

The Paw Print



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GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND

By Betsy Bode, CAWA

It's time to celebrate! Last year, no healthy or treatable shelter animals were euthanized in our community. Animal Allies Humane Society ended 2015 with a 97% Live Release Rate, meaning 97% of the animals we took in were either transferred to other rescue organizations or placed in adoptive homes. When the **Campaign for Zero** was launched in 2010, our original goal was to eliminate the euthanasia of healthy animals entering shelters in our community. Last year we surpassed that goal and, in addition to healthy animals, placed all treatable animals – those requiring extra medical or behavioral care before adoption – as well.

We measure our success in a variety of ways. Animal Allies tracks shelter statistics using the Asilomar format, which focuses on Live Release Rate (LRR). This rate represents the percentage of animals who enter the shelter and also leave: a vital measurement, but not the only gauge of success. While Animal Allies is proud of our LRR, which is one of the best in the country, we also pay attention to how long animals remain in our care while being prepared for adoption. For this, we use an important statistic, Length of Stay. As we treat more intensive medical or behavioral issues, we've seen certain animals stay in the shelter's care much longer as they await treatment or a family who is ready to adopt an animal who needs extra attention. This increased length of stay has a direct impact on our resources.

With the help of our community, Animal Allies has been able to achieve tremendous success since opening the new shelter in 2009. Feral cats are placed in the Barn Cat Program rather than being automatically euthanized as they once were. Animals with extreme medical needs are now treated and rehabilitated. Dogs with food aggression or tendencies to get overstimulated receive training to correct their behavior. But with the additional treatment and care we are providing in order to place these animals, there is a significant increase in cost. Some animals require extensive surgery with a long rehabilitation process. Others have intense behavioral needs. As Animal Allies strives to place more and more animals, costs go up dramatically; in 2015, we witnessed an increase of over 25% for average medical costs per animal compared to 2009.

Is it worth it? Absolutely! But our success depends on our community. If you would like to support our choice to give each animal a chance, consider becoming a member, volunteer, or donor. We consider ourselves fortunate to live in a community that values and cares about animals.

Popo and Keiko

Popo was morbidly obese when she came through our doors last April. She could not stand or walk on her own and had to be loaded onto a cart for trips outside to relieve herself. Excess weight had put tremendous strain on Popo's rear legs, resulting in torn ACLs in both back knees. But we knew she still had a chance for a happy life in spite of her issues. After many months of diet, exercise, and loving care from her foster home, Popo has lost over 30 pounds. She has had one knee surgery and will have the second knee repaired after recovering from the first. She is almost unrecognizable after nearly a year of treatment. Popo currently lives with her foster family and is loving life!

Keiko is one of several diabetic cats who entered into the shelter's care in 2015. It can take 1-2 months to regulate this disease, including the initial diagnosis, starting insulin, checking glucose levels weekly, and altering diet. After Keiko's diabetes was regulated, she patiently waited at the shelter for over a month before she was adopted. She is now with her new family who loves her very much.



Popo when she arrived at the shelter.



Popo after her first ACL Repair surgery, celebrating the holidays with staff.



Keiko in her new adopter's arms.



Lindsay Snustad

WINTER GREETINGS, FRIENDS!

Winter Greetings, Dear Friends!

I hope this letter finds you well and gearing up for the beginning of another planting season, growth, and new life. If you are anything like me, you already have visions

for what to add to your landscape design that will bring color and a fresh new look.

Here at the shelter I am lucky enough to have an office that overlooks the parking lot and allows me to see the everyday bustle and activity. From busloads of children active in our humane education program to folks interested in finding an addition to their family and volunteer groups eager to help beautify trails and kennels for the animals in our care, there are so many awesome things happening all around me.

One thing I am particularly proud of is achieving a 97% Live Release Rate in 2015. That means, of the hundreds of animals that came in to our shelter, 97% were either adopted or transferred to another rescue. Staff and volunteers worked hard to achieve this accomplishment and are proud of the love, care, and enrichment they provide to the animals while they are at the shelter.

This past fall, we launched a new program called The Healing Hearts and Paws Fund. This fund was created to save those animals who need extra medical attention. These animals may have conditions such as diabetes or thyroid disease, broken bones or genetic deformities, and therefore require extensive medical treatment. We know that any day an animal that desperately needs our help may enter the shelter. Having a fund set aside for such cases gives us the chance to take immediate action to help.

On the front page of this newsletter, you will find stories of two such animals. From the Popos to the Keikos, we choose to invest in these cats and dogs. But it is you who makes these amazing transformation stories possible.

Providing these animals with the medical care needed to improve their quality of life is just one example of how our organization goes above and beyond. While I remain proud of our team's ability to maintain a Live Release Rate that is among the best in the nation by choosing to invest in pets that are not healthy and adoptable upon intake, I know we could not do this without a community that supports this work as well.

Thank you for everything you do for Animal Allies. Because of you, we are able to serve the animals and the community the way we have promised.

Warm Regards,

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P.S. If you would like to make a contribution to the Healing Hearts and Paws Fund to help those animals that need extra medical care, simply indicate so on your donation.



Mission Statement

Animal Allies Humane Society strives to ensure a lifetime of loving care for every pet by reducing overpopulation, increasing adoption, and fostering humane values.

Vision Statement

Animal Allies Humane Society is guided by a humane ethic to build communities that universally value animals, understand their needs, and take action to meet them.

Animal Allies will be a leader in working toward:

- Elimination of pet overpopulation and the euthanasia of adoptable animals.
- Providing quality temporary care to homeless animals then placing them in permanent loving homes.
- Educating the community on humane treatment and responsible guardianship of companion animals.

Animal Allies will directly provide high quality animal sheltering services.

Animal Allies will support the efforts of partner agencies to provide high quality animal sheltering services.

MILLER HILL SUBARU "LOVE-A PET" EVENT A MAJOR SUCCESS

Thank you to all who joined us for the Miller Hill Subaru "Love-a-Pet" Adoption Event on November 21st and 22nd.

In just two days:

- 87 cats, kittens, dogs and puppies found new homes,
- Nearly \$3,000 was raised from the Holiday Pet Photos,
- Over 50 owned pets were microchipped, and
- All participating shelters went home with bags of items from the "Fill a Subaru" wish list drive!

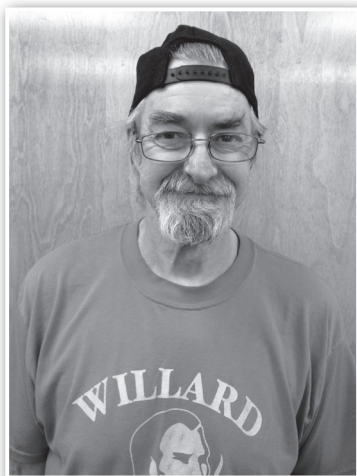
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This event is also made possible by:



MEET THE BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE ASSOCIATE:



How long have you been with Animal Allies? About three months now.

What is your role? Fix or repair daily. I enjoy working with my hands. I'm a mechanic. I can take a pile of stuff and put it back together and make it run.

Where did you grow up? Right here. I was born in Duluth, MN.

What keeps you in Duluth? I like it. My relatives are here. I have a sister in town.

What do you like best about working for Animal Allies? I get to see all of the animals and there is no way I can take them home. We have wild birds and red squirrels and sometimes we get a rabbit or two in the yard. They come

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back year after year. We like them. We feed them. We have blue jays that stay all year round.

What do you do after you leave here? I haul water from a natural spring and cut wood. I just got my food safety certificate through MN workforce. I was number one in the class, it was one of the best things I've ever done. I might do something in the future with it. I enjoy cooking. I've been cooking since I was 5 years old. I've been baking since I was 10 years old.

Do you have any animals?

I haven't had an animal since our last one passed away in the mid 80s. It was a Miniature Collie and Standard Poodle cross.

What's your favorite pet here? They are all my favorites. I visit every one of them in the morning. I like dogs and cats. If you don't get along with the animals, you aren't going to be able to work here because they will know it.

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INTRODUCING THE BOARD MEMBERS! 2019



Kathy Bray returns to the Board as President this year, with Animal Allies Board and committee experience dating back almost a decade. Kathy is an attorney

with SFM Mutual Insurance Company, and has a household of Animal Allies "alums": 2 black labs (Corbin, Winnie) and 2 cats (Eleu, Dexter). She looks forward to working together with the Board, management, and staff in continuing to find ways for Animal Allies to be an animal welfare leader in our community and region.

Jim Balmer

(Vice President) has lived in the Duluth-Superior-Cloquet area since his family moved here in his early childhood. He has two adult daughters and three grandchildren, all of whom reside here in the Duluth-Superior-Cloquet area. Jim works as a trial lawyer with the downtown Duluth law firm he cofounded with Bob Falsani in 1975, where he specializes in representing both claimants and defendants in court cases in all courts in both Minnesota and Wisconsin. Jim also serves on the Board of Directors of The Duluth Bethel Society as its Secretary. Jim is active in his Catholic Church on Park Point, where he lives, and enjoys downhill skiing, sailing and jogging.



Mark Pilon (Secretary) is a commercial lawyer and has been a board member for Animal Allies since 2011. He lives on a hobby farm south of Superior with his wife, three children, and three

Animal Allies adoptees - dog Audrey and cats Maisy and Thelma. Mark will be completing his second term on the board this year.

Lori Sample

(Treasurer) attended St. Cloud University and is a retired office manager of a consulting engineering company where she worked for 34 years. She has served on the Board of Directors for the Hermantown Area Chamber of Commerce for six years, including being President in 2011 when the Chamber moved into the more visible location where it is today. She has been on the Animal Allies board for two years, is the Treasurer for 2016, and currently chairs the Finance Committee. She has been married to her husband, Bill, for 34 years and has two adult children who live in Georgia and Tennessee. Her interests include travel, fishing, and camping.



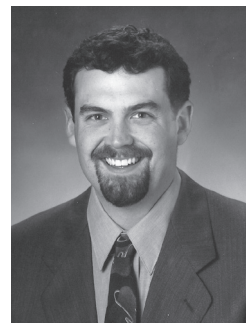
Erin Buechuner has been with maurices for five years, crafting her current position as Social Media Manager, and serves on our Development Committee. Erin is passionate about Animal Allies and is excited to make a difference by reaching



more people through the power of social media. She plans to use her expertise to grow Animal Allies' social media presence, as well as raise awareness around annual fundraising and events. This will be her first year on the board.

Paul Fitzgerald, DVM

is the owner and operator of Airport Animal Hospital, a four-veterinarian companion animal hospital in Hermantown. He serves on Animal Allies' Programs and Operations Committee and has been a board member since 2011. Originally from Rochester, MN, he is a 2000 graduate of the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Fitzgerald is an avid outdoorsman who likes getting out into nature whenever he can to enjoy the beauty the Northland has to offer.



Ryan Irlbeck

is the Finance Director for Life House in Duluth and is the chair of Animal Allies' Programs and Operations Committee. His connection with animals and

nature has sparked a life-long interest in improving the lives of homeless pets. From building feral cat shelters



for strays, to fostering and adopting animals with special needs, to serving on the Animal Allies' Board for the past three years, Ryan strives to make his community a better place for people and pets alike. He looks forward to continuing his presence on the board and especially to advocating for his feline friends.

Hello! My name is Blu. The human pictured next to me is **Dan Leslie**.

He's pretty excited to be starting his second year on the Animal Allies board and to Chair the Development Committee. During



the time I've known Dan, I've learned he was born and raised in Duluth – unlike me. I got here after a long ride in a big van, or as Dan says, I was “rescued.” I'm really glad I get to live with Dan and his lady friend, Jane. They have five sons between them and when they're all home, the guys rule! Most mornings, I sadly watch Dan leave for some place called Minnesota Power. Gotta run! I think I hear the treat jar opening...



Cheryl Meese

is a Financial Advisor for RBC Wealth Management and serves on Animal Allies' Building and Grounds and Finance Committees. She has been a board

member since 2011, is a passionate supporter of Animal Allies, and is the proud owner of three rescued dogs: Maverick, Carly and Rio. She believes that the way community members treat their pets is a reflection of the way they treat their people and couldn't be more proud of the work that Animal Allies does for animals and the communities it serves.

Bob Meierhoff is the president and CEO of BendTec, Inc. in Duluth where they bend large pipe for pipelines and fabricate steam piping assemblies for electric generating power plants. He



from San Antonio who were interested in building a boarding kennel. While walking through, they saw Zoey on the adoption floor. She had come to Animal Allies from a puppy mill and Bob and his wife, Diane, fell instantly in love! Bob believes in the mission and achievements of Animal Allies and does what he can to provide support.

Rich Noble

is the Vice President of the J. Koski Company, a Duluth-based construction company specializing in the energy sector. He grew up in Green Bay, Wisconsin and moved to Duluth in 1996. Before moving to Duluth, his professional career included managing large construction projects in New York City, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, and Colorado. He now lives near Cloquet with his two Golden Retrievers, Brody and Stella, where he enjoys mountain biking, hunting, fishing, and restoring classic cars. This will be his first term on the Animal Allies Board and he hopes to help with future developments and Buildings and Grounds Committee projects.



Jennifer Smith

is a CPA for Wipfli. Her journey to becoming more involved in Animal Allies began when she was participating in a group volunteer day at the shelter and was asked

to help with some financial questions and *then* eagerly invited to become a volunteer for the Finance Committee. She has two cats that were adopted

from Animal Allies and is excited to begin serving on the board.



Bill Wade

grew up in Brooklyn, NY. He attended Bethany College in Lindsborg, KS, where he graduated with a Bachelors degree in Liberal Arts and met his wife of 48

years, Mary Ellen. Later Bill received his Masters degree from Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo, Ont. After some “hit & miss” career moves, he became Director of Development at Suomi College in Hancock MI, then went on to Hazelden Foundation as Chief Development Officer for 8 years where he established their first development program. In 1990, Bill became Vice President of his alma mater, Bethany College. In 1997 he joined UMD as Chief Development Officer, and later, Vice Chancellor. He retired from UMD 2 1/2 years ago and lives with his wife on a beautiful lake in the Pequaway Lakes area enjoying all the home has to offer, traveling to visit his two sons and their families (and his three grandsons), and visiting friends throughout the country. After being a Dog Buddy for Animal Allies for two years, he is excited to take the next step and further participate as an Animal Allies board member.

Shawna Weaver, PhD.,

is an ecotherapist and runs a mental health counseling center in Duluth called Deeprock Ecotherapy and Wellness. This will be her first year on the Animal Allies' Board of Directors, though she has served on the Programs and Operations Committee for some time. She grew up in the area and animals were a big part of her childhood. She is excited for this chance to give back to Animal Allies by offering support for current programming and new ideas for further growth.



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GET INVOLVED: BECOME AN ADOPTION AMBASSADOR

by Hannah Wiberg, Volunteer Coordinator

It's 2016, and to start off the new year, Animal Allies Humane Society is beginning a new foster program: the Adoption Ambassadors Program. An Adoption Ambassador is able to have a much larger influence in the life of their foster animal(s) by leading a quest to find them a permanent, loving home.

How it works:

Step 1- Work with Animal Allies staff to choose an animal that you're interested in fostering. The animal should be a good fit for your home environment and, in turn, you should be a good fit for the animal's needs.

Step 2- You take on the responsibility of finding this animal a home. Animal Allies will send you home with an "adopt me" vest for the animal to wear, the animal's records, an adoption folder, and the adoption contract. We will explain how the adoption process works, what the animal will need to find in their new home (whether or not they can live with other animals, children, etc.), and will answer any other questions you may have.

Step 3- The animal comes home with you. Using various forms of social media, advertising, networking, etc. you can work towards finding a new family for your foster animal. Take notes on the animal's behaviors, likes, dislikes, favorite toys, food, and activities. Share this information with potential adopters. Once you find a

suitable adopter, they can fill out the adoption contract and take their new pet home! Snap a picture of the happy scene if you are able. Then, all you have to do is return the paperwork to Animal Allies. You're left feeling like you've made an incredible difference and the animal is left with a fresh start with a new home and family!

Step 4- Send us feedback about how things went. What worked? What didn't? Any advice for future Adoption Ambassadors? Would you like to participate again? Since the program is new, we appreciate any feedback you can give us. If you decide you'd like to do it again, you are encouraged to do so. If you know other people who would like to get involved, let us know and we can get them started!

This program will allow Animal Allies to help many more animals in our community by creating more space in our shelter for incoming animals and giving us the capacity to have more animals available in our adoption program. It helps us reach audiences who may not come to the shelter and who may not be familiar with animal rescue. Becoming an Adoption Ambassador helps spread the word about what we do, and it helps you to engage our community in the importance of animal rescue.

Special thanks to the ASPCA® for awarding Animal Allies Humane Society a \$2,500 grant to launch this exciting new program!



VOLUNTEER HOURS

In 2015, volunteers donated over 24,000 hours- the equivalent of nearly 12 full-time employees! A round of applause to our Dog and Cat Buddies, Interns, BARC trainers, Fosters, Adoption Assistants, Humane Education Volunteers, Office Assistants, Board and Committee Members, and Special Event and Community Outreach Volunteers. We are so grateful for everything you have done for the animals in our community!

Become a Volunteer!

If you're interested in the new Adoption Ambassadors position or any other volunteer position, please contact Hannah at 218-623-6343 or volunteer@animalallies.net.



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Thank you to all who became a new or renewing member in October, November and December.

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☐ Spay/Neuter Hero

\$5,000 Annually / \$400 Monthly*

This level spays/neuters all the animals in the shelter for one month. Additional benefits: 4 complimentary tickets to the Fur Ball, recognition on the Spay/Neuter Donor Wall, kennel sponsorship and an Animal Allies Power Bank Charger.

☐ Miriam Carlstedt Society

\$1,000 Annually / \$80 Monthly*

This level provides an animal extra care to treat ailments such as heartworm, broken bones, or medical conditions. Additional benefits: 2 complimentary tickets to the Fur Ball, a personalized paw on the Donor Wall and cat or dog kennel, and an Animal Allies Power Bank Charger.

☐ Animal Angel

\$500 Annually / \$40 Monthly*

This level feeds 40 dogs and 27 cats in the shelter for one month. Additional benefits: Personalized kennel sponsorship for one year and an Animal Allies Power Bank Charger.

☐ Animal Protector

\$250 Annually / \$20 Monthly*

This level spays/neuters a mother and her litter of 4 puppies. Additional benefits: Animal Allies Power Bank Charger.

☐ Animal Friend

\$100 Annually / \$10 Monthly*

This level vaccinates 10 dogs against disease.

☐ Family/Business – \$50 Annually

This level feeds 20 dogs for one week.

☐ Animal Ally – \$30 Annually

This level microchips 3 pets to help them return home should they become lost.

☐ Student/Senior – \$25 Annually

This level feeds 25 cats for one week.

***Become a Monthly Sustaining Member!**

Same great membership benefits, one monthly payment.

For more information, or to become a Sustaining Member, visit www.animalallies.net/member or call (218) 722-9084

All Members Receive:

- 10% off Adoption
- 10% Retail Discount
- 10% off Humane Education Activities
- Continued Subscription to *The Paw Print* newsletter
- Membership Bag



Additional benefits earned with increased membership levels!

Name _____

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City/State/Zip _____

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Animal Allies Humane Society does not sell or give contact information to any other organization.

Payment Method

\$ _____ Amount Enclosed

☐ Check or Cash

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☐ VISA

☐ MasterCard

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Acct # _____

Exp _____

Signature _____

☐ I have included Animal Allies in my estate plans.

☐ I would like more information about including Animal Allies in my estate plans.

Thank you for your donation

Donation Amount _____

In honor of Person, name _____

In memory of Person, name _____

In honor of Pet, name _____

In memory of Pet, name _____

Send acknowledgment to:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Be the first to know! Sign up for e-mail notifications on our website or follow us on Facebook to learn about exciting events and adoption promotions!



Saturday, February 20th, 5pm-11pm

Unleashed! Charity Rock Concert at the American Legion in West Duluth

Join Animal Allies and the "Wildwood" band to rock the night away while saving the lives of homeless pets! Tickets are \$10 at the door.

April 4th-8th, 9am-12:30pm

"Games That Dogs and Cats Play" Youth Camp

Sign up the young animal lover in your life for this week-long spring break camp! Campers aged 8-12 will learn what things they can do for shelter cats and dogs and their own animals at home to keep them busy, happy, healthy, out of trouble, and challenge their minds. Campers will teach shelter pets all kinds of things to keep them happy and will learn tricks to try out on their own animals...or when they adopt! (Did we say that out loud?) Camps are \$130 for the week-long session.

June - August

Summer Youth Camps, \$130 per session

Can't make the spring break camp? Join us for one - or more - of these five Summer Sessions: June 20-24 Kitties and Cattails and Their Little Dogs, Too. Ages 7-8 | July 11-15 Shelter Dogs and Cats: Making Them Famous, Getting Them Adopted! Ages 8-12 | July 25-29 Art with the Animals. Ages 8-12 | August 8-12 Games That Dogs and Cats Play. Ages 8-12 | August 22-26 So You Want To Be An Animal-Something? Ages 10-14 | More information at animalallies.net/camps.

Saturday, June 4th

The 24th Annual Walk for Animals

Start a team, grab your pet, and join us at 9am in Bayfront Festival Park. This event features contests, vendors, fundraising prizes, an obstacle course, and more! Don't miss this event. It's fun for the whole family! Registration begins in May.

Saturday, October 22nd

Save the Date for the Fur Ball Gala at Northland Country Club

Become a Pet Sponsor for the Fur Ball! As a Pet Sponsor, your pet will get a professional photo shoot and will be featured at the event. You will receive a framed 8x10 photo, 12 note cards, a poster, and your pet's photo and story will be highlighted in the Pet Sponsor booklet. For more information contact Michelle at 218-428-3686.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Muriel Whiteside and the trustees of the Muriel Whiteside Charitable Trust who provide a generous annual gift to help the homeless cats and dogs we serve. We are humbled by the ongoing support and could not achieve our mission without you. Thank you!

