Finn: A Gentle Giant Finds His Own Fairy Tale Ending

Finn’s story begins a bit sadly, like many fairy tales do. Finn, then called Barnie, was surrendered to the APL because his owner was moving into a nursing home. Barnie clearly had been well cared for; the 150-pound Newfoundland was handsome, well-nourished, and well-mannered. The owner’s daughter reassured the APL that Barnie was housebroken, got along well with cats and other dogs, and was very sociable. The APL veterinary staff examined Barnie, gave him a clean bill of health, and quickly put him on the adoption floor.

Kelly wasn’t really looking for a dog when she first saw Barnie. She’d recently lost both of her dogs, Ricky and Maddie, to prolonged illness, and their loss was hard on Kelly and her family. She was at the APL not to look for a new dog, but to donate some of the things she no longer needed. Then the magic began: She saw Barnie in the very first kennel. It was, she says, love at first sight! She called her husband, who was at home dismantling a fence. “Okay,” he replied, “I’ll put the fence back up.”

While Kelly was smitten with Barnie, she wanted the other members of her family to meet him. And, she wanted to be sure she was ready for another dog, and not just reacting to the loss of Ricky and Maddie. She decided to take a second look at Barnie the next day, with her daughter and her sister. They went to meet Barnie at one of the many offsite events that APL animals visit each year. Kelly was still a little “on the fence” about adopting Barnie. As they approached, they saw Barnie, with a crowd of admirers petting him. It was then, Kelly said, that she felt a bit of panic. This was her dog! What if someone else chose him? She adopted him on the spot, and renamed him Finn, after Finn McCool, a benevolent, magical giant from Irish folklore.

Finn’s fairy tale ending had begun. He enjoys each day with his new family. Kelly and her husband own their

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Every day, when I finally rest my head on my pillow, I go to sleep knowing that I’ve been a part of making a difference that really matters. It’s one of the greatest privileges of working for a nonprofit organization with a mission that is also my passion. But then, there are also days when making that difference means facing things that people who love animals shouldn’t be forced to see—those days that leave friends, family, and other supporters saying, “I don’t know how you do what you do.” Those days can feel pretty lonely.

Unfortunately, this year there was no shortage of truly challenging days that stretched our resources—financial, physical, and emotional—way beyond our norm. It started in late January, when our humane investigators seized nearly 150 cats from a horrible hoarding situation. A number of the cats had clearly been denied proper veterinary care and were suffering. They were all living in filth. They had all either been infected with or directly exposed to incurable, lifelong infectious diseases. One kitten was dying. A couple of months later, our team investigated another situation where they found 33 horrifically matted Shih Tzu’s living in filthy conditions. Most of them labored under the weight of 3 to 5 pounds of matted hair that was filled with excrement and filth, and that kept them from being able to walk, move their heads, or even wag their tails. One of the little dogs died from complications that resulted from a huge mat that had strangulated the blood supply to his leg. Later in the summer, our team brought in 11 thin, neglected, and terrified Beagles who had been kept outside in open crates. In September, a Good Samaritan walked into our animal admissions area carrying a young, grey cat with an arrow lodged in his back. It had missed his spine by centimeters. Despite the terrible pain from his wound, he purred, cuddled, and made friends with everyone. This was all in addition to the “usual” horrible things we see.

We choose to do this work because we want to make a difference. We love doing this work. And yet, there are days when we can’t help but wonder how much more we can you take. And then this happens. We reach out to you and ask for your help, your support, your compassion, and your generous, heartwarming response erases any loneliness or feeling of hopelessness we might be starting to feel. On those days when I’m asked, “how can you do this?” and my inside voice quietly replies, “I’m really not sure right now,” you are right there with us, giving us the strength and support we need to turn these animals’ sad beginnings into happy endings.

In the past, many of the animals I mentioned in this letter would have been euthanized because we didn’t have the resources to help them. But, because of you and an amazing team that cares so much, today we do. You donated money and items we needed for their care. You donated your time and services. You might not have been at the APL, but you were right beside us. With your continued support, we’ll be able to do even more when we face those hard days again—because we know we will.

Now I ask you, how can anyone feel lonely with YOU on our side—and on our animals’ side? Certainly, not me! Thank you for being their hero.

P.S. At the end of this especially difficult year, I would also like to acknowledge our incredible staff members and volunteers who give so much of themselves every day. It was my honor to be here with them until 1:30am when the cats were coming in, and then to witness them doing it all over again with the Shih Tzus. I’ve never been more proud to be a part of something so very special and to work with people for whom I have so much admiration. Thank you all for being on Team Cleveland APL!
Another Happy Tale

Jasper: A Chance Encounter and a Second Chance

Poor Jasper was having a “terrible, horrible, no good, very bad” day. His was a bit worse, though, than most other kids’. The sweet little long-haired Chihuahua-Terrier mix was injured in an unprovoked attack by another dog in his household. Jasper’s eye was severely damaged. His owner could not afford the medical care that would be necessary, so she surrendered him to the APL, to get the treatment he needed, as well as a second chance at a good life in a home that would be safer for him.

Despite the pain he was in, and the stress of the situation, the little dog was friendly to the APL staff from the moment he arrived. The APL veterinarians tried valiantly to save Jasper’s eye, but it became clear they could not do so. He had surgery to remove it less than a week after his arrival at the APL. The staff decided that this poor little guy, who’d lost his eye and his home both in a very short time, needed the tender loving care that only an APL foster care volunteer can provide. He was sent home with a volunteer who monitored his condition, brought him in for medical follow-up care, and, most importantly, loved and comforted this little trooper.

Just as quickly as Jasper’s very bad day came upon him, so did his most excellent day. His foster mom brought him back to the APL for a check-up and to have his stitches removed. Marla and her daughters were at the APL on an errand, not looking for a new pet. As Jasper came in with his foster mom, Marla and her girls spotted him. They were smitten! Just like that, Jasper’s new life began!

Jasper adjusted quickly to his new home, which he shares with Marla, her husband, their children, and extended family. Marla’s three daughters give Jasper lots of love and attention, and there is just about always someone home, which suits this little snuggler just fine. Jasper has a canine “brother,” Vito, who’s teaching him the fine art of begging for treats. And they share their home with kitty Lazy Daisy, who also was adopted from the APL. Some reports say that Jasper and Daisy recently got married, in a lovely private ceremony!

But sorry, Daisy, the real love of Jasper’s life is Marla’s middle daughter Hannah. Their connection was instantaneous—in the photo taken on his adoption day, Jasper sits calmly in the arms of Hannah, whose big grin tells you the affection is mutual. Jasper waits for Hannah to come home from school, and greets her joyously. His best times are spent cuddling with his girl. Jasper’s very bad day made his best day ever possible, and led him to his fur-ever home!

Barbara Reitzloff, APL Volunteer, assisted in the writing of this issue’s Happy Tales.
The first annual Dick Goddard’s APL Telethon aired on Fox 8 on Thursday, September 17. This fantastic event was hosted by Fox 8 personalities Kenny Crumpton, Natalie Herbick, and of course, Dick Goddard. Between 6 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Fox 8 viewers saw vignettes that featured some of the amazing animals who were in our care. The segments also showcased the meaningful and life-saving work that takes place at the Cleveland APL every day.

The event brought together the community and inspired viewers to make a donation to help the nearly 15,000 animals who are served by the Cleveland APL every year. We are happy to report that more than $128,000 was raised to support our mission and important work. A total of 110 people gave their time as volunteers, including 80 phone bank workers who spoke to the animal-loving viewers who called to make a donation. In addition, a special Fox 8 adoption promotion for dogs, cats and kittens—an $88 adoption fee for adult dogs and an $8 adoption fee for cats and kittens—resulted in 45 animals finding new homes that day!

We are so grateful to Fox 8, Dick Goddard, Natalie Herbick, Kenny Crumpton and the sponsors who made this event possible. A special thank you to the Presenting Sponsor, Stautzenberger College. We would also like to thank Melt Bar & Grilled for donating 5% of their total sales from their Northeast Ohio locations on September 18 to the Cleveland APL and also Panera Bread which included the APL in their canister campaign at their Northeast Ohio locations during the entire month of September!

Tune in next year for Dick Goddard’s APL Telethon in September 2016!
Another Happy Tale

Noodle and Shadow: A Tale of Two Kitties

The classic novel begins, “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.” That certainly was true for Noodle and Shadow (then called Diablo). In the summer of 2015, the two cats were found by the APL’s Humane Investigations team, along with a half dozen other cats and a dog, neglected and abandoned by their former owner. Some were ill, and all were malnourished. The Humane Investigations officers rescued them and brought them to the APL for good food and medical attention.

Unfortunately, despite the best efforts of the HI team and veterinary staff, not all of the animals survived. Noodle and Shadow were among the lucky ones—the HI officers’ intervention was the beginning of their “best of times.”

This was around the time that Brandi’s daughter moved out of the house, taking her cat with her. Brandi missed the cat (and her daughter!) and began to think about finding another cat that would fit into her household.

Once they got to the shelter and started looking at cats, Brandi began to think about how great it would be for that cat to have a buddy, something her daughter’s cat had missed out on. She asked the staff about two cats who already got along, and could be adopted together; they quickly recommended Noodle and Shadow. Though the kittens were healthier than when they arrived, they still were underweight. Brandi could tell they could use some TLC. She quickly decided they were the ones.

Is it unusual to adopt two animals when you came in for one? Not for Brandi and her husband—they’d done the same thing two years earlier, when they came in for a puppy and left with two—not wanting to split up Rottweiler/German Shepherd brothers James and Mario!

Before they even left the APL, these two lucky cats were well on the way to being oh-so-spoiled. Brandi’s husband ordered cat condos and hammocks while waiting in line. And once they got home, their true pursonalities came out—Noodle is a bit of a princess, Brandi reports; she likes sitting high up in her perch, reigning over her “subjects,” James and Mario. And Shadow has become “one of the guys,” sitting with James and Mario watching Brandi’s husband work on the house.

You can hear the happiness at having these two cats in Brandi’s voice, “They’ve been such a great thing for us. They bring us so much happiness!” Just like the happiness Brandi and her family have brought to two APL animals, twice. Thank you for giving four fur kids the “best of times!”

Volunteer at the APL

Share your love of animals and become a Cleveland Animal Protective League volunteer. Check our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org for dates of upcoming volunteer sessions.

To Make a Donation to the APL:

Visit our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org or mail your check to the Cleveland Animal Protective League, Attention Development Office, 1729 Willey Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113.

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The Cleveland APL's Annual Gala Rocked!

More than 400 guests helped us to raise more than $243,000 to benefit the APL’s Second Chance Program during the Cleveland Animal Protective League’s annual gala on Saturday, November 7, at the InterContinental Hotel in Cleveland.

Guests had a rocking good time and enjoyed “paws-ing” at the many food stations as well as bidding on fabulous items in our live and silent auctions. They also learned about some very special animals whose lives were saved because of the medical care and expertise the Second Chance Program allows us to provide.

King John, now named Riggins, one of the evening’s VIPs (Very Important Pooches), was surrendered to the APL as a 3-month-old hound mix puppy. When he first arrived at the APL, he was very underweight and had severe eye and skin conditions. Riggins was treated and spent some time in a loving foster home. His foster moms fell in love with the sweet boy and so did their dog, Kemper! When they brought him back to the APL for adoption, they decided that they just couldn’t part with the adorable pup and they adopted him on the spot!

Taurus, now Sky, the evening’s other VIP, came to us through our dog transfer program from a shelter in Ashtabula. Before she was born, the team at the Ashtabula shelter was caring for Sky’s mom who was pregnant and in need of a Cesarean Section to deliver her pups. Unfortunately, the mom did not survive the delivery, but her 8 puppies did. The shelter needed help—they could not care for 8 newborn puppies who needed to be bottle fed around the clock, which is where we came in. Four of the pups, including Sky were transferred to the APL to get the care that they needed. Sky spent time in foster care before she was big and healthy enough to be adopted. When her day came, Sky came back to the APL where she met her new, loving parents, Josh and Nicole. They instantly fell in love with a photo of Sky that they saw on the APL website and knew she was theirs.

Jack Daniels, now Toshiro, was brought to the Cleveland APL at just 2 months old by a Good Samaritan who found the poor kitten injured and in need of help. The man who brought him in said that he walked outside of the place where he works and saw that the tiny kitten was being attacked by an older cat. Toshiro was in desperate need of help, and this kind man immediately brought him to the APL. Upon arrival, our staff saw the poor kitten covered in blood, but despite the severity of the wound, he was very cuddly. Toshiro received a life-saving surgery at the Cleveland APL. After his healing was complete, Toshiro was adopted by a wonderful family which includes her parents and feline sister, Ash.

Princess Bubblegum, now Luna, was found injured and in need of help. The woman who found the kitten meowing on her porch was shocked by the condition that she was in. Her leg appeared to be broken and she knew she had to help her, so she brought Luna to the APL where our veterinary team discovered that the kitten’s leg was broken in three places and her foot was severely injured. Also, her tail was missing skin and could not be saved. Surgery was performed and then Luna began her road to recovery. Despite the severity of her injuries, Luna was still a love bug, rolling around and letting our staff pet her. After she was healthy and healed, Luna was adopted by a loving family, which includes her parents and feline sister, Lola.

A committed group of APL volunteers works on this event all year long. Jeanette McGovern and Regina Stopper co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee; Angela DeMuesy and Christine Snyder co-chaired the auction procurement committee;
Second Annual Hanford Dixon–Horseshoe Casino Invitational

The Second Annual Hanford Dixon–Horseshoe Casino Golf Invitational took place on Friday, July 31st, at StoneWater Golf Club in Highland Heights. Participants played the stunning greens alongside athletes including two-time pro-bowler Kevin Mack and five-time pro-bowler Greg Pruitt.

Hanford Dixon created a name for himself as both a football legend and the co-founder of the Dawg Pound. As a salute to his legacy, all proceeds from the Invitational were donated to the Cleveland APL. On top of the proceeds from the outing, the APL also benefitted from tickets sold from both the 50/50 and Chinese raffles. Overall, more than $14,000 was raised for the Cleveland APL during the event. It was a wonderful day, and we are so very grateful to Hanford Dixon and the Horseshoe Casino for their support!

My Cleveland APL - Where Happy Happens.

Foster Care
Happy Happens at the Cleveland APL through our Foster Care program. Last year alone, more than 1,500 animals were cared for through Foster Care. Our dedicated, caring network of foster care volunteers provides in-home, individualized care and love to special-needs animals—underweight kittens and puppies, moms and litters, orphans who need to be fed by bottle, victims of neglect or abuse who need to learn to trust again, timid animals who need a little socialization, and animals who are recovering from an illness, injury, or surgery. They also provide temporary shelter for incoming animals when there aren’t enough cages at the APL. Our foster volunteers are always ready and willing to offer a warm bed and caring hands to heal wounded spirits and bodies whenever an animal needs them.
Thank You to...

- **Bounty** for donating more than 6,000 rolls of Bounty paper towels to the Cleveland APL and other local shelters! Bounty’s donation will allow us to keep our shelter clean for the next 8 months without having to purchase paper towels. We also thank the United Pet Fund for facilitating the donation.

- **Hyland Software** for volunteering at the Cleveland APL during their Summer of Service volunteer day. The team from Hyland Software painted areas of the APL’s interior and exterior to help keep our shelter looking great!

- **Tucker Ellis** for hanging brand new wallpaper in our meet and greet room on the day of the firm’s anniversary. On that day employees did volunteer work to celebrate and give back. Thanks to their hard work, the room looks inviting and fun for our pooches and their future families!

- **Nestlé** for holding a Day of Volunteering, which coincided with Dick Goddard’s APL Telethon on Fox 8, to support the Cleveland APL. On September 17, Nestlé employees worked hard, making blankets and other items for our animals.

- **Victoria Pavol** for making cage curtains for our cats. The curtains will provide privacy for the cats who are a bit shy and may need some quiet time.

Save the Date for the 5th Annual Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon on WKYC Channel 3

Mark your calendars for the 5th Annual Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon that will air on WKYC Channel 3 on Friday, March 18. The Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon will showcase the diverse and meaningful work the APL does to help nearly 15,000 homeless animals in need who we care for every year. Tune in to WKYC on March 18 and call in to make a donation! Visit our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org early next year for more details.
Thank You So Much!

All Sweep, Inc.
For choosing the Cleveland APL as the beneficiary of its sponsorship in Legacy Village’s Dog Days of Summer—Public Art Project, which benefitted local animal rescues and animal-related nonprofit organizations.

Bruegger’s Bagels – Cleveland Heights
For coordinating a fundraiser in which the Cleveland APL received 15% of the proceeds that were raised during the one-day event held at the Cleveland Heights location. Rover, the APL’s mobile adoptions unit, was also on site with adoptable animals. One dog was adopted at the event!

Cara’s Boutique
For raising funds during their Pandora Jewelry animal collection launch. Activities included a raffle, a cutest pet photo contest, and a donation drive. The APL received 10% of total sales during the event.

Cleveland Clinic – Echo Lab
For holding a snack sale fundraiser with proceeds benefitting the APL.

Cleveland Metroparks
For sponsoring the Dog Paddle & Pet-a-Palooza event along with Q104, 98.5 WNCX, 92.3 The Fan, and Star 102. The event included a guided hike, summer pool party, mini dog fair, and animal safety demos. Half of the event’s admission benefitted the Cleveland APL.

First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association and Lone Star Steakhouse – North Olmsted
For participating in Lone Star’s “Dine and Donate” Community Fundraising program, with proceeds benefitting the Cleveland APL.

Horseshoe Casino Cleveland—Tables Department
For holding a fundraiser for the Cleveland APL.

Pressure Life
For coordinating with Vosh Lakewood to hold a Pressure magazine launch party event, with a portion of the event proceeds benefitting the Cleveland APL, and also coordinating with the Cleveland Agora to hold a “Pressure Live” musical event showcasing local talent with a portion of the event proceeds benefitting the Cleveland APL.

SiamSilly
For raising funds for the Cleveland APL by selling SiamSilly t-shirts and donating 20% of each t-shirt sold to the Cleveland APL.

Society of American Archivists
For choosing to raise funds for the Cleveland APL during their annual conference through an online pet photo contest, encouraging monetary donations, asking members to knit pet blankets, and holding a donation drive to collect items from the APL’s wish list.

Szabo Shoes
For hosting a pet adoption fundraiser that included raffle sales, and special shoe sales, with a portion benefitting the Cleveland APL. The APL’s mobile adoptions unit was also on site, and three cats and one dog were adopted!

Tryst Salon and Spa
For hosting a “Dog Days of Summer” fundraiser to raise money for the Cleveland APL. The event included raffle sales, a Chinese auction, a lemonade stand, games, and salon specials. Items from the APL’s wish list were also collected. One dog was adopted at the event!

Thanks to the generosity and efforts of everyone involved in these events, more than $9,800 was raised to help the Cleveland APL and our animals. We also appreciate the additional in-kind donations we have received from our friends and supporters in the community.

Volunteers of the Year

During our annual volunteer appreciation celebration in August, Cleveland APL President and CEO Sharon Harvey announced the winners of the 2014 Volunteers of the Year award. George Andrews and Betty Link were named Volunteers of the Year, Martin Schultz was named Rookie of the Year, and Susan Scofield and Jennifer Sloan were named Foster Volunteers of the Year. Each received the prestigious award for their extraordinary volunteer service to the Cleveland APL and our animals. Thank you to George, Betty, Martin, Susan, and Jennifer for your dedication and commitment to the Cleveland APL and the animals whose lives you make an impact upon when you volunteer! Also, thank you to all of our incredible volunteers who make a difference in the lives of all of the animals who come to us in need. We could not help the nearly 15,000 animals we do each year without you!

Our wonderful Volunteers of the Year with their awards.

Shelter Adoption Center Hours
Monday - Friday 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday Noon to 4 p.m.
Phone Number: 216-771-4616

Animal Surrender Hours (Intake)
Monday - Friday 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday Closed
Phone Number: 216-771-8825

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Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Phone Number: 440-845-9592, Ext. 5
Save the Date: Pucks and Paws

It's back again! The Lake Erie Monsters invite all four-legged friends and their “people” to the 8th Annual Pucks & Paws event at Quicken Loans Arena on Sunday, April 10, 2016. The Monsters will be playing the Rochester Americans, and faceoff is at 5 p.m. The APL has always been the beneficiary of the dog tickets, and again this year we will also receive a portion of the “human” tickets that are bought through this special offer. In order for the APL to receive the additional fundraised portion of the human tickets, please download the flyer on our website, mention the APL when you order your tickets over the phone, or use the link on our website to buy your tickets to this fun event for you and your pooch!


Tributes

The following tribute gifts were received between June 2015 and September 2015.

A tribute gift of $50 or more is recognized in Pet Patter.

Tribute donations are a very special way to remember and honor loved ones and pets. Notification will be sent to whomever you ask us to notify.

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Carly  Judith M. Henderson
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In Honor of Individual

Nick and Ali Alberstadt’s Wedding  Mr. and Mrs. John W. Alberstadt, Jr., Nicholas J. Alberstadt, John and Margret Britton, Ann Connelly, Ellen Dryer, Inez allegations, and Rosemary K. Redenshek
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Jordan Wald  Erica Steele-Bomeis
Hershey and Munchkin  Debra Pejeau
Hopkins  Tom and Jane Elias
Janie  Mel and Mike Hudson
Jett  Maggie, Jeff and Mika
Jordan Wald  Erica Steele-Bomeis
Hershey and Munchkin  Debra Pejeau
Hopkins  Tom and Jane Elias
Janie  Mel and Mike Hudson
Jett  Maggie, Jeff and Mika
Kiri  Laura Martin

In Honor of Animal

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David & Joanna Duchon's loyal, loving companion  Charles Tomchuck
Each Dog adopted  Jeff Chase
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The Songer Cats  Greg and Cindy Songer
The Whitehead nine APL cats  Richard and Jane Whitehead

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Jane Griswold  Jim Griswold and Sarahsea
Graham and Carol Hall  Nature Stone
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Marianne and Tom Monahan’s 55th Anniversary  Marianne T. Monahan
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Dan Rensel and Greg Morris’s Wedding  Marty Kanan
Holly Rhodes’ Birthday  Lauren Hyster
Jim Shores Nature Stone
Lyman Sornberger’s Birthday  Ilene Liebler
Kathy Tatman  Dee and Bill Miller
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Sarah Varient and Marcus Robinson’s Marriage  Marcus and Sarah Robinson
Lillian Voik for Mother’s Day and Birthday  Bill and Pam Summers Family, Terry and Patrice Wyse
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