Volunteer Awards Event- HUGE SUCCESS

Who would have thought the first annual volunteer awards event would be a sell-out crowd? Reservations exceeded the room's seating capacity of 130. The evening was filled with heroic stories of animal rescue, adoptions and resounding proof of the vital role animals play in the lives of humans.

A silent auction along with good food, and inspirational awards completed the evening. A special standing ovation of the evening went to Stuart Dunnings and Deb Rousseau Bouck of the Ingham County Prosecutor's Office for their outstanding efforts prosecuting animal abusers.

Mistress of ceremonies, Wanda Kester kept the crowd in stitches with humorous anecdotes from her foster and volunteer experiences. Keynote speaker Dr. Valerie Chadwick DVM brought home the plight and ongoing efforts to assist the Katrina animal victims she worked with last fall in New Orleans.

The recipients for the 2005 Humanitarian Awards

Volunteer of the Year--Sally & Ryan Beebe
Teen Volunteer of the Year--Ashley Moul
Humanitarian in Animal Welfare--Ingham County Prosecuting Attorney Stuart Dunnings III & Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Deb Rousseau Bouck
Foster Home of the Year--The Whitener Family
Community Service Fundraiser of the Year--Caleb Risdon & Nate Rivard of Williamston Elementary
Animal Rescue of the Year--Gene Wriggelsworth and Scott Wriggelsworth
Humanitarian Media Awards
Television--Julian Grace of WLNS 6 News Radio--Gretchen Millich of WKAR Radio
Newspaper--T.M. Shultz of Lansing State Journal
Media Volunteer--Robert & Afton Pyle
Volunteer Organization--Ingham County Sheriff's Department Inmate Worker Program
Animal Welfare Organization--Animal Placement Bureau
Honorary Award--Dr. Mari Nicol, Shelter Veterinarian

These individuals are an inspiration to this community

PET TIP
Shopping trips and errands

Please leave your pets home. Vehicles can heat up quickly on sunny days. Temperatures can reach well over 100 degrees in just a matter of minutes. This can be deadly to pets. Rolling down a window or parking in the shade doesn't guarantee protection either, since temperatures can still climb into the danger zone. And if the window is rolled down sufficiently, the pet can escape. Plus if a passer-by claims he or she was bitten through the car window, the pet owner will be liable.
**How can you help?**

**A few ideas on how you can help the animals**

**Donation Canister sites needed.**
ICAC has donation canisters located at area businesses. These canisters are very effective. If you would like a canister at your business please call 676-8373.

Thank you to the following businesses that feature canisters for the animals:
- **Pet Supplies Plus on Penn Ave.**
- **Leslie Welcome Pharmacy**
- **Rich's Party Store**
- **Ace Hardware**
- **Dandy Randy**
- **Farm Fleet in Mason**
- **Soldan's in Okemos**
- **Admiral Gas**
- **Minute Mist**
- **Capital Group**
- **Everybody Reads, 2019 E. Michigan**

**Bring us your Used Ink Cartridges**
We recycle ink jet cartridges. ICAC receives $2 for every ink jet cartridge we send in. Drop off your cartridges at the shelter. Please no EPSONS as they won't accept them.

**Volunteer on the Fundraising Committee**
This committee meets once monthly. Contact Jamie at 676-8376

**Be a Newsletter Distributor**
Each quarter the newsletter comes out we need volunteers to deliver the newsletter to business locations throughout the community

**Volunteer at the Shelter**
We need volunteers to help at the shelter weekdays more then any other day.

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**Did You Know…?**

ICAC provides shelter and care for over 5500 homeless animals each year?
ICAC provided emergency veterinary care to 387 injured or ill animals that required services from x-rays, to surgery?
ICAC provided urgent veterinary treatment to 260 animals who were victims of animal abuse?
ICAC spayed and neutered over 1500 shelter animals before they were adopted?
All cats are tested for leukemia and lenti virus?
On any given day the shelter has over 200 animals in the building to care for?
The shelter's **Animal Care Fund** is responsible for many of the medical advances at the shelter such as bordatella vaccines for dogs, heartworm testing of dogs over 3 years and the leuk/lenti tests for cats and many of the improvements from equipment to exercise yards.
Adoptable dogs are exercised outdoors no less then two times daily in the new exercise areas (weather permitting).

**Every Little Bit Helps!**

Have you noticed the improvements at the shelter? Vital medical services, new equipment, remodeling, (a new laundry room, animal bathing room, additional outdoor exercise area)?
All made possible because of the **Animal Care Fund**.
The fund provides for the very critical medical needs as well as new medical and shelter equipment to better care for the animals. Many exciting changes are happening at the shelter. We invite you to come visit the animals and staff and see what's happening at the shelter.

*Please support the Animal Care Fund we couldn't do what we're doing without your help.*

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**Yes!** I want to support the work of the **Animal Care Fund at the shelter**. Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift:

- ___$25
- ___$50
- ___$100
- ___$500
- ___$1000

**Name:** __________________________________________________________

**Street Address:** __________________________________________________

**City/State/Zip** __________________________________________________

**Phone#** ___________ **E-Mail:**____________________________

**Special Giving Options:**

- I would like to make a **Memorial Contribution in MEMORY or in HONOR** (circle one) of:
- Name of person to honor

Please notify (name & address of person you want notified) of my contribution:

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Animal Cruelty Violations/Update
Ingham County Animal Control (ICAC) Officers are specially deputized by the Sheriff to enforce the animal laws of the State. ICAC has six officers to cover approximately 500 square miles and serve over 279,000 citizens of the county including 17 townships. Last year ICAC officers responded to 7727 citizen complaints and issued 1788 citations for various infractions. The number of animal cruelty cases prosecuted in 2005 tripled from the previous year and restitution increased by 1000 percent. By all indicators it appears 2006 shows those numbers CONTINUE TO RISE.

CASE/UPDATES
Lansing Township—Kian M. Miller, 29, pled guilty to a charge of owning a dog for the purpose of dog fighting. ICAC filed animal cruelty charges for dog fighting against Miller after officers discovered four dead and three live pitbulls at the residence in addition to evidence of dog fighting. Sentencing is on Sept. 28th in 55th District Court. Miller could face up to one year in prison and will pay restitution to ICAC along with court costs, fines and probation. Judge Boyd ordered Miller forbidden to own or harbor any dogs for a two-year probationary period.

Lansing—Owner sentenced for animal cruelty. ICAC filed a complaint of animal cruelty against a pet owner after it was discovered the dog that was turned over to animal control by its owner had over 400 bite wounds over his body. The dog, a young male pit bull had both fresh and old wounds. The location of the wounds indicated he had been in numerous fights. The owner of the dog was ordered to pay court costs, fines and restitution. She received a misdemeanor in Judge Louise Alderson’s 54A District Court.

To report animal cruelty call 517-676-8370. To make an anonymous complaint to ICAC of cruelty call the tip hotline at 517-676-8376, be sure to leave as much detail as possible such as breed type, color of animal, exact location, date and time of offense, as well as a description of abuser if known.

Have you prepared for your animals if a DISASTER strikes?

Disasters come in many forms and they don't have to be a hurricane to result in massive losses. They can be as diverse as a derailed train, blizzard, explosion, or flood. The best way to prepare is to be pro-active. Plan BEFORE it happens. What's your plan if you have to leave your home with only a few moments notice? How will your pet be cared for? Who will care for it?

According to the American Humane association, 65% of households have one or more pets. It would be unrealistic to expect any local animal organization to have the capacity to house or care for those large numbers.

Measures you can take to ensure you're prepared:

- Micro-chip your pet. Local veterinarians provide the service or call the ICAC shelter for the upcoming micro-chip special on October 15th at the Bark-n-Build event at the fairgrounds--$12 micro-chipping to the public.

- Photograph yourself with your animal. Keep those photos in several locations in case your home is destroyed. It helps when you try to claim your pet to have you and the pet in the photo.

- Have your pets vaccinations up to date. Keep copies of their medical records in different locations.

- Know where your pet can go, a family member, boarding facility, hotel, shelter, etc. have their phone numbers readily available.

- Prepare a first aid kit with veterinary contact and authorization for them to treat your pet.

- Be sure you have an alternative number on their tags and documents (preferably two contacts-your number and one out of state).

- Maintain cages or kennels, leashes and collars necessary to transport animals

- Maintain an emergency supply of food and water for your pet in a dry place to last at least 72 hours.

For more tips go to www.do1thing.us

Animal Shelter Christmas Cards will be available starting November 1st. Place your order today.

Even when the temp reaches 105 in the shade our mobile adoption volunteers are UNWAVERING.
In Memory

We lost a good friend this spring. His name was Buddha. He was our shelter cat. For those of you who met him you know what a truly wonderful mascot he was. He was always up for a belly rub he never met a snack he didn't eat and he was as friendly as he was rotund!

Buddha was abandoned at our front door last year he was an older cat who we referred to as “nutritionally challenged” he was grossly over weight and constantly got into the staff’s lunches and snacks.

He succumbed to congestive heart failure in June. His loss was felt by all.

In his memory the Pet Protector is creating a Memorial Section of the newsletter.

For a donation of $25 or more you can recognize a loved one by honoring them or memorializing them in the next newsletter.

Beloved pets are always missed but certainly never forgotten.

If you would like to make a memorial donation please return the following information.

Yes, I would like to make a donation in memory or in honor of: ____________________________________________________________

Please notify the family of my donation at: ____________________________________________________________