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UCHS Annual Benefit Dinner 2012

Purpose & Progress

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*Unconditional love and
loyalty make being
homeless more bearable.*

My How We Have Grown! Our purpose is the prevention of cruelty to animals through sheltering, education, sterilization, legislation and humane care.

Thanks to the dedicated support of loyal donors pictured above at our Annual Benefit Dinner, we are making great progress. From a humble beginning in an abandon barn, to a state-of-the-art shelter facility with kennels and medical/surgical capabilities, we are growing and succeeding with our mission.

At our annual fundraising dinner, donors were brought up to date with a presentation that outlined our successes in receiving grants that are helping us with programs to better control the homeless animal population. Our operating costs and income were outlined as were our decrease in animals taken in, and our increase in adoptions and animal transfers to our shelter network partners.

A silent auction was also held that helped boost donor contributions.

[see financial donor details on page 5]

"Dogs are obsessed with being happy."

—James Thurber



Cassie-*Border Collie*



Elsie-*Border Collie Mix*



McGee-*Dalmatian & Lab Mix*



Harley-*Chihuahua*



Windi-*Sky Terrier Mix*



Enzo-*Greyhound Mix*



Maxwell-*Chocolate Lab Mix*



Katie-*Jack Russell Mix*



Pizazz-*Chihuahua*



Poppyseed-*St. Bernard Mix*



Ranger-*Husky Shepard Mix*



Beau-*Labrador Retriever*



Big Red-*Coonhound*



Trevor-*Dachshund Mix*

*Every Puppy should
have a Boy*

—Erma Bombeck

Dogs currently available for adoption

*The object is not so
much to walk your
dog as it is to
empty him*
—Dave Barry

"There are two means of refuge from the miseries of life: music and cats."

—Albert Schweitzer



Sarafina-Playful and Exotic



Allegro-Laid back and Sweet



Benson-Gentle and Loving



Gregor-Bengal-like markings



Crystal-"The Queen"



Echo-Curious & Affectionate



Crouton-Chairman of the Board



Trevor-a Blue-Eyed Beauty



Grayson-Beautiful & Sweet



Panda-Unique & Spirited



Onyx-Black Magic



Peppercorn-Small and Fluffy



Casanova-A Real Lover Boy



Squeak-Quiet and Loving

*The smallest feline
is a masterpiece*

—Leonardo Da Vinci

*Thousands of years ago
cats were worshipped as
gods. Cats have never
forgotten this.*

—Anonymous

Transporting Homeless Animals to Find New Homes within our Shelter Partner Network.

At least once a month, 15 to 30 lucky pups, juvenile dogs and even some cats get to go on a road trip to our shelter partner in Atlanta. The Atlanta area has more people wanting to adopt dogs and cats than they have adoptable pets. This makes for a perfect match since we have more pets than we have potential adopters. Ron Gabler, and his helpers drive the van for the transport. Ron and wife Chris also financially support the transportation fund. Other volunteers who have made the trip include Debbie Boeck, Dan Paidousis, Tim Roberts, Ron Pameijer, Tammy Rouse and Nancy Staar, who also financially supports the transport fund,



Volunteer, Ron Gabler



Shelter staff, Amelia Carver



As citizens of Tennessee, how many Horse Slaughter Plants would you like in your county?

Legislative update:

Oppose

Horse Slaughter: A bill to encourage the location of equine slaughter and processing facilities in Tennessee will be voted on in both the House and Senate the week of April 9. SB 3641/HB 3619 is sponsored by Senator Mike Faulk, Rep Andy Holt, and Rep Frank Niceley. **This bill severely limits a citizen or local government from challenging the building of a horse slaughter plant in their community.**

Support

Aggravated cruelty to livestock: HB 3082/SB 2759 creates a Class E felony of aggravated cruelty to livestock, which is intentionally engaging in specified conduct in a depraved and sadistic manner that results in serious bodily injury or death to the animal.

2012 Elections:

As a 501(c)3 The Union County Humane Society is not allowed to endorse candidates for office. However, **we strongly encourage you** to get to know the candidates who are running for local and state office in 2012. Elected officials have significant impact on animal welfare in TN—they can turn Tennessee into a safe haven for horse slaughter plants and cockfighting or they can be a champion for animal protection laws. Attend town hall meetings or contact your officials individually and ask them their opinion of animals issues.

http://www.electionsunioncountyttn.com/2012_county_general_state_primary.htm



UCHS Volunteer of the Year, Becky Fretwell.

Recognized for 8 years of loyal service as Treasurer and her tireless efforts as a Board Member, Animal Activist and for her Fund-raising Abilities. Thanks, Becky.

MEMORIAL BRICKS ARE A GOOD WAY TO DONATE TO THE SHELTER BY REMEMBERING A LOVED ONE OR A PET



Union County Humane Society Gains National ASPCA Recognition and \$5,000 Grant for Low Income Residents



GRANT AGREEMENT REFERENCE:

NAME: **Union County Humane Society**
PROJECT: **Vaccinations for Pets of Qualified Low Income Residents**
AMOUNT: **\$5,000.00**
GRANT TERM: **March 31, 2012 - March 31, 2013**
March 31, 2012

Ms. Tammy Rouse
Executive Director
Union County Humane Society
P.O. Box 625
Maynardville, TN 37807

Dear Ms. Rouse,

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (the "ASPCA") is deeply honored to be able to grant to Union County Humane Society (the "Grantee," and together with the ASPCA, the "parties" and each a "party") the amount of \$5,000.00 (the "Grant"). These funds are designated for the purpose set forth below and as outlined in your grant request and as further described in this agreement (this "Agreement") and, if applicable, its amendments:

Hey look at this. I think we just hit the big time.



Alice needs a home.



Alice is in our intake room. She was rescued from an old barn with puppies that were only two weeks old. She was fostered for two weeks by a volunteer and then brought back to the shelter to get some good medical care. She was scared and untrusting when she came but is coming around well. Still worries about whether she will have enough to eat and if she will be abandoned. Alice will need a little extra love and attention. In exchange she will give you her total devotion.

[Annual Fundraising Benefit continued from Pg.1]



Executive Director, Tammy Rouse presented updates on Shelter figures and what we expect to achieve in 2012. Operating Costs for 2011 were \$256,000. Thanks to donor support we are meeting our obligations.

One of the highlights of the evening was a special appearance of Laddie one of our alumni who trotted in on three legs which our shelter vet. removed because of injury. Just goes to show you can't keep a good dog down.



Another highlight of the night was a very emotional presentation "skyped" in from Tacoma, WA by Derrick Rhayne. He was on a road trip and adopted a puppy from us. The puppy broke out with Mange and couldn't travel back with Derrick.

The shelter agreed to treat the pup for free the 45 days until it could be cleared to travel. We shipped the puppy and Rhayne was so grateful for the Shelter's help that he has pledged \$50. a month for the next 10 months.

Fundraiser Results

Donations	\$13,154.00
Sponsors	5,104.00
Auctions	2,036.00
Bricks	690.00
Total	\$21,020.00
Expenses	[3,143.86]
Profit	\$17,876.14

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Nothing beats the love
of a Forever Home

Put **“Ride Like An Animal”** on your Calendar—October 6, 2012



*One of the best motorcycle rides in this
area and all proceeds go to care for the
animals at the shelter.*

LOOK FOR

BARKARITAVILLE

IN AUGUST

Me and my Buddies are gonna' crash it!

