

Second Chance Animal Rescue

Fall 2013



Second Chance Animal Rescue is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization dedicated to rescuing, caring for and placing homeless dogs and cats. We educate the public on respect for all animal life, including the importance of spaying and neutering in order to reduce the number of healthy animals euthanized.

Where Do Second Chance Dogs and Cats Come From?

Second Chance's main intake efforts are rescuing dogs and cats from animal control impound facilities after their legal holding period is up (before they are put down). We also rescue from several other situations, including neglect/abuse seizures, hoarding situations, dog and cat breeders who either had their animals seized or are trying to reduce their inventory, some owner-surrenders, transfer from other rescues and shelters, and stray cats that people have been feeding for months, many of whom are pregnant and litters of kittens.



This spring a gorgeous brown/gold cat had been hanging around with a group of other cats in a rural part of MN. A foster volunteer noticed that one cat was pregnant and she tried to catch the cat before it gave birth. Unfortunately, that didn't happen. But, she didn't give up and followed the cat trying to find where she hid her babies. Success, they were under a shed. Five kittens and the Mom were rescued and brought to one of our vet clinics prior to going into their foster home. "Nakita's" babies grew into healthy, adorable kittens, all because of the hard work of dedicated volunteers. Then, it was Nakita's turn; she was spayed and vaccinated and ready

for adoption. She had such a rough life prior to her rescue and she worked so hard to protect and care for her young kittens. Nakita has been adopted and found the life and happiness she deserves.

Tashi came into the program as an owner-surrender. She was a 2 year old Tibetan Terrier who was purchased from a breeder. Shortly after the purchase, her owner found out she had cancer and was not able to care for Tashi so Tashi spent over a year relegated to being tied to a dog house in the backyard or confined to a small hallway in the house with very little attention. A friend of the owner convinced her to give Tashi up. That friend worked with Tashi for two months and called Second Chance to see if we had any fosters who could continue to work with Tashi. We took her into the program and continued the rehabilitation process. Tashi was timid and fearful of strangers, undersocialized, and she turned in circles repeatedly as this was a habit she acquired to give herself exercise while being confined in small spaces. With a lot of patience and TLC, Tashi made excellent progress and, after several months, was adopted into her forever home. 🐾



Buddy's Lucky Day

In July, Second Chance received a call inquiring whether we could take a seven year old Shih Tzu/Poodle named Buddy into our program. Buddy's original owner moved and could not take him so she dropped him off at a relative's house. After a month, a neighbor, seeing Buddy's condition up close, called authorities. When the authorities saw Buddy's condition, they gave the caretakers an ultimatum – get proper vet care for him, surrender him to a shelter or rescue group that would care for him, or euthanize him.



We were told that Buddy had a large tumor on his face and needed to be groomed. After hearing the whole story, we realized that Buddy must be in very bad shape and we agreed to take him. We asked that they drop him off at Life Care Animal Hospital for an exam. One look at Buddy and we were all in shock. Buddy had a grapefruit size, bloody tumor hanging off his face by corded tissue – it hung so low that it interfered with his eating and drinking. His coat was so matted he had difficulty walking. No matter where you touched him, you couldn't reach skin due to the thick pelt. He looked like he had never been groomed in his seven

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Grant Helps Low-Income

In 2013, we again provided a grant to Minnesota Spay Neuter Assistance Program (MN SNAP) to help spay/neuter animals of low-income people in MN. We also helped with a grant for a very sad situation where approximately 30 cats were abandoned when their caretakers were shot. MN SNAP spayed/neutered them while another person helped find fosters and permanent homes for them! We are thrilled to be able to provide funding to such a wonderful organization and for such a great cause.

“Never, never be afraid to do what’s right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society’s punishments are small compared to the wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way.”

— Martin Luther King Jr.

Second Chance Out and About

This year we held our annual garage sale which raised over \$2,800 for the animals! We attended several local fairs and events, including Pet-a-Palooza, Linden Hills Woofstock, two Pause 4 Paws’ events, and our monthly adoption days at Petco in Roseville.

“The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.”

— Oscar Wilde

Legislation

The dog and cat breeder regulation bill made a lot of progress at the Legislature in 2013. **S.F. 36 and H.F. 84** (authored by Senator John Marty and Representative John Lesch, respectively) are bills that will regulate inhumane dog and cat breeders in Minnesota. Currently, Minnesota has no state laws to regulate this industry. Second Chance rescues many dogs and cats from horrible breeding conditions, and the costs to care for them are high and stretch our resources to the max, but we cannot say “no” to rescuing animals in dire need. To learn more about this legislative effort and what you can do to help in 2014, visit the “Legislation” link on our website.

Pearl Learns to Trust

By Lisa Kroshus

When I initially contacted Second Chance to become a cat and kitten foster, I anticipated the fun and work that would come with socializing a lap full of happy kittens. Within a week I had a litter of tiny, two-day old kittens and their scared young mother Pearl, who had been live trapped and had given birth at animal control shortly after. It was immediately evident that Pearl had not developed trust of people. When not giving me guarded looks when I checked in on her while the babies were nursing, she spent the majority of her time hiding behind the furniture in her safe room. Socializing the kittens was more fun, more rewarding, and more work than I ever expected, and while it was a wonderful experience in its own right — and one I’ve readily volunteered to repeat since — the foster I’ve developed the strongest affection for by far has been Pearl. Pearl was so terrified of human interaction when she first came to live with me that she fled for cover the second I entered her safe room. She was so scared that she would hiss and back away when I would attempt to pet her. As I spent time with her and the kittens, she



gradually began allowing me to pick her up, reluctantly, but without hissing.

Once Pearl’s kittens had been adopted and she had free run of the house, she started to learn the habits of day-to-day life. Without the kittens to focus on and as she became more comfortable in her new environment she started bringing toys from one floor to another and batting them around in the adjoining room with joy. I see how far she has come since the days she spent cowering and hissing at me from behind the desk. Fostering cats and kittens is very rewarding, and it’s extremely gratifying to see them find a permanent family. I would encourage anyone who isn’t sure about taking on a less socialized cat to not write them off as a lost cause. 🐾

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years of life, and the smell was overwhelming.

A groomer from Top Line Clips came to evaluate Buddy’s condition and knew this was a huge undertaking. His coat was so pelted that it was difficult to get the clippers to work. It was anticipated that he would have to be put under anesthesia for the grooming but he was such a tolerant dog that the groomer was able to work on him without sedation. It took nearly three

hours to shave him down and what was discovered underneath was skin that was broken down and infected; there were deep wounds on his body, one of which, on his back leg, had gone down to the bone. His leg wound was stitched up, other wounds were treated, Buddy was given a medicated bath, antibiotics, hydration, pain medication, and a soft bed to sleep on. Two days later, the huge facial tumor was removed and, at the same time, he was neutered and received a dental with several teeth extractions. Then Buddy went into his foster home to recover. The huge tumor was sent in for analysis as we were concerned it might be malignant. The good news was that Buddy’s tumor was benign and his deep wounds have finally healed.

Throughout his ordeal, Buddy was easygoing and never complained. He is absolutely one of the sweetest, most easygoing, mellow and well-behaved little dogs we have ever dealt with. His foster describes him as happy-go-lucky and eager to meet new people and dogs. Buddy is ready for his forever home. 🐾

Memorials & Honorariums

Donations were made to Second Chance in memory of or in honor of the following human and animal friends:

In Loving Memory

Cy Erpelding by Peg Erpelding, Mary Erpelding, Amy Stoecker, Martha Erpelding, Ruth Anderson, Kathleen Jackwi, The Tack Exchange, Marcia Grassman, Mary Ann & Franklin Marfia, Anne & David Woods, Eleanor & Alex Gadacz, Dolores & Patrick Andreasen, James & Patricia Casey, Clarence & Ruth Nelson, Arnold & Carol Johnson, Lilian Flaughter, Gloria & Eugene Schwietz, Catherine Slaby, Dolores Graves, Monica Schneider, Winifred & John Lindmeier, Helen Imboden, Susan & Ralph Jobe, Lorraine Perez & Gina Mallory
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'Henrietta' by Christara Hormann
'Annabelle' Bissonnette by Jane Martz
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'Jingle' by James Mihalek
'Mickey' Weed by Jane Martz
'Sophie' Dosland by Jane Martz
'Gwenie' Kuriger by Lisa Richardson
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'Morgan' by Sandra Aunan
'Snickers' by Christina Davis
'Blake' & 'Abby' by Jeanne Kenny
'Shelby' by Mary Sandok, Peter Seymour
'Oscar' Richardson by Angie Sundell
'Chase' Blackmon by John Ulrich
'Toto' by Linda & Michael Kriel
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'Loki' by Aimee Desmarais
'Buddy' by Gary & Sherry Lampman
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'Emma' by Susan Gagnier
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'Blue' Haugen by Carol Stabenow, David & Susan Sumner
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In Honor Of

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Mary Erpelding's birthday by Peg Erpelding
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'Luna' by Anya Zalyba
'Brandy' Stabenow by Myron & Irmay Haugen
'Max' & 'Gypsy' by Cheryl Mutschler
'Sunny' by Erin Carter, Terry Carr
'Griffin' by Andrea Kelly
'Jingle' & 'Belle' by Jim Mihalek
'Forrest' by Tammy Thies
'Jackie', 'Maya', & 'Pooh' by Peg Heilman
'Hunter' Backstrom by Kristie Gorman

'Isabella' & 'Helen' by GERALYN Conty
'Blue' & 'Brandy' by Patricia Gust
'Nelly' by Bob & Judy Herington
'Darby' by Larry & Susan Hibbs
'Blue' Haugen by Carol Stabenow
'Ansel' by Nanci Bernard
'Brandy' & 'Buddy' Stabenow, 'Blue' Haugen & 'Buddy' Bodell by Linda & Tim Conely
'Brandy' & 'Buddy' Stabenow by Dave & Susan Sumner
'Brandy' Stabenow & 'Blue' Haugen by Nancy Haugen
'Bogart' by Martha Reineke
'Grover' by Bradley & Susan Johnson
'Maggie' by Colleen & Vernon Gauron
'Sunny' by Susan Moir
'Cooper' by Mary Sandok, Peter Seymour
'Sully' by Mary & John Alden
'Blue' by Nancy Haugen
'Rosie' by Michelle Basham

Second Chance is in need of:

- Foster volunteers
- Gift cards for Petco, Target, Office Max, Fleet Farm, Chuck & Don's
- Gas cards
- Copy paper
- "Forever" Postage stamps
- Bones (rawhides, knuckle bones, nylabones), Kongs
- Dog nylon buckle collars 8"-16" (not snap)
- Monetary donations

A Big Thank You To:

- Our **adopters** who saved a life!
- All of our **individual contributors**
- All of our **volunteers** who foster, transport, solicit supplies, work at events, and more
- The **veterinarians** who work with our program: Hillcrest Animal Hospital, Hudson Road Animal Hospital, Life Care Animal Hospital, Mendakota Animal Hospital, Oak Grove Animal Hospital, Silver Lake Animal Hospital, South Shore Veterinary Hospital
- **Petco Foundation**
- The **Margaret Rivers Fund**
- **Nandale Foundation**
- The **First Impression Group** for generously donating the paper and printing of our newsletter
- **City of Maplewood** — Charitable Gambling Tax Fund
- The **impound facilities** that allow us to rescue animals who otherwise would be put down
- **Petco** for hosting our monthly adoption events
- The following companies for food and supplies: **Science Diet, Nutri Source, Zeus & Company, Cats Pride**
- **Target Stores** in Cottage Grove, Fridley, and North St. Paul for food and supplies
- **Top Line Clips** for dog grooming
- All the adults, kids, and groups who have made dog/cat toys, beds, and treats, raised money, and held food drives for us

Planning on Moving? Please send us a note with your new address so we can update our records.

Employer Giving Campaigns

Did you know that you can designate Second Chance Animal Rescue as a recipient of your donations if your work has a giving campaign? Just write in "Second Chance Animal Rescue" along with our address "P.O. Box 10533, White Bear Lake, MN 55110" as a designated organization, and your payroll deductions will come to us through that foundation. The majority of the foundations have places to write in your preferred nonprofit.

Matching Gifts

If your employer has a matching gift program, you can designate Second Chance as the recipient if you make a donation (either monetary or hours of service) and they will match it.

Thanks for considering Second Chance.



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2014 Adoption Events
Saturdays 11:00am - 2:00pm
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January 18	July 12
February 15	August 16
March 15	September 13
April 12	October 11
May 17	November 15
June 14	December 13

View animals available for adoption at:
www.secondchancerescue.org