



Wellington Humane Society Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/20 Monthly Dog Wash
- 11/20 National Adoption Day
- 11/30 Giving Tuesday
- 11/30 Last day adoption specials
- 12/2 National Mutt Day
- 12/3 Holidays Unleashed Member Party
- 12/4 Holidays Unleashed Open House
- 12/11 Monthly Dog Wash
- 1/15 Monthly Dog Wash

ADOPTION SPECIALS THROUGH NOV. 30!

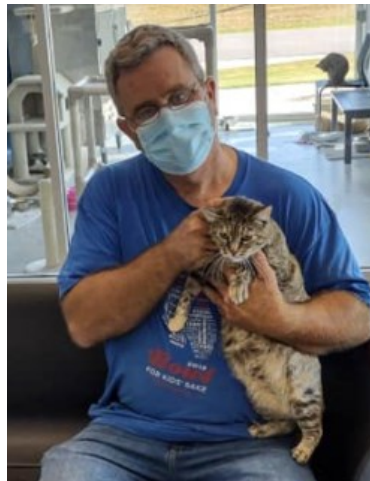
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Fiona Relieves Staff of Hours of Work

Fiona came to the Humane Society in March of this year, and shortly after, we noticed that she was pregnant. What felt like the longest pregnancy ever, she finally started to give birth. When staff checked on her, they realized she had given birth to one stillborn kitten and was having complications birthing her other kittens.

We rushed her to Arrowhead Animal Clinic, where they performed an emergency C-section. One kitten wasn't breathing on its own, so a vet tech quickly went to work helping it breathe, while the vet delivered the last kitten. Both kittens and Fiona survived, thanks to the amazing vet team!



Fiona not only was a wonderful mom to her own kittens but also became a surrogate for two other litters of kittens (a total of 6) who had lost their moms. She treated these orphaned kittens as her own and

saved staff from many sleepless nights of bottle-feeding. Fiona watched all her babies grow up and most got adopted as she waited for her day to come.



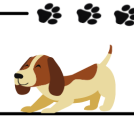
On October 23, Fiona got to celebrate her adoption! Her new dad says she is doing great in her new home that she also shares with two dogs. She makes sure to give her dad plenty of love. We are so happy Fiona got her happily ever after!

Falicia Is Still Available

The last kitten of Fiona's is still available for adoption! Falicia is currently in the colony playing with the others. She gets along with the other cats and is very loving and playful.

She was happy to see her siblings and mom get adopted, but now she is ready to find her own forever home! Come out to meet Falicia and the other cats that would make excellent new family members!





Jodie and Diego Appear on KAKE with Annette

Annette Lawless, a Wellington native, hosted Jodie and Diego on October 2. Annette posted the following:

Such a good pup! Diego is 2 years old and is very sweet. On this Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, we will feature dogs up for adoption on Good Morning Kansas Saturday.

Diego is a very kind pup. He is a stray who was found and in need of a forever home. He's at the Wellington Humane Society Serving Sumner County. Want to adopt him? Give them a shout. They are at capacity for dogs and cats.

Thanks to Jodie, the director of the humane society and fellow classmate of mine, who was kind enough to travel up to Wichita. She's one of the most passionate animal advocates I know. I'm thrilled to see her in this role.



(At time of newsletter publication, Diego still hopes for that forever home.)



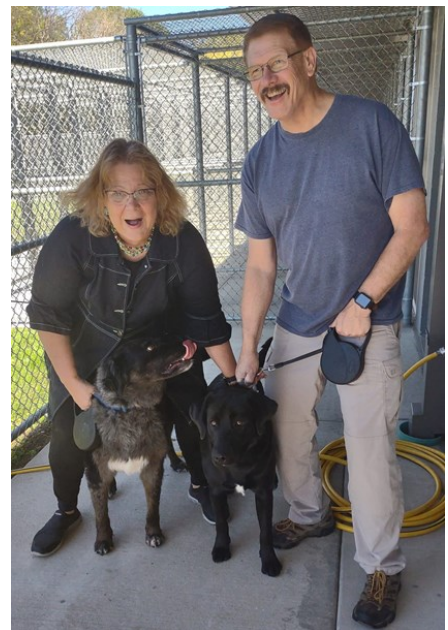
Patches and Duke Are Foster Fails

This sweet older lady, Patches, was pulled from the pound after losing her owner to health issues. She spent a few weeks at the shelter, where she was confused and sad. Luckily, she was able to go to a foster, where she really opened up to be a sweet girl!

She has found the perfect family to adopt her! We know that she is super happy, and we think her human siblings are too!

Duke found himself at the local pound, but after no family came forward to claim him, we brought him to our facility to find him a new home.

Duke is now living his best life with his new buddy Harley! Congratulations and happy tails, Duke!



588

Number of animals taken in since opening

464

Number of spay/neuter surgeries performed

494

Number of animals with forever homes



Black Cats Are Less Likely to Get Adopted in a Shelter, but Bob, Vader, Darth, Lola, and Cyndi Were Lucky!



Bob

An older cat like Bob can expect a long wait. Bob had a wonderful home until his owner passed away. He came to the shelter scared and not trusting anyone. From losing his owner to adjusting to shelter life, Bob had a rough year. We knew the perfect person was out there for him. We couldn't be happier for him and his new mom!



Lola

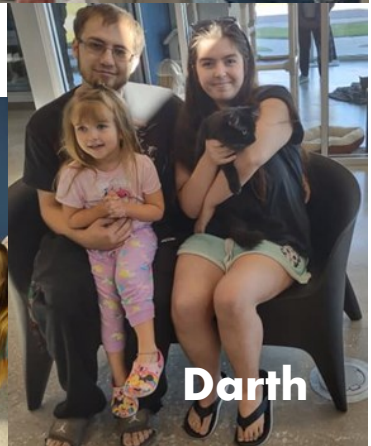


Cyndi

Vader found his new family, and a week later, the family decided to have double the fun and came back to adopt Vader's twin, Darth. We're so happy that these two brothers will live their lives together!



Vader



Darth

Adoption Specials!

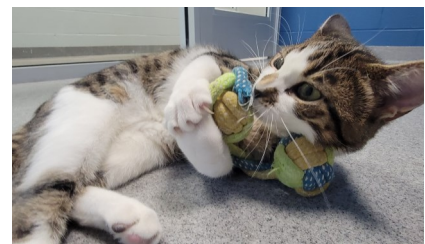
We occasionally have special adoption prices or discounts. During the month of November, all available cats and kittens are only \$15! All available dogs are only \$60!

There are specials for individual animals also. You can see a current list of specials on our website. On the adoption page, click on Specials.

These discounts are thanks to wonderful donors and sponsors that have a heart for animals and finding forever homes for every one of them! We cannot express how thankful we are for their support!

You can be a sponsor too! Just let us know and we can discuss ways to help!

www.wellingtonhumaneociety.org/specials



Keep Pets Safe During the Holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, many pet owners don't realize the dangers that could impact their pet's health. Taking the time to ensure hazardous items are out of reach could make the holidays a lot easier for your four-legged friends.

Everyone loves presents, and dogs are no different. Making sure that your dog can't get into those presents is important. Dogs have a great sense of smell and won't hesitate to destroy presents if they smell food inside. Ingesting **bows** or other items could lead to blockage and require a trip to the emergency room.

Snow globes are a staple for holiday decorating. Did you know that those pretty globes are filled with ethylene glycol, a sweet-

smelling chemical? That chemical is highly toxic to animals, so keeping those globes out of reach can keep your pet safe.

During the holidays, your home may see an increase in visitors. Some of those may be on medication, which can be harmful to your pet. Dogs and cats love to investigate suitcases, bags, and purses. Make sure all **medications** are in a safe spot and out of reach.

Items such as homemade **play dough and salt-dough ornaments** (even when dry) can be very dangerous to your animals if ingested. Make sure those ornaments are up high on the tree and play dough is stored properly after use.

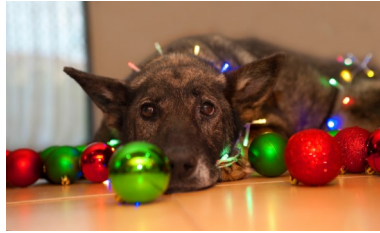
When salting your walkways on those icy days, be sure to get pet safe **ice melt** and clean your pet's

paws off when they come back into the house.

Some **holiday plants** can also pose a hazard to your pets. Poinsettias and tree preservatives for real Christmas trees can be harmful. Keep plants out of reach and consider putting the tree in a spot where your animals can't reach it.

One of the best parts during the holidays is gathering around the dinner table. Inform your family and friends not to give out **table scraps**, as some may be harmful. Bones from turkeys, chocolate, fruitcake, and alcohol are all examples of food pets can't have.

If you think your pet may have eaten something they should not have, call your veterinarian immediately. If your pet may have ingested anything toxic, the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. They can be reached at (888) 426-4435.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

NANCY MCNETT

Nancy is a retired school teacher who now volunteers her time caring for our cats. She has been volunteering for almost 2 years. She loves helping to socialize the cats so they can find a great home. Nancy has even adopted a cat named Crystal from us this past year. Besides volunteering, she also loves to read and crochet. She wants everyone to know that we have a beautiful facility and is proud to volunteer here!



FAVORITES:

Food: Steak/beef (she and her husband raised cattle)

Color: Blue

Animals: Dogs and Cats

Movie: 6th Happiness



Merry Anniversary Pawty — Eat, Bid, Adopt!

We are excited to announce our annual anniversary event that will take place over two days. We love to have visitors at the humane society, and this year is especially exciting!

We are kicking off the festivities with a special party on Friday, December 3, from 7-9 p.m. It's a night of holiday merriment for our members, volunteers, and adoptive families.

Then Saturday, December 4, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., we will have an open house party with food, sweets,

and of course lots of adoptable pets!

An online auction featuring home décor will open a week before the party, and you will be able to see the items in-person December 3-4. Be sure to get your bid in before Saturday evening! Auction item winners will be announced Sunday, December 5.

Watch the website and social media for more information.

www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/holidays-unleashed



Trick-or-Treaters Come for Candy and Visit Animals



Thank you to everyone who stopped by Halloween night. We loved all of the wonderful costumes! We know the animals loved the attention, and a few might have found their new forever homes!





We are incredibly grateful for the generosity of Girl Scout Troops 40852 and 40077 of Wellington and Troop 41501 of Oxford. Not only did they deliver some great gifts, they even worked together to set up new cat trees in our colonies for us! Thank you, girls and leaders, for your donations and thank you for hanging out this afternoon to give the animals some love, too.

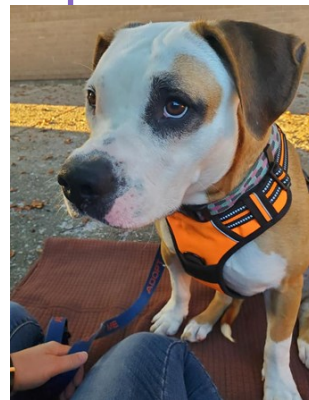


“Our Gemma Girl had a great experience spending the night at the Wellington Humane Society while we were out of town this weekend! They took wonderful care of her and we will definitely use their boarding services again in the future! Thanks Jodie and crew!!!”

Big thanks to Russell Excavating, Inc., in Wellington for getting the cement work started in the dog parks as we begin work on the new pavilions!



We'd like to give a huge THANK YOU to The Gold Corner for their diamond giveaway benefiting all our animals at the shelter! Also, thank you to all the ladies who came out for Ladies Night Out and to the Wellington Chamber for hosting. Asa, Darth, and Vader had a great time! Thank you for your support.



Thank you, Eisenhower Elementary, for having us out for your Interest Day. Asa had a great time meeting everyone!

A Special Thank You to:
The Gold Corner, Ladies Night Out participants, and The Wellington Chamber!!



Huge Thank You to the Wellington High School students for making all these beds for our animals! And the cats have already claimed their favorites!

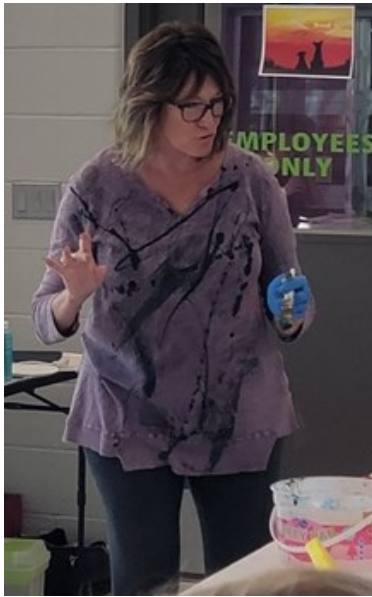
Thanks Wellington High School



Paint for Paws Draws Amazing Local Artists

We were excited to host a Paint for Paws event Saturday, November 6. The talented Marcine Goodrum led the class through a beautiful sunset painting. Participants were able to customize their painting with different colors and animals. Each painting was unique and we had some amazing artists!

Break times included cuddling with kitties in the cat colonies and seeing the dogs that are available for adoption. One lucky cat was lucky enough to find his forever home during the event! Congratulations, Sammy, and your new family! We can't wait to have this event again!



Ways to Contribute

The Wellington Humane Society is a 501c3 nonprofit organization relying heavily on donations and fund-raising efforts. There are many ways to donate to help our efforts with animals in Sumner County!

Membership

You can become a member and help with the daily shelter needs. Membership also gets you discounts to many things at the shelter! See more here on our website: www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/become-a-member

Recycle Cans

Saving your aluminum cans is an easy way to donate! Put them at one of our location bins, and we contract with a recycler to get paid for the aluminum. That's why we can ACCEPT ONLY POP & BEER CANS! Our recycler will not accept anything else, and our volunteer has to sort through them all to pull anything else. Locations: Orscheln's Parking Lot (1203 W 8th St); Behind Penny's Diner (1104 E 16th St).

Amazon & Current Wishlist

www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/our-wish-list

AmazonSmile

When shopping on Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com and choose Wellington Humane Society, Inc., as your organization to benefit. It's the same website with the same products, and every purchase will automatically benefit the shelter!

Dillons

Dillons makes donating to the shelter animals easy! All you have to do is shop at Dillons and use your Plus card and Dillons will donate a percentage to the shelter! To sign up, go to Dillons website and link your Dillons Plus Card to the Wellington Humane Society.

More ways to donate can be found on our website!

www.wellingtonhumanesociety.org/donations

Wellington Humane Society Information

HOURS

Friday: 3-6pm

Saturday: 10am-2pm

Sunday—Thursday: Open by appointment

Call 620-440-4375 to schedule!

STAFF

• Director—Jodie Hearlson

• Kennel Managers—

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Victoria Sandoval

Janean Whitmire

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Jennifer Worley

SERVICES OFFERED

⇒ Cat & Dog Adoptions

⇒ Dog Wash/Nail Trim

⇒ Microchip Implanting or Scanning

⇒ Relinquishing a Pet

⇒ Low Income Spay/Neuter

⇒ Volunteer Opportunities

⇒ Education Opportunities

⇒ Boarding

⇒ Membership Discounts

⇒ Events & More!

You can't buy love, but you can adopt it!



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