

Leesburg Humane Society

Message from Debbie Butler, Executive Director

Greetings shelter friends and family....

It seems that the summer's nearly over, at least according to the calendar that is. We Floridians know that there is still summer weather to come. Hopefully we will have a beautiful fall with the temperatures we all enjoy. I know that the rain and storms are a welcomed change to the drought we have endured.

The dogs at the shelter are still enjoying the walks that they get daily from our volunteers. I love seeing the happy faces and wagging tails (respectively) as I look out the window and see them walking the property. We have had a few mom dogs with large litters of puppies that have come from LCAS and have all been adopted. It has been a busy summer with all of the pups. There is nothing more satisfying than seeing a puppy going off to live its life with its new family. Seeing children getting their first lifelong friend. It's things like that, that make up for the heartbreaking things that we also have to witness.

Of course, there have also been many momma cats with litters of kittens, as well as orphaned kittens with no momma. It has not been unusual for us to have had up to fifty kittens at one time. One morning we got here to find 18 cats and kittens left at the closed gate in carriers and boxes. They were all in terrible health and as much as an inconvenience it was, I am so glad that they found their way to us for proper care. There are 18 cats that will not reproduce and cause more unhealthy cats to be born. Quite a few of them have been adopted and are now living their best life.

Our livestock have caused us to replace our fence out at the barnyard. The old fence has served us well, as it was probably put up about 30 years ago! Milo, the miniature donkey has been escaping and munching the much tastier grass on the Forever Home Pet Trust property. He is a stubborn old man and when he decides that it's not time to go back to the barn, he is not going. Hopefully the new fence will curb his enthusiasm for wanting to wander.

Enjoy what is left of the summer.....

As always, Deb



IRIS
3 YEAR OLD FEMALE



MIDNIGHT RAIN
3 YEAR OLD MALE



MITZIE
4 YEAR OLD FEMALE



BOONE
4 YEAR OLD MALE

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Notable Dates in September

SEPTEMBER IS Happy Healthy Cat MONTH!
Healthy cats. Happy hearts.

- Regular veterinary care & vaccinations
- Parasite prevention (fleas, ticks, worms)
- Good food & fresh water
- A clean litter box & watch for changes
- Playtime, enrichment & places to climb, hide & scratch
- Maintain a healthy weight
- Love, patience & a safe place to call home

Cats are experts at hiding when they don't feel well. Pay attention to changes—they can be important clues!

This month, give your cats extra cuddles, playtime, and all the good things! And if there's an empty cat-shaped spot in your home... we know a few deserving shelter cats who would be happy to help with that.

Thank you for helping cats live long, healthy, and happy lives!

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS Month!
Be Prepared. Keep Them SAFE.

Make a plan. Build a kit. Include your pets.

- PREPARE A PET EMERGENCY KIT**
Include several days of food, water, medications, bowls, litter and other necessary supplies.
- KEEP MEDICATIONS & MEDICAL INFO HANDY**
Include vaccination records and your veterinarian's contact information.
- MAKE SURE IDENTIFICATION IS CURRENT**
Check ID tags and microchip information to make sure your contact information is up to date.
- KEEP RECENT PHOTOS OF YOUR PETS**
In case you become separated.
- HAVE CARRIERS, CRATES & LEASHES ACCESSIBLE**
An emergency is not the time to discover the carrier is buried in the back of a closet!
- KNOW WHERE YOU CAN GO WITH YOUR PETS**
Identify pet-friendly lodging, shelters or trusted friends and family ahead of time.
- PLAN FOR EVERY ANIMAL IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD**
Cats, dogs, horses and other pets may have very different needs during an emergency.

Never leave your pets behind if you have to evacuate. If conditions aren't safe for you, they aren't safe for them either.



SYLVIE 1 MONTH OLD FEMALE



CITRINE 2 MONTH OLD MALE



MILLIE 1 MONTH OLD FEMALE

RESPONSIBLE Dog OWNERSHIP Month
Great dogs start with responsible humans.

- PROVIDE** vet care, a healthy diet, and preventative
- PROVIDE** a safe, loving home, exercise, and enrichment
- TRAIN** with patience, and socialize
- PROTECT** with ID tags, microchip, and safe containment
- LOVE** them for their whole life

Could Hooch be your perfect match?

BE THEIR PERSON. BE RESPONSIBLE. BE THEIR HERO.

SEPTEMBER 14-20 IS Adopt a LESS ADOPTABLE PET Week!
Every heart deserves a home.

DIFFERENT DOESN'T MEAN THEY DON'T DESERVE LOVE.

- They may be older. But they still have so much love to give.
- They may be shy. With patience, they may be your best friend.
- They may have special needs. A little extra care gives a long way.
- They may be overlooked. Black pets, pit mixes and others are passed over far too often.
- They may have been waiting the longest. But their perfect person hasn't given up looking... yet.

BE THE ONE WHO Looks Twice. BE THE ONE WHO Changes a Life.

- Open your heart. Find a friend like no other.
- Save a life. Adopt, foster, or sponsor.
- Make a difference. Love doesn't come with a label.
- Every pet deserves a chance. Will you be theirs?

Adopt. Don't Shop. Love. Patience. Family. Less Adoptable. Never Less Lovable.

SEPTEMBER IS National Pet MEMORIAL MONTH
Remember ♥ Honor ♥ Celebrate

Some animals come into our lives for many years. Others are with us for only a short while. But the love they leave behind can last a lifetime.

This month, we remember all of the beloved pets who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge—the ones who shared our homes, the special souls who passed through our shelter, and the animals whose lives touched ours in ways we will never forget.

Forever in our hearts

If you have a beloved pet waiting at the Rainbow Bridge, we invite you to share their name or a favorite photo in the comments so we can remember them with you.

Gone from our lives, but never from our hearts.

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WAFFLES 2 MONTH OLD MALE

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Featured Dog - Ameila

Amelia is 1 year and 5 months old, and she has a special connection to us because she was actually born here at the shelter. She was adopted as a puppy and, sadly, recently returned because she had not yet mastered her housetraining. Amelia can be a little timid when she first meets someone, but give her some time and patience, and you'll discover the sweetest, most affectionate girl. Once she gets to know you, she loves attention and being around her people.

When Amelia is outside, her shy side disappears! She absolutely loves running around, playing, and enjoying the great outdoors. She also has a wonderful time with other dogs and would love a home with a doggy companion who can keep her company, run around with her, and join her for plenty of playtime.

Amelia is still young and has so much potential to blossom with a patient family willing to continue working with her on her housetraining and help build her confidence. She's ready for a fresh start and, most importantly, a forever home where she can feel safe, loved, and cherished.

Featured Cat - Camila

Camila is a beautiful female tuxedo with a personality just as lovely as her markings.

She is very sweet and adaptable, the kind of kitty who takes things in stride and settles into new situations well. Camila enjoys attention and has an easygoing nature that makes her a wonderful companion.

If you're looking for a sweet girl who could fit right into your life, come meet Camila! She may be exactly who you've been waiting for.



DOGS FOR ADOPTION



PHOEBE
8 YEAR OLD FEMALE



MOLLY
10 YEAR OLD FEMALE



EBONY
6 YEAR OLD FEMALE



THEO
6 YEAR OLD MALE

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Adoptions



In August, shelter
volunteers gave
165 hours.

Thank you!!

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

**INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING?**

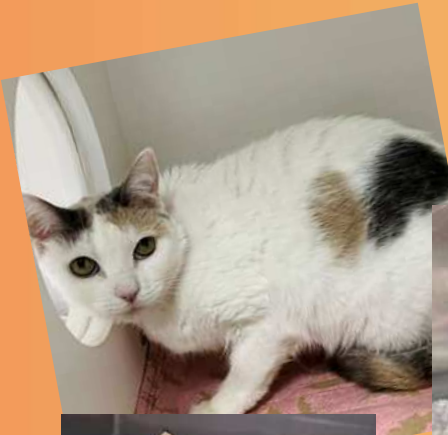
Volunteer roles
include dog
walking/socializing,
cat socializing, events,
and our bargain store..

Contact 352-669-3348
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