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## Spay-Ghetti Dinner Hosts 800 Animal Lovers and Raises Record Amount of Money

**C**lose to 800 people gathered together to celebrate animals at the Helena Civic Center on February 18th!

Live auction items, promoted by auctioneer extraordinaire, Mike Cooney, got the crowd fired up and bidding high on things like a signed copy of *Abbey Road* by the two remaining Beatles, a Cake of the Month prize from Park Avenue Bakery, fly rods, country music legends autographed guitars and more.

The silent auction featured donations from hundreds of local businesses and individuals who were willing to lend their support to the plight of homeless animals.

A record amount of close to \$55,000 was raised. A huge “thank you” to all the attendees, silent and live auction donors, our generous Sponsors (see page 3 for complete



list) and the incredibly hard-working volunteers who cooked, served, set up and cleaned up. Spay-Ghetti would never have happened without you!. 🐾

View a slideshow of Spay-ghetti 2012 online at [www.mtlchs.org/spayghetti](http://www.mtlchs.org/spayghetti)



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Helena, Montana 59604

### Hours

Tuesday-Friday: 12 noon to 6 p.m.  
Saturday: 12 noon to 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday-Monday: Closed  
Adoptions until 30 minutes before closing

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Dear Friends,

First, a hearty thank you to the hundreds of guests we welcomed to the Helena Civic Center in February for the 11th annual Spay-Ghetti dinner fundraiser! So many friends, new and old, came and bid on auction items, shared stories about their animals, and had a great time. We broke all records again in terms of attendance and income, and are so grateful to our supporters for making the commitment to the animals.

We were also pleased to welcome to Spay-Ghetti so many friends who have assisted so generously with our ongoing Malamute Rescue effort. Lisa Fairman (creator of Malamute Munchies), Rock Hand Hardware staff, Lewis & Clark Brewing Company, officials from Jefferson County law enforcement, folks from the Malamute Rescue league, veterinarians Jillian Dougherty and Julie Kappes, and our colleagues at the Humane Society of the United States. The malamute rescue was the largest in the shelter's history. It truly takes a village to undertake a rescue of this size, and we absolutely could not have done it without the assistance of so many donors, animal welfare experts, businesses and concerned animal lovers. It was great to be able to have so many of them together at the dinner.

The court case is set for early May; the shelter will continue to care for the malamutes until then. If the defendant loses, we will work with rescue groups to place the



dogs and will let everyone know what that procedure will be once we are able to move ahead. Until then, our dedicated Malamute staff works daily with the dogs and assures they are receiving loving care.

Enjoy the arrival of spring and thank you again for your unremitting support of homeless dogs and cats. 🐾

*Gina Wiest*

Gina Wiest, Executive Director

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The Lewis & Clark Humane Society

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**THANK YOU!**

**And a huge thank you to all of the amazing volunteers who donated their time before, during and after the event!**

# Can you adopt me?

Beginning in this newsletter, we will highlight adoptable animals that have been at the shelter for more than 6 months—what we call our “long term residents.” These animals are in desperate need of a loving home and their spirits are growing weary having to live in the shelter environment. Can you help find them a forever home?

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**NESSIE** is a 5 yr old Shephard cross who was picked up as a stray on Dry Gulch. Unfortunately, nobody has claimed this sweet girl. Nessie is a very friendly dog. She gets along well with people of all ages. Currently she is double kenneled at the shelter due to her socialite personality. Nessie is on the small side so she is easy to manage. Her leash manners are very good. She is a favorite with the older volunteer dog walkers because she is so easily directed. Nessie is always having a good time no matter what she is doing. As you can tell by her picture she is all smiles. Nessie would do well in a home with other dogs. She has not yet been tested out with cats. Nessie would also do well in a home with children of all ages with ap-

propriate supervision. She is an all American girl and she would do well in many types of homes. Nessie's New Year's Resolution is to find her forever home in 2012!

This feline has a story unlike any feline we have ever received before. **BARTHOLO-MEOW** arrived at the shelter as a stray like most of our incoming animals but that isn't what set him apart. Upon arriving at the shelter he was receiving his mandatory health check and our tech pulled open his mouth to look at his teeth to estimate an age. Typically this goes on without any bumps in the road but with this handsome fellow something was missing. He doesn't have any teeth! Not a sin-



Nessie

Bartholo-meow

gle one. We have absolutely no idea how old this man is but we can tell you he is something special. Thankfully for Bartholo-meow cats scoop their food instead of chewing it and so he is able to get along just fine using his gums. This green eyed boy is an absolute love and could adjust wonderfully to a quite home where he can live out the rest of his life in peace, however long that may be. He would be okay with a very friendly canine or feline or mature two legged siblings. 🐾

## BRIEFS



### Can You Foster Some Kittens?

Kitten season is swiftly arriving—the time of year when the shelter is inundated with precious little baby felines.

But they're generally too young to be adopted, so they need the comfort and love of a foster parent while they grow strong enough to be able to live in the shelter and be placed in their “forever” home.

Can you serve as a foster mom or dad? It's a rewarding way to make a difference in a young animal's life! Call 442-1660 and ask for Kelsee.

### Rock Hand Hardware Promotes “Malamute Mondays”

Executive Director Gina Wiest accepts a check from John Ryan, a floor manager at Rock Hand Hardware in Helena. The check was the last installment of a donation drive the store created to help with the mounting expenses involved in caring for more than 161 rescued malamutes. The store donated 10% of all sales each Monday to the shelter. A huge “wag of the tail” to the owners and staff



of Rock Hand and the executives at KFBB-TV who donated airtime to run advertisements promoting “Malamute Mondays.” The total amount raised was almost \$9,000!



### Your Recycling Helps Homeless Animals

Did you know that the shelter is a drop off place for your recyclable newspapers and cans? When you bring your disposables, the shelter is able to earn money!

The folks at Pacifica Recycling come to the shelter, pick it up and weigh them and then write us a check. Dropping off your old newspapers and cans directly helps homeless animals!

Recycling bins are located directly to the right of the main entrance of the shelter. It's a great way to make a donation! If you have any questions, please call our receptionist at 442-1660. Thank you!



**It takes a village to run a shelter. Here are just some of the many people and businesses that lend a hand to help us care for homeless animals. Thank You!**

- PetCo** ▪ Shows adoptable LCHS cats
- Volunteers** ▪ Walk the dogs, play with cats and keep shelter enrichment programs going
- Michelle Boone** ▪ Takes Pet of the Week pictures and writes ad copy. Also, photographs events, and writes monthly Adopt-a-Pet descriptions for newspaper display.
- Outside In** ▪ Betsy and staff for fostering special needs cats
- Nanette Harris** ▪ Making bedding covers for cat room
- NICO Electronic Security Systems** ▪ Provides half the cost of security system maintenance
- Bea Burr** ▪ Makes cat beds from donated materials
- KTVH-TV** ▪ Airs our “Pet of the Week” promo
- Independent Record** ▪ Donates space for the Adopt-a-Pet promo
- Target** ▪ Donates dry pet food when bags are torn at store
- Ron & Dianne Armstrong** ▪ Maintain web page on internet and statewide contacts
- Animal Center** ▪ Special friends to LCHS animals
- Murdoch’s Ranch & Home Supply** ▪ Offers free packages to adopters and sponsors events
- Home Depot** ▪ Employees collect and donate cans for recycling
- Knitters for Kritters** ▪ Monetary donations throughout the year
- Super 8 Motel** ▪ Provides rooms for Spay Montana clinic vets
- Christine Odegard** ▪ Maintains fleece for Spay Neuter clinics
- Judy Walker** ▪ Contributes fleece remnants & blankets for the Spay & Neuter clinics
- Luke Duran** ▪ Our volunteer graphic designer, who does our newsletter, web site, and so much more!



## WISH LIST

Feeling generous today? Here are a few items that we are always in need of. Your support is always appreciated, as these things make it easier for us to provide quality care to homeless animals.

If you can help, please drop off at the Custer Avenue location during shelter hours:

- ▶ Paper towels
- ▶ Bleach
- ▶ Old bed sheets and comforters (flannel and cotton)
- ▶ Towels
- ▶ Small jars of meat (baby food type only)
- ▶ Large bags of white rice
- ▶ White copier paper
- ▶ Distilled water (in gallon containers)
- ▶ Fleece remnants
- ▶ Cat litter, any kind!

### New Shelter Update

We are still looking for property on which to start building the new shelter. We’ve followed up on several leads but nothing has yet panned out. Any help with ideas would be greatly appreciated. The new shelter will become a reality, but we need the community’s help to find land. A shout out to Tom Bourns who has spearheaded a drive to engage the city and county in our search. Let’s band together and find a new, suitable location for the animals! Please call us if you have contacts: 442-1660.







**spaymontana.org**  
**406.461.4996**

If you'd like to "Sponsor a Spay" for a surgery for someone who cannot afford it, please visit [spaymontana.org](http://spaymontana.org) to donate on line.

### UPCOMING CLINICS

**Helena**  
 April 29

**Browning**  
 May 5

**Lake County**  
 May 12/13

**Hot Springs**  
 May 14

**Great Falls**  
 May 19/20

**Drummond**  
 June 2

**Helena**  
 June 3

**Rocky Boy**  
 June 9 /10

**Butte**  
 June 27

**Browning Blitz**  
 July 20-23

**Helena**  
 July 29

## Volunteer Spotlight

*By Jo Bristow, Volunteer Manager*

It was a very cold winter night, the parking lot was very icy and the wind was blowing. This was the first time that I met Jessica. She arrived with her mother, who was pushing her wheelchair over the icy parking lot!

For me, it has been a joy watching Jessie grow into the young lady she is today; watching her assimilate into high school, and graduate from her wheelchair into a walker. She is a pure delight to be around. She has so much love to give the animals and I know her presence has been beneficial to them.

Jessie arrives with an assigned caretaker, who is also a volunteer and together they work in the cat room. It has long been Jessie's desire to work with the dogs; unfortunately the shelter grounds are not suitable for her to navigate even though in a walker.

For quite some time now, Kris Fife, the Puppy Animal Trainer and I have been working on an inside program, wherein Jessie and her caretaker can sit with the puppies. Kris Fife, has created such a program and has trained two other volunteers to assist! Within the next two weeks, Jessie will be participating in this new program; at last realizing her dream of working with the dogs (puppies.) She is very excited as is her Caretaker, Sarah Cochran.

If you are interested in volunteering, please check our website at [www.mtlchs.org](http://www.mtlchs.org) and review the volunteer requirements! 🐾

## Why I like volunteering

*By Jessica Putnam*

I have been a volunteer at the Lewis and Clark Humane Society for three years now. Every one of my experiences in my volunteer work at the society has always been very fun and extremely rewarding.

I have become very attached to many of the cats that have filtered through the shelter cat room. I enjoy coming to the Humane Society to pet and socialize with the cats and to see the dogs.

I have a dog and three cats at home, and it has become an extra privilege to come to the shelter and befriend many more animals, who are in need of a caring friend.

I encourage every person to come and volunteer; it's such a great opportunity for animal lovers throughout Helena and the surrounding area!



## How YOU can Volunteer:

We welcome new volunteers to the shelter and offer a variety of ways you can make a difference in the life of a dog or cat who needs love and care while waiting patiently for their 'forever' home. If you are interested in volunteering, please call our volunteer manager at 442-1660. Here are some of the many volunteer opportunities available:

Cat/dog activity volunteer  
 Event planning  
 Grooming aide

Trainer/walker  
 Fundraising assistance  
 Outreach help

Cleaning assistant  
 Foster care  
 Yard maintenance

Whatever your skills or interest, there's probably at place at the Humane Society where you can participate. Give us a call today! 🐾



# GET A WHIFF OF THIS: A DOG'S NOSE IS ITS NEWSPAPER

By Tom Kandt

What if you could tell what's for dinner before getting out of the car? What if you knew your neighbor was home before knocking on the door? What if you could smell someone's fear or anger? What if your nose was as good as your dog's?

A dog's nose dominates its face and its brain, and therefore its world. In the realm of smell, a dog's olfactory skills far surpass a human's. When a human smells something, he may detect an odor. When a dog smells something, it gets a story.

How is this possible? Simply put, their brains are wired for it. The average-sized dog's olfactory bulbs, or scent receptors, are four times larger than a human's, even though the dog's brain is only about 1/10 the size of a human's. The portion of a dog's brain directed as processing smells is over 40 greater than a human's, and it's estimated a dog can identify smells between 1,000 and 10,000 times better than a human.

The size of a dog's nose is important. Dogs with longer snouts have more scent receptors and therefore greater scenting abilities. A bloodhound, the champion of sniffing, has about 300 million scent receptors, a dachshund has around 125 million, and a human only 5 million.

Because dogs are hunters, their noses are tuned to animal-related odors. Animals secrete pheromones, odorous chemicals designed to transmit information to other animals. These chemicals contain a wealth of information for dogs, including an animal's age, health, sex, and yes, even an animal's emotional state. Dogs spread pheromones by rubbing up against things.

Pheromones are also contained in a dog's urine. The tree your dog pees on contains a wealth of information and gives other dogs sniffing it a tabloid full of the latest news in the dog world. When Fido contorts his body like a yoga master to pee on a vertical surface, he's not being a masochist, he's merely trying to get the scent higher so it's more discernible and the air can carry it farther.

Butt sniffing is also popular in the canine world, in a practical sort of way. A dog's rear end has a wealth of information, as there will be traces of pheromones, feces, urine, and any sexual activity. Dogs process this information almost instantly and use it for social purposes. Don't be embarrassed when a dog sniffs

your crotch, it's getting the same information as in butt sniffing, and it won't tell others what it smells.

What I find amazing is scientific research showing dogs can separate smells into individual, recognizable odors. If you or I walk into a kitchen where a pot of stew is brewing, we can probably pick up a scent or two and determine that stew is cooking. A dog can walk in and discriminate all the individual stew ingredients in the pot.

Human's have long recognized the superior sniffing abilities of canines and have put them to good use. Search and rescue dogs do fantastic things locating missing persons, dead or alive, on land or in water. They also sniff for bombs, locate drugs, detect cancer, and predict seizures.

Tracking dogs follow the scent of footsteps on the ground, and can follow a track that is days old. A good tracking dog can follow a human path that is days or even weeks old, even though other people have passed over the same trail.

Trailing dogs sniff the air and follow a scent from skin cells called "rafts" that carry a person's odor and fall from the human body like snowflakes at a rate of about 50 million cells per minute.

They can therefore follow a human whose feet have not touched the ground. Bloodhounds are the champions of trailing. Their keen memories allow them to follow a trail all day without a single scent reminder.

Human remains detection dogs can even detect the scent of humans buried near the root structures of trees. They may alert by putting their paws on the relevant tree, which is emitting human odors as part of its photosynthesis and other biological processes.

A dog's nose is its news. Don't sell a dog short when it comes to the world of scent. They are the masters. A dog should be allowed to use its nose at least some of the time on a walk with its human companion. It's good stimulation. To deprive a dog of smelling during a walk would be like making a person take an evening walk blindfolded.

So, fret not if Rover gets preoccupied with smelling and peeing on a walk, he's doing very important things. Fret only that he can't tell you the story he's getting and leaving by sniffing, squatting, and rubbing—his unique ways of communicating and understanding his world. 🐾



Tom Kandt is shelter trainer and behavior consultant at the LCHS. He is a certified professional dog trainer and graduate of the San Francisco SPCA Academy for Dog Trainers.



# Memorials & Tributes

## IN MEMORY OF PEOPLE

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A special way to make a lasting tribute is through membership in the The Lewis & Clark Legacy Society, a group of special individuals who make arrangements in their estate planning for a gift to the shelter. Such a gift helps provide quality and compassionate care to homeless animals. These gifts live on, assuring a legacy of care and commitment to animal welfare that extends past an individual's life. If you are interested in providing for animals in your estate planning, talk to your financial advisor or call the shelter's Development Director, Liz Harrison at 442-1660. 🐾

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# HAPPY ENDINGS: Stanley the Ambassador Cat

By Liz Harrison

Meet Stanley, the adopted cat of Lisa Hudecek. Stanley and Lisa first met when Stanley was just 7 months old when she came to the shelter to adopt a cat after her prior cat was lost during a car accident. Apparently Stanley had been turned in by prior owners who thought that he was just too much of a kitten for them. So back to the shelter he came.

When Lisa entered the pet room, “Stanley was tearing around the room like a maniac.” she remembers. “Finally, he stopped running, came around and just sat down right in front of me. That’s when I knew he was supposed to be mine!”

Even though Lisa had other cats, Stanley became the king of the house immediately upon arriving at her home. “He was very outgoing,” Lisa said. “He fit in right away.”

On a whim Lisa decided to take him to PetCo in Great Falls for a Halloween photo. “I was amazed—he was so laid back, just sitting back, enjoying all the attention and completely chill. He thinks everyone is there to serve him. Everyone at PetCo fell in love with him. That’s when I knew he was something special.”

Lisa realized Stanley had bigger things in store for him. She works with a local rescue in

Great Falls and starting bringing him out into the community to serve as a pet ambassador. “With his easy-going, friendly self, I knew he would be a natural, and he was. He’s like Norm from ‘Cheers’ – everyone knows him.”

From there, they began going to schools to teach kids about the importance of spaying and neutering your animal. “Stanley is always like, ‘Tada I’m here!’ He loves the harness—he knows that means it’s time to go to work. He will let anyone pet him. He’s a great ambassador for shelter cats and for the human-animal bond. Stanley shows people how loveable and accessible shelter cats are. It’s been an amazing gift to be able to bring him into the community and show him off.”

For his work in the community, Stanley was recently nominated by Great Falls’ Animal Foundation for the Purple Paw Award which honors an animal who’s helped expand the knowledge of human animal bond.

The photos that accompany this article are from a professional photo shoot by Photo Solutions that Stanley took part in. Lisa says, “Not surprisingly, he was a total ham for the camera. Nothing fazes him” She turned the photos into a calendar for a friend. Stanley has his own Facebook page (“Stanley cat’s pet page”) where he announces various things that are going on in Great Falls and gives pet care tips. Lisa reports most of his “friends” are kids from the schools he’s gone to visit. Recently, Stanley’s been trekking to a nursing home in Livingston to visit Lisa’s dad.

Stanley’s story proves that shelter animals are special! 🐾

Liz Harrison is director of development and communications at the Lewis & Clark Humane Society.



## Community Outreach Partners

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## **BARK IN THE PARK / HELENA BREWERS EVENT: JULY 24, 2012**

The Helena Brewers, in conjunction with the Lewis & Clark Humane Society and Alpine Animal Clinic Veterinary Hospital, are excited to present Bark in the Park 2012 this summer at historic Kindrick Legion Field. The event will

help raise money for the Lewis & Clark Humane Society as well as bring dog lovers from the Helena community to Kindrick Legion Field for a night of fun and festivities. 'Bark in the Park' will take place on Tuesday, July 24th. The gates open at 6:00 p.m.

An adopathon will run outside the building for the duration of the event; you can have your photo taken with "Barkley," the shelter's mascot. All owners and their dogs can take part in a special "Doggy Parade" around the bases before the game starts.

All tickets to those who bring their faithful companion will be general admission tickets on the first base line at a discounted price of \$3. General admission tickets will be also be discounted to \$3 to those who bring a donation of Science Diet Adult Dry Food to help feed the dogs at the shelter. All dogs in attendance will be required to be on a 6-ft leash and well behaved. Owners are expected to clean up after their pup (bags will be provided). All those who bring a dog will be required to sign a waiver of release upon entering Kindrick Legion Field.

Purchase tickets online (use promo code "ruff") or at the park. For more information, contact the Helena Brewers front office at 495-0500 or email Morgan at [morgan@helenabrewers.net](mailto:morgan@helenabrewers.net).

Bring your family and your dog out for a fun night at the Ballpark and support homeless animals in Helena! This event is generously underwritten by our friends at Alpine Animal Clinic Veterinary Hospital.

