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SANCTUARY

Do you know that 100% of every donation goes directly to the running of the sanctuary and to provide veterinary care and food for the animals! Speaking of veterinary care --- these costs are generally in the thousands of dollars each month. Other than one inside part-time employee and one outside part-time employee, the sanctuary is completely volunteer-operated. Unlike many charities, there is no large amount taken out for administration expenses.

Support Second Chance – please check our website for branded Youth Hoodies, T-Shirts, and SweatShirts.

NEWSLETTERS

Please keep those email addresses coming!! As mentioned in previous newsletters, emailing the newsletters will provide a huge

financial saving for the sanctuary. Please send your email address to our volunteer, John, at the following address jandmgrace@sympatico.ca. Be sure to let us know if you receive your newsletter by both mail and email.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The sanctuary continues to be busy with many calls regarding placement of “stray” cats, new mothers, numerous babies and **(the unthinkable)** cats that are being turned out by their owners due to allergy problems or cats who are left behind when their owners move **(how could one move and forget a member of their family?)**. The sanctuary continues to open the door to many of these animals though, with over 300 cats, there really isn't the room or financial means to handle these new residents.

Our previous newsletter mentioned about people just “dropping animals off” --- unfortunately, this practice is still continuing!

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It would make sense for people, that are inclined to “drop” an animal, to realize that the “dropped animal” may not be discovered immediately and risks the chance of becoming overheated in the summer months or freezing in the winter months. **Animals released loose on the sanctuary grounds will very likely be a meal for the coyotes before being trapped/found by the animal care workers or volunteers!**

The message that constantly comes through is that for every person who treats their animal as a family member there are, unfortunately, ten times more people who think their pet is disposable and do not want to bear any expense for them -- not even to do the fundamental **spaying/neutering and needles!!**

FUNDRAISING THANKS

Many thanks to the volunteers/people involved with organizing the following events:

1. In March, **Paige & Avery Burnelle**, students at John Dryden Public School in Whitby, organized a popcorn and bake sale to benefit Second Chance.
2. In March, **MJ**, volunteer with SCWS, and **St. Francis Guardians of Father Leo J. Austin Catholic Secondary School** in Whitby held a coin drive to support SCWS.
3. A young student (regretfully, this youngster got away without our having noted a name) from C. E. Broughton Public School in Whitby, donated the proceeds from a collection.
4. **PetSmart**, in Pickering, held an evening of birthday photos in April – the proceeds were donated to Second Chance. **Joyce, Dan and MJ**, volunteers with SCWS, assisted with this event.
5. **Amish Furniture Outlet Ltd.**, in Pickering, held a barbeque outside their

store on May 3 to benefit SCWS. **MJ**, volunteer with SCWS, set up a table displaying information and pictures pertaining to Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary.

6. The draw for the Father’s Day Contest was held on June 6th and the winners are:
1st Prize: Cadillac AR 2.4 Bike with 24" aluminum wheels and frame, valued at \$600 -- **Maureen Parker**
2nd Prize: 2008 Passes for 2 people at Lakeridge Links Golf Course, valued at \$114 --- **Eric Bellefontaine**, Pickering
3rd Prize: 2008 Passes for 2 people at Whispering Ridge Golf Course, valued at \$70 --- **Mike Newfeld**, Oshawa
4th Prize: 2008 Passes for 2 people, plus golf cart, at Winchester Golf Club -- **Dawn**



BIRTHDAY WISHES to **Danya Sanderson** who recently celebrated 10 years! Danya requested that birthday gifts be monetary which was, in turn, very generously donated to Second Chance -- thank you!

BIRTHDAY WISHES to **Zanti** who recently celebrated 4 years! Zanti’s family very generously requested that, in lieu of birthday gifts, donations be given to Second Chance -- thank you!

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to **Joanne Allen** and **Jarrett Henry** who will be married on June 28th. Joanne and Jarrett very generously decided to donate to Second Chance in lieu of providing wedding favours to their wedding guests – thank you!

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✝ **IN-MEMORIUM DONATIONS**

Donations have been gratefully received by Second Chance, in memory of --

Dora Thornton
"Unc" (Favourite Uncle Len)

📣 **THANK YOU**

Second Chance gratefully acknowledges current and past assistance received from the following organizations as well as all those individuals too numerous to list but without whose generous support the Sanctuary could not continue.



Eden Conservation Trust



The Beatrice Watson-Acheson Foundation

A special thank you to **Miller Waste** for sanding the lane leading to the shelter after one of the many storms this past winter thus ensuring that the animal care workers and volunteers were able to stay on the lane.

The sanctuary cats and Joyce would like to express a special thank you to a few employees of **Eli Lilly Canada Inc.** who very generously volunteered their time on the morning of May 8th. These hard-working volunteers, organized by **Barb Pedder** of **Eli Lilly Canada Inc.**, came to the sanctuary early in the morning, armed with scrub pails, cleaning solutions, windex and cloths. When they left in the early afternoon, the sanctuary was "gleaming" – cat cages had been dusted, walls and litter boxes washed, windows cleaned, etc. – the sanctuary even seems brighter now!

Joyce and the house cats would like to express a special thank you to a few employees of **Levi Strauss & Co. (Canada) Inc.** who very generously volunteered their time on the morning of May 9th. This group of hard-working volunteers, organized by **Lorenzo Haza** of **Levi Strauss & Co. (Canada) Inc.**, came to the sanctuary early in the morning and busied themselves with cleaning and then planting grass seed in the outdoor enclosure. Some time was also spent working on the grounds surrounding the sanctuary -- always a necessary and time-consuming spring job.



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Second Chance has been fortunate in having **Jerry**, an electrician and handyman, volunteer. Jerry has been a huge help in locating and fixing electrical problems in the house.

Second Chance would like to acknowledge and thank **Al** of **Mr. Pet** for his support of the sanctuary over the years.

The Sanctuary would like to express a special thank you to **Precious Pets** whose expertise in grooming is welcomed by our felines. When our cats return from a visit to Precious Pets, it's obvious how much better they feel after having received a thorough combing or the "lion cut"!

DONATIONS

It is now possible to make donations to the Sanctuary securely on line through CanadaHelps.org. - simply access the Second Chance web site and follow the instructions.

HUDSON BAY COMPANY

Second Chance is now a member of HBC Rewards Community program. The public ID number for Second Chance is **ID 8925939**. Points may be collected at the **Bay, Zeller's** and **Home Outfitters**. Anyone wishing to donate their points to Second Chance may do so by setting up a donation from their own personal account. The transfer of reward points may be accomplished in one of the following ways:

1. Go to the HBC reward desk in any Bay Store and provide the Second Chance ID 8925939
2. Telephone 1-800-844-8131 and provide the Second Chance ID 8925939
3. On the internet, go to www.hbc rewards.com
 - a) On left side of screen **CLICK** on Community Program

- b) **CLICK** on Donate to a Community Group
- c) **CLICK** on Search for a Community to make Donation
- d) Under heading "Find a Community" in box opposite Community Organization Public ID **TYPE** ID8925939
- e) **CLICK** on Continue
- f) (Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary will appear on this screen and to the right of this) **CLICK** on Donate points
- g) Screen requesting your HBC Reward Number will appear (from this screen forward you will be asked for information needed to complete the transfer of your HBC reward points.

If a problem is encountered while trying to donate points on line, please contact Phyllis (905-426-2922) for assistance.

These points will help Second Chance to obtain many items needed for the Sanctuary such as paper towels, facial tissue, and pillows for the cages.

We also gratefully accept Canadian Tire Money!

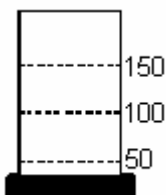


BRING US YOUR LOONIES/PENNIES

In our recent newsletters, we mentioned how prosperous Second Chance would be if everyone in the GTA donated just **ONE** loonie towards Second Chance or, if a loonie could not be spared, gather up your pennies and please involve your friends, family and neighbours in this project. We are happy to say that some coins have been received as indicated on the growth chart below.

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Coins Received



HELP SECOND CHANCE HELP YOU!

Just by switching the services you already use everyday, Setaia will donate up to 10% of your phone bill **EVERY MONTH** to Second Chance!

The highlights of their plans are:

- Canada wide Long Distance for 2.9 ¢
- No contract cellular service for \$9 month
- Toll-Free service with no monthly fees

To get started, Call Setaia at 1-866-909-6624 or visit www.setaia.com/secondchance

PetSmart

A selection of Second Chance cats were at PetsMart during the month of April. This visit in PetsMart proved to be very successful for Second Chance with 5 cats being adopted, namely; ET, Cedar, Mitzie and two tabby kittens.

Please drop by to visit the next time Second Chance cats are at PetsMart which will be during the month of July.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary operates a charity bingo on alternating days and times

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at Delta Bingo Hall, 975 Dillingham Road, Pickering. The dates of upcoming bingos hosted by Second Chance are June 30, July 14, 23 and 28.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Second Chance is always in need of people to help care for the animals both at the Sanctuary and during our time at PetSmart. Volunteers are especially needed for the weekday mornings at PetSmart. **We are in desperate need of someone with veterinary experience to come to the Sanctuary at least once each week and give health checks to and clip nails of our resident cats.**

Volunteers are needed to help at the charity bingo which Second Chance hosts at Delta Bingo Hall in Pickering. Please call Second Chance if you have time during the week and are interested in helping with bingo.

Volunteer drivers are also needed for transporting the cats for medical attention and the occasional grooming. Currently there is an urgent need for someone with a van or small truck to pick up cat food each Thursday (late afternoon or evening) from a store in Pickering/Ajax and deliver this order to the sanctuary. On arrival at the sanctuary, this order would need to be carried into the house.

SECOND CHANCE ANIMALS URGENTLY NEED A PERMANENT HOME

A large section of one of the previous newsletters was devoted to making our readers aware of this urgent need for property and a permanent home for Second Chance cats and other animals. This is a need that has existed since Joyce Smith first founded Second Chance

in 1996. The sanctuary's mandate is to aid orphaned, sick or injured, and abandoned animals.

If you would be willing to donate land (ideally in the Durham area) or money to **purchase property please contact Joyce at your earliest convenience at 905-649-8282.**

WISHLIST

The furnace at the sanctuary has been in use since Second Chance began and it was old then! There can be no more repairs to this furnace! The time has come to replace the old oil furnace and a new or reconditioned furnace **MUST** be installed in the sanctuary before the cold weather. If you know of any one who is replacing their furnace with a new one or perhaps installing a gas furnace, please make them aware of our need.

Some other items needed are:

Paper towels
Facial tissues
Electrical Extension Cords, 3-prong
Shovels, Spades, Fan Rakes, Rakes
Tarpaulins, any size
Small heating pads (for baby animals)
24" - 36" snowblower
Brooms and Mops
Pails
Dust Pans and Brushes

A more detailed list may be viewed on the web site.

CATS IN NEED OF A FOSTER HOME



KIERA is an adult female cat. She is very quiet and not aggressive. Kiera is not doing well in the sanctuary environment and would be much better in an adult home where she would receive more attention.



TOWER is approximately 2 years of age and is a special needs cat. Tower suffers from seizures and requires medication every 12 hours. He is very quiet, loves attention and would do best in an adult home.

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