

## Summer/Fall 2019

**From the President:** I love happy endings so I'm very pleased to tell you that all four horses rescued from a Bath Township property last fall have been adopted into wonderful homes. On that note, I want to pass on a very special "thank you" to our Humane Agents, Sarma Orłowski and Ellen Henderson, who recently retired from their volunteer service with the Humane Society. Over the last 13 years, they responded to hundreds of calls related to potential abuse or neglect of livestock and conducted site visits, often in inclement weather and in the middle of the night. We truly appreciate their dedicated service. Fortunately, we have two new Humane Agents who are well versed in the proper care of livestock and have picked up the reins to carry on. We are grateful to have them, along with all of our volunteers. **Please**, if you have animals and you're having difficulty caring for them, don't wait until the situation gets out of hand. Call us --- if we can't help you, we'll find someone who can.

....Cindie McCulloch



*Domingo, left, one of four horses rescued last year, in his new home with Demetrius.*

**Emergency pet kit:** The recent tornadoes serve as a reminder to all pet owners to safeguard their animals in the event of a disaster. Have a good photo of them readily available and label your pet carriers with current contact information. Ideally, all pets would be micro-chipped. The chip is typically the size of a grain of rice and is inserted under the loose skin of the neck in a minimally invasive procedure. Just recently, a dog that went missing in Columbus nearly four years ago reunited with its owners at the Clark County Dog Shelter, all because he was micro-shipped. At a minimum, have a collar with your contact information on your cat or dog.



*This lucky kitty wandered into the right home in Fairborn. Lost and in need of medical attention, the person who found her brought her to the Humane Society cat clinic where she was spayed and ear tipped. Since our monthly clinics are for stray and outside cats, ear-tipping prevents them from being brought back in by mistake. All Greene County residents caring for outside cats can get them spayed or neutered at the clinic and the cost is \$15 for males and \$20 for females. And this little kitty? Now she not only has a name, Asia, but a safe place to live with someone to care for her.*

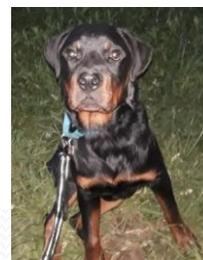
**Taking care of your animals** and keeping them healthy involves more than food and water. One area that's easy to overlook is the importance of de-worming them. While not a pleasant topic, it's vitally important to the health of your pet since infestations can cause diarrhea, weight loss, poor growth, dry hair and vomiting. Often thought of as a procedure you only do when they are puppies or kittens, adult cats and dogs that spend any time outside can become afflicted with this condition. There are many over-the-counter remedies available and lots of information on-line, but consulting your veterinarian first is the ideal way to go.

**Special Thanks to Pet Plates Ohio** for giving our organization a grant of \$1,500 to be used toward helping low income dog and cat owners spay/neuter their pets. Ohio Pet License Plates raise money for education and S/N services and we encourage you to visit their website, [PetsOhio.com](http://PetsOhio.com), for more information on how to purchase your next license plate to support this very worthy cause.



**Speaking of Spay/Neuter,** as of press time over 900 dogs and cats have been S/N through our programs this year. Started in 2006, our monthly cat clinics hit a grand total of 7,717 with our July clinic. This special clinic was dedicated to the memory of **Susan Check-Honeyman**, a good friend to the Humane Society who not only brought in many stray cats to our clinics over the years but also helped us out when we were short handed. She was a true friend to animals and will be greatly missed.

*What's a dog to do.....when Roman didn't like the food his pet parent ordered for him on-line, the distribution company said to donate it rather than send it back. Our pet food pantry was the lucky recipient of 60 pounds of quality food, and with nearly 200 low income households registered for our pet food pantry, we can always use dog and cat food, as well as litter. If anyone is looking for an easy fundraiser, a pet food drive is one option and we will gladly come pick it up.*



**TGIF Friday's** in Beavercreek will be having a fundraiser for the Humane Society on September 12. As we get closer to the event date, please check our [www.HumaneSocietyGreeneCounty.com](http://www.HumaneSocietyGreeneCounty.com) website for additional details. They did this for us last year and had great results!

**Wildlife note:** Our community is fortunate to have The Glen Helen Raptor Center in Yellow Springs. Their goal is to rehabilitate injured birds for release back to the wild. If they are not able to be released, they become residents of the Raptor Center and are on display to visit. For other types of wildlife rehabilitation in the local area we have Wild Again Rescue ([wildagainrescue.com](http://wildagainrescue.com)) in Spring Valley. They have a link on their website under the tab Wildlife Emergency that is very informative.

**Water, water and more water.** Fresh water is extremely important to animals year round, not just when it's hot outside. The average amount of water for a dog or cat to drink each day is roughly 1 cup per 10 pounds of body weight, although puppies and kittens often need more due to their level of activity and the fact they are still growing. Dehydration can cause serious problems in animals, so keep those water bowls full.

**In Memoriam:** We are honored to have received donations in memory of:

- **Sandra Baker** from Tom and Sally Kepple
- **Judith O'Hare** from Stephanie Blommel
- **Susan Check-Honeyman** from Rhonda Warren, John Haddix, Melanie Cook, Adrienne Hughes, James and Maryanne Neal, Henry Glass, Alan and Vija Wurstner and Richard Kennedy
- **Marla Everhart** and **Lamar Hamman** from Docton Animal Clinic
- **James E. Amole** from Lt Col (ret) Willie and Vernelle Boykin; the Mangan siblings and spouses; Mr. & Mrs. Neil Mangan; Jack & Irene Anders; Bill and Sharon Davison, and Donald and Millie Osborne
- **Dr. Scott Hoskett** from Kenny Hoyle
- **Teri West** from Gail Schikora

**Pets:** Tressle from Ben and Peg Wildman

**Membership and Donations.** Your donations are important since we receive no funding from national level animal organizations. We are an independent non-profit and every dollar we receive from you is used here in Greene County. You can also donate securely on our web site through **Network for Good**.

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

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Circle one: Individual \$20 Family \$25 Annual Patron \$100 Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: Humane Society of Greene County or HSGC, P.O. Box 51, Xenia, OH 45385

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