



# Paws & Claws News Update

Fall 2025

A publication of your membership-supported humane society of Rochester and Southeast Minnesota

36<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall  
Charity  
Fundraiser

Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>  
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Meet  
Kane~

And His Buddy, Newt,  
Both Paws & Claws Alumni

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# Annual Fall Charity Fundraiser

Friday, October 24, 2025

Rochester Event Center 5:30 -10 p.m.

The 36th Annual Fall Charity Fundraiser will be held on Friday, October 24, 2025, at the Rochester Event Center. The event features hundreds of creative and fun themed baskets for the silent auction and some amazing items and experiences in the live auction. Previous live auction items include vacation packages, exclusive golf outings, tickets to concerts, shopping sprees, fine jewelry, and Char's famous Pies for A Year! Keep an eye out on Facebook for updates on what will be available this year. Tickets are \$40, which includes appetizers and a cash bar is also available. There will be a Dog vs Cat Specialty Drink competition again this year. Last year Hoppers Three Paw Pie Punch won over Squirts Snarky Sangria by only two drinks!

The fundraising committee is already hard at work. They are busy bringing in some amazing donations and planning some new and creative ways to ensure the event highlights the great work Paws and Claws does within the community. These generous donations make such an impact on so many lives of dogs, cats and humans alike. If you are interested in volunteering for the event or have questions about donating items for the event, please email us at [pchs\\_auction@pawsandclaws.org](mailto:pchs_auction@pawsandclaws.org).

**Buy One – Get One!** When you are out shopping, think about picking up an extra to donate! Some of the

items we need for our baskets are: bottles of liquor, beer, wine and seltzers; specialty snacks, crackers and coffee, theater candy and gourmet chocolate (including bars), pillar candles, spa items, men's items, camping and sporting equipment, baby, children and teen items.

Tom Kadlec Leasing has once again generously provided us space for our donation site. We will be open to accept donations on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. starting Wednesday, September 17th and ending Saturday, October 4th. The donation site is located at 4320 East Frontage Road NW, Rochester, MN 55901.

We would like to especially thank our 2025 Gold Paw sponsors, as we cannot do this without them: Piepho Moving & Storage/Agent for Allied Van Lines, Tom Kadlec Honda, Tom Kadlec Kia, Stifel Nicolaus & Company, Inc., Rochester Post Bulletin, Rochester Magazine, Sam's Club, Townsquare Media, Electric Hive Tattoo & Inkporium, R & J Painters, Bear Creek Kennels, Waiter Express Food Delivery, Athena Real Estate, Lasker Jewelers & Diamonds & Tyrol Ski & Sport.

Watch for updates on the Paws and Claws website and our Facebook page. Please mark your calendars for Friday, October 24th to attend this great event (and pet some puppies & kitties!). Tickets can be purchased at the shelter, online at [pawsandclaws.org](http://pawsandclaws.org), or at the event. We hope to see you there!



## Director's Corner

# What to do if You've Lost or Found a Pet

**F**rom someone who's been there... more than once. We all hope it never happens, but pets can and do go missing. Whether it's a screen door left ajar or a clever dog who's figured out how to open the gate (again), it only takes a second for them to disappear. On the flip side, many kind-hearted people come across pets who are clearly lost and aren't sure what to do next. So, here's some practical advice from us at Paws and Claws Humane Society and yes, some of it comes from personal experience.

### If Your Pet Goes Missing

1. **Start searching right away.** Don't wait, and don't assume they'll just "find their way back." Most pets don't go far at first, so start close to home and bring treats, toys, and a leash or carrier.
2. **Call shelters and impounds.** Contact Paws and Claws, Rochester Animal Control, local vets, and surrounding shelters. Give a good description and a photo. Then follow up regularly.
3. **Get the word out.** Use social media (local lost/found Facebook groups, Nextdoor, PawBoost, etc.) and make flyers to post around your neighborhood. Be sure to include a photo and your contact info.
4. **Visit in person.** Descriptions over the phone can be hit or miss. Come by to look, you're more likely to recognize your own pet than someone else is from a description.
5. **Microchips matter.** If your pet is chipped, make sure your contact info is up to date in the registry. A chip and your pet can't help if it's not registered or has your old phone number on it.

### If You Find a Lost Pet

1. **Check for ID tags.** If they've got a collar with a phone number, call it!
2. **Keep the pet safe.** If the pet is friendly and you're able, keep it secure in your home, garage, or fenced yard until help arrives. If not, call for backup.
3. **Take it to a vet or shelter to scan for a microchip.** We can also help check lost reports and try to match the pet with their owner.
4. **Make a found pet post.** Social media works both ways! Take a clear photo and post details to local groups, including where you found the pet.
5. **Don't assume the pet was dumped.** Even if they're dirty or thin, they may have been lost for days. Give the original owner a chance to reclaim their pet.



*Shelter director at Paws and Claws, Tanya Johnson, poses with her boss, Squirt!*

### Confessions of a Repeat Offender: Louis and Murphy

I'll be honest – my dogs Louis and Murphy are professionals when it comes to escaping (I think the whole town of Rochester knows too). If there were an Olympic sport for slipping out of the yard undetected, they'd be bringing home gold medals. We've tried Apple AirTags (and let's just say, we've replaced more than a few). What finally worked for us was the Tractive GPS collars, recommended by our shelter vet, Dr. Mike. They let us track the boys in real-time, which means we can go from "Where did they go?!" to "They're just down the road again, making friends with the neighbor dogs" in about 30 seconds. The collars do require a monthly subscription, but in our case, it's been worth every penny.

### A Few Tips to Help Prevent a Great Escape:

- Double-check your fences and gates (especially if you live with a Louis or Murphy).
- Always keep ID tags on.
- Microchip your pets and keep the info current!
- Spay/neuter your pets – it can reduce roaming tendencies.
- If you've got a known escape artist, consider investing in a GPS collar.

Losing a pet or finding one can be stressful and emotional, but you're not alone. If you need help, call us at **Paws and Claws**. We'll do everything we can to help reunite pets with their people.

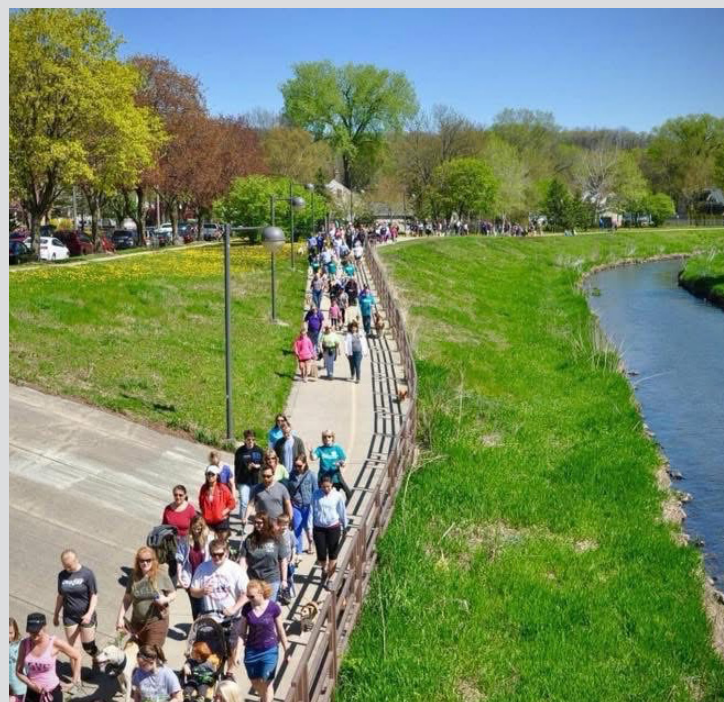


# Annual Pet Walk

**O**ur 2025 Pet Walk was held on Saturday, May 3rd at Cooke Park. The Pet Walk is always a fun-filled day where pet lovers get together and support our mission, and boy, did we have a great time again this year! In addition to the walk itself, there were many vendors, and multiple raffle prizes for those who collected pledges. Our sponsors and community members collectively helped us raise \$34,000 for the animals in our care! Our top pledge earners were Zoey in the youth category – raising an incredible \$2,755, and Jenni in the adult category raised \$3,175! The dedication shown by these amazing people truly humbles us.

This year we had beautiful weather and so many friendly faces at the event! Many of our long-term sponsors were back again this year, along with some new businesses! We love getting together with people each year who are passionate about saving these animals. With so many pets and pet lovers in attendance, you know it's going to be a good time!

We can't thank our supporters enough for putting in the work to raise money for our animals. Paws and Claws receives no government funding, so the impact your support has means more than we can express! Thank you all, and we hope to see you again next year!



*It was the perfect day to go for a walk with your best friend while supporting a great cause too.*



*Penelope Kittelson Photography*

*Louis, Zoey, Murphy, and Tyler Johnson*

## Our 2025 PCHS PETWALK SPONSORS



## Volunteer Spotlight: Christy Benson

Christy Benson started volunteering at Paws and Claws in 2020 after she adopted her first dog, Sugar. She fosters dogs in addition to working with them at the shelter. Christy loves seeing the transition animals make from their time at Paws and Claws to their forever homes. She enjoys seeing the cats and dogs that come in so shy and scared, but then blossom into absolute sweethearts.

When Christy volunteers, she keeps in mind this outlook: "Teamwork makes the dream work." Christy often brings her three daughters to the shelter with her to walk the dogs. She knows that she is still learning, but she and the girls do it together. They all learn and grow from each other.

She may not feel like an expert with dogs, but Christy grew up with animals. Her family had horses, cows, buffalos, goats as well as cats and dogs! Her parents still live on the farm with plenty of horses, their yellow lab and some barn kitties.

Christy loves being outside in her big backyard with her girls and her chickens and spends a lot of time there. She enjoys watching most any sport, especially volleyball and basketball. Christy finds working with her foster dogs and finding good homes for them very rewarding.

Her most memorable dog from Paws and Claws would be her Sugar. In Christy's opinion, Sugar is the best dog in the whole wide world! Her furry family consists of Sugar (four-years-old), Birdie (two years), Stevie (seven years), and their foster Honey, who is currently four months old. They were all adopted from Paws and Claws and are all French Bulldogs! Last, but not least – is Karen, an eight-year-old cat from her parents' farm who is the matriarch of the family.



*Christy Benson with Stevie, Sugar & her foster pup Honey.*

## The Cat's Meow!



*Sweet foster kittens*



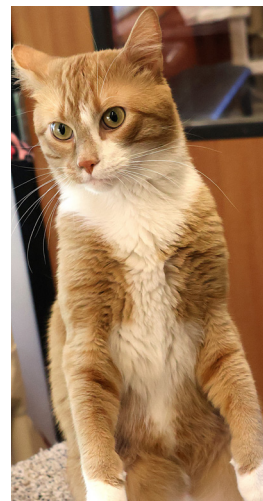
*Bumble*



*Devie*



*Apricot*



*Freddie Fox*



# Do Pets Grieve?

**M**any animals, especially those that form strong social bonds — like dogs, cats, birds, and even rabbits — can experience grief after the loss of a companion, whether it's another animal or a human. While they may not understand death the way humans do, they can feel the absence and respond to changes in their environment and routine.

## Signs of Grieving in Pets:

- Loss of appetite
- Lethargy or lack of interest in activities
- Changes in sleep patterns
- Searching or waiting for the deceased companion
- Vocalizing more or less than usual
- Clinginess or withdrawal

Each pet grieves differently, and the intensity or duration can vary. Some may return to normal behavior in a few days; others might show signs for weeks or months.



## Supporting a Grieving Pet:

- Stick to regular routines, they provide comfort and predictability.
- Offer extra affection and attention without forcing interaction.
- Encourage play or gentle exercise to lift their mood.
- Introduce new toys or enrichment slowly.
- In multi-pet households, monitor the dynamics — grief can shift hierarchies.

If signs of grief persist or worsen, it may be helpful to consult a veterinarian.

# Annual Rummage and Bake Sale Update

**I**t always surprises me when our goal is surpassed with a record-breaking number for the Paws and Claws rummage sale as it was again this year. 35,000 is going to go a long way for our shelter, working to provide for the needs of our animal friends! We cherish our hard-working, dedicated volunteers who spend hour after hour over the 10-day span of set up, sale time, cleanup, and whatever needs to be done to make the Rummage Sale happen. Many of these volunteers have been helping for greater than 10 years! One of these volunteers is Annette Durhman who stepped up to be a

co-chair again this year. Over the past 10 years, I have been honored to chair this event and have met countless folks who are helping because they love animals. It's in our DNA and it helps to make this event successful. It is time to pass this torch on to another. I will continue to help out along with everyone in our community who is dedicated to making a difference. Once again, a shout out to the public who donated and helped support us by shopping. We love to see the long lines of people waiting for us to open our doors! See you next year!

—Carol Fealey



Shoppers find all sorts of treasures at the PCHS Rummage & Bake Sale.





Alumni Update:

# Kane & Newt

Best of Friends ~  
Together in Their  
Forever Home

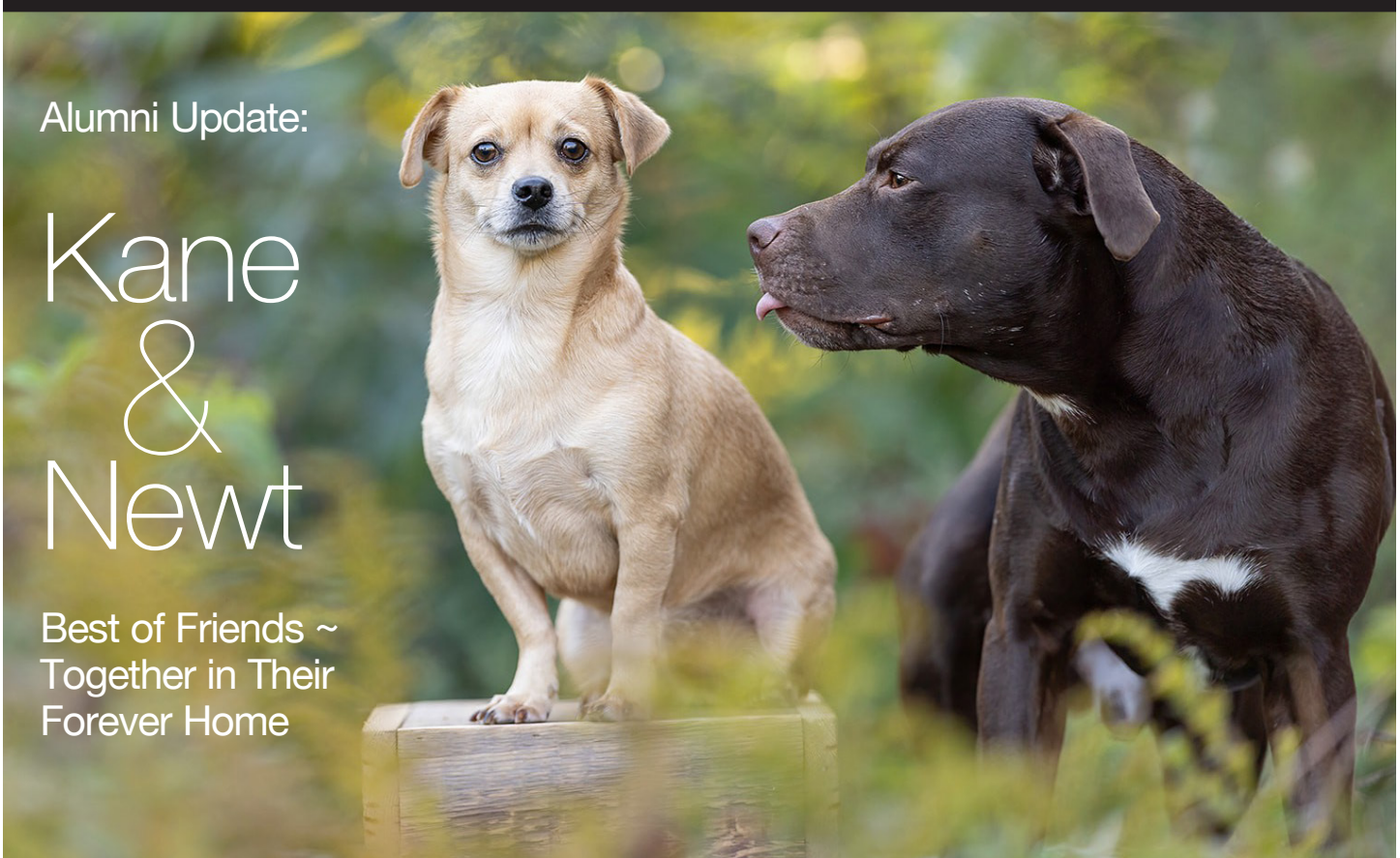


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Four months after losing our beloved girls, Meeka and Miley, who had been with us for 17 wonderful years, our hearts were completely broken. The thought of “replacing” them felt wrong. We could not even imagine bringing another dog into our home. During those 17 years, traveling was almost impossible because we hated being away from them for more than a day. We only took one big trip, to Hawaii, and after that we stayed close to home.

After they passed, we told ourselves, now we can travel. We dreamed about seeing the world and visiting places we had never been. But all of that changed one afternoon when my husband Nelson Robinson stopped by Paws and Claws to make a donation toward adoption fees.

While he was there, he noticed two sweet faces on the TV screen. They were a bonded pair — a little Chihuahua mix and a Lab Pit mix. He took a picture and sent it to me, and I thought “What an odd pair.” The next day, almost without thinking, I asked, “Can we go see those dogs?” He immediately cancelled his work meetings.

At the time, the little one was named Nibbler, and the bigger one was Kane. The second they walked through the door, we were lost. We had promised ourselves no more dogs. We had promised we would travel. But within minutes, I was on the floor with Nibbler in my lap, Kane sitting right beside me, looking up like he had known me forever. We both knew right then they were coming home with us. We later changed

Nibbler’s name to Newt, which suits his curious little personality perfectly.

From the very first day we had them, it felt like they had been with us for years. They looked so relaxed, so at ease, as if they had always belonged right there with us.

It has now been a little over a year, and Kane and Newt have completely become our world. We do not have children, so these two truly are our babies. We have not been apart from them for more than a few hours the entire time we have had them. They go everywhere with us, lounging in the pool, basking in the sun, staying in “bougie” hotels, car rides to PetSmart to stock up on toys – which don’t last long! They even came to our company party, where they were spoiled by all their “aunties.”

They have had professional pictures taken and they even have their own Instagram page! What can we say, we have spoiled them, and we will continue to spoil them for the rest of their lives.

They have healed parts of our hearts we did not think would ever recover. We thought adopting again would be too painful, but it was the most rewarding decision we have ever made. Our “travel the world” plans are on hold because there is nowhere else we would rather be than with them.

We may have rescued Kane and Newt, but in so many ways, they rescued us right back.

— Kimberly Hoover



## Staff Spotlight: April Nemechek

**A**pril has been working as part of the Paws and Claws Humane Society (PCHS) Dog staff for a little over two years. She has always loved dogs, starting with Mandy, the dog they had when she was a baby. She loved Mandy so much, her first word was “dog!” This love of dogs and desire to help them led her to first work in a grooming shop in Kasson, and eventually to Paws and Claws.

The hardest part of working at the shelter is often learning the stories of the dogs and what brought them to PCHS. It’s also hard to say goodbye when they go to their homes, because some touch her heart in indescribable ways. On the bright side, April finds it very fulfilling to see the dogs become happy and healthy and move on to the happy home they deserve. When asked if there are any particular PCHS dogs that touched her heart, April had to admit that there have been so many, saying “it’s hard not to get attached to each and every one of them.”

Speaking of attachments, April lives with three dogs she adopted from PCHS, a 14-year-old Rat Terrier named Bentley, Ranger, a five-year-old Shepherd mix, and Montana, a one-year-old Pit Bull mix. Joining the menagerie are two cats, Harry and Piper. When not at the shelter, April spends time with her pets and her family and friends. She also enjoys hunting and fishing.

This life-long dog lover says “This is the most rewarding job I have ever had. I love watching how we are making a difference in each and every animal’s life that comes to us. I just wish we could save more!”



April Nemechek & Bear

## Some Help From Young Friends!

*Paws and Claws is fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers working at the shelter. Pictured here are some of our youth volunteers.*

*At right: A young dog lover /volunteer, gives Mia a relaxing pet, who seems to be loving it!*

*Far right: A group of Summer of Service kids help sort supplies. Front & center is Ranger Rick, who is receiving a lot of love & attention from the young workers.*

*Many thanks to all our volunteers who help our mission of caring for animals in need.*





# Homeward Bound ~



Love at first sight for Rudy's new Mom.



Luis the puppy is going home with alumni Mercury.



Little Britches & Charlie (middle & right) were excited to go home!



Toast headed home.



Margaret is on her way home.





*Maple, we wish you a sweet life in your forever home.*



*Phoebe (left) found a family to love her.*

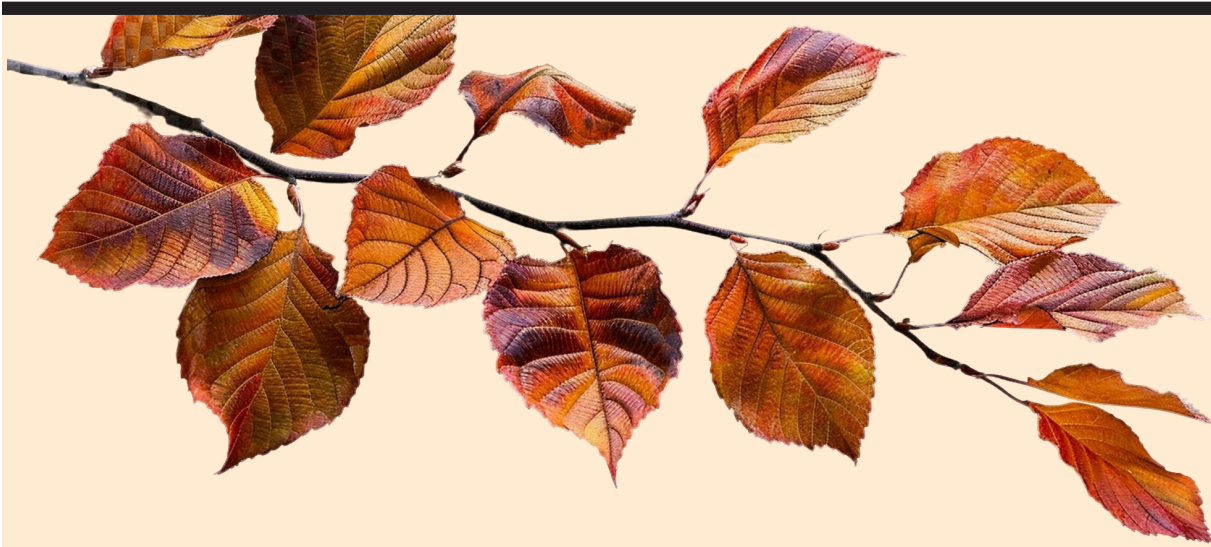


*Minnie, seems to be smiling — she's a happy dog!*



*Sighs going home with her forever family.*





## Memorials

*To memorialize, honor and thank a loved one — companion animal or person — please complete the form on the back of this newsletter. Print clearly and indicate whether your donation is for a companion animal or person. Mail the completed form with your financial gift in a stamped envelope to Paws and Claws Humane Society, 3224 19th Street N.W., Rochester, MN 55901. Your message may be edited to accommodate available space. Your donation is fully tax deductible. Thank you.*

### In Memory of ...

#### Correction:

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Joe Wagoner

In Memory of Lois Johnson  
– Phillip Greene & Diann Greene

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Jim & Cindy Bahler

In Memory of Colin Yennie  
– Don & Stephanie Supalla

In Memory of Butterscotch & in honor of Chris & Jean who gave her their hearts – Pat Dee

In Memory of Jerry Werre  
– Nancy Fryer

In Memory of Mabel Wagner  
– Dawn Holt

In Memory of my cats Herbie, Handsome & Prada  
– Laurie Anderson

In Memory of my mom, Marion Anderson – Laurie Anderson

In Memory of Colin Yennie  
– Gary & Carol Lane

In Memory of Oliver, beloved dog of Russ & Terri Mettler  
– Peggy Menzel & Ed Creagan

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Richard & Janice Vetter

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Denise & Jeffrey Siem

In Memory of Sam the cat, who was 18-years-old, we will miss him. Had since he was 8-weeks-old  
– Gaynel Richardson

In Memory of Muffin & Mia  
– Marv & Cindy Sawyer

In Memory of my sister Diane Lovejoy  
– Cheryl Golla

In Memory of our aunt, Marilyn Olseen  
– Patricia Wachtel

In Memory of George Sedivy  
– Paul & Susan Anderson

In Memory of George Sedivy  
– Richard & Judith Baxter

In Memory of Larry Pettis  
– Mrs. Pettis

In Memory of Patricia Shaw  
– Member of the Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology at Mayo Clinic

In Memory of Lois Johnson  
– Dodge County DFL

In Memory of Jerry Werre  
– Robert & Susan McClocklin

In Memory of Jerry Werre  
– Thomas & Marlyce Stelter

In Memory of Mary Kay Wernstrom  
– Gary & Kathryn Kleist

In Memory of Mary Kay Wernstrom  
– Bruce Teigen

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Therese Moore

In Memory of Mac, who belonged to Luke Sanneman

– Amanda Hocking

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Steve Sward

In Memory of Gigi  
– Erica, Alyson & Cameron

In Memory of Georgia  
– Love, Doug, Kathy, Anna & Julie

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Laurie & Rich Sylvester

In Memory of Laurie Anderson's mom  
– Lindy Hankel

In Memory of Laurie Anderson's mom  
– Pat Lande

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Friends of Mary Wernstrom

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Natalie Timm

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
– Wade & Tabitha Hanson

In Memory of Butterscotch, little cat friend of Chris & Jean, gone too soon  
– Char Carey

In Memory of Marion Anderson  
– Mayo Echo Core Lab

In Memory of Mable  
– Delores Rebertus & Denise Skaar

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– Leonard & Sharon Laues

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– Judy & Ben Kracht

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– William & Mary Oertli

In Memory of Marion Anderson  
– Echo Research Mayo Clinic

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– Margaret & Clifford Brekke

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– Sheryl Brekke

In Memory of Mable Wagner  
– Marion Flom



In Memory of Mable Wagner  
 – Cynthia Eversman  
 In Memory of Laurie Anderson's mother  
 – Annette Durhman  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Love, Sadie & friends  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Friends & Family of Colin Yennie  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – John & Judy Ruegg  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Daniel & Carol Aase  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Larry & Beverly Radtke  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Peter & Colleen Pfeifer  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Evon & Herman Bushman  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Michael & Hope Olson  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Paul Gaarder  
 In Memory of Colin Yennie  
 – Thomas & Julia Gaarer  
 In Memory of Lucy  
 – The Dorenkamp Family  
 In Memory of Jane Campion  
 – Katy Hughes  
 In Memory of Mary Wenstrom,  
 loving wife & mother  
 – Mike Willard  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Kent Bruinsma  
 In Memory of Nancy Jean Shatford-Broin  
 – Dana Salman  
 In Memory of William Kettler  
 – Melanie & Daniel Heim  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Tracy & Donna Smith  
 In Memory of Mabel Wagner  
 – Mr. & Mrs. David Chesney  
 In Memory of Jerald Werre  
 – Elizabeth Byer  
 In Memory of Mabel Wagner  
 – SMB Disability Solutions  
 In Memory of LeRae Schneider  
 – Mary Jo Wilson  
 In Loving Memory of Marion Anderson  
 (Laurie's mom)  
 – Diane Jech  
 In Memory of Andrea Sanders  
 – Brenda Rucker  
 In Memory of Grandma Nancy Broin  
 – Amma Evans-Peck  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Nancy Haas  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Judy Malone  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Sheldon & Charlotte Gee

In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Mary & Jeff Doherty  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Jeff & Barb Lemke  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Mary Blegen  
 In Memory of Mary Wernstrom  
 – Linda Mceldowney & Kay Johnson  
 In Memory of Simon  
 – Anonymous  
 In Memory of Ollie & his mama McKensie  
 – Chiara Paaverud  
 In Memory of Gus  
 – Brenna Mowen  
 In Memory of Felipe Bachez  
 – Kristi Boldt  
 In Memory of Tupper & Bugsy  
 – Laurie Anderson  
 In Loving Memory of Figment & her  
 fun days at Central Bark  
 – Elizabeth Ristagno  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth  
 – Judy Hanson  
 In Memory of Helen Stier  
 – Steven & Dawn Durst  
 In Memory of Joan Baker  
 – Dale & Susan Amondson  
 In Memory of Tim Braatz  
 – Florida Association of Private  
 Investigators  
 In Memory of Woody Wiese  
 – Frances & KC O'Connor  
 In Memory of Woody Wiese  
 – Sue & Don Greenwald  
 In Memory of Woody Wiese  
 – Carol Smith  
 In Memory of PeeWee, best buddy  
 – Connie Pendergrass  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth  
 – Gayle Garrity  
 In Memory, loving memory of  
 Paula Silker-Larson  
 – Bob Larson

In Memory of Jan Pollack  
 – Sarah & Duane Grafe  
 In Memory of Oscar  
 – Allison Owen  
 In Memory of Willow, adopted from  
 Paws & Claws by Susan &  
 Dan Crowell  
 – Judith J. Funk  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth  
 – James & Mary McCarthy  
 In Memory of Jane Pollack  
 – Janice Owens  
 In Memory of Hadley Thompson  
 – Roger & Celeste Hofer  
 In Memory of Melinda S. Mariotti,  
 she loved her "kids" Miss Kitty  
 & Miss Cuddles  
 – Terri Dugan  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Bob & Mary Ustby  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Farrel & Louise Bruce  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Larry & Mary Lee  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Dennis & Michelle Murray  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Roxanne Bartsh  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Reggie Brandl  
 In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Lee & Bev Topp  
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 – Al & Jan Bruce  
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 – Heidi Shaver  
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 – Dennis & Cheryl Pressnall

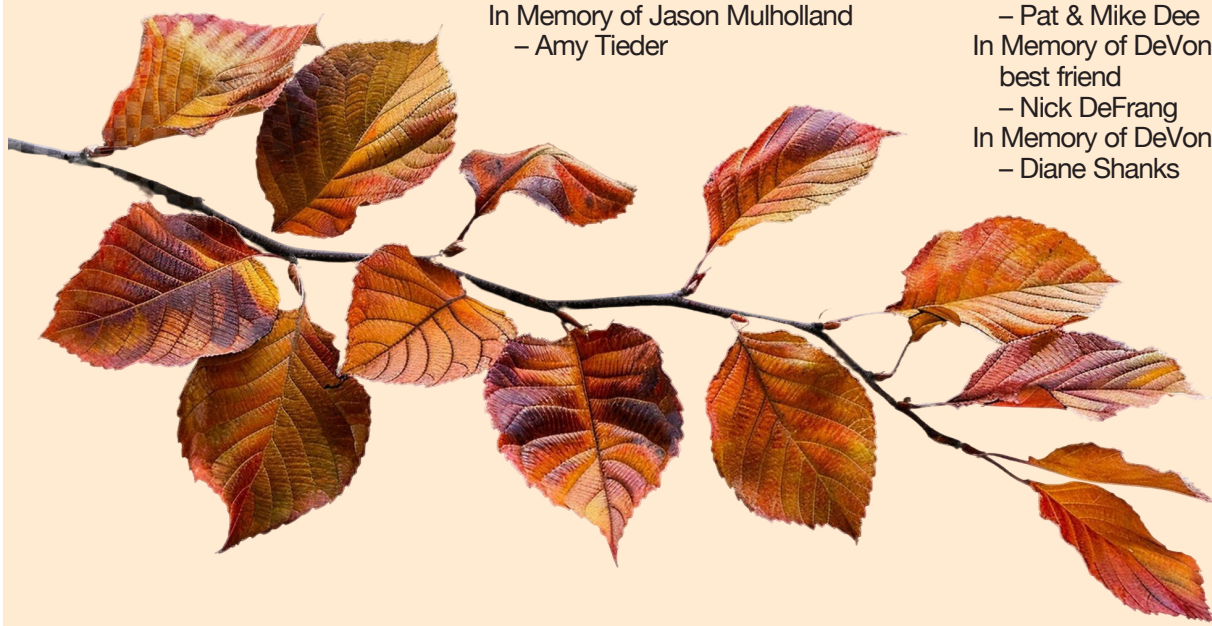




In Memory of Richard Pressnall  
 – Pat Poellinger  
 In Loving Memory of Etta, our  
 22-year-old feral kitty  
 – Char & Jim Carey  
 In Memory of Hadley Thompson  
 – Jennifer Anderson  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth, a  
 past Board member of PCHS. She  
 always voiced for the better lives of  
 homeless pets & adopted 5 of them  
 – David Hackbarth  
 In Memory of Jim Rodrick, who loved  
 his cats  
 – Angie & Pete Chafos  
 In Memory of Marge Struve & her dogs  
 Farfel & Cody  
 – Gregg Struve  
 In Memory of John Sears  
 – Nicole Ohme  
 In Memory of Chad Emmons  
 – Roland Emmons  
 In Memory of Jane Pollack  
 – David & Mary Jo Rowlands  
 In Memory of Moxie  
 – Chet Rihal  
 In Memory of Hadley Edwin Thompson  
 – Teresa Christianson  
 In Memory of Bing & Lucy  
 – Ronald Zerofsky  
 In Memory of Maggie  
 – Dave & Sue Berndt  
 In Memory of Liza Carlson, a wonderful  
 animal lover  
 – Lisa Malone

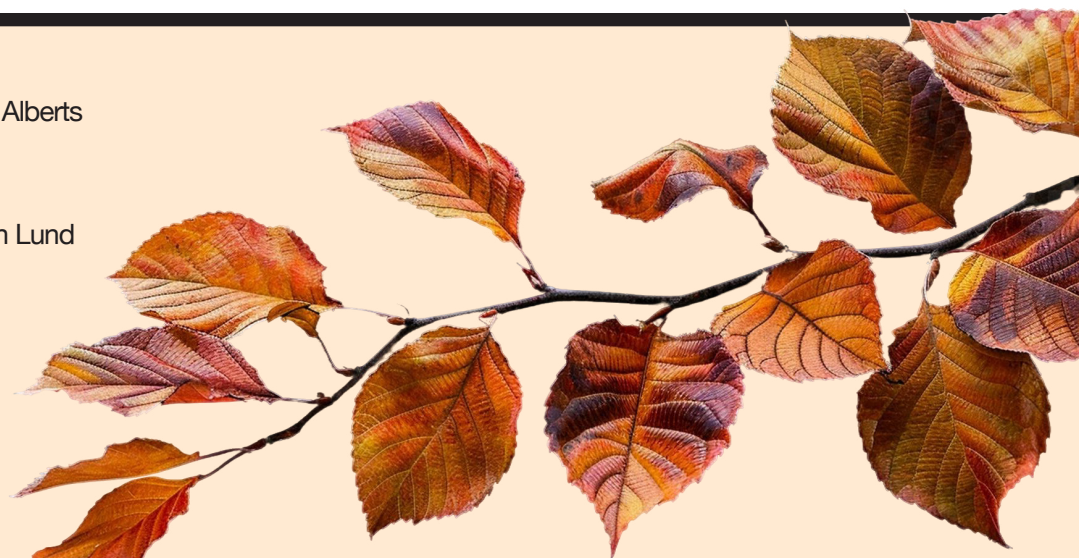
In Memory of Oscar, beloved family  
 member of Rob, Melissa, Carmen  
 & Nico Crowley  
 – Deb & Tom Crowley  
 In Memory of Carole Brown, oh, how  
 she loved dogs  
 – Peggy Nixa  
 In Memory of Jason Mulholland  
 – Jennifer Harveland  
 In Memory of sweet Willow, a small  
 pup with a big heart  
 – Jonathan King  
 In Memory of Richard Wobschall  
 – Anonymous  
 In Memory of Manny Francis Bowman  
 – Pamela Bowman  
 In Memory of Gus, our beloved rescued  
 Boston Terrier  
 – Michelle Hileman  
 In Memory of Bear  
 – Kristi Ziegler  
 In Memory of Gidget  
 – Wendy Butler  
 In Memory of dogs & cats  
 – Bob Hamlin  
 In Memory of Howard Eggenberger  
 – Audrey Nervig  
 In Memory of Hadley E. Thompson  
 – Robert Epps  
 In Memory of Hadley Thompson  
 – Megan Magnuson  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth  
 – Anonymous  
 In Memory of Ajax  
 – Gali Bhargavi  
 In Memory of Sharri Hackbarth  
 – Anonymous  
 In Memory of Helen Stier  
 – Mark Christopherson  
 In Memory of Jason Mulholland  
 – Amy Tieder

In Memory of Bella Van Rooy  
 – Rebecca Hynes  
 In Memory of Jason Mulholland  
 – Rebecca Yang  
 In Memory of Jason Mulholland  
 – Amanda Hobbs  
 In Memory of DeVon Lund – our dear  
 DeVon, her love for animals will go on  
 In Memory of Carole Brown  
 – Gary & Loraine Glomstad  
 In Memory of DeVon Vitse Lund  
 – Joann Johnson  
 In Memory of DeVon Lund  
 – Scott Pagenkopf & Team at  
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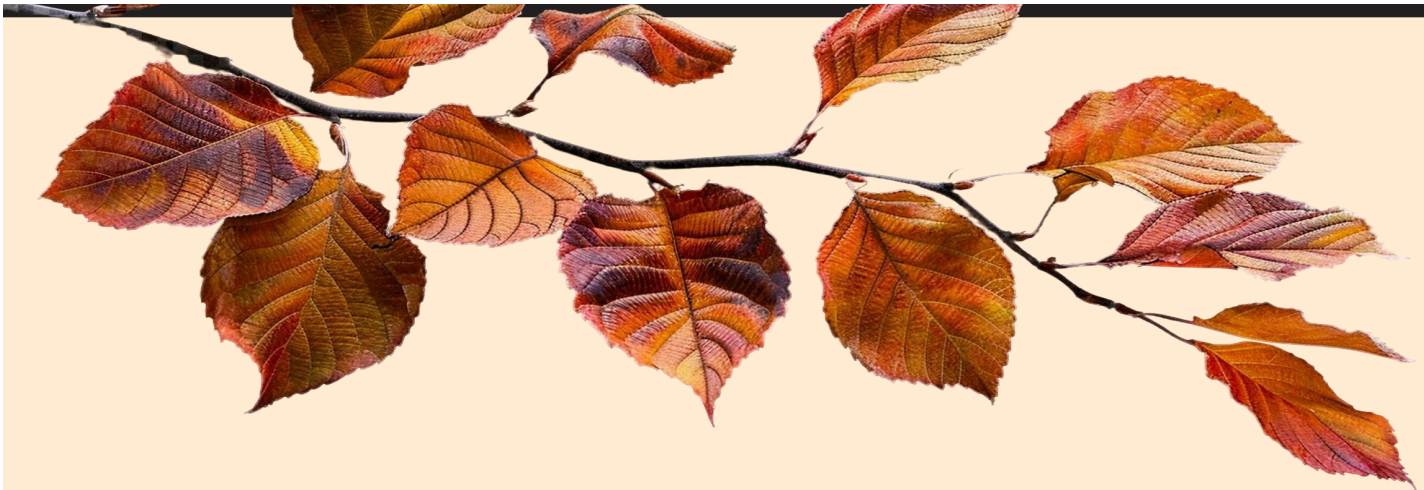
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