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Formerly Animal Aid

Ariel

Ariel was found in June 2010 and never claimed. Although she did not appear to be in pain, she did have an obvious problem with her back legs – she hopped like a bunny when she walked. It was determined Ariel

had bilateral luxating patellas - where the kneecap slips out of its normal position. Ariel was going to need surgery on both legs or this would most likely cause lameness as she aged.

Only one knee could be repaired at a time, and her first surgery was scheduled in July. The knee was a "real mess" - and she remained on cage rest for another month. The second surgery was done in October. By November, it was determined that the second surgery did not work and another surgery was scheduled for January 2011.

Ariel went to a foster home where she was supposed to remain "quiet" and not jump around. However, no one told Ariel that and the first hour at the foster home, she jumped the baby gate and headed upstairs to the bed! From then on there was no holding her back. When Ariel went for her re-do surgery, the muscle tone in the leg had improved so much that the problem didn't seem to be affecting Ariel's quality of life, so the surgery was cancelled.

Ariel was finally ready for adoption, even though she still walked a bit "oddly". Ariel was very vocal and social, looking for attention from everyone. She was allowed to roam the lobby and hallway for awhile each day to give her the exercise she needed to keep the muscles toned and firm.

Many days she would visit in The Loft, sleeping on a chair or preferably, someone's lap! Other days she ran up and down the hallway, up onto the front desk, up a ladder when a light bulb was being changed in the lobby, even onto the top cabinets in the kitchen to "help" the feed and clean volunteers. She never knew her legs were a

A designated fund has been set up to cover costs for cats that need extra and unusual surgeries - and we have named it the Ariel Fund, in honour of Ariel.

by Maria, Al, Filomena and Jersey

Ariel has recently gone to her forever home and this is her happy ending!

This little monkey joined our family the beginning of March 2011 and she has been a great addition. I would see her at the shelter and thought to myself - she has a great personality. She would walk up and down the hallway with her "duck legs", meowing and screeching, calling out to anyone to find out where everyone went; she does the same in her new home! After a few days I had to have a sit-down talk with Storm (as Ariel is now called) to let her know that when it's dark outside it's time to sleep and not time to play, run around and meow in her screeching way that she does.

Storm fit in very quickly with my dog Jersey and my cat Filomena. Within days, all three were playing together and passing on kisses with each other. She loves to run around, running up and down the stairs, jumping from one item to the next and playing soccer. I do, however worry about her because of her little "duck" legs (her back legs), on which she had her surgeries. I want to make sure she does not get hurt and I want her to feel and be safe. Storm loves the heat, she sits on the vents when the heat is on and then just lays there and sleeps. I must say she does like to lounge quite a bit, little lazy monkey, and boy does she snore! Storm is very smart; she picked up on the "TREAT" routine very quickly within days. She now knows when we leave the house, and when it's time for bed, it's TREAT time.

You are probably wondering why we named her Storm, well let me tell you. She is named after one of the X-men (superheroes). To us she is a SUPERHERO and the name fits her well - she is like a hurricane running around the house.

Thank you very much to the Burlington **Humane Society** and all the volunteers that took very good care of her.



The Burlington Humane Society Incorporated is a Registered Charity (119254498RR0001) founded in 1974.

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Hours of Operation

Adoption Centre

740 Griffith Court 10:00 am – 5:00 pm | Monday – Saturday Noon – 3:00 pm | Sunday 905-637-7325

The Loft

740 Griffith Court 10:00 am – 5:00 pm l Monday – Saturday 905-633-8143

The Attic

479 John Street 10:00 am – 4:00 pm l Monday – Saturday 905-333-5885

OUR MISSION

Burlington Humane is an organization of volunteers dedicated to the care and protection of the stray and abandoned animals in the Burlington area, operating solely on the generosity of its community.

Burlington Humane is not affiliated with the Ontario SPCA or associated with the Hamilton/Burlington SPCA.

President's Message

By Jolene Regan

It seemed that winter would never end this year, but finally spring fever is upon us! Even the animals seem to feel it!

As you look through the newsletter, you will see pictures of some of our volunteers in action. April is Volunteer Appreciation Month and Maria Pellegrino, our Volunteer Director, and I want to thank each and every volunteer for their dedication to the animals. Every area of volunteering is integral to the success of our organization. On May 1, we are planning a Volunteer Appreciation BBQ at the shelter and hope many of you will attend.

In January, Donations Director Maxine Foxall resigned from the board. We wish Maxine all the best in the future.

We welcomed Patricia Connell as a new board member – Patricia has been a volunteer for several years, and is presently coordinating the cat feed/clean program.

There have been several changes in staff recently. In December, Leigh Anna Brown resigned as an adoption counsellor. Unfortunately, due to budgetary reasons, it was necessary to eliminate the receptionist position held by Patricia Johnston. We wish both Leigh Anna and Patricia the best in their future endeayours.

We welcomed Adrienne Gosse as our new Shelter Manager. Adrienne was an Animal Biology major, has a Master's degree in Animal Behaviour and Welfare, and worked at an emergency veterinary clinic for several years.

We also welcomed Amanda Solomon as a part-time adoption counsellor. Amanda has an accounting background and has taken several courses in animal behavior.

We have not been immune to the downturn in the economy – noticeably in adoptions. We have so many beautiful animals at our shelter and our adoption numbers have not kept pace with previous years. Please remember to recommend BHS to your family or friends who might be looking for a cat or dog.

A heartfelt thanks to all of our supporters who made donations at Christmas, and for all the heartwarming pictures and stories about their animals, many of them previous adoptions from BHS. Pet Pics with Santa brought many of those animals into the shelter for a visit.

I hope many of you will be able to attend Pooch Promenade this year! We look forward to seeing many of the dogs adopted from BHS. Our Alumni Parade was very impressive last year and promises to be even better this year!

For those who are members, we hope to see you at the AGM on June 14th.

UPDATES - Watch the Pet of the Week ad in the Burlington Post or online at burlingtonhumane.ca

Burlington Humane Society Annual General Meeting

Tuesday June 14, 2011 - 7:00pm

Tansley Woods Community Centre; 1996 Itabashi Way

Business to be dealt with includes: reports from the President, Treasurer, Adoptions and other Directors; consideration of the Auditor's Report, retention of the Auditors for next year and election of the President and seven Directors.

All Members are Invited to Attend

Members as of June 1, 2011 who are at least 18 years of age will be eligible to vote and seek office on the Board of Directors. If you wish to run for President or another position on the Board, you must complete a nomination form and deliver it to the Adoption Centre no later than 5:00pm on May 16, 2011. Nomination forms are available at the Adoption Centre.

Adoptions Report

By Sue Tilley

The adoptions area of BHS has definitely been a busy place through the winter. With a very long puppy and kitten season, our adoptions team has been kept busy looking after dogs and cats of all ages. Our wonderful foster families have found their homes full of little ones and pregnant moms through the chilly months and they have all done a great job caring for the families that have come their way. We have just adopted out our first spring litter of kittens and placed some hand feeders, signalling an early start to this year's season!

The adoptions team welcomed Kristen Sivitilli, as our weekend animal care worker, in March. Josh Demedeiros resigned and we wish Josh all the best in his future endeavours. Kristen brings experience in working with animals and a love of caring for animals. I would like to thank Mary Anne Edwards for her dedication and hard work through the transition of the adoptions team. We are all looking forward to a great 2011 in adoptions.

Although our adoption numbers were down in 2010, we were able to find over 600 animals forever homes. There is no way that we could help so many lost and lonely animals without the help of some amazing volunteers. We are fortunate to have such great people dedicating so much time to the abandoned and stray animals that come through our doors each month. Whether it is filling over 70 feed and clean or 56 dog walker spots, transporting animals, fostering, volunteering on reception, helping with adoptions, training new recruits, or offering puppy classes, our volunteers are always there when we need them and their dedication and support is much appreciated. Thank you volunteers, from the animals and the adoptions team.

The generous support of the Sally fund has allowed us to help some great dogs and puppies through the year. We are thrilled to see the establishment of the Ariel fund, which will allow us to continue to help wonderful cats and kittens. Both funds will be put to great use helping the throw away animals. Continued support of both funds is needed and will do so much to help.

Although the winter months have been cold and snowy, it has been warm inside BHS. The love and care of our volunteers and the support from all of our donors has kept the sun shining. We are looking forward to a bright spring with lots of wonderful animals finding their forever homes.

UPCOMING EVENTS..



May 1 – Volunteer BBQ at the shelter - 4 pm

May 29 – 18th Annual Pooch Promenade Spencer Smith Park - 10 am

June 14 – Annual General Meeting Tansley Woods Community Centre - 7 pm

August 6 – Garage Sale at the shelter - 8 am

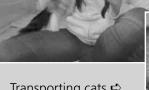
September 18 – 3rd Annual Ruff Ride

April is Volunteer Month

Some of our Volunteers in Action







Transporting cats

from the vets



☼ Dog walking





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THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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There are many ways to provide a legacy for the animals. Gifts can be made in your will, a donation of stocks, life insurance, annuities and others. Please discuss this with your estate planner or financial advisor. If you would like further information on how Burlington Humane will use those funds, please do not hesitate to call.

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SPECIAL DONATIONS AND THANKS

Raffle Pet Valu and Canada Trust Donated money from sales of Meagan & Jing

homemade gingerbread cookies **Megan Small** Donated 6th birthday money

to the animals

Allison Parnis & Alexis Snell Sold handmade accessories and

donated money to the animals

Laminator and cat food bowls

Sold handmade bracelets with proceeds to the animals

Mary Eileen McGibbon

Jean Lea Johnson

Grant Donation

Estate of Phyllis Rose Phillips Bequest

For stray "Fluffy" For stray "Libbey" **PWM Electronics Canada Ltd.**

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Burlington Community Foundation

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> In lieu of X-Mas gift exchange -Dave Sims, Megan Mattie, Shelley Brooke, Tania Zullo

BMO Employee Charitable Foundation

Raffle draw at Banana Bread

Baking Contest

Cat Bowls and Laminator Signed/numbered collectible prints by Canadian Artists

Employee Donations

Stephanie Spinney at JAN Kelley Marketing PWM Electronics Canada Ltd.

Mary & Jim Nardi



Keighley, Joan In Memory of Helen Viknanek from Thomas Jachymek



Emma asked for toys and food for the animals in lieu of her 10th

birthday presents.



Megan brought toys for the animals for her 6th birthday.



Meghan & Ging made gingerbread cookies and gave the proceeds to the animals.

Volunteers from Boehringer-Ingleheim spent a volunteer day cleaning the shelter. Great job everyone!





Pet Therapy team members dressed up their dogs for visits to local nursing homes!



Girl Guide Troop visit

SALLY FUND DONATIONS

In honour of Liz & Ian Cole

The Auto Salon

In memory of Charlie from Janice & Jim Farguhar

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Jan Farquhar

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FUNDRAISING REPORT

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS OPEN HOUSE

A huge vote of thanks to everyone who came to our Pet Pics with Santa and Christmas open house, and who brought so many wonderful treats, food and toys for the animals at our shelter. We all enjoyed many great stories of much loved pets.

Did you also buy a festive gift basket for your own furry friends? My thanks to Santa for dropping by to have his photo taken with our furry visitors, and also to Helen McGregor and Maxine Foxall for their invaluable help in creating the many festive gift baskets on sale at the adoption centre – wonderful work, ladies!

POOCH PROMENADE – MAY 29

It's spring time again, and that means time to get in shape for our annual Pooch Promenade! Enjoy a wonderful springtime stroll with your four-legged companion on the shores of Lake Ontario. Whether you are up for the 5 km walk or just a leisurely stroll around the park, come out to enjoy all that the Promenade has to offer, including a BBQ, showtime compliments of LIFESTYLE DOG TRAINING and stroll to see all the many vendors of pet-related products and services. Many prizes are on offer again this year, as well as tee-shirts, competitions and a raffle table with lots of great stuff! Help the animals, and enjoy some fun at Burlington's own lakeside park! See you there!

Date: Sunday 29th May

Time: Registration from 8.00 AM

Walk begins at 10.00 AM

Place: Spencer Smith Park, Burlington

LAWN SIGNS



Do you have room for a lawn sign to advertise Pooch Promenade? Please pick yours up at the shelter or if you have one from last year - its time to put it out!

WIGH LIST

Unscented dryer sheets
Antibacterial hand soap
4-ply wool for catnip mice
Ear thermometer
Kuranda Beds for the dogs (kuranda.com)

The ATTIC & LOFT Report

Congratulations to all of the volunteers at The Attic and The Loft! 2010 was a very good year with sales of \$37,000 and \$38,000 respectively! Both stores rely on volunteers – many spending hours sorting, pricing and keeping the stores running smoothly.



Please stop by The Attic and The Loft when looking for great bargains on clothing, jewellery, books and many gently used household items. Gift baskets for your animals are also available at The Loft.

Thanks to all the store volunteers for your dedication and commitment.

Thanks also to all who donate items – without those donations, we would not be able to provide bargains to the public and keep up our high

standards of care of the animals.

Thanks to our Volunteers!

A special thanks to John McKinley who spent many years collecting money from donation tins around Burlington. Due to health issues, John recently had to give up his route. Surely many merchants will miss John stopping by for a visit.

A big thank you must go to all our wonderful volunteers for their invaluable help. From servicing the donations tins, volunteering at the adoption centre or The Attic and The Loft stores, updating the website, education and work at all fundraisers and community events: thank you all so much!

We appreciate everyone's contribution to BHS and the animals.





You're Invited!

Volunteer Appreciation BBQ
Sunday May 1, 2011
4 p.m.
740 Griffith Court

RSVP to volunteers @burlingtonhumane.ca or 905-637-7325

HAPPY ENDINGS





Scrapper

Well I have had Scrapper home for 2 days now and he is definitely a character! He walks around the house like he is the King of the Castle, strutting his stuff...but really; despite what he wants you to believe...he is a big old softy. I think he would let me pet him for hours if I could. He's sleeping on the bed each night, watching the going on's through the windows throughout the day and has started to play hide and seek with me...even initiating the game. I am truly blessed to have this handsome cat in my life. Thank you so much for allowing him to come home with me to his FOREVER home! Without a doubt, he will be dearly loved and spoiled each and every day for the rest of his cat life.

Bran (nee Comet)

Hello to everyone at the humane society!

I would first like to start off by saying thank you so much for taking such good care of Bran (comet). He is the most well adjusted dog I've seen and that's because of all the hard work and love everyone gave him. Bran has from day one fit in perfectly with our family, we couldn't have asked for a better dog! It seems like every day he's growing more and more, take a look for yourself with these pictures. Thanks again.



Kristen & Lawrence



Cinnamon (formerly Andrew)

Hello! We wanted to thank the terrific people at the Burlington Humane for helping us to adopt Cinnamon (formerly Andrew). He was very shy when he first arrived here, preferring to stay under beds and chairs. Slowly he has become much more confident and now plays with our first BHS adoptee Smokey (formerly Benjamin) when he's not stretching, napping and generally looking very cute. Cinnamon enjoys looking out at the neighbourhood from his place in the office or at the squirrels in the backyard. He has fit right into our daily routine and cuddles to watch TV as if he's done it forever. We love our ginger boy! Thanks again.

Mike & Marilyn

Reggie

We adopted Reggie about a month ago and things are going great. My 7yr old son got to pick the name and he decided to keep the name Reggie because "that's his name, we can't change his name now, plus he looks like a Reggie" !! He was a small guy when we got him home but things have changed- he is getting to be a big strong boy but still a bit uncoordinated. He was only timid for the first 5 minutes in the house then made himself right at home. He has adjusted well to his new home and new older dog brother Brutus (Boston Bull Terrier). They spend hours playing and chasing each other around and then collapse together for a rest before starting again. Reggie loves the outdoors and we practically have to drag him in some days, but he hates to get his feet wet! Thank you so much for taking him in and taking care of him so that we could find him and make him part of our family.



The Kramer's

STILL WAITING FOR THAT HAPPY ENDING ...



Annabella

Annabella – 3 yrs old is a beautiful torti with a mind of her own. Because she has a bit of "catitude", she has been waiting for a new home for almost 2 years. Annabella picks and chooses her "friends" – purring and cuddling some and objecting loudly at others, but never biting or scratching. Recently, she moved into the playroom and now into one of the offices and is often found lounging in the lobby, on the front desk or on a rolling cart. She runs up and down the hallways for exercise (needs to lose some weight), and likes playing with catnip mice and feathers. Although Annabella prefers being an only cat, she would most certainly spend hours happily lying on a bed, chair or looking out the window – and on your lap, when she feels like it