

Mission Statement:

To reduce the overpopulation and suffering of dogs and cats through education and low-cost spay/neuter programs and to rescue, vet and place adoptable dogs and cats into good permanent homes.

Lou Lou the 3-legged Kitty

Hi, I'm Lou Lou!

I'm a special girl! My past is a bit murky. Someone brought me up here from Louisville KY (and at first I was called Louie, but what kind of name is that for a girl cat?) At some point in my short, 8-month life, I suffered a horrible accident. My left front leg is

missing. But I don't let it slow me down. You should see me run. I run like the wind! Stairs-no problem. Litter pan- no problem. Bed- no problem. I can jump up to about chair height (so maybe I won't be up on your kitchen counter, getting my nose in whatever you're fixing for dinner!) Sometimes I bottom out when I jump down, but no problem. I pick myself right up and keep going. I choose my feline friends selectively.



I prefer bigger friends to little kittens, and males to females. In fact, I've turned into a little toughie. I've been going after the alpha girl in my foster home, and now she's scared of me! I am shy at first in new situations. But I soon adjust and then I'll be your sweet, purring little armchair muffin. Wouldn't you like a UNIQUE kitten like me? If you are interested in meeting or adopting Lou Lou, please contact our Cat Coordinator at 419-250-7925.



DOG WASH

- - Dog Wash CANCELLED for June 15 - -

It has not been warm enough for several days in a row to heat up the temperature of Lake Erie. Hose water would be VERY cold at about 66 degrees when the air temperature is only in the 80's. We are not going to make dogs endure that sort of torture. Nor should our volunteers be so cold either.

- - Dog Wash Fundraisers - -

Join us this summer to get your dog spiffed up.

Saturday, June 29 @ Toledo

Saturday, July 27 @ Toledo

Saturday, August 10 @ Maumee

Saturday, September 14 @ Maumee

- Free Will donations for every dog we wash. We suggest \$8-\$10.
- Toe nail trims: \$5
- Anal gland expressions: \$10

Sorry no cats! It's too dangerous if they get loose. No rain dates if raining at the time

of dog wash.

Sign up to help here.

Northwest Ohio Rib Off

We supply the volunteers to work one information booth. For that work we earn a generous check. Volunteers get the chance to people watch, get entrance into the Rib Off for free and make money for helping the dogs and cats in your community.

Because we are only scheduling shifts with about 2-4 people per shift, it is IMPERATIVE you honor the commitment you have made to Planned Pethood. You can't contact us that day to say you can't come because you had to pick up a shift at work, had to soak your hang nail, visit your dying grandmother who died the last time you were supposed to do something for PPI. Of course, life happens and we will make every effort to accommodate those changes. We ask that you be fair to us as well.

Thursday, August 8 from 4pm to 9 pm Friday, August 9 from noon to 11pm Saturday, August 10 from noon to 11pm Sunday, August 11 from noon to 7pm

WHAT WILL YOU BE DOING?

- Sitting, with some standing, behind a table.
- Ensuring reading materials, brochures, flyers are out and not blowing away
- Smile and engage people
- Answer what questions you can. Read the website or the brochures to familiarize yourself.
- If you can't answer a questions- THAT'S OK! Write it down in the notebook (provided and kept at the table), with the person's contact info and someone will get back to them with the answer.
- Encourage donations in the donation box.
- Encourage volunteering. Let people know not all volunteers are foster homes. We need all kinds of volunteers.

SOME MORE DETAILS

- The Rib Off will be held at the Lucas County Fairgrounds.
- We have set up 2 4 spots from shift. If you want to bring a friend, you may but they must have their name listed as well.
- Entrance is free for those that volunteer. Otherwise, tickets range from \$5 to \$35.

- You may enjoy the Rib-Off after your shift is completed.
- You may NOT drink alcohol during or before your shift.
- You may or may not be able to see the concert stage. If it's important to you to see the shows, plan accordingly.
- Sign up is required so your name can be left at the will call so you may gain entrance.

Please sign up here

or at http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054AACAD2F4-riboff

 You can always do a search for a sign up based on the email address ed@plannedpethood.org.

Cat Care Center Needs Help

Attention cat lovers! We are looking for people who love cats, don't have a lot of time to volunteer, but want to help out. Planned Pethood has an adoption center at the PetSmart in Spring Meadows. We have regular volunteers who daily take of the kitties that up for adoption by giving them food & water and cleaning out their cages. However, sometimes one of them can't make it and we need someone to fill in. This happens only a couple of times a month. If you only have an hour a month to volunteer, we could use your help. If you are interested, please contact Nora Cassidy at ncassid@bgsu.edu.

Free Spay/Neuter Available in 43605

Our grant covers residents of 43605 with owned cats. The grant is from PetSmart Charities worth \$97,000 over a 2 year period. That means we get 50% now and 50% in 2014, if we have spent the first 50%. That's the easy part.

<u>But what about free-roaming cats?</u> Humane Ohio has a grant for free-roaming cats in 05. Humane Ohio also a second grant for owned and free-roaming cats in 09 and 15.

But what about dogs?

Every year, PPI sets aside funds for spay/neuter those with no or little income. We are focused on getting those residents in 43605 who fall outside of the grant perimeters

helped with our funds. PPI is the ONLY group or rescue using funds out of our general operating budget to address the overpopulation problem at its root cause by offering many spay/neuter options and partnering with vets and clinics like Humane Ohio.

A good visual are the billboards we have been posting in 43605. To reach out to those in 43605, PPI will have 10 billboards from time to time throughout 2013.

If we get 25 or more animals on one day, Humane Ohio will meet the residents at a central location the early morning of the surgery to transport all 25 animals at once. Then the animals will be returned back to that central location.



If residents in 43605 want help for the spay/neuter of their animals, they can call us at 419.826.FIXX (3499) or email at pets@plannedpethood.org. We will figure out what they are eligible for and help to best meet their needs

HELP NEEDED TO FLYER 43605

On April 27 we went door-to-door handing out flyers to promote the opportunity. With 5 teams we canvassed well over 50 city blocks. We are looking to do another canvas day on Sunday, June 23. We will begin at 9am and be done by 11am, meeting at Good Shepherd Church at 550 Clark Street. Map here. Please email Sue Bedra at sbedra@bex.net if you can help. If a Sunday is not a good day for you, please email Sue with alternative dates. This will help her in the planning of the next flyering event.

- Do good works for the dogs and cats in our community
- Good exercise
- Lots of fun
- Time to chat with your walking partner

Pet Idol Update

We at Planned Pethood want to thank all of you who participated in the 2013 Pet Idol

contest. Thanks to your generosity and enthusiasm we are going to be able to help many more dogs and cats in need. We couldn't keep doing what we do without people who care. Thank you from all of us to all of you! We made a about \$1500.00.

Board Member Vacancies

This is a WORKING Board. The ideal board member is a professional, business person (current or retired) offering guidance to the operation of Planned Pethood.

Example of your duties will be (not not excluded to):

- Attend 6 board meetings in a 12 month period
- Participate on a committee (such as: finance, policy, fundraising, etc)
- Attend one major fundraiser
- Solicit donations to PPI

Interested parties can submit your resume and the completed questionnaire you can find <u>here.</u> Board members have specific expectations. Planned Pethood measures those expectations to ensure our board is comprised of involved and engaged members. We are a WORKING board.

PPI must be in receipt of resume and questionnaire by July 15, 2013. Candidates will be interviewed by members of the board, prior to a full board vote.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Executive Director at ed@plannedpethood.org. Applications can be mailed to our PO box, faxed to 419.243.1835 (attention Laurie) or can be emailed to ed@plannedpethood.org.

Share Your Ideas, Feedback, Comments

We invite you to join us for an informal meeting on **Tuesday, June 18th from 5:30 to 7:30pm.** The meeting will be at the Toledo Public Library- Main Branch in the Kelly room. If you approach the Humanities desk from the main lobby, the Kelly room is to the left (south).

We will start out with introductions, sharing news and upcoming events. This is your chance to pose questions and make suggestions. Afterward, we will break out into groups to discuss, in more detail, fundraising and financing.

The chair of the fundrasing committee, Chrissa Liskai will be there to head this discussion. PPI's treasurer, Craig Jacobs will be on hand to discuss finances.

You ought to know how we spend the money donated to us and how we raise funds to do the work we do.

Should you not be able to attend this meeting, but have an idea you wish to share, please complete **this form** and submit it to <u>Chrissa Liskai</u> or <u>Nikki Morey</u>. We cannot support fundraisers of all types. We have to ensure efforts are best used, it doesn't conflict with efforts already in progress, doesn't conflict with our image or mission and doesn't align ourselves with groups that might be offensive to most people.

For instance, some companies promote "fundraisers" as a means to drive social media traffic and to gather names for their email campaigns. They require the non-profit to have raised a specific amount of dollars to get that money back. If that specific amount is not reached, PPI does not see that money but rather it goes to that company's charity of choice. Meanwhile, the average PPI donor doesn't read all that fine print and thinks they are doing something good for PPI, but in reality that money never made it's way to PPI at all. Our goal is to use our resources in the best manner possible.

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