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**2017**

## **SANCTUARY**

The leaves are down, snow fences are up and we brace to face another winter. Being out in the country at the end of a long laneway always has its winter challenges. Fortunately our neighbours, Gray's Landscaping and Snow Removal, are well equipped to deal with snow and generously look after our areas.

Since our last Newsletter, activities at Second Chance have followed their usual pattern – intakes/rescues, rehabilitations and adoptions – together with fundraising events. A highlight of kitten season was the intake of an expectant mother, not too long out of kitten-hood herself, who subsequently had 9 kittens. Kittens are too cute, everybody loves them and they are fairly easily adopted, but not all. We have a beautiful pair (siblings) of sleek black kittens still waiting for their home. It is often the case that black kittens are the last to go.

As well as kittens, a few of our older resident cats also found homes. Chickee, 13 years old, was with us for all of her 13 years. She was one of those cases of a lovely kitten and splendid adult who was simply overlooked and no one will ever know why. She was adopted by a nice family and fitted in immediately. Also, Skunk, 8 years old, recently found her special people and Charlie, a 9 year old Manx cat, was adopted by one of our volunteers. Now in our 20th year, we have other older, overlooked, rescued cats. Ross is one of them. Ross is a big beautiful 7-year-old tabby who purrs whenever he gets some attention and even when he gets his nails clipped. Nevertheless, year in – year out, people visit but nobody notices Ross so he patiently waits, year in – year out, for his special people to come and give him his second chance.

It takes a lot of time, energy and interest by our caregivers and volunteers to operate the Sanctuary and look after our cats. It also takes a lot of money. We are thankful to everyone who donates money or supplies. We supplement our donors generosity with numerous fundraising activities spread throughout the year. Principal fundraisers are the Victorian Tea in February, the Spring Fling in April, the Second Chance Calendar, 4 yard sales from May to November and pet pictures with Santa in December.

The yard sales have become quite popular. A major improvement in their presentation was made in the summer of 2016 with the addition of two storage containers, Sea Containers, near the old school portable. After being repainted, outfitted with new floors, new ceilings, bright lighting and lots of shelving, there was much more space to display our donated wares and it was easier for visitors to move around and see them. There have been many complimentary comments about the containers. The BBQ and Bake sale activities are popular and visitors take advantage of the lawn tables to enjoy a hot dog or buns and cookies from the bake tables.

As noted above, winter is nigh upon us and so is Christmas. For the cats, Christmas is fairly simple, some extra treats and attention from the extra visitors over the holidays. For people, Christmas is more complicated: a time for celebration, a time for giving, a time for family and a time for thanks. We give thanks to our caregivers, our volunteers, our donors and all our friends and supporters and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## SCWS 2018 CALENDAR

Thanks to everyone who supported our fifth annual calendar by submitting pictures of their pets and purchasing our calendar. The Second Chance calendar is one of our major fundraisers. Our sixth annual calendar, year 2018, is now available at the sanctuary, Pickering Village Pet Hospital or the Second Chance website.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Santa Claws Pictures will take place at Pet Valu, 3050 Garden Street in Whitby on Saturday, December 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, December 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Michael Tansley, professional photographer, will be taking the pictures assisted by volunteers from Second Chance. Pictures are \$10.00 each.

Our **bottle collection** is an on-going event and is an easy way 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.

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

DELTA BINGO HALL, 975 Dillingham Road, Pickering



Above is a picture of George, a volunteer of Second Chance, who regularly helps at Bingo. As 'Volunteer of the Month', George is cutting the cake to be served to the bingo players,

### FUNDRAISING THANKS

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

1. **Mr. R. Gray** hosted a dessert party in December, 2016 where guests were invited to take a piece of cake home and in return make a donation to Second Chance.
2. Volunteers of Second Chance organized a yard/bake sale and BBQ in May, July and September, 2017 at Second Chance.
3. On December 3, 2016 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.
4. On December 22, 2016, Kristen Calis held a bake sale and donated all proceeds to Second Chance.
5. In February, 2017, **Robyn Pedersen** and **Hannah Berei** made rainbow loom bracelets and donated all proceeds from the sale of these bracelets to Second Chance.
6. **Manjula Selvarajah** donated a portion of the money she received for doing chores to Second Chance.
7. **Clair Micklen**, together with her friends and helpers, organized a **Victorian Afternoon Tea** on February 26, 2017 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 pictures below.

8. During the month of March, 2017, **Global Pets** on Harwood Road in Ajax donated the proceeds from their Show Us Your Heart campaign to Second Chance.
9. During the month of April, 2017, **Pet Valu** on Garden Street in Whitby donated half of the proceeds from their Paws Event to Second Chance.
10. On April 29, 2017 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 **Barb, Joanne, and Laura M.** for the many hours they spent securing wonderful donations for the silent auction. The psychic readings provided by **Reverend Barbara Faulkner** and **Reverend Florance Burton** are now a popular part of the Spring Fling. 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.
11. On June 10, 2017, **Frank McGillan** organized a Golf Tournament and Fundraiser and donated all proceeds to Second Chance.
12. Volunteers of Second Chance organized an indoor yard/bake Sale on November 4 & 5, 2017 featuring many Christmas items.
13. In June, 2017, **Savannah Healey** and **Izzy Snowdy** collected and sold used toys at the Fun Fair held at Palermo Public School in Bronte, Ontario. All proceeds were donated to Second Chance.



Savannah & Izzy



Victorian Tea



## **BIRTHDAYS**

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

Emily Gray      Scarlett Mustafa      Emma & Jacob Pavone

## **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 –

Carolyn Adams      Marlene Richardson

## **DONATIONS HONOURING**

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

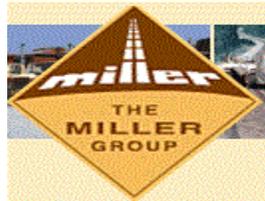
Anita  
Sharon Brown, the best scheduler ever  
Larry Doyle

Flora Faulkner, celebrating 91 years  
Linda Watson

 **THANK YOU**

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.

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In January, 2017, Mrs. Kelly Maggiacomo's Grade 5 class at Joshua Creek Public School in Oakville donated gently used toys and books to Second Chance in the hopes that these items could be used to raise funds. This idea resulted from **Abby Espinet** who brought the Second Chance Wildlife Sanctuary 2016 and 2017 Calendars to show her teacher and classmates.

In February, 2017, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Greenwood Guides, Ajax donated handmade beds for the cats at the sanctuary as well as cleaning products.

Thank you to **Allstate Foundation of Canada** for again supporting our Spring Fling fundraiser. Mary Lattion-Wells (volunteer with Second Chance), representing **Allstate Foundation of Canada**, presented **Allstate's** contribution 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 Silent Auction at the Spring Fling Buffet Dinner held on April 29, 2017:

Ajax Home Hardware, Ajax	Melanie Pringles, Whitby
Allans Independent Grocer, Pickering	Milos Greek Restaurant, Pickering
Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto	Mister Pet, Ajax
Augie Doggy, Oshawa	Moxies Grill & Bar, Pickering
Bark & Fitz, Whitby	Nygaard Factory Outlet, Bowmanville
Bella Notte Ristorant, Whitby	Ontario Science Centre, Toronto
Boston Pizza, Ajax, Pickering, Whitby	Oshawa Jewellery, Oshawa
Bowring, Ajax	Pearle Vision, Pickering
Brock St. Brewing Company, Whitby	Penney & Company, Whitby
C & C Motors, Whitby	Putting Edge, Whitby
Charley Ronicks Pub, Whitby	Pet Valu, Newcastle and Kendalwood Plaza, Whitby
Chatterpauls, Whitby	Rens Pets Depot, Whitby
Christy Whitehead	Rita Mak
Cineplex Odeon, Pickering	Robert Lowery Piano Experts, Toronto
CN Tower, Toronto	Roy Nichols Motors, Courtice
Costco, Ajax	Safari Bar & Grill, Pickering Village
Deer Creek Golf Club, Ajax	Sharon Woermke
Dennys, Whitby	Shirley Gosby-Ryan
DeSerres, Pickering	Shoeless Joes, Ajax and Whitby
Dr. Kevin Tyber, Pickering Village	Shoppers Drug Mart, Bowmanville
East Side Marios, Whitby	Sobeys, Kingston Road and Westney Road South, Ajax
F. G. Bradleys, Pickering	State & Main Kitchen & Bar, Whitby
Global Pet Foods, Ajax and Whitby	Steve & Peggys No Frills, Pickering
Graziella Fine Jewellery, Whitby	Superstore, Ajax,
Imagine That Art Gallery, Whitby	Swiss Chalet, Bayly Street, Ajax, Bowmanville, Whitby North
Jack Astors, Pickering, Whitby	Symposium Cafe, Ajax
Jewellery by Sanders, Oshawa	Tawni Horton
Jungle Cat World, Orono	The Body Shop, Pickering, Oshawa
Kale Creations, Whitby	The Keg Steakhouse & Bar, Head Office
KB Restaurant, Whitby	The Lake Grill, Whitby
Kennedy Greenhouses, Markham	The Royal Oak, Whitby
Keurig, Canada	Toms No Frills, Ajax
Krown, Whitby	Toronto Zoo
Lafontaine, Whitby	Vandermeer Nursery, Ajax
Lakeridge Links Golf Course, Brooklin	Whispering Ridge Golf Course, Brooklin
LaRosa Restorante, Whitby	Wholesale Club, Whitby
Laser Quest, Whitby	Wild Wings, Whitby
Lavish Spa, Whitby	Williams Chocolates, Whitby
Linda Watson	Women's Fitness, Pickering
Loblaw, Pickering	
Mandarin, Pickering	
Mary Wells	

On October 22, 2017, **Olivia Martinn** donated cleaning products and treats for the cats at Second Chance. This was a grade 2 project at Gandatsetiagon Public School in Pickering.

## IN-MEMORIUM DONATIONS

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

Aris	Beatrice Love
Gordon Baxter, husband	Matt, a former resident of Second Chance
Beau, in loving memory	Cameron McDonald
Bisbee Longfellow	Sandy McDonald
Eleanor Bishop, mother	Trevor Neilson
Spooky Booth	Arthur Okamoto
Loranne Connie Arlene Bronze, niece	Orange Boy
Cheeba	Samantha, my beloved dog
Coco, a former resident of Second Chance	Stan Smith, pet cat
Sheila Conkey	Jenny Stewart
Cynthia Mary Dunn	Wayne Stocker
Cathy Fiddes, friend	Toby, a former resident of Second Chance
George Gibson	Sally Tolisano
Ginger	Allan Withyman
June Graham, volunteer & supporter of Second Chance	Peppi, Lor, Shadow, our beloved companions
Jill Hamer	Red and Max
Robert Halverson, friend	Zoe and Red
Peter Jackson, husband	Smokey Bear and Shadow
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## 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.**