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Foggy's Future is Clear and Bright

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The Cleveland APL's Humane Investigations team works diligently to end animal cruelty and neglect through education, investigation, and the prosecution of offenders. They rescue hundreds of animals every year from lives of abandonment and abuse. Foggy was one of those animals.

In June 2023, Foggy was found by the HI team abandoned and emaciated in a backyard. A pit bull terrier mix, Foggy was about two years old. You could see her hip bones and count every rib. She weighed just over 16 pounds. She was frightened by the world around her and everyone in it.

Foggy was taken to the APL. She was safe there, but found it nearly impossible to trust people, even the APL staff and volunteers. She slowly permitted a few staff members to walk and care for her. She was sent to a foster home to decompress—to give her a break from the shelter environment. Still, she remained withdrawn.

Kim saw Foggy's post on Facebook. She was moved by Foggy's story, but not able to adopt her. Kim's dog Buddy was 16 ½ years old, and Kim knew that their time together was winding down. She wanted her long-time friend, Buddy, to have peace in his remaining days and did not want to bring another dog home. Still, Kim was touched by Foggy's plight. In April 2024, Kim went to the APL to meet her.

Their first few visits went as expected; Foggy ignored Kim, then just barked at her. Kim persisted. She visited Foggy nearly every week, for 20 or 30 minutes at a time. Foggy remained unapproachable. After several visits, APL volunteer Suzanne offered to let Kim see how Foggy behaved with someone she knew. Kim decided to bring her daughter with her to meet Foggy. She immediately warmed up to her daughter, becoming playful, joyful, and affectionate. One day, Kim even found Foggy having lunch with the HI Chief in his office. These sights made Kim hopeful.



Foggy on the porch of her new home.

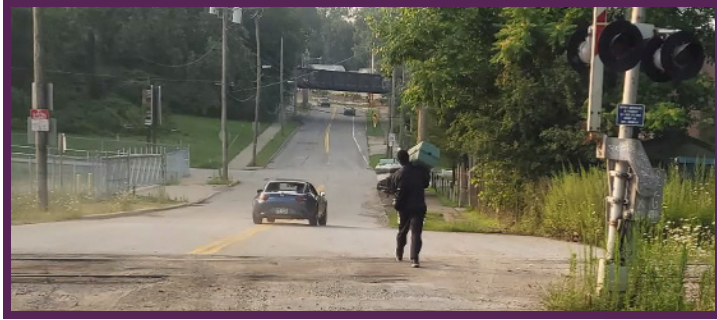
Kim's husband, Doug, began to join her on her visits. Doug speaks with pride of his wife's patience with Foggy. "It really was important to Kim," he explains, "I could see how much it meant to her. There was never a question in Kim's mind. You could see how determined she was to give this dog a good life."

Eventually, Kim's persistence began to pay off. Kim and Doug began to meet Foggy in the play yards, where she greeted them with some enthusiasm. By this time, Foggy had supporters in all quarters, including Kim's dad, who encouraged Kim to adopt Foggy when the time was right.

Bennie's BLURB

Letter from the President & CEO

You know that saying, "A picture is worth a thousand words?" Well, if this picture doesn't tell a story, I'm not sure what will.



The lengths to which some pet owners will go to ensure their beloved pets receive the care they need can be hard to describe with mere words. Despite financial hardships and other barriers to care such as access to transportation, technology, and other resources that many of us take for granted, kind, compassionate families routinely display extraordinary devotion to their pets, often sacrificing their own comfort and well-being.

It is not uncommon to hear of people who have prioritized their pet's well-being and are skipping meals, delaying or forgoing their own medical care, working extra hours, or going without basic necessities to afford veterinary bills, medication, or even food for their pets. Some travel great distances to reach low-cost clinics or charitable organizations like the Cleveland APL that offer discounted services to qualified pet owners. Others resort to crowdfunding, borrowing money, or seeking help from friends and family just to afford a single visit to the vet. In many cases, these sacrifices stem from the fear of losing a beloved companion and primary source of emotional stability.

Pets are family. The emotional bond between a pet and its owner is profound, especially for those facing financial instability. In many cases, pets provide companionship, emotional support, and a sense of purpose in challenging circumstances.

This connection drives many pet owners to do whatever it takes to keep their pets healthy, even when faced with overwhelming obstacles. Even when it means walking a mile round trip from the nearest bus stop with your cat in a carrier perched on your shoulder.

And then, there are the people who finally are forced to make the painful decision to surrender their pets to an animal shelter. But shelters are filled to capacity and struggling to accommodate the increasing number of pets needing to come in. That means the most effective and compassionate way forward is to connect these people who love their pets to the resources they need to keep their pets in their homes and out of shelters.

The dedication of these pet families highlights an urgent need for accessible resources, such as affordable veterinary care, spay/neuter programs, and pet food banks, as well as greater public awareness about the struggles they face. But these progressive programs come at a cost. Only with your support can we devote more resources to ensuring that the value of the human-animal bond isn't defined solely by dollar signs.

The Cleveland APL's mission is to foster compassion and end animal suffering, but animal suffering isn't always about abuse or neglect. They also suffer when they lose their homes, the people they love, and find themselves alone in a cage. At the APL, we give them love and do our very best to make their time with us as positive as it can be, but we are not their family and we're not home.

Thank you for believing in and supporting our mission and fostering compassion by working with us and providing support that will help to keep these families together.



Sharon Harvey
and Bennie

Visit the APL

Please visit our website at ClevelandAPL.org for the most up-to-date information. Hours may be subject to change.

Animal Resource Center Hours:

Monday - Saturday 10am - 5:30pm
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Phone Number: 216-771-8825

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Thank You Fox 8 for Hosting the Dick Goddard APL Telethon



The 10th annual Dick Goddard APL Telethon aired on Fox 8 on Thursday, September 12. This fantastic event was hosted by Fox 8 personalities and animal lovers Natalie Herbick, Todd Meany, and Kenny Crumpton.

Between 6 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Fox 8 viewers saw vignettes that featured some of the amazing animals who were in our care. The segments showcased the meaningful and life-saving work that takes place at the Cleveland APL every day. The event inspired viewers to make donations to help the animals who are cared for by the Cleveland APL.

We are happy to report that more than \$179,000 was raised to support our mission and life-saving work! A total of 148 people gave their time as volunteers—121 of whom staffed our phone bank and spoke to the animal-loving viewers who called in to donate.

We are so grateful to Fox 8, Natalie Herbick, Todd Meany, Kenny Crumpton, and the sponsors who made this wonderful event possible. A special thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, Cross Country Mortgage.

Tune in next year for the 11th annual Dick Goddard APL Telethon in the fall!

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Fox 8's, Natalie Herbick, was excited to be with the Cleveland APL team during the check presentation at the end of the Telethon!

Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor:



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Other Ways to Give

The Cleveland Animal Protective League's programs and services are made possible through donations from caring people like you. Here are just a few of the ways you can give to the Cleveland APL, allowing us to continue our life-saving work, while receiving tax benefits as well.

- You can make a gift of stock to the Cleveland APL. Here is the information you will need to gift stock:

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- Your investment in a donor-advised fund provides an immediate tax benefit for you, and that means your donations go even further to help the causes closest to your heart.
- If you have an IRA and are over 70 ½ years old, you can reduce your taxable income by directly transferring your required minimum distribution to a qualified charity such as the Cleveland APL.

For more information about any of these giving options, please call Judy Hunter, Vice President of Philanthropy and Communications, at 216-344-1353.



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Top Sirloin Gets Grade-A Medical Care—and a Prime New Life!



Top Sirloin (now Dara) in her new home.

Top Sirloin, a sweet six-year-old Tabby, was surrendered to the APL when her owner could no longer care for her.

Top Sirloin immediately captured everyone's hearts with her gentle purrs and sweet disposition. During what was expected to be routine spay surgery, the veterinary team noticed she was breathing strangely. X-rays revealed a heartbreaking discovery: Top Sirloin had very little lung volume because her liver and intestines were in her heart sac. This rare and serious condition, known as a Peritoneal Pericardial Diaphragmatic Hernia, meant that without expensive specialty surgery, she would struggle to breathe, and her life expectancy would be drastically shortened.

To help Top Sirloin, the APL turned to the Second Chance Program. Some animals come to the APL with serious medical conditions or injuries, needing extensive treatment or surgery. Generous friends of the APL donate specifically to the Second Chance Program, which enables the APL to pay for and provide specialty care to those animals in great need. Thanks to this amazing program, Top Sirloin would get her second chance at a happy life.

Top Sirloin's delicate, open chest surgery was a success. The surgeon repositioned her organs and repaired the hernia. Top Sirloin recovered quickly and was ready to start her happy new life.

Luckily for Top Sirloin, Mike and Deb decided that it was time to add a pet to their family. The two of them are true animal lovers who have had their share of both dogs and cats. This time, Mike and Deb decided that a cat would be a good fit for them. Deb bought cat supplies, then, one Monday morning in July, woke Mike and told him they were going to the APL to get a cat.

The pair went into the cat adoption room to see who might be interested in joining their family. They took individual cats into a smaller room to "interview" them. The first cat was standoff-ish. The second cat swiped at them. The third cat, Top Sirloin, was just right. She was all purrs and snuggles and seemed ready to go home. And only three weeks after her surgery, she did just that.

A new name for Top Sirloin popped into Mike's head: Dara. He did some quick research and found that the name means "gift" or "pearl of wisdom"—much more fitting for this tiny princess than her formerly meat-y name.

Dara adjusted to her new home quickly. In a matter of days, she had chosen several favorite places to nap, including any one of a half-dozen cat beds and at least one "human" bed. She has plenty of windows through which to watch squirrels and birds, and a basketful of toys from which to choose. Recently, she discovered another "toy," when she learned the joy of jumping into the bathtub chase her tail. But her favorite activity by far is cuddling. And her new mom and dad make sure she gets plenty of that.

Mike and Deb love their tiny girl dearly. In fact, Mike confirms, she's simply "a-Dara-ble."

The APL, its generous donors, the veterinary professionals, and, most of all, Mike and Deb, gave Dara a Second Chance at life and love. Congratulations, Dara, on your happily-ever-after!



Top Sirloin (now Dara) playing with Mike.

2023 Volunteers of the Year

At our annual volunteer celebration at BrewDog in July, the winners of the 2023 Volunteers of the Year award were announced. Ericka Campbell from Seven Hills, Nancy Parker from Novelty, and Diana Leuenberger from Elyria each received this prestigious recognition for their extraordinary volunteer service to the Cleveland APL and its animals.

Ericka Campbell was recognized for making a difference for our dogs in addition to training our new incoming volunteers—over 240 hours in coaching alone in 2023. Nancy Parker was recognized for her steadfast involvement and quiet leadership with the APL for over 20 years. She processes many gifts in our Development Department and helps with our special events. Diana Leuenberger was recognized for her willingness to provide care for many different animals through our foster care program. She helped 54 animals in 2023. Each volunteer received the prestigious award for their extraordinary service to the Cleveland APL and our animals.

A big thank you to BrewDog for hosting the event! BrewDog is dog-friendly and has an indoor/outdoor space for guests to eat, drink, and play games. Thank you to this year's recipients and to all our amazing volunteers for your dedication and commitment to the Cleveland APL! We could not do what we do without your help!



Ericka Campbell, 2023 Volunteer of the Year

Purchase Your 2025 Calendar Now!

We are excited to announce the arrival of the Cleveland APL's 2025 Annual Calendar! Again, this year, we let you pick the final "Pet of the Month" in the calendar. After the voting of the top 10 runners-up took place, we were happy to announce that GG's beautiful photo received the most votes and is featured in the calendar as "Pet of the Month" in November. Overall, more than \$2,600 was raised for the Cleveland APL during this fun addition to our calendar contest!

The calendar makes a great gift, especially for the holidays! To order your copy, visit our website or visit our animal resource center in Tremont. To preview the calendar, visit www.clevelandapl.org/pet-calendar.

Don't miss the chance for your pet to be featured in the 2026 calendar! Enter online at www.ClevelandAPL.org or call 216-377-1628 for more information. Also, look for the calendar contest voting again next year on our website!



Jackson, Oscar, Delilah, and Marley are our 2025 Cover Stars thanks to their parents winning the honor at the Cleveland APL 2023 Fur Ball gala!

Thank You to the Zangerle Family...

We are grateful to the family and friends of Molly Zangerle, who have funded Molly's Suburban Spay it Forward Program in her memory. Molly was a cat lover, and this program makes an incredible difference for community cats and their caretakers. Molly's Suburban Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) program helps to decrease the fee paid by caretakers to have community cats from Cleveland suburbs spayed or neutered through the Cleveland APL's TNR services. The program is a beautiful tribute to Molly's love for cats, and we are sure she would be happy to know this program is helping to prevent the birth of homeless, helpless litters of kittens on the streets.

Fur Ball 2024 – Tails of the Wild West

More than 400 guests helped us to raise more than \$357,000 to benefit the APL's Second Chance Program during the Cleveland Animal Protective League's annual gala, which was held both in-person and virtually on Saturday, November 2! Our host, Monica Robins from WKYC and our auctioneer, Karolyn Isenhardt welcomed guests to the InterContinental Hotel for the most tail-wagging event of the year.

In-person attendees had a great time and enjoyed "paws-ing" at the many food stations as well as bidding on fabulous items in our live and silent auctions, while virtual guests were able to bid on auction items and enjoy our Fur Ball program from the comfort of their own homes. All guests 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.

Nigel, a three-year-old Lab/Pit mix, who came to the APL suffering from a severe rectal prolapse and barely able to walk due to old injuries on his legs, was the night's VIP (Very Important Pooch). After receiving medical treatment and specialty surgery, Nigel recovered completely! His amazing foster mom spent months with him, helping him recover through physical therapy and so much support. When it was time for him to be adopted, she could not bear to part with him, and he became the newest member of her family! Thanks to the generous donors to the Second Chance Program, we were able to provide Nigel with the specialized medical care he needed to make his happily-ever-after possible.

Also featured in the videos were Carly, a four-year-old Boxer mix, who came to the APL severely emaciated and suffering from mange and patchy skin; Leo, a two-year-old cat who was found dehydrated and suffering with a displaced eye and jaw injury; and Pretzel, a sweet one-year-old rabbit who came to us with severe limb injuries, requiring two amputations.

A committed group of APL volunteers works on the gala all year long. A special thank you to our Committee Chairs: Auction Procurement Co-Chairs Ashleigh Gomez and Jeff Eisenberg; Auction Presentation Co-Chairs Angela DeMuesy and Katie Zehr; Auction Operations Co-Chairs Barbara Reitzloff and Sabah Bhat; Decorations Co-Chairs Ginny Russ and Janet Smith; and Transportation Chair Rick Simna. Without their hard work, and the hard work of the many other volunteers who served on committees and helped during the gala, Fur Ball would not be possible!

Save the date and join us again next year for Fur Ball 2025 on Saturday, November 1, in-person at the InterContinental Hotel Cleveland and virtually!

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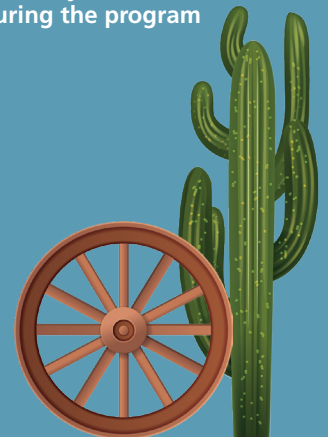
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Celebrity host, Monica Robins, during the program



Upcoming Event

Save the Date – Pucks & Paws

It's back! The Cleveland Monsters invite all four-legged friends and their "people" to the 15th Annual Pucks & Paws event at Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse. The Monsters will be playing the Hershey Bears on Saturday, March 8th, at 4 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.

For the APL to receive the additional fundraised portion of the human tickets, please use the pass code "APL25" when purchasing your tickets online to this fun event for you and your pooch!

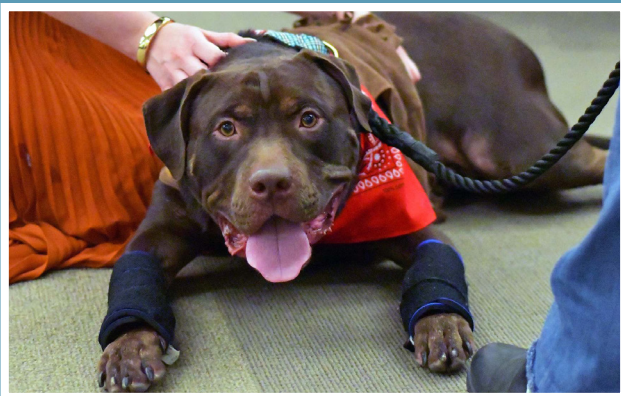
Visit www.ClevelandAPL.org for more details or call Jessica Fisher at 216-420-2143.



Volunteers, staff, and guests alike put on their best Western-inspired attire for our Tails of the Wild West themed event!



From left to right: Katie Zehr (Nigel's foster and now adoptive Mom), Nigel (our VIP), and Angela DeMuesy, Auction Presentation Co-Chair



Nigel (our VIP) greeting guests

Volunteer at the APL

Share your love of animals and become a Cleveland Animal Protective League volunteer. Interested in helping the animals at the Cleveland APL from your own home or at our shelter?

Check out our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org for more information and to submit an online volunteer application to be invited to a future orientation based upon your interest. Don't delay—get involved today!

Opportunities to Give

Many generous individuals choose to donate to the Cleveland APL in lieu of giving gifts for birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, Bat Mitzvahs, Bar Mitzvahs, etc. Their thoughtfulness is a wonderful tribute to their love for animals. Call 216-344-1353 if you would like to learn more about how your celebration can help the APL's homeless animals.

In addition, many individuals choose to give through a workplace giving program. Federal employees also have the opportunity to give to the APL through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). The Cleveland APL's Combined Federal Campaign number is 29857. The Cleveland APL's Tax ID number is 34-0714644.



Ruby: A Hidden Gem

Ruby, then called Gisselle, is a pretty, blonde, long-haired Chihuahua mix. Sadly, when she arrived at the APL in May 2024, her life was not as beautiful.

Gisselle was approximately two years old when her owner moved to a nursing home. The owner's family surrendered Gisselle to the APL. There was one hitch—Gisselle was pregnant.

At the APL, the medical staff examined the mom-to-be and found she was thin but basically in good health. They decided that Gisselle would benefit from some extra TLC in a foster home, until her babies arrived.

The APL foster care volunteers help care for hundreds of animals every year. The APL provides medication, food, and veterinary care, and APL foster families supply transportation to veterinary appointments, socialization, and, most of all, love. The foster families do it all for no pay. Then, often with heavy hearts, the foster families return their foster "child" to the APL to find their new home.

Gisselle was fortunate; she went to stay with foster mom Betty, who pampered the new mom-to-be while they waited for the puppies to arrive. Gisselle had six puppies in all—five girls and one boy. Gisselle stayed with Betty and her family a little longer, then returned to the APL to find her forever home.



Ruby in the driveway of her new home.



Ruby snuggling up with her new family!

Elizabeth's fiancé, Pat, had a family dog that Elizabeth loved. That dog, Bailey, passed away after a good, long life of more than 15 years. Elizabeth knew it was time that she and Pat got a dog of their own and wanted to give that dog a wonderful life like Bailey had. Elizabeth saw Gisselle on the APL website one evening. Elizabeth knew that small dogs get adopted quickly, and a cutie like Gisselle wouldn't stay at the shelter long. She was at the APL the next day, long before the doors opened, to be the first to meet Gisselle.

Meeting Gisselle turned out to be more difficult than expected. Gisselle had been out of the kennel three times that day, and steadfastly refused to leave again. In a leap of faith, Elizabeth decided to adopt her, and try to give Gisselle the life she deserved. Gisselle even got a new name, Ruby, to go with her new life.

Ruby rode home with Elizabeth never having left her crate. Elizabeth carefully set up a small space in the kitchen for her. As Elizabeth and Pat have no other pets and no children, it would be a quiet spot. They were prepared to let Ruby come to them in her own time.

That first evening, they slowly opened the crate door and BAM! Ruby busted out of the crate and jumped on Elizabeth, wiggling and wagging her tail. She rolled over, demanding belly rubs. She kissed Pat as well, a little shyly at first. Ruby was home.

Ruby continues to adjust happily to her new family. Elizabeth and Pat have taken her to training classes to work on her confidence. She likes other dogs more than other people. But mostly, Ruby loves being a homebody. She likes treats and squeaky toys and stealing socks to throw in the air. She loves her uncle, Elizabeth's brother. She hears news occasionally of her puppies, all of whom found good homes. Her favorite thing? Cuddling with Elizabeth and Pat.

Ruby has fully embraced her happy new life. Congratulations, Elizabeth and Pat, on finding your beautiful, hidden gem!

Barbara Reitzloff, APL Volunteer, assisted in the writing of this issue's happy tales.

Happy Tale

Foggy

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Sadly, Buddy passed away in late June 2024. Kim had been visiting Foggy at the APL for months at that point. And while she wasn't certain she was ready for another dog; Kim knew that Foggy had waited long enough. It was time for her to come home. And on July 3, 2024, Foggy did just that. Kim was particularly glad that her dad saw Foggy come home, he passed away later that month, knowing that Kim had adopted this special girl.

After just a few months with Kim and Doug, Foggy has come a very long way. Initially, she was nervous and didn't like going outside alone. She would just sit and look around. Then, one day, Kim let her out into the yard, and Foggy took off running, "like the wind." The look on her face, Kim says, was "pure joy."

Now, Foggy spends her days next to Kim while Kim works from home. She takes lots of walks, including pack walks with families from her dog-training class. She gets up early every morning ready to play, and at bedtime heads into her "house" in Doug and Kim's room for a good night's sleep. As her life has transformed, so has her appearance. Foggy is now at a healthy weight, her coat shines, and her eyes are bright. She has a beautiful doggy smile on her face.

They say that with love and patience, nothing is impossible. Foggy is proof of that. Thank you to everyone, especially Kim, who made sure Foggy got her happily-ever-after.



Foggy snuggling up on her very own bed!



The Cleveland APL's animals are fed Hill's® Science Diet® pet food.

Thank You So Much!

Thanks to the generosity and efforts of everyone involved in these events, over \$23,000 was raised to help the Cleveland APL and our animals.

A New HoriZen

for donating proceeds from their Puppy Yoga class.

The Baker's Basement

for donating to the Cleveland APL through its "Baseball Sculptures" event.

Blue Sky Yoga and Healing Arts, Inc.

for donating to the Cleveland APL.

Cleveland Clinic Lutheran Hospital

for donating to the Cleveland APL through its Nurses Week celebration.

Cleveland Guardians

for donating proceeds from "Bark in the Park" to the Cleveland APL.

Hilton Cleveland Downtown

for donating to the Cleveland APL through its "Kitten Paw-ty."

Jack Cleveland Casino

for collecting donations for the Cleveland APL through its Change for Charity program.

North Royalton Animal Hospital

for donating to the Cleveland APL through its Annual Pet Carnival event.

Samantha Echo

for donating proceeds from her "Don't Touch Me, I'm Famous!" drag show to the Cleveland APL.

St. Angela Merici Church

for donating to the Cleveland APL.

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for donating to the Cleveland APL through its Give Back Program.

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for donating a portion of sales to the Cleveland APL.

UAW Local 1050

for donating to the Cleveland APL through its fundraiser.

Wild Eagle Saloon

for donating raffle proceeds to the Cleveland APL.

We also appreciate the additional in-kind donations we have received from our friends and supporters.

To learn about how your business or organization can host your own Community Fundraiser, please call Abby Miller, Events Manager, at (216)377-1628. You can also visit our website, www.ClevelandAPL.org to view our Community Fundraiser Policies and Application.



From Volunteers to Vets: A Shared Journey with the APL

Two APL volunteers transformed their passion for animal care into fulfilling careers as veterinarians. Dr. Anita Grigor and Dr. Kristen Haynes first joined the APL as volunteers in 2012. Their stories, rooted in a shared interest in animal welfare, have come full circle as they now serve as valued members of the APL veterinary team.



Dr. Haynes volunteering with her family at The Wizard of Pawz Fur Ball Gala in 2018

A Passion Ignited

Dr. Grigor was inspired to volunteer at the APL after adopting her dog, Snickers. She began helping as a foster care volunteer and quickly took on more of an active role in the clinic as a volunteer veterinary support associate. Dr. Grigor said what truly sparked her passion for animal welfare was the welcoming atmosphere at the APL and the impactful work being done to help animals in need. She logged more than 3,300 volunteer hours!

Meanwhile, Dr. Haynes' journey started in 2012, when she joined the APL as a Pet Partner alongside her mother, Andrea, and brother, Matthew. Pet Partners are children from ages 9-15 who volunteer with the help of an adult. In 10th grade, Dr. Haynes volunteered as a dog walker, before progressing to fostering, and helping at special events. She soon became interested in becoming more involved at the clinic, returning for an externship during veterinary school before graduating. Haynes contributed more than 550 hours, and her mother and brother remain active volunteers to this day!

Coming Full Circle

Both women have returned to the APL as full-time veterinarians, ready to contribute to the mission that first inspired them. As part of the APL veterinary team, Dr. Grigor and Dr. Haynes are not only applying their skills but are staunch advocates for low-cost veterinary care.

Dr. Grigor said her favorite part of working at the APL is the ability to support almost every animal and client who walks in the door. "The APL has always held a special place in my heart," Dr. Grigor said. "Being able to help animals and families in my community is a dream come true." Dr. Haynes shares this sentiment, expressing that her favorite part about working at the APL is the focus on supporting families that need care for their pets, no matter their economic background. While veterinary care can become costly, the APL works to make sure that animals receive the medical attention they need and deserve.

"I am proud to work at an establishment in my hometown that strives to keep pets happy and healthy and with their families," said Dr. Haynes. "No one should be denied the happiness and unconditional love of responsibly owning a pet due to economic hardships."

As they continue to inspire others, Dr. Grigor and Dr. Haynes are not just veterinarians; they are a testament to the impact of compassion and dedication in the world of animal care. For those that are interested in volunteering or entering the veterinary field, Dr. Haynes' advice is to get involved and explore your options. She said one of the best ways to gain experience is through volunteering! Dr. Grigor's advice is to "never give up!" She said that she worked very hard to be accepted to veterinary school and that her experience at the APL helped immensely.

For more information on volunteering with the Cleveland APL, please visit clevelandapl.org/volunteer and complete an application. For those interested in careers at the APL, visit clevelandapl.org/about-us/employment.



From left to right: Dr. Haynes and Dr. Grigor

Tributes

The following tribute gifts were received between June and September 2024. A tribute gift of \$75 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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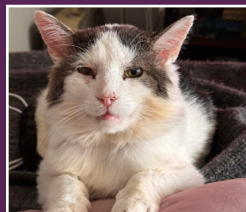
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