

PAWS FOR A WHILE...



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NASAP is a rescue society incorporated in 1998 for the purpose of saving unwanted animals from euthanization by rescuing and fostering them in our volunteer's homes until they can be adopted into new loving homes. This year we fostered and placed 75 cats and 62 dogs.

Congratulations and thanks go out to all the wonderful, dedicated NASAP team members who work so tirelessly, fundraising, coordinating our many volunteers, transporting and nurturing the rescued animals. Thanks for your multiple trips with our animals to the vet and meeting with adoptive families, and finally placing so many NASAP rescued animals in new loving homes.

NASAP COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE EVENTS FROM 2014

All of our events are organized and presented with the generous help from the NASAP Board, our special army of volunteers and our amazing NASAP foster homes, that together make it all happen. The events listed below are just some of the many NASAP related things that have occurred recently.

CASINO

The February 16th & 17th, 2014 casino was very successful. All the funds received from this important source go directly to veterinary costs. Our 30 plus casino volunteer workers were amazing over the two days. A very big thank you is extended to Angela Hunter, the casino volunteer coordinator who contacted and scheduled all the volunteers. Once again the event went without a glitch.

CHAMPION PETFOODS "MEET & GREET" WITH NASAP

In order for NASAP to become a recipient of donations from Champion Petfoods, Sheila and Cherise met with them on May 29, 2014. The ladies got a firsthand look at the facility and a full education on the products developed and offered by their company. All of the food is human grade meat, protein focused to mimic the diet an animal would have had in the wild and ideal for proper development and digestion. The food is also all locally grown or caught, and the final product is manufactured in Alberta.

It was an awesome experience and Champion Petfoods are very excited to open their services to more organizations like ours. Their products will all come to us well before expiration and in good quality in accordance with their ethics and commitment to animal care.

"PETS'N THE PARK" JUNE 22, 2014

We had a splendid turn out of people visiting the NASAP booth. Many of our previous NASAP success stories came back for a visit. Lots of pictures were taken of the event and posted on our Facebook page. Our current dogs up for adoption were at the park for some tail wags and pets.

The Humane Society had a successful turn out informing and raising awareness for pet owners and soon-to-be pet owners. All in all it was a happy and rewarding afternoon. It also provided us an opportunity to tell the public about the essential service NASAP provides for our four legged friends.

PETLAND ADOPTION DAYS

The south side Petland operators and staff generously provided a venue for NASAP sponsored adoption days on Saturdays numerous times in 2014 through their community charitable outreach program.

Radio promotions, BBQ fundraisers and fun kids activities made the days' agendas successful. Many of our rescue animals met their future families through these events for example Milo the pup and two of the Harry Potter kittens to name just a few!

PET VALU ADOPTION DAYS

Pet Valu Adoption Day was first held January 25th, 2014 in St. Albert. The volunteers set up primarily as an information booth to introduce NASAP to the area. Some NASAP dogs along with their people volunteers were in attendance and helped to identify NASAPs cause to potential new volunteers, foster homes, and adoptive families.

SILENT AUCTION

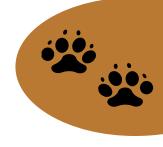
The 2014 NASAP Silent Auction was held on Saturday May 31st at Average Joes in Sherwood Park. Our president Geneieve Horvath coordinated and managed this fun event along with her team of many helpful volunteers. The liquor basket gals were also very successful and the whole event went on well into the evening.

Please rally round NASAP and help procure donations of suitable items for auction from new sources for the 2015 auction!





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COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE ITEMS

Notable donations to NASAP were received recently through corporate and community partnerships and events:

- Denny's Restaurant Sherwood Park partnered with NASAP to celebrate their grand reopening and donated over \$2300
- Greenland Garden Centre Pooch event provided \$750
- Leduc County donated over \$900
- TELUS and their employees donated over \$2500
- The Cunningham Animal Care Fund donated \$4360

A huge thank you goes to the following young people who remarkably stepped up by requesting donations to help NASAP rather than accept birthday gifts for themselves:

- Lepine for a donation over \$400
- M. Butterfields for a donation over \$100
- Devin G. nearly \$200

ONE OF NASAPS SPECIAL ANIMALS

Heathcliff is a 12-week old, short-haired kitten that was found dragging himself through the bush in Beaumont when he was approximately 6 weeks old. At the time, he had a severely broken back leg (the top of his femur was snapped). His vets believe Heathcliff was grabbed by a dog or coyote and the force of the bite snapped his leg. However, he proved to be strong enough to fight off the attack and get away.

He was obviously born to a feral mother as he was extremely shy and untrusting of humans when he was rescued by animal control. Through his cage rest and recovery period, he has grown up to trust and love people. So, in this sense, his severe injury was almost kind of a lucky break for a wild little kitten. His leg has now healed. It will likely never be perfectly normal (he may walk with a slight limp and/or experience some issues with it in his older age) but he is active, happy and continues to get stronger every day.

Heathcliff is full of energy and loves to play with his toys. When he's ready to snuggle, he's a very cuddly little boy. Heathcliff gets along with all the critters in his foster home: dog, cats and parrots!



INTRODUCTION TO THE CURRENT BOARD

GENEIEVE HORVATH, PRESIDENT

I started with NASAP in 2004 answering the phone lines. I saw there was a need for more volunteers to help with the day-to-day aspects of keeping a non-profit rescue going, so I became the dog intake coordinator. Within 8 months I was VP, and subsequently President.

The reason I have stayed with NASAP over the many years is because it is truly food for my soul. I have found the most rewarding part of working with NASAP has been bringing unwanted animals into care and knowing we will help them find a new home – just the fact that we helped save one more life really keeps me going.

IONA HAGGARD, VICE PRESIDENT

I was first elected to the NASAP Board of Directors in 2007, and have been on the board since then in various capacities. I have volunteered for casinos, silent auctions, adoption days, dog wash days, "Avenue Goes to the Dogs" days, "Photos with Santa" days, and various other events to help NASAP. Managing the financial well being of the organization has also been very important to me. Animal welfare has been a life-long concern of mine and I find my NASAP work extremely satisfying!







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PAT MASH, TREASURER

I have worked in cat intake and on the NASAP board for many years. I devote a good portion of my time outside of work, volunteering with cat rescue and care for NASAP. I help organize cat intake, foster home coordination, veterinary care and adoption events. It is very rewarding to see our cats get wonderful, forever homes.

JACLYN GALLOP, SECRETARY

I started as a large dog foster parent in 2009 and became a NASAP board director in 2011 and then Secretary in 2012. I was attracted to NASAP because the foster parents get training and autonomy in matching their charges with appropriate new adoptive parents. I enjoy very much working with the other like-minded animal lovers on the NASAP board.

SHEILA KRIVISKY, DIRECTOR

I got involved with NASAP because on my initial contact I got such a personable response from the organization. After being a small dog foster home for one year I joined the board in 2012. My biggest reward volunteering with NASAP is seeing the often rehabilitated dogs enabled to get a second chance for a happy life with their adoptive families.

VERA MISSEN, DIRECTOR

My family became a small to medium dog foster home four years ago after NASAP impressed me with how they took in, even though it was not in great shape dentally, a dachshund that my daughter had rescued initially. I appreciated that and even though we had four dogs of our own at the time, I thought we could help out too. I have been on the board since 2013. I find great satisfaction meeting the adoptive people and placing dogs in new great homes that suit them.

MEET A NEW DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD

Hello all, my name is Cherise. I'm new to NASAP and the board. I began as a foster home for dogs in September 2013 and became a 'foster fail' for a brief period after adopting my own pup Willow from NASAP in January 2014.

I joined the board in April 2014 and I have been assisting with dog intake. I am a registered nurse at the Stollery Hospital working with kids with cardiac and GI issues. They are amazingly cute and make each shift so much fun. My skills in the hospital have helped a lot with NASAP to care for dogs immunizations and general care, speaking with vets and collaborating with the NASAP team to ensure as many animals are assisted as possible. I'm very thankful for all of the work I've been able to assist on.

SPAY AND NEUTER NOTES

Please be a responsible pet owner and ensure that your pets are spayed or neutered before your animal is 6 months of age. All rescue organizations are being inundated with phone calls from people finding stray pregnant animals or baby kittens and puppies. We cannot rescue all of these animals.

Simply picking up the phone and booking an appointment with your local



veterinarian for this straightforward procedure would help with the disturbing overpopulation problem of stray, unwanted animals. Please also encourage your friends and relatives to spay and neuter to help reduce the growing number of homeless animals.

Thank you from NASAP for being a part of the solution.

PERMANENT CARE

NASAP still has Winston who should enjoy many more years of comfort and happiness. Please read his full story on the NASAP web site www. nasap.ca

HELP FIND WINSTON A PERMANENT CARE FOSTER HOME!





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