

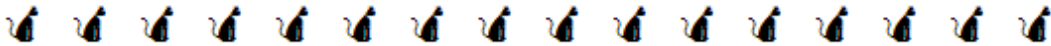


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## SPRING/SUMMER 2014

### SANCTUARY

Summer season at the sanctuary is beautiful – it is very enjoyable to watch the chipmunks and listen to the blue jays and other outdoor creatures. Winter season at the sanctuary is very harsh and especially this past winter which was one that everybody would like to forget, but nobody can. The ice storm just before Christmas wreaked havoc with the tree population of southern Ontario and the power outages lasting days in many areas did everything from spoiling Christmas to causing major damage to people’s houses. Although the ice storm damaged a lot of trees at the sanctuary, we were fortunate in that no falling limbs damaged the buildings and the power lines (although powerless) remained intact.

The power went off early Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, and the temperature in the buildings started to drop. By Christmas Eve, things were getting “chilly” and we were preparing to drain the water pipes. Fortunately on Christmas Day, we were able to borrow a portable generator from our neighbours, Greys Landscaping. With power restored to the heating system, the buildings and kitties started to warm up. With the fridges and water pump not working, nature acted as our refrigerator and we hauled in bottled water until mains power was restored early on Friday evening, December 27<sup>th</sup>. After the ice storm, the grounds were littered with downed tree branches, large and small, which remained there until our spring yard cleanup (a reminder of the destructive power of freezing rain). Our caregivers did an excellent job coping with the problems and volunteers came to help. Overall, we were fortunate not to have suffered any damage other than discomfort and inconvenience. Many people fared much worse. Perhaps one of our cat’s nine lives looked after us.

As usual, requests to take cats have been as numerous as ever. In June and July alone we took in twenty-five kittens and several older cats. Calls come in almost every day to take cats for all the usual reasons – abandonment, allergies, expensive medical problems, etc. We do what resources allow but we cannot take all of the cats about which we receive calls.

## SCWS 2015 CALENDAR

Thanks to everyone who supported our second annual calendar by submitting pictures of their pets and purchasing our calendar. The Second Chance calendar is one of our major fundraisers. Our third annual calendar, year 2015, is NOW on sale. Calendars may be ordered online or purchased at either Pickering Village Pet Hospital on Church Street in Ajax or the sanctuary. The response from people submitting pictures has been wonderful and hopefully the sales of our 2015 calendar will top last year. There are lots of delightful pet photos. The photo captions are great and together they are real conversation pieces. Everyone in the working world or the retirement world can empathize with Charlie (May) "Paperwork, there's always paperwork." This alone is worth the price of the calendar!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteers of Second Chance will hold a Yard Sale/Bake Sale/BBQ on **Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>** from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. and **Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>** from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on the grounds of Second Chance. We appreciate receiving any items (in good condition) you would like to donate to assist the operation of Second Chance. Donations may be left in the enclosed porch at the front of the sanctuary. Be sure to visit to find bargains and bake sale items while enjoying a hot dog for lunch.

Volunteers of Second Chance will hold a BBQ/Bake sale in front of the **Pet Valu on Garden Street** in Whitby **on October 11<sup>th</sup>** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Be sure to stop by for a hot dog or pick up some wonderful home baked goodies.

An on-going event is our **bottle collection** and **electronic & computer recycling**. This is an easy way to help the sanctuary raise money. Bring your empty beer and liquor bottles/cans to the bottom of the hill on our laneway where you will find several bins waiting to be filled with your contribution. The volunteers sort these bottles and cans and return them for cash. Bring your old computers and electronic devices as well and leave these items at the end of the bins. Again, the volunteers will deliver these items to the scrap dealer and receive cash for Second Chance.

*A charity bingo at 12:15 p.m. several days each month - hope to see you there!*

*DELTA BINGO HALL, 975 Dillingham Road, Pickering*

*Dates: September 15, 19 -- (and randomly thereafter).*

## FUNDRAISING THANKS

Fundraisers are very important to the sanctuary and would not be possible without the efforts of many people -

1. **Joanne**, Second Chance volunteer, had a table displaying information on the shelter and a few items available for sale at the Taunton Mills Retirement Home Bazaar on December 5, 2013.
2. On December 7, 2013 several volunteers of Second Chance together with **Michael Tansley**, photographer, took Santa Claws photos at Pet Valu on Garden Street in Whitby. All proceeds from this event were donated to Second Chance.
3. **Kristen Calis** organized and held a bake sale on December 13, 2013 and donated all proceeds to Second Chance.
4. On December 14, 2013 several volunteers of Second Chance together with **Michael Tansley**, photographer, took Santa Claws photos at PetSmart in Pickering. All proceeds from this event were donated to Second Chance.
5. **Jayden Jennifer Gray** knit hats and gave part of the proceeds from the sale of these hats to Second Chance.
6. **Olivia Kowtiuk** collected pennies as part of her community service towards earning her Lady Baden Powell badge in Guiding. All funds collected were donated to Second Chance.
7. On March 2, 2014, **Clair Micklen** together with volunteers from the Humane Society of Durham Region organized a Victorian Afternoon Tea at Vandermeer Nursery in Ajax. This is always a very popular event and many of the participants go to great lengths to dress up in costume appropriate to the Victorian period. Additionally there are many interesting things to see around the Vandermeer Nursery and we urge everyone to put this on their calendar for next March. The proceeds from this event were shared between Second Chance and the Humane Society of Durham Region.
8. A young girl turning 14 donated all of her birthday money to Second Chance as well as money she raised making and selling rainbow loom bracelets at her school.
9. On April 19, 2014, **Linda** and **Joanne** together with several volunteers from Second Chance and **Michael Tansley**, photographer, took Easter Bunny photos at Sheridan Nurseries in Whitby. All proceeds from this event were donated to Second Chance.
10. On April 26, 2014 volunteers of Second Chance organized a Spring Fling Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser at St. Andrew's Community Centre in Ajax. The evening started with cocktails followed by a buffet dinner and silent auction. A special thank you to **Dickson Printing** for, once again, supplying the admission tickets and to **Joanne, Laura, and Susan** for the many hours they spent securing wonderful donations for the silent auction. A very popular addition to the Spring Fling was psychic readings by **Reverend Barbara Faulkner** and **Andrew van der Peet**. Another special event was a performance by one of our

caregivers, **Bridget Hunt**. Bridget is a member of the world famous Mendelssohn Choir and her performance was greatly enjoyed by everyone. The evening was very successful and enjoyed by all! A list of businesses and organizations who donated items for our silent auction appears in the section headed Thank You.

11. Students of **Applecroft Public School** in Ajax made rainbow loom bracelets and sold them to other students in the school during May. The proceeds of this fundraiser were donated to Second Chance.
12. **Joanne**, together with several Second Chance volunteers, organized a yard/bake sale and BBQ on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup> and again on July 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> on the grounds of Second Chance. **Lynn** secured donations from her company to hold a sale of new items at both of these events.

On June 16<sup>th</sup>, volunteers of Second Chance held a BBQ/bake sale at Walmart in Pickering.



## **BIRTHDAYS**

*The following people requested that donations be made to Second Chance in lieu of birthday gifts – thank you!*

Christine Alari

Jill Simpson

Richard Walker & Val Laski

## **DONATIONS IN LIEU OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

Second Chance is grateful to the following people who very generously requested that, in lieu of Christmas gifts, donations be given to Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary:

Castlin & Dan Harris

Karen Howser

Andrew Morari

## **DONATIONS HONOURING**

Second Chance is grateful for donations received in honour of the following people:

Sharon Brown and her two babies, Buttercup and Jazzie

Linda and Paul Clinton

Marilyn McLaughlin

The Roberts Family

Chris and Marcel Lapointe

Marlene Richardson

CTV Scheduling Department

## † IN-MEMORIUM DONATIONS

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

Barbara Myers  
Buck Rogers - Police Officer  
Cabot, Jacob and Max  
Cameron McDonald - Brother  
Carmen - A beautiful kitty  
Cody - My beautiful foster cat  
Gerald Armstrong  
Ivy Henry  
Jack Hamilton - Friend  
Jasmine  
Jeanette Babington  
Jim Aspin  
John Ward – Father  
Larry Doyle

Lexy  
Max - My beautiful cat  
Rosey “Posey”  
Richard Baxter  
Samantha - My dog  
Sandy McDonald - Father  
Shawn Johnson - Our daughter  
Spooky Booth  
Teddy Bear  
Tessie - Sandy & Helen’s precious baby  
Uno - Miss Nosey’s best friend  
Victor Richardson  
Wayne Stocker  
All our best friends

## 📣 THANK YOU

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

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As a shelter partner, we are exclusively feeding Hill's® Science Diet® to all the animals in our care.



Thank you to **Allstate Foundation of Canada** who supported Second Chance as a result of our volunteer and employee of Allstate, Mary Lattion-Wells, making her company aware of Second Chance and the work we do. Mary, holding Penny (adopted from Second Chance), is shown presenting a cheque from Allstate to Phyllis Healey, President of Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary.

Thank you to **Capital Networks Ltd.** who supported Second Chance by making a donation to our Spring Fling event as a result of our volunteer and employee of Capital Networks, Doug Wisted, making his company aware of Second Chance and the work we do.

Thank you to the following organizations/businesses who very generously gave donations of items to be used in our Spring Fling Silent Auction and Buffet Dinner held on April 26, 2014 -

Adrienne's Flowers, Ajax	Madelaine Alter
Ajax Flower Shop	Mandarin, Pickering
Anonymous (several)	Massey's Restaurant, Pickering
Boston Pizza, Pickering & Whitby (2)	Mastermind, Pickering
Bowring, Ajax	Melanie Pringles, Whitby
Chatterpaul's, Whitby	Metro, Ajax
Cine-Plex, Pickering	Michael Dunn
Coles Bookstore, Pickering	No Frills, Ajax & Pickering
Costco, Ajax	NRG SalonSpa, Pickering
David's Tea, Pickering	Oshawa Jewellers
Denny's, Whitby	Pandora, Pickering
DermaSpa, Pickering	Pearle Vision, Pickering
East Side Mario's, Pickering	Pet Value, Bowmanville
Erika Zorn, Arbonne Consultant	PJ's Pets, Pickering
Esme, Pickering	Real Canadian Wholesale Club, Whitby
F.G. Bradley, Pickering	Shoppers Drug Mart, Ajax
Global Pets, Ajax & Whitby	Sobey's, Ajax (2) & Pickering
GoodLife, Ajax	Superstore, Whitby
GMCR Canada Inc.	Susan Neal
Graziella Jewellers, Ajax & Whitby	Swiss Chalet, Ajax & Pickering & Whitby
Hairbiz, Scarborough	Target, Ajax
Home Hardware, Ajax	The Greek Tycoon, Whitby
Hot Rocks Creative Diner, Whitby	The Royal Oak Pub, Whitby
Hummingbird Medi-Spa	Ted Hamer
Jack Astor's Bar and Grill, Pickering & Whitby	Tina's Hair Design, Oshawa
Joanne Dymond	Urban Nature Store, Pickering
Kelsey's, Pickering	Vandermeer Nursery
Krown Rust, Ajax & Whitby	Walmart, Pickering
Liz Moore	Wild Wings, Whitby
Loblaws, Ajax & Pickering	Women's Fitness Clubs of Canada, Pickering
Lush, Pickering	

## DONATIONS

**Did you know that 100% of every donation goes directly to sanctuary activities? SCWS Directors are not paid. There is no paid staff other than those who directly handle and care for the animals. SCWS does not pay fundraisers. SCWS does not make investments or lend money. Administrative expenses consist of things for which we are charged, for example, phone, cable, bank charges, mailing costs.**

**Thus, donations to SCWS are used for the expenses of keeping the buildings operating, food, veterinary expenses and, as just noted, ordinary administrative costs. Veterinary expense is a**

**very large item (burden) usually running to several thousand dollars per month. When you donate to SCWS, your money goes directly to the welfare and care of the animals. It is spent carefully and responsibly just as you would want it to be.**

**If you are already a donor, please consider increasing your donation; if not, please consider becoming a donor.**

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

It is also possible to make donations to Second Chance through the United Way via your employer. All you need do is designate Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary as the recipient on the donation form and provide the address and charitable registration number (available on the front page of this newsletter).

A donation to benefit one of our special needs cats can be made to the “**Amber**” fund. As mentioned in our previous newsletters, Amber would have been blind (due to ulcers rupturing in her eyes) if we had not decided to have the surgery on her remaining eye. The “**Amber**” fund will cover care/operations for cats in need of such special, expensive treatments.

## **PetSmart**

Second Chance kittens and cats are currently at PetSmart. Unless these felines are adopted, they will be in the adoption centre until the middle of September. We went into the adoption centre on August 1 with twenty kittens and we now have only three left to be adopted. This has been a very successful month for Second Chance cats in the adoption centre at PetSmart.

## **SPCA SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC**

As mentioned in previous newsletters, **SPCA is now operating a low-cost spay/neuter clinic in Newmarket. The spay or neuter fee is \$50 for cats and vaccines are \$10 each. Female dogs are \$80 and males are \$60. For more information, please visit [www.ontariospca.ca](http://www.ontariospca.ca)**

Although we no longer provide care for wildlife, we still provide advice and assistance to people in need of help with wild animals by providing contact information of other rescue organizations.

As a cost saving measure, we are trying to go to electronic mail for distribution of the newsletter and we would appreciate receiving your email address.