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SOCIETY**

"GIVING ANIMALS A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE AND LOVE"



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Newsletter of Harbor Humane Society, a non-profit 501(c) (3) corporation

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All creatures share one thing in common...**FOOD!** And hunger hurts!



**Hunger hurts thousands
of families and homeless
pets every year.**

You can help.



**MILLION
MEAL
MARCH**

Feeding America West Michigan Food Bank
and Harbor Humane Society



5K Hike

May 18, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Outdoor Discovery Center

4214 56th Street, Holland MI 49423

Register at MillionMealMarch.org

**For more information, call Harbor Humane
Society at 616-399-2119 ext.111**



Please join us for the first Million March March, a partnership event between Feeding America West Michigan and Harbor Humane Society. Feeding America serves over 90 food banks in Ottawa County alone. Harbor Humane cares for 5,000 homeless pets yearly. The main focus of this event is to RAISE FUNDS. While we appreciate donations of food, our buying power can turn a \$1 donation into \$10 worth of supplies – which is much more than you can purchase from local stores.

How can you help: Form a team! Ask your co-workers, sports teams, church family, friends and neighbors to join you in raising funds. **Ask your employer to become a sponsor!** Opportunities are available to promote the commitment of local businesses to stamping out hunger.

This fun, family friendly event will feature a live band, a lovely 5K hike through nature, a play area for children and **DOGS ARE WELCOME!** Join us for a great event and feed the hungry!

A big **THANK YOU** to these restaurants for participating in The Great Mid-Winter Chow Down!

Thank you to the following local restaurants for donating a portion of their proceeds on February 27 and 28. Restaurants reported a surge in business for this event. Thanks to all for your support. Your kindness gives a homeless pet a second chance at life and love!

We hope more restaurants will participate in next year's event! Do you have a favorite restaurant where you dine often? **Ask them** to join us next February and support our animals. Contact development@harborhumane and we'll follow up!



Gregordog – Holland



Idle House Restaurant, Spring Lake

UNCOMMON GROUNDS
coffee roasters saugatuck

Grant Received!

Thank YOU!



Needed shelter repairs are being made possible by a grant from the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area. The grant of \$5,000 will be used toward the \$20,000 needed for two industrial washer and dryer units plus needed plumbing repairs. Our deepest thanks for HZCF for recognizing the contribution that HHS makes to the community's health and safety.

A Gift With Every Adoption!

PET SUPPLIES PLUS
GREAT PRICES. NO BEGGING.

HHS welcomes new partner, Pet Supplies Plus. Thanks to their generosity, **everyone who adopts one of our shelter pets will receive a gift certificate for \$25 which can be redeemed for anything in their store.** Consider it a "shower gift" for your new family member. But their kindness doesn't stop there. **When you use your certificate, Pet Supplies Plus will then donate \$20 back to HHS!**

Thank you,
Pet Supplies Plus!

4Paws for a Cause



YOU'RE THE STAR!

WHEN CARING HEARTS GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

**JUNE 1ST, 2013 6:30PM
LAKETOWN CONFERENCE CENTER
SAUGATUCK, MI
TICKETS \$100**



Harbor Humane will be a recipient of the funds raised at this annual event! Join us for a fun night of food, fellowship and great auction items to support HHS and the three other animal welfare organizations who share our mission to save homeless pets. Tickets can be purchased at: 4pawsforacause.org

Harbor Humane Society has a **BRAND NEW WEBSITE!**

A big **THANK YOU** to our sponsor, Blue Sky Sessions, for their website services! You can see more of their work at blueskysessions.com.



Visit harborhumane.org and check out our new, mobile-friendly website!



SCAN ME with your smartphone
to visit our site!

Harbor Humane Hero Award



In January, HHS presented 11 year old Mallory Bosma with the first Harbor Humane Hero Award in front of 60 of her peers at Cityside Middle School in Zeeland. Mallory has been a valuable volunteer, coming to the shelter regularly once or twice a week, to help clean and cuddle cats. She became concerned that two sibling cats, Tinkerbelle and Peter Pan, would not be adopted together and she decided to act. Mallory offered up her Christmas money to pay for one half of the cat's adoption fees if someone would adopt both animals. She appeared on Red Kingman's WHTC radio show, to make her plea to the public. During the interview, an anonymous donor called and pledged to pay the other half of the fee. Right before Christmas, both cats went to a loving, new home!



Mallory is a wonderful example of how students can really make an impact and help HHS realize its mission.

She received a framed certificate which read "In recognition of extraordinary kindness, sacrifice and generosity in helping this organization give homeless pets a second chance at life and love. We commend your contribution to our mission and your service to this community's animals."

Students and adults can help! Host a birthday or anniversary party and ask for gifts for our animals instead of presents! Form a team to walk in our Million Meal March. Host a fund raising reception in your home. Organize a skating or bowling party to raise funds for our animals. HHS needs to raise over \$500,000 yearly to support our shelter. Every dollar counts! We can help you! Contact development@harborhumane.org.



Mark Your Calendars!



Adoption Events

Saturday, April 6

11:00am - Adopt-a-Thon, Holland Chow Hound

Saturday, April 13

11:00am - Adopt-a-Thon, Holland Petco

Saturday, April 20

11:00am - Adopt-a-Thon, Grand Haven Chow Hound

Fundraising Events

Saturday, April 27

7:00pm - Blues Concert Benefiting HHS - Park Theater in Holland. Tickets are \$15

Saturday, May 18

9:30am - Million Meal March 5K Event - Discovery Center in Holland



We're Waiting Here for You!

A mom left behind..



Mrs. Potts is a very sweet Staffordshire terrier mix. She and her five puppies were found locked in a car last July, during the sweltering heat of the summer. Thanks to the constant care of HHS's staff and volunteers, all six of these gorgeous dogs survived. We're happy to report that all 5 puppies have been adopted. However, poor mom still lives at our shelter. She desperately needs a home too. Won't you stop by and visit with this 2 year old cutie? She misses her puppies and needs a loving family to fill that void in her life. She has been temperament tested, has "good manners" and is waiting to shower you with love!

Barron, a 2 year old black lab mix, came to us in August. Unfortunately, he tested positive for heartworms. But this dog has spunk. He wouldn't give up and neither would HHS. Even though heartworm treatment is lengthy and expensive, Barron underwent treatment. He is now completely healed and ready for a new home. This dog has courage and spirit. He beat this killer-disease and now wants to share his new life with a family who will love and appreciate his tenacity and will to live. Don't keep him waiting any longer! Barron had a tough road and he persevered. Won't you open your home to this wonderful dog? He has lots of love to give!

Healthy and ready for his new home!



Your Dollars at Work



Saying **"Thank You"** always seems so inadequate. But Harbor Humane couldn't save so many homeless pets if it weren't for the support and passion of our supporters and volunteers. Last year, over 1200 homeless pets went to safe, loving, new homes. **Because of YOU.** Many of these came to our shelter crying and confused from abuse, neglect and illness. At HHS, they found healing medical care, warmth, nutritious food, safety and loving hands to comfort them.

Your gifts save lives every day! HHS depends on your generosity to continue our life-giving services. Make a gift today! Write a check or donate online. These animals will thank you by blessing a family with many years of joy and loyalty. Give these wonderful pets another chance at life and love.

And by the way... **THANK YOU!**

Be sure and visit us at **The Pet Expo, April 13 from 10-7 and the 14th from 11-5 at The Delta Plex in Grand Rapids!**