

# Anderson Humane Society

Meeting: First Tuesday of each month at 6:30 at the public library

Imagine a puppy's paw print in the snow ... a kitten climbing into a holiday stocking ... an orphaned cocker spaniel comfortably resting at the feet of his new best friend ... or an older tabby rediscovering the warmth of a spot near the fireplace.

Creating more than 300,000 memorable snapshots and lifelong relationships is the goal of this year's "Home 4 the Holidays" campaign. The Anderson Humane Society will team with more than 3,500 shelters across the country, actress and animal lover Diane Keaton, and the Iams Company to encourage prospective pet parents nationwide to bring a pet home for the holidays. This year's adoption drive takes place from December 1st through December 31st.

When we first got involved in Home 4 the Holidays in 2001, we had a simple and sincere focus -- to save the lives of dogs and cats. It's remarkable and rewarding to realize this is now the most successful pet adoption drive in history, but our focus remains the same and there is plenty of work remaining.

More people bring pets into their homes during the holiday season than any other time of the year, and we want people to adopt orphaned pets instead of buying them from the pet store. There are so many wonderful pets in shelters waiting for loving homes. We work hard to ensure we're making the right matches between families and pets because we want these to be lifelong friendships.

During this year's Home 4 the Holidays adoption drive, each new adopting family will receive an Iams starter kit containing food samples, coupons and important tips on pet care, behavior, training, and nutrition.

To help encourage adoptions, we will be offering a \$25 discount off all adoption fees throughout December. This means that adoption fees for dogs are only \$70 and adoption fees for cats are only \$50. This fee INCLUDES the spay/neuter, testing, and vaccinations. That's like paying for the veterinary fees and getting the pet for FREE! Not only will you be getting a loyal friend, you'll be saving the life of a homeless pet.

Prospective pet parents can see the pets we have for adoption at [andersonhumane.org](http://andersonhumane.org). You are also welcome to visit the Adoption Center located at 1410 Versailles Road.

## ***If you plan to buy someone a pet for Christmas, here are some tips:***

Don't make it a surprise gift - Talk to the recipient and find out if they're ready to commit as much as 15 years of their life to caring for a new family member. If your kids are asking for a pet, consider yourself as the owner, not the kids.

Let the recipient select the new pet - Don't take a chance on picking out an animal you think he or she would like. Even if you know the breed they want, you still can't determine which particular dog they feel something special with.

Take them to the local animal shelter - Instead of buying a pet, adopt a homeless dog or cat. Many shelters don't stop euthanizing just because it's December. I guarantee you if you take someone to see the animals at a shelter, they won't leave without wanting to adopt one.

Instead of spreading a message that Christmas is the wrong time to bring a pet home, we should instead make it the best time. You can extend the Spirit of Giving by giving a home to a dog or cat who doesn't have one.

# SPOTLIGHT ON:



#596 Doogie (Hound)

'Hi there. My name is Doogie and I'm another one of the dogs at the shelter. Like most of the others, I came in as a stray. I was picked up down at Stringtown, near the school. I keep hoping my owner will come for me, but the other dogs here say the owners rarely ever come to get us. Somebody will adopt me...won't they?'

#129 Clay (Domestic Short Hair - gray and white)

'Hello. My name is Clay and I'm a shy little kitty who came here as an owner turn-in. She couldn't keep us anymore, me and my sister that is. She's developed allergies and so she had to give us up. We're only about a year old and although we're a little shy, we'll make great pets for somebody.'



#598 Goldie (Golden Retriever *Mixed*)

'Hi there! My name is Goldie and I'm a big retriever mix girl who came here from down at the Early Childhood Center. I just wanted to play with the kids, and instead, I ended up here! I'm really hoping my owner comes to get me, but if they don't, I'm not opposed to going home with somebody new!'

#117 Jada (Tortoiseshell)

'Hello. I'm Jada and I'm one of four kitties who came to the shelter from down on Waddy Road. Nobody there knew us so we had to come here to stay. The Humane Society promised they'll try to find good homes for us, but space is running out so if you want to adopt me, come quick!'



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#594 Ian (Yellow Labrador Retriever *Mixed*)

'Hello. I'm Ian and I came here as a stray from down on Broadway. I thought for sure my owners would have come to get me by now, but I haven't seen them yet. I'm sharing my kennel with another dog and we play really good together. But still, I'd rather be at home with my family than on this cold concrete floor.'



#5 Ludwig (Domestic Short Hair - orange and white)

'Hi. My name is Ludwig and I'm an adorable little kitty out at the shelter. I came here from over on Djeddah. A nice little lady there found a bunch of us hanging around and she's bringing us here so they can find good homes for us. Hope I get adopted soon cause I'm ready to meet my new family!'



#574 Sophie (Hound *Mixed*)

'Hello. I'm Sophie and I'm one of three hound dog mixes who came here from over on Lock Road. I guess we just wandered away and then couldn't figure out how to get back home. I'm only about a year old and I'm a very friendly girl and would make a great dog for somebody!'



#70 Kia (Domestic Short Hair-black)

'Hello. My name is Kia and I'm just one of a big group of kitties who came here from down on Herndon Road. There are a few adults, but there are lots of us little babies, so I'm sure if you'll come out here, you'll find a little kitten you'll just love! There's not much space around here, so we may not have much time, so hurry!'

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[www.andersonhumane.org](http://www.andersonhumane.org) or at our  
Adoption Center at 1410 Versailles Road

## **Kroger Card Fundraiser**

Kroger Gift Cards are available from the Anderson Humane Society for \$5 each. There are no additional costs to you. The initial purchase cost will be credited on the gift card. For example, when you purchase a new card for \$5, it will have a balance of \$5. You can then go to your local Kroger and add more to the card at the service desk. The Kroger Gift Card works like a debit card that is linked to the Humane Society. Just recharge your card when the balance gets low, or before you do your shopping. It can be recharged at the service desk at any Kroger store. Simply go to the Service Desk and let them know the amount you want to place on the card. You can pay by check, cash, debit or credit card. Kroger keeps track of the amounts purchased on the cards linked to the Humane Society. The Humane Society receives 4% of the total amount spent through cards linked to us.

This is any easy, effortless way for the Humane Society to maintain a regular, steady income. It costs you nothing extra, and it goes to a good cause. So, get your card today and start Kroger-ing! You can pick up your card at the adoption center at 1410 Versailles Road.

## **OUR CHRISTMAS WISH LIST:**

Clip Boards, Paper Clips, Copier Paper, Pencils, Filing Folders, Pens, Sharpie Markers, Cat Litter, Cat Grooming Supplies, Cat Litter Scoop, Cat Treats, Leashes, Collars, Towels, Dog Grooming Supplies, Cat Toys, Dog Toys, Dog Treats, Air Freshener, Hand Soap, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, Scrubbing Brushes, Hand Sanitizer, Dog Shampoo, Bleach, Staples, Dog Food, Cat Food, and Mops/Brooms.

Donations (tax-deductible) can be dropped off at the adoption center located at 1410 Versailles Road, Lawrenceburg KY 40342.

