

Society Pets FUR BUDDY BULLETIN

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The Latest News for You and Your Pets!

In case you haven't heard...

The news has spread like wildfire and we couldn't be happier! **YES!** We have taken ownership of Mystic Mountain Adventure Golf & Driving Range, located on M-25 in Worth Township, just a mile and a half south of Lexington and we are proudly operating under the new name of

"PUTT'IN 4 PAWS"

After months of research, planning, and meetings with township officials, we were officially and warmly welcomed into the neighborhood. In what seemed like an instant, we were learning to shag golf balls, tend greens and scoop ice cream. The support and enthusiasm of the

community continues to energize and motivate us.

People should not think we are awash with cash. Most of the money for the project has come from the wills of a few animal lovers who bequeathed it to us. We strive to take in as many animals as possible but we are limited by the size of our current facility. A new, larger shelter will allow us to take in and re-home so many more healthy, adoptable animals who might otherwise end up in a municipal facility where their fate is unknown.

We remain patient and hopeful that the new shelter will become a reality by the Fall of 2016, and until then we reach out to anyone who will listen, to help raise the additional funding needed to make our dream a reality.

In addition to sheltering and re-homing so many more dogs and cats, we intend to provide much needed, **affordable veterinary care** in our fully equipped animal clinic.

Consider an adoption with individual consultants and "meet & greet" areas for you and your family to spend time with your new potential family member. This larger facility will also include a dog park, short term day care, dog training, grooming, a walking path around the perimeter of the 10 acre property, and a resale shop exclusively for pet supplies. Our feline friends will enjoy the comforts of temperature controlled indoor accommodations, and secure, screened-in "Catio's" with plenty of toys and exercise equipment.

Putt'in 4 Paws is open from 11:00am till 9:00pm, Monday through Friday, and 10:00am till 9:00pm, Saturday and Sunday

Schedule a Mini-golf Party for any occasion! Call (810)359-4653

Rainy Days and...

Mutt Strut!

A sudden and intense shift in the weather forecast didn't stop us from having a great day. Thanks to the wonderful people at the Sandusky Fairgrounds, and an open Saturday on the calendar, we moved the whole event, walkers, vendors and even the inflatable bouncers inside the Howe Arena. Around 2:00 the wind kicked up and the sky opened. It poured rain for the rest of the day but we didn't let it dilute our spirits!

We're so very grateful for each and every one of you who made Mutt Strut 2015 a day full of fun

and memories in spite of the chilly rain.

To all of the walkers and their dogs, Dr. Ann Roberts of Thumb Veterinary Services, Dr. & Mrs. Fred Walton, Razz-Ma-Tazz face painting, Great Lakes Therapy Dogs Reggie and Annie, rising star Emma Guzman and our own Jim Poling for sharing their musical talents, an outstanding kitchen crew and amazing bakers who supplied our Bake Table. Special thanks to the many sponsors who donated cash and gift certificates, Uri's Landing, Bench Warmers Bar & Grill, Big George's, Steiss', Jerry's Foodland, Blue Water Sports Bar, Studio Hair

Designs, Adams Service Station, so many more donations that added to the excitement of the Tin Can Raffle, and that Adorable Pup Ann Falls who led our parade of walkers.



Special thanks to A/C Officer Donna Lautner, who introduced our Fashion Show contestants. Check out our winner for 2015!

Upcoming Events:

- **BOARD MEETINGS -**
2nd Tuesday each month
- **SPAY/NEUTER EXPRESS**
Sept 11 at Putt'in 4 Paws
(Details on page 3)
- **DETROIT ZOO EVENT -**
"Meet Your Best Friend"
September 18 & 19
- **CHEESECAKE SALE -**
Oct 1- 31 Orders ready
for Thanksgiving!
- **CASINO VEGAS NIGHT -**
Oct 3 at Putt'in 4 Paws
- **HALLOWEEN FUN!**
MINI GOLF - October 31
at Putt'in 4 Paws
- **HOLIDAY SHOP OPENS**
at the Shelter Dec. 1
- **SHELTER CLOSED -**
Dec 27 thru Jan 3rd

DON'T MISS A THING!

If you would like to be added to our e-mail contact list or to update your existing information please visit:

societypets@att.net

AND

puttin4paws@att.net

Puttin4paws@weebly.com

We will keep you up to date on everything going on with us!

Don't forget to **LIKE** us on Facebook! You can share your pet adoption stories and why you love what we do.

POOCH PAGE

Meet Pluto, a Beagle/Hound mix who came to us nearly a year ago. He's a handsome, two year old boy in search of his forever home. Pluto is an owner surrender. He's full of energy, unaware of his size, and needs a special kind of forever home. His new family must be very active (i.e., runners, bicyclists, etc.) and live in a home with a large, fenced in yard and who have lots of time to interact with him. Small kids and other small pets would not be a good fit for this young man. Although he has calmed down enough to play with children at least 10 yrs. old, he doesn't understand why he can't jump on anyone smaller. He just wants to say "Hi" with his whole self. The volunteers at the shelter have taught him to play with other dogs as long as they are of comparable size. If he stays outside for any length of time, his pen should have a top on it, but **he is a house dog, he must live inside with you!** Pluto has been waiting patiently for a long time, he knows you're out there somewhere, please stop in and meet him.



Be the love of his life.

Planned Giving...would you like to leave a gift to the animals that lasts into the future?

A charitable bequest is one of the easiest ways to leave a lasting impact for the animals at Sanilac County Humane Society. It may be made in your will or trust and can be done several ways.

A **Gift** of a percentage of your estate

A **Gift** of a specific dollar amount or asset

A **Gift** from the balance of your estate

With the help of your advisor, you can include language in your will or trust specifying a gift be made to family, friends or Sanilac County Humane Society as part of your estate plan. The benefits of an estate tax charitable deduction will lessen the burden of taxes on your family and you will leave behind a lasting legacy. Our new building will feature a giving tree featuring all of the names of our bequest donors.

Please contact **Sanilac County Humane Society** (810) 657-8962 for more information.



Battling Bands played on July 25 at Lexington's Tierney Park Pavilion. **Huge THANKS** go out to Rick and Renee Patterson and The **Java Boyz** for hosting this annual event to raise funds for our shelter.

Congratulations to the winning band, the "Poltroons"

Bring the kids for Trick or Treat Mini-Golf on Saturday October 31st from 5:00 to 7:00 and **SPOOKY FUN** for the Adults from 8:00pm-11:00pm

WEAR YOUR COSTUMES!

Kids- \$4.50 Adults- \$6.00



Casino Style-Vegas Night
at

Putt'in 4 Paws

Saturday, October 3, 2015

6:00 pm till Midnight

Craps, Roulette, Black Jack and Poker, Food and Adult Refreshments

Tickets \$35.00, ON SALE NOW at the Shelter, online at societypets.org using credit card or PayPal, at P4P, or at the door!

All proceeds benefit the new shelter!
YOU MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND!

AMAZING volunteers and caring pet owners saw to it that more than 200 dogs and cats received life saving vaccines and rabies shots at our annual **Free Vaccination Clinic**, held on Saturday July 11.

We are able to provide this service to the community through grants and donations.

See you next year!



Stop, Shop & Support these local businesses who support our Shelter:

Applegate Market, Applegate
Avon Store, Lexington
B & D Party Store/Citgo, Harbor Beach
Barks and Bubbles, Marlette
Beagio's Restaurant, Marlette
Becks Village Café & Ice Cream, Lexington
Ben Franklin, Croswell
Ben's Supermarket & Lumber, Marlette
Big George's Coney & Bar, Lakeport
Blue Water Winery, Lexington
Bowers Party Store, Peck
Breakfast Only, Deckerville
Brown City Veterinary Clinic
Burtchville Veterinary Clinic
Bush's Restaurant, Lexington
Citgo, Deckerville
Conveyor Components, Croswell
Corner Store, Harbor Beach
Country Settings, Sandusky
Cotterman Company, Croswell
Croswell Tire Center
Deckerville Party Store
Ehardt's Pharmacy's
Forester Inn
Geiger Veterinary Clinic, Croswell
Harbor Drugs, Deckerville
Jerry's Foodland, Sandusky
Kalaney Kennel, Lexington
Kreiner's Korner, Deckerville
Lakeshore Market, Lexington
Lexington Gardens
Liberty Lanes, Sandusky
Little Caesar's, Sandusky
Little Texas Party Store, Brown City
M & O Bargains, Croswell
Main Street General Store, Carsonville
Main Street Grill, Marlette
Marge's Party Store, Forestville
Marlette Oil & Gas
Marlette RV Sales
Marlette Chrysler/Plymouth/Dodge
Mary's Diner, Port Sanilac
Northgate Chiropractic, Fort Gratiot
Olivia's Party Store, Melvin
Pawfections Grooming, Croswell
Peck Farmers Elevator
Pine Hill Market, Applegate
Pomeroy Funeral Home
Port Sanilac Party Store
Pronto Mart, Marlette
Radio Shack, Brown City
Salmon Stop, Carsonville
Sandusky Animal Clinic
Sandusky Marathon
Southside Convenience Store, Sandusky
South Sanilac Veterinary Hospital, Peck
Town & Country Animal Clinic, Sandusky
Tractor Supply, Sandusky
Tri-County Bank, Peck
Vinckier Foods, Deckerville
Weekends, Lexington
Williams Inn, Harbor Beach
Willis Market, Port Sanilac
Wimpy's Place, Lexington
Yankee Clipper, Port Sanilac

Thank you all so much!

The Spay/Neuter Express is coming!

Thanks to a generous grant from Best Friends Animal Society in Kanab, Utah, we are able to offer a **one day, low cost spay/neuter clinic for pet dogs and cats** in partnership with Spay/Neuter Express. The event will be held:

September 11, 2015

at Putt'in 4 Paws

6010 South Lakeshore, Lexington

Visit www.spayneuterexpress.com to schedule your appointment time.

Dogs: Male \$25-Female \$35 ~ Cats: Male \$20 Female \$30

We will hold another one-day clinic in the spring - watch for the announcement on our webpage, societypets.org



*All of us here at the shelter are deeply saddened by the loss of a very caring and extremely dedicated volunteer, **Marilyn Burroughs**, who worked in our office for the past two years. She loved every animal that came through the door and looked for the best in every person she met. She was so very happy to be at the shelter working, always reminding us that laughter was the best cure when things were going wrong.*

Forever an inspiration to us all, we miss you.

Programs and Services:

Memorial Contributions are a beautiful and unique way to honor someone special. You can drop off or mail your donation to us. An acknowledgement card will be sent upon request.

Clean blankets and towels help keep the animals clean and comfortable.

Ink and toner cartridges can be dropped off at the shelter as well as old cell phones. We recycle them for cash.

Deposit bottles and cans are gladly accepted at the shelter. Every ten of them brings a dollar and every dollar is well spent on the animals here!

Watch your neighborhood newspaper or our website www.societypets.org for the "item of the month" to donate

Emergency food is available, call the shelter to arrange to pick up food for your pets during hard times.

Call Animal Control:

(810) 648-4831 if you suspect any animal neglect, abuse or hoarding in your community. You can remain anonymous.

Micro-chipping \$25.00 Call the shelter for information and to schedule an appointment.

Spay/Neuter for Strays and Barn cats: Call to be added to the list for an appointment.

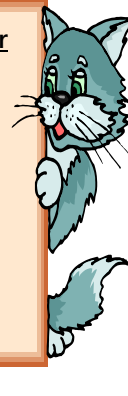
Totals to Consider

Stray/Barn

Cats Fixed:

In July	75
YTD 2015	496
Since 2007	6,815

WOW!!!



The staff, volunteers and many visitors love the thought of a happy ending for every SCHS resident. The reality of providing for them is expensive but the reward is priceless!

Can you help cover the cost of care for a SCHS guest while he or she awaits a forever home?

You can provide 3 months of food, shelter and medical care for a dog or cat for **just \$30.00!**

Please fill out and **send** this form, **call** our office **or** go to our website to donate at any time.

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societypets.org

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A "No Kill" Shelter

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Toilet Paper

White or Color copy paper

Office Supplies

**Gently used golf balls for our
driving range**

Founded in 1996 by a small group of compassionate animal lovers, SCHS is the **ONLY** no-kill shelter in Sanilac County.

Our **Mission** is to provide shelter and medical care, and to find new homes for homeless pets, and to provide community outreach programs as well as reduce the number of unwanted litters through our spay/neuter programs. Our **Vision** is that Michigan's Thumb Tri-County area has no more homeless dogs and cats and that all pets are well cared for.

We rely on volunteers for our daily operations, and rely solely on donations to support our efforts. We do not limit our services to Sanilac County alone, we have no boundaries concerning animals and their welfare.

We are not funded by any federal, state or county agency, and we are not associated in any way, with any other humane society or shelter except in our desire to protect and defend animals.

SANILAC COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY is on the Web and Facebook!

www.societypets.org ~ ~ ~ puttin4paws.weebly.com

Email us at: societypets@att.net ~ ~ ~ puttin4paws@att.net

Humane Society Hours of Operation

Monday - Tuesday- Wednesday - Friday **11:00 am till 5:00 pm** Thursday - **1:00 pm till 6:00 pm**

Saturday and Sunday - **Closed**

