Team Member Newsletter

the insider

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BIRTHDAYS IN SEPT.

Andrea Brock– Hitchcock—9/9 Amber Taylor—9/30



SEPT. WORK ANNIVERSARY

Madison Wallace—1yr.
Jake White—3yr.
Stephanie Archer—5yr.
Zach Campbell—12yr.
Carey Wright— 12yr.



SEPT. AWARENESS

- National Pet Memorial Day —
 9/8
- National Deaf Dog Week—
 Sept. 24—Oct. 1
- International Rabbit Day—
 Sept. 28



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Oct. 17, 2020

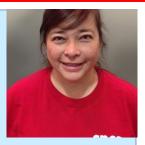




DAISY AWARD

Congratulations to Sue Henson as she is the recipient of the **SPCA Cincinnati**'s Daisy Award!

"I am a kennel technician by title, but also work at the front desk, did a stint back in intake (when it was still intake). I often get to clean the cat rooms, which I consider the best part of the day. Getting to know who we have in the building makes it significantly easier (and more fun!) to



make good recommendations to potential adopters when they're looking for a new pet. You never know what to expect at the SPCA. We'll meet the most overwhelmingly sweet people who just want to help any way they can. Other times, you come in and see an animal who has been injured, has no hope, and you get to be a cog in the machine that can change this animal's life for the better. We have such an amazing team and fantastic adopters. When not working, I enjoy spending time with my family and pets, gardening, playing video games, and fostering & nature in general. Once upon a time I used to help field collect rattlesnakes for venom research. I also used to rescue hummingbirds when I lived in California, and after moving to Ohio, started fostering for the SPCA in 2013. I have a particular soft spot for the really broken animals. I am a divorced mom of two amazing children, one with Autism. They're extremely pro-SPCA. They both want to work or volunteer at the SPCA when they are old enough. I have an amazing boy-friend who shares my love of animals. Three dogs, Husky, American Akita, Shiba Inu. Five cats, one who was a tripod foster fail through us! A quote: *Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake.* -Martin Luther King Jr."—Sue

Thank you Sue for all that you do!

IN-THE-KNOW

The SPCA Cincinnati

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The SPCA Cincinnati broke ground on the K9 Expansion Project Fall of 2019! On Thursday, September 10, 2020 our organization was proud to unveil its brand new facility, dedicated to saving more animals' lives!









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Anyone employed with SPCA Cincinnati can find resources to assist with life events through EAP (the Employee Assistance Program)! Log-on now to obtain information on a variety of wellness topics. In order to use the website follow these steps: Go to www.anthemeap.com \rightarrow Click on the Member log-in button \rightarrow For the company name enter: SPCA of Cincinnati.

TOPIC: September Is Suicide Prevention Month—See Flier, PAGE 3...

Have an article you wish to add? Send to Nyketa Gaffney—Editor:

ngaffney@spcacincinnati.org.

The SPCA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Job well done! The new kennels look amazing. Shout out to our construction team because they did a fantastic job building out an incredible space for our canine friends! The SPCA Cincinnati is proud of what has been accomplished, as well as the outlook of what we will achieve within our mission from this very important addition. The turnout for the ribbon cutting ceremony was great! The SPCA is very thankful for its community partnership with <code>Dunkin'</code> and <code>Pet Valu</code>, who were also in attendance Thursday, September 10th.

Below are photos from the event and links to view the SPCA in the media!



A huge Thank You goes out to the SPCA's Board of Trustees, SPCA's volunteers, and each of our staff members who contributed to the overall success of the day's events! We send a very special Thank You to Local 12, FOX19 Now, WLWT Channel 5, WCPO Channel 9, and CincyPet Magazine for their LIVE coverage of the ceremony. The SPCA Cincinnati also acknowledges Fairfield Photography, Mike Price, for dedicating services to our organization for the entire day!

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EAP: September Topic

nthem EAP has suicide prevention resources for you





Suicide can be hard to discuss

Your EAP can help you start a conversation

If you or someone you know is struggling emotionally, your Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is here for you. EAP is a confidential program that helps connect you to a full range of services, including counseling, legal assistance, and financial help, as well as work-life balance resources and referrals. We are available 24/7 to listen, answer questions, and find you the support you need.

If you feel like you or a loved one may attempt suicide:

- Call 911, or go directly to your nearest emergency room.
- Call 800-273-8255 for the <u>National Suicide</u> <u>Prevention Lifeline</u>.
- Text HOME to 741741 for the Crisis Text Line

September is Suicide Prevention Month

In the U.S., recent data shows suicide is now the:*

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leading cause of death for ages 10 to 34.

4th

leading cause of death for ages 35 to 54.

10_{th}

leading cause of death for all ages.

Access our website or call for suicide prevention guidance

We can help you recognize the signs, symptoms, and risk factors for suicide. Just go to anthemeap.com, and log in with your company code.

READ more on this topic:

VISIT THE EAP WEBSITE: www.anthemeap.com:

"Monthly Promotion"

—Lori Fenner, HR Facilitator

Education is critical. To learn more, visit:

- Mental Health America®
- <u>National Institute</u>
 <u>of Mental Health</u>
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Tails On The Trail 2020

A Virtual Event



Join us Saturday, October 17th!

Tails on the Trails Event Information

Location

Join us Live on SPCA Cincinnati's Facebook page and wherever you enjoy walking your pup!

Schedule

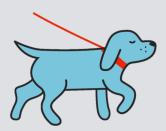
Saturday, October 3rd - Costume Contest Begins **Saturday, October 10th** - Send us your Dog Walk photos

Saturday, October 17th

10:00AM - Facebook Live broadcast begins **11:00AM** - Walk Ends

Be an Animal Advocate!

This year, we invite you to become an **Animal Advocate Leader**! What do you need to do to be a Leader? It's easy; simply raise \$100! Every **Animal Advocate Leader that reaches the \$100 level will get a special paw lapel pin and will help lead our Walk!**



CLICK HERE TO LEARN WHY WE WALK!















Throwback Thursday: Fur Ball 2020!

Cincinnati Refined

The SPCA Cincinnati hosted its first virtual event Saturday, August 29th in light of Fur Ball 2020: The Great Catsby. Cincinnati Refined, a valued community partner, attended the gala to capture some special behind-the-scenes photos on behalf of our organization!









The SPCA Promotions & Campaigns



GET YOUR PET'S PICTURE IN A BOOK AND SUPPORT



Susannah Maynard, CincyPet Magazine founder & publisher and owner of Pet Love Photography will be photographing local area pets for this publication.

Be a part of something special!

For info, visit spcacincinnati.org/news

Visit TAILS OF CINCINNATI, to view more and BOOK your session in support of the SPCA!



50% of all booking fees benefit the SPCA Cincinnati!

Be sure to connect with Tails of Cincinnati on all social media platforms!

Support the SPCA Cincinnati by shopping online! We are now partnered with Purpose Driven Shopping; each time you make a qualifying purchase through participating retailers, SPCA will get a percentage of the purchase amount donated back to us. Find retailers' link you want to shop on our page and shop as you normally would!

If you use Google Chrome, you can also download the extension here:

http://tiny.cc/h9ytpz

A percentage of your purchase will automatically be donated to **SPCA**. When shopping on Amazon, be sure to go to Amazon Smile. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your Amazon Smile Purchase to the **SPCA**. sign in to your account, choose "**SPCA Cincinnati**" as your supporting charity.



VOLUNTEER SERVICES



NEWS

Most Recent Adoption Numbers: We had 39 adoptions (25 cats, 14 dogs) over the last week!

New Area! We are thrilled to have our new space open, and if you haven't had a chance to check it out, please do! The volunteer room is the second door on the left when you walk in the door. In order to make it to the main area, you will have to walk through the kennels or out to the front door. For those who have not yet seen the area since the ribbon cutting, pictured below is the new volunteer work room where you will be signing in and out.





Courtyard/Patio Area: We have closed the courtyard with the turf due to the parasite issue we have been maintaining. Until further notice, please do not take any dogs to that courtyard. The concrete courtyard is still open for socialization and dogs who need to get their zoomies out.

Dog Socialization – If you have not undergone training for this role, contact kcheek@spcacincinnati.org before you can sign up for shifts. Please note that dogs in kennel 4 are not eligible for socialization – please do not take those dogs out unless directly instructed to. The dogs in kennel 4 are usually new arrivals or under medical treatment. These dogs are still eligible for walking teams.

Cat Photography – We have opened up one shift per day for cat photography. At this time, we cannot allow a helper due to social distancing guidelines. If you are interested in photography (experience and a camera is needed – phone photos should be avoided), please let me know!

Personality Sheets: The personality sheets, along with most volunteer paperwork/forms are in the new volunteer work room. The cat personality sheets are still in the Cat Center. Thank you to those who have been filling them out, it makes it much easier to write an accurate bio and helps us find the best match for our animals!

Events:

September 26th: New Volunteer Orientation
October 3rd: New Volunteer Orientation
October 17th: New Volunteer Orientation
October 17th: Tails on the Trail (Virtual event)

October 24th and 25th: 3CDC Fall Fest at Washington Park; Humane Education, possibly Mobile Adoption Unit

—Erin Lawson, Volunteer Services Manager and Foster Coordinator

Klosterman Bread Partners w/the SPCA!



"The Klosterman family LOVES our furry friends, which is why we're excited to partner with ospecacincinnati to raise awareness of adoption and volunteer opportunities in our region! Visit speacincinnati.org for more info."

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#ForTheLoveOfLife

#SPCA #Cincinnati #cincygram



Be sure to tell family & friends about this life-saving campaign! Klosterman's wheat brand is available at grocer retailers with this coupon for a limited time.

The SPCA thanks Klosterman Bread for their support!