



# Animal Harbor News

October 5, 2017



**Ah, Fall!** There is a modest nip in the air, and the turning of the leaves is just around the corner. The dogs are especially frisky in the outside runs. The kitties on the cat porch sense the change and watch the sky for flocks of geese and other migrating birds.

We have 53 cats and kittens and 28 dogs and puppies that are eagerly awaiting their forever homes. What better time of year to find a friend for evenings on the couch rooting for your team, or watching old movies? Go to [www.animalharbor.org](http://www.animalharbor.org) to see furry faces and wet noses that could fill the bill, or better yet, come to the shelter!

We are currently running a "FALL in Love" special to help you find your dream pet. Age doesn't matter. You don't have to post a clever bio, likes and dislikes, or worry about those few extra pounds. Our cats and dogs care not a whit whether or not you prefer hamburgers to sushi. Well, the cats might. But true love conquers all. Take a chance and visit us at the Harbor to adopt the love of your life.

## "FALL in Love" Adoption Specials

Hounds \$65

Cats and Kittens \$55 or "Mix-and-Match" 2 fur \$100!

# FROZEN ASSETS



## Last day to Order is October 14!

FROZEN ASSETS sales are drawing to a close. Be sure and place your orders by **OCTOBER 14TH** to insure that you have all of the delicious entrees, sides, and desserts you need for the holiday season. You may order through our [Online Store](#), or print the order form from that page and mail it in with your check, or pick up an order form at the shelter.

**We gladly accept volunteers for chopping and mixing, so if you can wield a knife or a spoon, call Cecelia Brodioni at 931-308-7994, or write to her at [catioi@comcast.net](mailto:catioi@comcast.net) for the schedule.**

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**The LEE GIBSON Benefit Concert at the Oasis  
has been re-scheduled for March 3, 2018.  
We will have more information next year!**

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Saturday, October 14, 2017

8:00 AM to 12:00 PM

At the shelter – 56 Nor-Nan Road (off of Hwy 127 )

We'd love to have  
your stuff!  
Bring it to Animal  
Harbor  
Wed. through Fri.  
Oct. 11-13  
from 12-5 p.m.



Please price your items, and please no clothes or shoes

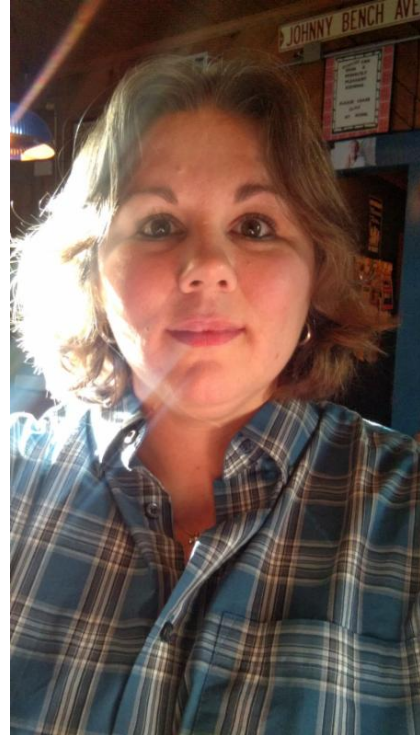
**RUMMAGE AROUND AND SEE WHAT YOU COULD  
DONATE TO OUR RUMMAGE SALE!** If you would like to  
help with the sale, we welcome volunteers at 7:00 a.m. on  
Saturday morning.

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## **Announcing our new Shelter Manager, Katie Zielinski**

Animal Harbor is pleased to announce the  
appointment of shelter manager, Katie Zielinski.  
Katie lives in Cowan with her two children, Ryan,

14, and Evan, 5. They have two dogs and four cats, all adopted from shelters. Katie lived in Tullahoma from age 14-21, and then moved back to this area last year. Prior to this she was a stay-at-home Mom for 5 1/2 years, but had extensive experience as a legal secretary, a medical receptionist, and inside and outside sales for an established business. She came to volunteer at the shelter in January, and was hired in March as a cat attendant and office assistant, instantly becoming the shelter "cat whisperer," and showing that she possessed empathy and keen insight into dog behavior.



Although Katie is new at managing an animal shelter, her outstanding organizational and public service skills were evident to the Animal Harbor Board of Directors, leading to her appointment. Her commitment to the well-being of the animals means that she spends many of her days off volunteering at another shelter in order to learn more about animal care and good shelter practices. Katie's goals for Animal Harbor are to increase community outreach, expand our foster care and volunteer programs, continue to partner with Franklin County Animal Control and, of course, raise the number of pets adopted at the Harbor. We are fortunate indeed to have such a dedicated and able person working for the animals of Franklin County!

## HOWLIN' AT THE HARBOR



### ADMISSION: A TOY OR TREAT!

On Saturday, October 28th from 2-4 P.M. Animal Harbor will host a Halloween party for the dogs and cats. Kids, come and show off your Halloween costumes, bring a "treat" for the pets, and see the shelter. Bring along your camera for a photo op with a kitty or doggie and have a howlin' good time. We'll treat you too!

## Looking for a Buddy...

Buddy was a six month old German Shepherd mix puppy when he was transferred from Franklin County Animal Control to Animal Harbor in August, surrendered because his owner had to move. His whimpers of sadness soon became barks of joy as the staff gained Buddy's trust.



Sadly, as charming as Buddy was, he was overlooked, until one day we received a call from a lady in Spring Hill, TN who needed a service dog. Her first choice, Pedro, had been adopted. She asked if we had any small to medium size dogs, and when I mentioned Buddy, she fell in love immediately. She came to a "meet and greet" and both Buddy and his new adopter were overcome with happiness! Buddy will have not one, but two trainers to help his new mom in her wheelchair and assist her with her everyday tasks.



## Our Cat Lady is Retiring - A Sad Day for Animal Harbor

One of Animal Harbor's most dedicated friends has decided to retire. **Sue Hartman** has been with us as a cat room volunteer for 5 years. Her care, cleaning, and comforting way with frightened kitties, as well as her willingness to foster bottle babies is legendary. She has been generous with her time and resources, keeping us supplied with everyday cleaning supplies and larger gifts of equipment as well.



## Anne the Sheltie is on the Mend!

All of us at Animal Harbor want to thank those generous people who donated to help support Anne through her heart worm treatment. She is finally healthy enough to be spayed and go to a new home. Anne has been a joy to have at the Harbor and will be missed dearly, but we are so happy that, after all her misfortunes, and with the kind help of many friends, she is ready to be adopted into the new life she deserves. She could be yours!





## Luck Be a Lady...

Lady, a beautiful two year old Tortoiseshell feline with neon green eyes, came to us from an overpopulated kill shelter. The staff and visitors alike quickly fell in love with her as she became one of our furry office assistants. One visitor in particular, a burly man, instantly became a teddy bear upon meeting her. Unfortunately, the adoption fee was not in his budget.

Another gentleman was smitten by Lady's grace and kindness, but already had a cat who did not play well with others, so he too could not take Lady home. One of our staff members mentioned, "That seems to be just her luck," and explained what happened with the first potential adopter. Upon hearing this, the second gentleman asked if he could sponsor her and then assisted with her adoption fee! We are happy to say Lady will be going to her forever home with her burly teddy bear adopter on Thursday, October 5, 2017. Remember that you too can "Paw it Forward" and help sponsor a pet towards adoption.

## Fall Tips for Pet Safety

- **Anti-freeze:** if you service your car at home, be sure to clean up any spilled coolant - it is lethal to animals.
- **Rat and Mouse Poison:** as rodents seek indoor shelter, be sure any poisons are inaccessible to pets and children.
- **Snakes:** in Autumn, snakes are preparing for hibernation, and Tennessee has four species of venomous Pit Vipers.
- **Ticks:** can survive Tennessee winters and be living in grass and leaf piles, so check your pets regularly. Fleas also continue to thrive.
- **Mushrooms:** 1% of free-growing mushrooms are toxic and can lead to life-threatening illness.
- **Halloween:** keep your pets inside, and make sure they do not have access to chocolate, grapes, and raisins, which are toxic for dogs.
- **Healthy Food:** as temperatures drop, feed an increased portion of good quality food to insure that your pet has enough calories to stay warm. And don't forget clean water at all times. Did you know?: a tablespoon of pumpkin in you dog's food is a great healthy addition, and promotes skin, fur, and urinary health. No wonder Snoopy was in the pumpkin patch!

Save the date of November 11 for the Fall Party for Paws! More details will be coming soon.

Donate now!

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Location: 56 Nor-Nan Road, Winchester, TN

Shelter hours: Tues-Fri 12-5; Sat 10-4

Mailing address: PO Box 187 Winchester, TN 37398

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