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I am thrilled to be writing to you as the new President & CEO of the Kentucky Humane Society. It's an honor to take on this role alongside so many remarkable people, and to continue the lifesaving work we do for animals in our community and beyond.

Over the past six months, I have hosted monthly Lunch & Learns for the public and our dedicated donors. I can't tell you what it means to thank donors in person and show them the difference their support makes. Almost every person who has attended shared that they learned something new about KHS - even those who have supported us for 20 years!

As we reflect on the first quarter of 2023, I am very proud of what we have already accomplished! We have been there for the most vulnerable animals, including Magic, Jelly Belly, Nakey Jakey and Chicken Nugget, who you'll meet in this issue. We helped save 30 cats and 10 horses from horrific neglect situations, and our very own Ethan was honored by Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear for his advocacy for shelter animals.

It is a critical time to come together. Shelters across Kentucky and the country are experiencing an increase in the number of animals being surrendered and families who need help, while adoptions are down. Every day, we are helping our community and state work closely with other shelters to take in animals. On May 13, we will host our first LOU ADOPTS! mega adoption event with Louisville Metro Animal Services and other local rescues at the Kentucky Fair and Expo Center. We hope to find homes for over 100 dogs and puppies!

We'd love to see you at one of our spring and summer events. Our 29th annual Waggin' Tail on the Waterfront takes place on June 4, and we are overjoyed for our second season of Bark & Brunch on select Sundays. Both will include live music, activities for the whole family, and proceeds will help homeless animals and support pets and the people who love them.

Your generosity has allowed us to continue providing care and love to animals in need, and none of this would be possible without you. Thank you for your unwavering support, and we look forward to continuing our mission with you. I hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Alisa Gray
President & CEO

P.S. I'd be honored to have you for lunch and show you the animals you are helping at our next Lunch & Learn. For more details, visit kyhumane.org/events.



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Momma Malone Brings Lucky Charms to KHS

In January, our veterinary team performed an emergency C-section on a tiny Jack Russell terrier who came to us from an overcrowded rural shelter. When she arrived, X-rays showed that she was carrying nine puppies, which is a lot for such a small dog, and was very far along in her pregnancy!

We named the sweet pup Momma Malone and hoped she could deliver naturally, because surgery so late in the pregnancy would be dangerous. But when Momma Malone went into labor, it was evident that she was in distress and our veterinarian Dr. Bewley knew the safest option was to perform a C-section. The surgery took about 20 minutes, but it was all hands on deck in veterinary services! With nine puppies, it took nine people to do what a mamma pup would normally do - rub each puppy to keep it warm, remove the sac and help it take its first breath. Everything went smoothly, and seven female and two male puppies were delivered safely by Dr. Bewley and the team.

Afterward, as Momma Malone quietly nursed her pups, our entire team was filled with gratitude that she made it to KHS. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, we were able to give Momma Malone and her pups the care they needed and save ten precious lives. 🌸



Photos by Rebecca van Schepen & KHS Staff

Recent Rescues – Our Most Fragile Animals

Each year, thousands of animals with nowhere else to go come to KHS. The most fragile are suffering from heartbreaking neglect or abuse or are in urgent need of medical care. Thanks to your support, we are here for them. Here are a few of the vulnerable animals we have helped over the past few months, providing lifesaving care, nutritious food, warm shelter and love. 🌸



Magic Survives Gunshot Wound

This sweet Shepherd came to KHS with a gunshot wound to his head. The bullet entered above his eye, crushed through his nasal cavity and roof of his mouth, pierced his tongue, and broke his lower jaw before exiting his chin. Our vet team performed emergency surgery to close his wounds, remove fragments of bone and teeth and realign his tongue. We managed his pain and placed him in a loving foster home, where he is healing well and regaining his strength. When he is strong enough, Magic will need at least one more surgery to finish repairing his jaw – and thanks to your support, we'll be here for him. We will give Magic the care he needs so that he can recover and be adopted by a family who will give him all the love he deserves. 🌸

Immediate Medical Care Saves Jelly Belly

This 7-year-old tabby arrived in desperate need of medical care after being hit by a car. Our vet team performed a same-day surgery on her injuries, repairing her fractured jaw and removing an extremely infected eye. She is recovering in a loving foster home, enjoying a wet food diet until her wired jaw and eye are fully healed and she's ready for adoption. It's only because of your compassion that we could be there to give Jelly Belly her second chance. Thank you! 🌸



KHS Rescues Ten Starving Horses

In February, KHS' Equine C.A.R.E. team, with permission from local authorities, caught and rescued 10 free-roaming horses from starvation in the Eastern Kentucky Mountains. We brought them to safety at Willow Hope Farm, where we discovered that two of the mares were pregnant, and the younger ones were hiding skeletal ribs under their fluffy winter coats. We gave them lots of salt, minerals and hay and slowly introduced them to food to gain strength. Each needed vaccinations and deworming, and some needed castration and dental work. Thanks to your support, we will continue to give the horses the care they need to grow healthy, and help the two pregnant mares deliver their foals safely. When they are healed and strong, we will train them for new careers and find each of them the loving homes that these horses so deserve. 🌸

KHS Saves Chicken Nugget from Parvo

Chicken Nugget arrived in critical condition from Canine Parvovirus, a contagious virus that can be deadly to puppies. She was not eating or drinking and was too weak to lift her tiny head. Luckily, KHS has the resources to treat and isolate the disease in-house. We can now save the lives of infected puppies like Chicken Nugget who come to us on the brink of death. We placed her in our quarantine unit, gave her nutrition through a feeding tube, and provided round-the-clock care to help her survive. Every day she grew stronger and before we knew it, she was doing zoomies in her kennel! When she was ready for adoption, a young girl and her family fell in love, and now Chicken Nugget is home. We are grateful for your support, which helps puppies suffering from Parvo like her get second chances at happy, healthy lives. 🌸



Nakey Jakey Recovers from Neglect

Jakey arrived in a similar condition to what we see in animals who have been confined all their lives. His skin was so raw and inflamed from infections that we couldn't even hold him to comfort him. He didn't have any fur and his front legs were deformed from malnutrition. We treated his infections and pain, gave him nutritious food and showered him with affection. A biopsy revealed that a genetic condition will prevent him from ever having a lush coat, but his infections have healed, he's getting stronger every day and he's no longer in pain. It's because of your support that we were able to help this sweet boy, who was in such desperate need of care and love. We can't wait until he finds his loving forever home. 🌸



30 Cats Taken in from Large-Scale Rescue

KHS took in 30 of 176 cats who were rescued from heartbreaking large-scale neglect in Mississippi. The poor cats were living in filthy, flea-infested conditions with overflowing litterboxes. Many were in cramped, rusty wire cages without access to water. Some had upper respiratory infections, skin conditions and eye issues. We are so grateful that we were able to transport 30 of these sweet kitties to KHS to give them the care they needed to be adopted. Their second chance was only possible because of your generosity! 🌸



Bottom photo by Meredith Lee/The HSUS



EthanAlmighty Honored by Kentucky Governor

Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear honored EthanAlmighty at the state capitol in January with a public acclamation that January is EthanAlmighty Shelter Animal Awareness Month! The goal is to inspire people to support and adopt from local animal shelters. KHS staff and supporters from around the state gathered to celebrate and share how we can come together to support shelters and animal welfare in Kentucky. 🌸



Kitten Season is Here

KHS is often overwhelmed with litters of young kittens in the spring through early fall, when the greatest numbers are born. You can help by donating supplies or becoming a KHS foster! Supplies we need most are canned kitten food, heating pads or microwavable heating discs, unscented baby wipes, small food scales and cat toys. To learn all how to become a foster, visit kyhumane.org/foster. 🌸



Horses 101 at Willow Hope Farm

We hosted a great Horses 101 series at Willow Hope Farm in February. Attendees loved being hands-on with the horses during their 4-week course to learn basic horse safety, equine behavior, grooming, nutrition and more. Our next Horses 101 series starts June 3. Sign up and learn more at kyhumane.org/equine/horses-101/. 🌸



KHS Spring Merch

The KHS spring merch line is here! Visit kyhumane.org/pawtique to see the new items, from t-shirts to baby bibs to drink tumblers and more! The best part? Proceeds from the Pawtique support KHS animals, and PSJ readers get a special 10% off discount with the code **PSJ10**. 🌸



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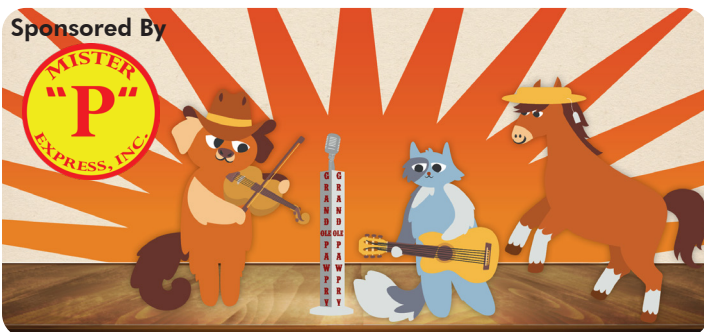
Tickets for Waggin' Tail on the Waterfront Available Now

Early Bird tickets are available for Waggin' Tail on the Waterfront on Sunday, June 4 from noon – 4:00 p.m. at Waterfront Park's Festival Plaza. Early Bird tickets are \$35 for adults and \$25 for children 12 and under or \$100 for a pack of four and include an exclusive Waggin' Tail t-shirt and raffle entry to win an Adoption Package. This DOG-FRIENDLY event features great vendors and activities for the whole family, and proceeds benefit KHS! Early Bird Tickets are available through May 5, so get yours now at kyhumane.org/waggintail! 🌸



LOU ADOPTS! Mega Adoption Event

We are thrilled to announce that KHS and Louisville Metro Animal Services are teaming up with seven local shelters for LOU ADOPTS! mega adoption event, sponsored by Isaacs & Isaacs Personal Injury Lawyers! LOU ADOPTS! will offer on-site adoptions for nearly 100 dogs and puppies at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center Pavilion on Saturday, May 13 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. For more details, visit kyhumane.org/LOUADOPTS. We can't wait to see you there! 🌸



Tuxes & Tails Grand Ole Pawpry Gala - August 12

KHS' 2023 Tuxes & Tails Grand Ole "Pawpry" Gala to benefit shelter pets is on Saturday, August 12, at the Louisville Marriott Downtown. Enjoy this tail-waggin', paw-slappin' good time featuring a cocktail reception, silent and live auctions and more. Contact Leila Burch for sponsorship opportunities and ticket information at lburch@kyhumane.org or 502-515-3134. 🌸



Pars for Pets - October 9

Mark your calendars to take a swing for shelter pets! Our 2023 Pars for Pets golf scramble is on October 9 at the prestigious Big Spring Country Club. Enjoy a day of golf, lunch, complimentary beverages on the course, contests, a cocktail reception and a visit with shelter pets. Contact lburch@kyhumane.org to reserve your spot. 🌸

Happy Tails – Congrats to ALL Adoptees! 🐾



Our adorable kitty Visby has been adopted by a purrfect family!



Our little pup Leo has found his forever home! We're so happy, Leo!



Gracie was adopted! Her new family got a very cool pony!



Coventry has gone home! We wish her new pawrents nothing but love!



Sweet Tapatio has found his fur-ever home! Congratulations!



Our sweet and goofy cat Salem has found his furever family!



Cookies has been adopted! We are thrilled for our wiggly happy girl!



Beans has been adopted and we couldn't be more purr-oud!

BARK & BRUNCH BY THE BRIDGE

Waterfront Park
A PET FRIENDLY EVENT AT WATERFRONT PARK!

We are excited to partner with Waterfront Park for the second year for Bark & Brunch by the Bridge. Join us at these dog-friendly events on April 16, May 21, June 25, July 16 and August 20 on the Big Four Lawn from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. They feature food trucks, live jazz and more and are sponsored by Feeders Pet Supply, MetLife Pet Insurance and Tito's Handmade Vodka. 🐾

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