefit the Humane Society

3,000 volunteer hour milestone
*Lisa Duckworth
Susan Lant*

2,000 volunteer hour milestone
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1,000 volunteer hour milestone
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Hearts for Paws

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CREATIVE KIDS IN THE COMMUNITY

Zack and Sam Stanley have started an annual birthday tradition. While most children dream of presents and goodie bags, the boys (who have birthdays close together) asked all 22 of their party guests to bring donations for the animals at the Humane Society, instead of gifts. The boys collected many items from the shelter wish list. *Purrs and kisses to you, Zack & Sam. Thank you and happy birthday!*

Third graders at **Barrington Elementary School** worked on an annual project called "Kids for Critters." During this project, students learn about pets, the importance of spaying and neutering, pet overpopulation as well as economics and how to run a business. The children made and sold pet products for the holidays, and donated the profits to the Capital Area Humane Society. *Thank you third graders! You have made a difference!*



In honor of Make a Difference Day, students at **Watkins Middle School** collected funds to benefit the Humane Society's Second Chance program. The Second Chance program offsets costs for animals needing medical treatment above what the Humane Society is able to provide. To earn money, the students held a coin drive. *Thank you Watkins Middle Schoolers! The animals appreciate it!*

Jodan Hampel and her friend **Katharyn Mueller** decided to make a difference as they entered into their teen years. With their 13th birthdays right near each other, the girls pulled the Humane Society wish list off of the website and asked guests to bring donations instead of presents. The girls collected everything from towels to food to toys for the animals at the shelter. *Thank you for your generosity Jordan & Katharyn, and happy, happy birthday!*

Fourth graders at **Scioto Darby Elementary School** completed their Entrepreneurship Unit by making and selling jars of cookie mix. Mrs. Ehlee's class and Mrs. Richter's class voted to give part of their proceeds to the Humane Society. Thanks for picking us and making a difference!



Twice as nice! Twins **Madison and Logan Smiley** thought that they had received so many nice things for Christmas this year that they would like to do something for the animals for their birthday, which falls early in the year. In lieu of presents, they assembled this enormous pile of food, leashes, toys (plus money) to benefit our animals. Their parents credit longtime Humane Society volunteer Marilyn Rittenhouse as their inspiration for the idea!

The Humane Society would like to thank the following for their showing their support through various projects and fundraisers:

Bluffsview Elementary School
Brownie Troop 930
Brownie Troop 139
Jamie Catherwood
Dublin Latchkey, Inc.
Girl Scout Troop 109
Girl Scout Troup 548

Girl Scout Troop 1117
Girl Scout Troop 2018
Gladden Community House
Junior Troop 173
Junior Girl Scout Troop 2091
Scioto Darby Elementary School 3rd Grade Classes
4th & 5th Graders at Shepherd Christian School

DID YOU KNOW?
FACTOIDS

Catnip can affect lions and tigers, as well as housecats.

The mouse is the most common mammal in the United States.

Americans spend more than \$5.4 million on their pets each year.

33% of dog owners say they talk to their dogs on the phone.

More than 9 million pets have birthday celebrations.

Cats have better memories than dogs.