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SPRING/SUMMER 2015

SANCTUARY

We seem to be in a time of extremes. The winter of 2013/14 was extremely unpleasant due to the massive ice storm with lots of snow throughout. The winter of 2014/15 was extremely unpleasant due to the extremely low temperatures, especially in February. The old, barn like, sanctuary building was not constructed or insulated to deal with temperatures in the -20 °C area and, in spite of lots of caulking, cold draughts could be felt issuing from the tongue & groove walls when winds blast the north wall. The old (circa 1860) stone house is better built but one can only imagine how the early settlers coped with winters while having only a wood-burning fireplace for heating. This winter has been kinder to us than last regarding the driveway. Last winter, as the frost came out, the driveway literally disintegrated into deep muddy holes and ruts to the point where we had to park along the concession road and walk in to the sanctuary. This year, after considerable gravelling and regrading, together with the much lower melt water runoff, the driveway has remained in good condition.

Spring has arrived and all birds and animals are busy – the portable (where we hold the yard sales) seems to be a popular spot for nests. We now have a second family of robins nesting at the portable. Kitten season is now in full force! We have taken in one mother with her five babies as well as three pregnant cats which have given birth to a total of 12 kittens. We have one kitten (now 9 weeks old) rescued from a trap in urban Ajax. Rescuing the kitten was good but, unfortunately, the powerful rat trap broke her front leg and it had to be amputated. Despite having only three legs, this little female runs around her foster home so quickly that one would never realize that she is handicapped.

We continue to receive numerous calls from people who need to rid themselves of their pets or their relations' pets for all of the usual reasons – allergies, expensive medical problems, bad/dirty problems on the cat's part. Unfortunately, we cannot help all people who call as we have many

cats, some of whom are quite old and are beginning to have medical problems themselves, and we need to be sure that we can care for our existing cats before taking in too many new ones.

SCWS 2016 CALENDAR

Thanks to everyone who supported our third annual calendar by submitting pictures of their pets and purchasing our calendar. The Second Chance calendar is one of our major fundraisers. Our fourth annual calendar, year 2016, is being prepared. Please submit pictures of your pet together with the \$10.00 per photo submission fee to have your pet included in our 2016 calendar.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteers of Second Chance will hold a Yard Sale/Bake Sale/BBQ on **Saturday**, **July 25** from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. and **Sunday**, **July 26** 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 **Walmart located at Pickering Parkway and Brock Road** in Pickering **on June 27** from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Be sure to stop by for a hot dog or pick up some wonderful home baked goodies.

On-going events are our **bottle collection** and electronic and computer scrap recycling. These are easy ways to help the sanctuary raise money. Empty beer and liquor bottles/cans may be brought to the front of the sanctuary where you will find many bins waiting to be filled with your contribution. Volunteers sort these bottles and cans and return them for cash. Old computers and electronic devices may also be left at the end of the clothing donation box. Again, a volunteer will deliver these items to the scrap dealer and receive cash for Second Chance.

Second Chance volunteers are present at several bingos each month - hope to see you there!

DELTA BINGO HALL, 975 Dillingham Road, Pickering

Dates: July 1, 6, 18, 25-- (and weekly at varying times thereafter)

FUNDRAISING THANKS

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

- 1. **Joanne**, together with several Second Chance volunteers, organized a yard/bake sale and BBQ on September 27 and 28, 2014 at Second Chance. **Lynn** secured donations from her company to hold a sale of new items at this event.
- 2. On October 11, 2014 volunteers of Second Chance held a Bake Sale and BBQ outside **Pet Valu** on Garden Street in Whitby.
- 3. **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 November 15, 2014.
- 4. **Jaclyn Holdsworth**, a student at William Dunbar Public School, sold Second Chance calendars at the school craft sale on November 22, 2014.
- 5. On November 22, volunteers of Second Chance organized an indoor yard/bake sale featuring many Christmas items.
- 6. On November 29, 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.
- 7. **Mary**, Second Chance volunteer, organized and held a bake sale at her office on December 1, 2014. All of the proceeds were donated to Second Chance. Special thanks to Ronan Gandhi, aged 12 years, who baked sugar cookies to contribute to this bake sale. Please see the picture below.
- 8. On December 6, 2014, several volunteers of Second chance together with **Michael Tansley**, photographer, took Santa Claws photos at Second Chance. This was the first time for Santa Claws pictures at the sanctuary and it was especially nice as some people brought their cats who had been adopted from the shelter several years ago.
- 9. Clair Micklen, together with several of her friends and helpers, organized a Victorian Afternoon Tea on February 22, 2015 at Vandermeer Nursery in Ajax. This has become an annual event and, as usual, there were many people attending who dressed up in costumes appropriate to the Victorian period. The Victorian Tea makes for a delightful afternoon and one can also shop for spring flowers or decorations while at the Nursery. The proceeds from this event were donated to Second Chance. Please see the picture below.
- 10. On February 23, 2015, anonymous supporters of Second Chance held a cupcake sale at their workplace and donated the proceeds to Second Chance.
- 11. During March 2015, **Carter van Tol** chose to support Second Chance for his "Nobody Project" assignment at his school. Carter and "nobody" are pictured below.
- 12. On April 25, 2015 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 **Janis**,

Joanne, Laura, and **Susan** for the many hours they spent securing wonderful donations for the silent auction. The psychic readings were received so well at last year's event that we invited **Reverend Barbara Faulkner** and **Andrew van der Peet** to provide readings again this year. The evening was very successful and enjoyed by all! A list of businesses, organizations, and individuals who donated items for our silent auction appears in the section headed Thank You.

13. **Joanne** and **Lynn**, together with numerous Second Chance volunteers, organized a yard/bake sale and BBQ on May 30 & 31, 2015 at Second Chance.







Mary's Bake Sale

Victorian Tea

Carter van Tol



CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES

Kristen Calis and her husband Phil gave a donation to Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary in celebration of their wedding – thank you! Kristen is a long-time supporter of Second Chance and we wish the new couple a long and successful life together.



BIRTHDAYS

Jill Simpson requested that a donation be made to Second Chance in lieu of a birthday gift - thank you!

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:

John Crane; Bernice and William Rohe; Marlene Richardson; Sharon Brown – best scheduler ever at CTV

DONATIONS HONOURING

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

Carolyn Dutru

Gordon Burtt

Jaki Carmody

Linda Watson

Lynn Beckley

Michelle Radonicich

Nancy Montgomery

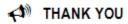
Phyllis Corbett - 100th Birthday

Scott

Susan Neil – all the work Susan does
for the church family at Dunbarton
Fairport United Church

Theo & Miller

Wayne Stocker



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







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



Eden Conservation Trust

Thank you to **Precious Pets** for grooming several of our cats recently. All of the cats felt much better after their special treatment at Precious Pets and the cats that received the Lion cut were obviously very pleased with their appearance.



The house cats and their caregiver 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 November 21, 2014. These hard-working volunteers, organized by Barb Pedder of Eli Lilly Canada Inc., came to the sanctuary early in the morning — bringing donations of many items from our wish list. When the Eli Lilly employees departed in the early afternoon, walls and windows were washed, cages were moved, and tables were cleaned — the house looked like a different place.

Thank you to the Grade 7 and 8 students at Gandatsetiagon Public School in Pickering who held a toonie drive and donated the proceeds to Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary. This event was part of their Gandy Gives Student leadership initiative.

Second Chance held a crowdfunding campaign through FundRazr for a new roof on the portable. Thank you to all of those who donated to FundRazr for the new roof. This fundraiser was very successful and has ensured that activities in the portable will not be impacted by a leaking roof.

On May 20 & 23, sixteen employees from **PepsiCo Foods Canada** very generously donated their time as part of the National Volunteer Campaign to renovate the decking on one of our large outdoor enclosures. This volunteer team worked a total of 104 hours over the two days. Thank you to the coordinators, **Aliesha Cozier** & **Bob Ozanick**, and the whole team for their great efforts. The cats are really enjoying the new deck.



Thank you to Capital Networks Ltd. which supported Second Chance by making a donation to our Spring Fling event. Doug Wisted, one of our volunteers and an employee of Capital Networks Ltd., made his company aware of Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary.

Thank you to **Allstate Foundation of Canada** which supported Second Chance as a result of our volunteer and employee of Allstate, Mary Lattion-Wells, making her company aware of Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary. Mary, holding a five-week old kitten (one of a litter of five), is shown presenting a cheque from Allstate to Phyllis Healey, President of Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary.





Thank you to the following organizations/businesses and individuals who very generously gave donations of items to be used in our Spring Fling Silent Auction and Buffet Dinner held on April 25, 2015:

Allan's Independent Grocer, Pickering

Anonymous (several) Baker's Table, Oshawa Bella Notte, Whitby

Bev Anderson

Boston Pizza, Pickering

Bowmanville Zoo Bowring, Ajax

Chatterpaul's, Whitby Cine-Plex, Pickering

Coles Bookstore, Pickering

Cora Breakfast and Lunch, Pickering

Costco, Ajax

David's Tea, Pickering

David Fletcher

Dr. Leslie Fitzgerald, Whitby

Dr. Maggie Health Care Products for Pets,

Pickering

Denny's, Whitby

East Side Mario's, Pickering & Brooklin

F.G. Bradley, Pickering Global Pets, Ajax & Whitby

GoodLife, Ajax

Leisure Lanes, Oshawa

Linda Watson

Loblaws, Pickering

LUSH, Pickering

Mandarin, Pickering

Markcol Coffee, Whitby

Massey's Restaurant, Pickering

Mastermind, Pickering

Melanie Pringles, Whitby

Metro, Ajax

Modern Medi-Spa, Pickering

Moxi's Bar & Grill, Pickering

Nancy Camick

Nice Bistro, Whitby

No Frills, Ajax

Odyssey Books and Resource Centre, Ajax

Oshawa Jewellers

Pearle Vision, Pickering

Pet Valu, Ajax

Pickering Mall Administration

Real Canadian Super Store, Ajax, Whitby

Reed's Florist, Aiax

Ron Galbraith's Jewellers, Ajax

GMCR (Keurig) Canada Inc. Graziella Jewellers, Whitby Hairbiz, Scarborough

Helen Hedge

Home Hardware, Ajax

Hot Rocks Creative Diner, Whitby Imagine That Art Gallery, Pickering

Jack Astors Bar & Grill, Pickering & Whitby

Janice Wye-Baker

Jewellery by Sanders, Oshawa

Joanne Dymond

Jungle Cat World, Oshawa Kathleen Buttringy, Massage KB Restaurant, Whitby

Kim Clark Kristine Driscoll

Krown Rust, Ajax, Whitby Landmark Cinemas, Whitby

Laura Sharpe

Royal Oak Restaurant, Whitby Safari Bar and Grill, Ajax Scott Richard Studio Sew Much Fun, Oshawa Sherwin Williams, Ajax Shoppers Drug Mart, Ajax (2) Sobey's, Ajax (2), Pickering

Susan Coral Susan Neal

Swiss Chalet, Ajax, Pickering, Whitby

The Lake Grill, Whitby
Tina's Hair Design, Oshawa
Urban Nature Store, Pickering
Vandermeer Nursery Ltd., Ajax

Walmart, Pickering Wholesale Club, Whitby Wild Wings, Whitby

Women's Fitness Clubs of Canada, Pickering

TIN-MEMORIUM DONATIONS

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

Aries, beloved pet Lavina Smith

Barb Dalziel Levi Betty Maclean Limerick

Dr. Charles Baker Maya, beloved family member Charlie (formerly Ravie) Michael Hanna Nammour

Cody, my precious cat

Darlene Rafuse

Rufus

Darwin, beloved cat

Donna Kilgour

Samantha, my beloved beagle
Shaun Johnson (my daughter)

Miss Sasalas Baath

Emma, a sweet spirit Miss Spooky Booth Geoffrey Leeming Susan Sauvie

Helen Jean Abercrombie Tanya

a friend's beloved companion

Irene Brewer, cousin & friend Trudy Van Leewen Kada – a canine intuitive healer and William Scott

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 to 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.

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