

Shelter hours: Wednesday through Saturday, 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Our foster cats and kittens can also be seen at the following locations:

**Petco** adoption center, Talmadge and Monroe, daily during regular store hours; and **Pet Supplies "Plus"** stores in the Toledo area every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For current adoption showing information, check the Toledo Blade classifieds every Friday and Saturday.

Visit Us Online:  
www.maumeevalleysaveapet.org

Phone: 419-537-9663

e-mail: mvsap@att.net

If you are moving, please send your new address to:  
Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet  
5250 Hill Ave.  
Toledo, OH 43615

Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet is a member of Community Shares of Northwest Ohio and the Better Business Bureau.

**Help Save a Life - Become a Member.**

**YES!** Here is my tax-deductible donation.



- Precious Angel: \$100
- Patron: \$50       Supporting: \$35
- Family: \$25       Individual: \$15
- Senior: \$10       Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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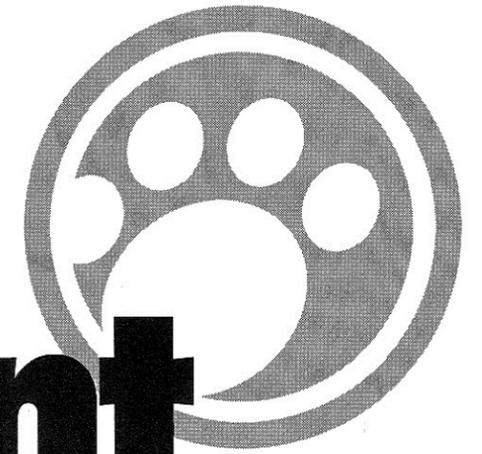
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**THE paw print**  
May - June 2011  
**Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet Newsletter**

**President's Message**

- Our newsletter will now be sent every other month.
- Membership cards will no longer be routinely mailed. If you desire one, you are welcome to call the shelter and request one be sent to you.

The above measures are an effort to be environmentally friendly and reduce any paper usage we can.

Thank you for your understanding!  
Lori Friedes, President

**Two Ways to Plant Your Spring Garden and Help Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet**  
*Schneider Landscaping Offers A Percentage of May Plant Sales to Us!*

Our 2011 Paws for Plants Sale is scheduled for Saturday, May 21st from noon to 4pm at our shelter at 5250 Hill Avenue. We'll have a variety of annual and perennial plants, flowers and herbs, springy crafts and garden items, as well as a bake sale.

If you have plants, crafts, or items to sell that you'd like to donate or if you'd like to donate baked goods for our bake sale, please call the shelter at 419-537-9663.

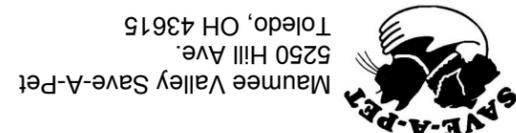
And if you don't find that perfect plant at our sale, we're excited and grateful to announce that again this year, Schneider Landscaping/ Garden Center is donating 10% of purchases to Save-A-Pet during the month of May when you present the certificate enclosed with this newsletter at the time of purchase. Have friends and family who want to shop? Feel free to copy the letter for them. Owner Ron Schneider continues to be a great supporter of Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet so let's show our appreciation by shopping locally from his beautiful, healthy selection of 1000's of annuals, perennials, herbs, hanging baskets, shrubs and evergreens. The prices are great and the quality is unbeatable! And you may see one of the resident greenhouse cats while you're there! Schneider Greenhouse is located at 841 N. Westwood, 1 block south of Dorr St., 1 minute from the University of Toledo.



Mark your calendar:  
 May 11 - MVSAP monthly meeting  
 May 20 - Carruth order deadline  
 May 21 - Paws for Plants Sale  
 June 8 - MVSAP monthly meeting

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**Last Call for Carruth**

The deadline is fast approaching to order Carruth items to benefit Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet. As always, MVSAP receives 40% of all sales!

You can choose items from a brand-new catalog available at our shelter or by going on our website and looking at the items for sale.

The deadline for ordering is **May 20th**. To place an order or for more information, please call 419-474-0417 and leave a message.

**NOTICE — MVSAP Meeting Topic**

**There will be a vote on the MVSAP bylaw revisions at the May 11th meeting.**

Meetings are held at our shelter at 5250 Hill Ave., Toledo, Ohio 43615 at 7:00 p.m. the second Wednesday of the month.

## Donations-Memorials

### Membership Renewals:

Mike and Sandi Sesock  
 Cathy Connell  
 Dawn Kurtz  
 Marilee Brown  
 Diane Denis  
 Shari Gorski  
 Renate Graubart  
 Leslie Barnhart  
 Brenda Brady  
 Lynn Smith  
 Rick Cashman  
 Patricia and David Miller  
 Paige Price  
 Ruth Waniewski  
 Gerald and Debbie Allgire  
 Barbara E. Schrader Stein  
 Dennis and Dianna Schroeder  
 Richard and Penelope Reder  
 Robert Keel  
 William Heck  
 Crystal Acain  
 Bill and Janice Ferguson  
 Marion Deck  
 Karen Rothman  
 Nancy Mitchell

### New Members:

Christine and Frank Cucciarre  
 Joan Baranek  
 Michelle Zepp

### Donations:

Ron and Thea Kendrick  
 Darla Koepke  
 Rachel Janney  
 James Liptack  
 Audrey and Michael Sherman  
 Jennifer Staley (dryer fund)  
 Joanne Vick  
 Pam Krisher  
 Barbara Hendriksen  
 John and Carol Schade  
 Susan DeGroff  
 Sears Outlet Mall  
 Jill Falls (dryer fund)  
 June Remley  
 Theresa Bohland  
 Michael and Audrey Sherman  
 Beverly Hall  
 Crystal Acain (for kitty food)  
 James Liptack  
 Tamara Lamont  
 Ann Marie Poisguy  
 Olivia O'Connell  
 Janelle Smith  
 Carolyn McCormick  
 Bette Woolley

Dolores Gramza  
 John and Carol Schade  
 Patsy and Don Albright  
 Annette Thornton  
 Bunny and Alan Ashby  
 Cyril and Carol Yonov  
 Mary Treenon  
 Birch Haven Kennel canister  
 Walt Churchill's Market canister  
 In Touch Therapy canister  
 Let the Fur Fly canister  
 Luckey Farmers canister  
 Petco canister  
 Pet Finatics canister  
 Pet Supplies Plus canister  
 Riviera Salon canister  
 Sears Outlet canister  
 That Special Woman canister  
 The Villager canister  
 Vito's Pizza canister  
 Lee Williams House of Meats canister

### Dog and Cat Food and Supplies/Misc. Supplies:

Gary and Joan Parker - cat food  
 Barb and Larry DeVries - cat food  
 Ann Meier - pet bed, litter pans, food, scoops, cat tree, litter  
 Yvonne Hengy - stamps  
 Iams - cat and dog food  
 Pet Finatics - dog treats, food, collars  
 Jean Sonnenberg - recliner  
 Dave and Denise Robison-Hurd - couch  
 Beth Owens - cat tower  
 Melissa Jeter - dog food and treats  
 Pet Supplies "Plus" (Perrysburg) - cat food, auction donation  
 Pet Supplies "Plus" (Talmadge) - kitten milk replacer  
 Barb Apanaitis - cat food

### 100 Lives Holiday Letter:

Steven Marcus  
 Janet and Stanley Fuller  
 Richard and Penelope Reder  
 Jacob and Cynthia Friedes  
 Rachel Varkoly

### Spay/Neuter Fund:

Christopher Simonds  
 Mrs. N.C. Rochte

### Misty's Second Chance Fund:

Marian Culver

### Antique Mall Donation:

Bev Wright  
 Mary Miller  
 Loraine Thompson

### In Honor Of:

Dr. Amy Beth Taublieb in honor of Matza Taublieb's 2nd birthday and Sweet Pea Taublieb's 18th Hatch Day

(Donations continued on Page 3)

## You Can Help Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet ...

### ... By Volunteering

MVSAP is looking for volunteers to help our foster and shelter cats and kittens at the adoption center in the Petco store at Monroe and Talmadge. Volunteers spend an hour a week filling food and water bowls, cleaning litter boxes, wiping down the cubicles (all supplies are provided by Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet), grooming and playing with the cats and kittens.

We also need volunteers to assist our foster moms with setting up and taking down tables and cages at our weekend adoption showings.

If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please call Cindy at 419-340-6998.

### ... By Going Online and Shopping

Search and shop online and raise money for Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet to help our dogs and cats!

Just type in **www.goodsearch.com** and enter Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet in the "Who Do You Goodsearch For" box. Each time you search, money is generated for MVSAP.

And while you're online, go shopping and make even more money for our cats and dogs! Go to **www.goodshop.com** or **www.igive.com**, and type in "Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet". When you shop at one of more than 1,000 participating stores (from Amazon to Zazzle!), MVSAP will earn a percentage of the purchase price – at no cost to you!

### ... By Donating to a Special Fund

- **The Honey Fund** - Encourages adoption of older cats and dogs through a reduced adoption fee.
- **Misty's Second Chance Fund** - Provides for unusual veterinary expenses for cats and dogs taken into our foster homes and shelter.
- **Spay/Neuter Fund** - In January and February, Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet approved the spaying/neutering of 37 feral, stray or low-income-owned cats and seven low-income-owned dogs, paid for with grant money and donations earmarked for the spay/neuter program.
- **Vet-a-Pet Fund** - Provides veterinary care to the animals of financially challenged members of the public.

Be sure to indicate on the "memo" line of your check to which fund you are contributing, and mail to Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet, 5250 Hill Ave., Toledo, OH 43615.



### ... By Recycling

Don't know what to do with the empty ink and toner cartridges from your printer? Don't trash them ... donate them to Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet! We take them to a local office supply store to be recycled, and we receive store credit to purchase office supplies, such as mailing labels and stationery (so more of your donations can go to help our foster and shelter cats and dogs).

All brands and sizes of cartridges are accepted.

Take the cartridges to one of our adoption showings or to our shelter. Turn your trash into cash for MVSAP!

### ... By Buying an Item from Our Wish List

Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet foster homes and shelter are always in need of supplies to keep their cats and dogs happy, healthy and well-fed. Here are some of the items on their wish list:

- dry or canned cat and kitten food
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- clumping cat litter
- pet dishes/bowls (stainless steel, glass, ceramic)
- kitten/puppy milk replacer, nursing bottles
- gift cards to Pet Supplies Plus, Petco, or The Andersons, gas cards
- small and medium pet carriers
- fleece or wool blankets (new or gently used)
- pet beds
- toys for kittens and puppies
- collars and leashes
- paper towels
- liquid laundry detergent
- fabric softener sheets (not liquid)
- dish soap
- hand sanitizer
- Clorox wipes

Other items needed:

- postage stamps (for membership renewals, etc.)
- copy paper (8-1/2 x 11)
- pens

We will gratefully accept your donations at our monthly meetings, any adoption showing, or at our shelter. We appreciate your generosity!

### ... By Going Krogering

By your participation in the Kroger Community Rewards Program, MVSAP receives a portion of your purchase total. Go to [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com), click on Ohio (or Michigan), then click on Re-Enroll, or Sign-Up if you're a new participant. You'll need an email account which is offered free of charge by websites like yahoo and gmail.

## Donation Canister Locations

Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet would like to thank the following for letting us place donation canisters in their businesses:

### Birch Haven Kennel & Grooming

birchhavenkennels.com  
734-856-PETS (7387)  
5277 Section Rd., Ottawa Lake, Michigan

### Walt Churchill's Market

waltchurchillsmarket.com  
419-794-4000  
3320 Briarfield Blvd., Maumee

### Walt Churchill's Market

waltchurchillsmarket.com  
419-872-6900  
26625 Dixie Hwy., Perrysburg

### In Touch Therapy Center (massage therapists)

intouchtherapycenter.com  
419-475-2440  
4354 Monroe St. (near Cheltenham), west Toledo

### Lee Williams House of Meats

houseofmeats.com  
419-698-2731  
2521 Starr Ave., east Toledo

### Let the Fur Fly Pet Salon

419-578-7301  
2423 N. Reynolds Rd. (between Central and Bancroft), south Toledo

### Luckey Farmers

luckeyfarmers.com  
419-874-3525  
11330 Avenue Rd., Perrysburg

### Pet Finatics

419-724-2277  
3150 Navarre Ave. (near McDonald's), Oregon

### Petco

petco.com  
419-472-3810  
Talmadge and Monroe, next to Toys R Us

### Pet Supplies "Plus"

petsuppliesplus.com  
419-472-5505  
4115 Talmadge Rd., across from Franklin Park Mall

### Riviera Salon

419-260-1591  
1519 Eleanor Ave., west Toledo

### That Special Woman (mastectomy and chemotherapy boutique)

thatspecialwoman.net  
419-536-6206  
2461 N. Reynolds Rd., south Toledo

### The Villager Beauty Salon

419-878-6686  
29 S. Third St., Waterville

### Vito's Pizza

vitos.com  
419-729-5353  
5145 Summit St., Point Place



Piazza



Lizzie



Muffin



Petunia

### Meeting Dates and Times

Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet holds its monthly meetings at our shelter at 5250 Hill Ave. (west of Reynolds behind the UT/MCO Credit Union) at 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar for our upcoming meetings:

**Wednesday, May 11, 2011**

**Wednesday, June 8, 2011**

### Maumee Valley Save-A-Pet Officers:

President - Lori Friedes  
Vice President - Janet O'Brien  
Treasurer - Marlene Rex  
Secretary - Carol Furfaro



### Quote of the Month

**There are two means of refuge from the misery of life - music and cats.**

**-- Dr. Albert Schweitzer**

## Donations/Memorials (continued from Page 2)

### In Memory Of:

Sue & Mike Cray in memory of Bev Wright and Wendy Hipp  
Gale Bishop in memory of Bev Wright and Wendy Hipp  
Cindy Findlay in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Marlene Rex in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Sandy Pass in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Rick and Carol Hudson in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Susan Sebo in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Shirley Mayer in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Barbara and Larry DeVries in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Lori and David Friedes in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Janet O'Brien in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Jill Falls in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Mike and Sandi Sesock in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Janet Kulakoski in memory of Wendy Hipp  
Nancy Mitchell in memory of Bev Wright  
Pat and Bill Slawinski in memory of Bev Wright  
Dorothy Zawodny in memory of Bev Wright  
Dr. Susan Pontius in memory of Bev Wright (Honey Fund)  
Darla Koepke in memory of Bev Wright  
Mike and Sandi Sesock in memory of Bev Wright and her beloved cat Garth

Charlene and Brian McMullen in memory of Bev Wright  
Richard and Joycelyn Degener in memory of Bev Wright  
Karin Whisler in memory of Bev Wright  
Bev and Ed Villhauer in memory of Bev Wright  
Paula Radoy in memory of Sue Mann, mother of Barb Seretsky  
Jane and Rollie Abel in memory of Carol (Pollauf) Favorite Patrons of the Village Pub, Millbury, OH in memory of Carol (Pollauf) Favorite

Janet O'Brien in memory of Dr. Stuart Remley  
Eugene Smith in memory of Judy Smith  
Walter and Mary Beham in memory of Willard J. Gill  
Mrs. Virginia Grevis in memory of Willard J. Gill  
Ronald and Patricia Gross in memory of Willard J. Gill  
Marilyn Bartus in memory of Willard J. Gill  
Beth Weilant in memory of George Hall  
Beth Weilant - portable dog kennel for auction, stamps, litter and litter scoops, cat tree, food - in memory of George Hall

### Pet Memorials:

Nancy Mitchell in memory of wonderful dog, Dewey Mitchell  
Jim McMahon in memory of his cat Annie  
Jeanne and William Lyons in memory of Patches Williams  
Lori and David Friedes in memory of beloved dog, Tara Bass  
Lori and David Friedes in memory of beloved dog, Nick Strochine  
Beth Weilant in memory of Toby Laderach  
Shelly and Dave Hopson in memory of their cats, Louie and Whitey  
Bev and Ed Villhauer in memory of Spinner  
James and Deborah Sniderhan in memory of dog, Maddie Gamertsfelder  
James and Deborah Sniderhan in memory of cat, Emily Robinson  
Donna Beck in loving memory of Security, a chocolate lab and beloved companion of Gerry and Andi Rapp

## Gravely Injured Cat Saved from Suffering on Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday volunteer June Remley and I were at the shelter late, well after 8 pm, trying to get stories together for this newsletter and working on Facebook when our shelter bell rang. Frankly, we don't always answer the bell when we're here after hours at night for safety reasons but the very fact that it was after hours made us think that it might be an emergency and there were two of us so to the door I went.

The gentleman at the door said that he and his wife had found a seriously injured cat in front of their house and didn't know what to do so they left it in a box at the Paws and Whiskers shelter across the street. When they pulled out they saw our sign and stopped to see if we could take the cat. Again, to be honest many people who tell us that they have a seriously injured cat, because they don't have experience assessing animals, are sometimes more worried than they need to be, but the thought of any cat, healthy or otherwise, sitting in a box overnight exposed to any kind of danger was too much to ignore.

Unable to immediately reach shelter manager, Lisa, I asked June what she would do and after a very short time to think, she said, "Take the cat." My thought exactly - we'd just have to explain to Lisa the next day and we were pretty sure she would do the same thing. So back the couple went to retrieve the cat and when we saw it we knew the decision was right - the cat was near death, sadly probably nearer to death than life from some type of injury to the mouth.

As I type this Sunday night, June is rushing the cat to the emergency vet, with instructions to do whatever we can and to give the kitty a name (every animal, no matter if it survives or not, should be given a name and should have someone there to help it cross the Rainbow Bridge and to shed tears for it) and I hope for the best, but if that's not to be then we can give this kitty a painless end without a night of suffering alone and scared in a box. Thank God that on this day special to so many, we were here late, the cat's rescuers saw our sign, and we were able to help.

Addendum: Unfortunately our injured cat (given the name of Grayling to match his beautiful tabby coat) tested positive for feline leukemia, had numerous debilitating mouth ulcers, and was in end-stage kidney failure. We do transfer healthy leukemia-positive cats to a leukemia-positive rescue group, but our vet said that any treatment at this point would simply prolong his suffering with no hope of recovery, and the decision was made to euthanize young Grayling. June stayed with him so that his last memory would be of a loving touch and kind word, and he passed peacefully away.

- Vice President Janet O'Brien



**Rosy and Lacy ... or is it Lacy and Rosy??**  
**Two sweet sisters who live in one of our foster homes are looking for a loving, wonderful family. Is your family the one?**

Rose is a true beauty, and a survivor. She jumped out of a second story window after her owners abandoned her. She loves dogs and getting lots of love from her foster mom.



Jayden loves to run and play and give wet, sloppy kisses. Maybe she'll give one to you, too - come visit her and our other dogs and cats at our shelter at 5250 Hill Avenue.

### Fat Cats and Pudgy Pooches

The American obesity epidemic has become a hot topic of news. And with good reason considering we're the fattest nation in the world and we're only getting fatter. But a new study has shown that animals are experiencing the same problem.

So what's causing animals to get fatter? Both the study authors and other relevant animal experts came to conclusions about why so many species were fattening up.

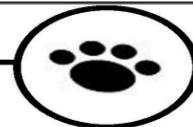
- 1. Richer Table Scraps.** Animals that feed on our table scraps are getting as fat from it as we are. Fifty years ago our table scraps were less likely to be an extra value meal from your local fast food chain and this is true of household pets as well. If you're feeding them human food and you don't eat healthy, they won't be eating healthy either.
- 2. An Indoor Lifestyle.** Like person like pet, our household pets follow our directions. If you're active and love playing outside, you're more likely to take your pet on walks, throw the ball outside, and take them on hikes. On the other hand, our increasingly indoor society means that animals are spending more and more time asleep on the couch while we watch television.
- 3. Toxins in Our Water Supply.** An EPA survey of 139 streams around the country revealed that 80 percent of samples contained residues of drugs like hormones, painkillers, blood pressure medicines, or antibiotics. Scientists found that toxins in the water supply disrupt the endocrine system of animals, which can literally slow down a mammal's metabolism.
- 4. Spoiling Our Pets.** We tend to spoil our household pets especially if we feel guilty for leaving them alone for much of the day while we're at work. Some pet treats contain too many calories, just like human snack foods. Some of the larger dog chews can contain as much as 600 calories, which for some dogs is more than a daily allowance of calories, according to the Association for Pet Obesity Prevention. Dog treats are nutrient dense and this, coupled with feeding our dogs junk food from the table, makes for an overweight pup.

(From Team Treehugger website)

### Happy Endings



Former shelter cat Pursia (now named Pandora) looks regal in her new home.



Sweet Ginger resting after a long day taking care of kittens in our shelter's free-roaming cat room ... she would love to take care of your family too! Call 419-537-9663 for more information on this sweetheart.

### Your Spring Cleaning = A Successful Garage Sale for MVSAP

This year we're again tentatively planning to hold our popular garage sale in June instead of August so you won't have to hold onto your treasures for quite so long. So start cleaning out your basement, organizing your attic, and streamlining your garage and save what you no longer need or want for us. The more we get, the more we make!

We'll have further information on dates and location for drop-off and the sale on our website, so save that stuff! And let us know if you're interested in volunteering to pick up items, sort and price, or work the sale. Call 419-537-9663.

### License to Love

Is it time to renew your Ohio license plates? Why not show everyone your love of animals by ordering "pet license plates"?

The "pet plates" cost \$25 in addition to standard license fees. By state law, \$10 of the fee goes to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, and \$15 goes to the Ohio Pet Fund. Proceeds from the sale of the plate are used for the spaying and neutering of dogs and cats to curb Ohio's pet overpopulation. Funds are used to educate the public about the proper veterinary care of those pets.



For information, log on to [www.PetsOhio.com](http://www.PetsOhio.com). To purchase the pet license plate, log on to [OPLATES.com](http://OPLATES.com) (click on "buy the plate"), call 1-800-589-TAGS, or visit any Ohio deputy registrar's office.

### Momma's House

You may remember the article in our January issue about the two cats who were left at our shelter's doorstep. Thomas passed over the Rainbow Bridge, but his friend Momma Cat is still enjoying her life with us, getting lots of attention and love from our volunteers and visitors. Come visit her sometime!

