

Planned Pethood, Inc E-Newsletter

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February 2009

Coming soon!

Planned Pethood's Annual

RUMMAGE SALE

May 7-9, 2009

NOW accepting donations of
good used merchandise

early intake
contact Jane at:
419-866-1790 or
JHolman072@aol.com

all donations go directly to
helping NW OH dogs and cats!

(check our calendar
for more information on place & times)



Fundraising Update

Our second meeting to discuss fundraising was on Friday, February 13th. We discussed the finer details of the upcoming events, how we will tackle the events and who among us can help with what. It is imperative that expedite our fundraising efforts in light of our current situation. Thank you to those agreeing to help in ANY capacity. If you have any contacts or ideas you would like to share- please contact Nikki Morey at morehart@bex.net or 419-243-9787. The meeting location was at the Sylvania Animal Hospital.

PPI Suffers Budget Shortfall

As we enter February, PPI is faced with having a serious budget shortfall to see us through the month. This means we have to start asking ourselves where can we make up for this shortfall.

Temporarily we are proposing to curtail our services to the public. This means less spay/neuter services. When there are thousands and thousands of cats pregnant and ready to give birth this March & April that is a scary solution.

We are also proposing to curtail how many animals we can take into our adoption program. Escalating foreclosure rates has meant thousand of cats and dogs are finding themselves homeless and dropped off at pounds or humane societies.

We are in the process of generating some unique fundraising ideas. We are exploring more grants. But those are all long range fixes. We need an immediate influx of donations.

Right now is when Planned Pethood and the services we offer are needed the most. In the past, you have trusted Planned Pethood to meet the needs of our community. In the past, you have made saving lives a reality though your generous donations of time, talent and money to PPI.

It is our sincere hope that you can help us in our dire time of need. You might not think your donation is enough- but it is. Every little bit counts and is hugely appreciated.

In the meantime, please keep PPI in your thoughts as we struggle to find the right way to address these grim realities.

GoodSearch & GoodBuy Makes \$\$ for PPI

Did you see that we earned more in January '09 than we did in any month in all of 2008 and all but two months of 2007?? It was \$14.11 for searches plus another \$.26 kickback for purchases through Goodshop for a total of \$14.37. Imagine if we could get everybody we know to use Goodsearch and Goodshop. In this yucky economy, people can contribute to us without it costing them a single thing!

Please help us help Sheegwa!



Sheegwa is a young possible Himalayan mix cat. She was tossed outside to fend for herself in the bitter cold after her original owners no longer wanted her. Kind neighbors took her in and contacted Planned Pethood for help. She had one ear fall off immediately after arriving at the vets. Many people believe cats can fend for themselves if let go outside. Sheegwa's sad story shows that is not the case. Without the help of Planned Pethood rescuers, her story would have a much more tragic ending.

Unfortunately, she also tested positive for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) which is the feline version of HIV/AIDS. With proper care, cats with FIV can have long lifespans.

She was named after the kitten on the PBS cartoon "Sagwa."

UPDATE (2/6/08)

Sheegwa has had her second ear fall off because of frostbite damage and her nose has been frostbitten too.

UPDATE (2/7/09)

Sheegwa has been released from St Francis Veterinary Hospital and is recovering in a foster home. If you'd like to find out more about giving her a warm and loving home, please click here to complete our [cat application](#).

Please help us help Sheegwa!

Like everyone in these challenging economic times, Planned Pethood is trying to make ends meet on less money. Please help us by sponsoring Sheegwa's medical care. When you make a donation using the PayPal on our website or by mail, we will add your name as a sponsor. Thank you for caring about Sheegwa!

Add PPI to your friends list for MySpace.com and Facebook.com. You need to search Planned Pethood under businesses or schools, and we also have a group you can join.

Single serving volunteers

Not everyone can foster. Not everyone has the spare time to devote to a large project. Not everyone is able to commit to assisting long-term to a fundraiser. Maybe you would be able to help PPI for one of our volunteering opportunities. With humor, we're calling them "single serving" volunteers. Check out these needs we have:

- 3-4 hour shift to help sort rummage sale items weekends and week nights
- 3-4 hour shift to help run games for 30th birthday party
- Crafting, quilting, painting
- Writing thank you notes
- Putting labels onto envelopes
- Collating handbooks
- Looking for donations from grocery stores
- Follow up calls/emails to adoptive families
- Data entry
- Website research
- Transport animals to and from the vet, adoption events, pounds, etc
- Much more

Pass this e-newsletter on to others

Your friends, family and co-workers might be interested in Planned Pethood, just like you are. Please consider passing this email newsletter on to others. The more people that know about Planned Pethood- the more animals we can help in the public.

While you are forwarding jokes, prayers and zany stories- forward this Planned Pethood message on also.

Pet First Aid Class

Planned Pethood board member, Dr. Kittsen McCumber, DVM is offering a Pet First Aid Class to any and all. Dr. McCumber is with the Emergency Animal Clinic, offering care during times of crisis. Emergencies and basic first aid will be covered during this class. As time allows, Dr. McCumber will take our questions about our pets.

Thursday, March 5th

6:30 – 8:30pm

Maumee Branch Library
501 River Rd.
Maumee, OH 43537

Participants need to sign up in advance so we may purchase the companion handbooks to go with the class. These handbooks are a valuable resource to turn to when you have questions or concerns about your pet's health. It also offers at home techniques you can use to help your pet and enrich its life. Please indicate if you need handbook for a cat, dog or both. The cost is \$20 per book. Orders and payment must be received by February 19th. Purchases may be made through our website via PayPal or at adoption events.

30th Birthday Party

Mark your calendars for June 13th. Activities for the kids and your pets include:

Blue Grass Band – DJ – Agility Course-
Border Patrol Dog Demo- Obedience
Demo- Games – Raffles – Prizes & Give
Aways – Food – Clown – Face Painting
– Pet Yoga Demo – Free Microchipping
– Crafts – Treats – Pet Physic- MUCH
MORE



February 13-15
PetSmart Valentine's Adopt-A-Thon

Win a FREE Spay or Neuter!

When you purchase a \$2 raffle ticket
you'll be entered into a drawing to win a free spay or neuter
courtesy of Planned Pethood.

Tickets will be sold at our 3 day Adopt-A-Thons
at PetSmart Rossford and Spring Meadows.
Check our calendar for times.

Winner will be chosen
on

February 24

National Spay Day



Saturday, May 2, 2009

7pm at Toledo Country Club



A celebration of saving the dogs & cats of our community!

Music – Silent Auction – Live Auction
Dinner – Meet The Animals – Celebrate!

We need your **sponsorship dollars & auction items** to help underwrite expenses.

Sponsorship Levels
Check out the benefits to each
sponsorship level online.

Tickets:	\$60
Table of 10:	\$750
Top Dog:	\$1500
Grand Poo Paw:	\$1200
Gold Paw:	\$600
Silver Paw:	\$300
Bronze Paw:	\$100
Friend:	under \$100

***Our need is profound;
your help is vital!***

Contact us at
pets@plannedpethood.org
for more details or watch the
website for more
information.

Can you Post Flyers Around Town?

We need a crew of people to post flyers around town for our various events. Maybe mom can drive and kids can jump out and post them on bulletin boards. Or when you are picking up your prescriptions, you can post a flyer on the public board. Local businesses will put our flyers in their shopping bags if we drop off a supply to them. Can you help? Call or email at 419-243-9787 or morehart@bex.net.

Take a Survey – We Want To Hear From You

In an effort to better serve our volunteers and our community, PPI is asking ALL volunteers (large and small, regulars and occasional) to take a survey. You will be asked to answer questions about PPI and the PPI leaders. It should take you 10-15 minutes. Click on the link below to be directed to the online survey or visit the Links page on our website.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=TIXIKU5Ec_2bNQx1MHzRcrJQ_3d_3d



Axel Recovering But Still Needs Help

This big handsome boy was originally found as a stray by some children who kept him in a shed at their home because their parents didn't approve of them having him. He escaped from the shed and was hit by a car. They raised enough money for x-rays and pain meds and took him to an emergency vet. When the father came to pick Axel up, he threatened to shoot him when he got him home. The vet tech at the emergency clinic has seen many, many dogs over more than a decade of

working with animals, and saw something special in Axel. She wanted something more for him than such a heartless brutal end to his life and so she asked Planned Pethood for help.

Axel is recovering from a broken pelvis, a lacerated tongue, and a lot of scrapes and bruises. He is expected to make a full recovery after about 4 weeks of rest. We will keep you updated on his progress and let you know when he is available for adoption.

UPDATE (2/5/09)

Axel is walking now! He is still only eating if I hand feed him since I think that his mouth still hurts, but he just licks my hand and licks my hand - so grateful for the attention!

Prom for Paws

We are taking in gently used/clean prom dressed, shoes, purses, earrings, necklaces, shawls, etc. to be sold back to the community. Items can be dropped off at First Federal Bank 1077 Louisiana Ave, Perrysburg any M-Th 9-5, Fri 9-6, Sat 9-12. The sale is tentatively scheduled for April 4-5. More details will follow as they become available.

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*Planned Pethood, Inc.
Food for Fur
FUNdraiser*

Thursday, March 19th

**20% of your lunch, dinner and
carryout sales will benefit
Planned Pethood, Inc.**

Flyer distribution on Max & Erma's property is prohibited and will result in the forfeiture of your organization's entire donation.

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Present this ticket to your Max & Erma's server and 20% of your lunch, dinner and carryout sales will benefit Planned Pethood, Inc.

Proceed donation does not include gift certificate sales.

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