

Leesburg Humane Society

Message from Debbie Butler, Executive Director

Greetings shelter friends and family.....

I would like to talk about a subject that hopefully none of you ever has to deal with and that is losing an animal. I don't mean as in them dying, although that is awful as well, but as in not being able to find them. We deal with lost and found at the shelter on a regular basis, so I am very aware that it happens. I must admit to being a bit judgmental with people that have lost their pets and thinking that they were careless with their, until....I lost one of my dogs. Our property is fenced in, and the dog is a senior with limited vision. It happened when he first came to live with us. I never imagined that he would maneuver the doggy door and go down the six steps from the lanai to get outside, but he did. He was gone overnight and I spent the whole night outside with a flashlight looking for him. Oh, did I mention that he is hearing impaired as well? You can imagine my panicked state, knowing he was out with the wildlife at night. The story has a happy ending because he was safely in a neighbor's home all night. She had driven by and saw him sitting in the road right in front of the property. She didn't know that he belonged to me at the time. All ended well, thank goodness. I consider myself a good pet owner and am very diligent at knowing where they are always, but it happened to me. I'm telling you all of this to bring you to a tool that is available and worth its weight in gold. I got him a GPS tracking device, called Tractive. We don't sell them and this is not an ad, but I would highly recommend anyone that has pets that go outside get one. If not this particular one, do research and find the one that you prefer. It only takes one "perfect storm" to lose a pet. I never thought it would happen to me, especially with a special needs dog, but it did. This collar can track him in real time at a moment's notice. I know exactly where he is when I can't have my eyes on him. The collar only comes off when he gets a bath. If anyone wants info about it, please feel free to contact me and I will retell my horror story and tell you all about the Tractive collars.

As always, Deb



LITTLE MOMMA
10 YEAR OLD FEMALE



TERESA
2 YEAR OLD FEMALE



CLAY
8 YEAR OLD MALE



REMY
4 YEAR OLD MALE

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Forever Home Pet Trust

With Mother's Day being celebrated this month and Father's Day in June, we would like all pet parents to think about a plan for their pet.

Our bond with our pets is immeasurable, as they rely on us for care, love and a safe home. And when pets are left behind after their human companion passes away, many times they are brought to shelters leaving them confused and scared. More times than not, family members are just not able or willing to care for pets when a family member has passed away.

If you are looking for assurance that your pet will be cared for if something should happen to you, you may want to consider our program Forever Home Pet Trust. Signing up for the program is easy and if you change your mind about your plans, it can be easily dissolved. Funding is required but we do not take any funding until we receive the pet.

Pets in the program will live in either a home for cats or dogs and will live with resident staff members. This helps to make the transition to future care easier as they would go from your home to ours.

For more information, email
FHPT@leesburghumanesociety.org

Upcoming Events

We will have a table and adoptable dogs outside of PetSmart.

10:00am – 2:00pm

3667 Wedgewood Lane, The Villages

Upcoming Dates:

June 6

August 1

September 6

May 23 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Adopt Joy Event

PetSmart

3667 Wedgewood Lane, The Villages

June 10 10:30am

Firetruck Event

Fruitland Park Library

604 W. Berckman Street, Fruitland Park

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Bargain Store

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MARTINI

2 MONTH OLD FEMALE



MILKYWAY

6 MONTH OLD MALE



GALAXY

6 MONTH OLD MALE



BINX

3 MONTH OLD MALE

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Featured Dog - Maxie

Maxie is the life of the cuddle party. This handsome 4 year old boy is extremely friendly and affectionate once he gets to know you. He will happily soak up all the love and attention you're willing to give.

Maxie is a wonderful dog who just needs a chance to show how loving he can be. If you're looking for a social cuddlebug, Maxie is the perfect match.



Featured Cat - Bogart

Say hello to Bogart, an 8-month-old tuxedo boy with a heart as soft as his fur. At just 8 months old, this handsome tuxedo boy has already experienced more than any young cat should... he was abandoned and a Good Samaritan brought him to us.

Because of that, he's a little shy at first—and who could blame him? The world hasn't always been kind to him. But underneath that timid exterior is a sweet, gentle soul just waiting for someone to show him what love really feels like.

About him:

Shy at first, but warms up with patience. Quiet, gentle, and loving. Just needs a safe place to feel secure again. With a little time and kindness, he will blossom into the most loyal companion. Cats like him don't just love—they love deeply.

He didn't deserve to be left behind... he deserves a beautiful future. If you have a calm home and a caring heart, you could be the one to give him the second chance he's been waiting for.



PRINCE
6 YEAR OLD MALE



PHOEBE
7 YEAR OLD FEMALE



THEO
5 YEAR OLD MALE



MOLLY
10 YEAR OLD FEMALE

MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Leesburg Humane Society



Adoptions



In April, shelter volunteers gave 210 hours.

Thank you!!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

**INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING?**

Volunteer roles include dog walking/socializing, cat socializing, events, and our bargain store..

Contact 352-669-3348 for more information



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